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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Since 2022 **Associate Professor**, Department of History, Christopher Newport University

2016-2022 **Assistant Professor**, Department of History, Christopher Newport University

2015-2016 **Sultan Visiting Scholar & Lecturer in Arab Studies**, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California – Berkeley

EDUCATION

2015 **PhD, University of California – Davis**, Middle Eastern & North African History

2009 **MA, Uppsala University**, Sweden, Middle East Studies
Alexandria Center for Languages, Egypt (Spring 2008 & 2008-2009)

2007 **BA, Uppsala University**, Sweden, Semitic Philology & Political Science
Alexandria Center for Languages, Egypt (Spring 2006)

PUBLICATIONS

Book

2019 *Globalizing Morocco: Transnational Activism and the Postcolonial State* (Stanford: Stanford University Press)

Journal Articles

2025 “The Second World War and North Africa”, *Journal of North African Studies* 30, no. 6: 1058–1076.

2025 “Feudal Lords, Foreign Hands, and the Formation of Sovereignty in Decolonizing Morocco,” *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 45, no. 3: 523-537.

2023 “Decolonizing the Moroccan Woman: Female Liberation and National Sovereignty in the Modern Maghrib,” *Journal of Middle East Women’s Studies* 19, no. 2: 185-208.

2023 “Dispatches from New York: The Travels of a Moroccan Diplomat at the End of the Age of Empire,” *Journal of North African Studies* 23, no. 3: 519-539.

2020 "On the Margins of the Arab world?" *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 52, no. 1: 154-160.

2019 "Mediterranean Crossroads: Spanish-Moroccan Relations in Past and Present," *Journal of North African Studies* 24, no. 1: 7-16.

2016 "Centering the Periphery: Northern Morocco as a Hub of Transnational Anti-Colonial Activism, 1930-43," *Journal of Global History* 11, no. 3: 430-450.

2016 "'Bitterness Towards Egypt'—The Moroccan Nationalist Movement, Revolutionary Cairo and the Limits of Anti-Colonial Solidarity," *Cold War History* 16, no. 2: 159-175.

2014 "Did *Amrika* Promise Morocco's Independence? The Nationalist Movement, the Sultan, and the Making of the Roosevelt Myth," *Journal of North African Studies* 19, no. 4: 524-539.

2012 "Networking for Independence: The Moroccan Nationalist Movement's Global Campaign against French Colonialism," *Journal of North African Studies* 17, no. 4: 573-594. (*Winner of the 2012 *Mark Tessler Paper Prize*, American Institute for Maghrib Studies.)

Book Chapters

Forthcoming "1945: Kriegsende und Befreiungskampf in Nordafrika," in *1945: Das Ende des Zweiten Weltkriegs in globalhistorischer Perspektive*, eds. Takuma Melber and Frank Engehausen (Frankfurt a.M.: Campus-Verlag)

2023 "Morocco in the Modern Age," in *Routledge Handbook on the Modern Maghrib*, ed. George Joffé (London: Routledge): 82-102.

2023 with Deirdre Harshman and Matt Harshman, "Nationalism" in *Routledge Handbook on the Interwar Years*, eds. Andrew Denning and Heidi Tworek (London: Routledge): 514-532.

2020 "From Hope to Disillusionment: Moroccan Perceptions of the Kennedy Presidency," in *Globalizing the U.S. Presidency: Postcolonial Views of John F. Kennedy*, ed. Cyrus Schayegh (London: Bloomsbury): 115-129.

Non-Academic Publications

2020 "Moroccan Exceptionalism as Foreign Policy," *Focus* (Institut Europeu de la Mediterrània, Barcelona), no.105 (July)

2019 "Nafi al-sultan, sahat harb diblumasiyya," [The exile of the Sultan and the Diplomatic War] *Zamane Arabe*, Issue 64 (February): 38-41.

2014 "Le jeu trouble des agents secrets de l'OSS," *Zamane*, Issue 47 (October): 22-29

2013 "Le coup de pouce de l'Oncle Sam," *Zamane*, Issue 31 (June): 74-77.

2013 “Propagande au pays de l’Oncle Sam,” *Zamane*, Issue 28 (March): 70-73.

Encyclopedia Entries

Forthcoming “Muhammad V,” in Kate Fleet et al. (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Islam Vol. 3* (Leiden: Brill).

Forthcoming “Abd al-Khaliq b. Ahmad al-Turays,” in Kate Fleet et al. (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Islam Vol. 3* (Leiden: Brill).

Forthcoming “Abd al-Salm b. al-Arabi Binnuna,” in Kate Fleet et al. (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Islam Vol. 3* (Leiden: Brill).

