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Employment

Associate Professor of History, Stanford University	September 2023-
Assistant Professor of History, Stanford University	2017-2023
Junior Fellow, Harvard Society of Fellows	July 2015-June 2017

Education

Ph.D. in History, Harvard University 2015
Dissertation: "Banishing Usury: The Expulsion of Foreign Moneylenders in Medieval Europe, 1200-1450"
Advisors: Daniel Smail, Michael McCormick, Emma Rothschild, Charles Donahue

M.Phil. in Medieval History, University of Cambridge 2009

A.B. *summa cum laude* in History, Harvard College 2007

Selected Grants & Fellowships

Kimberly Glenn Faculty Scholar, Stanford	2023-25
Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies Visiting Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania [*declined*]	2020-21
France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Research Workshop Grant	2018-19
Denning Initiative in the Digital Humanities Project Grant, Stanford	2018-19
Thomas Jefferson Fund Grant, FACE Foundation	2017-19
Annenberg Faculty Fellowship, Stanford University	2017-19
William F. Milton Grant, Harvard University	2017-18
Postdoctoral Fellowship, All Souls College, Oxford [*declined*]	2015-19
Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2014-15
Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship [*declined*]	2014-15
Whiting Dissertation Fellowship, Harvard [*declined*]	2014-15
Graduate Student Council Conference Grant, Harvard	2013
Graduate Associate, Joint Center for History & Economics, Harvard	2012-15
Arthur Lehman Merit Fellowship, Harvard	2012-13
Visiting Researcher, École normale supérieure – Paris	2011-12
CLIR Mellon Dissertation Research Fellowship	2011-12
Research Fellowship, Centro Studi "Renato Bordone" sui Lombardi, sul credito, e sulla banca, Asti (Italy)	2011-12
Bourse Chateaubriand[*declined*]	2011-12
Readership in Renaissance Studies, Villa I Tatti [*declined*]	2011-12

	Merit/Term-Time Graduate Research Award, Harvard [*declined*]	2011-12
	Sosland Family Graduate Fellowship, Harvard	2009-10
	Short-Term Pre-Doctoral Residency, Dumbarton Oaks	2009
	McArthur Research Grant, Faculty of History, Cambridge	2008
	Eddington Research Grant, Trinity College, Cambridge	2008
	Eben Fiske Fellowship at Trinity College, Cambridge	2007-08
	Lt. Shirley Fellowship at Pembroke College, Cambridge [*declined*]	2007-08
	Charles S. Noble Scholarship, Harvard	2004-07
Prizes & Awards	John Nicholas Brown Prize, Medieval Academy of America	2026
	Finalist Award, Jordan Schnitzer Book Prize, Association for Jewish Studies	2025
	Salo Baron Prize, American Academy of Jewish Research	2024
	Margaret Wade Labarge Prize, Canadian Society of Medievalists	2024
	Wallace K. Ferguson Prize, Canadian Historical Association	2024
	American Historical Association Pacific Coast Branch Book Award	2024
	Mary L. Dudziak Digital Legal History Prize, American Society for Legal History	2022
	Leonard Boyle Dissertation Prize, Canadian Society of Medievalists	2016
	Derek Bok Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching, Harvard	2011
	Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (Awarded 4 Times), Harvard	2010-13
	Wood-Legh Dissertation Prize, Faculty of History, Cambridge	2008
	Fay Prize for Outstanding Original Research, Harvard	2007
	Hoopes Prize for Excellence, Harvard	2007
	Washburn Prize for Best Senior Thesis in History, Harvard	2007
	Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Iota Chapter of Massachusetts	2007
	Detur Book Prize for Academic Achievement, Harvard	2004

Publications (Books)

