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### **CURRENT POSITION**

Professor of History

Director, Pell Honors Program

Faculty Fellow, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy

Salve Regina University

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Boston University, History, 2006

Major Field: United States

Minor Field: Modern Britain

Dissertation: "The Long Road to Annapolis: The Naval Academy Debate and  
Emerging Nationalism in the United States, 1775-1845"

Committee: Nina Silber, Jill Lepore, William Fowler, Andrew Bacevich, & Julian Zelizer

M.A., Boston University, History, 2001

B.A., Providence College, History and Secondary Education, *summa cum laude*, 1999

### **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

Professor of History, Salve Regina University, 2022-present

Director, Pell Honors Program, Salve Regina University, 2020-present

Associate Professor of History, Salve Regina University, 2015-2022

Interim Director of Academic Advising, Salve Regina University, Summer/Fall 2015

Faculty Fellow, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, 2012-present

Assistant Professor of History, Salve Regina University, 2011-2015

Assistant Professor of History, United States Military Academy at West Point, 2009-2011

Adjunct Instructor in History, University of Rhode Island, Fall 2008

Special Lecturer in History, Providence College, 2006-2009

Adjunct Instructor in History, Providence College, 2004-2005

Lecturer in History, Boston University, Summer 2002 and Summer 2003

Research Assistant for Professor Nina Silber, Boston University, 2001-2002. Provided research assistance for *Daughters of the Union: Northern Women Fight the Civil War* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2005) and *Landmarks of the Civil War* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2003).

### **HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Professor Shout-out Award, Student Government Association, Salve Regina University, 2023

Honorable Mention in U.S. Naval History (with John B. Hattendorf), John Lyman Book Award, North American Society for Oceanic History, for *Forging the Trident*, 2021

Faculty Sabbatical Award, Salve Regina University, 2019

Selected Participant, Seminar on the 20th-Century Presidency, Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and the Council of Independent Colleges, 2017

Student Collaborative Grant for Research, Artistic, or Creative Projects, Salve Regina University, 2016, 2017

Presidential Faculty Award, Salve Regina University, 2014

Achievement Medal for Civilian Service, United States Department of the Army, 2011

Scholastic Achievement Award, West Point Chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, United States Military Academy, 2011

Finalist, Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of History, United States Military Academy at West Point, 2011

George Pendleton Prize, Society for History in the Federal Government, for *The Long Road to Annapolis*, 2011

Edwin S. and Ruth M. White Prize, Boston University Humanities Foundation, 2005

Fellow, West Point Summer Seminar in Military History, United States Military Academy, 2004

Rear Admiral John D. Hayes Fellowship, Naval Historical Center, 2003-2004

Engelbourg Travel Fellowship, Department of History, Boston University, 2002

Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, United States Department of Education, 1999-2003

Highest in Academic Rank, Providence College Class of 1999

Highest Academic Record in History Award, Providence College, 1999

Highest Academic Record in Secondary Education Award, Providence College, 1999

Inducted into the Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 1999

Inducted into the Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society, 1998

Dean's Scholarship, Providence College, 1995-1999

## **TEACHING AND RESEARCH FIELDS**

American Presidency/U.S. Political History  
U.S. Military/Naval History  
The American Revolution and Early Republic  
The Civil War  
Anglo-American Relations  
Rhode Island History

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books:**

*Forging the Trident: Theodore Roosevelt and the United States Navy*, co-editor with John B. Hattendorf (Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 2020).

*The Long Road to Annapolis: The Founding of the Naval Academy and the Emerging American Republic* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2010; paperback edition, 2014).

## Articles and Book Chapters:

“How Americans Deployed the Declaration of Independence in the Debate over American Empire,” in *The Life and Times of the Declaration of Independence: The First 250 Years*, ed. Robert M. S. McDonald and Seanegan P. Sculley (Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, forthcoming 2026).

“Fortress of American Empire: Building the Modern U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, 1895-1913,” *Journal of America’s Military Past* 49 (Spring/Summer 2024): 5-35.

