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Positions William H. Bonsall Professor of French, Stanford University Professor of French Courtesy appointment in Political Science Courtesy appointment in History Associate professor of French Assistant professor of French		2016- 2013- 2021- 2011- 2010-2013 2004-2010
Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Professor for Distinguished Teaching University Center for Human Values, Princeton University Senior NEH Fellow, Department of Romance Languages, University of C	Chicago	2014-2015 2009-2010
Education	C	
University of Pennsylvania Ph.D. in French		2004
Université de Genève, Switzerland Licence ès Lettres (French, English, Latin)		1999
Prizes and awards Selma V. Forkosch Prize, best article published in the <i>Journal of the Histo</i> in 2022	ory of Ideas	2023
W. Warren Shelden University Fellow in Undergraduate Education		2013-23
Dean's Distinguished Teaching Award, Stanford University		2011
Oscar Kenshur Book Prize, for <i>The Terror of Natural Right</i> ASECS/The Center for Eighteenth-Century Studies at Indiana Uni	versity	2010
William Koren, Jr. Prize, honorable mention, best published article in Fre	ench history	2009
Walter J. Gores Award, highest award for excellence in teaching, Stanford	d University	2006
Naomi Schor Prize, best graduate student paper, Nineteenth-Century Fren	ıch Studies	2003
Fellowships and grants		
Cornerstone: Learning for Living Grant, Teagle Foundation, PI		2021-2023
Changing Human Experience, Stanford (History of Democracy; Represen		2020-2022
Hoffman-Yee Grant, Stanford HAI, co-PI ('Time Machine' for History of	Concepts)	2020-2023
Stanford Fellow		2019-2021
ACLS Digital Extension Grant, PI		2016-2017
Australian Research Council (ARC) Discovery Project Grant, co-PI		2015-2017
The Europe Center, Freeman-Spogli Institute (FSI), Stanford, Research g	rant	2014-2015
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Digital Humanities Impl Grant for "Networks in History," PI	ementation	2013-2015
NEH "Digging into Data" Challenge Grant, for "Digging Into the Enlight	tenment," PI	2010-2011
National Forum on the Future of Liberal Education Fellow, Teagle Found	lation	2010-2012
William H. and Frances Green Faculty Fellow, Stanford		2009-2010
NEH Fellowship at a Digital Humanities Center (ARTFL project), Unive	rsity of Chicago	2009-2010
Presidential Fund for Innovation in the Humanities Grant, Stanford		2008-2011

Stanford Humanities Center Fellowship

2008-2009

Fulbright Fellowship (at Université Paris III-Sorbonne Nouvelle)

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Books

On the Spirit of Rights (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2019). Paperback 2021. Korean translation, 2022.

Reviews: <u>New York Review of Books</u>, <u>Times Higher Education</u>, <u>Global Intellectual History</u>, <u>Choice</u>, <u>Dutch Review of Books</u>, <u>Opera historica</u> (discussion forum), <u>Eighteenth-Century Studies</u>, <u>H-France</u>, <u>The Regensburg Forum</u> (and <u>part 2</u>).

The Enlightenment: A Genealogy (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2010). Paperback.

Reviews: <u>Eighteenth-Century Studies</u> (review article), <u>Modern Language Notes</u>, <u>Journal of Modern History</u>, <u>Journal of European Studies</u>, <u>The European Legacy</u>, <u>Modern Intellectual History</u>, <u>Annales HSS</u>, <u>Annales historiques de la Révolution française</u>, <u>Contributions to the History of Concepts</u>,

History Today.

The Terror of Natural Right: Republicanism, the Cult of Nature, and the French Revolution (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2009). Paperback 2010.

Reviews (selection): *The Nation, American Historical Review* (featured review), *Annales HSS*, *Journal of Modern History, Social History, Journal of Social History, Modern Intellectual History, Annales historiques de la Révolution française, French Forum, La vie des idées, H-Net, H-France, Esprit Créateur, Small Wars Journal, The European Legacy.*

Edited volumes

Cambridge History of Rights, vol. 4 (on 17th and 18th centuries), with Jennifer Pitts (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming).

Power and Time, ed. with Stefanos Geroulanos and Natasha Wheatley (Chicago: University of Chicago Press. 2020).

Reviews: Contemporary European History, H-Diplo

Networks of European Enlightenment, ed. with Chloe Edmondson (Liverpool: Oxford Studies in the Enlightenment, 2019).

Reviews: H-France, MLN.

Let There be Enlightenment, ed. with Anton Matytsin (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2018).

Reviews: <u>Journal of Jesuit Studies</u>, <u>History: Reviews of New Books</u>, <u>H-France</u>, <u>Eighteenth-Century Studies</u>, <u>Journal of Ecclesiastical History</u>, The European Legacy

Scripting Revolution, ed. with Keith Baker (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2015).

Reviews: <u>European Review of History</u>, <u>H-Diplo</u>, <u>H-France</u>, <u>Annales. Histoire</u>, <u>Sciences sociales</u>, <u>Histoire sociale/Social History</u>, <u>International Review of Social History</u>, Journal of World History, Journal for the Study of Radicalism

The Super-Enlightenment: Daring To Know Too Much, editor, SVEC 2010:01 (Oxford: Voltaire Foundation, 2010).

Reviews: <u>American Historical Review</u>, <u>Journal of Modern History</u>, <u>Eighteenth-Century Studies</u>, <u>Dixhuitième siècle</u>, <u>French Studies</u>, <u>Annales historiques de la Révolution française</u>, <u>Modern Language</u> Notes, The English Historical Review, Journal for Eighteenth-Century Studies</u>.

Myth and Modernity, ed. with Bettina Lerner, Yale French Studies 111 (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2007).

