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### **Academic Employment**

2009-10 Visiting Fellow, Max Weber Postdoctoral Programme, European University Institute, Florence Italy (Conducting research in the United States).  
2009-10 Associate Member, University of Chicago Human Rights Program.  
2008-09 Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellow, European University Institute, Florence Italy. Affiliated with the History and Civilization Department.  
2006-08 Lecturer, University of Chicago, The College  
2006-08 Project Coordinator, University of Chicago, Human Rights Program  
2004-05 Lecturer, University of Chicago, The College

### **Education**

2008 Ph.D. in History, University of Chicago. Dissertation: "Nature, Self, and History in the Works of Guillaume Budé, Andrea Alciati, and Ulrich Zasius: A Study of the Role of Legal Humanism in Western Natural Law."  
2000 M.A. in History, University of Chicago  
1996 B.A. in History with Honors, University of Kansas

### **Awards and Honors**

2008-09 European University Institute, Florence Italy, Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellowship  
2007 University of Chicago, Human Rights Program Prize Lectureship  
2005-06 Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, Fellowship  
2005 American Friends of the Herzog August Bibliothek, Travel Grant  
2004 University of Chicago, Department of History, Von Holst Prize Lectureship  
2004 University of Chicago Department of History, Travel Grant

### **Publications**

Under Consideration "Human Liberty in Legal Humanism." Submitted for peer review to the journal *History of Political Thought*.  
In progress *On Justice and Right: The Moral Authority of Ius Gentium*. Book-length manuscript based on my dissertation, *Nature, Self, and History in the Works of*

- Guillaume Budé, Andrea Alciati, and Ulrich Zasius: A Study of the Role of Legal Humanism in Western Natural Law.*
- In progress “Rethinking Legal Humanism in the History of Western Natural Law.” Max Weber Programme Working Paper. European University Institute. Scheduled for publication in 2010.
- In progress “Freedom and Legal Humanism: The Limits of Authority.” Invited contribution for *Freedom and the Construction of Europe: New Perspectives on Philosophical, Religious and Political Controversies*, ed. Quentin Skinner and Martin van Gelderen, Cambridge University Press. Scheduled for publication in 2011.
- In progress “*Ius* is Justice in Action: Ulrich Zasius' Discussion of the Limits of Slavery.”
- In progress “Alciati on *Ius Gentium* and Dueling: the Rights of War and Self-Defense”
- In progress “Carl Schmitt’s Critique of Human Rights.” Contribution for *Carl Schmitt, Human Rights and International Law: Early Modern Readings, Contemporary Appraisals*. Edited by Susan Longfield Karr, Joshua Derman, and Martin van Gelderen. Forthcoming in 2011.
- In progress Review of Micheline R. Ishay, *The History of Human Rights: From Ancient Times to the Globalization Era*, with a new preface (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2008), in *Journal of World History*, forthcoming in 2010.
- In progress Review of Helen Stacy, *Human Rights for the 21st Century: Sovereignty, Civil Society, Culture* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2009), in *H-Human Rights*.
- 2006 Review of Peter Blickle, *Von der Leibeigenschaft zu den Menschenrechten: eine Geschichte der Freiheit in Deutschland* (Munich: C. H. Beck, 2003), in *German History* 24 (2006): 318-320.

### **Teaching Fields:**

Early Modern Europe, 1400-1750: Renaissance and Reformation  
 Early Modern European Political and Legal Thought  
 Early Modern England, 1450-1750  
 History and Theory of Human Rights  
 European Legal History

### **Teaching Experience, University of Chicago**

- 2008 Lecturer, "History and Theory of Human Rights." Lecture and discussion course co-taught with William Novak
- 2004, 2007 Lecturer, "From Natural Law to Human Rights." Discussion course.
- 2004, 2007 Lecturer, "History of European Civilization I: Medieval/Early Modern." Discussion course.
- 2006 Teaching Assistant, "Human Rights: Historical Perspectives." Lecture and discussion course.
- 2004 TA, "Human Rights: History and Theory." Lecture and discussion course.
- 2003 TA, "Human Rights in History." Lecture and discussion course.
- 2003 TA, "History of European Civilization II: Modern. Discussion course.

- 2002 TA, "Compassionate Radicals." Discussion course.  
 2002 TA, "History of European Civilization I: Medieval/Early Modern." Discussion course.

