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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2002-present	Research Fellow and Editor, German Historical Institute, Washington DC (Editor, *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute)*
2000-2002	Research Fellow, German Historical Institute, Washington DC
1995-2000	Assistant Professor of History, University of Maryland, College Park
1993-1995	Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for European Studies, Harvard University
1991-1993	Assistant Professor of History, University of Maryland, College Park

ADJUNCT TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

2015-2021	Adjunct Associate Professor, Georgetown University *Science, Technology and International Affairs Program*
2014/2012	Adjunct faculty, Catholic University of America, Dept. of History
2008/2005	Adjunct Associate Professor, Georgetown University *BMW Center for German and European Studies*

EDUCATION

1985-1991	STANFORD UNIVERSITY, *Ph.D.* in History (September 1991) Major field: Modern European History; minor field: Russian History
1988-89	FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN Exchange student in the Department of History
1984-85	COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, *Master of Arts* (May 1985) Major field: Modern European History
1981-84	SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, *Bachelor of Arts* with High Honors (May 1984) History major; minors in English Literature and Political Science
Spring 1983	UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE, Switzerland, Ecole de Langue et Civilisation Françaises *Certificat d'études françaises modernes* (July 1983)
1980-81	UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE, Département des sciences économiques et sociales Passed 1st-yr exams for *Licence ès sciences politiques mention études internationales*

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Beyond the Racial State: Rethinking Nazi Germany, co-edited with Devin Pendas and Mark Roseman. Cambridge/New York: Cambridge UP, 2017

Crime and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany, edited. New York/Oxford: Berghahn Books, 2014; paperback ed. 2022; published in an open-access edition by Knowledge Unlatched in 2018, available at: https://www.berghahnbooks.com/title/WetzellCrime

Engineering Society: The Role of the Human and Social Sciences in Modern Societies, 1880-1980, co-edited with K. Brückweh, D. Schumann, B. Ziemann. Houndmills: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012.

Criminals and Their Scientists: The History of Criminology in International Perspective, co-edited with Peter Becker. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2006; paperback ed. 2009.

Inventing the Criminal: A History of German Criminology, 1880-1945. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2000; paperback ed. 2014.

Work in Progress

Racial Science and Nazi Biopolitics, 1933-1939. Monograph in preparation for Cambridge UP.

Penal Reform in Modern Germany, 1870-1970: Between Retributive Justice and Social Defense. Monograph in preparation.

Articles and Chapters

2026 "Aryan race, Nordic race, German race? Conflicts over racial categories in Nazi racial science and policy, 1933-1935," in: *Languages of the Holocaust* ed. Jennifer Geddes and Sven-Erik Rose. *Lessons and Legacies* series, vol. XVII. Forthcoming 2026. [ms. submitted]

"Born criminals, *Minderwertige,* and Psychopathic Personalities: From Lombroso to German Criminal Biology 1880-1945," in: *Law and Diversity: European and Latin American experiences from a legal history perspective*, ed. Peter Collin and Manuel Bastias Saavedra. *Global Perspectives on Legal History* series. Frankfurt: Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, forthcoming 2026. [ms. submitted]

"Advancing Research, Supporting Scholars, Building Networks: The German Historical Institute Washington and the GSA," *German Studies Review* (summer 2026) [ms. submitted]

2025 "Nazi biopolitics: Eugenics, Racial Policy, and the Persecution of 'Asoziale,' 1933-1939," in *The Cambridge History of the Holocaust*, vol. 1 *Contexts – Origins, Comparisons, Entanglements*, ed. Mark Roseman and Dan Stone, 393-419. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2025.

„Die Rolle der deutschen Landesgruppe der Internationalen Kriminalistischen Vereinigung in den Strafrechtsreformbestrebungen des Kaiserreichs. Dargestellt anhand ihrer Debatten über sichernde Maßnahmen für ‚geistig Minderwertige' und ‚unsoziale Elemente'," in: *Die europäische Bedeutung der Internationalen Kriminalistischen Vereinigung (IKV) 1889-1919,* edited by Arndt Koch and Luka Breneselovic, 263-293. Nomos, 2025. (in press)

2022 "Penal Reform in Imperial Germany: Conflict and Compromise," in *The Limits of Positivism: The Movement for Criminal Law Reform in the West, 1870-1940*, ed. Michele Pifferi (London/New York: Routledge, 2022), 42-73

Articles and Chapters (continued)

2021 "Rosa von Praunheim, Martin Dannecker und das Verhältnis der deutschen Schwulenbewegung zur homosexuellen Subkultur, 1971-1986: *Von Nicht der Homosexuelle ist pervers …* zum Streit in der Aids-Krise," *Invertito: Jahrbuch für die Geschichte der Homosexualitäten* 23 (2021): 95-135

2020 "About the concept of the 'dangerous individual' in turn-of-the-century penal reform: Debates on recidivism, indeterminate sentencing, and civil liberty in the International Union of Penal Law, 1889-1914," *Glossae: European Journal of Legal History* 17 (2020): 119-149

"Der Fall Toller: Revolution, politische Justiz und Psychiatrie," in *Wissenschaft Macht Politik: Die Münchener Revolution und Räterepublik als Experimentierfeld gesellschaftspolitischer Theorien,* ed. Annette Meyer and Julia Schreiner, 142-167. Göttingen: Wallstein, 2020.

