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Profile

Detail-oriented Historian at Regis University who specializes in the histories of war, religion, and nationalism, particularly on the Catholic Church during the Second World War.

Education

PHD, HISTORY - UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON, OCTOBER 2025

- Thesis: Catholics in Conflict: Navigating Social and Cultural Dynamics of Catholicism in Second World War England
- Viva Date: 30 June 2025 - Passed

M.A., HISTORY OF WARFARE - UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, DECEMBER 2019

- Dissertation: Religion in Wartime: British Catholic Bishops and their Response to Bombing in the Second World War
- Honors: Merit

B.A., HISTORY - REGIS UNIVERSITY, MAY 2018

- Thesis: Remembering the US Minorities' Experience in World War II
- Honors: Summa Cum Laude

Academic Appointments and Fellowships

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR - CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WAR EXPERIENCE, REGIS UNIVERSITY, SEPTEMBER 2026 - PRESENT

AFFILIATE FACULTY - REGIS UNIVERSITY, AUGUST 2026 - PRESENT

RESEARCH FELLOW - CENTER FOR FOR RESEARCH ON GLOBAL CATHOLICISM, ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY, APRIL 2025 - APRIL 2027

Scholarships and Awards

Richard Chattaway Scholarship for Research on Modern Warfare - UCL, Nov 2022 & 2023
Presidential Travel Grant - American Catholic Historical Association, Dec 2022
Royal Historical Society Research Grant, Nov 2022
Research Grant - English Catholic Historical Association, Mar 2022
USA Postgraduate Scholarship for Study - University of Birmingham, Sept 2018
Harold L. Stansell, SJ Award for Excellence in History - Regis University, May 2018
Inductee - Alpa Sigma Nu honors society, Dec 2016
Inductee - National Society of Collegiate Scholars, May 2014
Deans List - Regis University, 2013-2017

Publications

FORTHCOMING (SUMMER 2027), *CATHOLIC ENCOUNTERS WITH CONFLICT IN THE EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY*, EDITED BY ALASTAIR LOCKHART AND JOSHUA MADRID, LEUVEN UNIVERSITY PRESS.

'TOTAL WAR AND TOTAL FAITH: THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ENGLAND DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR,' ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY SOCIETY BLOG, 28 AUGUST 2024, HTTPS://ECCLESHISTSOC.WORDPRESS.COM/2024/08/28/TOTAL-WAR-AND-TOTAL-FAITH-THE-ROMAN-CATHOLIC-CHURCH-IN-ENGLAND-DURING-THE-SECOND-WORLD-WAR/. BY INVITATION

'RELIGION AND WARFARE: THE POWER OF RELIGION IN THE MAKING OF WARTIME MYTHS,' *JOURNAL FOR THE HISTORY OF IDEAS* (BLOG), 6 MAY 2024, HTTPS://WWW.JHIBLOG.ORG/2024/05/06/RELIGION-AND-WARFARE-THE-POWER-OF-RELIGION-IN-THE-MAKING-OF-WARTIME-MYTHS/. BY INVITATION.

'WHERE LOYALTIES LIE: ENGLISH CATHOLIC RESPONSES TO BOMBING IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR,' IN *BRITISH CHRISTIANITY AND THE SECOND WORLD WAR*, EDITED MICHAEL SNAPE AND STUART BELL, (WOODBRIDGE: BOYDELL AND BREWER, 2023)

Academic Service and Professional Activity

CONFERENCE ORGANIZER - RELIGION AND DEFENCE CONFERENCE, JUNE 2025 - PRESENT

- Primary organizer of the Religion and Defence conference hosted by the Armed Forces Chaplaincy Centre at the Defence Academy of the United Kingdom and the International Network for the Study of War and Religion in the Modern World.

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- Facilitates space to promote greater collaboration amongst scholars, pastors, and military professionals engaged in issues concerning religion and armed conflict.

NETWORK ORGANIZER - CATHOLICS IN CONFLICT RESEARCH NETWORK, MAY 2025 - PRESENT

- Collaborated with colleague at Cambridge University to organize two conferences (one at UCL in 2024 and one at KCL in 2025) to bring together established academics, early-career researchers, and postgraduate researchers interested in the topic of Catholicism and conflict in the early twentieth century.
- Successfully secured funding and partnerships with third-party organizations to cover the operating costs and travel expenses of participants at both conferences.

COMMITTEE CHAIR - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AWARDS, UNIVERSITY OF READING, AUGUST 2023 - AUGUST 2026

- Collaborated with other professional service colleagues to establish the first award scheme for professional services staff at the University of Reading in recognition of their contributions to the University's strategic principles.
- Successfully obtained funding via the Vice-Chancellor to award cash prizes to winners thereby generating greater equity between recognition schemes for professional services staff and faculty at the university.

SENIOR STEWARD - STAFF COMMON ROOM, UNIVERSITY OF READING, AUGUST 2025 - AUGUST 2026

- Provide leadership and vision to the SCR Committee in planning social events, managing assets, and ensuring the smooth functioning of the SCR community
- Assist with hosting social events, lectures, and promoting community on the university campus for staff.