“Newport’s New Deal: The Great Depression and the WPA in the City by the Sea,” co-author with Brittany Fox and Ellen E. Tuttle, *Newport History* 95 (Summer/Fall 2021): 1-31.

“From Knowledge, Sea Power: Theodore Roosevelt, Naval Education, and the New Navy,” in *Forging the Trident: Theodore Roosevelt and the United States Navy*, ed. John B. Hattendorf and William P. Leeman (Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 2020), 82-108.

“One Giant Leap: John F. Kennedy, the Apollo Program, and the Political Culture of the New Frontier,” *New England Journal of History* 76 (Spring/Fall 2019): 101-128.

“Rising Stars: The Cadet Years of the West Point Class of 1915,” *The Hudson River Valley Review* 31 (Spring 2015): 16-41.

“War Without Declaration: The Barbary Wars,” in *The Routledge Handbook of American Military and Diplomatic History: The Colonial Period to 1877*, ed. Antonio S. Thompson and Christos G. Frentzos (New York: Routledge, 2015), 164-171.

“The Origins of the Presidency,” in *The Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency*, ed. Nancy Beck Young (New York: Facts on File, 2013), vol. 1, 3-13.

“Scientific Warfare vs. Partisan Politics: Thomas Jefferson and American Naval Education,” *International Journal of Naval History* 8 (August 2009), [http://www.ijnhonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/article\\_leeman.pdf](http://www.ijnhonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/article_leeman.pdf).

“George Bancroft’s Civil War: Slavery, Abraham Lincoln, and the Course of History,” *New England Quarterly* 81 (September 2008): 462-488.

“America’s Admiral: George Dewey and American Culture in the Gilded Age,” *The Historian* 65 (Spring 2003): 587-614.

“George Bancroft’s Great Legacy,” *Naval History* 15 (October 2001): 48-52.

“Rhode Island’s Controversial General: Nathanael Greene and the Continental Congress, 1776-1780,” *Rhode Island History* 59 (August 2001): 84-100.

“American History Websites for Use in Secondary Schools,” *Social Education: The Journal of the National Council for the Social Studies* 63 (April 1999): 144-151.

### Short Essays and Encyclopedia Entries:

“Integrity,” co-author with M. Therese Antone, RSM, in *Living Mercy: Reflecting on the Vocation and Values of Salve Regina University*, ed. Jayme M. Hennessy (Newport, R.I.: Salve Regina University, 2023), 41-49.

“Interpretive Recreation of Senator Claiborne Pell’s Office,” in *Muse and Mercy: Exploring Fine and Decorative Arts at Salve Regina University*, ed. Ernest Jolicoeur and Anthony F. Mangieri (Newport, R.I.: Salve Regina University, 2022), entry 34, 86-87.

“From Pen to Sword: *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*, Abolition, and the American Civil War,” *Story in the Public Square*, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy (2013), <http://pellcenter.org/what-is-story-what-is-the-public-square/>.

“Alabama Claims Controversy,” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of American Military and Diplomatic History*, ed. Timothy J. Lynch (New York: Oxford University Press, 2013), vol. 1, 29-31.

“George Bancroft,” in *The Encyclopedia of the Mexican-American War: A Political, Social, and Military History*, ed. Spencer C. Tucker (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2012), vol. 1, 47.

“George Washington and West Point,” Mount Vernon Historian Series, *George Washington Wired* (2011), <http://www.georgewashingtonwired.org>.

“Fireside Chats,” in *The Great Depression and the New Deal: A Thematic Encyclopedia*, ed. Daniel Leab, Kenneth J. Bindas, Alan Harris Stein, Justin Corfield, and Steven L. Danver (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2010), vol. 1, 168-170.

“Sylvanus Thayer,” in *World at War: Understanding Conflict and Society* (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2007), <http://worldatwar2.abc-clio.com>. Reprinted in *The Encyclopedia of the War of 1812: A Political, Social, and Military History*, ed. Spencer C. Tucker (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2012), vol. 2, 705-706.

