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Employment

2017-present	Assistant Professor, History Department, The Ohio State University
2016-2017	Chauncey Postdoctoral Fellow, International Security Studies, Yale University

Education

2016	PhD	History, University of Texas at Austin
	<i>Research Languages:</i>	Portuguese, French, and Spanish
2014	MA	History, University of Texas at Austin
2009	MPP	International Public Policy, University of Virginia
2008	BA with High Distinction	History (Distinguished), Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia

Publications (as R. Joseph Parrott)

Books

With Toyin Falola and Danielle Porter Sanchez. *African Islands: Leading Edges of Empire and Globalization* (Rochester University Press, 2019).

Peer Reviewed Articles and Media

“The Gulf Boycott Coalition: An Interview with Rev. Richard Righter.” *Oral History in Radical History Review*, 134 (May 2019).

“Boycott Gulf! Angolan Oil and the Black Power Roots of American Anti-Apartheid Organizing.” Article in *Modern American History*. 1:2 (July, 2018), 195-220.

“The United States and Southern Africa.” Article in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History*. Ed. Jon Butler, et. al. (Oxford, February 2018): <http://americanhistory.oxfordre.com>

“‘A Luta Continua’: Radical Filmmaking, Pan-African Liberation, and Communal Empowerment.” Article in *Race & Class*. 57:1 (July-September, 2015): 20-38.

“Say Brother and Pan-African Liberation.” Curated collection for WGBH Open Vault Project: http://openvault.wgbh.org/custom_collections/9

Peer Reviewed Works in Progress

With Mark Atwood Lawrence. Eds. *The Third World Revolution: The Global South’s Challenge to the Cold War World* (edited collection in preparation for submission in 2019).

From Cabinda to Congress: The New Left, African Liberation, and Cold War Politics (book manuscript undergoing revisions for submission in 2020).

Book and Textbook Chapters

“The Anti-Apartheid Movement in the Western World: Segregation, Revolution, and the Creation of a Global Civil Society.” Textbook chapter in *The Political and Economic Foundations of Global Studies*. Eds. Stephanie Holmsten and Michael Anderson (Routledge, 2019).

“A Question of Stability: The International Response to Portuguese Imperialism in the 1960s.” Article in *Securing Africa: Local Crises and Foreign Intervention*. Ed. Charles Thomas (New York: Routledge Press, 2013).

Essays, Opinion, and Media

“Congressional action on Yemen may be the first salvo against presidential war powers.” The Conversation. 29 May 2019: <https://theconversation.com/congressional-action-on-yemen-may-be-the-first-salvo-against-presidential-war-powers-113707>

“Why Congress has finally moved to stop Trump in Yemen.” Made By History, *The Washington Post*. 20 December 2018: https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2018/12/20/why-congress-has-finally-moved-stop-trump-yemen/?utm_term=.fbfae510b431

“Beyond Vietnam: New Left Challenges to American Foreign Policy and Their Legacies.” *Making History*, no. 59 (January 2018): 45-49.

“How White Supremacy Went Global.” Made By History, *The Washington Post*. 19 September 2017: https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/made-by-history/wp/2017/09/19/how-white-supremacy-went-global/?utm_term=.db53dda1af2c

With Daniel Bessner, Alice Byrne, Susan Colburn, Molly Geidel, Sharon Park, Joseph Parrott, Susan Perlman, Agnès Vollmer, and Yanqiu Zheng. “Reflections on the SHAFR Summer Institute.” *Passport: The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Review*, Vol. 47, No. 3 (January 2017): 50-51.

“When Black Power Went Global.” Article for OZY Flashback. 27 May 2016: <http://www.ozy.com/flashback/when-black-power-went-global/69483>

“The Forgotten 20-Year Investigation into Bizarre Uses for Nuclear Weapons.” Article for OZY Flashback. 16 March 2016: <http://www.ozy.com/flashback/a-forgotten-20-year-investigation-into-bizarre-uses-for-nuclear-weapons/67834>

“A Graphic Revolution.” Blog post on the front page of Not Even Past. 12 March 2015. Available: <https://notevenpast.org/a-graphic-revolution-the-new-archive-no-19/>

“Episode 78: The United States and Decolonization after World War II.” Interview with Joan Neuberger. *15 Minute History*. 10 February 2016: <https://15minutehistory.org/2016/02/10/episode-78-the-u-s-and-decolonization-after-world-war-ii/>

“Documentary at the Intersection of Testimony and History: Connie Field, director. *Have You Heard From Johannesburg*.” Review essay in *African Studies Review*. 58:2 (September 2015): 263-70.