2019 "Nazi Criminal Justice in the Transnational Arena: The 1935 International Penal and Penitentiary Congress in Berlin," in *Ideology and Criminal Law: Fascist, National Socialist and Authoritarian Regimes,* ed. Stephen Skinner, 77-104. Oxford: Hart/Bloomsbury, 2019.

"The Weimar Republic Reconsidered: Introduction," *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 65 (Fall 2019): 9-17.

2018 "New Directions in the History of Criminology," *Crime, History & Societies* / *Crime, histoire et societés,* v. 21, no. 2 (2017), special 20th-anniversary issue "Research Agendas for the 21st century": 361-377. [published spring 2018]

"'Die wilden Instinkte der niederen Tiere.' Gibt es geborene Verbrecher? Die großen Frage der Kriminologie," *ZEIT Geschichte* 1/2018, Themenheft *Mörder und Gendarm: Die Geschichte der Kriminalität von 1500 bis heute*, 60-64.

2017 "Eugenics, Racial Science, and Nazi Biopolitics: Was There a Genesis of the 'Final Solution' from the Spirit of Science?" in *Beyond the Racial State: Rethinking Nazi Germany*, edited by Devin Pendas, Mark Roseman, and Richard F. Wetzell, 147-175. Cambridge/New York: Cambridge UP, 2017.

(with Devin Pendas and Mark Roseman), "Beyond the Racial State: Introduction," in *Beyond the Racial State: Rethinking Nazi Germany*, edited by D. Pendas, M. Roseman, and R. Wetzell, 1-27. Cambridge/New York: Cambridge UP, 2017.

(with Till von Rahden and Anthony Steinhoff), "Diversity in German History: Introduction," *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 61 (Fall 2017): 25-30.

2016 "Franz von Liszt und die internationale Strafrechtsreformbewegung," in *Die Schule Franz von Liszts: Spezialpräventive Kriminalpolitik und die Entstehung des modernen Strafrechts,* ed. by Arnd Koch and Martin Löhnig, 207-227. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2016.

2014 "Crime and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany." In *Crime and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany*, edited by Richard F. Wetzell, 1-28. Berghahn Books, 2014.

2012 "The Scientization of the Social in Comparative Perspective" (with B. Ziemann, D. Schumann, K. Brückweh). In *Engineering Society: The Role of the Human and Social Sciences in Modern Societies, 1880-1980,* ed. by K. Brückweh, D. Schumann, R. Wetzell, B. Ziemann, 1-40. Houndmills: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012.

"The German Historical Institute in Washington, 1987-2012: A Short History" (with H. Berghoff). *The German Historical Institute at 25* (Washington DC, 2012), 7-31.

Articles and Chapters (continued)

2010 "Bio-Wissenschaften und Kriminalität: Eine historische Perspektive." In *Gefährliche Menschenbilder: Biowissenschaften, Gesellschaft und Kriminalität*, edited by Lorenz Böllinger, et al., 315-328. Baden-Baden: Nomos, 2010.

2009 "Psychiatry and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany, 1880-1933." *Journal of European Studies* 39 (2009): 270-289.

2008 "Die Rolle medizinischer Experten in Strafjustiz und Strafrechtsreformbewegung: Eine Medikalisierung des Strafrechts?" In *Experten und Expertenwissen in der Strafjustiz von der Frühen Neuzeit bis zur Moderne*, edited by Alexander Kästner and Sylvia Kesper-Biermann, 57-71. Leipzig: Meine-Verlag, 2008.

2007 "Der Verbrecher und seine Erforscher: Die deutsche Kriminologie in der Weimarer Republik und im Nationalsozialismus." *Jahrbuch der Juristischen Zeitgeschichte* 8 (2006/2007): 256-279. [rev. transl. of "Criminology in Weimar & Nazi Germany"]

2006 "Criminology in Weimar and Nazi Germany." In *Criminals and Their Scientists: The History of Criminology in International Perspective,* edited by Peter Becker and Richard F. Wetzell, 401-423. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2006.

(with Peter Becker) "Criminals and Their Scientists: Introduction." In *Criminals and Their Scientists: The History of Criminology in International Perspective,* edited by Peter Becker and Richard Wetzell, 1-22. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2006.

2005 (with Edward R. Dickinson) "The Historiography of Sexuality in Modern Germany". *German History* 23 (2005): 291-305.

2004 "From Retributive Justice to Social Defense: Penal Reform in Fin-de-Siècle Germany." In *Germany at the Fin de Siècle: Culture, Politics, and Ideas,* edited by Suzanne Marchand and David Lindenfeld, 59-77. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2004.

2003 "Kriminalbiologische Forschung an der Deutschen Forschungsanstalt für Psychiatrie in der Weimarer Republik und im Nationalsozialismus." In *Rassenforschung an Kaiser-Wilhelm-Instituten vor und nach 1933*, edited by Hans-Walter Schmuhl, 68-98. Göttingen: Wallstein Verlag, 2003.

2001 "Penal Reform in Modern Germany, 1880-1945." *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 28 (Spring 2001): 83-89.

1996 "The Medicalization of Criminal Law Reform in Imperial Germany." In *Institutions of Confinement: Hospitals, Asylums and Prisons in Western Europe and North America, 1500-1950,* edited by Norbert Finzsch and Robert Jütte, 275-284. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1996.

