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EDUCATION

University of Oxford, Oxford, England: Doctor of Philosophy in History
Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies, Dublin, Ireland: Postgraduate Scholar
University College, Dublin, Ireland: Master of Philosophy in Medieval Studies
Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA: Bachelor of Arts in History

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (last five years)

Books

Irish Sea Studies: A.D. 900-1200 (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2006).
Viking Pirates and Christian Princes; Dynasty, Religion, and Empire in the North Atlantic (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005).



Forthcoming:

Household and Familia in the Medieval Atlantic Region, editor (Tempe: Centre for Medieval Studies, Arizona State University Press)
The Picts, in the Peoples of Europe Series, general editors James Campbell and Barry Cunliffe (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell)

Essays

"Early Scotland to 1124" in *Oxford Dictionary of the Middle Ages*, ed. R. Bjork (Oxford: Oxford University Press).

"Communication between Ireland and Britain A.D. 800-1200" in *Diasa Díograise, Aistí gCuihne ar Mháirtín Ó Briain*, ed. Mícheál Mac Craith and Pádraig Ó Héalaí (Indreabhán, Conamara: Cló-Iar Chonnachta, 2009), 57-73.

Early Peoples of Britain and Ireland, An Encyclopaedia, ed. C. Snyder, 2 vols. (London: Greenwood Press, 2008): Duncan I(I, 200-1), Duncan II (I, 201), Kenneth I MacAlpin (II, 342), Kings and Kingship (II, 345-51), Macbeth (II, 374-75), Malcolm Canmore (II, 379-80), Northumbria (II, 417-18), Scots (II, 473-75), Vikings (II, 510-13), and York (II, 548-49).

"Tracing Scotland's Lost Histories," in *Fil súil nglais; A Gray Eye Looks Back, a Festschrift in honour of Professor Colm Ó Baoill*, eds. Kaarina Hollo and Sharon Arbuthnot

(Perth: Clan Turk, 2007), 63-72.

"One Kingdom from Many Peoples: History until 1314," in *Edinburgh History of Scottish Literature*, gen. ed. Ian Douglas, 3 vols. (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2006), I, 35-43.

Oxford Dictionary of National Biography – Online Supplement (Oxford: British Academy and Oxford University Press, 2004-6): "Conchobar mac Donnchado."

Oxford Dictionary of National Biography (Oxford: British Academy and Oxford University Press, 2004-6): "Áed *Findliath* mac Néill" (I, 373-74); "Cerball mac Dúngaile of Ossory" (X, 821-22); "Cellachán mac Buadacháin of Cashel" (X, 806); "Congalach *Cnobha* mac Máel Mithigh" (XII, 930); "Diarmait mac Máel na mBó" (XVI, 23); "Domnall Ua Néill" (XVI, 490-91); "Dúnán I, bishop" (XVII, 199-200); "Dub-dá-Leithe of Armagh" (XVII, 9-10); "Ealdred of Bamburgh" (XVII, 551); "Fáelán *Amlabar* (St. Fillan) revised" (XVIII, 886); "Lethobar" (XXXIII, 509-10); "Máel Sechnaill (II) mac Domnaill" (XXXVI, 101-2); "Muirchertach mac Néill" (XXXIX, 682-83); "Niall *Caille* mac Áedo" (XL, 744-45); "Niall *Glúndub* mac Áedo" (XL, 745); "Niall mac Eochaid" (XL, 746); "Ólaf Guthfrithsson" (XLI, 662-63); "Ólaf *Cuárán* Sihtricson" (XLI, 663-65); "Ólaf the White" (XLI, 665); "Sihtric *Silkenbeard* Ólafsson" (L, 596-97); and "Turges" (LV, 576).

Encyclopedia of Medieval Ireland, ed. S. Duffy (New York: Routledge, 2005): "Battle of Clontarf" (92-93); "Diarmait mac Máel na mbó" (127-28); "Marianus Scotus" (320); "Prophecy/Vaticination" (391); and "Tairdelbach Ua Briain" (462-63)

Forthcoming:

"The Isle of Man in a European Context," in *New History of the Isle of Man*, vol. 2, ed. S. Duffy (Chicago: University of Chicago & Liverpool University Press).

