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EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

Ph.D. in History, emphasis in Medieval Studies, anticipated June 2019

Dissertation: "Narratives of Belonging: Italo-Greek Hagiography and Community Identity in Southern Italy and Sicily, c. 950-1150"

Committee: Carol Lansing (committee director and advisor), Valerie Ramseyer, Elizabeth Digeser, Dwight Reynolds, James Brooks

Fields: Medieval southern Italy, Late Antiquity, Medieval Mediterranean, Borderlands and Identity Studies

M.A. in Medieval History, Spring 2013

University of Nevada, Reno

B.A. in History, *Summa cum laude*, with minor in Italian, Spring 2010

PEER-REVIEW PUBLICATIONS

"Italian Narratives of Oppositional Identity: Hagiography and Affect in Distancing the Late Antique and Medieval Saracen, and the Modern Migrant," *Studies in Late Antiquity*, Vol. 3, No. 1 (Winter 2019).

(Accepted for Publication) "'Let us recount these things worthy of memory': Hagiography and Social Memory in the Norman Conquest of the Italian South," for the edited volume *The Normans in the Mediterranean: Comparative Studies in the Process of Conquest* (Brepols Publishers).

In Progress

"Italian Unboundedness from Medieval to Modern: Modern Migration, Medieval Silences, and Defining *Italianità*," to be submitted to *California Italian Studies* for the thematic issue *Italia senza frontiere* (*Borderless Italy*), Vol. 9 (2019), by January 15, 2019.

"The Optics of Interiority and the Italo-Greek Saintly Body: Medieval Asceticism and the Construction of Saintly Authority between Seen and Unseen," tentatively to be submitted to *Speculum*.

"European *Vitae* and Muslim *Tabaqat*: Holy Biography and Questions of Genre in Medieval Sanctity between Southern Italy and the Maghreb," tentatively to be submitted to *Mediterranean Studies*.

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

High Proficiency: Italian, Latin, Bulgarian

Reading Proficiency: French, Arabic, Greek

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

2018	<i>Medieval Worlds</i> Fellowship
2018	Frederic C. Lane Dissertation Grant, Medieval Academy of America
2018	UC Santa Barbara History Associates Department Fellowship, 2 quarters
2017	Middle Ages in the Wider World (MAWW) Graduate Student Assistant Fellowship
2017	Esmé Frost Fellowship for Outstanding Work in Medieval or Late Antique History, UCSB Department of History
2017	Humanities and Social Sciences Research Grant, UC Santa Barbara
2016-2017	Fulbright Grant for Dissertation Research in Rome, Italy (Oct. 5, 2016-Jul. 5, 2017)
2016	C. Warren Hollister Memorial Fellowship, UCSB Department of History
2015-2016	Crossroads Grant Fellow, Topic: Religion, Violence, Borderlands (Full Year), UCSB
2014-2015	Central Fellowship (Dean's Fellowship) for One Quarter TA-ship (Spring 2015)
2014	Nominee for GSA Excellence in Teaching TA Award
2014	Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies (PIMS) Fellowship for Summer Study at the University of Toronto
2013	Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies (PIMS) Fellowship for Summer Study at the American Academy in Rome
2012	William H. Ellison Prize for Best Graduate Seminar Paper
2012-14	University of California Santa Barbara History Department Teaching Assistantship
2011	UC Santa Barbara History Associates Department Fellowship, 2 Quarters

TEACHING EXPERIENCE – UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA

Fall 2018-Spr. 2019	Teaching Assistant, Writing 2, UCSB Writing Program*
Spring 2016	Instructor on Record, Hist 102KY: Violence and Religion in the Medieval Mediterranean (and Today)
Winter 2015	Teaching Assistant, Hist 4B: Western Civilization, 1050-1715
Fall 2014	Teaching Assistant, Hist 2C: World Civilization, 1715 – Present
Spring 2014	Teaching Assistant, Hist 4C: Western Civilization, 1715-Present
Winter 2014	Teaching Assistant, Hist 4B: Western Civilization, 1050-1715
Fall 2013	Teaching Assistant, Hist 8: Intro to History of Latin America
Spring 2013	Teaching Assistant, Hist 4B: Western Civilization, 1050-1715
Winter 2013	Teaching Assistant, Hist 2B: World Civilization, 1050-1715

* My responsibilities include designing the course and syllabus, designing all lectures and activities, and I hold full responsibility in grading and student evaluation.

