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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of History, Yale University, 11 May 1995.
M. A., Department of History, Yale University, 5 December 1989.
B.A., Indiana University (Bloomington), August 1987, with distinction.
Majors: History and Germanic Studies.

RELEVANT PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2017 (September-December): Visiting Senior Lecturer, Department of War Studies, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.
2004 - 2005: Associate Professor of History, Virginia Military Institute
2001 - 2004: Associate Professor of History, University of Southern Mississippi
1999 - 2000: Visiting Senior Lecturer, Department of War Studies, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst
1995 - 2001: Assistant Professor of History, University of Southern Mississippi
1994 - 1995: Adjunct Lecturer in Western Civilization, Winter Bruins Program, UCLA.

SCHOLARLY MONOGRAPHS AND EDITED BOOKS

Cultura militar española: modernistas, tradicionalistas y liberales. Biblioteca Nueva, 2014 (ISBN 978-84-16095-76-6)
War and Insurgency in the Western Sahara. Strategic Studies Institute, 2013 (ISBN 1-58487-569-0).
Warfare in Europe, 1919-1938 (editor). Ashgate, 2008 (ISBN 978-0-7546-2519-3).
Franco: Soldier, Commander, Dictator. Potomac, 2005 (ISBN 1-57488-644-4).
Irrational Triumph: Cultural Despair, Military Nationalism, and the Ideological Origins of Franco's Spain. University of Nevada Press, 2002 (ISBN 0-87417-481-3).
Co-editor, *War in the Age of Technology: Myriad Faces of Modern Armed Conflict* (with Andrew A. Wiest). New York University Press, 2001 (ISBN 0-8147-4250-5).

SCHOLARLY ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

"Mística militar y realidades incómodas: la independencia de Marruecos en el imaginario africanista-militar franquista," in *Proceso y legado de la descolonización española en África: Tomo I. Procesos de descolonización y herencias políticas*, edited by Gonzalo Álvarez Chillida and Juan Ignacio Castien (Bellaterra, 2025), 79-108.

- “La Historia Militar española contemporánea: algunas reflexiones historiográficas, prácticas y éticas,” *Atenea* 2: 1 (April 2024), 51-65.
- “The Central African-Iberian Crossroads: Equatorial Guinea and Spain in US Policy during the 1970s,” *Cold War History*, 1-24. Published online 10 September 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14682745.2023.2232310>
- “Fuentes escritas, audiovisuales y materiales para el estudio de Guinea Ecuatorial,” (with Gonzalo Álvarez Chillida, et al.), in Juan Aranzadi and Gonzalo Álvarez Chillida, eds., *Guinea Ecuatorial (des)conocida. (Lo que sabemos, ignoramos, inventamos y deformamos acerca de su pasado y su presente)*, vol. II (UNED, Centro de Estudios Afro-Hispánicos, 2020), pp. 611-635.
- “Fraternal Betrayal? The Spanish Army and the Decolonization of Morocco,” *Journal of the Middle East and Africa* 11, n. 2 (July 2020), pp. 139-160.
- “Tyranny, Communism, and U.S. Policy in Equatorial Guinea, 1968-1979,” *Diplomatic History* 43, n. 4 (September 2019), pp. 699-728.
- “The Spanish-Moroccan Military Campaigns in the Context of European Colonial History,” *Revista Universitaria de Historia Militar* 8, n. 16 (2019), pp. 17-40.
- “Military Consequences of Cultural Perceptions: The Spanish Army in Morocco, 1912-1927,” *Journal of the Middle East and Africa* 8, n. 2 (April-June 2017), pp. 135-150.
- “War and the Military,” in *The History of Modern Spain: Chronologies, Themes, Individuals* (Bloomsbury, 2017), edited by Adrian Shubert and José Álvarez Junco, pp. 327-342. [Spanish edition: *Nueva historia contemporánea de la España contemporánea (1808-2018)* (Galaxia Gutenberg, 2018).]
- “Muslim Soldiers in a Spanish Crusade: Tomás García Figueras, Mulai Ahmed er Raisuni, and the Ideological Context of Spain’s Moroccan Soldiers,” in *Colonial Soldiers in Europe, 1914-1945: Aliens in Uniform in Wartime Societies*, edited by Eric Storm and Ali Al Tuma (Routledge, 2016), pp. 182-206.
- “Military Memories, History, and the Myth of Hispano-Arabic Identity in the Spanish Civil War,” in *Memory and Cultural History of the Spanish Civil War: Realms of Oblivion*, edited by Aurora Morcillo (Brill, 2014), pp. 495-532.
- “La guerra de Secesión norteamericana: una visión militar española,” in *América y España. Un siglo de independencias*, edited by Manuel Gahete Jurado, (Iberdrola, 2014), pp. 123-142.
- “Morocco and Spain in the Eyes of Antonio García Pérez,” in *El protectorado español en Marruecos: La historia trascendida*, edited by Manuel Gahete Jurado, (Iberdrola, 2013), vol. 3, pp. 501-518.
- “Rico Avello en Marruecos,” in *El sueño republicano de Manuel Rico Avello (1886-1936)*, edited by Juan Pan-Montojo (Biblioteca Nueva, 2011), pp. 121-150.
- “The Practice and Politics of Spanish Counterinsurgency, 1895-1936,” in *Nation and Conflict in Modern Spain: Essays in Honor of Stanley G. Payne*, edited by Brian D. Bunk, Sasha D. Pack, and Carl-Gustaf Scott (Parallel Press, 2008), pp. 137-150.