2018 “Istiqlal Party,” in Kate Fleet et al. (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Islam Vol. 3* (Leiden: Brill).

Book Reviews

2021 Natalya Vince, “The Algerian War, The Algerian Revolution,” *H-France Reviews* (July).

2021 Alma Heckman, “The Sultan’s Communists: Moroccan Jews and the Politics of Belonging,” *Hespéris-Tamuda* (April)

2016 Pascal Blanchard, Sandrine Lemaire, Nicolas Bancel, Dominic Thomas (eds.), “Colonial Culture in France since the Revolution,” *H-Net Reviews* (February).

2015 Daniel Zisenwine, “The Emergence of Nationalist Politics in Morocco: The Rise of the Independence Party and the Struggle Against Colonialism after World War II,” *Journal of North African Studies* 20, no. 2: 305-306.

2014 Ellen Amster, “Medicine and the Saints: Science, Islam, and the Colonial Encounter in Morocco, 1877-1956,” *Journal of North African Studies* 19, no. 3: 458-460.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

2024-2026 Humboldt Research Fellow, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

2020-2021 John W. Kluge Center Fellowship, Library of Congress, Washington DC

2014-2015 Dissertation Year Fellowship, Mabelle McLeod Lewis Memorial Fund

2013-2014 Mellon Fellowship for Dissertation Research in Original Sources, Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR)

2013 Grant for Archival Research in France, France-Berkeley Fund

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2024 “Rationing and Resistance in Wartime North Africa, 1939-45,” LMU Munich, Germany (30 October)

2024 “Wartime Rationing and Decolonization in Colonial North Africa, 1939-45,” *Dis:connections in Wartime* Workshop, Käte Hamburger Research Center, Munich, Germany (24-25 April)

2023 “Feudal Lords, Foreign Hands: The Trial of Addi ou Bihi and the Making of Post-Colonial Morocco,” *Decolonization’s Discontents* Workshop, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (22-23 September)

2023 “Rationing, Prestige, and Resistance in Wartime North Africa, 1939-1945,” *Remade by War* Conference, Centre d’Etudes Maghrébines à Tunis, Tunisia (11-12 May)

2023 “Peripheral Nationalisms and the Egyptian Press in the Interwar Arab World,” *Centers and Peripheries in the Moroccan Social Sciences* Workshop, Tangier American Legation Institute, Morocco (28 February-2 March)

2022 “The Palestinian Press and the Making of an Anticolonial Counterpublic in Interwar North Africa,” *Questioning the Archive of Algerian Independence: Towards a Decolonized History* Conference, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA (24-25 March)

2021 “Lighthouse of Knowledge: The National Literacy Campaign in Postcolonial Morocco,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, Online Event (29 November-3 December)

2021 “The Tangier Legation and the Origins of the US-Moroccan Friendship,” *TALIM Bicentennial April Seminar*, Tangier, Morocco (7-9 April)

2020 “Moroccan Nationalism and the Spanish Civil War,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, Online Event (5-18 October)

2020 “International Anti-Colonialism and the Remaking of the Moroccan State,” *Decolonization, Development and State Building in North Africa* Conference, Brown University (25 September)

2019 “Dar al-Shura: The Forgotten History of Palestinian-Maghribi Anticolonialism,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, LA (14-17 November)

2019 “Globalizing Morocco: Transnational Activism and the Making of the Postcolonial State,” *3ème Congrès des études du GIS Moyen Orient et mondes musulmans*, Paris, France (3-5 July)

2018 “Educated Housewives into Successful Professionals: Changing Gender Images in Colonial Morocco,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, San Antonio, TX (15-18 November)

2018 “Decolonization: Middle Eastern Themes and Perspectives,” Roundtable participant, Middle East Studies Association Conference, San Antonio, TX (15-18 November)

2017 “On the Margins of Decolonization: the Moroccan Press, the Cold War, and the Kennedy Presidency,” Workshop *Deprovincializing the U.S. Presidency: John F. Kennedy as Seen from the Decolonizing World*, Princeton University (6-7 May)

2016 “Mediterranean Crossroads: Spanish-Maghribi Relations in Past and Present,” Roundtable chair & participant, Middle East Studies Association Conference, Boston, MA (17-20 November)

2016 “From Global Struggle to Domestic Politics: the Moroccan Nationalist Movement and Post-Independence State-Formation,” Second Morocco Workshop of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Lund University, Marrakesh, Morocco (21-22 May)

2016 “Centering the Periphery: Northern Morocco as a Hub of Transnational Anti-Colonial Activism, 1930-43,” AIMS Conference *Mediterranean Crossroads: Spanish-Maghribi Relations in Past and Present*, Tangier, Morocco (14-15 May)

