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Education

- 2013–2018 Ph.D. Candidate, Department of History, University of Toronto
Junior Fellow, Bill Graham Centre for Contemporary International History
Dissertation: *Defining Détente: NATO's Struggle for Identity, 1975–1984*
- 2010–2011 M.A., History of International Relations, London School of Economics and Political Science
- 2005–2009 B.A. (Hon.), History and International Relations, Trinity College, University of Toronto

Publications

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- Forthcoming “‘Cruising Toward Nuclear Danger’: Canadian Anti-Nuclear Activism, Pierre Trudeau’s Peace Mission, and the Transatlantic Partnership,” *Cold War History*, forthcoming.
- 2014 “Canada and the British Commonwealth in the Great War: An Historiographical Review.” Co-authored with Robert Bothwell. *Histoire@Politique*, No. 22 (Jan.–Apr.).

Reviews

- 2017 Review of Doug Rossinow, *The Reagan Era: A History of the 1980s* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2015). *Journal of Contemporary History*, Vol. 52, No. 3: 799-801.
- 2016 Review of Timothy Andrews Sayle, “‘A great list of potential mistakes’: NATO, Africa, and British Efforts to Limit the Global Cold War,” *Cold War History*, Vol. 16, No. 1 (2016). *H-Diplo*. <https://networks.h-net.org/system/files/contributed-files/ar659.pdf>.
- 2016 Review of Andrea Chiampan, “‘Those European Chicken Littles’: Reagan, NATO, and the Polish Crisis, 1981–2,” *The International History Review*, Vol. 37, No. 4 (2015). *H-Diplo*. <https://networks.h-net.org/system/files/contributed-files/ar594.pdf>.
- 2015 Review of Thomas M. Nichols, *No Use: Nuclear Weapons and U.S. National Security* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2014). *International*

Journal: Canada's Journal of Global Policy Analysis, Vol. 70, No. 2 (Jun. 2015): 361-3.

Other Publications

- 2017 "Why International Histories Need More Canadian Sources." *Sources and Methods*. <https://www.wilsoncenter.org/blog-post/why-international-histories-need-more-canadian-sources>.
- 2017 "Histories in Progress: Writing and Teaching the Past as it Unfolds." Co-authored with Erica Toffoli. *Process: A Blog for American History*. <http://www.processhistory.org/histories-in-progress/>.
- 2017 "Reflections on the SHAFR Summer Institute." Co-authored with Daniel Bessner, Alice Byrne, Molly Geidel, Sharon Park, Joseph Parrott, Susan Perlman, Agnès Vollmer, and Yanqiu Zheng. *Passport: The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Review*, Vol. 47, No. 3 (Jan. 2017): 50-1.

Works in Progress

- "Once More, With Feeling: Ronald Reagan and Transatlantic Relations in the Early 1980s," co-authored with Mathias Haeussler, in *Reagan's World: The Cold War and Beyond*, ed. Jonathan Hunt and Simon Miles. Book chapter, under review.
- "The Elephant in the Room: Rethinking Cruise Missile Testing and Pierre Trudeau's Peace Mission," in *Undiplomatic History: New Histories of Canada in the World*, ed. Asa McKercher and Philip Van Huizen. Book chapter, under review.
- "The United States and NATO," in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History*. Reference entry, in preparation.
- "On the Ash Heap of History," in *Voices and Visions*. Reference entry, in preparation.

Fellowships & Grants

- 2017–2018 Ontario Graduate Scholarship in History
- 2017 Gerald R. Ford Scholar Award, Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation
- 2017 O'Donnell Grant, Scowcroft Institute of International Affairs, Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University
- 2016 Adams-Collins Dissertation Prize, John A. Adams Center for Military History & Strategic Analysis, Virginia Military Institute
- 2016 Special Supplementary Research Award, Joint Initiative for German and European Studies, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto
- 2015 Research Travel Grant, Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation

- 2015–2017 Research Travel Grant, School of Graduate Studies, University of Toronto (awarded three times)
- 2015–2016 Arthur Child–Ontario Graduate Scholarship in History
- 2015 Distinguished Service Award, Graduate History Society, University of Toronto
- 2015 Pre-Dissertation Research Award, Department of History, University of Toronto
- 2015 Graduate Research Award and Debate Prize for Disarmament, Arms Control, and Non-Proliferation, International Security Research and Outreach Programme of the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development and the Simons Foundation
- 2014–2017 Jeanne Armour Graduate Scholarship in Canadian History, Department of History, University of Toronto (awarded four times)
- 2014–2018 Junior Fellow, Bill Graham Centre for Contemporary International History, University of Toronto

Funded Professional Workshops

- 2016 Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Summer Institute on Culture, Propaganda, and Intelligence in Foreign Relations
- 2015 Nuclear History Boot Camp, Nuclear Proliferation International History Project, The Wilson Center
- 2014 Summer Institute on Conducting Archival Research, Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, George Washington University

Conference Activity

Panels Organized

- 2017 Transatlanticism in the Reagan Era. Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, VA. June 23.
- 2017 New Approaches to an Old Relationship: Canada and the United States After 1945, co-organized with Jennifer Bonder. Canadian Historical Association, Toronto, ON. May 30.
- 2016 A Traditional Cold Warrior? The Evolution of Carter’s Approach to Arms Control, NATO, and Détente, co-organized with Giordana Pulcini. Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, San Diego, CA. June 24.
- 2016 Building Up: The United States, the Western Alliance, and Nuclear Strategy in the 1980s. Society for Military History, Ottawa, ON. April 16.

