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CURRENT POSITIONS

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Professor of History and Public Policy, July 2024 –

Canada Research Chair (Tier 2), 2021 –

Director, Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions, July 2022 –

Core Faculty Member, Centre for Computational Social Science, June 2023 –

Faculty Affiliate, Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies Department, April 2022 –

Affiliate, Graduate Program in Science and Technology Studies, July 2015 –

Royal Society of Canada

Member, College of New Scholars, Royal Society of Canada, 2024 – 2031

Centre for International Governance Innovation, Waterloo, Canada

Senior Fellow and Monthly Columnist, December 2020 –

German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington DC, USA

Non-Resident Fellow, July 2017 –

Canadian Global Affairs Institute, Ottawa, Canada

Non-Resident Fellow, December 2017 –

Journal of Global History, Cambridge University Press, UK

Co-Editor, April 2019 –

PRIOR POSITIONS

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Associate Professor of International History and Public Policy, July 2020 – June 2024

Assistant Professor of International History, July 2015 – June 2020

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA

Visiting Fellow, Joint Center for History and Economics, November 2015 – November 2019

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Lecturer on History and Assistant Director of Undergraduate Studies, June 2012 – June 2015

VISITING FELLOWSHIPS

Zentrum für Interdisziplinäre Forschung (Centre for Interdisciplinary Research), Bielefeld, Germany

Visiting Fellow and Group Co-Leader, April – July 2024.

Centre for Global History, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich, Germany

Visiting Fellow, May – June 2022

Transatlantic Academy, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington DC, USA

Fellow, September 2016 – June 2017

Birkbeck, University of London, London, UK

Visiting Summer Fellow, “Reluctant Internationalists” Group, May – June 2016

Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (Centre for Contemporary History), Potsdam, Germany

Leibniz Summer Fellowship, June – July 2014

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

PhD, History, May 2012

Dissertation: “Magic Connections: German News Agencies and Global News Networks, 1905–1945.”

Advisor: Professor Charles S. Maier

Awarded Herman E. Krooss Prize for best dissertation in business history

AM, History, May 2008

Cambridge University, Emmanuel College, UK

BA (Hons), Modern and Medieval Languages, June 2006

Part II (2005–2006): German (*Starred First*); Part I (2002–2004): German and Latin (*First*)

Freie Universität, Berlin, Socrates/Erasmus scholarship to study abroad, 2004–2005

BOOKS

News from Germany: The Competition to Control World Communications, 1900-1945 (Harvard University Press, 2019).

Reviews: [Nature](#), [Financial Times](#), [New Rambler Review](#), [Standpoint](#), and [Washington Post](#).

Coverage in [Tagespiegel](#), [Marginal Revolution](#), [Vancouver Sun](#), [IEEE Spectrum](#). Excerpted in *Xing Magazin* 43 (2019), pp. 27-28.

Scholarly roundtables: roundtable of three reviews and my response for [Media History](#), roundtable of four reviews and my response for [H-Diplo](#).

Scholarly reviews: [American Historical Review](#), [Annali Recensioni Online](#), [Business History Review](#), [German Studies Review](#), [H-Soz-Kult](#), [International Journal of Media & Cultural Politics](#), [Journal of Contemporary History](#), [Journal of Modern History](#), [Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly](#), [Militär-geschichtliche Zeitschrift](#), [Orbis](#), [H-TGS](#).

Winner: Fraenkel Prize, Wiener Holocaust Library; the Ralph Gomory Prize, Business History Conference; David Barclay Book Prize, German Studies Association.

Honorable Mention: Council for European Studies Book Award.

Finalist: Hagley Prize, Business History Conference; Tankard Book Award, Association for Journalists in Education and Mass Communication; Wallace K. Ferguson Prize, Canadian Historical Association; Pinsky Givon Prize Family Prize for Non-Fiction, Western Canada Jewish Book Awards; Koffler Vine History Book Award.

EDITED VOLUMES

The Interwar World (40 chapters, Routledge, 2023). Co-edited with Andrew Denning. Coverage in Kansas University [news](#) and review on Toynbee Prize Foundation [website](#).

Routledge Companion to the Makers of Global Business (37 chapters, Routledge, 2019). Co-edited with Teresa da Silva Lopes and Christina Lubinski.

Exorbitant Expectations: International Organizations and the Media in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries (Routledge, 2018). Co-edited with Jonas Brendebach and Martin Herzer.

Reviews in [Canadian Journal of Communications](#), [Diplomatica](#), [H-Diplo](#), and [JHistory](#).

JOURNAL SPECIAL ISSUES

1. “Postal Traffic in Global Perspective,” *Monde(s). Histoire, Espaces, Relations* (September 2024). Special issue of eight articles and a book forum in English and French co-edited with Léonard Laborie.
2. “Digitized Newspapers,” History Lab, *American Historical Review* (March 2024). Six short essays, edited with an introduction by me.
3. “The Politics of Sovereignty in Modern Germany,” *Central European History* 55.1 (April 2022). Five articles co-edited with Rüdiger Graf.

4. "Pandemics That Changed the World: Historical Reflections on COVID-19," *Journal of Global History* 15.3 (November 2020). Eleven articles co-edited with Ewout Frankema.
5. "Imagined Use as a Category of Analysis: New Approaches to the History of Technology," *History and Technology: An International Journal* 32.2 (August 2016). Five articles co-edited with Simone Müller.
6. "Communicating Global Capitalism," *Journal of Global History* 10.2 (July 2015). Six articles co-edited with Simone Müller.
7. "The Governance of International Communications: Business, Politics, and Standard-Setting in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries," *Journal of Policy History* 27.3 (July 2015). Five articles and an afterword co-edited with Simone Müller.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. "The Promises and Perils of Periodization: Lessons from the Global Interwar," (with Andrew Denning), *Past & Present* (advance access online, February 2025).
2. "Les trafics postaux dans une perspective d'histoire globale. Postaliser la mondialisation et mondialiser les réseaux postaux," (with Léonard Laborie), *Monde(s). Histoire, Espaces, Relations* (Sept. 2024), pp. 7-30.
3. "Digitized Newspapers and the Hidden Transformation of History," History Lab, *American Historical Review* (March 2024), pp. 143-147.
4. "'Frequently Asked Questions' about Genetic Engineering in Farm Animals: A Frame Analysis," (with Katie Koralesky, Marina A. G. von Keyserlingk, and Dan Weary), *Food Ethics* 9.7 (2024), 20 pp.
5. "Not All the News That's Fit to Print: *The New York Times* as a Research Tool," (with John Maxwell Hamilton), *Political Communication* 40.5 (2023), pp. 600-669. Featured in *The Journalist's Resource*.
6. "Damage Control: How Candidates Interpret and Respond to Online Incivility," (with Chris Tenove, Grace Lore, Trevor Deley, Jordan Buffie), *Political Communication* 40.3 (2023), pp. 283-303.
7. "Global Dis:connctions and Communications," in "Forum — Global Dis:Connections," edited by Roland Wenzlhuemer, *Journal of Modern European History* 21.2 (2023), pp. 13-15.
8. "Using Animal History to Inform Current Debates in Gene Editing Farm Animals: A Systematic Review," (with Will Wright, Marina A. G. von Keyserlingk, Dan Weary, and Katie Koralesky), *Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems* (August 2022), 18 pp.
9. "Negotiating Sovereignty in German History: Historiographical Challenges," (with Rüdiger Graf), *Central European History* 55.1 (April 2022), pp. 1-14.
10. "Novels and Newspapers in Piketty's Capital and Ideology," *History Compass* 20.4, e12720 (April 2022).
11. "A Public Health Research Agenda for Managing Infodemics: Methods and Results of the First WHO Infodemiology Conference," (with Neville Calleja et al.), *Journal of Medical Internet Research: Infodemiology* 1.1 (2021), 16 pp.
12. "Fighting Hate with Speech Law: Media and German Visions of Democracy," *Journal of Holocaust Research* 35.2 (May 2021), pp. 106-122.
13. "Editors' Note: Global History after the Great Divergence," (with Ewout Frankema and Gagan Sood), *Journal of Global History* 16.1 (March 2021), pp. 1-3. (not peer-reviewed)
14. "Pandemics That Changed the World: Historical Reflections on Covid-19," (with Ewout Frankema), *Journal of Global History* 15.3 (November 2020), pp. 333-335. (not peer-reviewed)
15. "Oligopolies of the Past? Habermas, Bourdieu, and Conceptual Approaches to News Agencies," *Journalism: Theory, Criticism, Practice* 21.2 (November 2020), pp. 1825-1841.
16. "Online Disinformation and Harmful Speech: Dangers for Democratic Participation and Possible Policy Responses," (co-authored with Chris Tenove), *Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law* 13 (September 2019), pp. 215-232.
17. "Communicable Disease: Information, Health, and Globalization in the Interwar Period," *American Historical Review* 124.3 (June 2019), pp. 813-842.
18. "The Death of News? The Problem of Paper in the Weimar Republic," *Central European History* 50.3 (September 2017), pp. 328-346.
19. "The Natural History of the News: An Epigenetic Study," co-authored with John Maxwell Hamilton, *Journalism: Theory, Criticism, Practice* 18.4 (April 2017), pp. 391-407.

