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Historical Studies, History of Ideas, and Philosophy Programs
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Educational History:

University of California, Los Angeles

Ph.D. in History, 2005. Graduate fellowship received: Project 88 Fellowship, 2001–2002
M.A. in History, 1999. Graduate fellowship received: Project 88 Fellowship, 1997–1998

Hampshire College

B.A., 1995. Undergraduate scholarship received: Arturo Alfonso Schomberg Scholarship

Language Skills:

French - reading knowledge
German - reading knowledge
Italian - reading knowledge

Employment History:

Caribbean Philosophical Association Summer School, *University of Connecticut*, Storrs

Summer School Professor, June 14–20, 2017

International Summer University, Philipps University, Marburg, Germany

Associate Professor of German Studies, June 18-29, 2016

Bogazici/Bosphorus University Summer Term, Istanbul, Turkey

Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, June 23, 2014–Aug. 17, 2014

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson

Associate Professor of Historical Studies and History of Ideas, School of Arts and Humanities, Sept. 1, 2013–present
Assistant Professor of Historical Studies and History of Ideas, School of Arts and Humanities, Sept. 1, 2007–Aug. 31, 2013

Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, Sept. 1, 2005–May 31, 2006

University of California, Los Angeles

Teaching Fellow, Department of History, 2002–2003
Teaching Associate, Department of History, 1999–2000
Teaching Assistant, Department of History, 1998–1999

Other Appointments:

Visiting Scholar, June 1–Aug. 19, 2015, Ricci Institute, University of San Francisco
Visiting Scholar, Jan.–May, 2014, College of Ethnic Studies, San Francisco State University
Visiting Scholar, 2006–2007, Center for 17th- and 18th-Century Studies, University of California, Los Angeles

Research Fellowships Awarded / Sponsored Projects:

"Scientific Racism in the Late Enlightenment, 1770-1830," Special Faculty Development Assignment, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas, 2013-2014

"The German Enlightenment and the Rise of Scientific Racism," Herzog Ernst Fellowship of the Fritz Thyssen Foundation, Research Centre for Social and Cultural Studies in Gotha (Erfurt University), Germany, June–Aug. 2010

"The pantheism controversy between Tholuck and Hegel," Fritz Thyssen Fellowship of the Francke Foundations, Halle an der Saale, Germany, Aug.–Dec. 2009

"The Exclusion of Asia from the Formation of a Modern Canon of Philosophy," Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Alice Kaplan Institute for the Humanities, Northwestern University, Chicago, awarded April 2007 (I declined this.)

"Indology and Comparative Philology in Germany: The Case of Friedrich Schlegel," (10-month) Dissertation Research Fellowship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Germany, Oct. 2000–July 2001

Professional Honors:

Frantz Fanon Prize for Outstanding Book, 2016, presented by the Caribbean Philosophical Association, for *Africa, Asia, and the History of Philosophy: Racism in the Formation of the Philosophical Canon, 1780-1830*

Diversity Service Award, 2012, presented by the Office of the Vice President for Diversity and Community Engagement, University of Texas at Dallas

Current Professional Memberships:

American Historical Association
American Philosophical Association
German Studies Association

Book Authored:

Africa, Asia, and the History of Philosophy: Racism in the Formation of the Philosophical Canon, 1780–1830 (SUNY Series, Philosophy and Race). Albany: State University of New York Press, 2013.

Reviewed by *The Chronicle of Higher Education*
Critical Philosophy of Race
German Studies Review
Journal of the Society for Contemporary Thought and the Islamicate World
Polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren
Radical Philosophy: A Journal of Socialist and Feminist Philosophy
Radical Philosophy Review

Books Co-edited:

Popkin, Richard H. *Disputing Christianity: The 400-year-old Debate over Rabbi Isaac ben Abraham Troki's Classic Arguments*. Edited by Jeremy D. Popkin, Peter K. J. Park, and Knox Peden. New York: Humanity Books, 2007.

McGetchin, Douglas T., Peter K. J. Park, and D. R. SarDesai, eds. *Sanskrit and 'Orientalism': Indology and Comparative Linguistics in Germany, 1750–1958*. New Delhi: Manohar, 2004.

