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EDUCATION

1993	Ph.D., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
1990	M.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
1986	B.A., University of New Mexico

HONORS AND AWARDS

2022-	Research Institute, Saint Louis University, Fellow
2013-	Medieval Academy of America, Fellow
2012-	John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, Fellow
2018-20	National Endowment for the Humanities, Public Scholar Award
2015-16	American Council of Learned Societies, Fellow
2009-10	National Endowment for the Humanities, Collaborative Research Grant
2009	Institute for Advanced Study, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Fellow
2008	Edward J. McGuire Teaching Award, Historical Society of Saint Louis
2007	Charles Homer Haskins Medal, Medieval Academy of America
2005	Otto Gründler Award, The Medieval Institute
Multiple Years	Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation, Grant for Research (2021, 2016, 2012, 2009, 2005, 1999, 1991)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2004-	Professor of History, Saint Louis University
2007-2026	Director, Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Saint Louis University
2006-2026	Director, *Crusades Studies Forum*, Saint Louis University
2012-2022	Director, *Annual Symposium on Medieval and Renaissance Studies,* Saint Louis University
2001-2012	Director, *Medieval Italy Prosopographical Database Project,* Saint Louis University
2001-2007	Chair, Department of History, Saint Louis University

1996-2004 Associate Professor, Department of History, Saint Louis University
1996-1998 Chair, Department of History, Saint Louis University
1992-1996 Assistant Professor, Department of History, Saint Louis University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2023- Venetian Advisory Board, The Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation
2023- Editorial Board, *Crux Alba: The Journal of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Rhodes and Malta*
2015- Editorial Board, *Al-Masāq: The Journal of Islam and the Medieval Mediterranean*
2009- Editorial Board, *Crusades*: *The Journal of the Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East*
2011-2026 Editorial Advisory Board, *The Classics of Liberty Library*
2021-2025 Comitato scientifico, *Studi Veneziani,* Istituto per la Storia della Società e dello Stato Veneziano
2011-2020 Editorial Board, *Revista Chilena de Estudios Medievales*
2013-2017 Editorial Board, *Allegorica*
2012-2017 Webmaster, Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East
2015-2016 Executive Council, Medieval Academy of America
2013-2016 Councillor, Medieval Academy of America
2013 External Program Reviewer, Fordham University, Department of History
2013 External Program Reviewer, Gonzaga University, Department of History
2011-2012 Program Chair, Medieval Academy of America, Annual Meeting
2009-2012 Executive Committee, CARA (Committee on Centers and Regional Associations), Medieval Academy of America
2002-2004 Academic Board, Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East
2000-2001 President, Midwest Medieval History Conference
1999-2000 Faculty Council President, Saint Louis University
1998-1999 Faculty Council Vice-President, Saint Louis University

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

The Fall of Republics: A History From Ancient Carthage to the American Constitution (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2026).

The Cambridge History of the Crusades, 3 vols. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2026) (Co-editors: Jonathan Phillips, M. Cecilia Gaposchkin, Andrew Jotischky).

Istanbul: City of Majesty at the Crossroads of the World (New York: Penguin/Viking, 2016).

Foreign Translations: 榮耀之城.伊斯坦堡 : 位處世界十字路口的偉大城市, trans. Yujing Lin (Taipei: Pineapple Publishing, 2018).

Audiobook Edition: Edoardo Bellerini, narrator (New York: Recorded Books, 2016).

The Concise History of the Crusades*,* third edition (Lanham: Rowman and Littlefield, 2013; first edition, 1999; second edition, 2005; repr. New York: Barnes and Noble, 2007).
A *Washington Post* "Best Books of the Year."
Foreign Translations: Farsi trans. Abdullah Naseri and Akram Karami (Tehran: Elm Press, 2010); *Historia wypraw krzyzowych: Nowe ujecie,* trans. Aleksandra Czwojdrak (Cracow: Jagiellonian University Press, 2008); *Le Crociate: Una storia nuova,* trans. D. Ballarini (Turin: Lindau, 2005); *Cruzadas: La verdadera historia,* trans. Graciela Lehmann and Alicia Lorefice (Buenos Aires: Lumen, 2005); 십자군, (Seoul: Rubybox Publishing, 2005).
Audiobook Edition: Claton Butcher, narrator (New York: Redwood Audiobooks, 2014).

Venice: A New History (New York: Penguin/Viking, 2012).
Foreign Translations: 威尼斯共和國 : 稱霸地中海的海上商業帝國千年史 /, trans. Fangtian Huang and Yue Wang (Taipei: Marco Polo Publishers, 2019).
Audiobook Edition: Edoardo Bellerini, narrator (New York: Recorded Books, 2012).

Crusades: Medieval Worlds in Conflict (Burlington: Ashgate, 2010). (Co-editors: James L. Naus and Vincent T. Ryan).

