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Profile

Historian specializing in twentieth-century Europe, with expertise in nationalism, political violence, and Cold War diplomacy. Experienced educator and researcher at U.S. universities, recognized for publications and curriculum development. Skilled in academic program design, intercultural training, analytics, and CRM strategy. Dedicated to connecting research with public impact and institutional collaboration.

Education

Ph.D., History - West Virginia University, 2014

MA, Public Policy - West Virginia University, 2010

MA, International Relations - SEIS, University of Trento, Italy, 2007

BA, Sociology - University of Trento, Italy, 2004

Academic Appointments

George Washington University

- Visiting Scholar-Practitioner, College of Professional Studies (2024–2025)
- Adjunct Faculty, Elliott School of International Affairs (2022–2023)
- Professorial Lecturer, Department of Romance, German & Slavic Languages (2013–2015)

American University

- Associate Academic Director, International Accelerator Program (2016–2019)
- Adjunct Faculty, Washington Mentorship Program (2014)
- Adjunct Faculty, World Languages & Cultures (2013–2014)

George Mason University

- Adjunct Faculty, Department of History and Art History (2014)

West Virginia University

- Lecturer, Department of History and Study Abroad Program (2010–2011)
- Teaching Assistant, History and World Languages Departments (2006–2010)

Courses Taught & Curricular Design

- M.A. International Global Capstone
- History of Western Civilization
- Intercultural Understanding
- Italian Language and Culture
- Research Methods & Professional Development (Graduate Pathway Programs)
- First-Year Seminar: Live, Learn, and Grow

Publications & Presentations

Books

- *Cold War Trieste: Nationalism, Diplomacy, and "Italianità" in a Contested Borderland* (Peter Lang, forthcoming 2026)

Selected Journal Articles & Chapters

- "Battling over Europe's Identity," in *European Studies Past Present and Future* (Agenda Publishing, 2020)
- "Challenges to European Unity during Conflict in its Neighborhood," *JIOS* (2019)
- "Fighting for Trieste," *Journal of Modern Italian Studies* (2016)
- "Cold-War Trieste," *Modern Italy* (2016)
- "From a Cosmopolitan to a Fascist Land," *Nationalities Papers* (2017)
- "Resisting Détente," in *Italy, Yugoslavia, and International Politics* (Peter Lang, 2016)

Selected Presentations & Lectures

- "The Osimo Treaty," GWU Roundtable (2025)

- "Forgotten and Unwelcome 'Brothers,'" CES (2016)
- "Cold War Metamorphosis," University of Maryland (2015)
- "Managing Intercultural Relations," Maranatha University, Indonesia (2017)
- "Diplomacy at Work: the Dayton Agreement," Inonu University, Turkey (2012)

Fellowships & Awards

- NEH Next Generation Humanities PhD Grant (2018)
- ECAS Doctoral Research Award (2010–2014)
- ISA Travel Grant (2016)
- Dissertation & Research Fellowships, WVU (2011-2012)

Professional Service

- MA Thesis Co-Advisor, American University
- Reviewer: *Journal of Modern Italian Studies*, *H-Italy*, *International History Review*
- Chair & Discussant, CES and ASMI
- Contributor, Cold War History Research Center Bibliography

Languages & Skills

Languages: Italian (native), Spanish (fluent), English (fluent)

Skills: Data Storytelling, Program Design, Strategic Planning, Intercultural Communication

Learning Platform & Analytics: Salesforce, Power BI, MicroStrategy Blackboard, Saba Cloud, Smartsheet