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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Faculty-in-Residence, Clark Honors College, University of Oregon, 2022-present  
Professor of History, University of Oregon, 2014-present  
Associate Professor of History, University of Oregon, 2007-2014  
Assistant Professor of History, University of Oregon, 2000-07  
Junior Fellow, Society of Fellows, Harvard University, 1996-99

### EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Medieval Institute, Notre Dame, Indiana  
*Ph.D., Medieval History*, January 1997  
*M.M.S., Medieval Studies*, August 1991  
Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, Washington, D.C.  
*B.S.F.S. cum laude, Russian and East European Studies*, December 1986

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Books

*Cosmas of Prague: Narrative, Classicism, Politics* (Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2015).  
*Christianity and Culture in the Middle Ages: Essays to Honor John Van Engen*, ed. by David C. Mengel and Lisa Wolverson (South Bend: University of Notre Dame Press, 2014).  
*Cosmas of Prague, The Chronicle of the Czechs*, trans. and intro. (Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2009).  
*Reinventing Knowledge: From Alexandria to the Internet*, by Ian McNeely with Lisa Wolverson (New York: W.W. Norton and Co., 2008).  
—translations published in Korean (2009), Indonesian (2010), Arabic (2010), Japanese (2010), and Portuguese (2013).  
*Hastening toward Prague: Power and Society in the Medieval Czech Lands* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2001).

#### Articles

“Norbert of Iberg, The Life of Benno, Bishop of Osnabrück,” intro. and trans. by William North and Lisa Wolverson, in Jonathan R. Lyon and Simon MacLean, *Lords and Pastors: Lives*

- of German Bishops, 950-1250* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, under contract).
- “The Czechs and the ‘Investiture Contest’,” in *Medieval Ecclesiastical History and Culture in Central Europe: Texts and Contexts*, ed. T. J. H. McCarthy and Christine Meek (Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, in production).
- “The Elbian Region as Predatory Landscape, 900-1200 CE: Slavery, Slaughter, and Settler Colonialism,” *Mediaevalia* 43 (2022): 101-35 [Special issue: *Medieval Unfreedoms in a Global Context*, ed. Elizabeth Casteen].
- “Why Kings?” in *Rethinking Medieval Margins and Marginality*, ed. Debra Blumenthal, Kathryn Reyerson, Tiffany D. Vann Sprecher, and Ann Zimo (London: Routledge, 2020), 91-107.
- “Henry Zdík, Bishop of Olomouc and Premonstratensian,” in *Portraits of Medieval Eastern Europe*, ed. Donald Ostrowski and Christian Raffensperger (London: Routledge, 2018), 123-8.
- “The Deeds of Margrave Wiprecht of Groitzsch (d. 1124),” intro. and trans. by Jonathan R. Lyon and Lisa Wolverton, in Jonathan R. Lyon, *Noble Society: Five Lives from Twelfth-century Germany* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2017), 22-91.
- “The Christianization of Bohemia: Revising the Narratives,” in *Christianity and Culture in the Middle Ages*, ed. by Mengel and Wolverton, 25-57.
- “Manipulating Historical Memory: Cosmas on the Sees of Prague and Olomouc,” *Haskins Society Journal* 23 (2011; appeared 2014): 71-86.
- “Germans and Slavs in Thirteenth-Century Bohemia: Some Preliminary Remarks on Immigrants and Law,” in *The Expansion of Central Europe in the Middle Ages*, ed. by Nora Berend (Farnham: Ashgate Publishing Ltd, 2013), 297-305.
- “Cosmas of Prague” and “Vincent of Prague”, entries in *Encyclopedia of the Medieval Chronicle* (Leiden: Brill, 2010).
- “From Duke to King: Transforming the Iconography of Rulership in the Medieval Czech Lands,” *Majestas* 6 (1998): 51-77.