Empires of Trust (New York: Penguin/Dutton, 2008).
Foreign translations: 信任帝国, trans. Yi Sun (Shanghai: Xue lin Publishing, 2009).
Audiobook Edition: Richard Poe, narrator (New York: Recorded Books, 2008).

The Fourth Crusade: Event, Aftermath, and Perceptions (Brookfield: Ashgate, 2008) (ed.).

Crusades: The Illustrated History (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2004).
Foreign Translations: Farsi trans. Paviz Delirpoor (Tehran: Sabzan, 2014); *Die Kreuzzüge* (Cologne: Taschen, 2008); *Krucjaty: chrzescijanstwo, islam, pielgrzymki, wojny,* trans. Mariusz Zwolinski (Warsaw: Wydawnictwo Naukowe, 2007); *Historia de las Cruzadas: Cristiandad, Islam, Peregrinaje, Guerra,* trans. Jorge Gonzalez Batlle (Barcelona: Blume, 2006); *De geïllustreerde geschiedenis van de kruistochten,* trans. Corrie van den Berg (Warnsveld: Terra, 2005); *Ristiretket: Kristinusko, Islam, pyhiinvaellukset, sota,* trans. Veikko Ahola (Helsinki: Gummerus, 2005); *Les Croisades*, trans. Bernard Gautier (Paris: Sélection, 2004).

Enrico Dandolo and the Rise of Venice (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 2003).
Winner of the 2007 Medieval Academy of America Haskins Medal.
Winner of the 2005 Medieval Institute Otto Gründler Award.
Foreign Translation: *Doge di Venezia: Enrico Dandolo e la nascita di un impero sul mare,* trans. Sara Chiessi (Bologna: Bruno Mondadori, 2009).

The Crusades: The Essential Readings (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 2002) (ed.).

Medieval and Renaissance Venice (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1999) (Co-editor: Ellen E. Kittell).

The Fourth Crusade: The Conquest of Constantinople (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1997; paperback edition, 1999). (Co-author: Donald E. Queller).

ARTICLES

"The Fourth Crusade," in *The Cambridge History of the Crusades* (Cambridge: Cambridge Unviersity Press, 2026).

"The War of Towers: Venice and Genoa at War in Crusader Syria, 1256-58," in *Syria in Crusader Times: Conflict and Co-existence,* Carole Hillenbrand, ed. (Edinburgh: University of Edinburgh Press, 2019), 211-24.

"Oaths Broken, Yet Fulfilled: Venice, Innocent III and the Patriarchate of Constantinople," in *The Fourth Lateran Council and the Crusade Movement: The Impact of the Council of 1215 on Latin Christendom and the East* (Turnhout: Brepols, 2018), 59-74.

"Reinventing the Crusades," in *The Time We Share,* Daniel Blanga-Gubbay and Lars Kwakkenbos, eds. (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2016), 132-38.

"Las Cruzadas," in *Occidente: Historia y Cultura,* José Manuel Cerda Costabal, ed. (Santiago de Chile: Origo Ediciones, 2014), 1: 198-205.

"The Venetian Version of the Fourth Crusade: Memory and the Conquest of Constantinople in Medieval Venice," *Speculum* 87 (2012): 311-44.

"Rivers of Blood: An Analysis of One Aspect of the Crusader Conquest of Jerusalem," *Revista Chilena de Estudios Medievales* 1 (2012): 25-37.

"Alexander III and Venice," in *Pope Alexander III (1159-1181): The Art of Survival,* Peter D. Clarke and Anne J. Duggan, eds. (Brookfield: Ashgate Publishing, 2012), 315-40.

"Triumph Reimagined: The Golden Gate and Popular Memory in Byzantine and Ottoman Constantinople," in *Shipping, Trade and Crusade in the Medieval Mediterranean,* Ruthy Gertwagen and Elizabeth Jeffreys, eds. (Brookfield: Ashgate Publishing, 2012), 317-28.

"The Latin Empire of Constantinople's Fractured Foundation: The Rift Between Boniface of Montferrat and Baldwin of Flanders," in *The Fourth Crusade: Event, Aftermath, and Perceptions* (Brookfield: Ashgate Publishing, 2008): 45-52.

"Food and the Fourth Crusade: A New Approach to the 'Diversion Question,'" in *Logistics of Warfare in the Age of the Crusades*, John H. Pryor, ed. (Brookfield: Ashgate Publishing, 2006): 209-28.

"Venice, the Papacy, and the Crusades before 1204," in *The Medieval Crusade,* Susan J. Ridyard, ed. (Woodbridge: Boydell and Brewer, 2004): 85-95.

"The Fourth Crusade: A Tragic Misfire," in *Crusades: The Illustrated History,* Thomas F. Madden, ed. (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2004), 100-16.