Books in progress

The Revolution To Come: An Intellectual History from Thucydides to Lenin (Princeton University Press, forthcoming spring 2025)

Articles and book chapters

"How Republics Die: Plutarch on the Intra-Elite Rivalries That Destroyed the Roman Commonwealth," *History of Political Thought* (forthcoming).

- "The Ages of Revolution," in Bryan Banks and Cindy Ermus, eds., *Age of Revolutions: A Global History,* 1650 to the Present (Charlottesville: UVA Press, forthcoming).
- "On the Liberties of the Ancients: Licentiousness, Equal Rights, and the Rule of Law," with Benjamin Straumann, *History of European Ideas* 49, no. 6 (2023): 1037-60 [link]
- "Roman Rights Talk: Subjective Rights in Cicero and Livy," with Benjamin Straumann, *History of Political Thought* 43, no. 4 (2022): 637-59 [link]
- "A Hidden Legacy: Enlightenment Rights Talk, Nineteenth-Century Constitutions, and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights," in *Enlightenment Legacy: The Rights of Man in a Global Perspective* (Turin: Fondazione 1563, 2022), 29-41 [link]
- "Why College? An Education for Freedom," with Debra Satz, in *Academic Ethics Today*, ed. Steven M. Cahn (Lanham: Rowan & Litllefield, 2022), 243-50.
- "C'est la faute à Voltaire: Revolution and Enlightenment," in « L'écriture est la peinture de la voix » : Hommage à Nicholas Cronk, ed. Gillian Pink and Thomas Wynn (forthcoming).
- "Rousseau, Bodin, and the Medieval Corporatist Origins of Popular Sovereignty," *Political Theory* 50, no. 1 (2022): 142-68 [link]
- "A 'Revolution' in Political Thought: Translations of Polybius Book 6 and the Conceptual History of Revolution," *Journal of the History of Ideas* 83, no. 1 (2022): 17-40 [link].
- "Social Welfare and the Natural Order: On the Theological and Liberal Origins of Socioeconomic Rights," *Social Rights and the Politics of Obligation in History*, ed. Steven L. B. Jensen and Charles Walton (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2022), 47-62.
- "The Historical Sublime," *History and Human Flourishing*, ed. Darrin McMahon (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022).
- "Mapping the Republic of Letters: History of a Digital Humanities Project," in Simon Burrows and Glenn Roe, *Digitizing Enlightenment* (Liverpool: Oxford Studies in the Enlightenment, 2020).
- "Back to the Future: Digital Humanities as an Analogue Practice?" *Early Modern Theater Practices and the Digital Archive*, eds. Sylvaine Guyot and Jeffrey S. Ravel (MIT Press, 2019) [link]
- "Voltaire's European Correspondents: An Enlightenment Network?" in Lise Andries and Marc André Benier, *L'Avenir des Lumières/The Future of Enlightenment* (Paris: Ed. Hermann, 2019).
- "The Ancient Constitution and the Roman Law: On Benjamin Straumann's *Crisis and Constitutionalism*," *Global Intellectual History* 3, no. 3 (2018): [link]
- "Nature or Nation? Rights Conflicts in the Age of the French Revolution," in David A. Bell and Yair Mintzker, *Rethinking the Age of Revolutions: France and the Birth of the Modern World* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018), 1-40.
- "Future Perfect: Political and Emotional Economies of Revolutionary Time," in *Power and Time* [link].
- "The Aristotelian Enlightenment," in Let There be Enlightenment, 187-201.
- "Introduction: Historical Network Analysis and Social Groups in the Enlightenment," with Chloe Edmondson, in *Networks of European Enlightenment* [link].
- "How England Fell Off the Map of Voltaire's Enlightenment," with Biliana Kassabova, *Modern Intellectual History* 17, no. 1 (2018): 29-53 [link].
- "Christian Human Rights in the French Revolution," *Journal of the History of Ideas* 79, no. 3 (2018): 411-26 [link].
- "Retiring the 'Radical Enlightenment,'" responses to Henry C. Clark, "How Radical Was the Political Thought of the *Encyclopédie*?" in "Liberty Matters: A Forum for the Discussion of Matters Pertaining to Liberty" (March 2018) [link] .
- "Red Leviathan: Authority and Violence in Revolutionary Political Culture," *History & Theory* 56, no. 4 (2017): 76-96 [link].
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- "Revolution in Permanence and the Fall of Popular Sovereignty," in *The Scaffold of Sovereignty*, ed. Zvi Ben-Dor Benite, Stefanos Geroulanos, and Nicole Jerr (New York: Columbia University Press, 2017), 371-92.
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- "Is There a 'Modern' Natural Law Theory? Notes on the History of Human Rights," *Humanity* 7, no. 3 (2016): 345-64 [link]
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- "A Response to Jonathan Israel," in *Self-Evident Truths? Human Rights and the Enlightenment*, Oxford Amnesty Lectures 2009, ed. Kate Tunstall (London: Bloomsbury Press, 2012).
- "Do We Want a Revolution Without Revolution? Reflections on Political Authority," *French Historical Studies* 35, no. 2 (2012): 269-89. [link]
- "The Classical Turn in Enlightenment Studies," review essay, *Modern Intellectual History* 9, no. 1 (2012): 61-71. [link]
- "In 1795: Of Gods and Revolution," in *Romantik und Revolution: Zum politischen Reformpotential einer unpolitischen Bewegung*, ed. Klaus Ries (Heidelberg: Universitätsverlag Winter, 2012), 105-114.
- "Historiographie américaine récente de la Révolution française," in *La République et son droit (1870-1930)*, ed. Annie Stora-Lamarre, Jean-Louis Halpérin, and Frédéric Audren (Besançon: Presses universitaires de Franche-Comté, 2011).
- "Terreur et droit naturel," in La République et son droit.
- "Introduction to the Super-Enlightenment," in *The Super-Enlightenment: Daring To Know Too Much*, SVEC 2010:01 (Oxford: Voltaire Foundation, 2010), 1-33.
- "The Egyptian French Revolution: Freemasonry, Antiquarianism, and the Mythology of Nature," in *The Super-Enlightenment*, 215-41.
- "Humanism, *l'Esprit Philosophique*, and the *Encyclopédie*," *Republics of Letters* 1, no. 1 (2009): [link].
- "The Birth of Ideology from the Spirit of Myth: Georges Sorel among the *Idéologues*," in *The Re- Enchantement of the World: Secular Magic in a Rational Age*, ed. Joshua Landy and Michael Saler (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2009).
- "War and Terror: The Law of Nations from Grotius to the French Revolution," *French Historical Studies* 31, no. 2; special issue on "War, Culture, and Society," ed. David A. Bell and Martha Hanna (2008): 229-62. [link]

