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David Como

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Bio

BIO

My teaching and research focus on the following areas of interest:

Puritanism, Politics

English Revolution

History of print

History of Political Thought

History of Religion and the Reformation

Global History

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, History

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Stanford University, (2018- present)
- Associate Professor, Stanford University ., (2007-2018)
- Assistant Professor, Stanford University, (2002-2007)
- Assistant Professor, University of Maryland, (2000-2002)
- Instructor/Schmidt Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Chicago, (1998-2000)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Solmsen Fellowship, Institute for Research in the Humanities, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2022-2023)
- Essay Prize (awarded for "Printing the Levellers"), Society of Fellows in Critical Bibliography (2022)
- Harold Grimm Prize (for “The Family of Love and the Making of English Revolutionary Religion"), Sixteenth Century Studies Conference (2019)
- John Ben Snow Prize, for best book in pre-1800 British History, North American Conference on British Studies (2019)
- Pacific Coast Conference on British Studies Book Prize, Pacific Coast Conference on British Studies (2019)
- Samuel Pepys Award, for book making greatest contribution to understanding the era of Samuel Pepys, Samuel Pepys Club (UK) (2019)
- Walter Muir Whitehill Prize in Early American History (for "City on the Other Hill"), Colonial Society of Massachusetts in conjunction with the New England Quarterly (2018)
- Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellowship for Recently Tenured Scholars, American Council of Learned Societies (2011-2012)

- 12-Month Fellowship, National Endowment for the Humanities (2007-2008)
- Short-Term Fellowship, Huntington Library (2007)
- John Ben Snow Prize, Honorable Mention, North American Conference on British Studies (2005)
- Bibliographical Society of America Fellowship, Bibliographical Society of America (2004)
- Schmidt Fellowship, University of Chicago (1998-2000)
- W.M. Keck Foundation/Fletcher Jones Foundation Fellow, Huntington Library (1998)
- Post-Enrollment Fellowship, A.W. Mellon (1997-1998)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D, Princeton University , Department of History. (1999)
- A.B., Stanford University , History (1992)

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Blood and Roses: The Age of the Tudors: HISTORY 133A (Aut)
- Blood and Roses: The Age of the Tudors: HISTORY 33A (Aut)
- Research Seminar for Majors: HISTORY 209S (Aut)
- The Global Early Modern: HISTORY 207C, HISTORY 307C (Win)
- Two British Revolutions: HISTORY 233C, HISTORY 333C (Win)

2024-25

- Empire and Revolution: 17th Century England: HISTORY 133B (Spr)
- Empire and Revolution: 17th Century England: HISTORY 33B (Spr)
- Political Thought in Early Modern Britain: HISTORY 233F, HISTORY 333F (Win)
- Reformation to Civil War: England under the Tudors and Stuarts: HISTORY 233, HISTORY 333 (Win)
- The Global Early Modern: HISTORY 207C, HISTORY 307C (Spr)

2023-24

- Blood and Roses: The Age of the Tudors: HISTORY 133A (Spr)
- Blood and Roses: The Age of the Tudors: HISTORY 33A (Spr)
- Political Thought in Early Modern Britain: HISTORY 233F, HISTORY 333F (Win)
- The Global Early Modern: HISTORY 207C, HISTORY 307C (Win)
- Two British Revolutions: HISTORY 233C, HISTORY 333C (Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Jon Cooper, Nathan Lilje, Courtney MacPhee

Orals Evaluator

Jon Cooper, Nathan Deschamps, Julia Fine, Nathan Lilje, Courtney MacPhee, Audrey Martel-Dion

Doctoral (Program)

Courtney MacPhee

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Religion, Politics and the Public Sphere, 1500-1850 : Essays in Honour of Peter Lake**
  edited by Como, D., Questier, M.
  2025
- **Radical Parliamentarians and the English Civil War. Winner of the 2019 John Ben Snow Prize, 2019 Samuel Pepys Award, 2019 PCCBS Book Prize**
  Como, D. R.
  Oxford University Press.2018
- **Blown by the Spirit: Puritanism and the Emergence of an Antinomian Underground in pre-Civil-War England**
  Como, D.
  Stanford University Press.2004
- **"Search and Seize: Partisan Publishers and Press Controls in Thomason's London"** *Electronic British Library Journal*
  Como, D.
  2024
- **Anatomy of the General Rising: Militancy and Mobilisation in London, 1643** *Peter Lake and Jason Peacey, eds., Insolent Proceedings: Rethinking Public Politics in the English Revolution*
  Como, D.
  Manchester University Press.2022
- **Anatomy of the General Rising: militancy and mobilisation in London, 1643** *INSOLENT PROCEEDINGS*
  Como, D.
  edited by Lake, P., Peacey, J.
  2022: 69-87
- **Empire of heresy: Samuel Gorton, Gerrard Winstanley, and the London roots of transatlantic revolutionary religion** *POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS PRACTICE IN THE EARLY MODERN BRITISH WORLD*
  Como, D. R.
  edited by Bulman, W. J., Dominguez, F. C.
  2022: 241-261
- **Empire of Heresy: Samuel Gorton, Gerrard Winstanley, and the London Roots of Transatlantic Revolutionary Religion** *in William Bulman and Freddy Dominguez, eds., Political and Religious Practice in the Early Modern British World*
  Como, D.
  Manchester University Press.2022
- **Printing the Levellers: Clandestine Print, Radical Propaganda, and the New Model Army** *The Library*
  Como, D. R.
  2021; 7th ser., vol. 22: 441–486
- **Making 'the Heads of the Proposals': The King, the Army, the Levellers, and the Roads to Putney** *ENGLISH HISTORICAL REVIEW*
  Como, D. R.
  2020; 135 (577): 1387–1432
- **Provincial 'Levellers' and the Coming of the Regicide in the South-West** *in Chris R. Kyle and Jason Peacey, eds., Connecting Centre and Locality: Political Communication in Early Modern England*
  Como, D.
  Manchester University Press.2020
- **The Origins of the Concept of Freedom of the Press** *in Robert G. Ingram, Jason Peacey and Alex Barber, eds., Freedom of Speech, 1500–1850*
  Como, D.
  Manchester University Press.2020

