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EMPLOYMENT

University of Florida, Hamilton College for Classical & Civic Education Assistant Professor	2026-
Cornell University, History of Art and Visual Studies Klarman Postdoctoral Fellow	2024-2026

EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, Princeton University Dissertation: "The Origins of Antiquarian Scholarship, 1204-1545" Advisors: Anthony Grafton & Teresa Shawcross	2017-2024
M.A., Cultural & Intellectual History, 1300-1650, <i>with distinction</i> , The Warburg Institute Advisors: Guido Giglioni & Alessandro Scafi	2016
B.A., Philosophy & History of Mathematics and Science, St. John's College, Annapolis, MD	2013

FELLOWSHIPS

Rome Prize, American Academy in Rome	2021-2022
Fulbright Scholar Award, Italy	2020-2021
Mellon Fellowship in Post-Classical Latin, UCLA	2016-2017

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

"The Antiquarian Excursion." *Journal of the Warburg and Courtauld Institutes* (forthcoming)

"Collective Memory, Identity, and Cross-Cultural Conversations," with Teresa Shawcross, in *A Cultural History of Historiography in the Emerging Early Modern World (1450 – 1650)*, eds. Kathryn Brammall and Gary G. Gibbs. London: Bloomsbury Publishing (forthcoming 2025-2026).

"Ciriaco d'Ancona and the Origins of Epigraphy." *Renaissance Quarterly* 76.2 (Summer 2023): 1-53. DOI: 10.1017/rqx.2022.439.

SYLLABI

"History and Culture of the Medieval Black Sea" with Teresa Shawcross & Earnestine Qiu. In *Bloomsbury Medieval Studies*. London: Bloomsbury Publishing (forthcoming).

"History and Culture of the Medieval Mediterranean" with Teresa Shawcross & Ariana Myers. In *Bloomsbury Medieval Studies*. London: Bloomsbury Publishing (2021). DOI: 10.5040/9781350934306.006.

SHORT PIECES

"Ciriaco d'Ancona." *Oxford Bibliographies in Renaissance and Reformation*. Oxford: Oxford University Press (forthcoming fall 2024)

"The Mercantile Origins of Early Modern Antiquarian Scholarship." In *Memoirs of the American Academy in Rome* 67 (2022): 172-174. DOI: 10.2307/27215855.

"A Conversation about Pamela Long's Engineering the Eternal City" with Pamela Long & Richard Calis in *Journal of the History of Ideas Blog* (2018).

INVITED TALKS

"The Recovery of Lost Antiquities in the Eastern Mediterranean and Black Sea." All'antica: Antique Reception and the Visual Arts, Renaissance Society of America, Chicago, Illinois, March 2024.

"The Rise of Capitalism and a New Intellectual Culture in the Early Renaissance." Hamilton Center for Classical and Civic Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, December 2023.

"How Antiquarians Discovered a Method." Epistemic Practices between Antiquarianism and the Early Modern Sciences Conference, Università Ca' Foscari, Venice, Italy, May 2023.

"The Rise of Amateur Drawing in Italy." Text and Image Workshop, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, February 2023.

"The Social Origins of Antiquarian Observation." Experimenting with the Past?: Material Practices of Knowledge-Making between Antiquarianism and the Sciences, International Society for Intellectual History Conference, Università Ca' Foscari, Venice, Italy, September 2023.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

"The Rise of Capitalism and a New Intellectual Culture in the Early Renaissance." Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, November 2023.

"How Conversations about Antiquities Shaped Written Records of Them." Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Graduate Colloquium, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, February 2023.

"The Origins of Antiquarian Scholarship." Fellow Shoptalks, American Academy in Rome, Rome, Italy, May 2022.

"Antiquities Collections in the Italian Colonies of the Eastern Mediterranean, 1204-1400." Renaissance Society of America, Dublin, Ireland, February 2022.

"How Humanists Began Drawing Antiquities." Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Graduate Colloquium, Harvard University, Virtual, February 2022.

"Late Medieval Merchant Practices and the Development of Ethnography." *Scientiae*, Amsterdam, Virtual, June 2021.

"How Humanists Learned from Merchants." Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Graduate Colloquium, Princeton University, Virtual, February 2021.

"Venerating and Recording Inscriptions in Rome from Late Antiquity to Early Modernity." Beyond Canon Seminar, University of Regensburg, Rome, Italy, September 2021.