20. "How Not to Build a World Wireless Network: German-British Rivalry and Visions of Global Communications in the Early Twentieth Century," *History and Technology* 32.2 (2016), pp. 178–200.
21. "Introduction," to "Imagined Use as a Category of Analysis: New Approaches to the History of Technology," co-authored with Simone Müller, *History and Technology* 32.2 (August 2016), pp. 105–119.
22. "Changing the Rules of the Game: Strategic Institutionalization and Legacy Companies' Resistance to New Media," co-authored with Christopher Buschow, *International Journal of Communication* 10 (April 2016), pp. 2119–2139.
23. "Political and Economic News in the Age of Multinationals," *Business History Review* 89.3 (Fall 2015), pp. 447–474.
24. "Introduction" to "The Governance of International Communications: Business, Politics, and Standard-Setting in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries," co-authored with Simone Müller, *Journal of Policy History* 27.3 (July 2015), pp. 405–415.
25. "The Savior of the Nation? Regulating Radio in the Interwar Period," *Journal of Policy History* 27.3 (July 2015), pp. 465–492.
26. "Editorial — Communicating Global Capitalism," co-authored with Simone Müller, *Journal of Global History* 10.2 (July 2015), pp. 203–211.
27. "The Telegraph and the Bank: On the Interdependence of Global Communications and Capitalism, 1866–1914," co-authored with Simone Müller, *Journal of Global History* 10.2 (July 2015), pp. 259–283.
28. "Journalistic Statesmanship: Protecting the Press in Weimar Germany and Abroad," *German History* 32.4 (Winter 2014), pp. 559–578.
29. "Magic Connections: German News Agencies and Global News Networks, 1905–1945," *Enterprise & Society* 15.4 (Winter 2014), pp. 672–686.
30. "The Creation of European News: News Agency Cooperation in Interwar Europe," *Journalism Studies* 14.5 (October 2013), pp. 730–742.
31. "Peace through Truth? The Press and Moral Disarmament through the League of Nations," *Medien & Zeit* 25.4 (December 2010), pp. 16–28.
32. "The Path to Freedom? Transocean and Wireless Telegraphy, 1914–1922," *Historical Social Research* 35.1 (April 2010), pp. 209–233.

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. "Afterword," in Benno Nietzel and Norman Domeier (eds.), *»Und morgen die ganze Welt«. Nationalsozialismus und internationale Öffentlichkeit* (Campus, 2025), pp. 397–404.
2. "News Agencies: Instruments of Aggregation in a Disaggregating World," in Sean Franzel, Ilinca Iurascu, Petra McGillen (eds.), *Taking Stock: Media Inventories in the German Nineteenth Century* (deGruyter, 2024), pp. 117–123.
3. "Globalgeschichte und Unternehmensgeschichte. Forschung zwischen Wohlwollen und Desinteresse," (with Simone Müller), in Nina Kleinöder et al. (eds.), *Neue Perspektiven der Unternehmensgeschichte* (Ferdinand Schöningh, 2024), pp. 221–242.
4. "Secret Press Agents: When Journalists, Propagandists, and Spies Seem Indistinguishable," in Hans-Jakob Ziemer (ed.), *Observing the Everyday: Journalistic Practices and Knowledge Production in the Modern Era* (Routledge, 2022), pp. 116–136.
5. "Afterword: Competition during Covid-19," in Daniela Russ and James Stafford (eds.), *Competition in World Politics: Knowledge, Practices and Institutions* (Bielefeld University Press, 2021), pp. 289–300. Reviewed in [Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung](#).
6. "The Impact of Communications in Global History," in Mathias Albert and Tobias Werron (eds.), *What in the World? An Interdisciplinary Exploration of Global Social Change* (Bristol University Press, 2021), pp. 195–210.
7. "Coded Internationalism and Telegraphic Language," in Jessica Reinisch and David Brydan (eds.), *The Reluctant Internationalists* (Bloomsbury, 2021), pp. 33–50.

8. "News, Propaganda, and Public Opinion from the Fin de Siècle to the Cold War," (co-authored with Richard R. John), in Ann Blair et al. (eds.), *Information: A Historical Companion* (Princeton University Press, 2021), pp. 211-237. Featured in [Laphams Quarterly](#).
9. "Policy Lessons from Five Historical Patterns in Information Manipulation," in W. Lance Bennett and Steven Livingston (eds.), *The Disinformation Age: Politics, Technology, and Disruptive Communication in the United States* (Cambridge University Press, 2021), pp. 169-189. Chapter featured in reviews in [Deccan Herald](#) and [Daily Kos](#).
10. "Fake News: A Usable History," (co-authored with John Maxwell Hamilton), in Joshua Grimm (ed.), *Fake News! Misinformation in the Media* (Louisiana State University Press, 2020), pp. 13-31.
11. "From Early Modern Moon Hoaxes to Nazi Propaganda: A Brief Anthology of Fake News," (co-authored with John Maxwell Hamilton), in Joshua Grimm (ed.), *Fake News! Misinformation in the Media* (Louisiana State University Press, 2020), pp. 48-63.
12. "Communications and Technology Policy," in Paula Baker and Donald T. Critchlow (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of American Political History* (Oxford University Press, 2020), pp. 408-426.
13. "A Union of Nations or Administrations? Voting Rights, Representation, and Sovereignty at the International Telecommunications Union in the 1930s," in Gabriele Balbi and Andreas Fickers (eds.), *History of the International Telecommunication Union: Transnational Techno-Diplomacy from the Telegraph to the Internet* (de Gruyter, 2020), pp. 243-264. Review in [H-Soz-Kult](#).
14. "Digital History and Global Publics," in Valeska Huber and Jürgen Osterhammel (eds.), [Global Publics: Their Powers and Limits, 1870-1990](#) (Oxford University Press, 2020), pp. 313-342. Chapter featured in review in [Connections: A Journal for Historians and Area Specialists](#).
15. "Scoop: The Challenge of Foreign Correspondence," (co-authored with John Maxwell Hamilton) in James E. Katz and Kate Mays (eds.), *Social Media and Journalism's Search for Truth* (Oxford University Press, 2019), pp. 133-150.
16. "Introduction to the Makers of Global Business," (co-authored with Teresa da Silva Lopes and Christina Lubinski) in Teresa da Silva Lopes, Christina Lubinski, and Heidi Tworek (eds.), *The Routledge Companion to the Makers of Global Business* (Routledge, 2019), pp. 3-16.
17. "Global Communications," (co-authored with Richard John) in Teresa da Silva Lopes, Christina Lubinski, and Heidi Tworek (eds.), *The Routledge Companion to the Makers of Global Business* (Routledge, 2019), pp. 315-331.
18. "Introduction," (co-authored with Jonas Brendebach and Martin Herzer) in Jonas Brendebach, Martin Herzer, and Heidi Tworek (eds.), *Exorbitant Expectations: International Organizations and the Media in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries* (Routledge, 2018), pp. 1-16.
19. "Protecting News before the Internet," in Richard R. John and Jonathan Silberstein-Loeb (eds.), *Making News: The Political Economy of Journalism in Britain and America from the Glorious Revolution to the Internet* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015), pp. 196-222.

ROUNDTABLES, ESSAYS, AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

1. "Roads to Engagement: A Roundtable Discussion with Jennifer Hart, Peter Norton, Anke Ortlepp, Heidi Tworek, and Roland Wenzlhuemer," [Journal of Transport History](#) 45, no. 3 (2024), pp. 757-767.
2. "Rethinking the United States: What Was the 'American Century'?", in Jessica Reinisch and David Brydan (eds.), *Historical Association – Exploring and Teaching the Twentieth Century* (2019), pp. 62-65.
3. "Historical Roundtable: Legal and Historical Understandings of Privacy and Technology," (with Erin Coyle, Amy Gajda, and Jeffery Smith), *Historiography in Mass Communication* 5, no. 3 (2019), pp. 17-27.
4. "Bild- und Filmamt," [International Encyclopedia of the First World War](#) (February 2016).
5. "Wolff Telegraph Bureau," [International Encyclopedia of the First World War](#) (November 2015).
6. "Der Weltverkehr und die Ausbreitung des Kapitalismus um 1900," [Themenportal Europäische Geschichte](#) (October 2015).
7. "Wireless Telegraphy," [International Encyclopedia of the First World War](#) (October 2014).