- "Hostis Humani Generis: Devils, Natural Right, Terror, and the French Revolution," Telos: A Quarterly Journal of Critical Thought 141 (2007): 57-81. [link]
- "The Law of 22 Prairial: Introduction and Translation," Telos 141 (2007): 82-100.
- "Editors' Preface: Mythomanies," with Bettina Lerner, in *Myth and Modernity*, Yale French Studies 111 (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2007), 1-4.
- "The Modernization of Myth, from Balzac to Sorel," in Myth and Modernity, 32-44.
- "Hyperborean Atlantis: Jean-Sylvain Bailly, Madame Blavatsky, and the Nazi Myth," *Studies in Eighteenth-Century Culture* 35 (2006): 267-91. [link]
- "Antonin Artaud," in *The Columbia History of Twentieth-Century French Thought*, ed. Lawrence Kritzman (New York: Columbia University Press, 2005).
- "Expositions," in Columbia History of Twentieth-Century French Thought.
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- "Moving Through the Looking-Glass: Deleuzian Reflections on the Series in Mallarmé," L'Esprit Créateur 40, no. 3 (2000): 50-60. [link]

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- "Si l'on parlait de la République?," by Pierre Serna, *Annales historiques de la Révolution française* 364, n. 2 (2011): 211-238 [link]
- "Of Pirates, Empire, and Terror: An Interview with Lauren Benton and Dan Edelstein," by Samuel Moyn, *Humanity* 2, no. 1 (2011): 75-84 [link]
- "Big Data and Culturonomics," by Kurt Anderson, Studio 360 (Aug. 9, 2013) [link]
- "Mapping the Republic of Letters," by Meredith Hindley, *Humanities* 34, no. 6 (2013) [link]
- "Rethinking History," by John Hooper, *Intelligent Life* (Nov./Dec. 2014) [link]
- "On Human Rights," by Robert P. Harrison, Entitled Opinions (May 2018) [link]
- "Stanford Scholar Examines the Roots of Human Rights," by Alex Shashkevich, *Stanford Report* (Jan. 2019) [link]
- "Religion, Rationality, and Democracy," by Michael McFaul, World Class (Jan. 2019) [link]
- New Books Network (on On the Spirit of Rights), by Alexandra Ortolja-Baird (Sept. 2020) [link]
- "The Present' is Merely a Fragile Consensus" (on *Power and Time*), by Jonathon Carlin, *JHI blog* (June 2021) [link]
- "On the Evolution of 'Revolution,'" by Glauco Schettini, JHI blog (March 2022) [link]
- "Is Studying Civics The Path To Civility?," by Larry Mantle, AirTalk, KPCC radio (Sept. 2023) [link]

News publications

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- "The Return of Ideology," The National Interest (Dec. 4, 2023) [link]
- "By Abandoning Civics, Colleges Helped Create the Culture Wars," with Debra Satz, *New York Times* (September 3, 2023) [link]
- "In the Ruins of Western Civilization," The Hedgehog Review (July 28, 2022) [link]
- "Mind Over Major," Stanford Magazine (July 19, 2022) [link]
- "Enough With the Culture Wars," *Inside Higher Ed* (March 30, 2022) [link]
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- "How is Innovation Taught? On Liberal Education and the Knowledge Economy," *Liberal Education* 96, no. 1 (2010) [link]
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- "Gerrymandering the Canon," Inside Higher Ed (February 16, 2010) [link]
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- "Iphigenia and the iPhone," Inside Higher Ed (August 13, 2009) [link]
- "Republicans Rewrite History in Crying 'Socialism," San Jose Mercury News (March 14, 2009) [link]
- "Law and Disorder," in "Thinking Twice: Terror," Stanford Report (March 4, 2009) [link]

Book reviews

- Capitalism and the Emergence of Civic Equality in Eighteenth-Century France, by William H. Sewell, Jr. Journal of Modern History (2022) [link]
- *Men on Horseback: The Power of Charisma in the Age of Revolution*, by David A. Bell. *H-Diplo Roundtable* (2021) [link]
- You Say You Want a Revolution? Radical Idealism and its Tragic Consequences, by Daniel Chirot, Journal of Modern History 94, no. 1 (2022) [link]
- The Frankenstein of 1790 and Other Lost Chapters from Revolutionary France, by Julia V. Douthwaite. Journal of Modern History 87, no. 1 2015): 189-191 [link]
- *The Shock of the Ancient: Literature & History in Early Modern France*, by Larry F. Norman. *H-France Forum* 7, no. 2 (2012) [link]
- From Deficit to Deluge: The Origins of the French Revolution, ed. Dale Van Kley and Thomas Kaiser. Journal of Modern History 84, no. 3 (2012): 740-43 [link]
- Montesquieu and the Logic of Liberty: War, Religion, Commerce, Climate, Terrain, Technology, Uneasiness of Mind, the Spirit of Political Vigilance, and the Foundations of the Modern Republic, by Paul A. Rahe.

