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Arts and Humanities
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Educational History

- Ph.D. in Arts and Humanities, Studies in Literature, December 19, 2009, The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, Texas.
- "On the Endless Shores of Steel Tracks: The Art and Verse of Imre Ámos," Dissertation, The University of Texas at Dallas, 2009.
- Bachelor of Arts Degree, 1978, Literary Studies, The University of Texas at Dallas
Master of Arts, 2001 Studies in Literature, The University of Texas at Dallas.

Professional Experience

- Lecturer, The University of Texas at Dallas, 2008 - present
- Program manager and event coordinator the UT Dallas Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, June, 2001 – Present.
- Coordinator of the annual Burton C. Einspruch Holocaust Lecture Series, September, 2001 - Present.
- Organizer, *The István Szabó Film Festival*, The University of Texas at Dallas, February 2-3, 2003.
- Coordinator, *Echoes of a Century: Jews, Modernism and the Holocaust*, Conference, February 10-13, 2008.
- Assistant Curator, *The Presence of Absence: Photographs of Jeff Gusky*, Exhibition, August 17-September 22, 2001.
- Curator, *Secret Agent, Painter, Poet: The Art of Peter Malkin*, Exhibition, The Dallas Holocaust Museum, October 29 – November 1, 2000.

Research Interests

- Research interests include: eighteenth century political theory; nineteenth/twentieth century philosophy and literature; American and European political development; the history of anti-Semitism and the Holocaust; Jewish art history; representation of the Holocaust in art, film, and literature; modern Jewish history; European Modernism; and the history of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

Achievements in Original Achievement, Investigation, and Research

- "Lost Dreams and Sacred Visions in the Art of Ámos," *Comparative Hungarian Cultural Studies*, (Purdue University Press, 2011).
- "Seeds of Hate: Anti-Semitism and the Holocaust," Talk, Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance, June 10, 2010.
- "The Holocaust in Film," (work in progress).
- *The Legacy of Denial: Memory and Loss of Imre Ámos*, (work in progress).

Professional and University Citizenship

- Organizer and advisor to the UT Dallas Jewish Student Organization, 2010 – present.
- Board Member of the Jewish Education Committee for the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas, 2009 – present.
- UT Dallas Communications Committee, 2007 – present.
- Co-authored (with Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsvath) the Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies Certificate and accompanying curriculum, August, 2006.
- Board Member UT Dallas Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, 1997- present.