No Return: Jews, Christian Usurers, and the Spread of Mass Expulsion in Medieval Europe (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2023)
Reviews: *American Historical Review* (S. Lipton); *Annales HSS* (M. Fortin); *Association of Jewish Libraries News and Reviews* (R. C. & A.-M. Belinfante); *Catholic Historical Review* (L. Duggan); *Choice* (R. T. Ingoglia); EH.net (J. A. Hübner); *Cristianesimo nella storia* (K. Pennington); *Francia Recensio* (C. Cluse); *Jewish History* (T. Barzilay); *Journal of British History* (N. Berend); *Journal of Church and State* (P. Tartakoff); *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* (A. Abulafia); *Journal of Religious History* (T. Fudge); *Law & History Review* (B. Wiedl); *Medaon* (J. R. Müller); *Reviews in History* (D. d'Avray); *Revue de l'histoire des religions* (B. Sère); *Speculum* (T. Barton); *Times Literary Supplement* (J. Tolan): *Zeitschrift der Savigny-Stiftung für Rechtsgeschichte, Kan. Abt.* (M. Schmoeckel)

Publications (Articles)

"*Corpus Synodalium*: Principi di progettazione e prospettive interpretative di un corpus digitale di legislazione ecclesiastica medievale," *Quaderni di storia religiosa medievale* (forthcoming 2026)

"Conciliar Canons," in *The Sources of Medieval Canon Law*, eds. Danica Summerlin and Melodie H. Eichbauer (Routledge, forthcoming 2026)

"Die Kölner Synodalstatuten im europäischen Vergleich," in *Geistliche Gewalt und kirchliches Recht. Die Kölner Synodalstatuten im Vergleich*, eds. Lioba Geis, Sabine von Heusinger, and Karl Ubl, Studien und Darstellungen der Gesellschaft für Rheinische Geschichtskunde, 3 (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2026), 41-60.

"Braudel's *La Méditerranée* (1949): Paradigms and Possibilities after Seventy-Five Years. Introduction," (co-author: Diego Pirillo), *Republics of Letters* 8 (2025), forthcoming

"Returning to *No Return*," *Journal of the Canadian Historical Association*, n.s. 35/2 (2025), 205-211

"Droit et autorité dans les statuts synodaux européens (XIIIe-XVe siècles)," *Comptes-rendus de l'Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres* 2024/2 (2025), 653-671.

"Saint Louis et l'expulsion des juifs : une relecture critique," in *Saint Louis après Le Goff. Nouveaux regards sur le roi et son gouvernement*, ed. Marie Dejoux (Rennes: Presses universitaires de Rennes, 2025), 257-278.

"Dangerous Dreams: *Le Songe du Vergier* and the Expulsion of Jews from Fourteenth-Century France," in *The Learned and Lived Law: Essays in Honor of Charles Donahue*, eds. Saskia Lettmaier, Nikitas Hatzimihail, and Elizabeth Papp Kamali (Leiden: Brill, 2024), 370-393. [DOI]

"Pickles, Hiccups, and an Upside-Down Gloss: Two Fragments of Judeo-Arabic Medical Treatises in the Stanford University Collections," *Digital Philology* 13/2 (2024), 193-209. [DOI]

"*Orbis dioecesium*. Creating authority data on the legal-historical changes of Catholic dioceses" (co-author, with Benedetta Albani and Yohan Park), in *Me.Te. Digitali. Mediterraneo in rete tra testi e contesti, Proceedings del XIII Convegno Annuale AIUCD, Catania 28-30 maggio 2024*, eds. Antonio Di Silvestro and Daria Spampinato Daria (Università di Catania/Associazione per l'Informatica Umanistica e la Cultura Digitale, 2024), 435-440. [DOI]

"*Corpus Synodalium*: Medieval Canon Law in the Digital Age," in *Digital Medieval Studies: Practice and Preservation*, eds. Laura Morreale & Sean Gilsdorf (ARC Humanities Press, 2022), 49-75. [DOI]

"Diffusion des normes dans l'église de la fin du moyen âge: Les législations ecclésiastiques locales, 1215-1500. Introduction," (co-author: Christine Barralis), *Revue de droit canonique* 71/1 (2021), 5-17.

"Usury and Restitution in Late Medieval Episcopal Statutes: A Case Study in the Local Reception of Conciliar Decrees" (co-author: Raffaella Bianchi Riva), *Bulletin of Medieval Canon Law* 38 (2021), 309-359.