Contributions to Reference Works

2010 "Gustav Aschaffenburg: German criminology." In *Enyclopedia of Criminological Theory*, edited by Francis T. Cullen and Pamela Wilcox, 58-62. Los Angeles: Sage, 2010.

1995 Main contributor, sections on "War and Revolution, 1914-1919" and "Weimar Republic" in *AHA Guide to Historical Literature*, 3d ed. (New York, 1995), 984-986, 986-989.

Edited Special Issues

2019 Special forum "The Weimar Republic Reconsidered," *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 65 (Fall 2019), co-edited with David Lazar

2017 Special forum "Diversity in German History," *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute* 61 (Fall 2017), co-edited with Till van Rahden and Anthony Steinhoff

2005 Special issue "Sexuality in Modern German History," *German History*, vol. 23, issue 3 (Fall 2005), guest-edited with Edward Ross Dickinson

Interviews

2008 (with Carola Dietze), "The Early Years of the German Historical Institute in Washington: Interview with Hartmut Lehmann," *Bulletin of the GHI* 42 (Spring 2008)

2006 (with C. Mauch), "Contemporary History in Germany: Interviews with the Directors of German Institutes of Contemporary History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 38 (Spring 2006): 59-79.

2004 (with C. Mauch), "The Historical Profession in Germany and America: Interviews with Presidents of AHA and German Historikerverband." *Bulletin of the GHI* 34 (Spring 2004): 49-63.

Conference Reports

"Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 76 (Fall 2027)

"Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 72 (Fall 2023): 137-143

"Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 69 (Fall 2021/Spring 2022): 182-186

"German History in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries," *Bulletin of the GHI* 63 (Fall 2018): 125-139

"German History in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries," *Bulletin of the GHI* 61 (Fall 2017): 181-185

"Navigating Diversity: Narratives, Practices, and Politics in German-Speaking Europe," *Bulletin of the GHI* 59 (Fall 2016): 121-128

"Twentieth-Century German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 57 (Fall 2015): 157-162

"Twentieth-Century German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 53 (Fall 2013): 133-137

"German History, 1770-1914," *Bulletin of the GHI* 51 (Fall 2012): 106-111.

"Crime and Punishment: Crime & Criminal Justice in Modern Europe, 1870-1990," *Bulletin of the GHI* 49 (Fall 2011): 160-66; also in *Journal der Juristischen Zeitgeschichte* 2012: 17-19.

"Early Modern German History,"*Bulletin of the GHI* 49 (Fall 2011): 183-89

"German History in the Twentieth Century," *Bulletin of the GHI* 47 (Fall 2010): 125-129 "German History in the Nineteenth Century," *Bulletin of the GHI* 45 (Fall 2009): 91-97

"Early Modern German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 43 (Fall 2008): 158-162

"German History, 1945-1990," *Bulletin of the GHI* 41 (Fall 2007): 119-124

"German History, 1930-1960," *Bulletin of the GHI* 39 (Fall 2006): 158-163

"German History, 1890-1930," *Bulletin of the GHI* 37 (Fall 2005): 115-119

"Sexuality in Modern German History," *Bulletin of the GHI* 34 (Spring 2004): 137-146

"Commissioning History in the United States, Germany, and Austria: Historical Commissions, Victims, Restitution, and World War II," *Bulletin of the GHI* 32 (Spring 2002): 170-179

PAPERS PRESENTED (SELECTED)

2025 "Rassenforschung im Nationalsozialismus," Workshop für das Graduiertenkolleg "Die Technische Hochschule Dresden im Nationalsozialismus," TU Dresden, Dec. 15, 2025

2024 "Aryan race, Nordic race, German race? Conflicts over racial categories in Nazi racial science and policy, 1933-1935," presented at "Lessons and Legacies of the Holocaust XVII" conference, held at Claremont McKenna College and University of Southern California, Los Angeles, November 14-17, 2024

"Strafrechtsreform in Europa in transnationaler Perspektive, 1870-1914," Neue Kriminalitätsgeschichte: Themen, Methoden, Perspektiven - 8. Kolloquium zu Kriminalität und Strafjustiz in der frühen Neuzeit und der Moderne, Bern, June 19-22, 2024.

"A Lecture on 'Racial Mixing' in Nazi Berlin: The Anthropologist Eugen Fischer and the Nazi Regime," presented at Washington Area German History Seminar, Washington DC, May 22, 2025

2023 "Critiques of Gay 'Subkultur' in the West Germany's Gay Liberation Movement," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Montreal, October 5-8, 2023

"Perpetrator Type Theory in German Criminology and Criminal Law, ca. 1880-1933," Conference "Law and Diversity: European and Latin American experiences from a legal-historical Perspective", held at Max-Planck-Institut für Rechtsgeschichte und Rechtstheorie, April 3-4, 2023

"Die deutsche Landesgruppe der Internationalen Kriminalistischen Vereinigung und die Strafrechtsreformbestrebungen im Deutschen Kaiserreich: Debatten über sichernde Maßnahmen für 'geistig Minderwertige' und ‚Gewohnheitsverbrecher'," Conference "Die europäische Bedeutung der Internationalen Kriminalistischen Vereinigung (IKV) 1889-1919," held at University of Augsburg, March 30 - April 1, 2023

2022 "Psychiatry, Eugenics, and Nazi Biopolitics, 1933-39," lecture delivered (virtually) at the conference "The Politics of Death: Psychiatry, Biopower, and Mortalities," held at Hanse-Wissenschafts Kolleg, Delmenhorst, June 14, 2022.