"The Enduring Myths of the Fourth Crusade," *World History Bulletin* 20 (2004): 11-14.

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"Venice's Hostage Crisis: Diplomatic Efforts to Secure Peace with Byzantium between 1171 and 1184," in Ellen E. Kittell and Thomas F. Madden, eds., *Medieval and Renaissance Venice* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1999): 96-108. Turkish translation: Ömer Özdemir, trans., "Venedik'in Rehine Krizi: 1171-1184 Yılları Arasında Bizans ile Barışı Sağlamak İçin Verilen Diplomatik Çabalar," *Tarih Araştirmalari Dergisi* 41 (2022): 553-66.

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"Venice and Constantinople in 1171 and 1172: Enrico Dandolo's Attitude towards Byzantium," *Mediterranean Historical Review* 8 (1993): 166-85.

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BOOK REVIEWS

Simone Lombardo, *La Croce dei Mercanti: Genova, Venezia, e la Crociata Mediterranea nel tardo Trecento (1348-1402)*; Rahel Meier, Mio corpo venga sepolto in terra sancta. *Genese und Verbreitung eines Wunderberichts des 13. Jahrhunderts. Der Blutacker in Jerusalem, der heilige Acker in Akkon und der Camposanto zu Pisa*, in *Speculum* 101 (2026): 408-9.

Christopher de Bellaigue, *The Lion House: The Coming of a King,* in *The New Criterion* 41 (2023): 83-85.

Robert Kaplan, *Adriatic: A Concert of Civilizations at the End of the Modern Age*, in *The New York Times,* April 20, 2022.

David Lloyd Dusenbury, *The Innocence of Pontius Pilate: How the Roman Trial of Jesus Shaped History,* in *The New Criterion* 40 (2022): 66-69.

Megan Cassidy-Welch, *War and Memory at the Time of the Fifth Crusade,* in *Speculum* 96 (2021): 790-91.

Jonathan Phillips, *The Life and Legend of the Sultan Saladin,* in *First Things* (April 2020): 51-54.

Anthony Kaldellis, *Romanland: Ethnicity and Empire in Byzantium,* in *The New Criterion* 38 (2020): 71-73.

Thomas W. Smith, *Curia and Crusade: Pope Honorius III and the Recovery of the Holy Land, 1216-1227,* in *Al-Masāq: The Journal of Islam and the Medieval Mediterranean* 31 (2019): 122-24.

Steve Tibble, *The Crusader Armies, 1099-1187,* in *Reading Religion,* January 15, 2019, http://www.readingreligion.org/books/crusader-armies.

Christopher Tyerman, *How to Plan a Crusade: Religious War in the High Middle Ages,* in *The New Criterion* 36 (2018): 63-65.

Leslie Peirce, *Empress of the East: How a European Slave Girl Became Queen of the Ottoman Empire,* in *The New York Times,* Novermber 26, 2017, BR17.

Paul Stephenson, *The Serpent Column: A Cultural Biography,* in *The Medieval Review,* 17.05.02 (2017).

John B. Freed, *Frederick Barbarossa: The Prince and the Myth,* in *The New Criterion* 35 (2017): 79-81.

Paul M. Cobb, *The Race for Paradise: An Islamic History of the Crusades,* in *Speculum* 92 (2017): 236-37.

Darío Fernández-Morera, *The Myth of the Andalusian Paradise: Muslims, Christians, and Jews under Islamic Rule in Medieval Spain,* in *The New Criterion,* 35 (2016): 120-22.

Steven Biddlecombe, *The* Historia Ierosolimitana *of Baldric of Bourgueil,* in *Manuscripta: A Journal for Manuscript Research* 59 (2015): 140-42.

Snezhana Rakova, *The Fourth Crusade in the Historical Memory of the Eastern Orthodox Slavs,* in *Crusades* 14 (2015): 246-48.

Michel Balard, ed., *La Papauté et les Croisades*, in *Speculum* 89 (2014): 737-39.

Luigi Andrea Berto, *The Political and Social Vocabulary of John the Deacon's* Istoria Veneticorum, in *Speculum* 89 (2014): 743-44.

Nikolaos G. Chrissis, *Crusading in Frankish Greece: A Study of Byzantine-Western Relations and Attitudes, 1204-1282,* in *American Historical Review* 119 (2014): 577-78.

Marios Philippides and Walter K. Hanak, *The Siege and the Fall of Constantinople in 1453: Historiography, Topography, and Military Studies,* in *Fifteenth Century Studies* 38 (2013): 277-79.

Peter Frankopan, *The First Crusade: The Call from the East*, in *Catholic Historical Review,* 99 (2013): 544-45.

Susanna A. Throop, *Crusading as an Act of Vengeance, 1095-1216,* in *Speculum* 87 (2012): 928-29.

Monique O'Connell, *Men of Empire: Power and Negotiation in Venice's Maritime State,* in *Speculum* 87 (2012): 588-89.