“William Ellery,” in *The Encyclopedia of the American Revolutionary War: A Political, Social, and Military History*, ed. Gregory Fremont-Barnes and Richard A. Ryerson (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2006), vol. 2, 382.

“Raid on Bristol, Rhode Island,” in *The Encyclopedia of the American Revolutionary War: A Political, Social, and Military History*, ed. Gregory Fremont-Barnes and Richard A. Ryerson (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2006), vol. 1, 135-136.

“United States Military Academy, West Point,” in *World at War: Understanding Conflict and Society* (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2005), <http://worldatwar2.abc-clio.com>. Reprinted in *The Encyclopedia of the War of 1812: A Political, Social, and Military History*, ed. Spencer C. Tucker (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2012), vol. 2, 731-732.

## Reviews:

Review of *On Great Fields: The Life and Unlikely Heroism of Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain* by Ronald C. White, in *New England Journal of History* (forthcoming 2025).

Review of *Becoming FDR: The Personal Crisis That Made a President* by Jonathan Darman, in *New England Journal of History* 80 (Spring 2024): 165-170.

Review of *Civil War By Other Means: America's Long and Unfinished Fight for Democracy* by Jeremi Suri, in *New England Journal of History* 80 (Fall 2023): 107-110.

Review of *The Lion and the Fox: Two Rival Spies and the Secret Plot to Build a Confederate Navy* by Alexander Rose, in *Theodore Roosevelt Association Journal* 44 (Summer 2023): 35-39.

Review of *The Presidents and the Pastime: The History of Baseball and the White House* by Curt Smith, in *New England Journal of History* 77 (Fall 2020): 151-154.

Review of *In Command: Theodore Roosevelt and the American Military* by Matthew Oyos, in *New England Journal of History* 76 (Spring/Fall 2019): 176-179.

Review of *Boy Soldiers of the American Revolution* by Caroline Cox, in *The Historian* 80 (Spring 2018): 97-99.

Review of *Naval History and Heritage Command Website*, in *Journal of American History* 102 (September 2015): 638.

Review of *Lincoln's Citadel: The Civil War in Washington, DC* by Kenneth J. Winkle, in *The Historian* 77 (Summer 2015): 365-366.

Review of *The Wilderness Warrior: Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America* by Douglas Brinkley, in *Parameters: U.S. Army War College Quarterly* 42 (Summer 2012): 137-139.

Review of *A Higher Purpose: Profiles in Presidential Courage* by Thomas J. Whalen, in *White House Studies* 8 (No. 3; 2009): 439-441.

Review of *Sea Change at Annapolis: The United States Naval Academy, 1949-2000* by H. Michael Gelfand, in *History of Education Quarterly* 48 (November 2008): 607-611.

Review of *Our Country, Right or Wrong: The Life of Stephen Decatur* by Leonard F. Guttridge, in *U.S. Naval Institute Proceedings* 133 (March 2007): 85-86.

Review of *When Trumpets Call: Theodore Roosevelt after the White House* by Patricia O'Toole, in *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 36 (September 2006): 558-559.

## **SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS**

### **Conference Papers and Invited Lectures:**

“Lessons from Pearl Harbor: World War II and the National Security State in America,” *World War II at 80: Reflecting on Its Legacies*, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, March 2025.

“The War of 1812: America’s Second War for Independence,” National Council for History Education, Webinar, January 2024.

“A Blueprint for Revolution: The Evolution of the Declaration of Independence from Thomas Jefferson to Abraham Lincoln,” Roswell S. Bosworth, Jr., Lecture Series, Bristol, R.I., June 2022.

“An Imperial Republic: Debating the Declaration of Independence in the Age of American Empire,” *Interpreting Independence: The Declaration Through the Generations*, SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution, Detroit, June 2021.

“Absolutely American: Theodore Roosevelt and the U.S. Naval Academy,” Army & Navy Club of Washington, D.C., Webinar, April 2021.