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- A Revolution of the Mind: Radical Enlightenment and the Intellectual Origins of Modern Democracy, by Jonathan Israel.

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Invited lectures

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"The Ages of Revolution."	
Trinity Hall History Society, Cambridge University	May 2023
Dept. of History, University of Lausanne	May 2023
"Enlightenment Revolutions." "Pamphlets and Patrons" workshop, Universität Trier	May 2023
"Copy/Paste: Comparative Constitutionalism as Intellectual History." International Association of Law Libraries, Robert Crown Law Library, Stanford	October 2022

"On the Enlightenment Legacy of Rights."

September 2022

Turin Humanities Program, Fondazione 1563, Turin	
"Liberal Education in the Digital Age." Samsung Forum, San Jose	March 2022
"A Typology of Political Narratives: Cosmologies, Plots, Scripts, and Genres." Historisches Institut, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	Feb. 2022
"On the Mysterious Case of Natural Rights in Beccaria's <i>On Crimes and Punishments</i> ." Dept. of Political Science, Columbia University	Oct. 2021
"Intellectual History and Digital Humanities." TRANSFICCIÓN research group, Universidad de Zaragoza	September 2021
"Revolutionary Dictatorship." Department of History, Dartmouth College	March 2021
"Enlightenment Revolutions." Shelby Cullom Davis Center, Princeton University Department of French, Columbia University	April 2021 Nov. 2020
"Voltaire's European Correspondence Network." Bodmer Lab, University of Geneva	May 2019
"Liberty as Equality: Rousseau and Roman Constitutionalism." George Rousseau Lecture (inaugural), Magdalen College, University of Oxford	April 2019
Panel discussions of On the Spirit of Rights	
American Society for Legal History, Boston	Nov. 2019
University of Vienna	May 2019
University of Geneva	May 2019
Enlightenment Workshop, Oxford	April 2019
European University Institute (EUI), Florence	April 2019
H-France webinar	April 2019
EHESS/German Historical Institute, Paris	April 2019
Huntington Library/USC, Los Angeles	March 2019
"Natural Constitutionalism and American Rights." Legal History Workshop, University of Minnesota	November 2018
"The Historical Sublime." Humanities and Human Flourishing Project, University of Pennsylvania, Shawnee	June 2018 e, NJ
"The Politics of Rights, 1572-1789." Seminar in the History of Political Ideas, Institute of Historical Research, London	March 2018, UK
"Constitutionalism and Human Rights, 1789-1948." Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy	November 2017
"How the Romans Abolished Slavery in the Enlightenment." Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University	April 2017
"Reading Texts in the Age of Data." Presidential Panel, <i>MLA</i> , Philadephia	January 2017
"Rights of Man vs Droits de l'homme."	
Keynote lecture, Georges Rudé Seminar, Western Sydney University, Australia	July 2016
Department of History, Princeton University	March 2016
"On Permanent Revolution." European Studies Lecture Series, University of Oregon	May 2016
"Mapping the Republic of Letters," with Paula Findlen. Art History and Communication/Interacting with Print, McGill University	October 2015
"Who Was the Enlightenment? Social Networks and Digital Humanities."	

Department of French, University of Pennsylvania	January 2016
Keynote lecture, East Central/American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies	November 2015
Keynote lecture, AALAC Collaborative Workshop, Wellesley	October 2015
Keynote lecture, International Society of Eighteenth-Century Studies, Rotterdam	July 2015
"In the Name of the People: Popular Sovereignty and Permanent Revolution." Mellon Sawyer Seminar on Political Will, Cornell University	February 2015
"When did 'Rights' Become Rights? The Fall and Rise of a Revolutionary Concept."	
Department of French, Dartmouth College	October 2015
Department of French, Bryn Mawr College	March 2015
Department of German and Romance Languages and Literatures Johns Hopkins University	March 2015
Early Modern History Seminar/School of Languages, Literatures and Cultural Stud Trinity College Dublin, Ireland	lies March 2015
Political Theory Colloquium/History and Theory Colloquium, Cornell University	February 2015
Early Modern History Workshop, Columbia University	October 2014
"Where are Voltaire's Letters Concerning the English Nation? Maps, Networks, and Literature	ary History."
Department of Romance Languages, University of Pennsylvania	March 2015
Department of French and Italian, Princeton University	February 2015
Department of French, Yale University	February 2015
Department of French and Italian, Brown University	February 2015
"Data Visualization and the Digital Archive." Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York City	November 2014
"Digital Humanities: Potential and Perils in Research and Training." Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh	November 2014
"How to Do Things with Data: Schemas, Networks, and the Enlightenment." Modern European History Workshop, Brown University	November 2014
"Social Network Analysis for Humanistic Research: Beyond Gephi." Center for the Humanities, Temple University	November 2014
"On the Origins of Permanent Revolution in Marx." Intellectual and Cultural History Seminar, CUNY	October 2014
"Visualizing Data for Historical Research: An Introduction to <i>Palladio</i> ." Department of History, Harvard University	April 2014
"Adventures in Digital Humanities." Department of History, Boston College	April 2014
"Digital Approaches to the Enlightenment." Department of History, Boston University	April 2014
"Humanities + Design," with Nicole Coleman. Keynote Lecture, <i>Humanities 2.0: New Tools for the Digital Age</i> , UC Berkeley	April 2014
"Natural Right in the French Enlightenment." Fondazione Firpo, Turin	October 2013
"How to Read a Million Letters." Institute for Quantitative Theory and Methods, Emory University	April 2013
"In the Name of Revolution." Humanities Center, California State University at Chico	April 2013
"Digital Humanities and Intellectual History." Modern Europe Workshop, History Department, Princeton University	April 2013
"How to Read a Million Letters and Other Adventures in Digital Humanities." Center for Cultural Analysis, Rutgers University	April 2013

