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Education

1998—2004 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ph. D. in History

1998—1999 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

M.A. in History

1994—1998 American University in Bulgaria (AUBG)

B.A. (Summa Cum Laude) in History and Southeast European Studies

Work Experience**:**

Fall 2011-present Associate Professor

Medieval Studies Department, Central European University

Fall 2009-Summer 2011 Assistant Professor

Medieval Studies Department, Central European University

Fall 2006-Summer 2009Assistant Professor

Department of History, Pennsylvania State University

Fall 2004-Summer 2006 A. W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, Northwestern University

Spring 2004 Lecturer

Sabancı University, Istanbul

# Fellowships and Awards

February 2015 European Research Council, Consolidator Grant 2014

Principal Investigator, “The Fashioning of a Sunni Orthodoxy and the Entangled Histories of Confession Building in the Ottoman Empire, 15th-17th Centuries” (to run from Sept. 2015 to Aug. 2020)

November 2009 The Ömer Lütfi Barkan Article Prize for the best article published in the previous two years in the field of Ottoman and Turkish studies, awarded by the Turkish Studies Association for the article “Illuminated by the Light of Islam and the Glory of the Ottoman Sultanate: Self-Narratives of Conversion to Islam in the Age of Confessionalization,” *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 51/1 (2009): 35-63.

2009-2010 American Research Institute in Turkey/NEH Fellowship

2009-2010 ACLS Fellowship

2004-2006 Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies (2004-2006) —Northwestern University

2003-2004 University of Michigan, International Institute—Vaclav Havel Dissertation Award

2002-2003 Social Science Research Council—International Dissertation Field Research Fellowship

2003 American Research Institute in Turkey—Dissertation Research

Fellowship

2001- 2002 Social Science Research Council—International Pre-dissertation Fellowship

1994-1998 Open Society Foundation Scholarship to attend the American University in Bulgaria

Publications

Books:

*Contested Conversions to Islam: Narratives of Religious Change and Communal Politics in the Early Modern Ottoman Empire* (Stanford University Press, 2011)

Turkish translation: *Osmanlı Dünyasında İhtida Anlatıları, 15.-17. Yüzyıllar* (Istanbul: Kitabevi Yayınevi, 2015)

Articles and Book Chapters:

“Reading Abdallah b. Abdallah Tarjuman’s *Tuhfa* (1420)in the Ottoman Empire: Muslim-Christian Polemics and Intertextuality in the Age of Confessionalization,” *Al-Qantara* 36/2 (2015): 341-401.

“New Directions in the Study of Conversion to Islam in Ottoman Rumeli, 14th – 17th Centuries – Reconsidering Methods, Theories and Terminology,” *The Ottoman Conquest of the Balkans—Interpretations and Research Debates*, edited by Oliver J. Schmitt (Austrian Academy of Sciences, 2015), 167-188.

“Islam and Muslims in Early Modern Europe,” in *Oxford Handbook of Early Modern European History*, *1350-1750*, *Vol. I: Peoples & Places*, edited by Hamish Scott (Oxford: Oxford U. Press, 2015), 670-693.

“Introduction” to the special issue on “Cross-Confessional Diplomacy and Diplomatic Intermediaries in the Early Modern Mediterranean” (with Maartje van Gelder), *Journal of Early Modern History* 19 (2015): 93-105

“The Elusive Intermediaries: Moriscos in Ottoman and Western European Diplomatic Sources from Constantinople, 1570s-1630s,” *Journal of Early Modern History* 19 (2015): 129-151

“Los Moriscos en Estambul.” In *Los Moriscos. La expulción y después*, edited by Mercedes García-Arenal and Gerard Albert Wiegers. 257-273. Valencia: Servicio de Publicaciones de Valencia, 2013.

(also appeared in English as “Moriscos in Ottoman Galata, 1609-1620s.” In *Expulsion of the Moriscos from Spain*. Edited by M. Garcia-Arenal and G. Wiegers. 269-285. Brill, 2014.)

“Contesting Subjecthood and Sovereignty in Ottoman Galata in the Age of Confessionalization: Moriscos and the *Carazo* Affair, 1613-1617,” *Oriente Moderno* 93/2 (2013): 420-451

# “Conversion and Converts to Islam in Ottoman Historiography of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries.” In *Writing History at the Ottoman Court—Editing the Past, Fashioning the Future*. Edited by E. Fetvacı and E. Çipa. 58-79. Indiana University Press, 2013

# (also appeared in Turkish as: “On beş ve on altıncı yüzyıllar Osmanlı tarihyazımında islama dönme (*ihtida*) ve dönmeler (*mühtediler*),” E. Çipa ve E. Fetvacı, haz., *Osmanlı Sarayında Tarih Yazımı* (Tarih Vakfı Yurt Yayınları, 2014), 69-95.)

“The Ambiguous Politics of “Ambiguous Sanctuaries”: F. Hasluck and Historiography on Syncretism and Conversion to Islam in 15th - and 16th-century Ottoman Rumeli” in *Archaeology, Anthropology and Heritage in the Balkans and Anatolia:*  *The Life and Times of F. W. Hasluck*, edited by D. Shankland, Vol. 3. 245-262. Isis Press: Istanbul, 2013.

"Of Translation and Empire: Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Imperial Interpreters (Dragomans) as Renaissance Go-Betweens." In *The Ottoman World,* edited by Christine Woodhead. 130-142. New York: Routledge, 2011.