"Commercial Record-Keeping and Antiquarian Description in Early Renaissance Italy." Early Modern History Workshop, Princeton University, Virtual, November 2020.

"Early Christian Inscriptions and Renaissance Antiquarian Scholarship." Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Graduate Colloquium, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, February 2020.

"Ciriaco d'Ancona's Discovery of Greece on the Eve of the Fall of Constantinople." Early Modern History Workshop, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, September 2018.

"Ciriaco d'Ancona's Study of Contemporary Greece." International Society for Intellectual History, University of St. Andrews, St. Andrews, Scotland, June 2018.

"The Concept of Geography in the Latin Translation of the *Ikhwân al-Safâ*'s Fourth Epistle." Medieval and Renaissance Graduate Conference, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, October 2016.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Medieval Black Sea Project with Teresa Shawcross & Earnestine Qiu, 2022-2023
Princeton University

The Winthrop Family Papers Project with Anthony Grafton, Jennifer Rampling, 2017-2018
et al., Princeton University

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

"Black Sea Migrations in the Long Thirteenth Century: Bodies, Things, Ideas" with Teresa Shawcross (History) & Earnestine Qiu (Art & Archaeology), Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, September 2023.

"The *Filologos* & the *Antiquarius*: Studying Language & Objects in Renaissance Europe" with Anthony Grafton (History), Nigel Smith (English), & Mateusz Falkowski (History), Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, March 2019.

"Approaching the Unknown: 'They Saw It With Their Own Eyes'" with Robert Gurval (Classics) et al., UCLA, Los Angeles, California, April 2017.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-Founder & Convener, Medieval Black Sea Seminar Series, Princeton University	2022-2023
Co-Organizer & Convener, Early Modern History Workshop, Princeton University	2022-2023
Founder & Convener, Global History of Science Reading Group, Princeton University	2019-2020

TEACHING

COURSES

Teaching Assistant, HIS 211: Europe from Antiquity to 1700 Anthony Grafton, Princeton University	Fall 2023
Guest Lecturer, HIS 428: Empire and Catastrophe Teresa Shawcross, Princeton University	Spring 2021

MENTORING

Alumna panelist advising on archives & fellowships, Rome Seminar	Summers 2022, 2023
Alumna panelist advising on the Fulbright fellowship, Princeton University	Spring 2023
Mentor to junior graduate students, History Department, Princeton University	2019- 2023

GRANTS

Scholarly Travel Fund, Princeton University	2022
Dissertation Funding, Princeton University	2022
Beyond Canon Seminar in Rome, University of Regensburg	2021
Interdisciplinary Doctoral Program in the Humanities Grant, Princeton University	2019- 2020
Language Study Grant, Princeton University	2019
Rome Seminar, University of Notre Dame	2018
Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Princeton University	2017
Pre-Enrollment Language Training Grant, Princeton University	2017
Bursary, Warburg Institute	2015- 2016
Moreland Scholarship, CUNY Graduate Center	2015
Hertog Political Studies Program, Hudson Institute	2012
Maryland State Scholarship	2009- 2013

OTHER TRAINING

Beyond Canon Seminar in Rome (on early Christianity), University of Regensburg	2021
Intensive Italian Course, Middlebury College	2019
Rome Seminar (on Roman archives), University of Notre Dame	2018
Intensive Italian Course, Università per Stranieri di Perugia	2017
Post-Bacc. in Post-Classical Latin, Mellon Fellowship, UCLA	2016- 2017
Intensive Latin Course, Latin/Greek Institute, CUNY	2015
Coursework in Early Modern History and Latin, University of Maryland, College Park	2014- 2015
Research Assistant to James Hankins, Harvard University	2011- 2012
Hertog Political Studies Program, Hudson Institute	2012

PRIOR WORK EXPERIENCE

Legislative Intern for Congresswoman Donna Edwards, U.S. House of Representatives	2014
Legislative & Constituent Aide for Senator Jamie Raskin, Maryland General Assembly	2014
Intern for the Senior Education Policy Analyst of Gov. Martin O'Malley	2013
Intern for Executive Director, Common Cause Maryland	2013

LANGUAGES

English (native fluency), Bulgarian (native fluency), Italian (speaking, writing, reading), Latin (reading), Ancient Greek (reading), French (reading), Spanish (reading), German (reading)