2020 "About the concept of the 'dangerous individual': Debates on recidivism, *état dangereux,* and civil liberty in the International Union of Penal Law, 1889-1914," GERN Seminar on "The birth of penal positivism in Europe and Latin-America at the end of the XIXth century: Rise and resistances," Faculty of Law, University of Saint-Louis, Brussels, May 15, 2020 (paper submitted & published; meeting was cancelled due to Covid19 pandemic)

2019 "Racial Science in Nazi Germany," lecture, Library of Congress, Washington, October 24, 2019

"Racial Science and Nazi Biopolitics," academic lecture, Center for German Studies, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, October 22, 2019

"Racial Science and Nazi Racial Policy," paper presented at GSA Seminar "Beyond the Racial State: New Perspectives in Race in Nazi Germany," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Portland OR, October 3-6, 2019

"What distinguishes criminal justice from other forms of state intervention? Conundrums of penal reform in Imperial Germany," paper presented at the workshop "The Limits of Positivism: The Movement for Criminal Law Reform in the West, 1870-1940," University of Ferrara, Italy, May 17, 2019

PAPERS PRESENTED (CONTINUED)

2019 "The Nazi Persecution of People with Disabilities," presentation at the 2019 Hess Family Seminar on "Disability, Eugenics, and Genocide: Nazi Germany, Its Antecedents, and Legacy", at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, January 7-11, 2019

2018 "Rassenforschung und NS-Rassenpolitik / Racial science and Nazi racial policy," 52. Deutscher Historikertag, Münster, September 27, 2018

"Kriminalisierung und Pathologisierung der Münchener Räterepublik: Der Hochverratsprozess gegen Ernst Toller," lecture delivered in the lecture series "Wissenschaft - Macht - Politik: Die Münchener Räterepublik," Center for Advanced Studies, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, June 21, 2018

2017 "Eugenics, Racial Science and Nazi Biopolitics," lecture at Munk School of Global Affairs / Joint Initiative in German and European Studies, University of Toronto, October 19, 2017

"Medicine and Nazi Biopolitics," 28th Annual Holocaust Lecture, Washington University in St. Louis, School of Medicine, April 20, 2017

2016 "German *Volk* or German *Rasse*? The 1934/35 Controversy about the Concept of a *Deutsche Rasse,"* Annual Meeting of German Studies Assoc., San Diego, September 29- October 2, 2016

2016 "Science, Ideology, and Nazi Racial Policy: Conflicts over Racial Theory during the Formative Period of the Third Reich, 1933-1935," European Social Science History Conference, Valencia, March 30- April 2, 2016

2015 "Das Gesicht des Kriminellen in der Wissenschaft," part of the seminar *Metamorphosen des Bösen: Neue Perspektiven der Kriminalgeschichte,* Universität Zürich, September 26, 2015

"Criminal Justice and Anti-Democratic Ideology in Transnational Perspective: The 1935 International Penal and Penitentiary Congress," *Anti-Democratic Ideology & Criminal Law under Fascist, National Socialist and Authoritarian Regimes,* Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London, September 10-11, 2015

2014 "Eugenics and 'racial science' under the Nazi Regime: A Critique of the 'Racial State' Paradigm," *Lessons & Legacies of the Holocaust,* Boca Raton, Oct 30-Nov 2, 2014

"Franz von Liszt und die internationale Strafrechtsreformbewegung," conference *Die Franz von Liszt Schule und die Entstehung modernen Strafrechts,* Universität Augsburg, September 25-26, 2014

"Nazi Biopolitics," German History Society Annual Conference, National University of Ireland, Maynooth, September 4-6, 2014

"Was there a genesis of the 'final solution' from the 'spirit of science'?", European Social Science History Conference, Vienna, April 23-26, 2014

2013 "Biopolitics, Science and Nazism," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Denver, October 3-6, 2013

"Nationalsozialismus Transnational? Die nationalsozialistische Rechtspolitik und der internationale Strafrechts- und Gefängniskongreß in Berlin 1935," *Kriminalität und Strafjustiz in der Moderne: Tagung zur Historischen Kriminalitätsforschung in der Neuzeit 2013,* Gauting, September 19-21, 2013

2012 "Discussing Penal Reform in Nazi Berlin: The 1935 International Penal and Penitentiary Congress," European Social Science History Conf., Glasgow, April 11-14, 2012

"The Nazi Persecution of Homosexuals," Herbert Andrews Lecture on New Directions in History, Towson University, March 10, 2012

PAPERS PRESENTED (CONTINUED)

2012 "Crime and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany," Workshop *A New Cultural History of Law? Historical Perspectives on Weimar Legal Culture,* Max Kade Center for European Studies, Vanderbilt University, February 16-17, 2012

2009 "Psychiatry, Penal Reform, and the Transformation of Criminal Responsibility in Germany, 1880-1933, " Workshop *Historical Approaches to Criminal Responsibility*, University of Sydney Law School, June 23, 2009

