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## Education:

- 2019                                   **Ph.D. (History) – Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA**  
Dissertation: **German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union: Life, Law, Memory, 1941-1956.**  
Committee: Wendy Goldman (Main Advisor), Steven Barnes (George Mason University), Donna Harsch, Paul Eiss.
- 2014                                   **M.A. (History) – Carnegie Mellon University**
- 2011                                   **B.A. – Lafayette College, Major: Russian and East European Studies, Minor: German; Dean’s List every semester, Graduated *summa cum laude* and with Departmental Honors. Class of 1910 History Prize and Rexroth German Prize recipient.**

## Teaching Experience:

**Instructor**, Department of History, University of Pittsburgh  
History 29623: “Digital Atlas Design Internship,” 2019.

**Instructor of Record**, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University  
History 79-266: “Russian History: From Communism to Capitalism,” 2018

**Head Teaching Assistant**, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University  
History 79-104: “Global Histories: Genocide and Weapons of Mass Destruction,” 2017  
With Professor Ricky Law

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University  
History 79-104: “Global Histories: Genocide and Weapons of Mass Destruction,” 2015, 2014  
With Professor Ricky Law

**Substitute Teacher**, St. Luke’s School, New Canaan, CT  
Taught a variety of classes including Spanish, French, Art, History, and Math for students grades 5-12.  
2012-2013

**Instructor**, Wilton and Norwalk Tang Soo Do Karate, CT  
As a second-degree black belt, taught the Korean martial art Tang Soo Do and self-defense techniques to children and adults in the Parks and Recreation Department programs in Wilton and Norwalk, CT.  
2012-2013

**Fulbright English Teaching Assistant**, Department of Applied Linguistics, Ulyanovsk State Technical University, Russia

Taught students in all five years of the program in the Applied Linguistics Department as well as translation night students. Designed and led university-wide English club. Designed lessons for two different levels of workers of the International Office.

2011-2012

### **Academic Fellowships and Prizes:**

July 2019 – June 2021 *Digital History Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Pittsburgh World History Center*

May 2019 *Goldman Award for Excellence in Teaching, Carnegie Mellon*

January 2019 – May 2019 *Department of History Writing Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon*

January 2018 – December 2018 *A.W. Mellon Digital Humanities Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon*

October 2017 – June 2019 *Humanities, Arts, Science, and Technology Alliance and Collaboratory (HASTAC) Scholar*

September 2016 – June 2017 *Cohen-Tucker Dissertation Research Fellowship, Association of Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies*

January 2017 *Best Paper Prize for “Assessing the Economic Contribution of German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union, 1941-1956” at the International Business and Economic Conference (IBEC) at Austral University of Chile at Puerto Montt, Puerto Montt, Chile.*

January 2016 – December 2016 *A.W. Mellon Digital Humanities Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon*

June 2015 *Research Associate at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Summer Research Laboratory on Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia*

January 2015 – May 2015 *A.W. Mellon Sawyer Seminar Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon*

September 2011 – June 2012 *Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Scholarship, Ulyanovsk, Russia*

September 2011 – April 2012 *Fulbright Critical Language Enhancement Award, Russian*

March 2011 *United States Department of State Critical Language Scholarship, Russian, Declined in favor of Fulbright Scholarship*

### **Travel Grants:**

June 2018 *Kathryn W. Davis Graduate Student Travel Grant, Association of Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies*

February 2018 *Central European History Society Travel and Research Grant*

## **Invited Lectures:**

“Doing Historical Digital Mapping: The Soviet Union’s POW Archipelago,” March 28, 2019 hosted by the Department of History and Digital Scholarship Services of Skillman Library at Lafayette College, Easton, PA.

“Not One Step Back: Nazis, Gulags, and Grad School,” March 27, 2019 Phi Alpha Theta Keynote Address hosted by the Department of History at Lafayette College, Easton, PA.

“The American Educational System.” October 19, 2016 Guest lecture at the Russian-American Academic Center of the Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow, Russia.

“America: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow.” September 14, 2016 at the 5<sup>th</sup> Ulyanovsk Youth Innovation Forum of the Ulyanovsk State Technical University, Russia.

## **Conference Presentations:**

“Who Let the War Dogs Out: Repatriating German Prisoners of War from the Soviet Union, 1945-1956,” November 24, 2019, at the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Conference, San Francisco, California.