BOOK REVIEWS

1. Introduction to Roundtable XXVI-25 of Charles S. Maier, *The Project-State and Its Rivals: A New History of the Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries* (2023), [H-Diplo](#) (2025), pp. 2-5.
2. Review of Simon Potter et al., *The Wireless World: Global Histories of International Radio Broadcasting* (2022), [Journal of Contemporary History](#) 60.1 (2025), pp. 143-145.
3. Review of Larry Heinzerling and Randy Herschaft with Ann Cooper, *Newshawks in Berlin: The Associated Press and Nazi Germany* (2024), [H-Soz-Kult](#) (2024).
4. Review of Mary Sarotte, *Not One Inch: America, Russia, and the Making of Post-Cold War Stalemate* (2021), [H-Diplo](#) (2023), pp. 19-21.
5. Review of Jean-Michel Johnston, *Networks of Modernity: Germany in the Age of the Telegraph, 1830-1880* (2021), [Central European History](#) 56.2 (2023), pp. 312-314.
6. Review of Rita Zającz, *Reluctant Power: Networks, Corporations, and the Struggle for Global Governance in the Early 20th Century* (2019), *American Historical Review* 127.3 (2022), pp. 1551-1552.
7. Review of Dov H. Levin, *Meddling in the Ballot Box: The Causes and Effects of Partisan Electoral Interventions* (2020), [International Journal: Canada's Journal of Global Policy Analysis](#) 76.2 (2021), pp. 342-344.
8. Review of Andreas Fickers and Pascal Griset, *Communicating Europe. Technologies, Information, Events* (2019), [H-Soz-Kult](#) (June 2021).
9. Review of Erik Grimmer-Solem, *Learning Empire: Globalization and the German Quest for World Status, 1875-1919* (2019), [Business History Review](#) 94.3 (2020), pp. 655-658.
10. Review of Daniel Gorman, *International Cooperation in the Early Twentieth Century* (2017), [H-Diplo](#) (June 2018).
11. Review of Poul Duedahl (ed.), *A History of UNESCO: Global Actions and Impact* (2016), [The English Historical Review](#) (February 2018).
12. Review of Thomas Zimmer, *Welt ohne Krankheit. Geschichte der internationalen Gesundheitspolitik 1940-1970* (2017), [H-Soz-Kult](#) (January 2018).
13. Review of Steve J. Wurtzler, *Electric Sounds: Technological Change and the Rise of Corporate Mass Media* (2009), [JHistory](#) (November 2010).
14. Review of Lutz Hachmeister, *Nervöse Zone: Politik und Journalismus in der Berliner Republik* (2007), [H-German](#) (May 2010).

POLICY REPORTS AND RESEARCH MEMOS

1. "Municipal Matters: Building Capacity for Local Climate Conversations," (with Divija Madhani et al.), [Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#), UBC (March 2025), 53 pp.
2. "Policy Consultation: Disinformation, Digital Space, and Democratic Processes," [Public Inquiry into Foreign Interference](#), Canada (October 2024), 3 pp.
3. "Harmful Hallucinations: Generative AI and Elections," (with Spencer McKay et al.), [Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#), UBC (August 2024), 67 pp.
4. "Mpox Communications: A Queer Pandemic," (with Joseph Flores), [Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#), UBC (November 2023), 75 pp.
5. "Beyond Technology: The Role of Information Interference in Climate and Election Obstruction," (with Sonja Solomon), [Centre for Media, Technology, and Democracy](#) (August 2023).
6. "Responding to Online Abuse: What We Heard from Health Communicators," (with Chris Tenove et al.), [Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#) (June 2023), 14 pages.
7. "Platform://Democracy – Perspectives on Platform Power, Public Values and the Potential of Social Media Councils: Research Report Americas," (co-edited with Matthias C. Kettemann and Josefa Francke), [Hamburg: Hans-Bredow-Institute](#) (May 2023), 54 pp., doi: [10.21241/ssoar.86526](https://doi.org/10.21241/ssoar.86526).
8. "Overview Report: Online Hate in the Pandemic," (with Chris Tenove) and "Case Study: Hate and Harassment Targeting Health Communicators," (with Chris Tenove), [British Columbia Office of the Human Rights Commissioner](#) (June 2022), 50 pp.

9. “From Flies to File Storage: Policy Issues in the Life-Cycle of Explanatory Journalism,” (with Sabrina Wilkinson et al.) [University of Ottawa](#) (November 4, 2021), 30 pp. Media coverage in [JSource](#).
10. “Partnership in Leadership: A New Beginning – Neue Impulse für die transatlantischen Beziehungen. Bericht der Task Force ‘Zukunft der transatlantischen Beziehungen,’” (co-written with 22 others), [Bonn University](#) (December 2020), 52 pp.
11. “Processes, People, and Public Accountability: How to Understand and Address Harmful Communication Online,” (co-written with Chris Tenove), [Canadian Commission on Democratic Expression](#) (December 14, 2020), 33 pp.
12. “Trolled on the Campaign Trail: Online Incivility and Abuse in Canadian Politics,” (co-written with Chris Tenove), [Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#), UBC (October 29, 2020), 44 pp. Media coverage in [CBC](#), [Radio Canada](#), [Globe & Mail](#), [iPolitics](#), [New Canadian Media](#), [The Tyee](#), [Yahoo News](#). Appearances on CBC.
13. “Democratic Health Communications during Covid-19: A Rapid Response,” (co-written with Ian Beacock and Eseho Ojo), [Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#), University of British Columbia (September 15, 2020), 112 pp. Featured in [New York Times](#), [Financial Times](#) Alphaville, [Abbotsford News](#), [CBC](#), [CNN](#), [Vice](#), [Georgia Straight](#), [Globe & Mail](#), [Macleans](#), [Salt Lake Tribune](#), [Saskatoon Star Phoenix](#), [STAT news podcast](#), [Vancouver Sun](#), [WebMD](#). Multiple appearances on CBC, CJOB, CKNW, [Global News BC](#), [TVO](#).
14. Co-lead (with Peter Pomerantsev), Final Report Drafting Team, [“Freedom and Accountability: A Transatlantic Framework for Moderating Speech Online. Final Report of the Transatlantic High-Level Working Group on Content Moderation Online and Freedom of Expression”](#) (June 2020).
15. “Dispute Resolution and Content Moderation: Fair, Accountable, Independent, Transparent, and Effective,” (lead author, co-authored with Ronan Ó Fathaigh, Lianne Bruggemann, and Chris Tenove), [Transatlantic Working Group](#) on Content Moderation Online and Freedom of Expression, Annenberg Public Policy Center at University of Pennsylvania (January 14, 2020), 34 pp.
16. “An Analysis of Germany’s NetzDG Law,” (co-authored with Paddy Leerssen), [Transatlantic Working Group](#) on Content Moderation Online and Freedom of Expression (April 2019).
17. “Poisoning Democracy: How Canada Can Address Harmful Speech Online” (co-authored with Chris Tenove and Fenwick McKelvey), [Public Policy Forum](#) (November 2018), 34 pp.
18. “Responsible Reporting in an Age of Irresponsible Information,” [Alliance for Securing Democracy](#), German Marshall Fund of the United States (March 2018), 10 pp.
19. “Suspicious Minds: U.S.-German Relations in the Trump Era,” (co-authored with Frédéric Bozo et al.) [Transatlantic Academy](#) (May 2017), 34 pp.

POLICY EDITED COLLECTIONS

1. Co-editor (with Taylor Owen), “Platform Governance in Canada,” (17 essays), [CSDI and Centre for Media, Democracy, and Technology \(McGill University\)](#) (June 2023).
2. “Platform://Democracy – Perspectives on Platform Power, Public Values and the Potential of Social Media Councils: Research Report Americas,” (co-edited with Matthias C. Kettemann and Josefa Francke), [Hamburg: Hans-Bredow-Institute](#) (May 2023), 54 pp., doi: [10.21241/ssar.86526](#).
3. Co-editor (with Nanjala Nyabola and Taylor Owen), “The Four Domains of Global Platform Governance: An Essay Series,” (16 essays), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (June and July 2022). Winner, Gold Medal, Best Service Article for Consumers, Canadian Online Publishing Awards 2022.

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

1. “Much of the World Voted in 2024. But What Did We Learn?” (with Chris Tenove), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (January 15, 2025).
2. “Digital Regulation May Have Bolstered European Elections — but How Would We Know?,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (June 28, 2024).