"Enlightenment Rights Talk." Eighteenth-Century Interdisciplinary Salon, Washington University in St. Louis	March 2013
"The Jacobin Melodrama: On Political Theory as Literary Genre." Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities, Washington University in St. Louis	March 2013
"The Myth of Revolution: Reflections on Political Authority." Colloquium on Intellectual History, Harvard University	February 2012
Presidential panel on "New Directions on Spatial History." American Historical Association, Chicago	January 2012
"Mapping the Republic of Letters." Early Modern Cosmopolitanisms series, UCLA	November 2011
"The Myth of Revolution." Christian Delacampagne Memorial Opening Lecture Institute of French Cultural Studies, Dartmouth College	June 2011
Roundtable on <i>The Enlightenment: A Genealogy</i> . Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris	March 2011
"Comment écrire l'histoire du droit naturel à l'orée de la Révolution française?" Institut historique de la Révolution française, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbor	March 2011
Roundtable on <i>The Enlightenment: A Genealogy</i> . Intellectual History seminar, New York University	February 2011
"Mapping the Republic of Letters." Bard Graduate Center, New York	February 2011
"Rethinking the History of Natural Right." Department of French, Hispanic, and Italian Studies, University of British Colum	November 2010 abia
Roundtable on <i>The Terror of Natural Right</i> . Center for Eighteenth-Century Studies, Indiana University	November 2010
"How to Think About Revolutions." Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton University	October 2010
"Counter-Mythologies." University Seminar on Early Modern France, Columbia University	October 2010
"Citation Strategies in the <i>Encyclopédie</i> " and "Mapping the Republic of Letters." Society for French Historical Studies, Plenary session, Arizona State University	April 2010
Roundtable on <i>The Terror of Natural Right</i> . Department of Rhetoric, University of California, Berkeley	February 2010
"Inventing the Enlightenment." Department of French and Italian, University of Minnesota	February 2009
"The Super-Enlightenment." Theorizing Early-Modern Studies (TEMS), University of Minnesota	February 2009
"Was the Enlightenment French After All?" Department of History, Johns Hopkins University	December 2008
"Terreur et droit naturel." Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris	November 2008
"The Tyrant and the Outlaw: Inventing the Terror." Modern France Workshop, University of Chicago	May 2007
"Ideology and the End of the Enlightenment." Department of Romance Languages, Johns Hopkins University	November 2004
Papers delivered "The Last of the Polykiene"	Dag 2022
"The Last of the Polybians."	Dec. 2023

Political Thought Workshop, Stanford	
Discussant, "Rights of Others and Responsibilities toward Others in Modern Political Thought." American Political Science Association, Los Angeles	Sept. 2023
Panelist, "Digital History and Collaborative Research: a Practitioners' Roundtable." Royal Historical Society (zoom)	May 2023
"Plutarch and Machiavelli: On the Politics of Prudence." Center for Medieval and Early-Modern Studies, Stanford	Feb. 2023
"Institutional Design for Liberal Education (or, The Great Curricular Heist: How Departments Carved Up Undergraduate Education)." "Education and the Humanities" workshop, Stanford	Nov. 2022
"Pour une autre généalogie du libéralisme: Napoléon et les droits." *Repenser les droits humains, Sorbonne Université, Paris	June 2021
"Political Liberty as Legal Equality: Rousseau and Roman Constitutionalism." International Political Science Association, Lisbon	July 2020
"Thomas Paine's Republican Critique of the Terror." University Center for Human Values (UCHV), Princeton	Feb. 2020
"Political Liberty as Legal Equality: Rousseau and Roman Constitutionalism." Center for Medieval and Early-Modern Studies (CMEMS), Stanford	Nov. 2019
"A 'Revolution' in Political Thought: On Translating Polybius Book VI." History of Political Thought workshop, Stanford	Oct. 2019
"Counting the Ways They Differ: Speech Patterns of the Montagnards and Girondins," with Katherine McDonough. International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ISECS), Edinburgh, UK	July 2019
"First He Took London, then He Took Berlin: Voltaire's European Correspondents." International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ISECS), Edinburgh, UK	July 2019
"Marx Mediates Revolutions: 1793-1848-1917." Society for French Historical Studies, Washington, D.C.	April 2017
"Socio-Economic Rights in Eighteenth-Century France: A Hidden History." Socioeconomic Rights in History Workshop, Harvard Law School	March 2017
"Natural Constitutionalism and American Rights." Political Theory Workshop, Stanford	February 2017
"How to Study Networks Without 'Edgy' Data." Networks of European Enlightenment, Stanford	April 2016
"Natural Law and Order in the French Enlightenment." Law and Humanities workshop, Stanford	April 2016
"The Sans-Culottes, Marx, and the 'Revolution in Permanence." American Political Science Association, San Francisco	September 2015
"Future Perfect: Political and Emotional Economies of Revolutionary Time." Time and Political Authority, NYU-Berlin	May 2015
"When did Rights Become 'Rights'? The Fall and Rise of a Revolutionary Concept." Rethinking the Age of Revolution, Princeton University	April 2015
"Early-Modern Social Network Analysis." The Republic of Letters Goes Digital, National University of Ireland	March 2015
"Mind the Gap: Between the Early-Modern and Modern Histories of Human Rights." History of Political Thought Project, Princeton University	February 2015
"Is there a 'Modern' Theory of Natural Law? Notes on the History of Human Rights." Laurance S. Rockefeller Fellows seminar, Princeton University	December 2014