"Homosexuality under National Socialism," Health Science Humanities Program Series, Emory University, Atlanta, March 18, 2009 and October 28, 2009

2008 "Die Erfindung des Verbrechers: Zur Geschichte der biowissenschaftlichen Kriminologie in Deutschland, 1890-1945," plenary lecture at conference *Gefährliche Menschenbilder: Bio-Wissenschaften, Gesellschaft und Kriminalität*, Zentrum für interdisziplinäre Forschung (ZiF), Universität Bielefeld, March 27-29, 2008

"The Relationship between Criminology and Penal Reform in Germany, 1880-1930: Science versus Law?" European Social Science History Conference (ESSHC), Lisbon, Feb. 26-March 1, 2008

2007 "The Politics of Punishment: Penal Reform in Modern Germany, 1880-1945," Dept. of History, City University of New York (CUNY), Graduate Center, New York, November 29, 2007

"'Psychopathic Personalities' in German Psychiatry and Criminal Justice, 1880-1945", 30th International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Padua, June 25-30, 2007

"Medikalisierung des Strafrechts? Zur Rolle der Medizin in Strafrecht, Strafrechtsreform-bewegung und Kriminologie in Deutschland, 1870-1933," *Experten und Expertenwissen in der Strafjustiz*, AK Historische Kriminalitätsforschung, Stuttgart, June 21-23, 2007

"Psychiatry and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany, 1890-1945," Conference *Criminality and Madness in Modern Germany*, Richard Koebner Minerva Center for German History, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, May 27-28, 2007

2006 "Kriminalitäts- und Rechtsgeschichte: Neue Perspektiven," Conference *Kriminalitätsgeschichte im Wandel*, University of Göttingen, November 2-4, 2006

2005 "Der 8. Mai 1945," lecture at the German School of Washington DC, May 11, 2005

"Punishment and Politics in Modern Germany," Faculty Seminar, BMW Center for German and European Studies, Georgetown University, April 25, 2005

"Penal Reform in Modern Germany," Modern German History Seminar, Institute for Historical Research, University of London, March 10, 2005.

2004 "Civil Liberties and the Rule of Law in the Fight against Terrorism," Harvard CES-Berlin Dialogues, organized by the Center for European Studies, Harvard University, at the Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin, June 26, 2004.

"Criminal Justice between Democracy and Dictatorship: The Politics of Penal Reform from the Weimar Republic to the Nazi Regime," European Social Science History Conference (ESSHC), Berlin, March 24-27, 2004

2002 Keynote address, 9th Annual German Graduate Studies Conference, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, March 1-3, 2002

"Inventing the Criminal: German Criminology 1880-1945," Department of History, State University of New York at Buffalo, February 4, 2002

PAPERS PRESENTED (CONTINUED)

2001 "How to Punish in the Age of Science: German Debates on the Implications of Science for Criminal Justice, 1880-1914," Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Washington DC, October 4-7, 2001

2000 "From Retributive Justice to Social Defense: Penal Reform in Fin-de-Siècle Germany," conference on "Germany at the Fin de Siècle: Society, Science, and Ideas", held at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, September 15-16, 2000

1999 "Kriminalbiologische Forschung an der Deutschen Forschungsanstalt für Psychiatrie in der Weimarer und NS-Zeit," conference "Rassenforschung im Nationalsozialismus: Konzepte und wissenschaftliche Praxis unter dem Dach der Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gesellschaft," Max-Planck-Institut für Wissenschaftsgeschichte, Berlin, Dec. 3-4, 1999

"German Psychiatry and the Problem of Explaining Criminal Behavior, 1880-1945," Annual Conference of German Studies Association, Atlanta, October 7-10, 1999

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

2000-03 Research Fellowship, German Historical Institute, Washington DC

1994-95 Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation Research Grant

1993-94 James Bryant Conant Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for European Studies, Harvard Univ.

1993 National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend

1992 General Research Board Summer Research Award, University of Maryland

1991-92 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social Science Research Council Berlin Program (declined)

1990-91 Mabelle McLeod Lewis Memorial Fund Dissertation Fellowship

1989-90 Geballe Dissertation Prize Fellowship, Stanford Humanities Center

1989-90 Honorary Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellow, Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Foundation

1988-89 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Fellowship in Berlin

1988-89 Harris Travel Fellowship, Stanford University

1987-88 Predoctoral Research Fellowship, Stanford University

1985-87 History Fellow, Stanford University

1984-85 Fellowship of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University

1984 Phi Beta Kappa, Swarthmore College

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorships

2002-present Editor, *Bulletin of the German Historical Institute*

Service in Professional Organizations

2005-08 Member, Executive Committee, Conference Group for Central European History of the American Historical Association

2001-02 Member, Program Committee (for 2002 Annual Meeting), American Society for Legal History (ASLH)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (CONTINUED)

Service on Editorial Boards

2006- *Journal für Juristische Zeitgeschichte*

1999-2002 *Revue d'Histoire des Sciences Humaines*

Guest Lecturer, Scholar-in-Residence

2000-2018 Guest lecturer, U.S. Department of State, Foreign Service Institute (Over 25 lectures)

2015 Dozent, Universität Zürich, Modul "Metamorphosen des Bösen: Neue Perspektiven der Kriminalgeschichte," Master of Advanced Studies in Applied History, Sept. 25-26, 2015