PGR ACADEMIC REPRESENTATIVE - UCL HISTORY DEPARTMENT, OCTOBER 2022-SEPTEMBER 2023

- Represents doctoral students within the UCL History Department
- Coordinates various work and social events to promote the PhD community
- Attends meetings with PGR Tutor to communicate concerns raised by the community

CO-CHAIR - ALPHA SIGMA NU YOUNG ALUMNI ADVISORY COUNCIL, MARCH 2020-DECEMBER 2021

- Chaired council meetings that discussed pertinent subjects for the good of the society
- Oversaw sub-committees and assisted with drafting proposals of new projects for the society
- Reported activity of the council and presented proposals to the Board of Directors

Teaching Experience

AFFILIATE FACULTY - REGIS UNIVERSITY, AUGUST 2026 - PRESENT

- Module Taught: 'URC250: Research Methods and Ethics'
- URC is the Undergraduate Research Certificate program which offers students the opportunity to experience hands on research with academic supervision and enables students to discern if a future in research is right for them.

SPGTA - CENTRE FOR LANGUAGES AND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON, SEPTEMBER 2025 - AUGUST 2026

- Module Taught: 'Modern European History and Politics' for the Undergraduate Preparatory Certificate in Humanities
- UPCH is a one year university programme for international students whose High School qualifications do not meet the requirements for standard admission to undergraduate degree programs in the UK.

GUEST LECTURER - UK DEFENSE ACADEMY, MARCH 2022 - JULY 2026

- Session Taught: "Religion and Violence" on the Human Capabilities Course offered through the Armed Forces Chaplaincy Centre

SPGTA - HISTORY DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON, OCTOBER 2022 - MAY 2025

- Modules Taught: 'Writing History,' and 'Age of Revolution: Europe in the nineteenth Century'
- 'Writing History' was the introductory research methods course for first year history students
- 'Age of Revolution' was an Undergraduate survey course on Modern European History

ENRICHMENT INSTRUCTOR - DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS, JANUARY 2017-MAY 2018

- Developed thematic based curricula for after-school programs
- Created and ran after-school clubs for elementary children

Administrative Experience

STUDENT COMPLAINTS OFFICER - UNIVERSITY OR READING, JUNE 2021-PRESENT

- Manage student complaints, appeals, and discipline procedures at the University and composes final decisions on behalf of the Pro-Vice Chancellor.
- Provide secretarial assistance for various academic and disciplinary committees
- Liaise with the higher education ombudsman (Office of the Independent Adjudicator) for university complaints that are under their review process.

- Inaugurated the first Professional Services Excellence Award at the University

CASEWORK ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF THE INDEPENDENT ADJUDICATOR; READING, UK - JUNE 2020 - MAY 2021

- Managed students' complaints and provided administrative support for Case-Handlers reviewing the complaint.
- Determined the initial eligibility for complaints and directed students to appropriate resources/procedures if they were not yet eligible for consideration.
- Oversaw compliance with Providers to ensure the Good Practice Framework and recommendations carried out satisfactorily.

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EDUCATION ASSOCIATE, MIZEL MUSEUM; DENVER, CO - SEPTEMBER 2017 - SEPTEMBER 2018

- Assisted with the development of new curricula and programmes offered by the museum
- Conducted outreach to schools to form partnerships and bring museum programs to various schools
- Taught programmes offered by the museum at Schools and gave tours of the main exhibit
- Researched ways to organize and expand current programmes offered

Papers and Presentations

SPEAKER - WORLD UNION OF JESUIT ALUMNI CONGRESS, YOGYAKARTA - 29 JULY 2026 - 2 AUGUST 2026

- Presentation Title: 'Forming Companion Leaders: Alpha Sigma Nu as a Model for Forming Young Adult Leaders'

PAPER PRESENTATION- ACHA/AHA ANNUAL MEETING, CHICAGO - 8-11, JANUARY 2026

- Paper title: 'Conflicted Loyalties: British Catholic Relations with Continental Catholicism during World War II'

PAPER PRESENTATION- CULTURES OF WAR AND VIOLENCE, SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF WAR CONFERENCE, UNIVERSITY OF POTSDAM - 27-28, NOVEMBER 2025

- Paper Title: 'Religiously Catholic but Culturally British: Finding God in the British Armed Forces, 1939-1945'

PAPER PRESENTATION- LEGACIES OF WAR AND VIOLENCE, SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF WAR CONFERENCE, UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS - 28-29, NOVEMBER 2024

- Paper Title: 'A New Jerusalem? English Catholic Approaches towards Reconstruction and the 1945 Election'

PAPER PRESENTATION- THE CHURCH AND THE MILITARY, ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY SOCIETY SUMMER CONFERENCE, DURHAM UNIVERSITY - 23-25, JULY 2024

- Paper Title: 'Religiously Catholic but Culturally English: Finding God in the British Armed Forces, 1939–45'

