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TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

2016-present **Associate Professor**, University of New Mexico, Department of History
2012-2016 **Assistant Professor**, University of New Mexico, Department of History
2007-2012 **Assistant Professor**, University of Texas at Arlington, Department of History

EDUCATION

2007 **Doctor of Philosophy** in Medieval History, University of Notre Dame
Dissertation: “Sicily and the Medieval Mediterranean: Communication Networks and Inter-regional Exchange.” Director: Olivia Remie Constable
2001 **Master of Arts** in Medieval History, University of Notre Dame
1999 **Master of Arts** in Church History, *magna cum laude*, Trinity Divinity School
1996 **Bachelor of Arts** in History and Classics, Northwestern University

AREAS OF RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

History of the Medieval Mediterranean Travel, Trade, and Communication	Christian – Muslim – Jewish Relations Medieval Europe and the Islamic World
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PUBLICATIONS

Book:

Where Three Worlds Met: Sicily in the Early Medieval Mediterranean (Cornell University Press, 2017)

Books in progress:

“Migration and Movement in the Mediterranean” (MIP–Arc Humanities Press, under contract for publication ca. 2019)

“New Directions in the Study of Cross-Cultural Relations in the Medieval Mediterranean World: Essays in Honor of Olivia Remie Constable,” co-edited with Belen Vicens and Robin Vose (volume in preparation, for submission to University of Notre Dame Press)

Articles and Chapters in Edited Volumes:

“Bearers of Islam: Muslim Women Between Assimilation and Resistance in Christian Sicily” in “Gender in the Premodern Mediterranean,” ed. Megan Moore (Tempe: Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, forthcoming, in press).

“Women in Battle and in Bed: Sexual Ethics and Female Warriors in Muslim and Christian Crusade Chronicles,” in “Female Aggression in the Middle Ages,” ed. Tracey-Anne Cooper and Christine Senecal (Brepols Publishing, forthcoming, 2018).

“Medieval Sicily and Southern Italy in Recent Historiographical Perspective,” *History Compass* vol. 8, no. 1 (2009): 61-87.

“Muslims in Norman Sicily: The Evidence of Imām al-Māzarī’s *Fatwās*,” *Mediterranean Studies* vol. 16 (2007): 46-66.

Encyclopedia Entries:

“Ibn Jubayr,” in *The Sea in World History: Exploration, Travel, and Trade*, ed. Stephen K. Stein (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017), vol. 1: 263-265.

“Islamic World, 632 to 1000 CE,” in *The Sea in World History: Exploration, Travel, and Trade*, ed. Stephen K. Stein (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017), vol. 1: 148-154.

“Islamic World, 1000 to 1500 CE,” in *The Sea in World History: Exploration, Travel, and Trade*, ed. Stephen K. Stein (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017), vol. 1: 256-262.

“Lateen Sail,” in *The Sea in World History: Exploration, Travel, and Trade*, ed. Stephen K. Stein (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017), vol. 1: 66.

“Serçe Limanı,” in *The Sea in World History: Exploration, Travel, and Trade*, ed. Stephen K. Stein (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017), vol. 1: 149.

“The Crusades” in *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism*, 2nd ed. 4 vols., ed. Patrick L. Mason (Detroit, MI: Macmillan Reference USA, 2013), vol. 1: 465-470.

“Sicily and Southern Italy” in *Encyclopedia of Medieval Pilgrimage*, ed. Larissa J. Taylor et al. (Leiden: Brill, 2009): 683-684.

Book Reviews:

(forthcoming) Review of Nicholas Morton, *Encountering Islam on the First Crusade* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016) in SCTIW Review.

Review of David G. König, *Arabic-Islamic Views of the Latin West: Tracing the Emergence of Medieval Europe* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015) in *Mediterranean Historical Review*, vol. 32, no. 1 (2017): 111-114.

Review of Mike Carr, *Merchant Crusaders in the Aegean, 1291-1352* (Woodbridge, U.K.: The Boydell Press, 2015) in *The Journal of Military History*, vol. 80, no. 4 (2016): 1189-1191.

