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### **Education**

**Ohio State University** **Columbus, Ohio**  
**Ph.D., History** **2016**  
• **Fields:** Russian and Soviet History (primary), Modern European History, Global Environmental History (secondary)

**University of Toronto** **Toronto, Ontario**  
**M.A., Russian and Eastern European Studies** **2008**

**McMaster University** **Hamilton, Ontario**  
**B.A.Sc., Arts & Sciences, Combined Honors in History** **2006**

### **Language Ability**

**Russian** (fluent reading, writing, speaking)  
**French** (intermediate reading, writing, speaking)

### **Experience in Editing and Information Management**

**Copy Editor** **Fall 2017-Present**  
**Freelance** **Kingston, Ontario**  
• Conduct careful review of a collected volume of scholarly articles  
• Coordinate with authors to ensure consistency in formatting, style, and terminology

**Managing Editor, *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective*** **2016**  
**Ohio State University** **Columbus, Ohio**  
• Assisted with content management of the journal's main website ([origins.osu.edu](http://origins.osu.edu))  
• Communicated with subscribers and the general public using social networking tools  
• Worked with colleagues to organize, record, and edit a monthly podcast  
• Met frequent deadlines to ensure timely publication of several of the journal's components

**Research Assistant** **2012-2015**  
**Ohio State University** **Columbus, Ohio**  
• Edited an academic book manuscript, ensuring formatting and other details met the publisher's guidelines  
• Managed a digital database of historical scholarship

- Conducted research of Russian-language online media

**Fact checker**

**2010**

**McGraw-Hill Publications**

**Columbus, Ohio**

- Located historical sources to corroborate nearly 1,000 statements of fact in a history textbook
- Provided clear, detailed assessments regarding the veracity of historical claims

### **Teaching Experience**

**Visiting Instructor in History**

**2016-2017**

**Colby College**

**Waterville, Maine**

- Designed and taught undergraduate courses on European and Russian history
- Advised and coached students on writing and study skills
- Liaised with colleagues and other college units

**Graduate Teaching Associate**

**2011-2015**

**Ohio State University**

**Columbus, Ohio**

- As a graduate student, planned and taught first- and second-year history courses
- Provided students with learning strategies and individual assistance
- Monitored and reported student outcomes

**ESL Instructor/Tutor**

**2008-2009**

**Woori Education Group**

**Toronto, Ontario**

- Instructed students from South Korea and Russia in intermediate and advanced English-language skills

### **Published scholarship**

#### *Articles and book chapters*

“Making the land Russian? Migration, settlement, and environment in the Russian Far East, 1860-1914,” in *On the Move: Environmental History of Modern Migrations*, ed. Marco Armiero and Richard Tucker (New York: Routledge, 2017), 71-87.

“Settling the Seashore: Migration, Conservation, and Empire in the Russian Far East”, in *Eurasian Environments: Nature and Ecology in Eurasian History*, ed. Nicholas Breyfogle (forthcoming from University of Pittsburgh Press).

“Deer, Sable, and Tigers: Hunting and Conservation in Primorskii krai, 1860-1960,” in *Place and Nature: Essays in Russian Environmental History*, ed. David Moon, Nicholas Breyfogle, and Alexandra Bekasova (forthcoming from Whitehorse Press).

“Fishing for Empire: Settlement and Conflict in the Russian Far East,” *Arcadia: Online Explorations in Environmental History* (Autumn 2015),

“Between Predation and Protection: Forests and Forestry in Late-Tsarist Primor’e” *Sibirica: Journal of Siberian Studies*, 13.2 (Summer 2014): 28-61.

“(Re)Writing Russian History: The Soviet Colossus in Retrospect,” *International Journal* 67.2 (Spring 2012): 497-506.

### ***Reviews and other publications***

Review of Lewis H. Siegelbaum and Leslie Paige Moch, *Broad is My Native Land: Repertoires and Regimes of Migration in Russia’s Twentieth Century* (Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 2014). *The Journal of Social History*, 50.1 (Fall 2016).

“An Imperial Person.” Review of Willard Sunderland, “The Baron’s Cloak: A History of the Russian Empire in War and Revolution.” *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective* (Online). November, 2014.

“Commemoration, History, and Power: The Romanov Tercentenary.” *Milestones*, a feature of *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective* (Online). May, 2013.

“Russian America? Perry McDonough Collins's Voyage on the Amur.” Review of Perry McDonough Collins’s, *Siberian Journey: Down the Amur to the Pacific, 1856-1857*. *H-HistGeog, H-Net Reviews* (Online). May, 2012.

### **Presentations and Conference Participation**

“Rus’ vs. Them: Russian Nationalism in Historical Perspective,” a talk given as part of Colby College’s public lecture series, “History Matters” (Waterville, Maine, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

“Trappers, Traders, and Traitors: The Trade in Animal Products in the Russian Far East, 1860-1914,” Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies (Toronto, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017).

“Migration, economic interdependence, and opium cultivation in the Russian Far East, 1880-1914,” Annual Conference of the Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies (Washington DC, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016).

“Green Imperialism meets the Yellow Peril: Environment and Ethnicity in the Russian Far East, 1860-1914,” Annual Conference of the Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies (Philadelphia, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015).

“Managing People and Nature: Colonization and Hydrology in the Russian Far East,” Workshop in the History of the Environment, Agriculture, and Technology (Lawrence KS, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014).

“V. K. Arsen’ev and ‘Green Imperialism’ in the Russian Far East,” Annual Conference of the Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies (Boston, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013).

“Colonization and Environmental Change on the Ussuri River (Russian Far East): 1860-1930,” Annual Conference of the European Society for Environmental History (Ludwig-Maximilian University, Munich, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013).

“Colonization and Aquatic Environments in Primor’e, 1860-1914,” Workshop on Russia’s Environmental History and Natural Resources, Leverhulme International Network (St. Petersburg, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013).

“Taming Tiger Country: Settlement, National Conflict, and Environmental Change in the Russian Far East, 1860–1935,” Annual Conference of the Canadian Association of Slavists (Victoria, BC, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013).

### **University and Community Service**

<b>Graduate student representative</b> Membership Committee, American Society for Environmental History	<b>2015-2016</b>
<b>Volunteer English Tutor</b> Columbus Community Refugee and Immigration Services	<b>2013-2016</b>
<b>Reading Group Facilitator</b> OSU Reading Group for the History of Science Health, Environment, and Technology	<b>2013-2015</b>
<b>Graduate Student Representative</b> Screening Committee for faculty hiring in European History (OSU)	<b>2014</b>

### **Fellowships, Grants, and Awards**

- Ohio State University Graduate Fellowship, 2013-2014
- Alumni Grant for Graduate Research, OSU, 2013
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (of Canada) Doctoral Award, 2009-2012
- Wildman Memorial Award in Russian/East European History, OSU, 2011
- International Affairs Scholarship, OSU, 2011
- Sonkin-Berman-Wassermann Scholarship for International Understanding and Peace, OSU, 2011
- Foreign Language Area Studies fellowship, Novosibirsk State University, 2010
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship, University of Toronto, 2007-2008
- Nancy Park Travel Scholarship to Russia, University of Toronto, 2007
- European History Award, McMaster University, 2006

**Professional affiliations**

**Association for Asian Studies**

**American Historical Association**

**Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies**

**American Society for Environmental History**

**European Society for Environmental History**

**Canadian Association of Slavists**