- “Introduction: Warfare between Wars--The Paradoxes of Interwar Military History,” *Warfare in Europe, 1919-1938*, edited by Geoffrey Jensen (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate, 2008), pp. xi-xxi.
- “Recepción literaria y cultura bélica: la Generación del 98, Ricardo Burguete y el nacionalismo militar en España,” *Bulletin of Spanish Studies* LXXXIV, n. 7 (2007), pp. 871-888.
- “Counterinsurgency at Home and Abroad: The Spanish Army at War in the Nineteenth Century,” in *A Military History of Modern Spain: From the Napoleonic Era to the International War on Terror*, edited by José Álvarez and Wayne Bowen (Praeger Security Studies, 2007), pp. 15-36.
- “The Peculiarities of ‘Spanish Morocco’: Imperial Ideology and Economic Development,” *Mediterranean Historical Review* 20, n. 1 (2005), pp. 80-101.
- “Toward the ‘Moral Conquest’ of Morocco: Hispano-Arabic Education in Early Twentieth-Century North Africa,” *European History Quarterly* 31, n. 2 (April 2001), pp. 205-229.
- “Military Nationalism and the State: The Case of *Fin-de-Siècle* Spain,” *Nations and Nationalism* 6, n. 2 (April 2000), pp. 257-274.
- “Dangerous Neutrality: Spain, the Great War, and Modern Catalan Nationalism,” in *World War I and the Cultures of Modernity*, edited by Douglas Mackaman and Michael Mays (Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 2000), pp. 117-124.
- “Moral Strength through Material Defeat? The Consequences of 1898 for Spanish Military Culture,” *War & Society* 17, n. 2 (Oct. 1999), pp. 25-39.
- “War, Armies, Politics and Culture: Historiographical Approaches to the Military in Modern Spain,” *Bulletin / Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies* 22, n. 1 (Winter 1997), pp. 5-13.
- “La historia militar: una carencia intelectual en España,” in *La Historia en el 92* [Ayer 10], edited by Juan Pablo Fusi, ed., Marcial Pons, 1993), pp. 63-76. (With Jorge Aspizua and Jorge Cachinero.)
- “José Millán-Astray and the Nationalist ‘Crusade’ in Spain,” *Journal of Contemporary History* 27 (July 1992), pp. 425-447.

REVIEW ESSAY

- “The Positions of al-Andalus.” (Review essay on Eric Calderwood, *On Earth or in Poems. The Many Lives of al-Andalus*, Harvard University Press, 2023.) Forthcoming in *Periphērica: Journal of Social, Cultural, and Literary History*. Double Special Issue: “Conversations with Hispanophone Africa and the Maghreb,” edited by Benita Sampedro and Adolfo Campoy Cubillo.