Fall 2012 Teaching Assistant, Hist 4C: Western Civilization, 1715-Present
Spring 2012 Teaching Assistant, Hist 4B: Western Civilization, 1050-1715

TALKS AND CONFERENCES

Invited Lectures

Oct. 3, 2016 "Authority, Sanctity, and Hagiography: A Consideration of Maghrebi Sufis and Italo-Greek Saints, c. 950-1150" – *Majalis in Islamic Studies* (Organizer: Dahlia Gubara) – American University of Beirut, Lebanon

Dec. 4, 2014 "Introduction to Islam and Sufism: Islamic Origins to Modern Wahhabism," for Hist 2C: Modern World History, prof. Harold Marcuse

Conference Papers

Jul. 1-4, 2019 [Impending] Tentative Title, "Cave Dwelling and Terrestrial Cultivation in Medieval Southern Italy: Rupestral Sanctuaries between Spiritualism and Materiality" – Leeds International Medieval Congress (IMC), Theme: "Materiality," Panel: TBD – Leeds, United Kingdom

May 9-12, 2019 [Impending] Tentative Title, "Between Difference and Interdependence: Italo-Greek Hagiography and Arab-Muslim Discourse in Pre-Norman Italy" – International Congress on Medieval Studies, Panel: "Muslim-Christian Relations in Pre-Norman and Norman Italy," Haskins Society – Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo

Jul. 2-5, 2018 "‘Let us recount these things worthy of memory’: Hagiography and the Politics of Memory in the Norman Conquest of the Italian South" – Leeds International Medieval Congress (IMC), Theme: "Memory," Panel: "Power and Authority: The Remembrance, Legitimation, and Exercise of Power in the Norman South" – Leeds, United Kingdom

Mar. 8-10, 2018 "Merging the Latin Element: Hagiography and Memory in Norman Southern Italy," – New College Conference on Medieval & Renaissance Studies – Sarasota, Florida

Jan. 4-7, 2018 "Asceticism and Materializing the Spiritual Core: Italo-Greek Hagiography and the Construction of Sainthood between the ‘Seen and Unseen’" – Society for Italian Historical Studies (SIHS) Panel at the American Historical Association (AHA) Conference, Theme: "Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism in Global Perspective" – Washington, D.C.

Jul. 3-6, 2017 "Dialogues of Belonging: Italo-Greek Hagiography and the Construction of Self and Other, 10th-12th Centuries" – Leeds International Medieval Congress (IMC), Theme: "Othering," Panel: "Culture and Identity in Southern Italy" – Leeds, United Kingdom

Jun. 30-Jul. 2, 2017 "Transitioning from Greek to Latin: The Eclipse of Italo-Greek Eremitism under the Normans of Southern Italy, c. 1050-1150" – The Haskins Society, Theme: "Normans in the South: Mediterranean Meetings in the Central Middle Ages," – University of Oxford, United Kingdom

- Nov. 24-26, 2016 "Italian Narratives of Oppositional Identity: Distancing the Medieval Saracen and the Modern Migrant" – Tunisian-Mediterranean Association for Historical, Social, and Economic Studies, Theme: "Identities: the concept, its manifestations, its evolutions" – Monastir, Tunisia
- Mar. 11-13, 2016 "Cave as Borderland: Forging Faith in the Medieval Italian Rupestral *Mezzogiorno*, c. 950-1150" – Fifth Biennial Borderlands International Graduate Student Conference – UC Santa Barbara, Theme: "Forging Faith(s) in Global Borderlands"
- Mar. 10-12, 2016 "On the Limit between Heaven and Earth: Holy Men and the Cave Settlements of Matera and the Mercurion, c. 1000-1200" – New College Conference on Medieval & Renaissance Studies – Sarasota, Florida
- Feb. 26-27, 2016 "Lessons from the South: Italian Unboundedness from the Medieval to the Modern, and its Implications for Understanding *Italianità*" – 15th Annual Conference of the California Interdisciplinary Consortium for Italian Studies (CICIS), Theme: "Italia Senza Frontiere" – UC Santa Barbara
- Mar. 13-14, 2015 "(Un)Mapping the Medieval Mezzogiorno: Nilo of Rossano and the Italo-Greek Saints" – *(Un)mapping the Mediterranean* Conference – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Conference Panels Organized / Chaired