### Online

*The Medieval Elbe: Slavs and Germans on the Frontier*, a Digital Humanities website (2016-)  
<https://medievalelbe.uoregon.edu>

- Including:
- The Deeds of Wiprecht* as a composite text (disaggregation and commentary; posted July 2016)
  - Wiprecht of Groitzsch: A Timeline (with Rachel Gerber and Jonathan Lyon; posted October 2016)
  - Letters to Vratislav (translation; posted August 2017)
  - A Chronology of Transelbian Attacks (with Christopher Halsted; posted in stages October 2018-August 2019)
  - Mapping Institutions on Germany’s Shifting Frontier (posted October 2019, still in progress)

### **IN PREPARATION**

*Imperialism and Resistance in Central Europe from the Fifth through Twelfth Centuries*  
*A Polemical Collage: The Composition of Lampert of Hersfeld’s Annals*  
*Henry and Vratislav: The Transformation of Central Europe*

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Fellowship, National Endowment for the Humanities, 2018  
Spencer Brush Fund Award, History Department, University of Oregon, 2017  
Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon, Summer 2016  
Spencer Brush Fund Award, History Department, University of Oregon, 2012  
Endeavour Faculty Fellowship, History Department, University of Oregon, 2008  
Summer Research Award, University of Oregon, 2007  
Spencer Brush Fund Award, History Department, University of Oregon, 2004  
Meihoff Fellowship, History Department, University of Oregon, 2001  
Junior Fellow, Society of Fellows, Harvard University, 1996-99  
International Research and Exchanges Board, Short-Term Travel Grant to the Czech Republic,  
August 1997  
Graduate Student Research Award, Notre Dame Alumni Association, 1996  
Participant, Summer Graduate Seminar, American Numismatic Society, June-August 1995  
Dissertation Fellowship, Joint Committee on Eastern Europe of the American Council of  
Learned Societies and Social Sciences Research Council, June 1994-May 1995  
Fulbright Fellow to Czechoslovakia/Czech Republic, September 1992-June 1993; extension,  
July-December 1993

## PRESENTATIONS

“Justifying Forchheim: Lampert’s *Annals* as Polemical Collage,” Seventh Annual Symposium  
for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, St. Louis University, June 19, 2019.  
“Preconditions for Unfreedom: Raiding and the Elbian Frontier,” Medieval Unfreedom:  
Slavery, Servitude, and Trafficking in Humans before the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade,  
Binghamton University, October 20, 2018.  
“Chronicles, Politics, and the West Slavs,” New Visions of Medieval History: A Conference in  
Celebration of John Van Engen's Retirement, University of Notre Dame, April 13, 2018.  
“Why Kings?” Conference on Lordship, Legitimacy, and Government in the Post-Carolingian  
World, University of New Hampshire, October 13, 2017.  
“Monastic Memorializing of Martial Prowess: Wiprecht of Groitzsch, Henry IV, and Pegau,”  
Haskins Society Conference, Carleton College, November 6, 2016.  
“Henry Zdík, Bishop of Olomouc and Premonstratensian,” Portraits of Medieval Eastern Europe,  
Harvard University, April 8, 2016.  
“Přemyslid Bohemia and the Transformation of Central Europe in the Tenth Century,” Medieval  
Academy of America, Annual Meeting, Boston, February 26, 2016.  
“War, Politics, and the Flow of Cash on the German-Czech-Polish Frontier,” 50<sup>th</sup> International  
Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 16, 2015.  
“Vratislav, Gregory, and the ‘Investiture Contest’ in the Czech Lands,” Medieval Institute,  
University of Notre Dame, January 24, 2015.  
“Ottonians, Saints, and Slavs,” The New College Conference on Medieval and Renaissance  
Studies, Sarasota, Florida, March 7, 2014.  
“The Christianization of Bohemia: Revising the Narrative,” Christianity and Culture in the  
Middle Ages: A Conference in Honor of John Van Engen, University of Notre Dame,