“West Point’s War: The Antebellum Military Academy and Its Influence on the Civil War,” Rhode Island Civil War Roundtable, March 2021.

“Hero Worship: Reinterpreting John Paul Jones in the Age of Theodore Roosevelt,” McKillop Library Faculty Lecture Series, Salve Regina University, October 2019.

“The New Navy and the Old at Annapolis: Building the Modern U.S. Naval Academy, 1898-1913,” McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy, September 2019. Organized the panel “The U.S. Navy and Public Memory in the Nineteenth Century and Beyond.”

“In the Spotlight: Theodore Roosevelt and the Modern American Presidency,” *Theodore Roosevelt and the Start of the American Century*, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, February 2019.

“From Knowledge, Sea Power: Theodore Roosevelt, Naval Education, and the New Navy,” *Forging the Trident: Theodore Roosevelt and the United States Navy* Conference, Salve

Regina University and the United States Naval War College, January 2019. Served as the conference's principal organizer.

"Educating Warrior-Patriots: The Naval Academy Debate during the Presidency of John Quincy Adams," Adams National Historical Park, Quincy, Mass., October 2017.

"Preserve, Protect, and Defend: Abraham Lincoln and the Rise of the Modern Presidency," *The Civil War and the Making of Modern America*, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, April 2015.

"The Rhetoric of the First World War and the Rise of the American Century," *The First World War at 100: Understanding the Cost, Legacy, and Meaning of the Great War*, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, October 2014.

"Educating Officers and Gentlemen: The Naval Academy Debate and American Nationalism in the Early Republic," McKillop Library Faculty Lecture Series, Salve Regina University, September 2014.

"Thomas Jefferson's War: Presidential War Powers, Partisanship, and the First Barbary War," McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy, September 2013.

"The Long Road to Annapolis," Eight Bells Lecture Series, Naval War College Museum, Newport, R.I., May 2012.

"The Naval Academy Debate: Changing Concepts of Naval Officership in the 19th Century," Faculty Development Seminar, Department of History, United States Military Academy at West Point, February 2011.

"A West Point for the Navy? West Point's Influence on the Naval Academy Debate, 1802-1845," Faculty Development Seminar, Department of History, United States Military Academy at West Point, March 2010.

"Scientific Warfare vs. Partisan Politics: Thomas Jefferson and American Naval Education," Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy, September 2007.

"The Naval Academy Debate: Politics, Military Professionalism, and Character Development," History Department Works-in-Progress Seminar, United States Naval Academy, September 2007.

"George Bancroft's Civil War: Abraham Lincoln and the Union through the Eyes of America's Historian," New England Historical Association Fall Conference, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, October 2006.



“An Aristocracy at Sea: Naval Officers, Education, and American Nationalism in the Early Republic,” New England Historical Association Fall Conference, University of Rhode Island, October 2005. Organized the panel “Becoming American Aristocrats in the Early Nineteenth Century.”

“The Long Road to Annapolis: Founding the U.S. Naval Academy,” Naval History Seminar Series, Naval Historical Center and National Museum of the U.S. Navy, Washington, D.C., June 2005.

“Teaching and Citizenship: From Thomas Jefferson to the Election of 2004,” Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society, Providence College, October 2004.

### **Commentary and Roundtables:**

Panelist, “Charges of Forgery: Roger Williams and the Narragansett Deed to Providence,” McKillop Library Rare Book Salon, Salve Regina University, November 2024.

Panelist, “Election 2024: What Just Happened?” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, November 2024.

Moderator, Constitution Day Roundtable Discussion, “Proposals to Reform the Supreme Court of the United States,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, September 2024.

Co-Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “Everything You Always Wanted to Know About the Supreme Court (But Were Afraid to Ask),” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, September 2022.

Moderator, “The Genius and Legacy of Theodore Roosevelt’s *The Naval War of 1812*,” Second Saturday Webinar Series, Naval Historical Foundation, November 2020. Available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QCwzkvOktLU>.