PAPER PRESENTATION- CATHOLICS IN CONFLICT 1914-1945 SYMPOSIUM, UCL - 13, JUNE 2024

- Paper Title: 'Saints of England Look Down on Us Now: Combatting Fascism and anti-Catholicism in England, 1939-940'

LECTURE PRESENTATION- ENGLISH CATHOLIC HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION SEMINAR SERIES, ONLINE - 16, JANUARY 2024

- Lecture title: 'God Pickle You Gentlemen: Preserving English Catholicism in the Second World War'

PAPER PRESENTATION- ACHA/AHA ANNUAL MEETING, SAN FRANCISCO - 4-6, JANUARY 2023

- Paper title: 'Changing Communities: Roman Catholic Cooperation with Social Change in England, 1942-1944'

PAPER PRESENTATION- HISTORIES OF VIOLENCE IN WAR, SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF WAR CONFERENCE, NATIONAL LIBRARY OF PORTUGAL - 23-24 NOVEMBER 2023

- Paper title: 'Destruction and Renewal: Impacts of the Blitz on Roman Catholic Activity in England, 1940-1941'

PAPER PRESENTATION- FROM THE PERSONAL TO THE GLOBAL: LIVED EXPERIENCES OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR CONFERENCE, UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH - 9-10, JUNE 2023

- Paper title: 'Changing Communities: Roman Catholic Cooperation with Social Change in England, 1942-1944'

PAPER PRESENTATION- ACHA/AHA ANNUAL MEETING, PHILADELPHIA - 5-7, JANUARY 2023

- Paper title: 'The Survival of "Christian Civilization:" The Role of English Roman Catholics in the Second World War, 1939-1941'

PAPER PRESENTATION- THE GLOBAL HISTORY OF WAR AND EMPIRE, SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF WAR CONFERENCE, UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM - 24-25, NOVEMBER 2022

- Paper title: 'Opposition and Obedience: the role of Archbishop Thomas Roberts, SJ in the Second World War'

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PAPER PRESENTATION- BECKETT HOUSE CONFERENCE, SHRIVENHAM DEFENSE ACADEMY - 4-6, JULY 2022

- Paper title: 'The Survival of "Christian Civilization:" The Role of English Roman Catholics in the Second World War, 1939-1941'

PAPER PRESENTATION - BECKETT HOUSE CONFERENCE, SHRIVENHAM DEFENSE ACADEMY, UK - 9 JULY 2021

- Paper Title: 'Opposition and Obedience: the role of Archbishop Thomas Roberts, SJ in the Second World War'

PAPER PRESENTATION- POSTGRADUATE HISTORY CONFERENCE, UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM-TRENT, NOTTINGHAM, UK - 13, NOVEMBER 2019

- Presented masters dissertation: 'Religion in Wartime: British Catholic Bishops and their Response to Bombing in the Second World War'

PRESENTATION - UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM WAR STUDIES LECTURE SERIES, BIRMINGHAM, UK - 5, FEBRUARY 2019

- Presented undergraduate thesis: 'Remembering US Minorities' Experience in World War II'

KEYNOTE ADDRESS - MARCH OF REMEMBRANCE, DENVER CO - APRIL 2018

- Participated in a Holocaust memorial event
- Spoke on the implications of studying the Holocaust and their importance in today's society

CONVOCATION ADDRESS - REGIS UNIVERSITY, DENVER, CO - AUGUST 2017

- Addressed incoming Freshman class at convocation
- Spoke on Jesuit values and importance of discernment in life

Research Experience and Professional Qualifications

HOLOCAUST BY BULLETS TEACHER TRAINING - YAHAD IN UNUM, NOVEMBER 2017

- 16-hour training on how to teach the Holocaust by Bullets
- Teaching credentials awarded upon completion by Colorado Department of Education

ORAL HISTORY RECORDING TRAINING - REGIS UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WAR EXPERIENCE, NOVEMBER 2017

- Trained on recording oral histories for archival and research purposes

EDUCATION INTERN - MIZEL MUSEUM, JANUARY 2017-AUGUST 2017

- Re-organized and categorized the oral history recordings for the *Living Lessons of the Holocaust* Program
- Developed curriculum on contemporary lessons of the Holocaust Studies for after-school programs
- Conducted Research for literature and other resources used to teach the Holocaust
- Assisted with coordinating various community events and programs hosted by the museum

ARCHIVAL INTERNSHIP - ARCHDIOCESE OF DENVER, MAY 2014-AUGUST 2014

- Organized and archived files on the latest translation of the 3rd Roman Missal
- Filed various papers and archived materials such as Church floor plans, and pictures from the local newspaper
- Wrote descriptions of archived materials for cross reference and location

Professional Memberships

- American Catholic Historical Association, Member
- Society for the History of War, Member
- Royal Historical Society, Associate Fellow
- American Historical Association, Member
- English Catholic Historical Association, Member
- Catholic Record Society, PGR Member

Research Interests

- History of Warfare
  - Second World War
- Nationalism
- Religion
  - The Catholic Church

References Available Upon Request