3. “What Lessons Did Canada Learn before Creating Its Online Harms Bill?” (with Chris Tenove), [TechPolicyPress](#) (March 12, 2024).
4. “What Will the Series of Pivotal Elections in 2024 Mean for Democracy?” (with Chris Tenove), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (February 1, 2024).
5. “Introduction,” (with Taylor Owen), [CSDI and Centre for Media, Democracy, and Technology \(McGill University\)](#) (June 2023).
6. “Public Values and Private Orders in Social Media Councils,” Introduction to Nine Articles in Matthias Kettemann, Heidi Tworek, and Josefa Francke (eds.), *Platform: //Democracy – Perspectives on Platform Power, Public Values and the Potential of Social Media Councils: Research Report Americas*, [Hamburg: Hans Bredow Institute](#) (May 2023).
7. “As Digital Trade Expands, Data Governance Fragments,” (with Panthea Pourmalek and Yves Tiberghien), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (February 9, 2023). Discussed in a Twitter Space on February 14, 2023.
8. “Can Elections Survive the Digital Age?” (with Panthea Pourmalek and Yves Tiberghien), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (January 5, 2023).
9. “History Provides Insights into the Future of Cattle Breeding,” (with Will Wright, Marina A.G. von Keyserlingk, Katherine E. Koralesky, and Daniel M. Weary), [Milk Producer Magazine](#) (Fall 2022), p. 19.
10. “Platform Transparency Requires Research — but Who Will Do It?” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (September 22, 2022).
11. “Can We Move beyond Disinformation Studies?” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (August 2, 2022). Translated into Portuguese [here](#).
12. “Platform Governance Needs a Global Response,” (with Nanjala Nyabola and Taylor Owen), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (June 13, 2022).
13. “One Way to Fight Disinformation is to Provide Something Better,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (June 6, 2022).
14. “Communications, Technology and Canadian Foreign Policy,” in Essay Series on “Situating Canada in a Changing World,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (April 25, 2022).
15. “Will War Propel or Delay the Global Push to Reform Social Media?” (with Blayne Haggart et al.), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (April 7, 2022).
16. “The Path Dependency of Infrastructure: A Commonly Neglected Aspect of Platform Governance,” Project for Peaceful Competition, King’s College London, and [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (February 14, 2022).
17. “Time for Transparency from Digital Platforms, But What Does That Really Mean?” (with Alicia Wanless), [Lawfare](#), Brookings Institution (January 20, 2022).
18. “As Omicron Surged, So Did Abuse of Health Communicators Online,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (January 12, 2022). Reprinted in *Electronic Healthcare Law Review* 12.3 (February 2023), pp. 29-32.
19. “History Explains Why Global Content Moderation Cannot Work,” TechStream, [Brookings Institution](#) (December 10, 2021).
20. “In Pandemic Communications, the Learning Curve is Strangely Absent,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (December 3, 2021).
21. “Could E-courts Help Fix Facebook’s Inadequate Oversight Board?” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (October 29, 2021).
22. “Facebook’s America-Centrism is Now Plain for All to See,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (October 4, 2021).
23. “Stopping the Hostile Online Attacks Hurlled at Candidates,” (with Chris Tenove), [Policy Options/Options Politiques](#) (September 13, 2021).
24. “Open Access to Data Is Critical in a Democracy,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (August 25, 2021).
25. “Disinformation: It’s History,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (July 14, 2021).

26. “Lessons from South Korea’s Approach to Tackling Disinformation,” (with Yoojung Lee), TechStream, [Brookings Institution](#) (July 12, 2021).
27. “Whose Democracy Counts When Global Social Media Rules Are Set?” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (June 18, 2021).
28. “What Can Canadian Law Makers Draw from the New UK Online Safety Bill?” (with Suzie Dunn and Will Perrin), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (May 20, 2021).
29. “Taiwan’s COVID-19 and Pandemic Experience: What are the Lessons for Canada?” [Canadian Global Affairs Institute/Institut Canadien des Affaires Mondiales](#) (April 13, 2021).
30. “Does Deplatforming Trump Set a New Precedent for Content Moderation?” (with Jameel Jaffer et al.), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (January 18, 2021).
31. “The Dangerous Inconsistencies of Digital Platform Policies,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (January 13, 2021).
32. “Beyond Briefings: How Canadian Officials Can Communicate More Effectively during the Covid-19 Endgame,” (co-written with Ian Beacock), [First Policy Response](#) (January 13, 2021).
33. “The Promise and Peril of Anti-Pandemic Technology,” TechStream, [Brookings Institution](#) (December 10, 2020).
34. “When Democracy meets Efficiency: How Communications Can End the Pandemic,” [Institute Montaigne](#) (November 5, 2020). Translated into [French](#).
35. “Is News Property? How Digital Platforms are Resurrecting a Centuries-Old Question,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (October 30, 2020).
36. “How a Public Health Approach Could Help to Curb the Infodemic,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (October 15, 2020).
37. “Lessons Learned from Taiwan and South Korea’s Tech-Enabled Covid Communications,” TechStream, [Brookings Institution](#) (October 6, 2020).
38. “Should Big Tech be Setting the Terms of Political Speech?” (with Samantha Bradshaw et al.) [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (October 5, 2020).
39. “Covid-19 Has Democratic Lessons to Teach. Has Angela Merkel Helped Germany to Learn Them?” (with Ian Beacock and Sudha David-Wilp), Transatlantic Take, [German Marshall Fund of the United States](#) (October 2, 2020).
40. “Why Doesn’t TikTok Get Policy Makers’ Attention?” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (June 25, 2020).
41. “Paris Call Community for Countering Election Interference: What Democracies Can Learn from the Government of Canada,” (co-written with David Salvo), [Alliance for Securing Democracy](#), German Marshall Fund of the United States (May 26, 2020).
42. “Should There Be a Public Health Exemption for Section 230?” TechStream, [Brookings Institution](#) (May 18, 2020).
43. “Platforms Adapted Quickly during the Pandemic – Can They Keep It Up?” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (May 14, 2020). Translated into French for [Institut Montaigne](#) (June 9, 2020).
44. “Why the U.S. Needs a Pandemic Communications Unit,” TechStream, [Brookings Institution](#) (April 29, 2020).
45. “How to Use Communications as a Medical Intervention,” [German Marshall Fund of the United States](#) (April 1, 2020).
46. “A New Blueprint for Platform Governance,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (February 24, 2020).
47. “How Transparency Reporting Could Incentivize Irresponsible Content Moderation,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (December 10, 2019).
48. “How Platforms Could Benefit from the Precautionary Principle,” [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (November 19, 2019).
49. “What Does Twitter’s Ban on Political Ads Mean for Platform Governance?” (with Joan Donovan et al.), [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (November 5, 2019).

50. "Social Media Councils," CIGI Series on Platform Governance, [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (October 2019).
51. "Disinformation and Democracy in Historical Perspective," NATO Association of Canada/Association Canadienne pour L'OTAN (Fall 2019), pp. 15-18.
52. "Social Media Platforms and the Upside of Ignorance," [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (September 2019).
53. "Looking to History for Lessons on Platform Governance," [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (July 2019).
54. "Without Improved Transparency, Platform Regulation Is a Pipe Dream," [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (July 2019).
55. "Internet Governance Can't Be Divorced from Infrastructure Governance," [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (July 2019). Translated into French and published by [Institut Montaigne](#) (December 2019).
56. "The Next North American Election: How Canada is Protecting Itself and What Can Still be Done," (co-authored with David Salvo), [Alliance for Securing Democracy](#), German Marshall Fund of the United States (March 2019).
57. "How a Standards Council Could Help Curb Harmful Online Content," (co-authored with Fenwick McKelvey and Chris Tenove), [Policy Options](#) (February 2019).
58. "What the History of Radio Tells Us about Technology and Democracy," [Chatham House](#) (October 2018).
59. "Communications and the Integrity of Elections," [The Global Exchange](#) (September 2018).
60. "How History Helps Us to Uncover the Real Successes of Middle Power Internationalism," [Centre for International Policy Studies](#), University of Ottawa (July 2018).
61. "Gemeinsam mit den Guten. Wie ein EU-Handelsabkommen mit Kanada zum Wertepaket wurde," [Internationale Politik](#) (May/June 2017): 53-57.
62. "Kommunikation in der Ära von Fake News," [Zukunftsinstitut](#) Politics & PR 4.0 (April 2017).
63. "Why Germany Might Take a Maple Leaf out of Canada's Book," [Transatlantic Academy](#) (March 10, 2017).
64. "Approaching Trump," (with Sir Michael Leigh, Stefan Fröhlich, and Joshua Walker), [German Marshall Fund](#) (March 8, 2017).
65. "Political Communications in the 'Fake News' Era: Six Lessons for Europe," Transatlantic Academy [Policy Brief](#) (February 13, 2017).
66. "The European Union Clashes with Google over Copyright," German Marshall Fund [Transatlantic Take](#) (October 11, 2016).