Co-Moderator, “How Did We Get Here? A Conversation with Presidential Historian Robert Dallek,” Department of History and Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, October 2020. Available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ueDIe3l8Js>.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “The Electoral College: Past and Present,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, September 2020.

Comment, Post-Screening Discussion of the film *Midway*, Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, January 2020.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “A New Space Race?” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, November 2018.

Comment, Post-Premiere Discussion of *Survivors of Malmedy: December 1944*, documentary film produced by the World War II Foundation/Tim Gray Media, Jane Pickens Theater, Newport, R.I., May 2018.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “Evaluating Presidential Effectiveness,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, March 2018.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “The Battle Over Confederate Monuments,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, September 2017.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “An Informed Citizenry: From the Founders to the Election of 2016,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, December 2016.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “The Presidential Election of 2016,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, November 2016.

Comment, Panel on “Race, Class, and Ethnicity through the Prism of War,” *Americans and War*, 7th Annual Boston University Graduate Student American Political History Conference, American Political History Institute, Boston University, March 2015.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “Should College Athletes Be Paid?” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, May 2014.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “The Crisis in Syria,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, October 2013.

Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “Women in Combat,” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, April 2013.

Co-Moderator, Roundtable Discussion, “What Does American ‘Strength’ Mean in the 21st Century?” Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, February 2012.

Comment, Panel on “Expanding the Civil War: Race, Violence, Women, and Abolition,” *Rethinking American Political History* Conference, Boston University, March 2009.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

### **Salve Regina University:**

New Student Seminar  
First Year Transitions  
University Seminar I: From the Earth to the Moon  
U.S. History to 1877  
U.S. History since 1877

The Historian's Craft  
The American Revolution  
Anglo-American Relations, 1776-2001 (study abroad course taught in Oxford, England)  
Thomas Jefferson's America  
America's Civil War  
Abraham Lincoln in History and Memory  
The Gilded Age (directed study)  
America in Depression and War, 1929-1945  
The Great American Road Trip (team taught)  
Presidents and Film (team taught)  
History of Warfare  
The Vietnam War  
The American Presidency  
Historical Research Methods  
Senior Thesis Capstone

**United States Military Academy at West Point:**

History of the United States to 1877  
History of the United States since 1877

**Providence College:**

***Undergraduate***

U.S. History to 1865  
U.S. History since 1865  
History of the United States: 1815-1900  
Colonial and Revolutionary America  
The Civil War and Reconstruction  
Tutorial: The Progressive Era

***Graduate***

The Early National Period, 1789-1828  
The Civil War  
The Age of Roosevelt, 1932-1945  
History of the Presidency, 1789-1901  
History of the Presidency, 1901-Present  
Seminar in American History: Presidential Biography  
Directed Readings in American History: Nineteenth-Century America  
Thesis Research

**University of Rhode Island:**

History of the United States since 1877

**Boston University:**

The Emerging United States to 1865  
The Twentieth-Century American Presidency

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

### **Salve Regina University:**

#### ***Committees***

Elected Member, Evaluation Process Committee, 2024-present (Co-Chair, 2024-present)  
Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Elementary Education, 2023-2024  
Member, Search Committee for University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian, 2023  
Member, University Strategic Leaders Group, 2023-present  
Member, Core Curriculum Structuring Committee, 2022-2023  
Member, Search Committee for Faculty Director of Community-Engaged Learning, 2021  
Member, Undergraduate Council, 2020-present  
Chair, Promotion and Tenure Task Force, 2019-2021  
Elected Member, Sabbaticals Committee, 2019-2021  
Chair, Search Committee for Dean of Undergraduate Studies, 2016-2017  
Member, Professional Knowledge Committee, Department of Education, 2016-2018  
Member, Academic Advising Council, 2016-2018  
Member, Search Committee for Director of Counseling Services, 2016  
Member, Academic Standing Committee, 2016-2018  
Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Secondary Education, 2015-2016  
Elected Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2015-2017 (Alternate, 2017-2018, 2025)  
Elected Member, Executive Committee of the Faculty Assembly, 2013-2016 (Secretary, 2014-2015)  
Elected Member, Core Curriculum Advisory Committee, 2013-2014  
Member, Search Committee for John E. McGinty Chair in History, 2013-2014  
Member, New Student Seminar Steering Committee, 2013  
Member, Antone Endowed Fund for Academic Excellence Awards Committee, 2012-2014  
Member, University Retention Committee, 2011-2012  
Member, American Studies Advisory Council, 2011-2023