Panel Chair and Organizer for “Digital Humanities Pedagogy: How to Incorporate DH Tools and Resources in the Classroom,” November 23, 2019, at the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Conference, San Francisco, California.

“Digital Methods for Soviet-German History: The Case of German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union, 1941-1956,” November 7, 2019 at the “New Approaches in Central and East European History. The Digital and Spatial Turn,” Conference, Lüneburg, Germany.

“Digital Humanities, GIS, and New Understandings of Soviet History,” October 2019, at the “Technology, Culture, and Society in the Eurasian Space Conference,” Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland.

“From Motherland to Fatherland: The Repatriation of German Prisoners of War from the Soviet Union, 1945-1956,” April 6, 2019 at the Midwest Slavic Conference, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

“Here, There, and Everywhere: German POW Camps in the USSR, 1941-1956,” December 6, 2018 at the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Conference, Boston, Massachusetts. Panel organizer.

“When to Use GIS Mapping for Historical Research,” December 6, 2018 at the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.

Panel Chair for “Emerging Methods in Spatial History,” November 10, 2018 at the Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona.

“Historical GIS and the Case of German POWs in the USSR, 1941-1956,” November 9, 2018 at the Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona.

“The Geography of German Prisoner of War Camps in the Soviet Union: Industry, Infrastructure, and the Environment,” October 10, 2018 at the Carnegie Mellon University Environmental Humanities Research Seminar, Pittsburgh, PA.

Panel Chair for “Values After the Boom: International Youth Cultures in Late Divided Germany,” September 28, 2018 at the German Studies Association Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

“Where in the USSR Were the German POWs, 1941-1956: A Historical GIS Analysis,” September 28, 2018 at the German Studies Association Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Panel organizer.

“From ‘War Dogs’ to Mourned Men: Commemoration of German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union and Russia.” March 25, 2018 at the Midwest Slavic Conference, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

“German POWs in the USSR, 1941-1956: A GIS Analysis.” January 26, 2018 at the Socialist Studies Seminar hosted by the Carnegie Mellon University Department of History, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

“Tracing German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union, 1941-1956.” November 10, 2017 at the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Conference in Chicago, Illinois. Panel co-organizer.

“Память о немецких военнопленных в СССР и России.” (“Memory of German Prisoners of War in the USSR and Russia.”) September 26, 2017 at the conference “Russia in the World. Western Russian Studies: Modern Tendencies,” hosted by the Institute of General History of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia. Presentation given in Russian.

“Assessing the Economic Contribution of German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union, 1941-1956.” January 5, 2017 at the International Business and Economic Conference (IBEC) at Austral University of Chile at Puerto Montt, Puerto Montt, Chile. Awarded Best Paper Prize at conference.

“German POWs in the Soviet Gulag: Mapping Their Experiences, 1941-1956.” June 22, 2016 at the Keystone Digital Humanities Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

“Mapping German POWs in the Soviet Gulag, 1945-1956.” June 14, 2016 at the Digital Humanities Summer Institute Colloquium at the University of Victoria, Canada.

“The Rocky Road to Modernity: Global Technology Trade and the Soviet Automotive Industry.” April 1, 2011 at the 25<sup>th</sup> National Conferences on Undergraduate Research held at Ithaca College, NY. Presentation of Honors Thesis.

“57 Soccer Balls in the Trunk: The Development of East and West-German Automotive Industries.” March 26, 2011 at the Undergraduate Research Conference in German Studies held at Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA. Ehrenpreis (Honorary Award) given for paper presentation.

### **Digital Projects:**

Carnegie Mellon University Digital Humanities Literacy Guidebook, forthcoming, 2019. Content writer.

Digital Humanities Online Literacy Workshop Coordinator, Carnegie Mellon University, 2019.

“Seventeen Moments in Soviet History: An on-line archive of primary sources,” <http://soviethistory.msu.edu/>. Team member for visualizations, listed on application for National Endowment for the Humanities Digital Humanities Advancement Grant in 2018.

GIS Mapping Research Assistant for Dr. Emanuela Grama, Carnegie Mellon University Department of History, 2018.

SlavicDH, Board Member, since November 2017.

## **Publications:**

“Getting Started with GIS Mapping.” On the Carnegie Mellon University dSHARP Digital Humanities Website (April 1, 2019), <http://dsharp.library.cmu.edu/gis-mapping/>.