Review of Simon Swain, *Economy, Family, and Society from Rome to Islam: A Critical Edition, English Translation, and Study of Bryson’s Management of the Estate* (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013) in *Classical Journal-Online* 15.06.07 (2015).

Review of John Watkins and Kathryn L. Reyerson, eds., *Mediterranean Identities in the Premodern Era: Entrepôts, Islands, Empires, Transculturalisms, 1400-1700* (Farnham, UK; Burlington, VT: Ashgate, 2014) in *The Medieval Review-Online* 15.05.25 (2015).

- Review of Eleanor A. Congdon, ed., *Latin Expansion in the Medieval Western Mediterranean* (Farnham, UK; Burlington, VT: Ashgate, 2013) in *Speculum* vol. 89, no. 4 (October 2014): 1126-1128.
- Review of Leonard C. Chiarelli, *A History of Muslim Sicily* (Santa Venera, Malta: Midsea Books, 2011) in *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft* Band 164, Heft 3 (2014): 849-850.
- Review of David S. Powers, *The Development of Islamic Law and Society in the Maghrib: Qādīs, Muftīs and Family Law* (Farnham, UK; Burlington, VT: Ashgate Variorum, 2011) in *al-Masāq* vol. 26, no. 1 (2014): 93-94.
- Review of Alex Metcalfe, *The Muslims of Medieval Italy* (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2009) in *Review of Middle East Studies* vol. 45, no. 2 (2011): 264-266.

COURSES TAUGHT

At the University of New Mexico:

Undergraduate Courses:

Western Civilization I, to 1648; Ancient and Medieval Mediterranean; Ancient and Late Antique Rome; Early Middle Ages, 300-1000; Medieval Crusade and Jihād; Medieval Women in Text and Film; Medieval Travelers

Graduate Courses:

Medieval Travel and Travelers; Medieval Minorities; Medieval Muslim-Christian Encounters

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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| 2015 | Participant in NEH Summer Institute, Barcelona, “Negotiating Identities: Expression and Representation in the Christian-Jewish-Muslim Mediterranean.” |
| 2009 | Professional Development Award, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Arlington. |
| 2008 | Interdisciplinary Seed Grant, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Arlington, funding the Medieval and Early Modern Studies minor. |
| 2008 | Professional Development Award, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Arlington. |
| 2007 | Professional Development Award, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Arlington. |
| 2007 | Philip Gleason Prize for best dissertation, Department of History, University of Notre Dame. |
| 2005 | Frederic C. Lane Dissertation Grant, Medieval Academy of America. |
| 2004 | Striving for Excellence in College and University Teaching Certificate, Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Notre Dame |
| 2002 | Zahm Research Travel Grant, University of Notre Dame. |

- 2002 Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award for Excellence in Teaching, Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Notre Dame.
- 1999-2003 University Presidential Fellowship, University of Notre Dame.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

- 2017 “King Roger II’s Silver Ducalis and Norman Uses of the Past,” *The Normans in the South: Mediterranean Meetings in the Central Middle Ages*, St. Edmund Hall, University of Oxford, June 30-July 2.
- 2017 “Conversing with the Enemy: Greek and Latin Christians in Dialogue with Muslims in the Early Medieval Mediterranean,” Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association, Colorado Mesa University, Grand Junction, CO, June 23–24.
- 2017 “Wanton Women and Women Warriors in Arabic and Latin Chronicles of the Crusades,” 17th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexualities, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, June 1-4.
- 2017 Panelist on the round-table discussion, “Embedding Professional Skills in Medieval Graduate Programs,” 52nd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 11-14.
- 2017 “How to Talk to Muslims, in Early Byzantine Hagiography from Sicily and Southern Italy,” Medieval Association of the Pacific 51st Annual Conference, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA, March 16-18.
- 2016 “Collaboration and Cross-Pollination in The Medieval Mediterranean NEH Summer Institute,” 51st International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 12-15.
- 2016 “Merchants, Migrants, and Messengers: Crossing Borders in the Early Medieval Mediterranean,” invited lecture, Western Michigan University, March 31.
- 2015 Panelist on the round-table discussion, “Is There a Medieval Muslim Mediterranean?” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 21-24.
- 2015 Panelist in the symposium, “Middle East History and the Mediterranean,” University of Colorado, Boulder, November 20.
- 2015 “Were Sicily’s Norman Rulers Trying to Build a Mediterranean Empire?” 34th International Conference of the Haskins Society, Carleton College, Northfield, MN, November 6-8.
- 2015 “Medieval Frontiers and Cross-Cultural Encounters: The Case of Sicily,” invited lecture, Brigham Young University, October 8.
- 2015 “The Portable Power of Sicilian Gold Coins, 9th-12th centuries,” NEH Summer Institute, “Negotiating Identities: Expression and Representation in the Christian-Jewish-Muslim Mediterranean,” Barcelona, Spain, July 30.

