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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2025-Present Assistant Teaching Professor
College of Integrative Sciences and Arts
Arizona State University, Mesa, AZ
- 2023-2025 Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of History
University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK
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EDUCATION

- 2023 Ph.D., History
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
Graduate of the Institute on Napoleon and the French Revolution
Major Field: Early Modern Europe
Minor Fields: Medicine, Science and Environment; Islamic World; Atlantic World
Dissertation: "Making Economies: Military Medicine and the French State, 1708-1815"
- 2014 M.A., History
Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA
Major Field: Early Modern France
- 2011 B.A., History
Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
Minors: French; Classics
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PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2025 "Contention on the Cotentin: Military-Medical Entrepreneurs and the French Contractor State during the Seven Years' War," Forthcoming, *War in History*, **DOI:** <https://doi.org/10.1177/09683445251338543>
- 2024 "Medicalizing Topography: The French Army and Mediterranean Climates, 1760-1860." *The Canadian Journal of Health History/ Revue canadienne d'histoire de la santé*, 41, no. 1, (April 2024): 37-66. **DOI:** <https://doi.org/10.3138/cjhh.624-122022>

Book Reviews

- 2024 Lewis Wade, *Privilege, Economy and State in Old Regime France: Marine Insurance, War and the Atlantic Empire under Louis XIV*, for H-War, H-Net Reviews. December, 2024. **URL:** <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=60452>

- 2022 Sean Quinlan, *Morbid Undercurrents: Medical Subcultures in Postrevolutionary France in History: Reviews of New Books* 50, no. 3 (May 2022) DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/03612759.2022.2060723>
- 2021 Walter Bruyère-Ostells, Benoît Pouget, Michel Signoli (dir.), *Des chairs et des larmes. Combattre, souffrir, mourir dans les guerres de la Révolution et de l'Empire, 1792–1815*, in *Francia-Recensio* 2021/4. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.11588/frrec.2021.4.84978>
- 2020 Tim Lockley, *Military Medicine and the Making of Race: Life and Death in the West India Regiments, 1795-1874*, for H-War, H-Net Reviews. November, 2020. URL: <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=55426>

Online Contributions

- 2021 Benjamin Goff. “Featured Archive: Special Collections at Florida State University”. The Society for the Study of French History, French History Network Blog. June 2021. URL: <http://frenchhistorysociety.co.uk/blog/?p=2980>

Works in Progress

- 2026 (anticipated) Book manuscript: *Managing Manpower during the Enlightenment: Military Healthcare and the French Fiscal-Military State, 1650-1815*

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2024 Explore Grant, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)
- 2023 Research Fellowship, International Commission on Military History
- 2022 Ben Weider Fellowship, Florida State University
- 2021 Ben Weider Fellowship, Florida State University
- 2021 Masséna Society Dissertation Research Fellowship, The Masséna Society
- 2021 Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Grant, Florida State University
- 2020 Harmon Chadbourn Rorison Fellowship, The Society for French Historical Studies
- 2020 Micro Grant, Society for Military History
- 2020 Martin-Vegue Fellowship, Florida State University
- 2019 Masséna Society Dissertation Research Fellowship, The Masséna Society
- 2018 Mellon Institute in French Paleography Summer Fellow, Newberry Library
- 2018 Masséna Society Dissertation Research Fellowship, The Masséna Society
- 2016 Conference Travel Grant, International Napoleonic Society
- 2015 Legacy Fellowship, Florida State University
- 2015 Donald D. Horward Fellowship, Florida State University

AWARDS

- 2021 Joe Richardson Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching, Florida State University
- 2011 Best Undergraduate Paper, Pennsylvania East Regional Conference, Phi Alpha Theta

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Arizona State University: 2025-Present

- MVS 100 Introduction to Military Studies
MVS 401 The Military: Law, Ethics, Culture (*Taught Asynchronously Online*)
MVS 402 Technology and Warfare (*Taught Asynchronously Online*)

University of Saskatchewan: 2024

- HIST 233 War and Medicine from Paracelsus to Penicillin

United States Naval War College: 2024-2025

- Foundational Knowledge Course (*Taught Asynchronously Online*)
Fundamentals of Strategy (*Taught Asynchronously Online*)

Florida State University: 2016-2023

- ASH 1044 Middle East History and Civilization (*Taught Asynchronously Online*)
WHO 1023 The Modern World to 1815
HIS 3491 Medicine and Society in the United States
IDS 1107 Understand the Past, Live in the Present, Shape the Future
WHO 1030 The Modern World since 1815 (*Teaching Assistant*)
IDS 3415 Guns, Drugs, and Slaves (*Teaching Assistant*)
AMH 2097 Race and Ethnicity in the U.S. (*Teaching Assistant*)

Butler County Community College: 2014-2015

- HIST 121 Ancient History
HIST 201 Early United States History

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**Papers Presented**

- 2024 “On Bedding: Military-Medical Regulation and the State’s Political Economy of Health” Society for French Historical Studies, Hempstead, NY
- 2024 “The French Military Enlightenment in Practice: Healthcare and the Fiscal-Military State,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Baton Rouge, LA
- 2023 “In Defense of *Abus*: Military-Medical Contractors and Corruption Under the Old Regime,” Society for French Historical Studies, Detroit, MI
- 2023 “Orderlies and Nurses in the French Army During the Long Eighteenth Century: A History from Below,” Society for French Historical Studies, Detroit, MI
- 2022 “Medical Topography and Military Medicine in the French Mediterranean, 1760-1860,” Many Faces of War VII – Disease in War, Brookings, SD
- 2022 “*Entrepreneurs and Régisseurs*: The Economics of Military Hospitals in the Revolutionary Era” Society for French Historical Studies, Charlotte, NC