1999 Visiting Associate and Scholar-in-Residence, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, International Migration Policy Program, Washington (June to Dec. 1999)

Advising for Research Projects and Museums

2023- Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Research Project "The Dresden University of Technology under National Socialism," TU Dresden

2018-2020 Member, Critical Friends, for DFG Projekt "Die Homosexuellenbewegung und die Rechtsordnung in der Bundesrepublik 1949-2002," Freie Universität Berlin, Leitung: Martin Lücke

2001-02 Member, Academic Advisory Committee, special exhibition "The Nazi Persecution of Homosexuals, 1933-1945," United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington DC

Service on Selection Committees

1995, 2000- Member, Selection Committee for Transatlantic Doctoral Seminars sponsored by German Historical Institute , Washington DC

1994, 1995 Member, Selection Committee for James Bryant Conant Post-Doctoral Fellowships, Center for European Studies, Harvard University

Referee for Journals

Peer-reviewed article manuscripts for: *German History, Central European History; Holocaust and Genocide Studies; Law and Society Review; Journal of the History of Ideas; Isis; Osiris; History and Philosophy of the Life Sciences*; *Social Science History*; *Kriminologisches Journal*; *Historical Journal*

Referee for University Presses, Research Foundations, Tenure Reviews

Peer-reviewed book manuscripts and book proposals for:
Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, University of California Press, University of North Carolina Press, Berghahn Books, Palgrave-Macmillan, University of Michigan Press, Pickering & Chatto

Referee to evaluate research proposals for:
Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft; Swiss National Science Foundation

Referee for tenure and promotion reviews at:
University of Cincinnati; Hunter College, City University of New York; Simon Fraser University; Shepherd University

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES & SEMINARS (AS CONVENER / CO-CONVENER)

2025 "Universities and the Public Good: Research, Education, and Democracy since 1945," conference, co-organized with Charles Dorn, Axel Jansen, Charlotte Lerg, and Till van Rahden, to be held at Schloss Herrenhausen, Hannover, Germany, Sept. 10–12, 2025.

2021 "Sexuality and the Law in German-speaking Europe," GSA seminar, co-organized with Martin Lücke and Veronika Springmann, Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Indianapolis, September 30 - October 3, 2021 (took place in virtual format)

2019 "Beyond the Racial State: New Perspectives on Race in Nazi Germany," GSA seminar, co-organized with Mark Roseman, Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Portland OR, October 3-6, 2019

2016 "Navigating Diversity: Narratives, Practices and Politics in German-Speaking Europe," Conference in Montreal, April 13-15, 2016, co-organized with Till van Rahden (Université de Montréal) and Tony Steinhoff (Université du Québec à Montréal)

2015 4. Kolloquium für Kriminalität und Strafjustiz in der Neuzeit, Gauting/Munich, September 9-11, 2015, in cooperation with Desiree Schauz and Sebastian Frenzel

2013 "Kriminalität und Strafjustiz in der Moderne (18.-20. Jh.)": 2. Tagung zur Historischen Kriminalitätsforschung der Neuzeit 2013, in cooperation with Sylvia Kesper-Biermann and Desiree Schauz (Munich, September 19-21, 2013

2012 "Kriminalität und Strafjustiz in der Moderne (18.-20. Jh.)": 1. Tagung zur Historischen Kriminalitätsforschung der Neuzeit, Paderborn, December 6-8, 2012, in cooperation with Sylvia Kesper-Biermann (Universität Giessen)

"The Trial of Adolf Eichmann: Retrospect and Prospect," Conference at University of Toronto, September 9-11, 2012, in coop. with Doris Bergen & Michael Marrus

2011 "Crime and Punishment in Modern Europe, 1870-1970," Conference at the German Historical Institute Washington , March 10-12, 2011, co-organized with Kerstin Brückweh (GHI London)

2009 "Beyond the Racial State: Rethinking Nazi Germany," Conference at Indiana University, Bloomington, October 22-25, 2009, co-organized with Mark Roseman (Indiana University) and Devin Pendas (Boston College)

2008 "Engineering Society: The Scientization of the Social in Comparative Perspective," Conference at the University of Sheffield, November 20-22, 2008, co-organized with Kerstin Brückweh, Dirk Schumann, and Benjamin Ziemann

2003 "Nazi Crimes and the Law," Conference at the Univ. of Amsterdam, August 16-18, 2003

2002 "Commissioning History in the United States, Germany and Austria: Historical Commissions, Victims, Restitution, and World War II." Conference at the D-Day Museum, New Orleans, November 21-24, 2002

2002 "Sexuality in Modern German History." Conference at the German Historical Institute, Washington DC, October 25-27, 2002, in cooperation with Edward Dickinson

2001 "Crime and Criminal Justice in Modern Germany, 1870-1960." Conference at the German Historical Institute, Washington DC, May 11-12, 2001

2000 "The Claim to Social Resources: A Contested Issue in Transatlantic Perspective." Conference at the German Historical Institute, September 22-24, 2000

COMMENTATOR, MODERATOR, ROUNDTABLE PANELIST (SELECTED)

2024 Moderator, Roundtable, "New Research in Queer German History," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Atlanta, September 27, 2024

Moderator, Panel Discussion "Voting Authoritarians into Power," German Historical Institute Washington, June 6, 2024