- 2014 “Local Muslim Pilgrimage (*Ziyāra*) to Holy Sites in Sicily,” Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association, 46th Annual Conference, Denver, CO, June 12-14.
- 2014 “Greek Saints and Muslim Raiders: Frontier Interactions in Early Medieval Sicily,” 49th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 8-11.
- 2013 “Focus on the Family: Ibn Jubayr on the Conversion of the Muslims in Norman Sicily,” UNM Institute for Medieval Studies, December 4.
- 2013 “Sicily’s Role in the Mediterranean Trade in Foodstuffs,” 48th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 9-12.
- 2012 “Muslim Women and the End of Islam in Sicily,” 87th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, St. Louis, MO, March 22-24.
- 2012 “Focusing on the Family: Ibn Jubayr on The End of Muslim Culture in Norman Sicily,” *Muslims, Christians, and Jews in the Medieval Mediterranean*, 47th Annual Walter Prescott Webb Lecture Series, University of Texas at Arlington, March 8.
- 2011 “Migration and Medieval Sicily,” 86th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Scottsdale, AZ, April 14-16.
- 2010 “Conversion or Commerce? Motivations for the Muslim Conquest of Sicily in the Ninth Century,” Texas Medieval Association Conference, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX, Sept 24-26.
- 2009 “Unity Across a Frontier: Mediterranean Trade and the Norman Conquest of Sicily,” *Merchants, Mercenaries and Missionaries: The Society and Culture of the Medieval Mediterranean, c. 500-1500*, Society for the Medieval Mediterranean Conference, University of Exeter, UK, July 9-12.
- 2009 “Strategies for Survival: Muslims Living under Christian Rule in Twelfth-Century Sicily,” *Coexistence and Cooperation in the Middle Ages*, 4th Congress of European Medieval Studies, under the aegis of Fédération Internationale des Instituts d’Études Médiévales, Palermo, Italy, June 23-27.
- 2009 “Palermo: The City under Muslim Rule,” Sewanee Medieval Colloquium, University of the South, Sewanee, TN, April 4.
- 2008 “Travel between Sicily and Constantinople: Real and Imaginary,” Texas Medieval Association Conference, Lubbock, Texas, October 1.
- 2008 “Water Supply and Water Use in Medieval Sicily,” International Medieval Congress 2008, University of Leeds, UK, July 7-10.
- 2008 “Muslims in Christian Sicily: Through the Eyes of Muslim Visitors,” Session 178: “*Convivencia* in Italy? Christians, Muslims, and Jews on the Peninsula,” 43rd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 8–11.

- 2006 "A Permeable Boundary: Mediterranean Trade and the Norman Conquest of Sicily," 81st Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Boston, MA, March 30-April 1.
- 2005 "Muslims in Medieval Christian Sicily," 8th Annual Mediterranean Studies Association Conference, Messina, Sicily, May 25-28.
- 2003 "The Sicilian Quarter-Dinar and the Economy of the Western Mediterranean (9th-11th centuries)," 38th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 8-11.