2015 “Dry Fruits in Cairo: The Moroccan Student Missions and the Failure of Spanish Colonial Policy,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, Denver, CO (21-24 November)

2015 “Networking from Cairo to New York: The Global Campaign for Moroccan Independence,” Center for Middle Eastern Studies, UC Berkeley (3 September)

2015 “Bridges and Weak Ties: Morocco’s Anti-Colonial Struggle as a Global Network,” International Sunbelt Social Network Conference XXXV, Brighton, UK (23-28 June)

2015 “Looking Towards the Future: Morocco’s Arab-language press, the Holocaust, and Post-European Memory after 1945,” Workshop *Historical Comprehension and Moral Judgement of World War II and the Holocaust: The View from North Africa*, Hebrew University, Jerusalem (21-22 June)

2015 “In the Shadow of the Eiffel Tower: Advocating for Moroccan Independence in post-World War II France,” American Historical Association Conference, New York City (2-5 January)

2014 “Talking Revolution but Appeasing the Colonizer: Nasser’s Refusal to Support North African Nationalism,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, Washington DC (22-25 November)

2013 “The Second World War and Its Impact on the Moroccan Nationalist Movement”, Workshop *Illuminating the Dark Years - Morocco from World War Two to Independence*, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom (24-5 May)

2012 “Networking for Independence: The Moroccan Nationalist Movement’s Global Campaign against French Colonialism,” American Institute for Maghrib Studies Dissertation Writing Workshop, Los Angeles, CA (5-6 May)

2012 “Moroccan Nationalists and their Propaganda campaign in the United States,” Interdisciplinary Graduate and Professional Symposium, Davis, CA (26-28 April)

2011 “The Moroccan Nationalist Movement’s Global Campaign against Colonialism,” Middle East Studies Association Conference, Washington DC (1-4 December)

INVITED LECTURES

2025 “Alltag im Ausnahmezustand: Politik und Gesellschaft in Nordafrika während des Zweiten Weltkriegs,” University of the Bundeswehr, Munich, Germany (10 November)

2023 Book presentation “Globalizing Morocco”, Michigan State University (2 February)

2020 Book presentation “Globalizing Morocco”, University of Barcelona, Spain (28 May)

2019 Book presentation “Globalizing Morocco”, George Washington University, Washington DC (4 October)

CONFERENCES CO-ORGANIZED

2025 US Holocaust Memorial Museum Research Consultation, “The Middle East and North Africa,” Salzburg, Austria (25-27 May)

2023 American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS) Annual International Conference, “Remade by War: New Perspectives on Postwar North Africa,” Tunis, Tunisia (11-12 May)

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| 2016 | American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS) Annual International Conference, “Mediterranean Crossroads: Spanish-Maghribi Relations in Past and Present,” Tangier, Morocco (14-15 May) |
| 2015 | AIMS Annual Dissertation Writing Workshop, Berkeley, CA (10-11 October) |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

at Christopher Newport University

The Modern World
 Middle East History to 1800
 Modern Middle East History
 Modern North African History
 Israel/Palestine: One Land, Two Peoples
 Decolonizing the Middle East: Theories and Methods
 Nations and Nationalisms
 Historical Methods & Historiography
 Senior Thesis Seminar “The Cold War in the Third World”
 Senior Thesis Seminar “Decolonization”

at UC Berkeley

Introduction to Middle East Studies
 Modern North African History
 Senior Thesis Seminar in Middle East Studies

at California State University, Sacramento

Modern Middle East History
 Middle East History to 1800

at UC Davis

Introduction to Middle East History

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

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| 2019 | Interview, “New Texts out Now: Globalizing Morocco,” <i>Jadaliyya.com</i> , 31 October. |
| 2019 | Interview, “Globalizing Morocco,” <i>New Books Network</i> Podcast, 29 July. |
| 2017 | Interview, “La politique des Etats-Unis envers le Maroc,” <i>Zamane</i> , Issue 76 (March): 48-51. |

EDITORIAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editor, *Journal of North African Studies* (since 2025)
 Associate Editor, *Journal of North African Studies* (2023-2025)
 Book Review Editor, *Journal of North African Studies* (2023-2025)
 President of the AIMS Graduate Student Association (2015)

LANGUAGES

German (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (fluent), Swedish (fluent), Modern Standard Arabic (advanced), Egyptian Colloquial Arabic (intermediate), Moroccan Colloquial Arabic (intermediate), Classical Greek (five years in high school), Latin (four years in high school)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association (AHA)
Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)
Deutsche Arbeitsgemeinschaft Vorderer Orient für gegenwartsbezogene Forschung und Dokumentation e.V. (DAVO)