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Education

1999-2006 M.A. and Ph.D. in history, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor

Research Specialization: Modern Eastern Europe (18th century – present)

Secondary Fields: Ottoman Empire, Modern Western Europe

Doctoral examinations passed with distinction, Winter semester 2002

Dissertation: "Land Ownership and Modernization in the Transition from Ottoman Imperial to Bulgarian National Rule (1878-1908)"

Co-Chairs: Prof. John V.A. Fine, Jr. and Prof. Brian Porter

Members: Prof. Gottfried Hagen, Prof. Gerald Creed (Anthropology, CUNY)

1994-1998 B.A. in history *cum laude*, Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin

Research Interests

Nationalism and nation-building, empire, theories of ethnicity and citizenship, ethno-religious encounters, the comparative history of Muslim minorities in Southeastern Europe, refugees, interdisciplinary research methodology

Work Experience

Returning Scholar Fellow (Open Society Institute) Department of History and Theory of Culture, Sofia University, Sofia, Bulgaria

- Ethnicity, Nations, Nationalism in the Balkans, Fall 2007
- Muslim-Christian Relations in the Modern Balkans, Spring 2008, Fall 2008
- The Researcher in Action: Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences (co-taught with Svetla Kazalarska, Velislava Petrova, and Petya Slavova), Spring 2008

Part-time faculty, History Department, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)

- Western Civilization II, Fall 2006
- Perspectives: World 1800 to Present, Fall 2006

Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan

- Europe Since 1945, Winter 2002
- The Late Middle Ages, Winter 2001
- Medieval, Renaissance, and Reformation Europe, Fall 2000 and Fall 2001

Awards

Fellow at the Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia, October 2008-May 2009 for research project "Alternative Modernities: Agrarianists and Muslim Reformers in Search of "Corporatist" National Citizenship in Bulgaria (ca. 1900-1939)" (within the centre's research program Regimes of Historicity and Discourses of Modernity and Identity, 1900-1945, in East-Central, Southeastern and Northern Europe)

Returning Scholar: Open Society Institute, Higher Education Support Program, Academic Fellowship Program, August 2007 – present

Fellowship of Balkan Studies Training Workshop for Junior Scholars: Russian, East European and Eurasian Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, June 2006

Dissertation Fellowship: Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, Fall 2005

Humanities Dissertation Fellowship: Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, 2004-05

Pascal Fellowship: History Department, University of Michigan, Fall 2003

Humanities Research Dissertation Fellowship: Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, 2002-03

Ottoman Language Study Scholarship: Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey, Summer 2001 and Summer 2002

Research, Study, and Travel Grant: History Department, University of Michigan, Summer 2000 and Summer 2001

Professional Presentations

"Imperial Legacies, National Imperatives: Muslim and Christian Critiques of Bulgarian Modernity," **Empires and Nations, Joint Conference of the Association for the Study of the Nationalities and Sciences Po**, Paris, July 3-5, 2008.

"From Confessional Community to National Minority: Muslims and the Ottoman Empire in Bulgarian Historiography," **Open Society Institute, Academic Fellowship Program, Cross-Regional Discipline Meeting (Anthropology, Cultural Studies, Gender Studies, History, Sociology)**, Alushta, Crimea, Ukraine, May 7-11, 2008

"Ethnicity, Nations, Nationalism," cycle of public lectures at **The Red House (Center for Culture and Debate)**, Sofia, Bulgaria, Fall 2007.

"Landownership and oppositional subjecthood: the failure to create post-imperial pluralistic citizenship in an autonomous Ottoman province in the Balkans (1878-1885)," part of a two-session panel titled *Between Empires and Nations: Imperial Subjecthood, Citizenship, and the End of Empire in Comparative Perspective*, **American Historical Association** Annual Meeting, 4-7 January 2007

Dissertation Presentation at Balkan Studies Training Workshop for Junior Scholars: "Building Balkan Studies: Integrating Multidisciplinary Perspectives," **Russian, East European and**

Eurasian Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, June 20-22, 2006

“The Politics of Land Ownership in Eastern Rumelia (1878-1885),” 10th Annual Convention of the **Association for the Study of Nationalities, Harriman Institute, Columbia University, New York City, 14-16 April 2005**

Languages

Research Languages: Bulgarian (native); Ottoman and Modern Turkish; Russian
Additional Languages: French; Macedonian; Serbo-Croatian

Professional Activity

Ad hoc reviewer for *Comparative Studies in Society and History* and *Ab Imperio*

Membership in Professional Organizations:

American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies
American Historical Association
Middle East Studies Association

Non-academic Experience

Project Assistant at ACDI/VOCA (USAID-funded nonprofit organization in the international development sector), Washington DC, August 1998-May 1999

Intern at Women’s Environment & Development Organization (WEDO, nonprofit organization promoting women’s rights and sustainable development), New York City, June-August 1997