- March 9, 2012.
- Panelist, Review of Jan Klápště's *The Czech Lands in Medieval Transformation*, 46<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 13, 2011.
- "Cosmas on the See of Prague," Charles Homer Haskins Society Conference, Boston, November 6, 2010.
- "Czechs But No Germans: Cosmas of Prague's Fantasy of Bohemia's Earliest History," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Annual Meeting, Boston, November 13, 2009.
- "Who are the Czechs? Defining Ethnicity in Cosmas of Prague's *Chronica Boemorum*," 44<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 8, 2009.
- "St. Adalbert and the See of Prague in Cosmas's History of the Czechs," 43<sup>rd</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 8, 2008.
- "'Queen Money' and the Emperor's Anger: The Characterization of Emperors in the *Chronica Boemorum*," Medieval Academy of America, Annual Meeting, Toronto, April 14, 2007.
- "Moravia's Bohemian Legacy (According to Cosmas of Prague)," 41<sup>st</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 8, 2006.
- "'Hawks Eat Doves': Power as Predation and Extortion in the *Chronica Boemorum*," 40<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 6, 2005.
- "The Czechs and Christendom: A Twelfth-century View from the 'Frontier,'" American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, January 5, 2002.
- "Germans and Slavs in Thirteenth-Century Bohemia: A Question of Race?" Medieval Academy of America, Annual Meeting, Austin, Texas, April 14, 2000.
- "Starting from Scratch: Reading Medieval Czech Society through its Artifacts," Center for Russia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, February 3, 2000.
- "Identity and Politics in the Twelfth-Century Czech Lands: Cosmas of Prague's *Chronica Boemorum*," Seventh Annual Interdisciplinary Symposium in Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque Studies, University of Miami, February 20, 1998.
- "From Duke to King: Transforming the Iconography of Rulership in the Medieval Czech Lands," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, National Convention, Seattle, November 22, 1997.
- Panelist, "Becoming Interdisciplinary in a Departmental World: Necessary? Desirable? Possible?" 32<sup>nd</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 10, 1997.
- "The Role of Charters and the Paradox of Centralized Power in the Eleventh- and Twelfth-Century Czech Lands," Medieval Academy of America, Annual Meeting, Toronto, April 19, 1997.
- "The Power of Political Community in the High Medieval Czech Lands," Medieval Literature and Culture Seminar, Center for Literary and Cultural Studies, Harvard University, November 18, 1996.
- "Minting Practice in Twelfth-Century Bohemia," 31<sup>st</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 9, 1996.
- "The Role of Bishops in the Medieval Czech Lands," Midwest Medieval History Conference, DeKalb, Illinois, October 13, 1995.
- "Authority and Community in the Czech Lands, 1050-1200," 30<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 6, 1995.
- "Needs and Opportunities for Research in the Czech Republic," Medieval Academy of America,

Committee on Centers and Regional Associations, Columbus, Ohio, October 7, 1994.

## BOOK REVIEWS

- Tomáš Petráček, *Power and Exploitation in the Czech Lands in the 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Centuries: A Central European Perspective* (Leiden, 2017), *American Historical Review* 124 (2019): 721-2.
- Jan Klápště, *The Czech Lands in Medieval Transformation* (Leiden, 2011), *Speculum* 88 (2013): 1118-20.
- Przemysław Wiszewski, *Domus Boleslai: Values and Social Identity in Dynastic Traditions of Medieval Poland (c. 966-1138)* (Leiden, 2010), *Slavic Review* 70 (2011): 909-11.
- Gesta Principum Polonorum/The Deeds of the Princes of the Poles*, trans. Paul W. Knoll and Frank Schaer (Budapest, 2003), *Speculum* 81 (2006): 217-9.
- Florin Curta, *The Making of the Slavs: History and Archeology in the Lower Danube Basin c. 500-700* (Cambridge, 2001), *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 34 (2003): 92-3.

## FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Full command of Medieval Latin  
Reading knowledge of Czech, German, French, Spanish  
Rudimentary Old Church Slavonic

## TEACHING

World History I (pre-1500)  
Introduction to the Humanities II (medieval)  
A Cultural History of Dogs (Clark Honors College)  
Historian's Craft (methods course for History Majors)  
Encounters with God (Clark Honors College)  
Saints and Society (Clark Honors College)  
Europe in the Early, High, and Late Middle Ages (3-part sequence)  
The Crusades  
Age of Charlemagne  
Tenth-century Germany  
Medieval  
Hildegard of Bingen (Clark Honors College)  
Late Medieval Holy Women (capstone research seminar; advanced colloquium)  
Historiography and Hagiography (advanced colloquium)  
Premodern Historical Methods (Graduate)  
Medieval Latin (Graduate)