“Charleston Shooting Exposes America’s Pro-Apartheid Cold War Past.” Blog post for the Imperial and Global Forum. 6 July 2015. Featured in History News Network’s Top Ten Roundup for 10 July 2015 and re-posted on Not Even Past: <http://imperialglobalexeter.com/2015/07/06/charleston-shooting-exposes-americas-pro-apartheid-cold-war-past/>

“Angola,” “Rhodesia/Zimbabwe,” “South African Apartheid,” “The Anti-Apartheid Movement,” “The Battle of Algiers,” and “The Non-Aligned Movement.” Encyclopedia entries for *The Encyclopedia of US Imperialism and Expansion*. Ed. Chris Magoc (ABC-CLIO, 2015).

“The revolution will televise football: Eduardo Mondlane’s American ties.” Blog post for Not Even Past. 24 September 2014. Selected as a “Top Pick” by the Imperial and Global Forum, University of Exeter for week of 27 September 2014: <https://notevenpast.org/the-revolution-will-televise-football/>

“Is BDS Palestine’s best hope for an effective global solidarity movement?” An op-ed essay on the front page of Waging Non-Violence. 29 July 2014. Available:

<http://wagingnonviolence.org/feature/bds-palestines-best-hope-effective-global-solidarity-movement/>

“Episode 36: Apartheid.” Interview with Joan Neuberger. *15 Minute History*. 18 December 2013. Available: <https://blogs.utexas.edu/15minutehistory/>

“George Ball,” “The Clean Air Act,” “The Clean Water Act,” “Allen Dulles,” Nguyen Cao Ky,” and “Nguyen Van Thieu.” Encyclopedia entries in *The Encyclopedia of the 1960s: A Decade of Culture and Counterculture*. Eds. Jim Baugess and Abbe Debolt (ABC-CLIO, 2011).

With Christopher McKnight Nichols. “Iraq: The Army Knew Better.” An op-ed essay for *The History News Network*. 26 July 2008: <http://hnn.us/articles/52724.html>

Book Reviews

“Robeson Taj Frazier, *The East Is Black: Cold War China in the Black Radical Imagination*.” Book review on H-Afro-Am (June 2017): <https://networks.h-net.org/node/2606/reviews/182492/parrott-frazier-east-black-cold-war-china-black-radical-imagination>

“Philip Muehlenbeck, *Betting on the Africans: John F. Kennedy's Courting of African Nationalist Leaders*.” Book review for *The Journal of Cold War Studies* 18:4 (Fall 2016): 221-223.

“Ana Ramos Lisboa, dir. Amílcar Cabral.” Film review in *African Studies Review* 47:3 (December, 2014).

“Brenda Gayle Plummer, *In Search of Power: African Americans in the Era of Decolonization, 1956-1974*.” Book review in *Journal of American Studies*. 48:3 (August 2014).

“Ike Bertels, dir. *Guerrilla Grannies: How to Live in This World*.” Film review in *African Studies Review*. 57:1 (April 2014).

“Zézé Gamboa, dir. *O Herói*.” Film review in *African Studies Review*. 57:1 (April 2014).

“Peter Samson and Laurie Van Hook, eds. *Foreign Relations of the United States, 1969-1976: Volume E-6, Documents on Africa, 1973-1976*.” Book review on H-Diplo (7 October 2011): <http://www.h-net.org/~diplo/FRUS/PDF/FRUS1.pdf>.

Fellowships, Awards, and Grants

2019	Applied History Course Development Grant, Stanton Foundation
2018, 2019	Faculty Research Grant, Mershon Center for Int'l Security Studies, Ohio State University
2017	Farrar Award in Media and Civil Rights History, University of South Carolina
2015, 2016	Grant in History, Strategy, and Statecraft, Clements Center at UT Austin
2014-2015	Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia, National Fellowship
2013-2015	UT Austin Graduate School, Graduate Dean's Prestigious Fellowship Supplement
2014	Outstanding MA Thesis Award, UT Austin Graduate School
2014	Perry Prize for Best MA Thesis, UT Austin History Department
2013-2014	Yale University International Security Studies, Smith Richardson Predoctoral Fellowship
2013	Lyndon Baines Johnson Library, Harry Middleton Fellowship
2013	Society of Historians for American Foreign Relations, Gelfand-Rappaport Fellowship
2012	Black Metropolis Research Consortium, Short Term Fellowship
2012	Gerald Ford Library, Research Travel Grant
2012	Council for European Studies, Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship
2012	Warfield Center at UT Austin, Lumumba Fellowship for Research in African History
2011	New York Public Library, Short Term Research Fellowship
2011	John F. Kennedy Library, Marjorie Kovler Fellowship
2011	Department of History at UT Austin, Pre-Dissertation Fellowship

