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Education

University at Albany

Doctor of Philosophy in History
Modern United States and World History
Degree Advisor: Dr. Ryan Irwin

Albany, NY
Fall 2020-Present

Mercy University

Bachelor of Arts in History
Magna Cum Laude

Dobbs Ferry, NY
May 2019

Professional Experience

Teaching Assistant, Department of History, University at Albany

Fall 2020-Spring 2024
Spring 2024

- History 100: American Political and Social History I
University at Albany, Supervised by: Dr. Richard Hamm
- History 100: American Political and Social History I
University at Albany, Supervised by: Dr. Lauren Kozakiewicz
- History 101: American Political and Social History II
University at Albany, Supervised by: Dr. Laura Wittern-Keller
- History 100: American Political and Social History I
University at Albany, Supervised by: Dr. Maeve Kane
- History 158: The World Since 1900
University at Albany, Supervised by: Dr. Ryan Irwin
- History 101: American Political and Social History II
University at Albany, Supervised by: Dr. Kori Graves

Research Experience

“The End that Started the Beginning: Kosovo’s Struggle for Independence”

Fall 2023

- This is a current chapter in progress for my dissertation. It examines the court proceedings of the International Court of Justice case which determined the (il)legitimacy of Kosovo’s independence. It analyzes the creation of statehood, how an international community works, what it takes to be a part of an international community, and how decolonization looks like in the twenty-first century. Produced at Graduate Research Seminar, University at Albany.

“Activism in a Neoliberal Age – The Deradicalization of The Women’s Building”

Spring 2022

- This essay examined how members of The Women’s Building used domestic and global geopolitical discourses to present their arguments for gender, class, and racial equality at the local and global level in the face of a capitalist United States Empire. The activism, and arguments, of the organizations within The Women’s Building deradicalized across the late twentieth and early twenty first centuries in relation to the changing tide of American politics. Produced at Graduate Research Seminar, University at Albany.

“Remembering Freedom within a Freedom Movement”

Spring 2021

- This essay argued that despite the differences between the Black Panther Party and the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee in achieving racial equality, both organizations discriminated against their female members based on their perceived gender roles. Instead of the traditional historical sources found in archives, I evaluated the memoirs of former members of these organizations to explore how these individuals remembered gender discrimination and gender roles within the organizations. Produced at Graduate Research Seminar, University at Albany.

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Grants and Awards

Awards:

Karen R. Hitchcock New Frontiers Fund Award, University at Albany	Spring 2024
Joseph E. Persico '52 Fellowship Award, University at Albany	Spring 2024
Patricia Stocking Brown Research Award, University at Albany	Spring 2022

Publications

Review of Daniel Bessner and Michael Brenes, *Rethinking U.S. World Power: Domestic Histories of U.S. Foreign Relations* for H-NET, TBD

Review of Cathleen D. Cahill, *Recasting the Vote: How Women of Color Transformed the Suffrage Movement* for *New York History Journal*, Summer 2023.

Professional Affiliations

The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

Phi Alpha Theta

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars

Skills

Digital History

Bilingual: Distinguished in reading, writing, and speaking in Albanian