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### CURRENT AND PAST POSITIONS

2020-present Professor, Department of History, University of Dayton  
2004-2019 Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Dayton  
2010-2016 Director, University Honors Program, University of Dayton  
2006-2010 Director, International Studies Program, University of Dayton  
1997-2004 Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Dayton

### EDUCATION

1996 Ph.D., University of Iowa (History—Modern Russia)  
Dissertation title: “The Politics of Numbers: Statistics and the Search for a Theory of Peasant Economy in Russia, 1861-1917”  
1988 M.A., University of Iowa (History—Modern Russia)  
Thesis Title: “Russian Nationalism and the Brezhnev Politburo”  
1986 B.A., University of Northern Iowa (History and Russian Area Studies)  
University of Northern Iowa Purple & Old Gold Award for Meritorious Scholarship in Russian Area Studies

### AWARDS AND HONORS

2020 University of Dayton College of Arts & Sciences Liberal Arts Catalyst Grant  
Project title: “The Spread of Empire: Siberian Butter and Political Economy, 1894-1923”  
2019 University of Dayton Research Council Seed Grant  
Project title: “The Spread of Empire: Siberian Butter and Political Economy, 1894-1923”  
1999 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for College Teachers  
1998 National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend  
1998 International Research & Exchange Board Individual Advanced Research Opportunities in Eurasia Grant

### PUBLICATIONS

#### **Books**

*Tsardom of Sufficiency, Empire of Norms: Statistics, Land Allotments, and Agrarian Reform in Russia, c. 1700-1921*. Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queen’s University Press, 2018.

#### Reviews:

Aaron B. Retish, *Journal of Modern History* 92, no. 4 (December 2020): 979-980. DOI:  
<https://doi.org/10.1086/711288>

Terry Cox, *Europe-Asia Studies* 72, no. 9 (2020): 1611-1614. DOI:  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/09668136.2020.1834778>

John Vsetecka *H-Environment* (July 2020). Stable URL: <https://networks.h-net.org/node/19397/reviews/6287564/vsetecka-darrow-tsardom-sufficiency-empire-norms-statistics-land>

Tracy McDonald, *The American Historical Review* 124, no. 5 (December 2019): 1989-1990.  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/ahr/rhz790>

Corinne Gaudin, *The Russian Review* 78, no. 4 (October 2019): 671-672. DOI:  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/russ.12249>

Colleen M. Moore, *Agricultural History* 93, no. 3 (Summer 2019): 571-573. Stable URL:  
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.3098/ah.2019.093.3.571>

Robert Argenbright, *Journal of Historical Geography* 65 (July 2019): 110-111. DOI:  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhg.2019.05.003>

Tracy Dennison, *Slavic Review* 78:4 (Winter 2019): 1080-1082.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/slr.2019.289>

### **Articles/Chapters**

- “When Populists Encounter Data: Populism and Statistics in the Russian Empire, c. 1870-1914.” In *Populism: A Historiographic Category?*, edited by Sheyla Moroni and Chiara Chini, 61-70. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2018.
- “‘Stavka na sil’nykh’? Provodilas’ li Stolypinskaia agrarnaia reforma tak, kak byla zadumala.” In *Problemy reformirovaniia Rossii na rubezhe XIX-XX vv.*, edited by Ella Saginadze, 365-382. St. Petersburg: Izd-vo Evropeiskogo Universiteta v Sankt-Peterburge, 2018.
- “Agrarian Experts and Social Justice: Land Allotment Norms in Revolution and Civil War, 1917-1920,” *Cahiers du Monde russe* 57, 1 (2016): 55-80.
- “Census as a Technology of Empire.” *Ab imperio*, no. 4 (2002): 145-176.
- “Statistics and Sufficiency: Toward an Intellectual History of Russia’s Rural Crisis.” *Continuity and Change* 17, 1 (May 2002): 63-96.
- “From Commune to Household: Statistics and the Social Construction of Chaianov’s Theory of Peasant Economy,” *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 43, 4 (October 2001): 788-818.
- “The Politics of Numbers: Zemstvo Land Assessment and the Conceptualization of Russia’s Rural Economy.” *The Russian Review* 59, 1 (January 2000): 52-75.