Ermanno Orlando, *Altre Venezie: Il dogado veneziano nei secoli XIII e XIV (giurisdizione, territorio, giustizia e amministrazione)*, in *Speculum* 86 (2011): 1108-9.

Jill N. Claster, *Sacred Violence: The European Crusades to the Middle East, 1095-1396,* in *Catholic Historical Review* 97 (2011): 118-19.

Nicholas Morton, *The Teutonic Knights in the Holy Land, 1190-1291*, in *Speculum* 85 (2010): 1002-3.

Giles Constable, *Crusaders and Crusading in the Twelfth Century,* in *The Medieval Review,* 10.03.29.

Gary Dickson, *The Children's Crusade: Medieval History, Modern Mythistory* in *Speculum,* 85 (2010): 134-36.

Byzantines and Crusaders in Non-Greek Sources, 1025-1204, Mary Whitby, ed., in *Catholic Historical Review* 96 (2010): 104-5.

Norman Housley, *Fighting for the Cross: Crusading to the Holy Land,* in *American Historical Review* 114 (2009): 1516-17.

Review Essay: Jonathan Riley-Smith, *The Crusades, Christianity, and Islam* in *First Things* 194 (2009): 41-44.

Jonathan Phillips, *The Second Crusade: Extending the Frontiers of Christendom,* in *Speculum* 84 (2009): 479-80.

Ronnie Ellenblum, *Crusader Castles and Modern Histories*, in *Speculum* 83 (2008): 429-30.

Amnon Linder, *Raising Arms: Liturgy in the Struggle to Liberate Jerusalem in the Late Middle Ages,* in *Catholic Historical Review* 93 (2007): 919-20.

Holly S. Hurlburt, *The Dogaressa of Venice, 1200-1500: Wife and Icon*, in *Speculum* 82 (2007): 200-1.

Nicole Chareyron, *Pilgrims to Jerusalem in the Middle Ages*, in *Catholic Historical Review*, 93 (2007): 134-35.

Review Essay: Michael Angold, *The Fourth Crusade: Event and Context*; Marco Meschini, *1204: L'Incompiuto*; Jonathan Phillips, *The Fourth Crusade and the Sack of Constantinople,* in *Crusades,* 5 (2006): 201-4.

Christopher Tyerman, *God's War: A New History of the Crusades*, in *First Things* 168 (2006): 44-46.

Irmgard Fees, *Eine Stadt lernt schreiben: Venedig vom 10. bis zum 12. Jahrhundert*, in *Speculum* 80 (2005): 566-68.

Review Essay: "Crusades Scholarship," *The Experience of Crusading*, Marcus Bull, Norman Housley, Peter Edbury, and Jonathan Phillips, eds., 2 vols., in *The Historian*, 67 (2005): 734-37.

Review Essay: Thomas Asbridge, *The First Crusade: A New History*; Jonathan Phillips, *The Fourth Crusade and the Sack of Constantinople;* Christopher Tyerman, *Fighting for Christendom: Holy War and the Crusades*, in *First Things* 154 (2005): 26-31.

Frank Sanello, *The Knights Templars*, in *The Historian* 67 (2005): 369-70.

Corliss K. Slack, *Historical Dictionary of the Crusades*, in *Catholic Historical Review*, 90 (2004): 755-56.

Alan M. Stahl, *Zecca: The Mint of Venice in the Middle Ages,* in *American Historical Review* 108 (2003): 897-98.

Gendering the Crusades, Susan B. Edgington and Sarah Lambert, eds. in *Medieval Encounters* 9 (2003): 184-86.

Antony Leopold, *How to Recover the Holy Land: The Crusade Proposals of the Late Thirteenth and Early Fourteenth Centuries*, in *Speculum* 78 (2003): 222-23.

W. B. Bartlett, *An Ungodly War: The Sack of Constantinople and the Fourth Crusade*, in *The Historian*, 64 (2002): 434-36.

Jean Richard, *The Crusades, c. 1071-c.1291*, in *Medieval Encounters* 6 (2001): 122-23.

Craig Kallendorf, *Virgil and the Myth of Venice*, in *Sixteenth Century Journal* 32 (2001): 869-71.

Richard W. Kaeuper, *Chivalry and Violence in Medieval Europe,* in *The Historian* 63 (2001): 871-72.

Christoph T. Maier, *Crusade Propaganda and Ideology: Model Sermons for the Preaching of the Cross*, in *Medieval Encounters* 7 (2001): 119-21.

Elisabeth Crouzet-Pavan, *Venise triomphante: les horizons d'un mythe*, in *Speculum* 76 (2001): 422-23.

Reinhold C. Mueller, *The Venetian Money Market: Banks, Panics, and the Public Debt, 1200-1500*, in *Sixteenth Century Journal* 31 (2000): 550-51.