Roundtable on David Armitage and Jo Guildi, <i>The History Manifesto</i> Heyman Center for the Humanities, Columbia University	November 2014
"French Studies in the American University." The Future of French and Francophone Studies, Columbia University	September 2014
"(Super)natural Right Theory." Let There be Enlightenment: The Religious and Mystical Sources of Rationality, Stanford University	May 2014
"Mapping the Republic of Letters." Society for French Historical Studies conference, Montreal	April 2014
"Data-Mining the Lit Review: dfr.jstor.org, Dirty Quantification, and the Case of Enlightenment Scholarship." Seminar on Enlightenment and Revolution, Stanford	February 2014
"Linked Data: The Next Frontier." American Historical Association, Washington, D.C.	January 2014
Roundtable participant, panel on "Sovereignty in 17th and 18th c. France." Modern Language Association, Chicago	January 2014
"Social Networks and Intellectual History." Workshop on Digital Humanities, Observatoire de Paris	September 2013
"From Gutenberg to Zuckerberg: Social Media in the Enlightenment." Conference on Computational Social Science, Stanford University	September 2013
"Enlightenment Rights Talk." Society for French Historical Studies conference, Cambridge, MA	April 2013
"Give Me Liberty orWhat?' Resistance Theory in Enlightenment Thought and the French Revolution." France and the Atlantic Republican Tradition workshop, Stanford	January 2013
"On the Cultural History of the <i>Declaration of the Rights of Man</i> " (in absentia) <i>Human Rights: The Historical Formation of a Research Field</i> , Duke University	January 2012
"Mapping the Republic of Letters." American Historical Association, Chicago	January 2012
"Two Concepts of Revolutionary Authority." Scripting Revolution, Stanford University	November 2011
"Enlightenment Rights Talk." Enlightenment 2.1.3, UC Berkeley	October 2011
"Republicanism, Natural Right, and the Abolition of Slavery: Reflections on the <i>Déclaration des droits de l'homme et du citoyen.</i> " International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ISECS), Graz, Austria	July 2011
"Digging Into the Enlightenment." Digging into Data Challenge Conference, Washington, D.C.	June 2011
"Revolutionary Authority and Political Violence." Terror and the Making of Modern Europe, Sciences Po, Paris	March 2011
"Where are the Letters Concerning the English Nation? Voltaire's Correspondence." Republic of Letters Conference, Fondazione Cini, Venice	March 2011
"Mapping the Republic of Letters." Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, UC Santa Barbara	February 2011
"Thinking about Revolutions." Political Theory Workshop, Stanford	January 2011
"Social Networking in the Enlightenment." Modern Languages Association, Los Angeles	January 2011

Roundtable discussion on <i>Inventing Human Rights</i> , by Lynn Hunt San Francisco Rights Conference, San Francisco State University	September 2010
"Mapping the Republic of Letters" (with Nicole Coleman). Human-Computer Interaction Group, Department of Computer Science, Stanford	May 2010
"The Myth of Revolution: Reflections on Political Violence." Rethinking European Revolutions, European Studies Council, Yale University	April 2010
"From Libertas to Liberté? Fénelon, Rousseau, and the French Revolution." The Politics of Antiquity in the Early Enlightenment, University of Chicago	February 2010
"Terror Laws: Lessons from the French Revolution." Forum on Contemporary Europe, Stanford University	October 2009
"Inventing the Enlightenment." Interdisciplinary Colloquium in the Humanities, Stanford University	October 2009
"In 1795: Of Gods and Revolution." <i>Romantik und Revolution</i> , Historisches Institut, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	June 2009
"Naturalizing Philosophy: Myth and Enlightenment." Seminar on Enlightenment and Revolution, Stanford University	May 2009
"Myth and Nature in the French Enlightenment." Modern Language Association, San Francisco	December 2008
"Historiographie américaine récente sur la Révolution française." <i>La République et son droit (1870-1930)</i> , Plenary lecture, Université de Besançon	November 2008
"La république naturelle des Jacobins." La République et son droit (1870-1930), Université de Besançon	November 2008
"The Egyptian French Revolution: Freemasonry, Antiquarianism, and the Mythology of N New Paradigms in Revolutionary Studies, University of Notre Dame	ature." Oct. 2008
"Law and Terror: Toward a Theory of Totalitarian Justice." Terrorism and Modernity, German Historical Institute/Tulane University	October 2008
"The Jacobin Republic of Nature." Society for the Study of French History, University of Aberystwyth, UK	July 2008
"Two Concepts of Exceptionality: On Political Violence during the French Revolution." Terror and the Making of Modern Europe, Stanford University	April 2008
"Humanism in the Encyclopédie." Research conference on the 'Encyclopédie,' University of Chicago	March 2008
"Voltaire's Republicanism." American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, Portland	March 2008
"Humanist Encyclopedism and <i>l'esprit philosophique</i> ." The Republic of Letters: Between Renaissance and Enlightenment, Stanford	November 2007
"The Case of the Missing Constitution." Western Society for French History, University of Colorado	October 2007
"Humanities Research and the Future of the Library" (w. Michael A. Keller and Charles H Stanford Humanities Center, Stanford University	(enry) Oct. 2007
"Beyond the <i>bornes de l'esprit humain</i> : Traditional Authority and the Super-Enlightenmer International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ISECS), Montpellier, France	nt." July 2007
"Enemies of Humanity: Violence and Natural Right." International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ISECS), Montpellier	July 2007
"Natural Right and Total War: On a Liberal Genealogy of the Terror." Modern Language Association, Philadelphia	December 2006
"The Terror of Natural Right: Droit des gens in Revolutionary France."	October 2006