"Economy and Trade," with David Ditchburn, in *New History of the Isle of Man*, vol. 2, ed. S. Duffy (Chicago: University of Chicago & Liverpool University Press).

"Battle of Clontarf" and "Vikings" in Gordon Martel, ed., *Encyclopaedia of War* (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell)

BOOK REVIEWS (last five years)

Speculum, forthcoming, James Sheehan and Donnchadh Ó Corráin, eds., *The Viking Age, Ireland and the West* (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2010)

H-Net, James Graham-Campbell and Michael Ryan, eds., *Anglo-Saxon/Irish Relations before the Vikings* (Oxford: British Academy and Royal Irish Academy, 2010) <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=29801>

International Journal of Maritime History 22 (2010), 337-338: Anton Englert and Athena Trakadas (eds.), *Wulfstan's Voyage. The Baltic Sea region in the early Viking Age as seen from shipboard*, *Maritime Culture of the North* vol. 2 (Roskilde: Viking Ship Museum, 2009)

International Journal of Maritime History 21 (2009), 319-23: Robin Ward, *The World of the Medieval Shipmaster: Law, Business and the Sea, c. 1350-1450* (Woodbridge: Boydell and Brewer, 2009), A Roundtable Review.

Medieval Review (September 2009): Eva Svensson, *The Medieval Household. Daily Life in Castles and Farmsteads, Scandinavian Examples in their European Context*, *The Medieval Countryside* 2 (Brussels: Brepols, 2008) on-line review at <http://dns.hti.umich.edu/bin/bmr/bmr-idx>

Speculum 84 (2009), 703-5: Clare Downham, *Viking Kings of Britain and Ireland, The Dynasty of Ívarr to A.D. 1014* (Edinburgh: Dun Edin Press, 2008).

Welsh History Review 24 (2008), 150-52: Seán Duffy (ed.), *The World of the Galloglass: Kings, Warlords and Warriors in Ireland and Scotland, 1200-1600* (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2007)

Scotia 31 (2007), 32-34: Martin Carver, *Portmahomack, Monastery of the Picts* (Edinburgh: Edinburgh UP, 2006)

Speculum 83 (2008): Brian Lacey, *Cenél Conaill and the Donegal Kingdoms, AD 500-800* (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2006).

International Journal of Maritime History 20 (2008): Janet Bately and Anton Englert (eds.), *Ohthere's Voyages: A Late 9th-century account of voyages along the coasts of Norway and Denmark and its cultural context*, *Maritime Culture of the North* vol. 1 (Roskilde: Viking Ship Museum, 2007).

Medieval Review (January 2008): Martin Arnold, *Vikings: the Wolves of War* (New York: Rowman and Littlefield, 2007) on-line review at <http://dns.hti.umich.edu/bin/bmr/bmr-idx>

Speculum 82 (2007), 186-88: Angelo Forte, Richard Oram, and Frederik Pedersen, *Viking Empires* (Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2005)

Scandinavian Studies 77 (2005), 512-14: James H. Barrett, *Contact, Continuity, and Collapse: The Norse Colonization of the North Atlantic* (Brussels: Brepols, 2003).

MANUSCRIPT READER OR REFEREE FOR:

University of Toronto Press, Brill Publishers, Palgrave MacMillan, Austrian Academy of Sciences, *Economic History Review*, Yale University Press; ERSC (United Kingdom Grants Authority); Oxford University Press; Edinburgh University Press; *Haskins Society Journal*; *Journal of Environmental History*; Routledge Publishers; Moss Publishing; *Scottish Historical Review*; Boydell and Brewer Press; *Albion*; Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council; St. Martin's Press; Penn State Press; *Scotia: A Journal of Scottish Studies*; *Journal of Comparative Literature*; *Chaucer Review*.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS:

Loyola University (Chicago), National University of Ireland – Galway, Centre for Manx Studies, University of Aberdeen, Collaig na Ostig, Skye, International Conference on Medieval Studies - Kalamazoo, MI, Smithsonian Institution, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY, International Congress on Medieval and Renaissance Scottish Literature and Language, International Celtic Congress International Viking Congress, University of Bristol, Harvard Celtic Colloquium, Celtic Studies Association of North America Conference, International Conference on Patristic, Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies Conference, National Endowment for the Arts.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES and MISCELLANEOUS HONOURS