### **Encyclopedia Entries**

- “Cadasters in the Russian Empire.” *The Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet and Eurasian History* 5 (2004): 79-83.
- “Censuses in Russia, the Soviet Union, and Post-Soviet States.” *The Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet and Eurasian History* 5 (2004): 132-140.

### **Conference Proceedings**

- “Judging Peasant Creditworthiness: The Peasant Land Bank and Agrarian Reform in the Russian Empire, 1882-1917.” In Maria Isaenkova, et al, eds., *Slavonic and East European Studies: History vs Modernity*, 9-15. Warsaw: IRF Press, 2016.

### **Book Reviews**

- Eklof, Ben and Tatiana Saburova. *A Generation of Revolutionaries: Nikolai Charushin and Russian Populism from the Great Reforms to Perestroika*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2017. *Ab imperio*, No. 1 (2019): 358-366.
- Antonov, Sergei. *Bankrupts and Usurers of Imperial Russia: Debt, Property, and the Law on the Age of Dostoevsky and Tolstoy*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2016. *Journal of Social History* 52, no. 1 (August 2018): 183-185.
- Cerman, Markus. *Villagers and Lords in Eastern Europe, 1300-1800*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012. *The Historian* 78, no. 2 (Spring 2016): 374-375.
- Kotsonis, Yanni. *States of Obligation: Taxes and Citizenship in The Russian Empire and Early Soviet Republic*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2014. *Revolutionary Russia* 28, no. 2 (2015): 216-218.
- Miller, Burton Richard. *Rural Unrest during the First Russian Revolution: Kursk Province, 1905-1906*. Budapest and New York: Central European University Press, 2013. *Revolutionary Russia* 28, no. 1 (2015): 81-83.

- Evtukhov, Catherine. *Portrait of a Russian Province: Economy, Society, and Civilization in Nineteenth-Century Nizhnii-Novgorod*. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2011 and Dennison, Tracy. *The Institutional Framework of Russian Serfdom*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011. *Social History* 38, no. 3 (2013): 384-387.
- Gerasimov, Ilya. *Modernism and Public Reform in Late Imperial Russia: Rural professionals and Self Organization, 1905-1930*. Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan, 2009. *Revolutionary Russia* 23, no. 1 (2011): 86-88.
- Gaudin, Corrine. *Ruling Peasants: Village and State in Late Imperial Russia*. DeKalb: Northern Illinois University Press, 2007. *The Russian Review* 67, no. 4 (October 2008): 708-09.
- Moon, David. *The Abolition of Serfdom in Russia, 1762-1907*. Seminar Studies in History. Harlow, England: Pearson Education, 2001 and Nikitenko, Aleksandr, *Up from Serfdom: My Childhood and Youth in Russia, 1804-1824*. Trans. Helen Saltz Jacobson. Foreword Peter Kolchin. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2001. *Russian History/Histoire Russe* 30, no. 3 (Fall 2003): 344-5.
- Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, David. *Toward the Rising Sun: Russian Ideologies of Empire and the Path to War with Japan*. DeKalb, IL: Northern Illinois University Press, 2001. *Russian History/Histoire Russe* 30, no. 1-2 (Spring 2003): 235-6.
- Geifman, Anna, ed. *Russia Under the Last Tsar: Opposition and Subversion, 1894-1917*. Oxford, UK & Malden MA: Blackwell Publishers, 1999. *Canadian Journal of History/Annales Canadiennes d'Histoire* 36 (December 2001): 561-3.
- Moon, David. *The Russian Peasantry, 1600-1930: The World the Peasants Made*. London & New York: Longman, 1999. *Revolutionary Russia* 14, no. 2 (December 2001): 142-4.
- Frank, Stephen P. *Crime, Cultural Conflict, and Justice in Rural Russia, 1856-1914*. Studies on the History of Society and Culture Berkeley, Los Angeles & London: University of California Press, 1999. *H-NET/RUSSIA*. December 18, 2001.
- Barnett, Vincent. *Kondratiev and the Dynamics of Economic Development: Long Cycles and Industrial Growth in Historical Context*. Studies in Russian and East European History and Society. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1998. *Russian History/Histoire Russe* 26, no. 1 (Spring 1999): 98-9.
- Lindenmeyr, Adele. *Poverty is Not a Vice: Charity, Society and the State in Imperial Russia*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1996. *Social History* 24 No. 2 (May 1999): 217-19.
- Burds, Jeffrey. *Peasant Dreams and Market Politics: Labor Migration and the Russian Village, 1861-1905*. Pitt Series in Russian and East European Studies. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 1998. *The Russian Review* 58, no. 2 (April 1999): 324-5.
- Rutkovskaia, L. A. *Goroda Rossiiskoi imperii na 1.01.1914 so svedeniami o nikh na 1.01.1987* and Kabuzan, V. M. *Russkie v mire. Dinamika chislennosti i rasseleniia (1719-1989). Formirovanie etnicheskikh i politicheskikh granits russkogo naroda*. St. Petersburg: Russko-Baltiiskii informatsionnyi tsentr "BLITS," 1996. *Russian Review* 57, no. 2 (April 1998), 313-14.