Western Society for French History, California State University, Long Beach	
"Terror and Territory: National Sovereignty and Natural Right." Society for the Study of French History, University of Sussex (UK)	July 2006
"Off With Their Heads: Death and the Terror." French Culture Workshop, Stanford University	May 2006
"The Metaphysical Panopticon: The Great Terror and the Festival of the Supreme Being." Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, University of Kentucky	April 2006
"Restoring the Golden Age: The French Revolution and the Mythical Ideology of Nature." Debartolo Conference, University of South Florida	February 2005
"The Golden Age of Atlantis: Revolution, Science, and Millenium." Nineteenth-Century French Studies, Washington University	October 2004
"The Atlantis Theory: Jean-Sylvain Bailly and the Rise of Occult Orientalism." American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, Boston College	April 2004
"The Re-invention of Mythology: Court de Gébelin and the Masonic Code." Modern Language Association, San Diego	December 2003
"Balzac and the Invention of Mythical Modernism: Rewriting Faust in <i>Le Père Goriot</i> ." Nineteenth-Century French Studies, University of Arizona	October 2003
"Filling Saussure's Shoes: C. S. Peirce and Literary Theory." Twentieth-Century French Studies, University of Connecticut	April 2002
"Reimagining the Romantic Imagination." Nineteenth-Century French Studies, University of Wisconsin at Madison	October 2001
"Against <i>Bricolage</i> as a Theory of Cultural Transmission." Twentieth-Century French Studies, University of California at Davis	March 2001
"La traversée des mythes dans <i>The Waste Land</i> de T. S. Eliot." Groupe d'études du XX ^e siècle, Université de Genève	March 1999

Digital projects

Humanities + Design (founding faculty director; 2013-): one of the three original research labs in the Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis (CESTA) at Stanford. Dedicated to developing digital tools for humanistic research, and training graduate students in digital humanities: http://hdlab.stanford.edu/

The French Revolutionary Digital Archive (faculty advisor, 2006-2013), in collaboration with Stanford University Libraries, the Bibliothèque nationale de France, and ARTFL: full-text searchable versions of the Archives parlementaires, other revolutionary archives, and an image gallery of 14'000 prints: http://frda.stanford.edu/

Mapping the Republic of Letters (Principal Investigator, with Paula Findlen and Nicole Coleman; 2008-): funded by a three-year Presidential Fund for Innovation in the Humanities grant; an NEH "Digging Into Data Challenge" grant; by the Stanford Dean of Research; and by an NEH Digital Humanities Implementation grant, this project uses visualizations to map the correspondence networks, travel itineraries, imaginary geographies, and book distribution of early-modern Europe and America: http://republicofletters.stanford.edu/. See my study of Voltaire.

Republics of Letters (founder and editor, 2008-2017) is an online, peer-reviewed, open-access scholarly journal dedicated to the study of knowledge, politics, and the arts, in their changing historical and cultural configurations; sponsored by the DLCL at Stanford University: http://rofl.stanford.edu.

The Super-Enlightenment Project (faculty coordinator, 2009), in collaboration with Stanford University Libraries: a full-text searchable archive of "illuminist" late-eighteenth-century texts, with scholarly apparatus: http://collections.stanford.edu/supere.

Courses taught at Stanford

"Why College? Your Education and the Good Life."

Winter 2006

COLLEGE 101	
"Citizenship in the 21st-Century." COLLEGE 102	2021-
"Paris: Capital of Enlightenment and Revolution" OSPPARIS 93 (Overseas Center, Paris)	2023
"Reinventing Republicanism: How Florence Turned an Ancient Idea into a Revolutionary Project." OSPFLOR 72 (Overseas Center, Florence)	2019
"Humanities Core: Great Books, Big Ideas — Europe, Modern." with Debra Satz/Keith Baker HUMCORE 13	2017-2020
"CAPITALS: How Cities Shape Cultures, States, and People," with Adrian Daub and Lisa Surwillo. DLCL 100	2017-2020
"When Europe Spoke French: The Power of Culture and the Culture of Power." French 208	Fall 2016
"Introduction to Graduate Studies: Criticism as Profession," with Grisha Freidin. DLCL 396 (required course for incoming DLCL graduate students)	Fall 2013
"Honors Thesis Seminar." DLCL 189A (required seminar for senior honors students)	Fall 2013
"Networks: Ecological, Revolutionary, Digital," with Deborah Gordon. <i>Thinking Matters</i> (THINK 29)	2013, '14
"Education as Self-Fashioning." Thinking Matters (THINK 36/A, ESF 3/A, ESF 15/A)	2012-2019
"The Age of Enlightenment." MLA 285, graduate seminar for Masters in Liberal Education	Winter 2012
"Revolution! A Global History from 1640 to the Present," with Keith Baker. FRENGEN 146/ HISTORY 104A	Fall 2011
"French Classics: The Novel." FRENLIT 121	Winter 2010
"Coffee & Cigarettes: The Making of French Intellectual Culture." FRENLIT 120/FRENLIT 38N (freshman seminar)	2010-12
"Inventing the Enlightenment." FRENLIT 203, graduate seminar	2010, 2016
"Texts in History: Enlightenment to the Present." HUMNITIES/FRENGEN 163	Spring 2008
"Revolutions in Prose: The 19th-Century French Novel." FRENLIT 204, graduate seminar	2007, '11, '12
"Research Seminar on the Digitized <i>Encyclopédie</i> ," with Keith Baker. FRENGEN/HISTORY 345, graduate seminar	Spring 2006
"Introduction to the Humanities: Epic Journeys, Modern Quests." IHUM 3	2004-2011
"Machiavelli and Sons." FRENGEN 49N, freshman Seminar	Fall 2006
"The World According to Jean-Jacques: Rousseau, Rousseauism, and the Enlightenment." FRENLIT 236, graduate seminar	Spring 2006