2023 Commentator, Panel, "Global Moravian Racial, Gender, and Social Justice," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Montreal, October 5-8, 2023

2022 Moderator, Roundtable "New Research on Social Movements in Cold War Germany," German Historical Institute, May 19, 2022

2020 Moderator, Die rechtschaffenen Mörder: Conversation with author Ingo Schulze, German Historical Institute Washington, October 19, 2020

Moderator, Panel "German Journalists between Nazi Dictatorship and American Democracy, 1933-1995," 44th Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association (virtual conference), October 1, 2020

2019 Introduction and comment for the film "Feuer unterm Arsch" (dir. Rosa von Praunheim, 1990), screened as part of the "Queer as German Folk" series at the Goethe Institut Washington, August 28, 2019

Commentator, panel "Knowledge, Society and Social Activism," at Conference "Political Culture and the History of Knowledge," German Historical Institute Washington, June 6-8, 2019

Introduction and comment for the film "Der Einstein des Sex" (dir. Rosa von Praunheim, 1999), at the Jewish Film Festival, in cooperation with the Goethe Institut, at the American Film Institute Silver Theater in Silver Spring, Maryland, May 11, 2019

2018 Respondent, roundtable on the book "Beyond the Racial State: Rethinking Nazi Germany," Conference "Lessons and Legacies XV: The Holocaust: Global Perspectives and National Narratives," Washington University in St. Louis, November 4, 2018

2017 Moderator, panel "The German Historical Institute at 30: The Founding of a Historical Institute at the Intersection of Scholarship and Politics," German Historical Institute, Washington, October 12, 2017

Commentator, panel "Prison, Lager, Camp: The German Penal System in Periods of Transition," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Atlanta, October 8, 2017

Moderator, panel discussion on "The Rosenburg Files: The Federal Ministry of Justice and the Nazi-Past," Goethe Institute, Washington DC, April 5, 2017

2016 Commentator, panel "Criticizing the Judiciary in the 20th Century: Resistance against the Power of Law in an International Perspective," 4. Schweizerische Geschichtstage, Lausanne, June 9-11, 2016

Commentator, panel "Spectres," at conference *Navigating Diversity: Narratives, Practices and Politics in German-Speaking Europe,* Montreal, April 13-15, 2016

2015 Moderator, panel "Anti-Semitic Violence," at conference *Nineteenth-Century Anti-Semitism in International Perspective,* German Historical Institute Paris, October 21-23, 2015

Commentator, panel "Deviants under Fascism: Policing Homosexuality in Central Europe in the 1930s/40s,"Annual Meeting, German Studies Assoc., Washington DC, October 2, 2015

2014 Commentator, panel "Making and Contesting Law: Hate Speech, Obscenity, and War Crimes in Germany, 1848-1950s," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Kansas City, September 18-21, 2014

COMMENTATOR, MODERATOR, ROUNDTABLE PANELIST (CONTINUED)

2014 Commentator, panel "Criminal Law, Punishment, and the Death Penalty in Central Europe and Beyond," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Kansas City, September 18-21, 2014

2013 Moderator, panel "Historischer Umgang mit sexueller und geschlechtlicher Vielfalt," *1. LSBTI Wissenschaftskongress: Gleichgeschlechtliche Erfahrungswelten,* organized by Bundesstiftung Magnus Hirschfeld, dbb forum Berlin, November 28-30, 2013

2013 Panelist, Roundtable Discussion "Hirngespinst Willensfreiheit? Wie die Neurowissenschaften unser Menschenbild beeinflussen," part of the series *Geisteswissenschaften im Dialog,* organized by Max Weber Stiftung and the Union der Deutschen Akademien der Wissenschaften, Hamburg, November 26, 2013

Moderator, Panel "Law and Legal Cultures Network: German Commercial Law," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Denver, October 3-6, 2013

2012 Commentator and moderator, Roundtable "New Directions in Post-1945 History of Sexuality," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Milwaukee, October 4-7, 2012

Chair, panel "Gender, Sexuality, and the Body Politic," European Social Science History Conference, Glasgow, Scotland, April 11-14, 2012

Commentator, panel "Policing Germany: Between Authoritarian Rule and Civil Society, 1871–1918," Annual Meeting American Historical Association, Chicago, January 5-8, 2012

2011 Moderator, panel "Law, Society and the Economy: New Perspectives in German Business and Economic History," Annual Meeting of the GSA, Louisville, September 22-25, 2011

Commentator, conference *Popular Sex: Media and Sexuality in Germany in the Early Twentieth Century,* University of Calgary, Canada, January 7-9, 2011

2010 Commentator, panel on "Legal Discourse in the Nineteenth Century," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Oakland, October 7-10, 2010

2009 Commentator, panel "Urban Pleasures and Urban Panics," Social Science History Association 2009 Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, November 12-15, 2009

Commentator, panel "Race in Science and Scholarship," at conference *Beyond the Racial State: Rethinking Nazi Germany,* Indiana University, Bloomington, October 22-25, 2009

Chair, panel "Germany History in Documents and Images," Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, Washington DC, October 8-11, 2009

Commentator, panel "Interdependencies between Law & Science, " 15th European Forum of Young Legal Historians, EUI, Florence, April 1-4, 2009

2008 Commentator at conference *Engineering Society: The Scientization of the Social in Comparative Perspective,* University of Sheffield, November 20-22, 2008