“Illuminated by the Light of Islam and the Glory of the Ottoman Sultanate: Narratives of Conversion to Islam in the Age of Confessionalization.” *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 51/1 (January 2009): 35-63

Book Reviews:

Review ofGilles Grivaud and Alexandre Popovic, eds.,  *Les conversions à l’islam en Asie Mineure et dans les Balkans aux époques seldjoukide et ottoman—Bibliographie raisonnée (1800-2000)* (Athènes, 2011). *Turcica* 44 (2013): 430-32.

Review of Anton Minkov’s *Conversions to Islam in the Balkans* (Leiden: Brill, 2004). *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 50/1 (2007): 88-90.

Review of Adnan A Husain and K. E. Fleming, eds. *A Faithful Sea—The Religious Cultures of the Mediterranean, 1200-1700*. *International Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* 41:4 (2009): 681-2.

Encyclopedia Articles:

“Religious Practices: Women’s Conversion to Islam in the Ottoman Empire” in Suad Joseph, ed., *Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures,* Vol. V (Leiden, Boston: Brill, 2007), 296-7.

“Neomartyrs.” Gabor Agoston and Bruce Masters, eds. *Encyclopedia of the Ottoman Empire*. New York: Facts on File, 2009. 429-430.

“Conversion.” Gabor Agoston and Bruce Masters, eds. *Encyclopedia of the Ottoman Empire*. New York: Facts on File, 2009. 145-147.

Recent Invited Seminar and Lecture Presentations

Kandersteg Seminar, a by-invitation-only annual seminar for young historians and social scientists organized by the Remarque Institute of the New York University. Kandersteg, Switzerland, March 29-April 1, 2012.

“Towards a Dialogic Approach: Reflections on Theoretical and Methodological Desiderata in Future Research on Conversion to Islam in the Ottoman Empire.” Colloque international à l'École française d'Athènes on *Les conversions à l'islam en Asie Mineure et dans les Balkans aux époques seldjoukide**et ottoman***,** April 26-28, 2012.

“Refugees of Empire: Moriscos in the Ottoman Empire, 1570s-1640s.” Lecture at the seminar on *Les diasporas dans la ville (XVIe-XVIIe siècles)* organized by Natalia Muchnik, maîtresse de conférences, EHESS, Paris. November 18, 2011

“Conversion and Confessionalization in the Ottoman Empire, 16th-17th Centuries.” Simon-Dubnow-Institut für jüdische Geschichte und Kultur an der Universität Leipzig, December 9, 2010

“Moriscos in the Ottoman Empire, 16th-17th Centuries.” Lecture at the American Research Institute in Turkey, Istanbul, May 10, 2010.

“Moriscos in Ottoman Galata, 1609-1620s,” Congreso internacional *Los Moriscos. La expulsión y después*, Sociedad Estatal de las Celebraciones Culturales, Madrid, September 3-4, 2009

“Texts and Contexts of Conversion to Islam in the Age of Confessionalization,” Lecture at Duke University, March 15, 2009

“Between the Turban and the Papal Tiara: Orthodox Christian Neomartyrs and Their Impresarios in the Age of Confessionalization,” Symposium on *Dynamics of Conversion in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East* at New York University, February 6, 2009

# Recent Workshop and Conference Presentations

“Defining a Subject of the Sultan’s “Nation”: Law, Religion and Orthodoxy in Ahmed I’s Istanbul.” Paper delivered at the conference of the *Comité International des Etudes pré-Ottomanes et Ottomanes*, Rethymno, Crete, June 27—July 1, 2012

“Mediating the Mediators: Moriscos in Ottoman and Western Diplomatic Sources from Istanbul, 1570s-1620s.” Paper delivered at the workshop on *Cross-confessional Diplomacy and the Diplomatic Mediators in the Early Modern Mediterranean*, CEU, Budapest, May 27-28, 2012. (co-organizer of the workshop)

“The Transylvanian Connection—Anti-Trinitarian Habsburg Subjects as Converts to Islam in Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Istanbul.” Paper delivered at the DAAD workshop in Heidelberg, May 2012.

“In Search of the Morisco “Community” in Ottoman Istanbul, 1570s-1640s.” Paper delivered at the conference on *Early Modern Migrations*, organized by the Center for Renaissance and Reformation Studies at the University of Toronto, April 19-22, 2012

“Morisco Refugees, Ottoman Authorities and European Communities in Ottoman Galata, 1570s-1630s.” International Congress of Ottoman Social and Economic History, Retz, Austria, July 11-15, 2011.

“Capitulations and Confessionalization: “Spaniards” and other Foreign Residents in Ottoman Galata, 1610-1620.” Conference on *Union in Separation—Trading Diasporas*, Heidelberg University, February 19, 2011.

“Conversion to Islam, “Tolerance,” and Choreographies of Sacred in 16th- and 17th- Century Ottoman Empire.” Conference on *Choreography of Sacred Spaces: State, Religion and Conflict Resolution*, Boğazici University, May 6-7, 2010.

“Patron of the Protestants? Sokollu Mehmed Pasha and the Global Confessional Politics of the Late Sixteenth Century.” *Middle Eastern Studies Association* meeting in Boston, November 21-24, 2009.

Membership in Professional Societies/Organizations

American Historical Association

Middle Eastern Studies Association

Sixteenth-Century Conference Association

Renaissance Society of America

Language Skills

Fluent Serbo-Croatian, English

Advanced reading and speaking skills Bulgarian, Turkish

Advanced reading skills Ottoman Turkish

Intermediate reading skills German, French, Spanish, Italian

Basic reading skills Latin, Hungarian

Beginner level Arabic