Christopher Tyerman, *The Invention of the Crusades*, in *The Historian* 62 (2000): 701-2.

Peter Partner, *God of Battles: Holy Wars of Christianity and Islam* in *Medieval Encounters* 5 (1999): 423-26.

Alfred J. Andrea, *The Capture of Constantinople: The* Hystoria Constantinopolitana *of Gunther of Pairis*, in *The Catholic Historical Review* 84 (1998): 607-8.

John E. Dotson, *Merchant Culture in Fourteenth Century Venice: The Zibaldone da Canal,* in *News on the Rialto* 17 (1996): 9-10.

Anthony Molho, *Marriage Alliance in Late Medieval Florence* in *Manuscripta* 39 (1995): 79-81.

Deno Geanakoplos, *Constantinople and the West*, in *Renaissance Quarterly* 46 (1993): 850-52.

SELECT PUBLIC-FACING WORK

"Abolishing the Senate Has Been Tried Before," *Wall Street Journal,* September 2, 2026.

"Looking for Europe's Future in an Overlooked Corner of the Continent," *New York Times,* May 31, 2022.

"Hagia Sophia: Past and Future," *First Things,* July 17, 2020.

"The Woman Who Smashed a Glass Ceiling in the 16th Century," *New York Times,* November 22, 2017.

"The Islamic State's Members Believe They are Fighting a New Crusade: They're Wrong," *Washington Post,* December 4, 2015.

"The Pope Joins a Fine but Rarely Seen Tradition," *Wall Street Journal,* February 14, 2013.

"America's Days Aren't Numbered," *Wall Street Journal,* July 4, 2008

INVITED LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

"How Republics Fall, and the Lessons Learned by the Framers of the American Constitution," History Comes Alive Speakers Series, Oakland University, September 16, 2025.

"The Struggle for the Church of Constantinople in the Wake of the Fourth Crusade," International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds, July 4, 2024.

"The Legacy of *Conversos* and the Spanish Inquisition," Invited Panel Speaker, Archdiocese of New York, Sheen Center for the Performing Arts, New York, New York, June 13, 2023.

"The Plan to Relocate the Venetian Capital to Constantinople after the Fourth Crusade," Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East Conference, Royal Holloway University, London, June 30, 2022.

"The War of St. Sabas in Context: Towers, Stones, and Blood in Thirteenth-Century Syria," Keynote Address, Crossing Boundaries? Trade and Connections on the Medieval Mediterranean, St. John's College, Cambridge University, April 11, 2019.

"Masks, Opera, and Love: The Transformation of Venice into a Tourist Attraction in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries," The Saint Louis Italian Club, February 20, 2019.

"Catholics and History," Distinguished Speakers Series, Denver Branch Legatus, Denver, Colorado, February 7, 2019.

"Servants of the Poor: The Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in the Middle Ages." Keynote Address, Hospitallers' Dinner, Order of Malta, Columbus, Ohio, November 7, 2018.

"The New Crusaders: Distorting Medieval Europe's Holy Wars in Support of Modern Agendas." The Pauley Distinguished Speaker Series on Global Affairs, University of Central Florida, April 9, 2018.

"The War of Towers: Italian Maritime Rivalries in Thirteenth-Century Syria." Center for Medieval Studies Spring Lecture Series, Fordham University, April 12, 2018.

"Encountering Istanbul in Text and Art." Boshell Lecture, Dallas Museum of Art, November 17, 2017.

"Istanbul Through the Ages." Moynihan Institute of Global Affairs Lecture, Middle Eastern Studies and Turkish Student Association, Syracuse University, October 25, 2017.

"Istanbul: City of Majesty at the Crossroads of the World." Invited Lecture, Saint Louis County Library, January 26, 2017.

"'All the honor you have left in this empire': Venice and the Patriarchate of Constantinople after the Fourth Crusade." Diversity of Crusading: Ninth Quadrennial Conference of the Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East, Odense, Denmark, June 27 – July 1, 2016.

"The War of St Sabas: Tyre, Acre, and the Italians in the Mid-Thirteenth Century." Invited Lecture, History of Syria, 1099-1250: Conflict and Co-existence, University of St Andrews, April 2, 2016.

"The Crusades and ISIS: Modern Appropriations of Medieval Holy Wars." Keynote Address, Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 5, 2016.

"Medieval Crusades and the Modern World." Distinguished Lecture Series, Pontifical College Josephinum, February 11, 2016.

"Forging Election Law: The Latin Patriarchate of Constantinople and the Fourth Lateran Council." *Concilium Lateranense IV:* Commemorating the Octocentenary of the Fourth Lateran Council, Rome, Italy, November 27, 2015.

"Crusaders on High Horses: Modern Appropriations of Medieval Europe's Holy Wars." The Stan and Debbie Crader Endowed Lecture, Southeast Missouri State University, September 22, 2015.