Membership in professional societies:

Medieval Academy of America
Scottish Medievalists
Conference of Irish Medievalists
Society for Advancement of Scandinavian Studies
North American Organization of Scottish Historians

Listed in:

Directory of Arctic Social Scientists
International Directory of Medievalists
The Sigurður Nordal Institute's Inventory of Scholars in Icelandic Studies
Who's Who among America's Teachers - 2005
Who's Who among America's Teachers - 2004
Who's Who among America's Teachers - 2000
National Register's Who's Who – 2005

Professional Service:

Board of Advisors, *Encyclopaedia of the Early Peoples of Britain and Ireland*
Editorial Board, *Scotia, Journal of Scottish Studies*
Delegate, Thirteenth International Viking Congress
Board of Directors, Centre for Medieval Studies, Pennsylvania State University

TEACHING

I. Undergraduate courses

A. History:

History/Medieval Studies 107 - Medieval Europe
History 108 - The Crusades: Religious Warfare in the Middle Ages
Medieval Studies 108 - Medieval Civilization
History 136 - British Royal Biography
History/Medieval Studies 411 - Medieval Britain
History/Medieval Studies 413 - Celtic Studies
History 436 - Tudor and Stuart Britain

II. Graduate Seminars and Supervision:

History 509 - Medieval History Seminar
History 511 - Medieval Britain Seminar
History 536 - Early Modern Britain Graduate Seminar
History 596 - Directed Readings for Graduate Students
History 600 - Thesis Supervision

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Dissertation or Thesis Supervisor:

David Beougher (B.A. Vanderbilt), Ph.D., History, *Brian Boru: King, High-King, and Emperor of the Irish*, 2007.

Jessica Banks (B. A. Kansas), M.A. History, *Men of Two Masters: The Clann Sínaich Abbots of Armagh, A.D. 965-1132*, 2000.

Shannon Rogers (B.A. Vassar), Ph.D. History, *New Wine in Old Bottles: Making Popular History in Nineteenth-Century Britain*, 1999.

David Beougher, (B.A. Vanderbilt), M.A. History, *Celtic Warfare in Ireland: A Logistical Perspective*, 1999.

Laurance Maney, (B.A. Harvard), Harvard University, Ph.D., *Celtic, High Kings and Holy Men -- The Hagiographer as witness to the evolution of the Uí Néill High-Kingship*, 1999.

Mary Valante (B.A. Wellesley, M.A. Boston College), Ph.D. History, *Urbanization and Economy in Viking-Age Ireland*, 1998

Darlene Hall (B.A. Edinboro), Ph.D. History, *The Navy of James IV of Scotland*, 1998.

Brenda Corman (B.A. Lockhaven), M.A. History, *Iona: Centre of Learning at the Edge of the World*, 1998.

Committee Member:

Chad Schrock, *Consolation of Narrative: Figural Selves from Augustine to Thomas More*, Ph.D. English, 2010

Lindsey Jones, "By his common talke": *Representations of Linguistic Difference in Medieval and Renaissance Drama*, Ph.D. English, 2008

Steele Nowlan, "Chaucer, Gower, and the Rhetorical Invention of History," Ph.D. English, 2007

Cara Fraser, *Monstra et Medici: the congenitally abnormal in imperial Roman scientific texts*, M.A. History, 2006.

Ryan Abrecht, "An Avenging Sword:" *The Condemnation of Magic in late Roman law*, M.A. History, 2006

Lisa Ruch, *British Foundation Legend of Albina and her sisters: its sources, development, and place in medieval literature*. Ph.D. Comparative Literature, 2005

John Hodgson, *Case Study of Allegiance in the Irish Theatre of the British Civil Wars: the Military and Political Career of Murrough O'Brien, 1641-1650*. M.A. History, 2004

Richard Zionts, *Epiphanius of Salamis*. Ph.D. History, 2002

Thomas Shields, *Augustine's New Year's Day Sermon 198: The Pinnacle of an Anti-pagan Crusade, January to June 404*. M.A. Classics, 2002

Timothy Howe, *Man and Beast in the Ancient Greek World: animal husbandry and elite status*, Ph.D. History, 2000.