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2011	Center for European Studies at UT Austin, FLAS Full Year Grant (declined)
2011	Center for European Studies at UT Austin, FLAS Summer Grant 2011
2009	Temple University, Sherman Prize for Scholarship in Force and Diplomacy
2008	George C. Marshall Foundation, Larry I. Bland Undergraduate Research Award
2008	Corcoran Department of History at UVA, Richard Heath Dabney Award
2008	Marshall Foundation Research Scholarship, George C. Marshall Foundation
2008	Phi Beta Kappa, University of Virginia

Teaching and Advising

College of Arts and Sciences

The Ohio State University

History 7500: Readings in International History – Third World Politics
History 7500: Readings in International History – The Cold War
History 3501: U.S. Diplomatic History, 1920-Present
History 3500: U.S. Diplomatic History, 1776-1920
History 4525: Senior Research Seminar (Cold War)
History 3501: U.S. Diplomatic History, 1920-Present

Graduate Student Advising. History Department.
Brionna Mendoza (co-adviser)
Zeb Larson (committee member)
Markus Schoof (committee member)
Greyson Teague (committee member)

Senior Thesis Adviser. History Department.
Topics: Swedish Foreign Policy toward NATO

Yale College

Yale University

HIST 184J: U.S. Foreign Policy in the American Century, 1917-2000

Senior Thesis Adviser. History Department.
Topics: MX Missile Development
Policy Planning Staff Under Henry Kissinger
American Intervention in Nicaragua in the 1920s

College of Liberal Arts

University of Texas at Austin

HIS 317L: The Sixties – Protest and Social Politics

Service

The Ohio State University

Co-Organizer. International History Speaker Series. Mershon Center. Fall 2019-Present
Chair's Advisory Committee. History Department. Fall 2019-Present
Salary Committee. History Department. Fall 2019-Present
Teaching Committee. History Department. Fall 2017-Present
Faculty Advisory Committee. Billy Ireland Cartoon Library. Fall 2018-Present

Professional

Manuscript Peer Review.
New York University Press
Palgrave Macmillan

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Brill Publishers
Article Peer Review
Radical History Review. Summer 2018
Afriche e Orienti (University of Bologna)

Yale University

Co-Organizer. ISS/History Graduate Conference on Sovereignty. New Haven, CT: 1 March 2014.

University of Texas at Austin

Lead Organizer. Tricontinentalism at 50 Conference. Austin, TX: 15 April 2016.

Co-Organizer. African Islands Conference. Austin, TX: 25 October 2014

Presentations and Conferences

Selected Invited Academic Lectures and Presentations

- “Something More than Words: Active Faith, the New Left, and African Colonialism.” Brown Bag Lectures, Institute for Ethics, Adrian College. Adrian, MI; 1 October 2018.
- “A Luta Continua: Radical Filmmaking, Pan-African Liberation and Communal Empowerment.” Farrar Award Lecture for Media and Civil Rights History Symposium, College of Information and Communication, University of South Carolina. Columbia, SC; 1 April 2017.
- “Superpower in Decline: Angola and the Domestic Divisions of the Late Cold War.” Talk for Cold War Seminar, New York University. New York, NY: 27 October 2016.
- “Pan-African Diplomacy: Lusophone Liberation Movements in the U.S.” Lecture for The African Studies Colloquium at Woodson Institute, University of Virginia. Charlottesville, VA: 3 December 2014.
- “Breaking the Chains of Empire: Radical American Solidarity with Portuguese African Liberation.” Discussion for the Institute for Historical Studies, UT Austin. Austin, TX: 24 November 2014.
- “Decolonization, Counterinsurgency, and Cold War: Luso-American Relations and the African Question.” Lecture presented at U.S. Military Academy. West Point, NY: 28 March 2014.

Selected Conference Presentations

- “Lobbying for Sanctions: Rhodesian Chrome, Congressional Activism, and the Washington Office on Africa.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Crystal City, VA: June 20, 2019.
- “A Luta em Chicago: Activist Media and Mozambican Solidarity.” Paper presented at Black Metropolis Research Consortium Fellows Reunion at ASALH 2018. Indianapolis, IN; 6 October 2018.
- “Mapping the Vietnam War’s Impact in the United States.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Philadelphia, PA; 21 June 2018.
- “Globalizing the Redoubt: Apartheid Internationalism and the Transnational Defense of White Nationalism.” Paper presented at the African Studies Association Conference. Chicago, IL: 18 November 2017.
- “‘Bastions of White Conservatism’: Reactionary Internationalism against Civil Rights and Decolonization.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Crystal City, VA: 24 June 2017.
- “Cold War Crucible: Angola and the Political Challenge to Détente.” Paper presented at Rise and Fall of Détente Conference. University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX: 18 November 2016.
- “Constructing the Redoubt: Transnational White Solidarity in the Era of Decolonization.” Paper presented at Transatlantic Studies Conference. Plymouth, United Kingdom: 5 July 2016.
- “The Caravel’s Retreat: Mozambican Internationalism and the Long Chronology of Decolonization.” Paper presented at the 130th American Historical Association Meeting. Atlanta, GA: 10 January 2016.

