

# Tess Megginson

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## EDUCATION

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**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** – Department of History, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA August 2021–Present  
*In progress - Doctor of Philosophy in History*

**University of Toronto** – Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, Toronto, ON, Canada September 2018–June 2020  
*Master of Arts in European and Russian Affairs*

- Thesis: “Shaping Europe’s Borderlands: Maps, Sovereignty, and Violence in Teschen, 1918-1920” (April, 2020).

**McGill University** – Faculty of Arts, Montreal, QC, Canada September 2013–February 2018  
*Bachelor of Arts in Honours History*

- Thesis: “*Wo ist meine Heimat?* The Sudeten German Question in the Aftermath of the World Wars” (April, 2017).

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONOURS

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**Bucerius Ph.D. Scholarship** (ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius) PhD (September 2023–August 2024)

**Jean Monnet Center of Excellence EU Research Award** (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) PhD (Summer 2022)

**Graduate Tuition Incentive Scholarship** (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) PhD (2021–2024)

**Doctoral Fellowship** (Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada) PhD (2021–2025)

**Rudolf and Rosalie Cermak Graduate Fellowship** (University of Toronto) MA (Summer 2020)

**Canada Graduate Scholarship** (Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada) MA (May 2019–April 2020)

**Faculty of Arts and Science Master’s Recruitment Award** (University of Toronto) MA (September 2018–April 2019)

**Graduation with First Class Distinction** (McGill University) BA (June 2018)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Central and eastern Europe; cartography; countermapping; borderlands; borders; space; nationalism; 19th century Europe; 20th century Europe.

## PRESENTATIONS

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Megginson, Tess, (2023, May). *The Czechoslovak Geographical Imagination on Maps during WWI*. Paper presented at the Area Studies Research Seminar at the Institute of International Studies (Charles University), Prague, Czech Republic.

Megginson, Tess, (2022, April). “*Natural*” *Boundaries? Mapping Bohemia after the First World War*. Paper presented at the 21st Annual Czech and Slovak Studies Workshop, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Megginson, Tess, (2021, November). *Shaping Central Europe’s Borderlands: Community Mapping Practices in Teschen, 1918–1920*. Paper presented at the Drawing the Line: Border Commissions in Eastern Europe Online Workshop, Regensburg, Germany.

Megginson, Tess, (2021, September). *Drawing Central Europe’s Borderlands: Community Mapping Practices in Teschen, 1918–1920*. Paper presented at the Reimagining the ‘Heart of Europe’ Conference, Oxford, United Kingdom.

Megginson, Tess, (2021, August). *The Intervision Song Contest: Geographic Imaginations Past Politics*. Paper presented at the International Council for Central and East European Studies World Congress, Montreal, QC, Canada.

Megginson, Tess, (2020, February). *Mapping Trianon Monuments in Contemporary Hungary*. Paper presented at the Transcending Borders in Europe and Eurasia Conference, Toronto, ON, Canada.

Megginson, Tess, (2018, November). *Mapping Czechoslovakia: The Czechs and Slovaks at Versailles*. Paper presented at the Making and Remaking Europe Conference, Toronto, ON, Canada.

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

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Tess Megginson, Review of *Geographies of Nationhood: Cartography, Science, and Society in the Russian Imperial Baltic*, by Catherine Gibson, *Canadian Slavonic Papers* (Forthcoming).

Tess Megginson, Review of *Map men: transnational lives and deaths of geographers in the making of East Central Europe*, by Steven Seegel, *Canadian Slavonic Papers* (February 2022).

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Tess Megginson, "Eurovision has always been a forum for political performance." *The Washington Post*. May 19, 2022.

Tess Megginson, "Cartography Wars: Mapping Czechoslovakia before Munich" in *Eurasiatique* vol. VII, University of Toronto (March 2019).

Tess Megginson, "Havel in the Village: American and Czechoslovak Theatre in 1968" in *Re:Views Magazine* vol. VIII, Masaryk University (May 2018).

## TEACHING

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Guest Lecture: Megginson, Tess, (2021, November). *Mapping Czechoslovakia, 1918–1938*. SLA215 "Czech and Slovak Cultures" at the University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada.

Guest Lecture: Megginson, Tess, (2020, October). *Mapping the Czechs and the Slovaks*. SLA215 "Czech and Slovak Cultures" at the University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies	2023–Present
Association for Women in Slavic Studies	2022–Present
Canadian Cartographic Association	2022–Present
Austrian Studies Association	2022–Present
German Studies Association	2022–Present
Czechoslovak Studies Association	2021–Present
Canadian Association of Slavists	2020–Present

## LANGUAGES

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English (native speaker), French (advanced), German (working proficiency), Czech (working proficiency).

## RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

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<b>Research Assistant</b> , Joan Holmes and Associates Historical Research <i>Remote</i>	December 2021–July 2022
<b>Editorial and Research Assistant</b> , Joan Holmes and Associates Historical Research <i>Ottawa, ON, Canada</i>	March 2021–July 2021
<b>Manuscript Editor - A History of Central Europe: Nation and States Since 1848</b> , University of Toronto <i>Remote</i>	May 2020–June 2021
<b>Eurasiatique Editor-in-Chief</b> , Centre for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies <i>Toronto, ON, Canada</i>	September 2019–April 2020
<b>Research Intern</b> , Herder Institute for Historical Research on East Central Europe <i>Marburg, Germany</i>	May 2019–July 2019
<b>Eurasiatique Copy Editor</b> , Centre for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies <i>Toronto, ON, Canada</i>	November 2018–April 2019
<b>Research Assistant</b> , McGill University <i>Zagreb, Croatia and Budapest, Hungary</i>	May 2019–June 2020

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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<b>Assistant Editor</b> , <i>Traces: The UNC-Chapel Hill Journal of History</i> <i>Chapel Hill, NC</i>	August 2022–April 2023
<b>International Student Representative</b> , UNC Graduate History Society <i>Chapel Hill, NC</i>	August 2022–April 2023
<b>Workshop Co-Organizer</b> , 21st Annual Czech and Slovak Studies Workshop <i>Chapel Hill, NC</i>	February–April 2022
<b>Conference Organizer</b> , Transcending Borders in Europe and Eurasia Graduate Student Conference <i>Toronto, ON</i>	September 2019–February 2020
<b>Co-President</b> , CERES Graduate Student Union <i>Toronto, ON</i>	September 2019–April 2020
<b>First Year Representative</b> , CERES Graduate Student Union <i>Toronto, ON</i>	September 2018–April 2019