"Crusader Constantinople and the Fourth Lateran Council," International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds, July 7, 2015.

"Catholics and History." The 19th Annual Peter Richard Kenrick Lecture, Archdiocese of Saint Louis, St. Louis, Missouri, October 2, 2014.

"St. Louis IX of France." Keynote Address, Meeting of the St. Louis Chapter of Legatus, St. Louis, Missouri, July 15, 2014.

"Venice and the Reform Papacy," International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds, July 7, 2014.

"King, Crusader, and Saint: Exploring the Life of St. Louis IX of France." Invited Lecture, Missouri History Museum, April 15, 2014.

"The Crusades Then and Now." Keynote Address, Meeting of the Lincoln Chapter of Legatus, Lincoln, Nebraska, March 18, 2014.

"Centers and Peripherals: Medieval Studies in American Catholic Universities." Plenary Lecture, Medieval and Renaissance Studies in the Twenty-First Century, Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, University of California, Los Angeles, January 25, 2014.

"The Crusades Then and Now." Keynote Address, Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, Fort Worth, Texas, October 27, 2013.

"St. Francis and the Crusades." Invited Lecture, The Missouri Catholic Conference, Jefferson City, Missouri, September 28, 2013.

"The Medieval Military Orders: Conviction Amid Contradiction." Invited Lecture, Annual Meeting of the Northern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, Des Moines, Iowa, September 21, 2013.

"The Crusades in Myth and History." Invited Lecture, Visiting Scholar Lecture Series, Rockhurst University, Kansas City, Missouri, September 17, 2013.

"Preserving a Republic in Medieval and Renaissance Venice." Invited Lecture, Cato Institute, Washington, D.C., July 15, 2013.

"Rethinking Holy War: The Crusades and Catholic Devotion in the Middle Ages." Invited Lecture, 2013 Christendom College Summer Institute, July 13, 2013.

"The Crusades, Real and Imagined." Invited Lecture, Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, Birmingham, Alabama, April 14, 2013.

"Piety and Civic Identity in Late Medieval Venice." Invited Lecture, Marco Institute, University of Tennessee, October 3, 2012.

"The Crusades Then and Now." Invited Lecture, Annual Meeting of the Northern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, Lake Ozark, Missouri, September 22, 2012.

"Crusading Studies in the New Millennium," Roundtable Presentation, International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds, July 11, 2012.

"The Commands of the Pope Must Not be Refused: Contested Memories of the Fourth Crusade in Medieval and Early Modern Venice," The Rutgers Distinguished Lectures in European History, Rutgers University, April 11, 2012.

"Understanding the Crusades." Invited Public Lecture, Archdiocese of Denver, December 1, 2011.

"Rivers of Blood: A New Analysis of the Conquest of Jerusalem during the First Crusade in 1099." Keynote Address, Il Simposio Internacional de Estudios Medievales, Gabriela Mistral University, Santiago, Chile, September 29, 2011.

"The Crusades and the Modern World." Public Lecture, Escuela Militar, Las Condes, Chile, September 28, 2011.

"The Life, Death, and Resurrection of the Knights Templar." Invited Lecture, Centro de Estudios Medievales, Gabriela Mistral University, Santiago Chile, September 27, 2011.

"Spouse of the Sea: The Republic of Venice and the Crusades." Invited Lecture, Escuela Naval de Valparaíso, Valparaíso, Chile, September 26, 2011.

"Excavating a Venetian Version of the Fourth Crusade," International Medieval Congress, University of Leeds, July 11, 2011.

"Changing Perspectives on the Fall of Constantinople in 1204." Keynote Address. The Crusades, Islam, and Byzantium: An Interdisciplinary Conference, German Historical Institute in London, July 8-9, 2011.

"Competing Narratives of the Fourth Crusade in Late Medieval Venice," 46th International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 12-15, 2011.

"Did the Plunder of the Fourth Crusade Include the Shroud of Turin?" 86th Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Arizona State University, April 16, 2011.

"Streets of Blood: The Crusader Conquest of Jerusalem in 1099." Invited Plenary Lecture, "Blood: Dynasty, Sacrament, Sacrifice: A Symposium Sponsored by the Claremont All-College Consortium for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Claremont Graduate University, February 27, 2010.

"The Crusades on Trial: Medieval History vs. Modern Myths," The Inaugural Stan and Debbie Crader Endowed Lecture, Southeast Missouri State University, November 12, 2009.

"Triumph Remembered in a Landscape of Decay: The Reception of Victory Monuments in Medieval Constantinople," Cities in Change – Decay, Destruction, and Rebirth, The Concept of Urban Change Research Group International Conference, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June 2, 2009.

"Forming a Venetian Civic Identity: Venice and the Re-making of the Fourth Crusade." Invited Lecture, Institute for Advanced Studies, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, May 26, 2009.