DIGITAL PROJECTS

Co-creator (with Natasha Lee and Will Wright), [Holsteins Everywhere: A Bovine History](#), August 2022.

Coordinator, United Nations History Project (www.unhistoryproject.org), December 2010 – present.

Project manager for leading scholarly website on UN history. Supervised ten graduate and undergraduate researchers. Awarded grants from United Nations Foundation for the site and its social media

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Co-applicant, Canada Biomedical Research Fund and Biosciences Research Infrastructure Fund (CAD \$13,500,000)	2024
PI, Digital Citizens Contribution Program, Heritage Ministry (CAD \$129,375)	2024
Co-applicant, SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant (CAD \$23,723)	2024
PI, Health after 2020, UBC Health (CAD \$10,000)	2023
PI, SSHRC Insight Grant (CAD \$282,525)	2023

Commission, Global Affairs Canada (CAD \$8,000)	2023
Co-applicant, British Academy Knowledge Frontiers Grant (£179,396)	2023
PI, Digital Citizens Initiative, Heritage Ministry (Canada) (CAD \$99,500)	2023
Gold Medal, Best Service Article for Consumers, Canadian Online Publishing Awards	2022
Co-PI, Residency Group, Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies, Bielefeld University (€370,000)	2022
Public History Initiative, UBC History Department (CAD \$4,992)	2022
Co-applicant, Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CAD \$100,000)	2022
Co-applicant, SSHRC Insight Grant (CAD \$258,643)	2022
Co-applicant, SSHRC Partnership Development Grant (CAD \$197,891)	2022
New Frontiers in Research Fund, SSHRC (CAD \$134,000)	2022
Commission, British Columbia Office of the Human Rights Commissioner (CAD \$23,000)	2022
British Columbia Knowledge Development Fund (CAD \$80,000)	2022
Canada Foundation for Innovation John Evans Leaders Fund (CFI-JELF, CAD \$120,000)	2021
Canada Research Chair, Tier II (CAD \$600,000)	2021
Public History Initiative, UBC History Department (CAD \$5,000)	2021
SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant (CAD \$24,974)	2021
SSHRC Arts Explore Grant (CAD \$4,000)	2021
Historical Innovation in Explanatory Journalism, SSHRC PG subgrant (CAD \$17,500)	2021
Arts Undergraduate Research Award, UBC Faculty of Arts (CAD \$3,000)	2021
Covid-19 Solutions, Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies, UBC (CAD \$19,500)	2020
SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant (CAD \$24,940)	2020
Grants for Catalyzing Research Clusters, Language Science Initiative, UBC (CAD \$8,000)	2020
Co-applicant, COVID-19 Working Group, Peter Wall Institute, UBC (CAD \$7,500)	2020
SSHRC Exchange: Arts Workshop and Visiting Speakers (CAD \$2,000)	2020
Co-applicant, Genomics in Society Interdisciplinary Research Team (CAD \$1.4 million)	2020
Ernst Fraenkel Prize, Wiener Holocaust Library (GBP 5,000)	2020
Ralph Gomory Prize, Business History Conference and Sloan Foundation (USD \$5,000)	2019
Public History Initiative, UBC History Department (CAD \$5,000)	2019
Digital Ecosystem Research Challenge Grant (CAD \$46,150)	2019
Co-applicant, SSHRC Partnership Grant (CAD \$2.5 million)	2019
Public History Initiative, UBC History Department (CAD \$3,000)	2019
Fieldwork Project Grant/Public History Initiative, UBC History Department (CAD \$4,500)	2019
Mitacs Globalink Research Award, Canada (x2) (CAD \$12,000)	2019
Arts Undergraduate Research Award, UBC Faculty of Arts (CAD \$3,000)	2019
Public History Initiative, UBC History Department (CAD \$3,000)	2018
Fieldwork Project Grant, UBC History Department (CAD \$4,500)	2018
German Historical Institute Conference Organization Grant (\$13,000)	2018
Bridge Funding, Vice President Research Office and History Dept, UBC (CAD \$4,000)	2018
Co-applicant, SSHRC Connection Grant (CAD \$38,567)	2018
Co-applicant, SSHRC Insight Development Grant (CAD \$24,800)	2018
SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant (CAD \$24,954)	2018
Mitacs Globalink Research Award, Canada (x2) (CAD \$12,000)	2018
History Department Fieldwork Project Grant, UBC (CAD \$4,878)	2017 – 2018
Faculty of Arts International Travel Grant, UBC (CAD \$2,000)	2017
Bridge Funding, Vice President Research Office and History Dept, UBC (CAD \$4,680)	2017

History Department Summer Fieldwork Project Grants (x2), UBC (CAD \$9,477)	2017
Transatlantic Academy Fellowship, German Marshall Fund, Washington DC (\$70,000)	2016 – 2017
Visiting Fellowship, “Reluctant Internationalists,” Birkbeck, University of London (\$1,300)	2016
Mitacs Globalink Research Award, Canada (CAD \$5,000)	2016
Faculty of Arts Research Grant, University of British Columbia (CAD \$4,000)	2016
History Department Summer Fieldwork Project Grant, UBC (CAD \$5,000)	2016
SSHRC Connection Grant (CAD \$23,736)	2016
Teaching and Learning Enhancement Fund, “History Lab,” UBC (CAD \$50,000)	2016
Faculty of Arts International Travel Grant, University of British Columbia (CAD \$2,000)	2015
Hampton Fund New Faculty Research Grant, UBC (CAD \$10,000)	2015
The Star Family Prize for Excellence in Advising, Harvard University (nominated)	2015
John R. Marquand Award for Exceptional Advising and Counseling, Harvard (nominated)	2015
Leibniz Summer Fellowship, Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam (\$6,700)	2014
Herman E. Krooss Prize for Best Dissertation in Business History (\$500)	2014
United Nations Foundation Operational Support Grants (awarded four times at \$20,000)	2012 – 2016
Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (awarded twelve times)	2008 – 2015
German Historical Institute Conference Grant for German Studies Association (\$3,000)	2013
Harvard University Dissertation Completion Fellowship (declined)	2012 – 2013
Alfred D. Chandler, Jr. Travel Grant to Business History Conference (\$1,000)	2012
Bok Center Certificate of Achievement in the Practice of Teaching in Higher Education	2012
Society for the History of Technology (SHOT) Travel Grant (\$1,500)	2011
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Research Grant, Harvard University (\$3,000)	2011
History Department Summer Grant, Harvard University (\$4,000 each)	2007–08, 2011
Frederick Sheldon Traveling Fellowship (honorary recipient)	2009 – 2010
Krupp Foundation Dissertation Research Fellowship (\$30,000)	2009 – 2010
DAAD Dissertation Research Fellowship (\$12,500)	2009 – 2010
James Souverine Gallo ‘27 Memorial Scholarship, Harvard University (\$500)	2008 – 2009
Center for European Studies Summer Travel Grant, Harvard University (\$6,000)	2008
Herchel Smith Travel Grant, Emmanuel College, Cambridge University (\$10,000)	2006 – 2009
Kurt Hahn University Prize (Highest mark in German at Cambridge University)	2004, 2006
The Sands Senior Scholarship, Emmanuel College, Cambridge University	2003, 2004

MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

1. “Foreign Interference Threats in Canada’s Federal Election Are Both Old and New,” (with Chris Tenove), [The Conversation](#) (April 10, 2025).
2. “Connecting Postal Histories with the Future,” (interview of me and Léonard Laborie by Makiko Hayashi) in *Union Postale* (Autumn/Winter 2024), pp. 30-32.
3. Regular interviews posted on the Toynbee Prize Foundation, for example with [Emma Rothschild](#) (August 2024) and [Ayse Zarakol](#) (November 2023).
4. “The Interwar World: Where, When, and How?,” (interview of me and Andrew Denning by Poorvi Bellur), [Toynbee Prize Foundation](#) (May 3, 2024).
5. “Animal History and Animal Welfare Science: Multidisciplinary Work and Mutual Learning,” (with Will Wright, Nina von Keyserlingk, Katie Koralesky, and Dan Weary), [Network in Canadian History & Environment/Nouvelle initiative Canadienne en histoire de l’environnement](#) (October 20, 2022).
6. “Living in an Interwar World: Communicable Disease and Epidemic Information,” [Long Run Health Matters](#) (October 9, 2022).