“The *Prozhito* Web Archive of Diaries: A Resource for Digital Humanists.” With Misha Mel’nichenko and Svetlana Rasmussen. In *NewsNet: News of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies* 59, no. 2 (March 2019): 14-16.

<https://www.aseees.org/sites/default/files/downloads/march%202019%20newsnet.pdf>

“Leave the Center, Explore the Periphery.” In *Peripheral Histories?* (March 7, 2019). <https://peripheralhistories.wixsite.com/mysiteok/blog/leave-the-center-explore-the-periphery>.

“Beyond the Archive: What GIS Mapping Reveals about German POWs in Soviet Russia.” In *Perspectives on History* (February 26, 2019). <https://www.historians.org/publications-and-directories/perspectives-on-history/february-2019/beyond-the-archive-what-gis-mapping-reveals-about-german-pows-in-soviet-russia>.

“Память о Немецких Военнопленных в СССР и в России (Memory of German Prisoners of War in the Soviet Union and Russia).” In *Magistra Vitae: Electronic Journal of Historical Sciences and Archeology* No. 2 (2018): 72-80.

“America’s Reaction to the Strana Sovietov’s Flight from Moscow to New York.” In *The Creation and Growth of Civil Aviation in Russia (1910 – the 1940s)*, edited by Vladimir A. Gurkin, 160-165. Ulyanovsk: Ulyanovsk State Technical University, 2014.

“Teaching American English in Russia.” In *Modern Technologies of Teaching Foreign Languages*, edited by Nasima Saetovna Scharafutdinova et al., 31-33. Ulyanovsk: Ulyanovsk State Technical University, 2012.

“The Fulbright Program and Cross-Cultural Communication.” In *Current Problems of Theoretical and Applied Linguistics: A Collection of Scientific Works by Students, Graduate Students, and Young Scientists*, edited by Ekaterina Petrovna Sosnina and Mikhail Pavlovich Volkov, 33-38. Ulyanovsk: Ulyanovsk State Technical University, 2011.

## **Workshops:**

“Mapping and GIS.” March 3, 2018. Co-organizer and session leader at THATCamp Pittsburgh 2018, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

“Hoover Library and Archives Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes.” July 17-29, 2016. Participant in summer research workshop at Hoover Institution Library & Archives, Stanford, CA.

“XML Applications and Databases for Historical and Literary Research.” June 13 – 17, 2016. Participant in workshop at the Digital Humanities Summer Institute at the University of Victoria, Victoria, Canada.

“Images and Texts in Medical History.” April 11-13, 2016. Participant in workshop in Methods, Tools, and Data from the Digital Humanities. The National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland.

“Technology Enhanced Learning Summer School.” May 26-29, 2015. Participant in A.W. Mellon Foundation funded workshop in Technology Enhanced Learning hosted by the Eberly Center of Teaching Excellence & Educational Innovation of Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

“Digital Humanities Literacy Workshop.” May 18-22, 2015. Participant in A.W. Mellon Foundation funded workshop in Digital Humanities at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

## **Research Experience**

**Russia:** The State Archive of the Russian Federation (GARF), the Russian State Economic Archive (RGAE), the Russian State Military Archive (RGVA), the Archive of Foreign Policy of the Russian Federation (AVP RF), the Russian State Archive of Socio-Political History (RGASPI), the Russian State Archive of Literature and Art (RGALI), the State Archive of Contemporary History of the Ulyanovsk Region (GANI UO), Research Institute of History and Culture of the Ulyanovsk Region in the name of N.M. Karamzin, and the Memorial Museum of German Anti-Fascists Archive.

**Germany:** The Federal Military Archive (BA-M), the Federal Archive – Foundation Parties and Mass Organizations of the GDR (BA-SAPMO), the Political Archive of the Federal Foreign Office (PA AA), the Archive of the German Caritas Association (ADCV), the Evangelical Central Archives in Berlin (EZA), and the German Red Cross Archive (DRK).

**United States:** The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) and the Hoover Institution Library and Archives.

## **Academic Societies:**

Association of Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies, member since Fall 2015.

Dobro Slovo, National Slavic Honor Society, inducted April 2011.

Delta Phi Alpha, National German Honor Society, inducted March 2011.

Phi Beta Kappa, inducted May 2010.

## **Languages:**

Russian: fluent and Test of Russian as a Foreign Language (ТРКИ) Level II (Advanced) and ALTA Level 9 Russian (Advanced) certified.

German: fluent.

French: can read professional texts and intermediate speaking level.