OTHER RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS:

- Foreword to Ricardo Burguete, *War! The Memoir of a Spanish Soldier Wounded in the Philippines*, ed. and trans. by D. J. Walker (Lanham: Hamilton Books, 2019), pp. xi-xiv.

- “Nationalist Victory: Why did the Nationalists win the Spanish Civil War?” in *History in Dispute: The Spanish Civil War*, edited by Kenneth W. Estes and Daniel Kowalsky (St. James Press, 2005), pp. 165-171.
- “Franco as Nationalist Leader: Was Franco the best qualified leader of the Nationalist cause?” in *ibid*, pp. 57-66
- “Terror: Did the policies of terror against civilians change the nature of the military struggle in the Spanish Civil War?” in *ibid*, pp. 243-251.

SCHOLARLY BOOK AND FILM REVIEWS

In: *American Historical Review*, *Bulletin of Spanish Studies*, *Bulletin for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies*, *First World War Studies*, *Intelligence and National Security*, *International History Review*, *Journal of Mediterranean Studies*, *Journal of Military History*, *Mediterranean Historical Review*, *Michigan War Studies Review*, *New Mexico Historical Review*, and *The Americas*.

SCHOLARLY CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

- “Spanish Guerrilla Legacies in North Africa,” Society for the History of War Conference: Legacies of War and Violence, University of Cyprus Library, Nicosia, Cyprus, 28 November 2024.
- “Spanish Imperial Violence in North Africa: Cultural and Military Foundations of the Razzia,” Society for the History of War Conference: Histories of Violence in War, National Library of Portugal, 23 November 2023.
- “Ideales y realidades militares: Repliegue del Ejército español de la Zona Norte del Protectorado, 1956-1962,” symposium/workshop on “Proceso y legado de la descolonización en África (II),” 26 - 30 June 2023, CIDAF – Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, 28 June 2023.
- “La historiografía militar sobre la España contemporánea. Tendencias y propuestas,” Asociación Española de Historia Militar, I Reunión científica (“Las nuevas líneas de investigación y el futuro de la Historia Militar”), Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 15 June 2023.
- “The Will of the Volunteer: The Military-Africanista as Patriotic Model,” Seminario de Historia Santos Juliá, Dpto. de H^a Social y del Pensamiento Político, UNED and Dpto. de Historia, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Fundación José Ortega y Gasset-Gregorio Marañón, documento de trabajo 2022/8, Madrid, Spain, 24 November 2022.
- “Ideales y realidades de la descolonización militar,” symposium/workshop on “Proceso y legado de la descolonización en África (I),” 29 June – 1 July 2022, Seminario de Estudios Africanos, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, 30 June 2022.
- “La voluntad del voluntario: el africano-militarista como modelo patriótico,” invited participant, workshop (*seminario internacional*) on “Milicias, paramilitarismo y voluntariado de guerra en España e Iberoamérica, 1808-