"Venice as Servant of Rome: Medieval Venetian Memory of the Fourth Crusade," 44th International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 8, 2009.

"The Fourth Crusade in Venetian Eyes," Invited Lecture, Crusade, Jihad, and Identity in the Medieval World, The Leslie Center for the Humanities, Dartmouth College, October 4, 2008.

"The Excommunication of the Venetians on the Fourth Crusade," 43rd International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 10, 2008.

"The Crusades and Us: Medieval and Modern Perspectives on Christendom's Holy Wars," Invited Lecture, The William J. Davis, S.J. Lecture, Gonzaga University, April 10, 2008.

"Memory and the Diversion of the Fourth Crusade," 28th Annual Conference of the Center for Medieval Studies, Fordham University, March 29, 2008.

"Medieval and Modern Perspectives on the Crusades," Invited Lecture, Year of the Middle East Lecture Series, Reinhardt College, March 12, 2007.

"The Crusades: Then and Now," Invited Lecture, The Center for the Humanities, University of Missouri, April 3, 2006.

"The Crusades in Western Eyes: Then and Today," Invited Lecture, The Institute of Humanities, John Carroll University, March 27, 2006.

"Memory and the Crusader Conquest of Constantinople in 1204," Invited Lecture, Department of History, North Carolina State University, March 24, 2006.

"Memory and the Crusader Conquest of Constantinople in 1204," International Symposium, Crusades: Medieval Worlds in Conflict, Saint Louis University, February 18, 2006.

"Remembering the Conquest of Constantinople in 1204: Then and Now," Invited Lecture, Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Ohio State University, November 4, 2005.

"The Fourth Crusade and Historical Memory," Fortieth Annual International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 5-8, 2005.

"Medieval and Modern Perspectives on the Crusader Conquest of Constantinople in 1204," 2005 Distinguished Lecture, Institute for Medieval Studies, University of New Mexico, March 30, 2005.

"1204 and the Eastern Schism," Forty-Third Annual Midwest Medieval History Conference, October 10, 2004.

"1204 and Historical Memory," Keynote Address, Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, August 25, 2004.

"The Crusades and the Modern World," 2004 Phi Beta Kappa Keynote Address, Saint Louis University, April 22, 2004.

"Eastern and Western Perspectives on the Fall of Constantinople in 1204." Invited Lecture at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 6, 2004.

"Teaching the Medieval Middle East in the Post-9/11 World." Invited Plenary Address at the Medieval Academy of America Meeting, April 2, 2004.

"The Enduring Myths of the Fourth Crusade," American Historical Association Convention, January 10, 2004.

"'A Creature Most Treacherous': Enrico Dandolo and the Myth of Medieval Venice." Invited Lecture at the European Studies Forum, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, October 29, 2003.

"The Venetian Provisioning of the Fourth Crusade." Invited Lecture at the Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Sydney, Australia, October 4, 2002.

"Food and the Fourth Crusade," Thirty-Seventh Annual International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 2-5, 2002.

"The Crusades and Us," Invited Lecture, Berry College, March 26, 2002.

"The Family Compound in Twelfth-Century Venice," Thirty-Sixth Annual International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 3-6, 2001.

"Venice, the Papacy, and the Crusades before 1204." Invited Lecture at the Twenty-Eighth Annual Sewanee Medieval Colloquium, April 6-7, 2001.

"The Blind Lion of St. Mark: Doge Enrico Dandolo and the Fourth Crusade." Invited Lecture at the Medieval Studies Center, University of Minnesota, March 23, 2000.

"Dividing the Spoils: Thessalonica, Crete, and the Fourth Crusade," Thirty-Second Annual International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 8-11, 1997.

"The Other Enrico Dandolo: The Patriarch of Grado between Venice and Byzantium in the Mid-twelfth Century," Thirty-Fourth Annual Midwest Medieval History Conference, October 15, 1995.

"Extending the Olive Branch: Venetian Attempts at Making Peace with Byzantium in the 1170s and 1180s," Thirtieth Annual International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 4-7, 1995.

"Glory Remembered: Medieval Perspectives on the Golden Gate in Constantinople," Twenty-ninth Annual International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 5-8, 1994.

"Patient Diplomacy vs. Violent Revenge: Vitale II Michiel and the Events of 1171 and 1172 from a New Perspective," Invited Lecture sponsored by the Medieval Studies Program, University of Wisconsin, Madison, April 9, 1994.

"Mystical Protector of the Roman Frontier: Urban Folklore and the Column of Justinian in Medieval Constantinople ," Thirty-sixth Annual Missouri Conference on History, March 24-26, 1994.

"Re-assembling the Venetian Past: Training New Relational Database Technologies on Old Problems," Thirty-second Annual Midwest Medieval History Conference, October 15-17, 1993.

