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### **Academic Positions**

Hanna Holborn Gray Professor of History, University of Chicago, 2023-  
Roman Family Director, Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society, 2022-  
Homer J. Livingston Professor of History, University of Chicago, 2018-2023  
Professor of History, University of Chicago, 2013-  
Associate Professor of History, University of Chicago, 2011-13  
Assistant Professor of History, University of Chicago, 2007-2011  
Junior Fellow, Harvard Society of Fellows, Cambridge MA, 2005-07

### **Education**

University of Michigan, M.A. (2002), PhD (2005), History.  
Swarthmore College, B.A., History and Economics with High Honors, 1998.

### **Publications**

In Progress:

The Great War and the Transformation of Habsburg Central Europe. Co-authored with Pieter Judson. Under contract with Oxford University press.

Books:

Against the World: Anti-Globalism and Mass Politics Between the World Wars. New York: W.W. Norton Press, 2023. Paper back, 2024.

The Great Departure: Mass Migration from Eastern Europe and the Making of the 'Free World'. New York: W.W. Norton, 2016, paperback, 2017.

The Lost Children: Reconstructing Europe's Families after World War II. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2011, paperback, 2014. Italian translation: I figli perduti. La ricostruzione delle famiglie europee nel secondo dopoguerra (Feltinelli, 2012).

- George Louis Beer Prize, American Historical Association, 2012
- Radomir Luza Prize, Austrian Cultural Forum, 2012

Kidnapped Souls: National Indifference and the Battle for Children in the Bohemian Lands, 1900-1948. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2008, paperback, 2011.

- Laura Shannon Prize of the Nanovic Institute for the best book in Contemporary European Studies published in 2008-09 in the Social Sciences
- Barbara Jelavich Book Prize of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 2009
- Hans Rosenberg Book Prize of the Conference Group for Central European History, 2009.
- Czechoslovak Studies Association Book Prize, 2009.
- Austrian Cultural Forum Book Prize, 2008-09.

Co-Edited Volume:

Leora Auslander and Tara Zahra, eds. Objects of War: The Material Culture of Conflict and Displacement. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2018.

Journal Articles/Book Chapters:

- “A World of Contradictions. Globalization and Deglobalization in Interwar Europe,” The American Historical Review, Volume 128, Issue 2, June 2023, Pages 703–881. Forum co-edited with Peter Becker.
- “Migration, Mobility, and the Making of a Global Europe,” Contemporary European History 31 (February 2022), 142-54.
- “Against the World: The Collapse of Empire and the Deglobalization of Interwar Austria,” Austrian History Yearbook 52 (2021), 1-10.
- “Fin d’empire et genre de la déglobalisation,” Clio. Femmes, genre, histoire 53, 2021, 165-90.
- “On the Move: Migration and Emigration,” Cambridge History of the Habsburg Empire, Pieter M. Judson and Mark Cornwall, eds. Forthcoming.
- “Condemned to Rootlessness and Unable to Budge: Roma, Migration Panics, and Internment in the Habsburg Empire,” American Historical Review 122, nr. 3 (June 2017), 702-26.
- “Zionism, Emigration, and East European Colonialism,” in Colonialism and the Jews, Ethan B. Katz, Lisa Moses Leff, and Maud S. Mandel, eds. (Indiana University Press: Bloomington, 2016), 166-92.

- “Travel Agents on Trial: Policing Mobility in Late Imperial Austria,” Past & Present 223, (May 2014), 161-93.
- “Forum: Habsburg History,” German History 31 (June 2013), 225-238.
- “Introduction,” with Pieter M. Judson. Special Issue on National Indifference. Austrian History Yearbook 43 (2012), 21-28.
- “Going West,” East European Politics and Societies 25 (November 2011), 785-91.
- “Enfants et purification ethnique dans la Tchécoslovaquie d'après-guerre,” Annales. Histoire, Sciences sociales 66, nr. 2 (avril-june 2011).
- “The Psychological Marshall Plan’: Displacement, Gender, and Human Rights after World War II,” Central European History 44 (March 2011), 37-62.
- “‘A Human Treasure’: Europe’s Displaced Children Between Nationalism and Internationalism,” in *Post-war Reconstruction in Europe*. Past and Present (2011): 210 (supplement 6)
- “Imagined Non-Communities: National Indifference as a Category of Analysis,” Slavic Review 69 (Spring 2010), 93-119.
- “‘Prisoners of the Postwar’: Expellees, Refugees, and Jews in Postwar Austria,” Austrian History Yearbook 41 (2010), 191-215.
- Awarded the John Rath Prize for the Best Article in the 2010 AHY
- “Lost Children: Displacement, Family, and Nation in Postwar Europe,” Journal of Modern History 81 (March 2009), 45-86.
- “The Minority Problem: National Classification in the French and Czechoslovak Borderlands,” Contemporary European History 17 (May 2008), 137-165.
- “Each Nation Only Cares for its Own: Empire, Nation, and Child Welfare Activism in the Bohemian Lands, 1900-1918,” American Historical Review 111 (December 2006), 1378-1402.
- “Looking East: East Central European Borderlands in German History and Historiography,” History Compass 3 (2005) EU 175, 1-23.
- “Reclaiming Children for the Nation: Germanization, National Ascription, and Democracy in the Bohemian Lands, 1900-1945,” Central European History 37, (December 2004), 499-541.