"The Bishop as Lawmaker in Late Medieval Europe," *Past and Present* 253 (November 2021), 45-82. [DOI]

"Migrant Moneylenders and the Threat of Expulsion in Late Medieval Europe," in *L'expérience de la mobilité, de l'Antiquité à nos jours. Entre précarité et confiance*, eds. Claudia Moatti and Emmanuelle Chevreau, Scripta Antiqua 148 (Bordeaux: Ausonius Éditions, 2021), 49-66.

"Order and Disorder: The Documentary Additions to the *Liber Ordinarius* of Nivelles," in *The Liber ordinarius of Nivelles (Houghton Library, MS Lat 422): Liturgy as Interdisciplinary Intersection,* eds. Jeffrey F. Hamburger and Eva Schlotheuber (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2019), 133-150.

"Les maîtres parisiens et les Juifs (fin XIIIe siècle): Perspectives nouvelles sur un dossier d'avis concernant le *regimen judaeorum,*" *Journal des Savants* 2016:2 (2016), 241-282. [DOI]

"'Once the Jews have been Expelled': Intent and Interpretation in Late Medieval Canon Law," *Law and History Review* 34/2 (2016), 335-362. [DOI]

"L'expulsion des usuriers lombards hors de France à la fin du XIIIe siècle," *Hypothèses: Travaux de l'École doctorale d'histoire de l'Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne* 17 (2014), 153-162.

"Canon law and the problem of expulsion: The origins and interpretation of *Usurarum voraginem* (VI 5.5.1)," *Zeitschrift der Savigny-Stiftung für Rechtsgeschichte* 130, *Kanonistische Abteilung* 99 (2013), 129-161. [DOI]

"Les activités économiques des familles vénitiennes dans l'Adriatique (XIIe et XIIIe siècles)," in *Les réseaux familiaux: antiquité tardive et moyen âge. In memoriam A. Laiou et É. Patlagean,* ed. Béatrice Caseau (Paris: ACHCByz, 2012), 325-332.

"Adriatic Trade Networks in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries," in *Trade and Markets in Byzantium*, ed. Cécile Morrisson (Washington, D.C.: Dumbarton Oaks, 2012), 235-279.

"The Mystery of the Marble Man and his Hat: A Reconsideration of the Bari Episcopal Throne," *Florilegium* 25 (2008), 1-24.

"Ragusan Trade with Egypt (1200-1500)," *Tempus: The Harvard College History Review* 7/1 (2006), 7-19.

Edited Volumes

The History of Local Ecclesiastical Legislation in Western Europe, 1100-1500 [16 contributors; in preparation]

Angeliki E. Laiou, *Economic Thought and Economic Life in Byzantium*, co-edited with Cécile Morrisson, Variorum Collected Studies Series (Farnham UK: Variorum Reprints, 2013).

Angeliki E. Laiou, *Byzantium and the Other: Relations and Exchanges*, co-edited with Cécile Morrisson, Variorum Collected Studies Series (Farnham UK: Variorum Reprints, 2012)

Angeliki E. Laiou, *Women, Family, and Society in Byzantium*, co-edited with Cécile Morrisson, Variorum Collected Studies Series 988 (Farnham UK: Variorum Reprints, 2011).

Edited Thematic Issues (Journals)

(with co-editor Edward Loss), *Rediscovered Fragments: New Perspectives on the Jewish Community of Fifteenth-Century Bologna*, in *Republics of Letters* 9 (2026), in preparation [7 articles]

(with co-editor Diego Pirillo), *Braudel's* La Méditerranée *(1949): Paradigms and Possibilities after Seventy-Five Years*, in *Republics of Letters* 8 (2025), forthcoming [18 articles]

(with co-editor Christine Barralis), *Diffusion des normes dans l'Église. Les législations ecclésiastiques locales (1215-1500)*, in *Revue de droit canonique* 71/1 (2021), 7-206 [6 articles]

Encyclopedias and Dictionaries

"Persecution (Medieval Times)," *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception,* eds. Constance M. Furey et al., vol. 23 (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2024), 1181-1183.