"Absolutism, Enlightenment, and Revolution in 17th- and 18th-Century France." FRENLIT 131 $\,$

"Killing Romanticism: Nineteenth-Century French Poetry," with Joshua Landy. FRENGEN 251, graduate seminar	Winter 2006
"Give me <i>Libertinage</i> or Death: The Politics of Pleasure." FRENLIT 221, graduate seminar	Winter 2005
"Theological Poets: Gods, Laws, and Rhythms in European Romanticism." FRENGEN 248, graduate seminar	Winter 2005
"Kings and Philosophers: Ruling and Writing in the Age of Enlightenment." FRENGEN 48N, freshman seminar	Fall 2004
Professional service and activities Positions	
Christensen Faculty Director, Stanford Introductory Studies (SIS), VPUE, Stanford	2019-2025
Vice-Chair, Faculty Senate, Stanford	2019-2020
Chair, Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages (DLCL)	2015-2019
Co-Director, Humanities Core [link]	2016-2019
Faculty director, Humanities + Design research lab, CESTA, Stanford [link]	2013-
Director, Stanford Summer Humanities Institute [link]	2011-
Co-Director, French Culture Workshop, Stanford	2005-
Chair of Graduate Studies, French, Stanford	2015-2017
Editorial board, Oxford University Studies in the Enlightenment, Voltaire Foundation	2015-
Editorial board, French Historical Studies	2015-2018
Editorial board, Modern Intellectual History	2015-
Faculty director, Education as Self-Fashioning (ESF)	2016-17, 18-19
Resident Fellow, Humanities (Ng) House	2015-2017
Member, Faculty Senate	2013-14, 18-20
Director, Department of French and Italian	2013-2014
Director of Undergraduate Studies, DLCL, Stanford	2010-2014
Chair of Undergraduate Studies, French, Stanford	2010-2014
Editor, <u>Republics of Letters</u>	2008-2016
Co-Director, Seminar on Enlightenment and Revolution, Stanford	2007-2008
Academic Advisor, Undergraduate Advising Program, Stanford	2004-2006
Committees	
Advisory Board, Stanford	2022-23
Steering Committee, Faculty Senate, Stanford	2019-2020
Faculty Steering Committee, Haas Center for Public Service, Stanford	2019-2022
Search Committee (Digital Humanities), University of Geneva	2019
Co-chair, First-Year Shared Intellectual and Experience Design Team, Stanford	2018-19
Advancement and Promotions (A&P), Humanities section, School of H&S, Stanford	2015-19
First-year Exploration and Shared Intellectual Experience, co-chair	2018-19
Affordability Task Force (faculty sub-committee)	2018-19
Advisory Board, Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning (VPTL)	2016-2018
Breadth Governance Board, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education (VPUE)	2013-2017

Bing Overseas Studies Program (BOSP) Faculty Oversight Committee, VPUE	2012-2014
Undergraduate Advisory Council (UGAC), VPUE	2012-2014
Andrew W. Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellowship, selection committee	2012-2013
Stanford Pre-Collegiate Studies (SPCS), Faculty Advisory Committee	2012-2014
Academic Council Committee on Libraries (C-LIB)	2011-2014
Master of Liberal Arts Program, Steering Committee	2011-2012
Humanities Curriculum Committee, School of Humanities & Sciences	2010-14, '18-
Study of Undergraduate Education at Stanford (SUES), subcommittee on breadth	2010-2011
DLCL Executive Committee	2010-
DLCL Undergraduate Affairs Committee, chair	2010-2014
DLCL website redesign committee, chair	2010-2012
Search Committee (digital humanities), DLCL & English	2011-2012
Search Committee, Academic Technology Specialist, DLCL	2011-2012
Search Committee (Francophonie), French and Italian	2010, 2013
Executive Committee, The Europe Center, Freeman-Spogli Institute, Stanford	2010-2014
Executive Committee, France-Stanford Center	2009-2014
Interdisciplinary Studies in the Humanities, Steering Committee	2006-2007
Planning and Personnel Committee, DLCL	2006-2007
Program in Modern Thought and Literature (MTL), Committee in Charge	2005-2006
Conferences and workshops organized	
"Art and Power," Stanford (with Andrei Pesic)	Feb. 2018
"Networks of European Enlightenment," Stanford	April 2016
"Time and Political Authority," NYU-Berlin (with Stefanos Geroulanos and Natasha Wheatley)	May 2015
"New Histories of Human Rights," Princeton (with Jan-Werner Mueller)	Feb. 2015
"Let There be Enlightenment," Stanford (with Anton Matytsin)	May 2014
"Scripting Revolution," Stanford (with Keith Baker)	Nov. 2011
"French Republicanism" workshop, Stanford (with Keith Baker)	2008, 2012
"The Republic of Letters," Stanford (with Jacob Soll and Paula Findlen)	Nov. 2007
"Empire Lost: France and Its Other Worlds," Stanford (with Elisabeth Boyi)	April 2006

Research Affiliations

UCLA Center for 17th- & 18th-Century Studies and William Andrews Clark Memorial Library

The Europe Center, Freeman-Spogli Institute, Stanford

Bodmer Lab, comité scientifique, Université de Genève & Fondation Martin Bodmer

Languages

Native speaker of English and French; proficient in German and Italian; reading knowledge of Latin; beginner ancient Greek.