Papers and Presentations

- 2017 “Pushing Buttons: Transatlantic Perspectives of Reagan’s Foreign Policy,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, VA. June 23.
- 2017 “Anti-Nuclear Demonstrations and Anti-Americanism in the ‘80s,” Canadian Historical Association, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON. May 30.
- 2017 “Cruise Control: Anti-Nuclear Protests, Anti-American Sentiment, and Pierre Trudeau’s Peace Mission,” *Undiplomatic History: Rethinking Canada in the World*, L.R. Wilson Institute for Canadian History, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON. April 29.
- 2017 “‘The Jekyll and Hyde Nature of Détente’: Defense and Disarmament in the Atlantic Alliance, 1972–1984,” Bill Graham Centre for Contemporary International History, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON. March 6.
- 2017 “Promise and Possibility: Managing Western Public Opinion in the Euromissiles Crisis,” International Studies Association, Baltimore, MD. February 22.
- 2017 “Friendly Uncle, Nuclear Cowboy: Ronald Reagan, Transatlantic Relations, and the Fight Over Détente,” Ronald Reagan and the Transformation of Global Politics in the 1980s, William P. Clements Jr. Center for National Security, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX. January 20.
- 2016 “Assessing the Atlantic Alliance From Within: Canada and the Euromissiles Crisis,” Transatlantic Studies Association, Plymouth, UK. July 6.
- 2016 “Double Decisions: Pursuing Arms Control in the Late Carter Administration, 1979–1981,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, San Diego, CA. June 24.
- 2016 “From the Inside Out: Canadian Perspectives on the Euromissiles Crisis,” George Washington University–University of California at Santa Barbara–London School of Economics and Political Science Graduate Conference on the Cold War, Washington, DC. April 22.
- 2016 “Seeing Double: The Military Necessity of Arms Control in NATO’s Intermediate-Range Nuclear Force Modernization, 1979–1983,” Society for Military History, Ottawa, ON. April 16.
- 2016 “Pulling ‘Chestnuts Out of the Fire’: Britain, West Germany, and the European Position on the Siberian Pipeline, 1981–1982,” *Awkward Relations? Britain and Germany in Europe since the Second World War*, Magdalene College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK. March 24.

- 2016 “Preserving Canada’s ‘Traditional Role’: Canada, Croatia, and the Dissolution of Yugoslavia, 1991–1995,” International Studies Association, Atlanta, GA. March 18.
- 2016 “Accepting ‘Untidiness’: The Reagan Administration’s Approach to the Atlantic Alliance,” Bill Graham Centre for Contemporary International History, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON. January 28.
- 2015 “Reagan as Atlanticist: NATO’s Role in US Cold War Strategy,” The Great Transformation? Reassessing the Causes and Consequences of the End of the Cold War, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland. September 24.
- 2015 “Managing the West: American Views of NATO’s Role in the Cold War, 1979–1983,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, VA. June 26.
- 2014 “Repelling ‘Muscovite Tentacles’: The Trieste Crisis of May 1945, Anglo-American Relations, and the Coming of the Cold War,” Centre for the Study of the United States and F. Ross Johnson Distinguished Speaker Series, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON. October 21.

Public Talks

- 2017 “Duck and Cover: Popular Culture and the Cold War,” presented with Katie Davis. Toronto District School Board at UofT History Conference. May 11.
- 2016 “Going Nuclear: Living in an Atomic World,” Toronto District School Board at UofT History Conference. May 5.
- 2015 “Export Controls and the Transfer of Sensitive Space Technologies,” Graduate Research Award Debate hosted by the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, Ottawa, ON. February 20.

Teaching Experience

Instructor

- 2017 Introduction to Canadian International Relations, Department of History, University of Toronto

Teaching Assistant

- 2018 History of Modern Espionage, Department of History, University of Toronto
- 2017 Conflict and Cooperation in the International System Since 1945, Department of History, University of Toronto

- 2016–2017; 2013–2015 Introduction to Canadian International Relations, Department of History, University of Toronto
- 2016 Understanding Contemporary International Relations, International Relations Program, University of Toronto
- 2015–2016 Statecraft and Strategy, Department of History, University of Toronto

Service

Departmental & University

- 2014–2018 Facilitator, Contemporary International History Graduate Research Forum, Bill Graham Centre for Contemporary International History, Munk School of Global Affairs
- 2014–2015 Co-Chair, Organizing Committee, 11th Annual Graduate History Symposium, Department of History, University of Toronto
- 2013–2014 Member of the Organizing Committee, 10th Annual Graduate History Symposium, Department of History, University of Toronto
- 2013–2017 Associate Editor, *Past Tense: Graduate Journal in History*, Department of History, University of Toronto

Community

- 2014–2018 Executive Member, Trinity College Alumni Association, University of Toronto
- 2014–2018 Alumni Member, Trinity College Corporation, University of Toronto
- 2012–2013 Docent, Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library and Museum

Languages

<u>English</u>	<u>French</u>	<u>German</u>	<u>Russian</u>	<u>Spanish</u>
Native Speaker	Intermediate	Advanced	Beginner	Intermediate