2007 Commentator, panel "Rethinking Histories of Sexuality: Sexual Knowledges,"Annual Meeting of the German Studies Association, San Diego, October 4-7, 2007

Commentator at conference *Pleasure, Power and Everyday Life under National Socialism,* organized by Institut d'histoire du temps present, at GHI Paris, September 13-14, 2007

2006 Moderator, panel on "Sexualized Bodies from Weimar to the Federal Republic," Annual Meeting, German Studies Association, Pittsburgh, September 28-October 1, 2006

Commentator, panel "Criminal Justice, Politics and Everyday Life in Modern Germany and Italy", ESSHC Conference, Amsterdam, March 22-25, 2006

COMMENTATOR, MODERATOR, ROUNDTABLE PANELIST (CONTINUED)

2005 Panelist, "Authors Meet Critics: Eric A. Johnson and Karl-Heinz Reuband, *What We Knew: Terror, Mass Murder, and Everyday Life: An Oral History*," Social Science History Association 2005 Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, November 3-6, 2005

Commentator, panel on "Verwissenschaftlichungsprozesse in der deutschen Gesellschaft nach 1945," Annual Meeting German Studies Association, Milwaukee, Sept. 29-October 2, 2005

2005 Commentator, conference *Wissenschaftliche Deutungsmacht und die gesellschaftliche Konstruktion von Kriminalität und Strafe: Neue Forschungsansätze zur Geschichte von Strafrecht und Strafvollzug im 19. und frühen 20. Jh.*, University of Cologne, March 3-5, 2005

Commentator, conference *Die Internationalisierung von Strafrechtswissenschaft und Kriminalpolitik (1870-1930): Deutschland im Vergleich,* Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin, February 17-18, 2005

Moderator, panel on "Modern German Historiography," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Seattle, January 8, 2005

2004 Commentator, panel on "Athleticism, Sexuality, and Celebrity in Twentieth-Century Germany," Annual Meeting of German Studies Association, October 7-10, 2004.

2003 Moderator, conference *Gendering Modern German History,* Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto, March 21-23, 2003

2002 Moderator, panel on "Citizenship in Comparative Perspective," Annual Meeting of the American Society for Legal History, San Diego, Nov. 7-9, 2002

Organization of the Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar in German History

on behalf of the German Historical Institute, in cooperation with the BMW Center for German and European Studies, Georgetown University

2027 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 31st TDS, Berkeley CA, June 15-18, 2026
2026 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 31st TDS, Berkeley CA, June 15-18, 2026
2025 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 30th TDS, Washington, June 3-6, 2025
2024 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 29th TDS, Harnack-Haus, Berlin, June 23-25, 2024
2023 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 28th TDS, Villa Vigoni, Italy, June 29-July 2, 2023
2022 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 27th TDS, Washington, June 14-17, 2022
2021 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 26th TDS, Washington, June 16-19, 2021
2019 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 25th TDS, Washington, May 29 - June 1, 2019
2018 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 24th TDS, Berkeley CA, May 30 - June 2, 2018
2017 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 23rd TDS, Hamburg, June 7-10, 2017
2016 "19th- and 20th-Century German History," 22nd TDS, Washington, May 25-28, 2016
2015 "German History in the 20th Century," 21st TDS, Berlin, May 27-30, 2015
2014 "German History in the 19th Century," 20th TDS, Washington, May 7-10, 2014
2013 "German History in the Twentieth Century," 19th TDS, Munich, May 29 to June 1, 2013
2012 "German History, 1770-1914," 18th TDS, Washington, May 1-5, 2012
2011 "German History, 1500-1815," 17th TDS, Washington, May 18-21, 2011
2010 "German History in the 20th Century," 16th TDS, University of Jena, May 12-15, 2010
2009 "German History in the 19th Century," 15th TDS, Washington, April 29-May 2, 2009

Organization of the Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar (cont'd)

2008 "Early Modern German History," 14th TDS, Free University of Berlin, May 2-5, 2008
2007 "German History, 1945-1990", 13th TDS, Washington DC, May 2-5, 2007
2006 "German History, 1930-1960," 12th TDS, University of Freiburg, April 26-29, 2006
2005 "German History, 1890-1930," 11th TDS, Washington DC, April 13-16, 2005
2004 "German History in the 19th Century" 10th TDS, Tübingen, April 28-May 1, 2004
2003 "German History in the Early Modern Era," 9th TDS, Washington DC, April 9-12, 2003
2002 "German History, 1945-1990." 8th TDS, ZZF Potsdam, May 1-3, 2002
2001 "Germany in the Age of Total War, 1914-1945." 7th TDS, Washington, April 25-28, 2001

COURSES TAUGHT

at Stanford University, University of Maryland at College Park, Georgetown University, Catholic University of America

Undergraduate courses

Modern Europe since 1789
European Intellectual History of the 19th and 20th Centuries
German History in the Nineteenth Century
German History in the Twentieth Century
Weimar and Nazi Germany / Nazi Germany
History of Crime and Criminal Justice in Modern Europe
Science, Nazism, and the Holocaust

Graduate courses

Colloquium on Modern European History
Colloquium on Modern German History
Crime, Law and Politics in Modern Europe

LANGUAGES

German/English: native bilingual; French: fluent; Russian: fair; Latin/Greek

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