Digital Projects & Publications

Corpus Synodalium: *Local Ecclesiastical Legislation in Medieval Europe*, released July 2021; https://corpus-synodalium.com/; https://doi.org/10.34055/osf.io/qx2ve
**Awarded the 2022 ASLH Dudziak Prize for Digital Legal History

Digital Atlas of Dioceses and Ecclesiastical Provinces in Late Medieval Europe (1200-1500), with Clara Romani et al., released February 2021; https://earthworks.stanford.edu/catalog/stanford-ds112yt9877; https://doi.org/10.25740/rh195hm5975

Manuscript Afterlives: A Working Handlist of Medieval Pastedowns and Binding Fragments in the Collections of Stanford University Libraries (with Mateo Attanasio, Austin Brotman, and the students of History 14N), released January 2020; https://purl.stanford.edu/ty870gh9714

Book Reviews

Review of Tzafrir Barzilay, *Poisoned Wells: Accusations, Persecution, and Minorities in Medieval Europe, 1321-1422* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2022), in *The Medieval Review* (March 3, 2023) https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/tmr/article/view/36066/39074

Review of Tom Johnson, *Law in Common: Legal Cultures in Late-Medieval England* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020), in *The Medieval Review* (April 21, 2021) https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/tmr/article/view/32365/36179

"On Myths and Moneylenders," Review of Julie Mell, *The Myth of the Medieval Jewish Moneylender*, 2 vols. (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017), in "The Myth of the Medieval Jewish Moneylender: A Forum," *Marginalia: Los Angeles Review of Books* (May 22, 2020) https://themarginaliareview.com/on-myths-and-moneylenders/

Review of Francesca Trivellato, *The Promise and Peril of Credit: What a Forgotten Legend about Jews and Finance Tells Us about the Making of European Commercial Society* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2019), in *Law & History Review* 38 (2020), 501-503.

Review of Jacques Labrot, *Affairistes et usuriers au Moyen Age, t. 1: Les Lombards, l'hérésie, et l'église* (Flaujac-Poujols: La Louve, 2008), in *Revue Numismatique* 167 (2011), 562-63.

Named Lectures

Sylvia and Irving Margolis Lecture on the Jewish Experience, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, [January 2027]

Tenenbaum Lecture, Emory University, [March 2026]

Mary Albertson Lecture, Swarthmore College, September 2025

University Service

Committee on Libraries, Stanford	2026-
Committee on the Study of Writing at Stanford (Phase II)	2025-26
Golden Medal & Kennedy Prize Committee, Stanford	2025
Editorial Committee, *Republics of Letters*	2024-
Editorial Committee, *Stanford Humanities Review*	2024-
Co-Convenor, Stanford CMEMS-Berkeley REMS Symposium	2024
Director of Honors, History Department, Stanford	2024-
Director, Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Stanford	2023-
Faculty Mentor, Stanford-CUNY Initiative, Stanford	2023
Faculty Advisory Board, Center for Spatial & Textual Analysis, Stanford	2021-22
Executive Faculty Board, Taube Center for Jewish Studies, Stanford	2020-
Co-Convenor, *Historical Conversations*, History Department, Stanford	2020-21
Cultivating Humanities Grant Selection Committee, Stanford	2020
Appointments Committee, History Department, Stanford	2019-20
Langmuir Prize Committee, Jewish Studies, Stanford	2019
Diversity Committee, History Department, Stanford	2018-20
Founder & Co-Convenor, *Speculum* Reading Group, Stanford	2017-20
Founder & Co-Convenor, Latin Palaeography Workshop, Stanford	2017-
Undergraduate Studies Committee, History Department, Stanford	2017-21
Rhodes-Marshall Committee, Stanford	2017-21
Co-Convenor, Junior Faculty Reading Group, History Dept., Stanford	2017-
History-CIDR ATS Search Committee, Stanford	2017-18
Departmental Teaching Fellow, History Department, Harvard	2013-14
Coordinator, Digital Teaching Fellows (DiTF) Program, History Department, Harvard	2013-14
Presidential Instructional Technology Fellow, Harvard	2012-13
Co-Organizer, Harvard-Yale Graduate Conference in Medieval History	2013, 2014
Co-Convenor, Medieval History Workshop, Harvard	2009-11, 2012-14
Non-Resident Fellowships Tutor, Adams House, Harvard	2012-16
Non-Resident History Tutor, Adams House, Harvard	2009-11, 2012-13
Faculty Advisor, Harvard Canadian Club	2013-16
Angeliki E. Laiou Fund Committee, History Department, Harvard	2010-16