Article:

"Response, or Why It Makes Sense to Talk of Decolonizing the Philosophy Department." *Journal of World Philosophies* 2 (forthcoming/Winter 2017).

Chapters in Edited Books:

"Leibniz and Wolff on China." In *Germany and China: Transnational Encounters since the Eighteenth Century*, edited by Joanna Miyang Cho and David M. Crowe, 21–37. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014.

"The Exclusion of Asia and Africa from the History of Philosophy: Is Kant Responsible?" In *Cultivating Personhood: Kant and Asian Philosophy*, edited by Stephen R. Palmquist, 777–790. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2010.

"Assessing the Work of Richard H. Popkin from the Vantage Point of Comparative Philosophy." In *The Legacies of Richard H. Popkin*, edited by Jeremy D. Popkin, 39–56. Dordrecht: Springer, 2008.

"Return to Enlightenment: Franz Bopp's Reformation of Comparative Grammar." In *The Study of Language and the Politics of Community in Global Context*, edited by David L. Hoyt and Karen Oslund, 61–83. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2006.

"A Catholic Apologist in a Pantheistic World: New Approaches to Friedrich Schlegel." In *Sanskrit and 'Orientalism': Indology and Comparative Linguistics in Germany, 1750–1958*, edited by Douglas T. McGetchin, Peter K. J. Park, and D. R. SarDesai, 83–106. New Delhi: Manohar, 2004.

Other Writings:

"[Review of] *The Unity of Mystical Traditions: The Transformation of Consciousness in Tibetan and German Mysticism* by Randall Studstill (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2005)," with Bradley L. Herling, in *H-German Discussion Network* (April 10, 2007) <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=90461189531829>

"[Review of] *The Languages of Paradise: Aryans and Semites, A Match Made in Heaven* by Maurice Olender (New York: Other Press, 2002)," in *Indo-European Studies Bulletin*, Vol. 11, No. 1 (July/Aug. 2004).

Invited Oral Presentations at Professional Meetings, Seminars, and Colloquia:

"Two Interpretations of Kant's Work on Race," presented in the workshop *Philosophers and Race*, organized by Peter K. J. Park and the Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, University of Texas at Dallas, Sept. 24–25, 2017.

"Enlightenment against China: Cornelius de Pauw's Natural History of the Chinese," presented in the workshop *Translating Religion and Theology in Europe and Asia: East to West*, organized by the Berkeley Center for the Study of Religion, UC Berkeley, March 22-24, 2017.

"Why It Makes Sense to Talk of Decolonizing the Philosophy Canon" (keynote), at the conference *Critiquing the Canon*, organized by Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) and the Philosophy Dept., at the University of California, Los Angeles, Jan. 21, 2017.

"The Transatlantic Trade in Colonial and Racist Ideas: How West-Indian Planters Helped to Underwrite Kantian Historiography of Philosophy" (keynote), at the conference *Tropic of Capricorn: Concepts from the Global South*, organized by the Centre for Indian Studies in Africa, at the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, Oct. 21–23, 2016.

Author's "Response," Author Meets Critics panel on *Africa, Asia and the History of Philosophy: Racism and the Formation of the Philosophical Canon*, organized by the Committee on the Status of Asian and Asian-American Philosophers and Philosophies, at the American Philosophical Association Central Division 113th Annual Meeting, March 2–5, 2016.

"Historical Origins of Eurocentrism in Philosophy," presented at the symposium *Asian Philosophy and the Decolonial Project*, Philosophy Dept., University of San Francisco, August 13–14, 2015.

"Cornelius de Pauw's Natural History of the Chinese, or How a Minor *Philosophe* Shattered the Image of China," presented at the conference *Text and History: Encounters with Western Missionaries in China*, Ricci Institute, University of San Francisco, Aug. 13, 2015.

"Enlightenment Anthropology and the Rewriting of the History of Philosophy: On the Origins of Eurocentrism in Philosophy," presented in the Philosophy Department Colloquium, Bosphorus University (Istanbul), Nov. 22, 2013.

"Enlightenment against China: Cornelius de Pauw's Natural History of the Chinese," presented at the conference *Reading China during the German Enlightenment*, Penn State University, Feb. 24–25, 2012.