## Awards/Fellowships

Guggenheim Fellowship, 2021-22  
 Macarthur Fellowship, 2014-2019  
 Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2017-  
 NEH Fellowship, 2013-14.  
 ACLS Fellowship, 2013-14  
 Berlin Prize, American Academy in Berlin, 2013-14  
 Fernand Braudel Fellow, European University Institute, 2014  
 ACLS Charles A. Ryskamp Fellowship, 2009-10  
 Sabbatical Fellowship, Institute for Advanced Studies, Paris, Feb-June 2010  
 Junior Fellow, Harvard Society of Fellows, 2005-07

## Professional Service:

Editorial Board Member, *Past & Present*, 2016-2023.  
 North American Editor, *Contemporary European History*, 2013-2015  
 North American Reviews Editor, *Contemporary European History*, 2010-2013  
 Editorial Board, University of Michigan Press Series *Social History, Popular Culture, and  
 Politics in Germany*, 2011-  
 Book reviews for the *The Nation*, *American Historical Review*, *Austrian History Yearbook*,  
*H-German*, *H-Habsburg*, *Central European History*, *The Journal of Modern History*.  
 Prize Committee, Barbara Jelavich Prize of ASEES (2011-14)  
 Prize Committee, Hans Rosenberg Book Prize (2010)  
 Prize Committee, John Rath Article Prize of the Center for Austrian Studies (2007-10)  
 Prize Committee, Austrian Cultural Forum Dissertation Prize (2008)  
 Prize Committee, Gender and History Graduate Student Essay Prize (2007)  
 Organized International Conference “Internationalizing the History of Eastern Europe”  
 with Alison Frank, Harvard University, May 11-13, 2007  
 Outside reviewer for U. of Michigan Press, Oxford University Press, *Journal of Contemporary  
 History*, *Austrian History Yearbook*, *Central European History*, *Contemporary European  
 History*, *Journal of Women’s History*.

## University and Departmental Service:

Roman Family Director, Neubauer Collegium, 2022-  
 Chair, Admissions Committee, History Department, 2022-  
 Humanities Dean Search Committee, 2022-23  
 Member, Provost’s Arts Steering Committee, 2022-  
 Franke Center for the Humanities, Faculty Board, 2020-2021  
 Neubauer Collegium, Faculty Board, 2019-22  
 Women’s Leadership Council, 2018-21  
 Provost’s Arts Steering Committee, 2018-21  
 Director of Graduate Studies, History Department, 2015-2018  
 Executive Board Member, Center for East European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, 2008-  
 Present  
 Human Rights Program, Co-Chair, Faculty Board of Directors, 2015-present  
 Center for Jewish Studies, Faculty Board, 2011-2014  
 Co-Sponsor (with Leora Auslander and Michael Geyer), Transnational Approaches to Modern  
 European History Workshop, 2007-present  
 Chair, Modern Germany Search Committee, 2016-17

Chair, Russian/Soviet Search Committee, 2012-13  
Graduate Student Affairs Committee, 2012-15  
Social Sciences Division Research Grant Committee, 2013  
China Search Committee, 2012  
History Department Website Committee, 2011-12  
Endeavor Foundation Selection Committee, 2009-2013  
Human Rights Program, Graduate Student Lectureship Selection Committee, 2012  
Harper/Markovitz Selection Committee, 2012.  
Saller Dissertation Prize Committee, 2011  
Russian History Search Committee, 2009-10.  
British Scholarships Selection Committee, Fall 2008.  
FLAS/Fulbright Selection Committee, Center for East European, Russian, and Eurasian  
Studies, 2009, 2011-  
History Department Graduate Teaching, Fellowships and Placement Committee, 2008-11.