- 1950, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, 28 June 2021.
- “The United States, Spain, and Equatorial Guinea, 1969-1982,” Symposium (online) on “Procesos y modelos de descolonización y su repercusión en el presente de los pueblos de Guinea Ecuatorial, el Rif, y el Norte de Marruecos,” Centro de Estudios Afrohispanicos, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid, 22 January 2020.
- “Fraternal Betrayal: The Spanish Army and the Decolonization of Morocco,” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa, Washington D.C., 1 November 2019.
- “The Spanish Army and the Decolonization of North Africa: Roles and Reactions,” Association for the Study of Spanish and Portuguese History, 50th Anniversary Conference, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, 12 July 2019.
- “Equatorial Guinean Exiles during the Macías Dictatorship, 1968-1979,” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa, Washington, D.C., 2 November 2018.
- “The Cultural Perceptions of the Spanish Army in North Africa and Their Meaning for Moroccan History,” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa, Arlington, VA, 28 October 2016.
- “*Realpolitik*, derechos humanos y Guerra Fría: Guinea Ecuatorial en la política exterior de los Estados Unidos durante la dictadura de Macías”, Meeting of Research Project on Equatorial Guinea (Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad, ref. HAR2012-34599), Universidad Nacional a Distancia (UNED), Madrid, Spain, 7 July 2016.
- “Muslim Soldiers in a Spanish Crusade: The Ideological Context of Moroccan Participation in the Spanish Civil War,” Central European University, Budapest, 1 June 2016.
- “Guinea Ecuatorial en la política exterior de los EE.UU.”, for research project on Equatorial Guinea, UNED, 9 July 2015.
- “La visión militar española de Guinea Ecuatorial”, for research project workshop on Equatorial Guinea, UNED, Madrid, Spain, 2 July 2014.
- “The ‘Moorish Soldiers’ in Francoist Discourse, 1939-1956,” invited participant, symposium on “Aliens in Uniform: Colonial Soldiers in Europe (1900-1950),” Leiden University, Netherlands, 11 January 2014.
- “Anarchism, Vitalism, and Operational Art: Ricardo Burguete and the Politics of Forgetting in Twentieth-Century Spanish Military History,” Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, New Orleans, 15 March 2013.
- “War, Religion, and History: The Myth of Hispano-Arabic Identity in Twentieth-Century Spain,” East Meets West Conference, Virginia Military Institute, March 24, 2011.
- “Counterinsurgency from Cuba to Castile: The Evolution of Spanish Tactical and Operational Thought, 1895 – 1936,” Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, Charleston, SC, 25 Feb. 2005.

- "Cultural Politics, Economic Development, and Hispano-Arabic Identity in North Africa, 1912-1956," invited participant, Second Woodrow Borah International Colloquium: "Memories, Histories and Identities: Case Studies and Concepts," University of Tel Aviv, Israel, June 8, 2004.
- "Las vicisitudes de la reforma militar," invited speaker, Dos Jornadas sobre la Segunda República: "La República: Pasado y Presente," Departamento de Humanidades, Universidad Europea de Madrid, Spain, April 24, 2003.
- "La cultura de la guerra y la generación española del 1898," invited speaker, VIII. Ciclo de Conferencias: "Guerra, Cultura y Patrimonio," Facultad de Humanidades y Educación, Universidad de Burgos, Spain, Feb. 18, 2003.
- "The Moroccan Other in Franco's Spain," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Chicago, Jan. 4, 2003.
- "El 'arte operacional': la historia breve de un concepto militar," invited speaker, III. Seminario sobre Seguridad y Defensa: "Evolución de los conflictos armados y sus actores desde la modernidad hasta nuestros días," Instituto de Estudios Europeos, Universidad de Valladolid, Spain, Nov. 5, 2002.
- "Memories of Morocco and the Spanish Civil War: An Operational-Level Analysis of Franco's Military Leadership," Society for Military History Annual Meeting: "War and Remembrance: Constructing the Military Past and Future," Madison, Wisconsin, April 4-7, 2002.
- "'Not-So-Different' Others and the Hispano-Arabic Project in Twentieth-Century Morocco," Annual Meeting of the SSPHS, Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 19-22, 2001.
- "Colonial Ambitions and 'Moral Conquest': Spanish Education of Muslim Children in Early Twentieth-Century North Africa," Annual Meeting of the Mediterranean Studies Association, Coimbra, Portugal, May 26 – 30, 1999.
- "The Military-Cultural Ramifications of 1898," Conference on the 1898 Spanish-American War and Twentieth-Century Hispanic and American Cultures, University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee, Sept. 19, 1998.
- "Unequal Nationalisms: Catalan Perceptions of the Irish Home Rule Movement during the Great War," invited speaker, British History Association, University of Illinois, Nov. 21, 1997.
- "Toward 'Medieval Multi-Culturalism'? Education in Spain's Moroccan Protectorate, 1936-1956," World History Association Sixth International Conference, Pamplona, Spain, June 20, 1997.
- "The Great War and the Making of Modern Catalan Nationalism," Conference on World War I and the Cultures of Modernity, University of Southern Mississippi, Nov. 15, 1996.
- "Reactionary Modernism in Spanish Military Culture: Ricardo Burguete's Early Views on Anarchism," Annual Meeting of the SSPHS, Tucson, April 26, 1996.
- "Ideological Developments in the Spanish Military," Annual Meeting of the SSPHS, San Antonio, March 28, 1993.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS:

“El significado militar de las campañas de Marruecos,” Curso de Verano, “De la derrota a la victoria: cien años del desembarco de Alhucemas (1925-2025),” Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Campus de Aranjuez, 25 June 2025.