"History of Religions as a Facet of the Anthropology of Race: The Work of Christoph Meiners (1747–1810)," presented on the panel *German Orientalism and the Dialogue among Religions*, at the 29th Annual Meeting of the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, Fordham University, Oct. 21–23, 2011.

"The Challenge of Enlightenment Racism: The Cosmopolitan Kant *versus* the Racist Kant," presented to the Dallas Areas Social History Group, Feb. 26, 2010.

"Enlightened Racism: Mutual Influences between Immanuel Kant and Christoph Meiners," presented at the Interdisciplinary Centre for European Enlightenment Studies, Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg, Oct. 21, 2009.

"Comments," on the panel *Conversion: Multiple Identities/Continuities of the Self*, at the German Studies Association Annual Meeting, St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 2–5, 2008.

"*Darsana* vs. Philosophy: German University Philosophers Debate India, 1790–1830," presented at the conference *Exchange of Ideas and Culture between South Asia and Central Europe*, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University, Oct. 28–29, 2005.

"Assessing the Work of Richard H. Popkin from the Vantage Point of Comparative Philosophy and Cross-Cultural Studies," presented at the conference *The Legacies of Richard H. Popkin*, William Andrews Clark Memorial Library, University of California, Los Angeles, June 11–12, 2005.

"The Exclusion of Asia from the General History of Philosophy: The Kantian Position," presented on the panel *Enlightened Responses to the Diversity of Mankind*, at the conference *Frühe Neuzeit Interdisziplinär*, Duke University, April 7–10, 2005.

"India and the Rise of Comparative History of Philosophy," presented to the Seminar für Geschichte Südasiens, Institut für Asien- und Afrikawissenschaften, Humboldt University, Berlin, May 8, 2001.

Contributed Oral Presentations at Professional Meetings:

"Kant's Colonial Knowledge and His Greek Turn," presented on the panel *When Did Philosophy Become 'Western'?*, organized by the Indian Philosophy Association, at the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division 113th Annual Meeting, Jan. 4–7, 2017.

"The Use of Comparative History of Religion in F. A. G. Tholuck's Polemic against G. W. F. Hegel," presented on the panel *Comparative Religious History in Hegel's Shadow*, presented at the German Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., Oct. 1–4, 2015.

"The Exclusion of Asia from the History of Philosophy: Is Kant Responsible?" presented at the international conference *Kant in Asia: The Unity of Human Personhood*, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, May 20–23, 2009.

"The Kantian School and the Consolidation of Modern Historiography of Philosophy," presented at the conference *Seventh Annual University of California Colloquium on Early Modern Central Europe*, University of California, Los Angeles, Mar. 1–2, 2003.

"The Theological and Political Stakes of Bopp's Theory of Language," presented on the panel *Cultural Politics of Language Study in Nineteenth-Century Europe*, at the American Historical Association 117th Annual Meeting, Chicago, Jan. 2–5, 2003.

"India and the Rise of the Comparative-Historical Sciences," presented on the panel *Historical Interpretations of Indological Science, German Culture and Society, 1808–1914*, organized by Peter Park and Indra Sengupta, at the Second International Convention of Asia Scholars, Free University, Berlin, Aug. 9–12, 2001.

"The Catholic-Romantic Theology of Friedrich Schlegel: Pointing the Way to a Comparative History of Philosophy," presented at the conference *One Hundred Years After Max Müller*, organized by the Centre for Philosophy & Foundations of Science, India International Centre, New Delhi, Dec. 11–15, 2000.

"Indology, Comparative Philology, and Romanticism: New Approaches to Friedrich Schlegel (1772–1829)," presented at the conference *The History of Indology and Comparative Philology in Germany, 1750–1958*, sponsored by the Navin and Pratima Doshi Chair of Indian History and organized by Peter Park, UCLA, April 14, 2000.

