

# Jan Burzlaff

## Curriculum Vitae

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William A. Ackman Fellow for Holocaust Studies  
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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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William A. Ackman Fellow for Holocaust Studies, Harvard University 2018–

### EDUCATION

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Ph.D. Harvard University, History 2017–

Dissertation: “Outlasting the Nazis: Jewish Survival During the Holocaust (1941–1945)”

Adviser: Derek J. Penslar

MA, Harvard University 2019

Fields: Modern Jewish History (Derek J. Penslar)

Modern Central and Eastern European History (Alison Frank Johnson)

European Politics (Daniel Ziblatt)

Middle Ages (Daniel L. Smail)

Diploma ENS. École Normale Supérieure (Paris, rue d’Ulm), History 2016

MA, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS, Paris) 2016

B.A. (Honours) Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne, History 2014

Valedictorian, highest GPA at the Sorbonne

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Journal Articles

“Confronting the Communal Grave: A Reassessment of Social Relations During the Holocaust in Eastern Europe,” *The Historical Journal*, 63, no. 4 (2020), 1054-1077.

“The Holocaust and Slavery? Working Towards A Comparative History of Genocide and Mass Violence,” *Journal of Genocide Research*, 22, no. 3 (2020), 354-366.

“When The Fires Were Lit: Anti-Jewish Violence in the Bloodlands, 1917–1945,” *Journal of Contemporary History*, 55, no. 4 (2020), 893-903.

### Articles Under Peer Review

“After The Dutch Paradox: Jews and non-Jews in the Netherlands (1940-1945),” *Contemporary European History*, July 2020.

### Forthcoming

“Vers des histoires transnationales de la Shoah: le cas des relations sociales dans l’Europe de l’Est”, *Revue d’Histoire de la Shoah*, November 2021.

“Icons, Trodden Sand, and the Violence of the Gaze: Looking at the Holocaust,” *Yad Vashem Studies*, summer 2021.

“Book Forum”, *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies*, Issue 39.2, summer 2021. Organizer of a panel of historians, anthropologists, and sociologists on survival in Vichy France.

“In the Shadow of the Gas Chambers: Social Ties and Daily Life around the Death Camp of Bełżec (1941–1945),” *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, winter 2021.

### Book Chapters

“Histories in Motion: The Holocaust, Social Science Research, and the Historian,” *Social Science Research and the Holocaust*, ed. Jeffrey S. Kopstein, Jelena Subotic, and Susan Welch (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press), under review.

## VISITING POSITION

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**Jane Eliza Procter Visiting Fellowship, Princeton University** 2016–2017

Awarded to three international graduate students with excellent education and exceptional promise

**Sponsors:** Profs. William Chester Jordan and Helmut Reimitz (Princeton University), Patrick J. Geary (Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton)

## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

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Graduate Funding, **American Academy of Jewish Research** 2020

Frederick Sheldon Travel Fellowship, **Harvard University** 2020

Clive Fellowship, **Harvard University** 2020

Runner-Up, Laura Bassi Scholarship, **Editing Press (Canada)** 2020

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, **Derek Bok Center, Harvard University** 2020

J-Term Funding, Center for Jewish Studies, **Harvard University** 2020

Grant, **Charles H. Revson Foundation** 2019

2020 Conference Grant, **Harvard University** 2019

AHA Council Annual Meeting Travel Grants, **American Historical Association** 2019

William A. Ackman Fellowship for Holocaust Studies, **Harvard University** 2018-

History Department Summer Travel Fellowship, **Harvard University** 2018,19

Grant, **Barney and Anne B. Malloy Memorial Fund** 2019

### Europe

Travel Fellowship ('bourse de voyage'), ENS 2015

Thesis Completion Grant, Institut français d'histoire (IFRA), Francfort, Germany 2015  
Thesis Writing Fellowship, IFRA, Francfort, Germany 2014

## CONFERENCES

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American Historical Association, annual meeting, New York January 2020  
The Holocaust and Social Sciences, invitation, UC Irvine, CA January 2020  
Holocaust Research in Challenging Times, Western Galilee, Israel May 2020  
24th Workshop on Nazi Camps, Salzburg, Austria October 2020  
Beyond Camps and Forced Labour, London, UK delayed

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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Peer-Review 2019-

*Journal of Contemporary History*, 2x

*Journal of Perpetrator Research*, 1x

### Organization of Events and Community

Western Galilee College Holocaust Studies Program 2020-  
One of four team members of the first online Holocaust Scholars Network  
(with Dr. Boaz Cohen, Dr. Daniela Ozacky-Stern, Dr. Roni Mikel Arieli)

## TEACHING

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### Teaching Assistant

2019

My Country, Right or Wrong? Nationalism in the Modern World, Prof. Derek Penslar, Harvard University. Course evaluations: 5.0 out of 5.0 (**best grade at Harvard**)

### Lecturer

#### Cartésia Education, Paris, France

2016-18

French preparatory classes after High School and for BA students)

Undergraduate Teaching for students enrolled at University Paris-II Assas and Sciences Po Paris In total, supervision of 200 students and 10 seminars taught over two years.

#### InGenius Prep, New Haven, CT, USA

2020-

Faculty Adviser, teaching on European history and politics

#### Sciences Po Paris and Tremplin Prépa, France

2018-

Grading and discussing essays drawing on social sciences and the humanities with students who wish to gain admission to highly selective French elite schools, such as Sciences Po, Paris

#### Instructor, GEC Academy, Beijing, China

2019-

Designing syllabi and Teaching on European and Global History, Social Sciences, the Humanities