“A Spanish Way of War? Colonial Violence and ‘Hispano-Arabic Brotherhood’ in Modern Morocco,” Brown Bag Seminar, Virginia Military Institute, 23 April 2025.

“Anwal 1921: The Spanish Army and the Making of an Imperial Disaster in Africa,” War Studies Discussion Group (WARDIG), Central Library, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, U.K., 21 November 2024.

Presenter (on-line), “Renew Seminar on Ecuatoguinean Regime’s Human Rights Violations Against the Opposition,” European Parliament, 7 June 2023. Organized by Jordi Cañas, Ciudadanos Party Representative in the European Parliament, Brussels.

“La Época del Protectorado”, presentation at Instituto Español Nuestra Señora del Pilar, Departamento de Geografía e Historia, Tetuoan, Morocco, 12 May 2023.

Roundtable participant, “Jornadas sobre el Centenario de la Batalla de Annual” (with Santiago Domínguez Llosá, María Gajate Bajo, Alfonso Iglesias Amorín, Susana Sueiro Seoane, and Rocío Velasco de Castro), October 20, 2021 (virtual).

Keynote address: “El contexto de la Legión en su historia militar europea,” presented at the conference “Centenario de la Legión Española (1920-2020), su historia,” sponsored by the Universidad San Pablo CEU and the Spanish Army’s Instituto de Historia y Cultura Militar, Madrid, 25 May 2021. <https://iehistoricos.ceu.es/congresos/congreso-internacional-legion/>

“La estrategia del Ejército de Washington,” public presentation as part of international conference on “Bernardo de Gálvez y su Tiempo: Aspectos Militares de España en América,” Instituto de Historia y Cultura Militar, Madrid, 27 May 2015.

Book launch of my *Cultura militar española: modernistas, tradicionalistas y liberales*, with the participation of José Álvarez Junco, Fernando Pinto Cebrián, Julián Martínez-Simancas, and Miguel Requena y Díez de Revenga. Instituto Universitario General Gutiérrez Mellado, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid, 9 April 2015. (Additional public launch for this book with José Andrés Rojo and Juan M. Riesgo. Madrid, Spain. contarima.es/2015/06/presentacion-de-cultura-militar-espanola-de-jeoffrey-jensen/)

“The Myth of Hispano-Arabic Identity in Francoist Ideology,” invited speaker, Saint Louis University, Madrid, Spain, March 15, 2012.

“Intelligence in the Military Defeat of France by Germany in 1940: A Reflection on ‘Lessons Learned,’” Instituto Juan Velázquez de Velasco de Investigación en Inteligencia para la Seguridad y la Defensa, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid, Spain, March 14, 2012.

- “The Western Sahara and World Politics.” Public lecture sponsored by the Foreign Affairs Luncheon Group. Marshall Foundation, Lexington, VA, March 31, 2011.
- “Learning Counterinsurgency the Hard War: Spanish Morocco, 1912-1956.” Faculty Brown Bag Luncheon, Virginia Military Institute, March 25, 2008.
- “A Learning Curve? Counterinsurgency in Spain from Napoleon’s Defeat to the Spanish Civil War.” Institute for Defense Analyses, Alexandria, VA, April 27, 2007.
- “Counterinsurgency and Civic Affairs: Spain, Morocco, and the Arab World.” Meeting of the Military Officers Association of America, Central Shenandoah Valley Chapter, Lexington, Virginia, Jan. 21, 2005.
- “Counter-Insurgency, Culture, and Religious Identity: The Case of Spanish Morocco.” Public lecture sponsored by the Department of History, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Virginia, February 18, 2004.
- “La pedagogía militar española durante la Restauración,” Instituto Internacional, Madrid, Spain, March 6, 1992.