#### ***Faculty and Student Development***

Panelist, Academic Success Panel Discussion, New Seahawk Orientation, 2023, 2024  
Panelist, “Balancing the Demands of Teaching and Research” Faculty Development Workshop, 2023  
Co-Facilitator, “Exploring Interdisciplinary Team Teaching in the Pell Honors Program” Workshop, 2023  
Co-Facilitator, “Increasing Rigor in Pell Honors Courses” Workshop, 2022  
Co-Facilitator, “Pell Honors Advising” Workshop, 2022  
Co-Facilitator, “Tips for Implementing a Research Agenda and Getting Published Despite a Busy Schedule” Workshop, 2021-2022

Facilitator, “Preparing for the Pre-Tenure Review” Workshop, 2020-2022  
 Mental Health First Aid Certification, 2020  
 Co-Facilitator, “Establishing a Doable Research Agenda and...Getting it Done!” Workshop, 2019  
 Facilitator, “Delivering Dynamic Lectures in the Classroom” Workshop, 2017  
 Facilitator, “Applying for Tenure and Promotion” Workshop, 2017-2018, 2020-2023  
 Faculty Mentor, Mentorship Program for New Faculty, 2017-present  
 Acting Coordinator, American Studies Program, Spring 2017  
 Green Dot Faculty Training, 2017  
 Poster Presentation, University Seminar Exposition, 2016  
 Guest Speaker, Nuala Pell Leadership Program in Public Service, 2015, 2018  
 Faculty Advisor, History Club, 2015-2022, 2024-present  
 First Year Transitions Instructor, Center for Student Development, 2014-2015  
 Dissertation Reader (5 dissertations), Ph.D. Program in the Humanities, 2013-2018, 2024-present  
 Faculty Sponsor, SRYOU Student Exposition, 2013-2015, 2018, 2023-2024  
 New Student Seminar Instructor and First Year Advisor, Office of First Year and Exploratory Programs/Center for Student Development, 2012-2014  
 Faculty Mentor, Men’s Ice Hockey Team, 2011-2021

### ***Center for Global Education and Fellowships***

Member, Distinguished Fellowships Committee, 2020-present  
 Guest Lecturer, Chilean Teachers Program, 2018-2019  
 Guest Lecturer, Sakae Institute of Study Abroad Program, 2018  
 Faculty Advisor/Instructor, Oxford Study Abroad Program, 2017  
 Study Abroad Blog: <http://oxfordstudyabroad2017.wordpress.com>  
 Guest Lecturer, Continuing Education Program for Swiss Teachers, 2012-2015

### ***Mission Integration***

Contributor, *Living Mercy: Reflecting on the Vocation and Values of Salve Regina* University Publication, 2023  
 Contributor, *The Catholic Intellectual Tradition* Publication, 2014  
 Participant, Faculty Discussion Series on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition, 2011-2013  
 Participant, Collegium Day, Office of Mission Integration, 2011, 2012

### **U.S. Military Academy at West Point:**

Faculty Advisor, *Report: West Point Undergraduate Historical Review*, 2011  
 Course Director, History 104: History of the United States since 1877, Spring 2011  
 Member, Academic Excellence Committee of the Faculty Council, 2010-2011  
 Elected Member, Faculty Council, 2010-2011  
 Faculty Facilitator, Professional Military Ethics Education Program, 2010-2011  
 Organizational Goal Team, Department of History, 2010  
 Strategic Review Team, Department of History, 2010  
 Executive Officer, American History Division, Department of History, Summer/Fall 2010

