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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2025– Associate Professor of Global Studies. University of California, Santa Barbara.
Affiliate Faculty in History, Religious Studies, and Middle East Studies.
- 2020–25 Assistant Professor of Global Studies. University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 2019–20 Assistant Professor of History. Furman University.
- 2018–19 Postdoctoral Research Scholar. Columbia University, Harriman Institute.

EDUCATION

- 2018 Ph.D. Stanford University. History.
- 2013 M.A. Stanford University. History.
- 2011 M.Sc. University of Edinburgh. Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies.
- 2010 M.A. (Hons) University of St Andrews. Arabic and International Relations.
- Study abroad: American University of Cairo, 2009. University of Damascus, 2008.

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- 2024 *Empire of Refugees: North Caucasian Muslims and the Late Ottoman State*.
Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press. 360 pp.

Winner | 2025 Pacific Coast Branch Book Award, Pacific Coast Branch of the
American Historical Association

Co-Winner | 2025 Joseph Rothschild Prize in Nationalism and Ethnic Studies,
Association for the Study of Nationalities

Winner | 2024 Alixa Naff Prize in Migration Studies, Moise A. Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies

Winner | 2024 Gold Medal in the History (World) category, Independent Publisher Book Awards

Reviewed in: *American Historical Review* 129, no. 4 (2024): 1773–75; *Annales: Histoire, Sciences Sociales* 79, no. 4 (2024): 697–721 (in French); *Turkish Historical Review* (Oct 1, 2024); *European Review of History* (2025); *Law and History Review* (2025); *Middle Eastern Studies* 61, no. 1 (2025): 161–63; *Journal of Refugee Studies* (April 2025); *Russian Review* 83, no. 3 (2024): 475–76; *Mashriq & Mahjar* 12, no. 1 (2025): 153–56; *Journal of Islamic Studies* 35, no. 4 (2024); *Slavonic and East European Review* 102, no. 3 (2024): 579–81; *Ab Imperio* no. 4 (2024): 244–48; *Journal of Caucasian Studies* 9, no. 15 (2024): 223–27; *Caucasus Survey* (July 2025); *Choice* (Jan 2025); *Middle East Monitor* (Feb 22, 2024); *Critical Forced Displacement* (Apr 21, 2024); *Jotwell* (May 31, 2024); *Kadim* 9 (Apr 2025): 203–7; *CEU Review of Books* (July 2024); *The Book Review India* 49, no. 2 (2025); *Shanghai Review of Books* (Aug 9, 2024, in Chinese).

Forthcoming translations:

Turkish (İletişim, 2026)

Russian (Novoe Literaturnoe Obozrenie, 2026)

Arabic (Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, 2027)

Special Issue

- 2025 “Knowledge Production in Displacement and Forced Migration,” co-edited with Joshua Donovan and Vitalij Fastovskij. *Journal of Migration History* 11, no. 2: 103–228. Co-authored introduction: 103–14.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2023 “Letters from the Ottoman Empire: Migration from the Caucasus and Russia’s Pan-Islamic Panic,” *Slavic Review* 82, no. 2: 311–33.

Honorable Mention | 2023 Ab Imperio Award for the best study in new imperial history and history of diversity in Northern Eurasia

- 2023 “Welcome, Not Welcome: The North Caucasian Diaspora’s Attempted Return to Russia since the 1960s,” *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History* 24, no. 3: 585–610.
- 2021 “Ottoman and Egyptian Quarantines and European Debates on Plague in the 1830s–1840s,” *Past & Present* 253, no. 1: 235–70.

2021 “Becoming Armenian: Religious Conversions in the Late Imperial South Caucasus,” *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 63, no. 1: 242–72.
Honorable Mention | 2022 Best Article Award in Kurdish Studies, Kurdish Political Studies Program, University of Central Florida

2017 “Circassian Refugees and the Making of Amman, 1878–1914,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 49, no. 4: 605–23.
Winner | 2018 Best Article Prize, Syrian Studies Association
Winner | 2018 Khayrallah Prize in Migration Studies, Moise A. Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies

Roundtable Articles

2024 “*Hijra* from the Russian Empire and the Soviet Union: Middle East Routes of Muslim Displacement,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 56, no. 3: 490–94.

2024 “Tracing Dagestani Deportees from Opochka to Tashkent: Notes on Transnational Archival Research and Decolonization,” *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History* 25, no. 4: 783–92.

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

2023 “Population Transfer: Negotiating the Resettlement of Chechen Refugees in the Ottoman Empire (1865, 1870),” in *Russian-Arab Worlds: A Documentary History*, eds. Eileen Kane, Masha Kirasirova, and Margaret Litvin. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 60–68. [with translations from Arabic and Russian]

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS (postdoctoral only)

National and International Fellowships and Grants

2025, 2026 Humboldt Research Fellowship

2024, 2025 Fulbright Global Scholar Award in Turkey and Pakistan

2023–24 Stanford Humanities Center, External Faculty Fellowship

2023 American Research Institute in Turkey Research Fellowship

2021–22 University of California Humanities Research Institute Junior Faculty Manuscript Workshop Grant

2021 NEH Summer Stipend

- 2021 Franklin Research Grant, American Philosophical Society
- 2018–19 Postdoctoral Research Scholar, Columbia University, Harriman Institute

Internal Fellowships and Grants

- 2024–25 Faculty Career Development Award, UC Santa Barbara
- 2024 Public Voices Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara and The Op-Ed Project
- 2023–24 Hellman Family Faculty Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara
- 2023 Harriman Institute First Book Subvention Award, Columbia University
- 2023 Conference Support Award, College of Letters & Science, UC Santa Barbara
- 2022–23 Center for Middle East Studies Collaborative Seed Grant, UC Santa Barbara
- 2021–22 Academic Senate Faculty Research Grant, UC Santa Barbara
- 2021 Interdisciplinary Humanities Center Faculty Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara
- 2019 PepsiCo Research Travel Fellowship, Harriman Institute, Columbia University

LANGUAGES Russian, Arabic, Turkish (Ottoman and modern),
Bulgarian, Latvian

July 31, 2025