Conference Sessions Organized and/or Chaired (See below for panels organized as CARA Director of Conference Programs)

- 2017 Chair, Session 17: "Medieval Mediterranean Cities," 52nd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 11-14.
- 2017 Chair and Co-Organizer, Session 3.4: "Compatible Careers and Medievalist Voices from off the Tenure Track," 92nd Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, April 6-8.
- 2017 Chair, Session 13: "Law: Literature And Language," Medieval Association of the Pacific, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA, March 16-18.
- 2016 Chair and Respondent, Session 5: "Addressing Career Diversity for Medievalists," 51st International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 12-15.
- 2015 Chair and Co-Organizer, Session 36: "Communication, Exchange, and Daily Life in the Multi-Cultural Mediterranean World, in Honor of Olivia Remie Constable," 90th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN, March 12-14.
- 2015 Co-Organizer, Session 29: "Perceptions of Muslim Identity in Medieval and Early Modern Spain, in Honor of Olivia Remie Constable," 90th Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN, March 12-14.
- 2014 Chair, Session 9: "Non-Christian Texts, Travel, and Attitudes," Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association, 46th Annual Conference, Denver, CO, June 12-14.
- 2014 Co-Organizer, Session 344: "Inter-cultural Exchange in the Western Mediterranean," 49th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 8-11.
- 2013 Chair and Co-Organizer, Session 206: "Saints, Relics, and Books on the Move in the Early Medieval World," 48th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 9-12.
- 2012 Chair and Co-Organizer, Session 327: "Networks of Travel and Communication in the Early Middle Ages," 47th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 10-13.

- 2008 Chair, Session 1115: “The Economic and Cultural Meaning of Waterways,” International Medieval Congress 2008, University of Leeds, UK, July 7-10.
- 2003 Chair, Session 12: “Christians, Muslims, and Conversion, Eleventh-Thirteenth Centuries,” 38th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 8-11.

Conferences Organized or Co-organized:

- 2018 Program Committee Chair, joint conference of the Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association and Medieval Association of the Pacific, “Memory and Remembrance in the Middle Ages and Renaissance,” University of Nevada, Las Vegas, April 13-15.
- 2016 Co-Organizer, annual conference of the Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association, UNM, June 16-19.
- 2012 Organizer, 47th Annual Walter Prescott Webb Lecture Series, “Muslims, Christians, and Jews in the Medieval Mediterranean,” University of Texas at Arlington, March 8.
- 2009 Lead Organizer, “Living on the Edge in the Medieval and Early Modern World,” University of Texas at Arlington, February 20.
- 2005 Co-Organizer, Vagantes Graduate Conference, University of Notre Dame, March 3-5.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2017-2020 Olivia Remie Constable Award Committee, Medieval Academy of America
- 2017-2018 AHA Career Diversity for Historians Faculty Institutes representative from UNM
- 2018-2020 Executive Council, Medieval Association of the Pacific
- 2014-present Executive Board, Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association
- 2016-2019 Executive Committee, CARA (Committee on Centers and Regional Associations), Medieval Academy of America
- 2016-2019 Director of Conference Programs, CARA (Committee on Centers and Regional Associations), Medieval Academy of America

panels organized in this capacity:

(upcoming): “Medieval Responses to Natural Disasters,” Plenary Session, 93rd Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, March 1-4, 2018.

“Career Diversity for Medievalists: Insights from Outside the Academy,” Session 404, 52nd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 11-14, 2017.

“Teaching a Diverse and Inclusive Middle Ages,” Session 182, 52nd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, May 11-14, 2017.

“Mediterranean Sexualities,” Plenary Session, 92nd Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, April 6-8, 2017.

- 2016-2017 NEH Next Generation PhD Planning Committee, University of New Mexico
- 2016 Manuscript reviewer for Routledge Press; *Studies in Medieval and Renaissance Teaching*; and *History Compass*
- 2015 Manuscript reviewer for Bedford/St. Martin’s Publications; and *Studies in Medieval and Renaissance Teaching*
- 2013 Manuscript reviewer for *Speculum*; Grant Evaluator, New Mexico Humanities Council Grant, Institute for Medieval Studies, Spring Lecture Series, “Medieval Myths and Monsters”

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Latin, Ancient and Byzantine Greek, French, Italian, Spanish, Classical Arabic

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association, Medieval Academy of America, Middle East Studies Association, Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association, Medieval Association of the Pacific

REFERENCES

Available upon request.