Faculty Volunteer, Patton Challenge, Cadet Basic Training, Summer 2010  
Instructor, Summer Term Academic Program, 2010  
Judge, Thompson Family Memorial Award for Excellence in Writing, 2010

**Providence College:**

Served on over 30 comprehensive examination boards for M.A. candidates, 2004-2009  
Member, Committee on Studies, 1997-1998

**MEDIA ENGAGEMENT**

Interviewed on Presidential Inaugural Addresses, “Talk of the Town with Bruce Newbury” Podcast (WADK Radio, Newport), February 7, 2025. Available at [https://wadk.com/assets/podcaster/464/2025\\_02\\_07\\_464\\_164631\\_.mp3](https://wadk.com/assets/podcaster/464/2025_02_07_464_164631_.mp3).

Interviewed on the Presidential Election of 2024, Bartholomewtown Podcast, November 4, 2024. Available at <https://btown.buzzsprout.com/163601/episodes/16044625-dr-bill-leeman-presidential-history-scholar-salve>.

Author Interview on *Forging the Trident*, New Books in Military History Podcast, March 3, 2021. Available at <https://newbooksnetwork.com/forging-the-trident>.

Interviewed on the Electoral College, “Talk of the Town with Bruce Newbury” (WADK Radio, Newport), September 23, 2020.

Interviewed on the Trump Administration’s U.S. Space Force Proposal, “Steve Klamkin and the WPRO Saturday Morning News” (WPRO Radio, Providence), December 1, 2018.

Interviewed and quoted in “Our Egos, Our Illusions,” *Newport Life Magazine*, October 29, 2018.

Author Interview on *The Long Road to Annapolis*, C-SPAN BookTV, October 23, 2017 (aired on television, January 21, 2018). Available at <https://www.c-span.org/video/?438917-1/the-long-road-annapolis>.

Interviewed and quoted in “Trump’s Catholic Warriors,” *National Catholic Register*, January 31, 2017.

Interviewed and quoted in “Nastiest Campaign Season Ever? Maybe Not,” *The Providence Journal*, November 5, 2016.

Interviewed and quoted in “When the Sound Turns to Fury,” *The Newport Daily News*, August 3, 2016.

Author Interview on *The Long Road to Annapolis*, “Maryland Morning” (WYPR Radio, Baltimore-Annapolis), September 6, 2010.

Author Interview on *The Long Road to Annapolis*, “Naval Academy Founded Over Public Opposition,” *The Capital* (Annapolis, Md.), September 3, 2010.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICE**

External Reader/Committee Member, Graduate Certificate in Maritime History Program, United States Naval War College, 2022, 2024

Participant, New Directors Institute, National Collegiate Honors Council, 2021

Faculty Supervisor for the John E. McGinty Internship, Cliff Walk Commission, City of Newport, 2021

Volunteer, Job Shadowing Program, Portsmouth High School, 2020

Participant, Seminar on the 20th-Century Presidency, sponsored by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and the Council of Independent Colleges, Stanford University Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Center, Washington, D.C., 2017

Consultant, Middletown Historical Society/Salve Regina University National Park Service American Battlefield Protection Program Grant, 2015-2016

Appointed by the Governor of Rhode Island to the Newport World Heritage Commission, 2014-2016

Judge, PEGASUS 7/8 History Day, LaSalle Academy, 2012, 2015

Fellow, West Point Summer Seminar in Military History, United States Military Academy, 2004

Judge, National History Day in Rhode Island, 2002-2008

Staff Member, Local Arrangements Committee, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, 2001

Policy Intern, Office of U.S. Senator Jack Reed, Summer 2000

## **MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER**

University of Alabama Press

W. W. Norton & Company

Lynne Rienner Publishers

*Journal of Military History*

*Clio: A Journal of Literature, History, and the Philosophy of History*

University of Chicago Press  
*Journal of the Early Republic*  
Pearson Higher Education/Longman

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Historical Association  
Organization of American Historians  
Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society  
Society for Military History  
Newport Historical Society