- Fall 2017 Organizer, Middle Ages in the Wider World (MAWW) Conference, Theme: "Interconnected Medieval Worlds," held October 13-14, 2017 at UC Santa Barbara
- May 7, 2016 Moderator, Panel on "Gender, Religion, and the Other" – UCSB Medieval Studies Graduate Student Conference, Theme: "Gender and Religious Practice in the Middle Ages"
- Fall-Sp. 2015-16 Organizer, UCSB Center for Middle East Studies (CMES) Graduate Student Conference, Theme: "Identity, Memory, and Diaspora," held May 20-22
- Fall-Sp. 2014-15 Organizer, UCSB Medieval Studies Program Graduate Student Conference, Theme: "Changes in Medieval Fashions," held April 25, 2015

TRANSLATION AND EDITING EXPERIENCE

- 2018-2019 Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Medieval Worlds*
- 2017-2018 Copy-Editor for Dario Internullo (University of Naples "Frederick II"), articles on "Latin Documents Written on Papyrus in the Late Antique and Early Medieval West (5th-11th century): An Overview," and "Papyrus, Parchment, and the Origins of the Archival Memory of Western Europe."
- Feb.-Mar. 2018 Copy-Editor for Irene Fattaciu (University of Turin), manuscript entitled *Across the Atlantic: Chocolate Consumption, Imperial Political Economies, and the Making of*

a Spanish Imaginary (1700-1800)

2017-2018	Copy-Editing Work for Tunisian-Mediterranean Association for Historical, Social, and Economic Studies
Fall/Winter 2017/18	Copy-Editor for <i>Zapruder World</i> journal, based at UC Santa Barbara
Summer 2014	Book Translator, <i>Plasma Works: From Topological Geometries to Urban Landscaping</i> , author Elisabetta Bonafede, Italian to English
Winter 2014	Book Translator, <i>Heretical Machinism and the Living Architectures of New-Territories.com</i> , author Antonino di Raimo, Italian to English
Winter 2012	Research Assist., Secondary Source Translation from Italian to English, Thirteenth-Century Papal Food Culture
Fall 2012	Research Assist., Secondary Source Italian to English, Medieval Venice Architecture
Spring 2011	Research Assist., Medieval Tuscan translation, Florentine Family Conflicts

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association
Medieval Academy of America
The Haskins Society
Women of Islamic Studies
Society of Italian Historical Studies

EXTRA-CURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT: IMMIGRATION WORK

Dec. 3, 2018	“Mediterranean Migration: Irregular Migrants, Refugees, and the Nation-State Dilemma in the Middle East and Europe,” Invited Lecture for Hist 46: Survey of Middle Eastern History, prof. Munther al-Sabbagh
Mar.-Jul. 2018	<u>Volunteer Operator</u> , Migrant health volunteer with <i>Medici per i diritti umani</i> (MEDU, “Doctors for Human Rights”) in Rome, Italy
Mar. 2018	<u>Contributor</u> , Article on Immigration Volunteer Work for <i>Historia</i> , Newsletter of the UCSB History Associates, UC Santa Barbara – Vol. 31, No. 2 (March, 2018)
Feb. 16, 2018	<u>Panelist</u> , “Citizens of Nowhere: The Case for Embracing the Stateless – Changing Faces of U.S. Citizenship” accompanying visit of David C. Baluarte (Washington and Lee, School of Law), <i>Critical Issues in America</i> series, UC Santa Barbara
Nov. 2016-Jul. 2017	<u>Volunteer Operator</u> , Migrant health volunteer with <i>Medici per i diritti umani</i> (MEDU, “Doctors for Human Rights”) in Rome, Italy