Panel commentator and chairs:

- Moderator, roundtable discussion, 23-26 June 2025, “1975. El final de los colonialismos ibéricos en África. La descolonización portuguesa y el abandono español del Sáhara Occidental,” Seminario de Estudios Africanos, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, 24 June 2025.
- Moderator, keynote address by Eloy Martín Corrales, 24 June 2024, “Proceso y legado de la descolonización en África (III),” CIDAF – Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, 24-28 June 2024.
- Chair, Mesa de la mañana, “Proceso y legado de la descolonización en África (II),” 26 - 30 June 2023, CIDAF – Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, 30 June 2023.
- Chair, Mesa de la mañana, “Proceso y legado de la descolonización en África (I),” 29 June – 1 July 2022, Seminario de Estudios Africanos, Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, 30 June 2022.
- Commentator, “Mesa redonda: Relaciones diplomáticas de Guinea Ecuatorial con Estados Unidos y España,” with the participation of Amb. John Bennett (por videoconferencia), Amb. Mark Asquino, Amb. Ramón Gil Casares, Amb. José Antonio de Iturriaga, Tutu Alicante León, and Lucía Asué Mboío. Seminar on “Revistando las descolonizaciones africanas: 50 años después de la independencia de Guinea Ecuatorial,” Madrid, 2-13 July 2018. Centro de Estudios Afro-Hispánicos. Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Proyecto I+D: HAR2016-79164-P. 12 July 2018.
- Chair and commentator, “Anti-Communism in Twentieth-Century Iberia”, Annual Meeting of the Association for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, Modena, Italy, June 27, 2014.

Chair, "Military History, Warfare and Memoirs II," East Meets West Conference, Virginia Military Institute, March 23, 2011.
Chair, "Civil War in Greece and Spain," Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, Lexington, Virginia, May 20-23, 2010.
Commentator, "Imaging the Spanish Civil War in Spain and Abroad," Annual Meeting of the SSPHS, Athens, Georgia, April 13, 2002.

Radio interview:

"Franco and the Seeds of World War II," *With Good Reason*, Virginia Public Radio, broadcast on various public radio stations in Virginia and Washington DC during the fall of 2007.

GOVERNMENT-FUNDED ACADEMIC PROJECTS (Research Fellow)

"Proceso y legado de la descolonización española en África." Directed by Gonzalo Álvarez Chillida and Juan Ignacio Castien Maestro (*Investigadores principales*). Three-year project beginning 1 September 2021. Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, Spain, referencia PID2020-115502GB-I00
"Hacia un estudio comparativo del colonialismo español en África y sus efectos en las poblaciones colonizadas de Guinea Ecuatorial y del Rif", 2016-2020. Directed by Paz Moreno Feliu, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED), Madrid, Spain. Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad. HAR2016-79164-P.
"Lo que sabemos, ignoramos, inventamos y deformamos acerca del pasado y el presente de Guinea Ecuatorial. Revisión crítica multidisciplinar y nuevas vías de investigación," 2013-2016, directed by Juan Ramón Aranzadi Martínez, UNED, Madrid, Spain. Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad. HAR2012-34599.

TEACHING

At VMI (since 2004)

- Europe, 1919 – 1939 (HI 368)
- Modern Spain: Civil War and Colonial Conflict (HI 388)
- Insurgency and Terrorism in History (HI 377)
- History of European Warfare since 1871 (HI 379)
- World War II (HI 220)
- Senior Capstone Course in History (HI 460)
- Directed Study - History (HI 490)
- Directed Study – International Studies (IS 490)

International teaching on VMI programs:

- War and Memory in Spain (HI 362) – taught in Spain (June 2023)
- Modern Spain: Civil War and Colonial Conflict (HI 388) – taught in Spain (May-June 2019)

- War and Memory in Modern Central Europe (HI 481) – taught in Hungary, Austria, and Slovenia (June 2017); in Hungary and the Czech Republic (June 2018)
- History of Central Europe (HI 370) – taught in Budapest, Vienna, and Prague – June 2016.

