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## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, August 2019

Dissertation: “The Bitter End: Life and Survival in the Holocaust Diaries of Young Jewish Women in Budapest under the Arrow Cross Regime, October 1944 – February 1945”

M.A. History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, August 2014

M.A. Thesis: “Decisions amid Chaos: Jewish Survival in Budapest, 1944 – 1945”

B.A. History, Grinnell College, December 2009

Senior Mentored Advanced Project: “Luck, Money and Connections: A Case Study in the Implementation of United States Refugee Policy, 1944 – 1955”

## **CURRENT POSITION**

Yale-USC Postdoctoral Research Fellow, 2019 – 2020

## **RECENT AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS**

Association for Jewish Studies Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2018 – 2019

Christopher Browning Holocaust Research Grant, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2018 – 2019

Graduate Student Research and Travel Grant, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Summer 2018

Alexander Grass Memorial Fellowship, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, November 2017 – March 2018

Two-Week Research Fellowship for PhD Students/Candidates from Abroad, Yad Vashem, Jerusalem, Israel, July 2017

Jewish Studies Summer Stipend, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Summer 2017

Saul Kagan Fellowship in Advanced Shoah Studies, Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany (Claims Conference), Academic Year 2015 – 2016 and Academic Year 2016 – 2017

Off-Campus Dissertation Research Fellowship, The Graduate School, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Fall 2015 (Declined)

Jewish Studies Graduate Research and Travel Grant, Carolina Center for Jewish Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Summer 2014 and Summer 2015

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education, Academic Year 2013 – 2014 and Academic Year 2014 – 2015 (Center for Slavic, Eurasian, and Eastern European Studies not funded for academic year 2014 – 2015)

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education, Summer 2013 and Summer 2014

Elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa Society, May 2010

Awarded Honors in History, Grinnell College, May 2010

Awarded the Maria Okey Prize for “Luck, Money, and Connections: A Case Study in the Implementation of United States Refugee Policy, 1944 – 1955,” May 2010. This prize is awarded annually by the Grinnell College History Department for the best essay on some aspect of British or American life and institutions.

Recipient of the Charles E. Payne Scholarship for outstanding history majors in the rising senior class, Grinnell College, May 2009

### **RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS**

“At Least I Can Write Down All My Sadness”: Jewish Female Diarists in Budapest under Nazi Occupation, 1944 – 1945, Center for Jewish History, April 2019

“Anxiously Awaiting Occupation: Jewish Women’s Temporal Understanding of the Soviet Siege of Budapest, December 1944 – February 1945,” The Yad Vashem Biennial International Conference, The Time Dimension During and Regarding the Holocaust: In Real-Time and in Retrospective, Yad Vashem, December 2018

“To Endure the Distance: Jewish Women in the Forced Labor Service System in Hungary, October – December 1944,” Lessons and Legacies XV, Washington University, November 2018

“Writing as Survival: Jewish Female Diarists in Budapest under the Arrow Cross Regime,” Researching and Remembering the Holocaust in Central Europe – New Sources, Methods, and Approaches, European Holocaust Research Infrastructure (EHRI) Seminar, Central European University, September 2018

“Case Study: The Holocaust and Hungary,” Holocaust Studies Forum, American University, March 2018

“Jewish Women and their Guards in the Forced Labor Service System in Hungary, October – December 1944,” Fellows Presentation, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, January 2018

“Mine Was Not Hell, It Was Purgatory: Female Diarists and Jewish Life in Budapest Under the Arrow Cross Regime, October 1944 – February 1945,” PhD Research Fellows Workshop, The International Institute of Holocaust Research, Yad Vashem, July 2017

“In the Lion’s Den: Jewish Survival and Resistance in Budapest under the Arrow Cross Regime, October 1944 – February 1945,” Kagan Fellowship Summer Workshop, Claims Conference, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, June 2017

“Séance amid the Rubble: Jewish Life during the Siege of Budapest,” Joint Workshop for Advanced PhD Candidates, Wiener Library – Yad Vashem, November 2016

“Every Morning Brings a New Day: Everyday Life of the Jewish Community of Budapest under the Arrow Cross Regime,” Kagan Fellowship Summer Workshop, Claims Conference, Yad Vashem, June 2016

“Masquerade: Hiding in Plain Sight in Budapest under Nazi Occupation,” Hungarian Studies Association of Canada (HSAC) Annual Conference, University of Ottawa, June 2015

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Instructor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Carolina Courses Online, Spring 2019, Fall 2018, Summer 2018, and Spring 2018, History 262: History of the Holocaust, Destruction of the European Jews

Guest Lecturer, The Holocaust in Hungary, History 419: Holocaust, American University, March 2018

Instructor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Carolina Courses Online, Fall 2017  
History 140: The World Since 1945

Teaching Assistant, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Spring 2015  
History 276: The Modern Middle East

Guest Lecturer, The Holocaust in Hungary, History 260: East-Central Europe from the Eighteenth Century to the Present, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, October 2014

Apprentice Teaching Assistant, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Fall 2012 – Spring 2014

History 262: History of the Holocaust: The Destruction of the European Jews  
History 260: East-Central Europe from the Eighteenth Century to the Present

ESL Teacher, *Inglés Abre Puertas*, Chilean Ministry of Education and United Nations Development Programme, Antofagasta, Chile, Spring 2010

### **RESEARCH AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Assistant Conference Organizer, Fifteenth Annual Czech Studies Workshop, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, April 2014

Assistant Conference Organizer, “Modern Walks: Human Locomotion during the Long Nineteenth Century, c. 1800-1914,” Organized by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in collaboration with King’s College London, September 2013

Intern, Ellis Island Immigration Museum, New York, NY, September 2011 – Spring 2012

Research Assistant, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA, August 2009 – December 2009

### **ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK**

Hungarian, Debreceni Nyári Egyetem Budapesti Nyelviskolája, Budapest, Hungary, Summer 2014

Hungarian, SWEESL, IU Summer Language Workshop, Indiana University, Summer 2013

German, Deutsches Haus, New York University, Fall 2011 – Spring 2012

History, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, Spring 2009

### **LANGUAGES**

Proficient in Hungarian, German, and Spanish