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## Appointments

2017-19      Postdoctoral Fellow | Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies, University of Michigan

## Education

2017      Ph.D., History | Princeton University  
Dissertation: “Practicing Politics in the Revolutionary Atlantic World: Secrecy, Publicity, and the Making of Modern Democracy”

2013      M.A., History | Princeton University

2009      B.A., High Honors in History | University of California, Berkeley

## Publications

### Book Project

*Under Contract*      *Houses of Glass: Secrecy, Transparency, and the Birth of Representative Democracy*, under contract with Yale University Press

### Peer Reviewed Journal Articles:

*March 2018*      “The *Comités des Recherches*: Procedural Secrecy and the Origins of Revolutionary Surveillance,” in *French History*, Vol. 32, No. 1 (March 3, 2018), pp. 45-65.

### Book Reviews:

*Forthcoming*      Review of *American Honor: The Creation of the Nation’s Ideals During the Revolutionary Era*, by Craig Bruce Smith, in *The William and Mary Quarterly*

*Forthcoming*      Review of *A Politician Thinking: The Creative Mind of James Madison*, by Jack N. Rakove, in the *Journal of the Early Republic*

2016 “The American Republic and the French Revolution,” *Common-place.org*, Vol. 16, no. 3 (Spring 2016). <http://common-place.org/book/the-american-republic-and-the-french-revolution/>

Other:

2018 “The Senate looks away,” *The Washington Post* (October 7, 2018). [https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2018/10/08/senate-looks-away/?utm\\_term=.a381cb3ce0fd](https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2018/10/08/senate-looks-away/?utm_term=.a381cb3ce0fd)

2018 “The Invention of Representative Democracy,” *Age of Revolutions Blog* (July 23, 2018). <https://ageofrevolutions.com/2018/07/23/the-invention-of-representative-democracy/>

2017 “Secrecy in the Senate,” *The Washington Post* (December 12, 2017). [https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/made-by-history/wp/2017/12/12/the-case-for-secrecy-in-the-senate/?tid=ss\\_fb&utm\\_term=.d871e2c52cca](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/made-by-history/wp/2017/12/12/the-case-for-secrecy-in-the-senate/?tid=ss_fb&utm_term=.d871e2c52cca)

2017 “Houses of Glass and Veils of Secrecy: Metaphor in Discourses of Political Publicity,” *Journal of the History of Ideas Blog* (October 16, 2017). <https://jhiblog.org/2017/10/16/houses-of-glass-and-veils-of-secrecy-metaphor-in-discourses-of-political-publicity/>

2016 “The Enduring Suspicion of Secrets in American Politics,” *Time Magazine/History News Network* (November 7, 2016). <http://time.com/4560709/suspicion-secrets-american-politics/>

2016 “State Secrecy in the Age of Revolutions,” *Age of Revolutions Blog* (March 21, 2016). <https://ageofrevolutions.com/2016/03/21/state-secrecy-in-the-age-of-revolutions/>.

2014 “Publicity, Politics, and the Emergence of Representative Democracy,” *Perspectives on Europe*, Vol. 44, no. 1 (Spring, 2014): pp. 66-70.

**Fellowships and Awards**

2017 Natalie Zemon Davis Award, Society for French Historical Studies (Awarded to the best paper presented by a graduate student at the annual meeting)

2017 Runner-Up for the Charles Crouch Prize, Consortium on the Revolutionary Era (Awarded to the best paper presented by a graduate student at the annual meeting)

2016-17 Friends of the APS Fellowship in Early American History Long-Term Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, American Philosophical Society