- 2022 “French Military Medical Topography in the Mediterranean World, 1760-1860,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Starkville, MS
- 2022 “Soldiers’ Healthcare in Eighteenth-Century France: Military Necessity or Natural Right?” Southeastern Regional Graduate Conference, Tallahassee, FL
- 2020 “Cultivating and Deploying Naval Medicine in the Eighteenth-Century French World,” Society for Military History, Washington, DC (Cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic)
- 2019 “Military Medicine and the Relationship between Knowledge and Empire,” Society for Military History, Columbus, OH
- 2017 “The *Milice* of Eighteenth-Century France,” Society for Military History, Jacksonville, FL
- 2017 “Militias in Late Eighteenth-Century France: Reforms and the Revolution,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Charleston, SC
- 2016 “Provincial Regiments and Service Exemptions in Late Eighteenth-Century France,” Florida State War and Society Workshop, Tallahassee, FL
- 2016 “Conceptions of Martial Strength in the French Enlightenment,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Shreveport, LA
- 2016 “Early Modern French Military Culture: A Literary Analysis of the Sixteenth Century,” Southeastern Regional Graduate Conference, Tallahassee, FL
- 2016 “The Military as a Reflection of National Character: 1800-1815,” International Napoleonic Congress, Dublin, Ireland

Conferences Organized

- 2020 The Eleventh Annual Southeast Regional Graduate Student Conference, “Otherness and Unheard Narratives” presented by the FSU History Graduate Student Association

Panels Organized

- 2024 At the Interstices of France’s Early Modern Military-Medical Institution, Society for French Historical Studies, Hempstead, NY
- 2023 Ailing Men, Corrupt Contractors, and the Fever Bark: Military Medicine in Early-Modern France, Society for French Historical Studies, Detroit, MI
- 2022 Subcontracting the Revolution: Medicine, Mail, and Metaphor during the French Revolutionary Wars, Society for French Historical Studies, Charlotte, NC
- 2022 Medicine & Health in Empire, Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Starkville, MS

Discussant

- 2020 Comment, “Sulphur and Sailing: Science and Medicine in the Revolutionary Era,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Tallahassee, FL

2020 Chair, “The Medieval World and the Supernatural,” Southeast Regional Graduate Student Conference, Tallahassee, FL

OTHER ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2024-2025 Adjunct Faculty Member
College of Distance Education
United States Naval War College, Newport, RI

2014-2015 Adjunct Faculty Member
Liberal Arts Division
Butler County Community College, Butler, PA

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2019-2022 Judge, National History Day, Tallahassee, Florida
2020-2021 Mentor, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP), Florida State University
2019-2020 Vice President, History Graduate Student Association, Florida State University
2019-2020 Conference Chair, Southeast Regional Graduate Student Conference, Florida State University
2019-2023 Mentor, Advised and guided incoming graduate student, Florida State University
2011-2012 Volunteer, Butler County Historical Society, Butler Pennsylvania
2010 Intern, Eagles Mere Museum, Eagles Mere, Pennsylvania

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2023 Postdoctoral Fellow, working with Dr. Matthew Neufeld. Project: “Taking Care of Captives.” As part of a team of historians working on a transnational history of prisoners of war in early eighteenth-century Europe, I translated, transcribed, and organized French primary sources.

2022 Assistant to Dr. Will Hanley. Project “International Law Corpus.” For this digital humanities project, I used RegEx and XPath to clean digitized 19th-century journals, then performed a citation analysis study.

2021 Assistant to Dr. Nilay Özok-Gündoğan. Project “Venerable Friends, Formidable Enemies: Kurdish Nobles and the Ottoman State in the Long Nineteenth Century.” Translated and summarized primary and secondary sources from French into English.

2019 Assistant to Dr. Ron Doel. Project: “International Scientific Cooperation during the Cold War.” Florida State University. Compiled and annotated an index of primary sources.

2016 Assistant to Dr. Laurie Wood. Project: “Risks & Realities: Death and Credit in the French Tropics.” Florida State University. Organized bibliographic material and transcribed primary documents.

CERTIFICATES AND NON-DEGREE PROGRAMS

2022	Diversity and Inclusion Certificate Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
2021	Computational Methods in the Humanities Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
2018	Mellon Summer Institute in French Paleography Newberry Library, Chicago, IL
2011	French Language Summer Intensive Course, Levels B1 and B2 Centre de Linguistique Appliquée, Université de Franche-Comté, Besançon, France

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association
Society for French Historical Studies
Institute on Napoleon and the French Revolution
Society for Military History
Fellows Society, Florida State University
Phi Alpha Theta
H-War
H-France

LANGUAGES

French

REFERENCES

Rafe Blaufarb
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Professor of History
Ben Weider Eminent Scholar in Napoleonic Studies
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Matthew Neufeld
University of Saskatchewan
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Duquesne University
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