Daniel Konviser, *Richard Baxter and the Failure of Restoration Comprehension*, M.A. History, 1995

Joseph Furlong, *Emigrant and Immigrant Experience of the Gaelic Irish in Eighteenth century Pennsylvania*, M.A. History, 1995

Steven Andrews, *Analysis of Paracelsus' Medical Philosophy and Practice with some Modern Day Implications*, Ph.D. History, 1995

Shannon Silverman, *Toys, Technology and Transition: Beyond the Three R's in the*

Victorian Nursery, M.A. History 1994

Stephen Wenn, *History of the International Olympic Committee and Television, 1936-1980*, Ph.D. Sports Science, 1993

Darlene Hall, *Setting the Standards: the Royal Navy in the Seven Years War*, M.A. History, 1992.

Undergraduate (UG) Honors Theses:

Edward Schwab, UG Medieval Studies, "That Fals Traitor' and 'Eadweardus Tyrannis': Robert Bruce and Edward I in the imaginations of the Late Medieval Chroniclers ca. 1300-1500," 2010

Andrea Miller, UG History, "Horses in Scandinavia: Cult and War," 2010

Benjamin Luley, UG Anthropology, "Settlement in Fifth-century Britain," 2005

Amanda Weimer, UG History, "My Name is Wondrous: Divine Intermediation in Judaeo-Christian thought from ancient times to the Middle Ages," 2003 - reader.

Julie Caldwell, UG Pre-Medicine/History/Medieval Studies, "Eleanor of Aquitaine and the legend of Arthur," 2000

Katharine Conn, UG Music, "Architecture and Domestic Life in Medieval Castles," 1999

Jessika Rovell, UG History, "William Wallace and Anglo-Scottish Culture," 1999

Jeffrey Dougherty, UG History, "Power of Print: Book Production and Change in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe," 1998.

Sara Atlas, UG History, "Children in Late Medieval England and Northern Europe," 1998

Ryan Frace, UG History, "A Merrie Look at Ballads of the English Civil War," 1998

Thomas Galarneau, UG History, "Intellectual Aspects of early Irish Society," 1996

Sevrie van Schuyler, UG History, "Irish Influence at the Carolingian Court," 1995

Andrew Metz, UG History, "Early Cultural Contacts between Ireland and Wales," 1995

Robert Blackburn, UG Comparative Literature, "St. Columba and the Irish Fertility Figure," 1989.

Brian P. Metrick, UG History, "The Fair of Carman," 1989

GRADUATE PROGRAMS OF SOME FORMER STUDENTS

Oxford University, Oxford, England:

Michael Decker, D.Phil., History and Diploma in Byzantine Studies [with distinction]; Dr. Decker was an Andrew Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship at Rice University, Houston, TX and is now Assistant Professor of History at Southern Florida University.

Gregory Duke, D.Phil. in British History and is now Senior Research Associate at Niagara University

Sarah Hecht, M.St. Medieval History.

Yale University:

Sarah Brown, Ph.D. candidate, History

University of Chicago:

Ryan Frace, Ph.D., British History; Dr. Frace is now Assistant Professor of History at Wellesley College.

Benjamin Luley, Ph.D. candidate in Anthropology

Catholic University, Washington, D.C.:

Karen Lechnar, M.A. Medieval Studies

Andrew Metz, M.A. Irish Studies

University College, Dublin, Ireland:

Robert Blackburn, M.Phil. in Medieval Studies

Drew Curley, M.St. in Medieval Studies

University of St. Andrews, St. Andrews, Scotland:

Kayla McPherson, M.St. candidate in Medieval History

Ian Rush, M.Phil. Medieval History

Joseph Baroletti, M.A., History

Colin Brooks, M.Phil. Medieval History

Katherine Conn, M.Phil. Medieval History

Bryn Mawr College:

Sarah LaFond, M.A., British Art History

University of Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland:

Blake Middleton, M.St., Scottish History.

Trinity College, University of Dublin, Dublin, Ireland:

Amanda Weimer, Ph.D. in History

Kyle Bryzynski, M.A. candidate in History

University of Leeds, Leeds, England:

Marika Soulsby, M.A., Medieval Studies

University of Durham, Durham, England:

Louisa Walker, Ph.D. candidate, History

University of Edinburgh:

Eric Berthold, M.A. candidate, History