Professional Service	*Jewish Social Studies*, Advisory Board	2026-
	American Historical Association, Annual Meeting Program Committee	2025-27
	Antisemitism Studies, Advisory Board	2025-
	American Society for Legal History (ASLH), Nominating Committee	2025-
	ASLH Student Research Colloquium Co-Convenor	2025-26
	Canadian Society of Medievalists, Labarge Prize Committee	2025
	ASLH, Dudziak Prize Committee	2024-
	Centro Studi sui Monti di Pietà e sul credito solidaristico di Bologna, Comitato scientifico	2024-
	Ames Foundation (Harvard Law School), Board of Directors	2024-
	International Society of Medieval Canon Law, Nominating Committee	2024
	ASLH, Co-Chair of Program Committee	2023-24
	California Medieval Seminar, Steering Committee	2023-
	Republics of Letters, Editorial Board	2023-
	The Medieval Review, Review Editor	2022-2024
	Bulletin of Medieval Canon Law, Advisory Board	2022-
	Cristianesimo nella storia, Scientific Board	2022-
	Fondazione per le scienze religiose (FSCIRE), Bologna, Comitato Scientifico	2022-
	Medieval Academy of America, Digital Humanities and Multimedia Studies Committee (Chair, 2024-25)	2022-2025
	Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Italy - Progetti di rilevante interesse nazionale, Referee	2022-2023
	Programma per Giovani Ricercatori "Rita Levi Montalcini", Referee	2022
	Agenzia nazionale di valutazione del sistema universitario e della ricerca , Italy - Valutazione della qualità della ricerca (2015-2019), Referee	2021
	NEH Summer Stipends Selection Committee	2020
	CLIR-Mellon Dissertation Fellowship Selection Committee	2018-19
	ASLH, Program Committee	2017
Journal Referee Work	*Bulletin of Medieval Canon Law; Church History; Crime, Histoire et Sociétés; Cristianesimo nella storia; French Historical Studies; Jewish Culture and History; Journal of Legal History; Journal of Medieval History; The Medieval History Journal; Penn State University Press; Quaderni di storia religiosa medievale; Social Science History; Speculum; Stanford Law Review; Umanistica Digitale*	
Languages	French (R/W/S); Italian (R/W/S); German (R/S); Latin (R); Spanish (R); Catalan (R)	
Intramural Affiliations	Stanford CIVICS Initiative, Faculty Affiliate	2024-
	Center for Comparative Studies in Race & Ethnicity, Faculty Affiliate	2022-
	Department of Religious Studies, Faculty Affiliate	2019-
	The Europe Center, Faculty Affiliate	2018-
	Center for Law & History, Stanford Law School, Faculty Affiliate	2017-

	Taube Center for Jewish Studies, Faculty Affiliate	2017-
	Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis, Faculty Research Lead	2017-
	Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Faculty Affiliate	2017-
Professional Affiliations	Medieval Academy of America	2008-
	Canadian Society of Medievalists	2008-
	American Historical Association	2010-
	International Society of Medieval Canon Law	2013-
	American Society for Legal History	2014-
	International Medieval Sermon Studies Society	2017-
	Association for Jewish Studies	2018-
	American Society of Church History	2022-24
	UCLA CMRS Center for Early Global Studies, Associate	2023-