## PRESENTATIONS

### *Invited Lectures*

- "Peasants into Property Owners: The Peasant Land Bank as an Agent of Social Transformation." Center for Russia, East Europe and Central Asia Seminar, University of Wisconsin, Madison. October 13, 2016. Madison, WI.

“Ordering Economy: Managing Land Allotments for Fiscal and Moral Improvement.” Higher School of Economics-St. Petersburg “Boundaries of History” Seminar. September 29, 2016. St. Petersburg, Russian Federation.

“Categories of Agrarian Reform: The Varied Meaning of the Labor Norm in the Operations of the Peasant Land Bank.” Higher School of Economics-St. Petersburg “Boundaries of History” Seminar. December 10, 2015. St. Petersburg, Russian Federation.

“The Interplay of Domestic and Foreign Politics in Russia.” Defense Institute of Security Assistance Management. Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. February 5, 2009. Dayton, OH.

### *Conference Presentations*

“V. F. Sokul'skii & A. N. Balakshin: Biography & the Shape of Siberian Butter Production.” Fifty-Third National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies. 18-21 November 2021. New Orleans, LA.

“Defending Siberian Butter, Socializing its Production: Butter Adulteration and the Promotion of Cooperative Creameries in Siberia, c. 1894-1907.” Trade and Empire: Productivity, Economic Exchange, and Differences in Eurasia Conference. 18-19 April 2020. Institute of Social Sciences and Humanities at Tyumen State University, Tyumen, Russian Federation (held via Zoom).

“The Spread of Empire: Siberian Butter and Political Economy.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic & East-European Studies. 12-14 April 2019. Robinson College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.

“Plotting Agrarian Reform and the Peasant Bank: Making Stolypin’s Peasants, 1906-1914” Fiftieth National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies. December 7, 2018. Boston, MA.

“Managing Difference or Assets? Looking at the Census as an Imperial Turn from Identity to Economy.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic & East-European Studies. 13-15 April 2018. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.

“Numbers and Meaning in Russian History.” Forty-Ninth National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies. November 9, 2017. Chicago, IL.

“In Search of the ‘Normal’ Peasant Household: Statistics and the Middle Peasant.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic & East-European Studies. 31 March-2 April 2017. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.

“The Image of the Land Norm in Agrarian Reform.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic & East-European Studies. 2-4 April 2016. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.