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- “Arsenal of Colonialism: NATO, Portuguese Africa, and the American Anti-War Movement.” Paper presented at the Transatlantic Studies Conference. Middelburg, Netherlands: 8 July 2015.
- “Breaking the Chains’: African Liberation and the Re-imagination of Black American Internationalism.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Crystal City, VA: 26 June 2015.
- “Doing ‘What is Right’ in Angola: Or, How Dr. Kissinger Learned to Stop Worrying and Swallow the MPLA.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Lexington, KY: 21 June 2014.
- “Calling on All Black People’: African American Solidarity with Portuguese Africa in Boston.” Paper presented at UCSB-GWU-LSE Cold War Conference. Santa Barbara, CA: 11 April 2014.
- “People’s Diplomacy’: European Solidarity with Portuguese African Liberation.” Paper presented at the 21st International Conference of Europeanists. Washington, D.C.: 16 March 2014.
- “A Luta Continua: Portuguese Africa and American Anti-colonialism.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Arlington, VA: 21 June 2013.
- “The Decade of Armed Blacks: The Transnational Influence of Lusophone Liberation, 1965-1976.” Paper presented to African Studies Association Conference. Philadelphia, PA: 30 November 2012.
- “Avoiding ‘an African Vietnam’: Congress, Activism, and Angolan Intervention.” Paper presented to the conference Confronting US Power after the Vietnam War. Sheffield, UK: 5 October 2012.
- “Postponing the Wind of Change: The American Response to Portugal’s African Empire in the 1960s.” Paper presented at SHAFR Conference. Hartford, CT: 28 June 2012.

Relevant Work and Community Experience

Research Assistant, Dr. Julian Zelizer, Princeton University, Spring 2010-Fall 2013

Researched and fact-checked *The Fierce Urgency of Now* (2015) on Lyndon Johnson, Congress, and the Great Society.

Research Assistant, Miller Center of Public Affairs, Charlottesville, VA, Spring 2007-Summer 2009

Researched, transcribed, and annotated presidential recordings of Nixon, Johnson, and Kennedy.

Department of the Army, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Financial Management and Comptroller, Army Budget Congressional Liaison (SAFM-BUL), Arlington, VA, Summer 2008

Assisted Congressional liaisons in analyzing legislation and prepping both military and civilian leadership on technical, budgetary, and political matters.

Intern/Archivist, Louisa County Historical Society, Louisa VA, Summer 2006-Spring 2008

Archived historical objects and papers using specialized database. Worked independently to create system of organization for the Society, which was then taught to permanent volunteers.

Academic and Guest Lecture Outreach

“Is Grand Strategy Possible in a Democracy?” Presentation to OSU Collegiate Council on World Affairs. Columbus, OH: 29 August 2019.

“Decolonization and the Cold War in Africa.” Discussion with INST 2001-01: The Making of a Global Society, Otterbein University; Inst. Deborah Solomon. Westerville, OH; 12 April 2018.

“Human Rights and African Liberation.” Discussion with History 4650: Readings in World History, OSU; Instr. Katherine Marino. Columbus, OH; 20 March 2018.

“The Architecture of Embassies.” Lecture for Senior Design Studio Sections, Knowlton School of Architecture, OSU; Instr. Kay Bea Jones. Columbus, OH; 30 October 2017.

Related Community Service

Documentary Judge. Ohio History Day. Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH; 21 April 2018.

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Documentary Judge. Ohio History Day, Regionals. Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH; 10 March 2018.

Display Judge. Connecticut History Day. Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, CT: 29 April 2017.

Events Committee Member, Tour Guide. New Haven Preservation Trust. Fall 2016-Spring 2017.

Documentary Judge. Texas History Day. Bob Bullock Texas History Museum, Austin, TX: 30 April 2016.

Performance Judge. Texas History Day. Bob Bullock Texas History Museum, Austin, TX: 2 May 2015.

Performance Judge. Texas History Day. Bob Bullock Texas History Museum, Austin, TX: 3-4 May 2013.

Documentary Judge. Texas History Day. Bob Bullock Texas History Museum, Austin, TX: 5 May 2012.

9th Grade Showcase Judge. Academy for Global Studies. Austin High School, Austin, TX: 5 May 2011.