At the University of Southern Mississippi (USM) (1995-2004)

- Honors Colloquium on World Thought and Culture (Hon 211 and 212).
- World Civilization to 1500 (His 101).
- World Civilization since 1500 (His 102).
- History of Europe, 1919-1939 (His 433/533).
- Studies in European History (His 432/532).
- Revolution, Reaction, and Fascism in Southern Europe (His 443/543).
- History of Modern Spain (His 449/549).
- World War II (His 416)
- International Studies Senior Seminar (IS 491)
- Graduate Seminar in Modern War and Society (His 736)
- Teaching Methods Seminar and Practicum (His 796). (With Karl F. Bahm.)
- Directed readings courses (His 492, His 692, IS 492).

International teaching for USM programs

- Head Professor of Record, Vietnam War Study Abroad Program, Vietnam, May-June 2002.
- Taught history course on Cuba Study Program in Havana, May 1997 and 1998.

At the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (As a Visiting Senior Lecturer, September 1999-May 2000 and September-December 2017):

- War Studies (graduate and undergraduate levels)
- Late Entry Officer Course (to British Army captains)
- Defence Studies (Junior Command and Staff Course)

Subjects taught in above courses include:

- Theories of War and Strategic Studies
- Insurgency and Counterinsurgency
- Maneuver War
- Hybridity in War
- Future Operating Environments
- Leadership
- Other topics in 20th and 21st century military history and affairs

Online Teaching

Air University, US Air Force (GCPME, Air Command and Staff College), Master in Operational Art and Science Program:

- Warfare Studies (WS5510) – 2019-2021

Norwich University MA Program in Military History:

- Total War (MH 552) – March-May 2019.

-Introduction to Military Thought and Theory (MH 530) – Sept.-Nov. 2018.

DISSERTATION AND THESIS ADVISING AND EVALUATIONS

Supervised one Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Southern Mississippi and co-supervised one Ph.D. dissertation at the Complutense University of Madrid. I also served on three other Ph.D. committees and five M.A. committees at the University of Southern Mississippi. Served on two doctoral examination boards (“Tribunales”) at the Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid, Spain.

Supervised 10 undergraduate honors theses at VMI and served on 18 other honors theses committees (2006-2025).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviews of book manuscripts and proposals:

For Bloomsbury, Cambridge University Press, Louisiana State University Press, University of Missouri Press, New York University Press, Routledge, University of Toronto Press, University of Wisconsin Press, and Yale University Press.

Reviews of article manuscripts

For International History Review, War in History, Journal of Contemporary History, Historia y Política, Journal of Mediterranean Studies, Journal of Military History, Ayer, Revista Universitaria de Historia Militar, The Historian, War & Society, Oxford Bibliographies in Military History, Parameters, Memory Studies (special issue proposal), Journal of Historical Geography, Revista de Estudios Internacionales Mediterráneos, Studia Historica: Historia Contemporánea, Revista de Estudios Internacionales Mediterráneos, and International Political Sociology.

Outside reviews for tenure and promotion decisions:

For Claremont Graduate University; King’s College London; University of Buffalo; Australian National University; University of South Carolina-Aiken; and the University of New Mexico.

Editorial service

Advisory Board (Comité Asesor), Colección Alborán, Editions Bellaterra, Barcelona. (Scholarly book series devoted to Spain and North Africa; edited by Eloy Martín Corrales.)

Editor, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies Bulletin (2002-2004).

Other national and international service

Peer Evaluator, Marcel Bataillon Fellowship, Madrid Institute for Advanced Study, Casa de Velázquez, Spain (March 2025).

Peer Evaluator, Fulbright US Scholar Fellowship Applications for Research Abroad (Fall 2023).

Academic Advisory Board (*Consejo Académico*), Centro de Estudios Afro-Hispánicos (CEAH), Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid (2015-2024).

Scientific (Program) Committee, Conference on the Cuban-Spanish-American War (1895-1898) (*Congreso sobre la Guerra Cubano-Hispano Norteamericana (1895-1898)*), 28-30 November 2017. Organized by the Royal Academy of Valencian Culture, the Institute for the History of Cuba, the Polytechnic University of Valencia, and the Catholic University of Valencia (since February 2017).