7. "The Online Abuse and Harassment of Women in Politics Must Stop," [Globe & Mail](#), (July 4, 2022), A6.
8. "The Use and Abuse of History," [Körber History Forum](#) in "e-Paper: A New Global Order? History and Power Politics," (July 2022), pp. 24-25.
9. "The Russian Invasion Shows How Digital Technologies Have Become Involved in All Aspects of War," (with Katharina Niemeyer, Dominique Trudel, Marina Silina, and Svitlana Matviyenko), [The Conversation](#) (March 28, 2022).
10. "History is a Good Antidote to Disinformation about Ukraine," multiple Postmedia outlets, including [Ottawa Citizen](#), [Cochrane Times Post](#), and [Sault this Week](#) plus [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (March 8, 2022).
11. "Stories, Statistics, and Authenticity in Health Communications," Beyond Disinformation series, [Social Sciences Research Council](#) (May 25, 2021).
12. "The Cyberflâneur," [The Syllabus](#), curated commentary on ten pieces (May 22, 2021).
13. "Why Disease Names Matter," [Globe & Mail](#) (March 24, 2021). Also published by [Royal Society of Canada](#) in the Covid-19 Series, Publication 98.
14. "Simply Talking about the Pandemic the Right Way Can Help Rebuild American Democracy," (with Ian Beacock), [The New Republic](#) (December 24, 2020).
15. "A Year of News Mocktails," Predictions for 2021, [Nieman Lab](#) (December 2020).
16. "Leaving Big Tech to Govern Themselves Doesn't Work. They're Getting Even Worse," [The Independent](#) (August 7, 2020).
17. "News from Germany," [TRAFO: Blog for Transregional Research](#) (August 14, 2019).
18. "Falsche Nachrichten hat es immer gegeben: Ein Interview zwischen Heidi Tworek und Georg Ismar," [Der Tagesspiegel](#) (August 3, 2019).
19. "A Lesson from 1930s Germany: Beware State Control of Social Media," [The Atlantic](#) (May 26, 2019).
20. "Information Warfare is Here to Stay: States Have Always Fought for the Means of Communication," [Foreign Affairs](#) (April 2019).
21. "News from Germany: The Competition to Control World Communications, 1900-1945," [The Page 99 Test](#) (April 2019).
22. "Informationskriege," [Internationale Politik](#) (March/April 2019), pp. 122-129.
23. "Quietly, One of Trump's Tariffs Threatens Democracy," [Washington Post](#) (September 11, 2018).
24. "L'âge d'or des médias: une exception historique?," [Ina Global](#) (September 4, 2018).
25. "Als ob Flüchtlinge Touristen wären," [Süddeutsche Zeitung](#) (June 20, 2018), p. 2.
26. "Why the 'Golden Age' of Newspapers was the Exception, Not the Rule," (co-authored with John Maxwell Hamilton), [Nieman Lab](#) (May 2, 2018).
27. "Foreign Propaganda is a Problem Again, But Maybe a Smaller One than We Think," Made by History, [Washington Post](#) (October 3, 2017).
28. "Privacy Shapes Our News," [Goethe Institute](#), Washington DC (June 22, 2017).
29. "How to Make Facts Matter Again," [OECD Yearbook 2017](#) (June 2017).
30. "How Germany is Tackling Hate Speech," [Foreign Affairs](#) (May 16, 2017).
31. "Cambridge Analytica, Trump, and the New Old Fear of Manipulating the Masses," [Nieman Lab](#) (May 15, 2017).
32. "What Makes Health Special?" Invited Blog Post for [Reluctant Internationalists](#), Birkbeck, University of London (December 19, 2016).
33. "Why the History of News Explains its Future," (co-authored with John Maxwell Hamilton) [The Conversation](#) (May 17, 2016).
34. "Lab Partners: Experimenting with Active Learning," (co-authored with Gabriel Pizzorno) [Perspectives on History. The Newsmagazine of the American Historical Association](#) (April 2016), pp. 23-24.
35. "From World Health to World Heritage: Seventy Years of the United Nations," [UN Chronicle](#) 52 (September 2015).
36. "History Lessons: Why Germany's 'Google Tax' Won't Work," (co-authored with Christopher Buschow) [Nieman Reports](#) (October 23, 2014).

37. “Does England Have the Solution to the Grade-Inflation Problem?” [The Atlantic](#) (October 20, 2014).
38. “Writing a Student Evaluation Can Be Like Trolling the Internet: How a Long-Despised University Tradition Can Be a Chance to Teach Civility,” [The Atlantic](#) (May 21, 2014).
39. “The Real Reason the Humanities are ‘in Crisis’,” [The Atlantic](#) (December 18, 2013).

Interviews, quotes, and background discussions in over 130 news articles in outlets including: ABC News, Canadian Press, CBC, CNN, *Der Tagesspiegel*, *Deutsche Welle*, *E&T Magazine* (Engineering & Technology Magazine), *El País*, *El Universal*, *Financial Times*, *Globe & Mail*, *La Tercera*, *Maclean’s*, Morning Consult, *National Geographic*, *Nature*, Nieman Reports, NPR’s On the Media, Politico, Reuters, Talking Points Memo, *The New Republic*, *The Telegraph*, Voice of America, WebMD.

Work featured by [CBC](#), CNN, [CTV](#), [Financial Times](#), *New York Times*, [Québec Science](#), [Toronto Star](#), [Vancouver Sun](#), [The Ubyyssey](#).

TV, RADIO, AND PODCASTS (selected)

- “Non-Aligned News: An Experiment to Decolonize Global News,” [CBC Ideas](#) (Dec. 9, 2024).
- “A Look at News, Memes, and Wireless Tech from More than 100 Years Ago (Heidi Tworek Calls from Germany),” Policy Prompt, [Centre for International Governance Innovation](#) (Nov. 26, 2024).
- “Tech Bros and Diplomacy,” The Foreign Desk, [Monocle Radio](#) (August 17, 2024).
- “Propaganda for Breakfast,” [LBI Presents](#), Leo Baeck Institute (February 2024).
- “History for Tomorrow: Misinformation and ‘Fake News’ in Historical Perspective,” Nationwide 90FM, Kingston, Jamaica (April 15, 2023).
- “Writing for Wikipedia as a Learning Tool,” [The Art & Science of Learning](#) (May 5, 2022).
- “Moves to Ban Kremlin Propaganda Outlets Evoke WWII Anti-Nazi Efforts” (with Emerson Brooking), [Tech Policy Press](#) and [Just Security](#) (March 5, 2022).
- “With Disinformation, The Past Isn’t Past,” Arbiters of Truth, [Brookings Institution](#) (Aug. 12, 2021).
- “The Challenges of Internet Regulation,” [The Law Bytes Podcast](#) with Michael Geist (Jan. 25, 2021).
- “The Evolution of Disinformation,” [The Spark](#), CBC Radio (October 6, 2019).
- “Published Opinion Is Not Public Opinion,” [David Pakman Show](#) (June 18, 2019).
- “News from Germany,” [New Books Network](#) (June 17, 2019).
- “Germany’s Quest to Control the News,” [The American Interest](#) Podcast (April 9, 2019).
- “Disinformation in Perspective,” [EUScream](#) (March 31, 2019).
- “Information Wars, Past and Present,” [Late Night Live](#), Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) (March 26, 2019).
- “Women at the United Nations,” Woman’s Hour, [BBC Radio 4](#) (February 3, 2017).
- “Unpicking the United Nations,” (with Lord Mark Malloch Brown, Jussi M. Hanhimäki, and Carolyn Medel-Anonuevo), The Forum, [BBC World Service](#) (November 20, 2016).
- “The United Nations at 70: Then & Now,” (with Susan Pedersen, Ambassador John Negroponte, Nina Khrushcheva, William Cohen, Ian Hurd, and Matthew Russell Lee) [Huffington Post Live](#) (Oct. 24, 2015).
- Panel Discussion Participant, “Are the Humanities in Crisis?,” [KCRW](#) (December 27, 2013).
- Regular appearances since 2019 on international media, including CBC radio, CBC News Network, CTV, BBC, and ARD.

COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS

- Member, College of New Scholars, Royal Society of Canada, 2024 – 2031.
- Member, [National Expert Committee on Countering Radicalization to Violence](#), Public Safety Ministry, Canada, 2023 – 2025.

- Coordinator, Americas Regional Clinic, [Platform://Democracy. Platform Councils as Tools to Democratize Hybrid Online Orders](#), Hans Bredow Institute for Media Research, 2023.
- Member, [Expert Advisory Group on Online Safety](#), Heritage Ministry, Canada, 2022.
- Member, Expert Panel, Public Safety in the Digital Age, [Canadian Council of Academies](#), 2021– 2023.
- Member, Task Force on the Future of Transatlantic Relations, Center for Advanced Security, Strategic and Integration Studies, Bonn University, 2020.
- Lead and Steering Committee Member, Transatlantic High-Level Working Group on Freedom of Expression and a Global Internet. USD \$600,000 project funded and co-organized by Annenberg School of Public Policy at the University of Pennsylvania, Institute for Information Law in Amsterdam, and the Dutch Embassy in the United States, 2018 – 2020.
- Term Member, Council on Foreign Relations, 2018 – 2023.