- **City on the Other Hill: The Plough Patent, the Company of Husbandmen, and a Radical Puritan Colonization Project** *NEW ENGLAND QUARTERLY-A HISTORICAL REVIEW OF NEW ENGLAND LIFE AND LETTERS*
  Como, D. R.
  2019; 92 (3): 348–90
- **The Family of Love and the Making of English Revolutionary Religion: The Confession and "Conversions" of Giles Creech** *JOURNAL OF MEDIEVAL AND EARLY MODERN STUDIES*
  Como, D. R.
  2018; 48 (3): 553–61
- **God's Revolutions: England, Europe, and the Concept of Revolution in the mid-Seventeenth Century** *in K. Baker and D. Edelstein, eds., Scripting Revolution: A Historical Approach to the Comparative Study of Revolutions*
  Como, D.
  Stanford University Press.2015
- **Print, Censorship, and Ideological Escalation in the English Civil War** *JOURNAL OF BRITISH STUDIES*
  Como, D. R.
  2012; 51 (4): 820-857
- **Modernity and the Glorious Revolution** *Colloquium on Steve Pincus, 1688: The First Modern Revolution*
  Como, D., Weil, R., Pincus, S.
  2010
- **Radical Puritanism, c. 1558-1660** *The Cambridge Companion to Puritanism*
  Como, D.
  edited by Coffey, J., Lim, P.
  Cambridge University Press.2008
- **Review of "Religious Politics in Post-Reformation England: Essays in Honour of Nicholas Tyacke" by K. Fincham and P. Lake** *Renaissance Quarterly*
  Como, D.
  2008; 61
- **Secret printing, the crisis of 1640, and the origins of civil war radicalism** *PAST & PRESENT*
  Como, D. R.
  2007: 37-82
- **Print culture and the early Quakers. (Book Review)** *JOURNAL OF ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY*
  Book Review Authored by: Como, D.
  2007; 58 (1): 158-159
- **Politicians and pamphleteers: Propaganda during the English civil wars and interregnum. (Book Review)** *SIXTEENTH CENTURY JOURNAL*
  Book Review Authored by: Como, D. R.
  2006; 37 (3): 759-761
- **Anne Phoenix** *The Early Modern Englishwoman: A Facsimile Library of Essential Works, Series I, Printed Writings, 1500-1640*
  edited by Como, D.
  Ashgate Press.2006; 5 (4)
- **An Unattributed Pamphlet of William Walwyn: New Light on the Prehistory of the Leveller Movement** *The Huntington Library Quarterly*
  Como, D.
  2006; 69
- **The burning of Edward Wightman: Puritanism, prelacy and the politics of Heresy in early modern England** *ENGLISH HISTORICAL REVIEW*
  Atherton, I., Como, D.
  2005; 120 (489): 1215-1250
- **Review of "The Precisianist Strain: Disciplinary Religion and the Antinomian Backlash in Puritanism to 1638"** *Journal of Ecclesiastical History*
  Como, D.

2005; 56

- **Puritanism and its discontents. (Book Review)** *AMERICAN HISTORICAL REVIEW*
  Book Review Authored by: Como, D.
  2004; 109 (4): 1196-1197
- **Legate, Bartholomew (c. 1565-1612)** *The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
  Como, D.
  Oxford University Press.2004
- **George Walker (c. 1582-1652)** *The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
  Como, D.
  Oxford University Press.2004
- **Eaton, John (1585-c.1631)** *The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
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  Oxford University Press.2004
- **Brereley, Roger (c. 1586-1637)** *The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
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- **Traske, John (c. 1582-1636)** *The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
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- **Boye, Rice (fl. 1629-1636)** *The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
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- **Predestination and political conflict in Laud's London** *HISTORICAL JOURNAL*
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- **Apocalypse how? Baptist movements during the English revolution. (Book Review)** *JOURNAL OF PRESBYTERIAN HISTORY*
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- **Review of "The Church in an Age of Danger: Parsons and Parishioners, 1660- 1740"** *History: Reviews of New Books*
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  2001; 29
- **Puritans, Predestination and the Construction of Orthodoxy in Early Seventeenth Century England** *Conformity and Orthodoxy in the English Church, c. 1560-1642*
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  edited by Lake, P., Questier, M.
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- **Review of "Metropolitan Communities: Trade Guilds, Change, and Identity in Early Modern London"** *International Labor and Working-Class History*
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- **'Orthodoxy' and its discontents: Dispute settlement and the production of 'consensus' in the London (Puritan) 'underground'** *JOURNAL OF BRITISH STUDIES*
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- **Puritans, Antinomians and Laudians in Caroline London: The strange case of Peter Shaw and its contexts (The internal workings of so-called "radical divines" in the early seventeenth-century English underground)** *JOURNAL OF ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY*
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- **The Kingdom of England, the Kingdom of Traske and the Kingdom of Christ: The Persistence of Radical Puritanism in Early Stuart England** *Protestant Identities: Religion, Society, and Self-Fashioning in Post-Reformation England*
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- **Women, Prophecy and Authority in Early Stuart Puritanism** *The Huntington Library Quarterly*
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