“Ставка на сильных: Проводилась ли Столыпинская аграрная реформа так, как была задумана?” Международная конференция «Проблемы реформирования России на рубеже XIX-XX вв.: к столетию со смерти С. Ю. Витте». 19-20 June, 2015. European University in St. Petersburg, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation.

“Wager on the strong? Intent vs. Business as Usual in Stolypin’s Agrarian Reform.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic & East-European Studies. 28-30 March 2015. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.

- “When Populists Encounter Data: Populism and Statistics in the Russian Empire, c. 1870-1914.” *Seminari populismi—Populism: A Historiographic Category*. April 8-10 2014. Università degli studi di Firenze, Florence, Italy.
- “Preliminary Thoughts on the Moral Economy in Revolution and Civil War Land Norms in 1917-1918.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies. 4-7 April 2014. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.
- “The Moral Economy in Revolution and Civil War. Land Norms in 1917 and Beyond.” Conference on “Managing Land, Soil, and People.” 13-15 March 2014. German Historical Institute, Moscow, Russian Federation.
- “How the Peasant Economy Became a Moral Economy: Land Allotment Norms and Russia's Statistical Turn.” Forty-Fifth National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (formerly AAASS). November 21, 2013. Boston, MA.
- “‘How much land does a man need?’ Inventing the Moral Economy in Russia.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies/ICEES European Congress. 5-8 April 2013. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.
- “Zemstvo Taxation: Procedures and Politics.” Forty-Third National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (formerly AAASS). November 19, 2011. Washington, D.C.
- “*Nadel*: A History.” XXXVIIth Annual Conference of the Study Group on the Russian Revolution. January 6-8, 2011. University of Glasgow. Glasgow, Scotland, UK.
- “Assumptions without Numbers and Numbers without Assumptions: How Land Allotments became ‘Insufficient’.” Forty-Second National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (formerly AAASS). November 19, 2010. Los Angeles, CA.
- “Russian Land Norms in Historical Perspective, 1700-1920.” XIth International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development. Sponsored by the Higher School of Economics, World Bank, and International Monetary Fund. April 8, 2010. Moscow, Russian Federation.
- “The Urge to Normalize: Land Norms and Agrarian Reform.” Forty-First National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 12-15, 2009. Boston, MA.
- “Defining the Russian Peasant Household’s Needs: Statistics and Pre-Emancipation Peasant Reform.” Fortieth National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 20-23, 2008. Philadelphia, PA.
- “The Matrix of Economic Measurement: The Economics and Politics of Cameralist Populationism and Serf Estate Statistics.” Thirty-Ninth National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 15-18, 2007. New Orleans, LA.
- “Statistics and the Agrarian Policy of the Provisional Government.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies. 31 March-2 April 2007. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University.
- “The Census and the Expression of Religious Identity.” Thirty-Eighth National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 16-19, 2006. Washington, D. C.