"The Anatomy of a Naval Disaster: Opposing Agendas in the Venetian Retaliatory Strike of 1172," Ninth Annual Meeting of the Medieval Association of the Midwest, September 24-25, 1993.

"Historical Methodology in the Study of the Medieval Topography of Constantinople," Invited Lecture at the School of Architecture, University of Illinois, October 26, 1992.

"Enrico Dandolo's Venice," Meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, August 13-16, 1992.

"The Surrender of Constantinople in 1204: A New Look at a Very Old Problem," Thirtieth Annual Midwest Medieval History Conference, October 18, 1991.

"Father of the Bride: Fathers, Daughters and Dowries in Late Medieval and Early Renaissance Venice," Meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, August 16-18, 1991.

"Fathers and Mothers, Daughters and Dowries: Venice, 1370-1389," Sixth Annual Illinois Medieval Association Meeting, February 25, 1989.

RECORDED LECTURES

Introduction to Venice (Philadelphia: Context Lectures, 2024).

Medieval Mysteries: The History Behind the Myths of the Middle Ages (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2014).

The Lost Warriors of God: A History of the Knights Templar (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2013).

A History of Venice (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2010).

The Medieval World I: Kingdoms, Empires, and War (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2009).

The Medieval World II: Society, Economy, and Culture (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2009).

The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2008).

Heaven or Heresy: A History of the Inquisition (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2007).

Christianity at the Crossroads: The Reformations of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2007).

The Catholic Church in the Modern Age (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2007).

Empire of Gold: A History of the Byzantine Empire (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2006).

Upon This Rock: A History of the Papacy from Peter to John Paul II (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2006).

One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic: A History of the Church in the Middle Ages (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2006).

"God Wills It!": Understanding the Crusades (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2005).

From Jesus to Christianity: A History of the Early Church (Prince Frederick: Recorded Books, 2005).

DISSERTATIONS DIRECTED

2025 *The Past, Present and Future of Jerusalem: Liturgy and the Psalms in William of Tyre's* Historia Ierosolimitana, Evan S. McAllister, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2025 *Consigned to Oblivion:* Amnesia, *Mythology, and Memory of the First Crusade (1099-1373),* Thomas Morin, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2024 *The Knights Hospitaller of the Priory of Venice, c. 1306-1534,* George T. Summers, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2022 *A Mediterranean King in the Age of the Crusade: The Late Thirteenth-Century Administration of Charles I of Anjou,* Samantha Cloud, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2019 "Utriusque illorum illustrium regum, pari gradu consanguineus": *The Marquises of Montferrat in the Age of Crusade, c.1135–1225,* Benjamin Halliburton, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2019 *Venice on the Border: The Rise of the Republic on the Edge of the Byzantine World, 568-1126,* Phillip Mazero, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2018 *Sinking Pisa: The Decline of a Commercial Empire in the Thirteenth Century,* Matthew E. Parker, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2017 *Prayer Warriors: Crusading Piety in Rome and the Papal States (1187-1291),* Richard D. Allington, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2017 Dominus mundi: *Henry VI, Empire, and Crusade,* Daniel J. Webb, Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2015 *Saving Chivalry: Philippe de Mézières and the Reform of Knightly Virtue,* Anne M. Romine. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2015 *The Imagined Empire of Baldwin II of Constantinople, 1217-1273,* John Giebfried. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2011 *Crusading and Capetian Dynastic Ideology, 1095-1147*. James Naus. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2011 Circumspectio *and* Oikonomia: *Modes of Religious Accomodation in the Era of the Latin Empire of Constantinople*. Brendan J. McGuire. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2011 *Clergy and Crusade: The Church in Southern France and the Albigensian Crusade*. Walker Reid Cosgrove. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2010 *Piety in the Devil's City: Religious Life in Verona During the Reign of Ezzelino da Romano, 1215-1260.* Jennifer Elizabeth Wyka Stiles. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2010 *Mary Wills It? The Cult of the Virgin Mary and the Crusading Movement during the High Middle Ages.* Vincent Ryan. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2006 O magnum crucis misterium*: Devotion to the Cross, Crusading and the Imitation of the Crucified Christ in the High Middle Ages, c. 1050-1215.* C. Matthew Phillips. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2005 *To Err is Divine: A Structuralist Analysis of Medieval Irish Hagiography*. Susan Schulze. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2005 *The Lion and the Cross: The Venetian Church in the Byzantine Empire, 1082-1261*. C. Mark Nicovich. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2005 *Continuation and Consolidation: Capetian Royal Policy During the Reign of Louis VII.* Michael Bardot. Saint Louis University, Department of History.

2001 *Ambassadors of Reform: Legates and Legatine Authority in the Pontificate of Alexander III (1159-1181)*. Cletus Nwabuzo. Saint Louis University, Department of History.