- 2015-16 Laurance S. Rockefeller Graduate Prize Fellowship, Center for Human Values, Princeton University
- 2015-16 Fulbright Travel Fellowship, France (declined)
- 2015-16 Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars, Princeton University (declined)
- 2016 Research Fellowship at the Fred W. Smith National Library for the Study of George Washington at Mount Vernon, 2015-2016
- 2015 Lapidus-Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Fellowship for Graduate Research in Early American and Transatlantic Print Culture
- 2015 Society of the Cincinnati Fellowship at the Massachusetts Historical Society
- 2015 Mellon Research Fellowship at the Virginia Historical Society
- 2015 Robert R. Palmer Research Travel Award, American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies
- 2014 American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Research Fellowship at the Library Company of Philadelphia and Historical Society of Pennsylvania
- 2013 Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, Council for European Studies, Columbia University
- 2013 Political Philosophy Graduate Research Grant, Princeton University Center for Human Values (declined)
- 2012 Summer Research Grant, Princeton Institute for International Studies
- 2012 Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Princeton University History Department
- 2011-13 Davis Prize, Princeton University History Department

**Teaching Experience and Training**

- Fall 2018 Instructor for History 329: Fake News: A History (University of Michigan)
- Summer 2017 Graduate Mentor, Freshman Scholars Institute (Princeton University)
- 2014-2017 Writing Center Fellow, Writing Program (Princeton University)
- Summer 2016 Graduate Mentor, Freshman Scholars Institute (Princeton University)

- Spring 2016      Guest Lecturer for History 364: France and its Empire, 1500-1815, taught by Prof. David A. Bell (Princeton University)
- Spring 2016      Graduate Mentor, Mellon Mays Professional Network Conference and Graduate Application Bootcamps (Princeton University), April 14-15; 22
- Fall 2013        Teaching Assistant for History 373: Democracy and Slavery in the New Nation, taught by Prof. Sean Wilentz (Princeton University)

### **Conference Presentations and Academic Talks**

- 2019            “Whom do we represent?: Identifying ‘the public’ in the French Revolution,” at the Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference (Indianapolis, IN, April 4-6)
- 2018            “The Room Where It Happens: Secrecy and Representative Politics in the Age of Revolutions,” at the Michigan Early Atlantic Seminar (Ann Arbor, MI, Nov. 16)
- 2018            Invited Panelist on Plenary Roundtable “Painesque Publishing?: How Historians Write Politics, Then and Now,” at the Institute for Thomas Paine Studies: Revolutionary Texts in a Digital Age Conference (New Rochelle, NY, Oct. 11-13)
- 2018            “Changing Communication Technologies and Evolving Political Practices,” at the Institute for Thomas Paine Studies: Revolutionary Texts in a Digital Age Conference (New Rochelle, NY, Oct. 11-13)
- 2018            “Different Visions, Shared Practices: Federalist and Jacobin Uses of Government Secrecy,” at the Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture Annual Conference (Williamsburg, VA, June 14-17)
- 2018            “Pulling Back the Curtain: Contesting the Parliamentary Privilege of Secrecy in the Eighteenth Century,” at the Indiana Center for Eighteenth Century Studies Workshop: “Privilege and Protocol,” (Bloomington, IN, May 10-12)
- 2018            “The Evolution of Representative Politics in the 1790s: Comparing Political Practices of American Federalists and French Jacobins,” at the University of Michigan Political Theory Workshop (Ann Arbor, MI, April 6)
- 2018            Comment for Panel, “Changing Winds: Synthesizing Revolution & Counter-Revolution under the Directory,” at the Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference (Pittsburgh, PA, March 8-10)
- 2018            “Problems with Public Opinion: Looking Across the Atlantic in the Age of Revolutions,” at the Consortium on the Revolutionary Era Annual Conference (Philadelphia, PA, February 22-24)