TESTIMONIES

- Panellist, Disinformation, Digital Space, and Democratic Processes, Public Inquiry into Foreign Interference in Federal Electoral Processes and Democratic Institutions, Canada, October 2024.
- Witness, Hearing on Impact of Disinformation and Misinformation on the Work of Parliamentarians, [Meeting 132](#), Standing Committee on Access to Information, Privacy, and Ethics, October 2024.
- Witness, Hearing on Illegal Sexually Explicit Material Online, [Meeting 125](#), Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage (CHPC), June 2024.
- “German Regulation of Online Content,” Citizens’ Assembly on Democratic Expression, Ottawa, June 2022 (online).
- “Transparency,” International Civil Servant Network (with Mark MacCarthy), Centre for International Governance Innovation, May 2021 (online).
- “Effective Government Communications,” International Civil Servant Network (with Minister Audrey Tang), Centre for International Governance Innovation, February 2021 (online).
“Social Media Councils and e-Courts,” Canadian Commission on Democratic Expression (November 12, 2020).
- “Policy Options to Combat Online Harms,” Canadian Commission on Democratic Expression (October 29, 2020).
- “Online Harms and Illegal Content,” Deputy Ministers Conference, Canada (September 14, 2020).
- Witness, “Online Disinformation,” [Informal Meeting](#) of 27 European Union Justice Ministers (July 6, 2020).
- Witness, Hearing on Online Hate, [Meeting 152](#), Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights (JUST), Canadian Parliament (May 30, 2019). Audio [here](#).
- Witness, [International Grand Committee on Big Data, Privacy and Democracy](#), convened by the Standing Committee on Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI), Canadian Parliament (May 27, 2019). Video [here](#).

CONFERENCE AND PANEL ORGANIZATION (selected)

- *Co-organizer* (with Alexander Bogner, Carsten Reinhardt, and Axel Jansen), “Science and Democracy in Political Crises, 1900-2024,” German Historical Institute, Washington DC, September 2024.
- *Co-organizer* (with Chinmayi Arun, Robyn Caplan, and Phil Napoli), “Access || Archives || WorkArrounds for Platform Research,” (online), June 2023.
- *Co-organizer* (with Kshitij Sharan), CSDI Policy Communications Clinic Workshops, 12 workshops on policy communications for humanities, social sciences, and sciences, UBC, 2023 (hybrid).
- *Organizer*, Platform Governance in Canada Workshop, hosted by the Internet Archive Canada, Vancouver, February 2023. Funded by the Heritage Ministry, Canada.

- *Co-organizer* (with Yves Tiberghien), “Global Conversations about Digital Disruptions,” 3-event series, CSDI and Konwakai Chair in Japanese Studies, UBC, 2022-23 (online).
- *Co-organizer* (with 25 other scholars and 15 centers/institutions from around the world), Platform Governance Research Network, [Inaugural Global Annual Conference](#), March 2021 (online).
- *Co-organizer* (with Andreas Daum et al.), “DB 70: A Conference in Honor of David Blackburn,” Vanderbilt University, Nashville, November 2019.
- *Co-organizer* (with Quinn Slobodian and Rüdiger Graf), “The Politics of Sovereignty and Globalism in Modern Germany,” German Historical Institute, Washington, DC, March 2019.
- *Co-organizer* (with Sophus Reinert), “Digital Technologies in the Social Sciences,” Harvard Business School, June 2017.
- *Organizer*, “Beyond the P5: The Historical Role of Non-Permanent Security Council Members in Global Governance,” Harvard University, October 2016.
- *Co-organizer* (with Jonas Bredebach and Martin Herzer), “Communicating International Organizations in the 19th and 20th Centuries,” European University Institute, Florence, March 2016.
- *Co-organizer* (with Stefan Link), “What was the Twentieth Century? An Event in Honor of Charles S. Maier,” Harvard University, April 2014.
- *Co-organizer* (with Simone Müller), “The Intellectual Foundations of Global Communications and Commerce,” Harvard University, March 2013.

Over 150 keynotes, invited presentations, panel participation, and conference papers around the world.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

- *Instructor*, “Communicating Policy,” Spring 2022, Spring 2023, and Spring 2025.
- *Instructor*, “International Relations in the 20th Century,” 2015–16, 2017–18, 2018–19, 2019–20, 2022, 2023, 2025.
- *Instructor*, “Global Internet Policy,” Fall 2019 and Fall 2021.
- *Instructor*, “Digital History of News: Seminar,” Spring 2018 and Fall 2018.
- *Instructor*, “The History of News: Seminar in International Relations,” Spring 2016.

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

- *Lecturer on History*, June 2012 – June 2015.
- *Instructor*, “The History of International Organizations,” History Department, Fall 2014.
- *Instructor*, “Breaking Headlines: The History of News,” History Department, Spring 2014.
- *Instructor*, Tutorial, “History Lab,” History Department, Fall 2013 and Spring 2015.
- *Advisor*, Senior Theses, 2011 – 2012 and 2013 – 2014.
- *Prize Instructor*, “The History of News,” History Department, Fall 2011 and Spring 2013.

Göttingen University, Germany

- *Instructor*, “The History of News and Global Capitalism,” MA in History of Global Markets, July 2019.

STUDENTS SUPERVISED

University of British Columbia

Postdoctoral Fellows:

- Dr. Dexter Fergie (2025-2027);
- Dr. Hossein Azarpanah (2025-2027);
- Dr. Marco Zenone (2024-2026);

- Dr. Will Wright (2021-2022);
- Dr. Chris Tenove (2018-2020, 2021, 2022);
- Dr. Ian Beacock (2020).

PhD Co-Supervisor:

- Rabia Mir, Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies Program, Co-supervisor: Adele Diamond (2021-).
- Manimugdha Sharma, History, Co-supervisor: Anne Murphy (2021-).

PhD Committee Member (all History):

- Nathan Gan, “Cultured Socialism: Cultural Media in Mao’s China, 1949–1965,” (2019-);
- Mark Werner, “Looking for the Killer: A History of Orca Encounters, 1861-1964,” (2019-2021);
- Jihyun Shin, “Gendering Capitalism: Rationalizing the Pursuit of Money-Making in South Korea, 1961-1979” (2018-2022).

MA Supervisor/Co-Supervisor (all History):

- Lisa Ren, “China in the News: The Globalization of Xinhua News Agency, 1978 to 1989,” History, Co-supervisor: Tim Cheek (2020-2022). Winner of SSHRC scholarship to support MA;
- Nathan Lucky, “A Voice behind the Headlines: The Public Relations of the Canadian Jewish Congress during World War II,” History, Co-supervisor: Richard Menkis (2018-2021). Winner of Marcia Koven Award for Best Student Paper at Association for Canadian Jewish Studies Conference;
- Claire Oliver, “From One British Island to Another’: British Imperialism, Colonial Nationalism, and the Pacific Cable Telegraph, 1879-1902,” History (2016-2018);
- Steven O’Reilly, “Middle Power Continuity: Canada-US Relations and Cuba, 1961-1962,” History, Co-supervisor: Steven Lee (2016-2018).

BA Theses Supervisor (all History):

- Bethlehem Samson, “Feminism and Reproductive Rights in the United States, 1960-2000,” 2022.
- Kevin Chan, “A Democratic Republic of the Saar? Borderlands and East German Nationalism, 1945-1957,” 2021. Thesis awarded Leslie F. S. Upton Memorial Prize for Best Essay in a Competitive Examination Organized and Adjudicated by the History Department;
- Sheryl Lim, “Re-Emerging on the International Stage: China’s Role in the Creation of the United Nations, c. 1945,” 2018. Awarded J. H. Stewart Reid Medal.

Research Assistants:

Undergraduates: Candice Chan (2019); Kevin Chan (2019-2020, 2021); Jacob Cutts (2017-2018); Tiago de Souza Jensen (2016); Chloe Fraser (2022); Jaskiran Gakhal (2019-2020); Jude Gamache (2024); Jonathan Gough (2018); Sophia Guo (2019); Jordan Kantypowicz (2019); Natasha Lee (2022); Yoojung Lee (2020, 2021); Sheryl Lim (2016); Sonya Manuel (2019-2020); Olivia Nuoen (2024-2025); Camile Oliveira (2018); Sharon Sa (2022-2023); Veronica Stolba (2020); Milan Wiertz (2024-2025); Natasha Williams (2018).