Society for Military History Awards Committee (summer 2006 – April 2009)

Editorial Board, LIBRO (on-line publishing of out-of-print academic books, 2003-2009)

Advisory Board, John A. Adams '71 Center for Military History and Strategic Analysis (2004-present)

Nominating Committee, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies (2001-2003).

Service at VMI

Co-Sponsor, *German Law in Context Project: German Military Law*, at Washington and Lee University Law School (fall semester 2012; project director: Prof. Russell Miller). The Keynote Presentation, which took place at the Marshall Museum on 21 November 2012, featured the German Defense Attaché in Washington, Brigadier General Dirk Backen.

Faculty Mentor for new junior professors.

Coordinator, “The Spanish Civil War: A Panel Discussion,” Lexington, 25 April 2012. With talks by Dr. James Matthews (Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton), Antonio Candil (historian and retired Spanish army colonel), and me.

Organized/sponsored other visits and public presentations at VMI by 17 historians and professors from the United States, Great Britain, and Germany (2007-2024)

Served on numerous departmental and Institute committees.

Service at the University of Southern Mississippi

Co-Founder and Co-Director, Institute for the Study of War and Society (1997-2004).

Director, International Studies Major (fall 1997 - summer 2001)

Honors College Presidential Scholarship Interview Team (spring 2001, 2002)

Semester and Year Study Abroad Interview Team (spring 2001)

Representative, College Council (1997-1999).

Judge, History Day (2001)

Co-editor, *Exploring the Sources of World Civilization, 1650 to the Present*, McGraw-Hill, 1997 (primary source book used in our World History courses).

Served on 13 departmental and university committees

HONORS, AWARDS, AND PROJECT GRANTS

Jackson-Hope/VMIRL Matthew Fontaine Maury Prize for Excellence in Research, VMI Research Laboratories, Inc., awarded 16 May 2025.

American Philosophical Society, Franklin Research Grant, awarded 18 February 2022.

Wachtmeister Faculty Development Leave (competitively selected sabbatical), Virginia Military Institute, academic year 2022-2023.

Fulbright Award – “Flex” Grant to support two trips to Spain and research there for a total of four months during 2020 and 2021 (postponed to 2021 and 2022 due to Covid-19 pandemic)

Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) Research Grant, awarded 8 May 2019.

Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) Research Grant, awarded 9 May 2018.

Moroccan-American Cultural Center/ASMEA Research Grant, awarded 13 April 2016

Jackson-Hope Faculty Development Leave (competitively selected sabbatical), Virginia Military Institute, spring semester 2016 [full salary].

Wilbur S. Hinman, Jr. '26 Research Award (for excellence in stimulating, encouraging, and conducting research), VMI, presented 14 May 2013.

Faculty Development Leave (competitively selected sabbatical), Virginia Military Institute, spring semester 2009 [Full salary]

Title VI Grant awarded to University of Southern Mississippi by the United States Department of Education (June 1999) to establish an African Studies Concentration in the International Studies Major. *As the director of the IS major at USM, I wrote the grant application and administered its use.* [\$180,000].

Research Grant, Program for Cultural Cooperation Between Spain's Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports and United States Universities, 2002-2003 academic year.

Faculty Development Leave (competitively selected sabbatical), University of Southern Mississippi, fall semester 2002 – spring semester 2003 [half salary].

Fellow, West Point Summer Seminar in Military History, United States Military Academy, 2001

Mediterranean Studies Association Travel Grant, 1999.

Participant in NEH Summer Institute on “Memory, History, and Dictatorship: The Legacy of World War II in France, Germany, and Italy.” Paris and Caen, France, 1999.

University of Southern Mississippi Summer Research Grant, 1997.

Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies Prize for Best First Article
(1990-1992), 1994.
Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, 1993-94.
Fulbright Fellowship / Spanish Government Grant, 1991-92.
Yale Center for International and Area Studies Research Grant, 1991.
MacArthur Fellowship in History and Political Science in the field of International
Security Affairs, Yale University, 1991
Pre-dissertation Research Grant, Council on West European Studies, Yale Center
for International and Area Studies, 1990.
Dean's List, Indiana University.

LANGUAGES

English, Spanish, and German; reading knowledge of French, Portuguese, and
Catalan; rudimentary Modern Standard Arabic

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