- 2018 “Pondering Truth and Public Opinion in a Representative Republic,” at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting (Washington, DC, Jan. 4-7)
- 2017 “The Politics of Secrecy in the Age of Revolutions,” at the Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies (Ann Arbor, MI, Nov. 14)
- 2017 Panelist on Roundtable, “Wither the Study of Democracy in the New Nation,” at the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Conference (Philadelphia, PA, July 20-23)
- 2017 “Trying the King in the Name of the People: the *Appel au Peuple* and Political Representation,” at the Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference (Washington, DC, April 20-22)
- 2017 “The Politics of Publicity: Constructing Representative Governments in 1789,” at the Consortium on the Revolutionary Era Annual Conference (Charleston, SC, February 23-26)
- 2017 “Defining Representative Politics: The King’s Trial and the *Appel au Peuple*,” at the Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Workshop (Princeton University, February 10-11)
- 2016 “Diplomacy in a Representative Republic: Contesting Government Secrecy in Early America,” at the Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture Annual Conference (Worcester, MA, June 23-26)
- 2016 “The Culture of *Dévoilement* and the Origins of Revolutionary Surveillance in France,” at the Modern Europe Workshop (Princeton University, April 5)
- 2016 “Building a House of Glass: *Publicité*, Vigilance, and Popular Politics in 1789,” at the Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference (Nashville, TN, March 3-5)
- 2016 “Secrecy, Publicity, and Representative Politics: 1789 in the United States and France,” at the University Center for Human Values Graduate Prize Fellows Seminar (Princeton, NJ, Feb. 23)
- 2016 “The Politics of Secrecy in the Early Republic, 1789-1796,” at the Washington Early America Seminar (Mount Vernon, VA, Feb. 5)
- 2016 “Recent Reconsiderations of the French Revolution and Its Neighbors,” at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA, Jan. 7-9)
- 2015 “The Politics of Secrecy in 1789: Transparency and Surveillance in Revolutionary France,” at the Western Society for French History Annual Conference (Chicago, IL, Nov. 5-7)
- 2015 “Behind the “Veil of Secrecy”: The Framing and Ratification of the American Constitution,” at the Modern America Workshop (Princeton University, Oct. 22)

- 2015 “The Politics of Secrecy in the Early Republic: The Jay Treaty and Calls for Transparent Government,” at the McNeil Center Bustle & Stir Graduate Student Conference (Philadelphia, Oct. 8-10)
- 2015 “Building a House of Glass: The Politics of *Publicité* and the Problem of Secrecy in Revolutionary France,” at the Early Modern History Workshop (Princeton University, Sept. 30)
- 2015 “Political Secrecy and the Federal Constitution,” at The City University of New York’s Early American Republic Seminar Graduate Student Conference (New York, NY, May 1)
- 2015 “Secrecy in French and British Political Discourse on the Eve of Revolution,” at the Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Workshop (Princeton University, Jan. 8-9)
- 2014 “Imagining a More Accountable Royal Administration: Calls for *Publicité* in *Ancien Régime* France, 1750-1789,” at the Western Society for French History Annual Conference (San Antonio, TX, Nov. 13-15)
- 2014 “Establishing Representative Legitimacy: The Rhetoric and Practice of Transparency in Revolutionary France,” at the Council for European Studies Annual Conference (Washington, DC, March 14-16)
- 2014 “The Rhetoric and Practice of *Publicité* in the Early French Revolution,” at the Early Modern History Workshop (Princeton University, Feb. 12)
- 2014 “Establishing Representative Legitimacy: The Rhetoric and Practice of *Publicité* in Revolutionary France,” at the Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Workshop (Harvard University, Jan. 9-10)
- 2013 “The Mechanics of Political Representation in the French and American Revolutionary Periods” at the Oxford-Princeton Workshop on Subjects, Citizens, and Global History since 1700 (Princeton University, Sept. 20-22)
- 2013 “To Libel the Nation: The Press and the National Assembly’s Struggle for Popular Legitimacy, 1789-1791” at the Modern Europe Workshop (Princeton University, Feb. 26)

### **Professional Activities and Service**

- 2013-16 Tutor and mentor for Generation One at Princeton Community House
- 2014-16 Graduate Affiliate, Program in European Cultural Studies at Princeton University
- 2013-14 Graduate co-chair, Modern Europe Workshop at Princeton University
- 2013-14 Graduate co-chair, Early Modern History Workshop at Princeton University

2013-14 Professional Development Officer (elected), Graduate History Association,  
Princeton University

### **Research and Public History Experience**

2017-19 Editor, Age of Revolutions Blog (<https://ageofrevolutions.com>)

2014 Research assistant to Professor Wendy Warren (Princeton University)

2014-16 Undergraduate Library information desk manager (Firestone Library, Princeton  
University)

2007-09 Research assistant to Professor Carla Hesse (Department of History, University of  
California, Berkeley)