MA students: Wilson Dargbeh (2021-2022); Andrés Delgado-Ron (2022); Joseph Flores (2022-2023); Nishtha Gupta (2024-2025); Connor Guyn (2024-2025); Ghassan Hamzeh (2024-2025); Sabah Haque (2022-2023); Hanna Hett (2021-2023); Victoria Ker (2020); Lui Xia Lee (2021); Naomi Louie (2022-2023); Nathan Lucky (2021); Hiren Mansukhani (2020); Netheena Matthews (2024-2025); Claire Okatch (2022); Esohe Ojo (2020); Jackson Porreca (2022-2023); Panthea Pourmalek (2022-2023); Lisa Ren (2021); Joel Sawyer (2025); Madalyn Sides (2024-2025); Kshitij Sharan (2022); Elizabeth Williams (2018-2019); Sean Wu (2020-2021); Oliver Zhang (2021-2023).

PhD students: Jordan Buffie (2019-2020); Trevor Deley (2019-2020); Henrik Jacobsen (2022-2023); Mark Werner (2017-2019, 2021); Alexandra Yao (2024-2025).

Outside UBC

External Committee Member (involvement the same as internal committee members):

- Valentina Parisi, “Engineering “Public Health in Reverse”: The Politics of Biological Warfare Research, Programming, and Preparedness (1930-1990),” Columbia University (2021-).
- Samuel Parsons, “Empire and Communications in the 21st Century,” Australian National University (2023-).

External PhD Examiner:

- Chris Schaefer, “Covering the World with the *International Herald Tribune*,” University of Cambridge (2022).

ACADEMIC SERVICE

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

- *Member*, Committee for Appointment of Director of SPPGA, 2024–25.
- *Member*, Executive Council, Centre for European Studies, 2022-24, 2024 –.
- *Director*, Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions (CSDI), School of Public Policy and Global Affairs (SPPGA), 2022 – .
- *Member*, Directors’ Table, SPPGA, 2022 – .
- *Member*, Merit Committee, SPPGA, 2023.
- *Member*, Lind Initiative Advisory Committee, SPPGA, 2023 – .
- *Member*, Holocaust Education Committee, 2018 – .
- *Member* Graduate Committee, History Department, 2019-20, 2022–23, 2024 –25.
- *Member*, Steering Committee, Language Sciences Global Research Excellence Institute, 2021–23.
- *Member*, Steering Committee, Public Humanities Hub, Faculty of Arts, 2019–23.
- *Member*, Conway Scholarship, History Department, 2022.
- *Chair*, Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Climate and Energy Policy, SPPGA, 2021–22.
- *Member*, Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Teaching in Global History pre-1500, 2021.
- *Member*, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee, SPPGA, 2021.
- *Member*, Merit Committee, History Department, 2020.
- *Member*, Killam Postdoctoral Fellowship Selection Committee, History Department, 2019.
- *Reviewer*, Annual Tri-Agency Canada Graduate Scholarships Master’s/ UBC Affiliated Fellowship Master’s Competitions, 2018 and 2019.
- *Member*, Search Committee, Assistant Professor in Modern Middle East, History Department, 2018.
- *Supervisor*, Media History Cluster, 2017–19. *Co-convener* (with Alejandra Bronfman), 2015–16.
- *Member and Grant Writing Advisor*, Graduate Committee, History Department, 2017–18.
- *Member*, Advisory Committee, History Department, 2017–18.
- *Member*, Search Committee, President’s Excellence Chair in Media Studies, 2017–18.

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

- *Assistant Director of Undergraduate Studies in History*, 2012–15.
- *Member*, History Board of Examiners and Curriculum Committee, 2012–15.
- *Departmental Teaching Fellow*, History Department, 2011–12.
- *President*, History Graduate Student Society, Harvard University, 2008–9.
- *Council Member*, Harvard Graduate Student Council, 2006–7.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Editorial Roles

- *Associate Editor, Business History*, January 2025 – present.
- *Co-Editor, Journal of Global History*, April 2019 – present.
- *Co-Editor*, Routledge International Studies in Business History series, 2019–2025.
- *Book Review Editor*, JHistory (H-Net listserv for journalism history), 2011–2014.

Board Memberships

- Editorial Board, *Journal of Policy History*, 2024 – present.
- Editorial Board, *Journal of Communication in Healthcare*, 2023 – present.
- Academic Advisory Board, German Historical Institute, Washington, DC, 2022 – present.
- Steering Committee, German Historical Institute, Pacific Regional Office, Berkeley, 2021–2024.
- Editorial Board, Histories of Internationalism series, Bloomsbury Press, 2020 – present.
- Editorial Board, Global Connections: Roots and Routes, Leiden University Press, 2019 – present.

Professional Associations

- *Member*, Humanities Selection Committee, New College of Artists, Scholars, and Scientists, Royal Society of Canada, 2025.
- *Member*, Nominating Committee, Business History Conference, 2025 – 2027.
- *Representative* for Business History Conference, World Congress of Business History, 2023 – 2026.
- *Program Committee Member*, Business History Conference, Detroit, Michigan, March 2023.
- *Vice-President*, Toynbee Prize Foundation, 2022 – present. (*Trustee* since 2021.)
- *Program Committee Member*, Society for the History of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR), Digital Conference and In-Person Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, June 2022.
- *Trustee*, Business History Conference, 2019 – 2022.
- *Member*, Business History Conference Liaison Committee, 2018 – 2021. Chair, 2020 – 2021.
- *Member*, German Studies Association Fundraising Committee, 2017 – present.

Prize Committee Memberships

- David Barclay Book Prize Committee (Chair), German Studies Association, 2025.
- Hagley Book Prize Committee, Business History Conference, 2023.
- David Barclay Book Prize Committee, German Studies Association, 2022.
- Toynbee Prize Committee, 2022. Prize awarded at American Historical Association, 2023.
- Fritz Thyssen Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, German Historical Institute West, 2022 and 2023.
- First Book Manuscript Workshop Prize Committee, Toynbee Prize Foundation, 2021 – 2022.
- Rosenberg Book Prize Committee, Central European History Society, 2021.
- Krooss Dissertation Prize Committee, Business History Conference, 2019 – 2022. Chair, 2020 – 2021.

Peer Reviewing

Book Manuscripts: Bloomsbury Press; Cambridge University Press; Columbia University Press; Hart Publishing; Johns Hopkins University Press; Oxford University Press; Princeton University Press; Stanford University Press; University of Ottawa Press; University of Pennsylvania Press; University of Toronto Press.

Encyclopedias: Oxford University Press Bibliographies in Communication.

Journals: *American Historical Review*; *Business and Politics*; *Business History*; *Business History Review*; *Central European History*; *Contemporary European History*; *Diplomatic History*; *Diplomatica: A Journal of Diplomacy and Society*; *Enterprise & Society*; *German History*; *Historical Journal*; *Historical Studies in Education/Revue d'histoire de l'éducation*; *IEEE Technology & Society Magazine*; *International History Review*; *International Journal*; *International Journal of Communication*; *International Journal of Press/Politics*; *Internet Policy Review*; *Journalism: Theory, Criticism, Practice*; *Journal of British*

Studies; Journal of Communication in Healthcare; Journal of Contemporary History; Journal of Global History; Journal of the History of International Law; Journal of the History of Sexuality; Journal of Radio and Audio Media; Journal of World History; Media and Communication; Media History; RUSI Journal; Social Media and Society; Studies in Communication Sciences; Technology & Culture; The Historical Journal.

Foundations and Research Councils: American Academy in Berlin; Austrian Research Council; Max Bell Foundation; Dutch Research Council (NWO); European Research Council (ERC); German Research Council (DFG); National Academies of Engineering, Sciences, and Medicine; National Science Foundation; Swiss National Science Foundation.

Conference Submissions: International Communication Association conference; International Conference on Social Media & Society (Program Committee Member); Global Platform Governance Research Network.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

College of New Artists, Scholars, and Scientists, Royal Society of Canada	2024 – present
Council on Foreign Relations	2018 – 2023
Society for the History of American Foreign Relations	2016 – present
International Communication Association	2014 – present
American Society for Legal History	2014 – present
Business History Conference	2012 – present
Central European History Society	2011 – present
Society for the History of Technology	2011 – present
International and Global History Seminar at Harvard University	2010 – 2015
German Studies Association	2009 – present
American Historical Association	2008 – present
The Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University	2008 – 2015

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

German (fluent), Polish (fluent), French (fluent reading, advanced speaking), Italian (reading knowledge), Spanish (reading knowledge), Latin (fluent reading), Russian (reading knowledge), Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian (reading knowledge), Czech (reading knowledge).