### **Writing Internships, University of Chicago**

- 2006 "Philosophical Perspectives in the Humanities: Ancient"  
 2004 "Philosophical Perspectives in the Humanities: Modern"  
 2004 "Philosophical Perspectives in the Humanities: Medieval/Early Modern"  
 2003 "Philosophical Perspectives in the Humanities: Ancient"

Year-long sequence for first year students in the College. Helped lead discussions and offered 3-4 seminars on writing college level work each quarter.

### **Select Invited Papers Presented**

- 2009 "Civic Freedom and Human Rights." *Democracy, Freedom, and Imperialism: Debating James Tully's Public Philosophy in a New Key* with James Tully. European University Institute. Florence, Italy.  
 2009 "Ius Gentium as the Source of Natural Rights and Obligations." *Geo-ethics, Ius Gentium and Natural Law, A Workshop with Ian Hunter and Hans Bödeker*. European University Institute. Florence, Italy.  
 2009 "Legal Humanism and Ius Gentium: The Rights of War and Peace." *Taming Leviathan: International Relations in Modern Europe, A Conference with Peter Schröder*. European University Institute. Florence, Italy.  
 2009 "From Natural Law to Human Rights?" *Human Rights and History Annual Symposium*. University of Chicago. Chicago, Illinois.  
 2009 "'For Wars are Started in Order to Ward Off Injustice and Protect Ourselves and Our Property': Andrea Alciati on Ius and Ius Gentium." *Intellectual History Work in Progress Seminar*. European University Institute. Florence, Italy.  
 2008 "Law is Justice in Action: Ulrich Zasius' Discussion of Natural Law, Ius Gentium, and Natural Rights." Medieval Tradition of Natural Law panel at the 43<sup>rd</sup> *International Congress on Medieval Studies*. Western Michigan University. Kalamazoo, Michigan.  
 2006 "Andrea Alciati on Natural Law and Natural Rights." *Hall Center for the Humanities Early Modern Seminar*. University of Kansas. Lawrence, Kansas.  
 2005 "Bona Fides, Obligatio, et Aequitas: Andrea Alciati's Discussion of Natural Law and Natural Rights." *Sixteenth Century Studies Conference*. Atlanta, Georgia.

### **Research Related Experience**

- 2009-11 Co-Editor and Contributor to *Carl Schmitt, Human Rights and International Law: Early Modern Readings, Contemporary Appraisals*. Conference and book project.

- 2008-09 Invited Contributor to *Freedom and the Construction of Europe: New Perspectives on Philosophical, Religious and Political Controversies*. Conference and book project organized by Quentin Skinner and Martin van Gelderen. Funded by Balzan Foundation.
- 2007 Participant in 'Reassessing Intellectual History: Passions and Virtues in Early Modern Europe,' 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Wolfenbüttel Summer Course. Herzog August Bibliothek. Organized by Martin van Gelderen and Brian Cummings. Funded by the Herzog August Bibliothek.
- 2006-08 Project Coordinator and Contributor to Chicago History and Theory of Human Rights Group. Symposium and book project.
- 2006-08 Project Coordinator for Human Rights Curriculum Development Project: University of Chicago, Carleton College, MN and Macalester College, MN. Funded by a grant from the Teagle Foundation.
- 2006 Research Assistant for Lorraine Daston, Director of the Max-Planck Institute for the History of Science.
- 2004-05 Research Assistant for Professor William Novak's Law and Society Project. Funded by the American Bar Foundation.

### **Academic Service**

- Co-Organizer, International Conference: "The Challenge of Carl Schmitt: Human Rights, Humanitarianism, and International Law." June 29-30, 2009. European University Institute. Florence, Italy.
- Referee for special edition of *European Review of History*, no. 17.1: *Passions & Virtues*. To be published in January 2010.
- Coordinator, Human Rights in History Workshop, University of Chicago
- Coordinator, Early Modern Europe Workshop, University of Chicago
- Graduate Student Affairs Committee Representative, Department of History, University of Chicago
- Graduate Student Representative, Department of History, University of Chicago

### **Professional Associations**

- American Historical Association  
Renaissance Society of America  
Sixteenth Century Studies Association

### **Research Languages**

Latin, German, French, Italian

### **References**

Professor Constantin Fasolt, University of Chicago.  
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Professor Martin van Gelderen, European University Institute.  
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Professor Michael Geyer, University of Chicago.  
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