Classroom Teaching, Undergraduate and Graduate:

(HIST = Historical Studies, HUHI = Humanities: History of Ideas, PHIL = Philosophy)

2018/Spring	HIST 3318 Eary Modern Europe
2018/Spring	PHIL 4324 Social and Political Philosophy: Race and Racism
2016/Fall	HIST 3319 Early Modern Europe
2016/Fall	HUHI 6300 History of Early Modern Thought

2016/Sum	Seminar 7 Early Modern Germany
2016/Spring	HIST 3301 Historical Inquiry
2016/Spring	HUHI 6305 Ideas in Context: History of Race Theory
2015/Fall	HIST 3301 Historical Inquiry
2015/Fall	HUHI 6396 Comparative Philosophy
2015/Spring	HIST 3319 Early Modern Europe
2015/Spring	HIST 6301 Historiography
2015/Spring	HUHI 7314 Enlightenment Historiography
2014/Fall	HIST 3320 Modern Europe
2014/Fall	HUHI 6325 Skepticism Ancient and Modern
2014/Sum	PHIL 101 Introduction to Philosophy
2013/Spring	HIST 3301 Historical Inquiry
2013/Spring	HIST 4380 Topics in Intellectual History: European Enlightenment
2013/Spring	HUHI 7314 Enlightenment Historiography
2012/Fall	PHIL 4308 Theories of Knowledge
2012/Fall	HUHI 6300 Early Modern German Philosophy
2012/Spring	HIST 3319 Early Modern Europe
2012/Spring	HUHI 6332 European Enlightenment
2011/Fall	HIST 3301 Historical Inquiry
2011/Fall	HIST 4380 Topics in Intellectual History: European Enlightenment
2011/Fall	HUHI 6300 History of Early Modern Thought
2011/Spring	HIST 4344 Topics in European History: Renaissance and Reformation
2011/Spring	HUHI 6325 Skepticism Ancient and Modern
2010/Fall	HIST 3319 Early Modern Europe
2010/Fall	HUHI 7314 Enlightenment Historiography
2010/Spring	HIST 3301 Historical Inquiry
2010/Spring	HIST 4380 Topics in Intellectual History: European Enlightenment
2010/Spring	HUHI 6313 Early Modern German Philosophy
2009/Sum	HUHI 6325 European Enlightenment
2009/Spring	HIST 3319 Early Modern Europe
2009/Spring	HUHI 6300 History of Early Modern Thought
2008/Fall	PHIL 2316 History of Philosophy I
2008/Fall	HIST 4344 Topics in European History: Renaissance and Reformation
2008/Fall	HUHI 6313 Renaissance and Reformation
2008/Spring	HIST 4344 Topics in European History: The Enlightenment
2008/Spring	HUHI 7368 Skepticism Ancient and Modern
2007/Fall	HIST 3319 Early Modern Europe
2007/Fall	HUHI 7399 Special Topics in History of Ideas: Historical Inquiry

In addition, I have served as a member or chairperson of two dozen committees evaluating students' theses, portfolios, field examinations, and dissertations in History of Ideas, Studies in Literature, and Aesthetic Studies.

Service:

2017–present	Member, Exhibits Committee, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society and Museum, San Francisco
2017–present	Member, Programming and Education Committee, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society and Museum, San Francisco
2017–present	Volunteer, API Equality - Northern California, San Francisco
2017	Manuscript Reviewer, State University of New York Press
2015–2016	Member, Committee on Effective Teaching, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas

2014–present	Member, Faculty Advisory Council, Center for Values in Medicine, Science and Technology, University of Texas at Dallas
2014–2016	Program Coordinator for Historical Studies/History of Ideas/Philosophy
2014–2015	Member of an *Ad Hoc* Committee for Granting of Tenure and Promotion, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2014–2015	Member, 19th-century U.S. History Search Committee, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2014	Manuscript Reviewer, University of Toronto Press
2014–2015 & 2012–2013	Member, Graduate Studies Committee, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2012–2013	Chair, Gavin Hambly Scholarship Committee, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2010–2013	Chair, University Committee for the Support of Diversity and Equity, University of Texas at Dallas
2011–2012	Member, History and/or Philosophy of Technology and/or Science Search Committee, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2010–2011	Member, Gavin Hambly Scholarship Committee, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2008–2010	Member, Graduate Student Conference Paper Competition Committee, American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies
2008–2009	Vice Chair, University Committee for the Support of Diversity and Equity, University of Texas at Dallas
2008–2009	Member, Early Modern British Literature Search Committee, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Texas at Dallas
2007–2008	Member, University Committee for the Support of Diversity and Equity, University of Texas at Dallas