

Curriculum Vitae  
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### Academic Experience

Associate Professor Lewis University, Romeoville, IL , History  
Department, 2015-Present

Assistant Professor Lewis University, Romeoville, IL , History  
Department, 2008- 2015

### Education

PhD , Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, University of  
Chicago, August, 2012

-Dissertation Title "The Failure of Ottomanism: the Albanian Rebel lions 1910-1912" Advisors  
Holly Shissler, Victor Freidman, Cornell Fleischer

MA, Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago,  
June 2003

### Publications

#### Books

& R H G L W R U Z L W K, ~~The Middle and Late Ottoman~~ *The Middle and Late Ottoman Society: Ideology, Literature, and Image 1780-1923* (Under Review with Brill Press)

Editor with Mark Soderstrom, *Sank into the Sea of the Past: The Late Ottoman Empire in t he Memoir of Russian Consul, Sergei Vladimirovich Tulkholka* (Under Review with Lexington Books )

*The War for Centralization: Rebellion, State Power, and Ottomanism, 1909 -1912*  
(Being completed)

*The Transformational War: The Ottoman Empire's Long World War I, 1910 -1923*  
(Research under way)

#### Articles/Book Chapters

"Ottoman Anti -Insurrectionary Operatio ns in Yemen and Albania, 1910-1912: The End of Ottomanism and the Beginning of an Age of Violence" in Tobias Hof ed., *Empire, Ideology, Mass*

Violence: The Long 20th century in Comparative Perspective . Munich: Herbert Utz Verlag, 2016, 45-71.

“The Albanian Villayets of the Ottoman Empire: Between Young Turks (or CUP) and Balkan Players, 1909-1912”, in Dimitris Stamatopoulos (ed.),

## Book Reviews

George A. Bournoutian, *The 1820 Russian survey of the Khanate of Shirvan. A primary source on the demography and economy of an Iranian province prior to its annexation by Russia*. (Cambridge, UK: Gibb Memorial Trust, 2016) *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies*

Yıldırım Aysel, *Crisis and rebellion in the Ottoman Empire: the downfall of a Sultan in the age of revolution*. (London: I.B. Tauris, 2017) *Choice*

Bedross Der Matossian,

Conference/Workshop/Seminar      Papers

-Britain and the World Conference, Kansas City, MO

4-12-19 "Allies and Adversaries: Anglo-Ottoman Diplomacy in the Middle East, 1906 -1923"

-Midwest Association for Middle East and Islamic Studies Annual Conference,  
University of Louisville, Louisville, KY (Organized Conference)

3-22-19 "Teaching the Modern Middle East through the lens of Military History and State  
Formation"

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-Midwest Association for Middle East and Islamic Studies Annual Conference,  
University of Nebraska Omaha, Omaha, NE  
4-30-16 "Defining and Claiming Space: The Convention of Tripoli 1910 and the Anglo-Ottoman  
Convention of 1913"

-Society of Military History Annual Meeting, Ottawa, ON  
War and Remembering: The Ottoman Empire, The First World War, and Re-  
imagining the Past (Organized Panel)  
4-15-16 "Continuity and Change: Ottoman Operations in South Arabia 1910-1918"

-Midwest World History Association Conference, Crawfordville, IN  
Infusing "Non-Western" Material into a World History Course (Organized Panel)  
9-25-15 "Infusing the Ottoman Empire and Turkey into World History Curricula"

-Cultures of Violence from the Colonial Wars to the Present, German Historical  
Institute of Warsaw, Potsdam University, Potsdam, Germany  
-6-5-15 "Anti-Insurrectionary Operations of the Young Turks, 1909-1912"

-Midwest Association for Middle East and Islamic Studies Annual Conference,  
Louisville, KY  
4-19-15 "Islamic Modernisms in the Young Turk Period 1908-1913"

-Society of Military History Annual Meeting, Montgomery, AL  
World War I beyond the Western Front  
4-12-15 "War and the Unravelling of the State in the Ottoman Empire, 1912-1919"

-Missouri Conference on History, Chesterfield, MO  
The Great War and the Missouri "Home Front"  
3-11-15 "Albania in the First World War"

-Middle Eastern Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.  
The Sahara in Focus: Frontierhood, Imperialism, and the Transnational  
11-23-14 "Contesting the Libyan Hinterland"

-African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN  
Political Culture and Change along the Sahel (Chaired Panel)  
11-22-14 "Ottoman Interest in the Sahara: Reform and Imperial Politics in Libya, 1900-1919"

-Northern Great Plains History Conference, Sioux Falls, SD  
Gender, Race, and War  
10-9-14 "The Long World War I of the Ottoman Empire, 1910-1923"

-Midwest World History Association Conference, University Park, IL  
Borderlands into Borders (Organized Panel)  
9-26-14 "Colonialism, Peripheral Incorporation, and Islamism in the Libyan Hinterland, 1900-1912"

-The Midwest Association for Middle East and Islamic Studies, Chicago, IL  
4-12-14 "Crafting Islamic Civilization Curricula"

-Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO  
Insurgencies and Asymmetric Warfare  
4-4-14 "The Transformational War of the Ottoman Empire, 1910-1923"

-Nineteenth Century Studies Association Conference, Chicago, IL  
Urban Planning

3-22-14 "Urbanism in the Ottoman Balkans"

-National Council on Social Studies Conference, St. Louis, MO  
11-21-13 "Innovative Lessons on World War I: Balkans and Middle East"

-Midwest World History Association Conference, Springfield, OH  
Nationalism and Colonialism  
9-28-13 "The Imperialism of Reclamation and Regeneration: Portugal, Spain, and the Ottoman Empire and New Categories of Imperialism"

10-09-10 "The Young Turks and the War for Centralization"

-Junior Scholar's Training Seminar, Washington, D.C.

8-13 to 8-16-10 Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

-Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, NE

Contesting the Peripheries of the Middle East in the Age of Reform  
Panel)

(Organized

3-5-10 "The Pitfalls of Ottoman Centralization: Albania 1910-1912"

-Violence, Trauma, and Displacement in the Middle East and Eurasia, Urbana, IL

1-30-10 "Displacement, War, and Reform: Incorporating the Periphery in

2-13-08 Topic: From Empire to Republ



- Middle East History and Theory Conference      Un iversity of Chicago   -Chicago, IL  
5-01-04 Moderator for Reform and Modernization in the Ottoman Empire   panel

### Service

Appeals Committee 2017-Present

President Midwest Association for Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies 2016-Present

Co-Director Arts & Ideas

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