- “New Times Call for New Measures: Mastering the Peasant Economy in Numbers, 1905-1914.” Thirty-Seventh National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 3, 2005. Salt Lake City, Utah.
- “Census and Issues of Identity: Enumerating Nationalities in the 1897 Census.” Ninth Annual World Convention of the Association for the Study of Nationalities. April 2004. Columbia University, New York, NY.
- “The State and Late Imperial Rural Development (Prelude to a Discussion of the Impact of Russia’s Statistical Turn on Land Reform Debates).” Thirty-Fifth National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 22, 2003. Toronto, Ontario.
- “Statistical Representation of Minorities in the Imperial Census.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies. March 2003. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University.
- “The Politics of Census-Taking: Russia’s First Imperial Census.” Annual Meeting of the British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies. April 6-8, 2002. Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University.
- “Conceptions of Empire and the First Imperial Census.” Midwest Russian History Workshop. April 20-21, 2001. Madison, WI.
- “Conceptions of Empire and the First Imperial Census, 1897-1906.” Thirty-Second National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 9-12, 2000. Denver, CO.
- “Nadel vs. Sown Area: Statistical Categories and the Social Construction of Knowledge.” Thirty-First National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 18-21, 1999. St. Louis, MO.
- “Zemstvo Statistics and the Search for Causal factors in Russia’s Peasant Economy.” Thirty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies. March 25-27. Richmond, VA.
- “A. I. Chuprov: Statistician and Economist.” Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies. March 20, 1998. Durham, NC.
- “Measuring Russia’s Rural Economy: The Central Statistical Committee’s Cadastre Paradigm.” Midwest Russian History Workshop. March 6, 1997. Bloomington, IN.
- “Zemstvo Statistics and the Meaning of ‘Average Peasant Household’: Interpreting the Heterogeneity of Peasant Society at the End of the 19th Century.” Twenty-First Meeting of the Social Science History Association. October 1996. New Orleans, LA.
- “The Politics of Measurement in Russia, 1893-1917.” Thirty-First Annual Northern Great Plains History Conference. September 1996. La Crosse, WI.
- “Statistics and the Heterogeneity of Peasant Society: Defining Normal.” “Constructing Identities: Gender, Culture and Nationality.” April 1996. Augustana College, Rock Island, IL.
- “At What Cost Redemption: Statistical Research and the Lowering of Redemption Payments.” Annual Meeting of the Central Slavic Association. October 1994. Lincoln, NE.
- “Zemstvo Statistics in the Materials of the Press, 1882-1889.” International Conference on the History of the Zemstvo and Perspectives for the Development of Local Self-Government in Russia. May, 1993. Tver’, Russian Federation.

***Round Table Presentations***

“Inventing Tradition: The Land Allotment and Allotment Norm.” Round table presentation for “Reassessing the Peasant and State Nexus in Imperial and Soviet Russia.” 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies. November 15-18, 2012. New Orleans, LA.

“Looking at Land Reform over the Long Term.” Round table presentation for “Reforming the Land, Remaking the Nation: New Approaches to the History of Land Reform in Pre-Communist Central and Eastern Europe.” 41<sup>st</sup> National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 12-15, 2009. Boston, MA.

“Global Perspectives on Russian History/Russian Perspectives on Global History.” Round table presentation for “Russian History in an Internet Age.” 33<sup>rd</sup> National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. November 15-18, 2001. Crystal City, VA.

“Internet Resources and Russian History.” Round table presentation for “Russian Studies and the Electronic Classroom.” 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies. March 1-3, 2001. Alexandria, VA.

“The First Imperial Census as a Way of Knowing Modern Russia.” Round table presentation for “State, Empire, and Nation as Ways of Knowing Modern Russia.” 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies. March 16-18, 2000. Wilmington, NC.

### COURSES TAUGHT

ASI 150	Introduction to the University Experience
ASI 110/120	Core Program: Human Values in a Pluralistic Society
HST 101	Western Civilization to 1715
HST 102	Western Civilization since 1715
HST 103	The West and the World since 1500
HST 198	Berry Scholars History Seminar
HST 301	Research Methods Seminar for History Majors
HST 305	Medieval Europe
HST 307	Renaissance and Reformation
HST 314	Europe in Decline, 1890-1945
HST 315	Europe, 1945 to the Present
HST 324	Comparative Nationalism
HST 326	History of Russia & the Soviet Union, 1860-Present
HST 327	National Cultures of the USSR & Successor States
HST 328	Tolstoy’s Russia
HST 363	The Wealth of Nations: A History of Economic Thought
HST 368	A History of Russia: Lenin to Putin
HST 486	Seminar in European History: Revolutionary Russia, 1894-1924
HST 486	Seminar in European History: Biography as History
HST 499	Special Topics in History: The Power of Microbes
UDOLLI	A History of Russia, 988-Present (Osher Life-Long Learning Institute)
UDOLLI	Russia in the Age of Nicholas II (Osher Life-Long Learning Institute)
UDOLLI	Russia in the Twentieth Century (Osher Life-Long Learning Institute)