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## **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D.**, Department of History, University of Washington, 2013.

**M.A.**, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, 1995.

**B.A.**, International Affairs, Florida State University, 1987.

## **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Executive Director, Humanities Commons, School of Humanities, University of California, Irvine, July 2016 to present; Associate Director, April 2014 to June 2016.

Director, History Writing Center, Department of History, University of Washington, September 2013 to March 2014.

Lecturer, Department of History, University of Washington, March 2013 to March 2014.

Executive Director, Arizona Humanities Council, Phoenix, Arizona; December 2003 to June 2005.

Associate Director, Humanities Washington (formerly Washington Commission for the Humanities), Seattle, Washington; April 1998 to October 2003. Director of Grants and Community Outreach, December 1995 to March 1998.

## **RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT | University of California, Irvine**

American Council of Learned Societies, Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation New Professorship in Buddhist Studies, 3 year grant, \$300,000, 2017.

The Marc Sanders Foundation, TH!NK: Philosophy for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders, \$6,000, 2017.

Academy of Korean Studies, 5 year grant award to establish Center for Critical Korean Studies, \$900,000, 2016.

National Endowment for the Humanities, Next Generation PhD Planning Grant, \$25,000, 2016.

Luce Foundation, Humanities Out There Public Fellows graduate internship program, \$50,000, 2016.

U.S. Department of Education, Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need, 3 year grant to support graduate fellowship in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, \$885,834, 2015.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Sawyer Seminar on Documenting War, \$175,000, 2015.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Humanities 5+2 Graduate Training, \$2.73 million, 2015.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### Refereed Journal Articles

"Commemorating the "Living Torch of Freedom": Searching for a Usable Past in Romas Kalanta's 1972 Self-Immolation," *Ab Imperio* 2/2015, pp. 162-182.

"From the Big Screen to the Streets of Kaunas: Youth Cultural Practices and Communist Party Discourse in Soviet Lithuania," *Cahiers du Monde Russe* special issue "Beyond Brezhnevism: Growing Autonomy for Social Groups and Assimilation of Socialist Values," 54/3-4, July-December 2013, pp. 467-490.

"Hooligans, Hippies, and Immature Youth: Negotiating Communist Party Narratives of May 18, 1972 in Kaunas," *Lietuvos Istorijos Metraštis [Lithuanian History Studies]*, Lithuanian Institute of History, 17, 2012, pp. 147-165.

"From Personal Sacrifice to Civil Resistance: National and Civic Identities in the Designation of May 14 as a National Memorial Day," *Darbai ir Dienos [Deeds and Days]*, vol. 57 (2012), pp. 9-30.

### Book Reviews

Review of *Adopting and Remembering Soviet Reality: Life Stories of Lithuanian Women, 1945-1970* by Dalia Leinarte, *Slovo*, Vol. 23 No. 2, Autumn 2011.

Review of *Vilnius: City of Strangers* by Laimonis Briedis, *Slovo*, Vol. 21 No. 2, Autumn 2009.

### Other Publications

"Negotiating Narratives of Kaunas 1972 from Archives to Oral Interviews," *REECAS Newsletter*, Ellison Center for Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, Spring/Summer 2012.

## **EXHIBITIONS**

Co-curator and project coordinator, "The Baltic American Community in Washington State: An Exhibit Featuring Members of the Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian Communities" (traveling exhibit), University of Washington Libraries Special Collections, October 2006 to July 2010.

Exhibited at Husky Union Building, University of Washington (November 2008); Latvian National Library, Riga (July 2009); Estonian National Library, Tallinn (August 2009); Mickevičiaus Public Library, Vilnius, Lithuania (September 2009); and University of Washington Libraries Special Collections (March to May 2010).

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

### Research Awards

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Award, oral interview project in Lithuania, September 2010 to August 2011.

AAUW American Fellow 2010-2011 (declined for Fulbright-Hays DDRA).

ACLS East European Studies Dissertation Fellowship 2010-2011 (declined for Fulbright-Hays).

Chester A. Fritz Grant for International Study, University of Washington Graduate School, dissertation research in Lithuania, Summer 2009.

Nancy Bell Evans Center on Nonprofits and Philanthropy Research Grant, "A Comparative Analysis of the Soviet Occupation Museums in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania," travel to Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, July 2007.

IIE Fulbright Fellowship, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania, September 1993 to June 1994.

#### Junior Scholar Seminars

Junior Scholar Training Seminar, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, August 2012

*Memories of Stalinism* Project, Junior Scholar Training Program, Istituto per l'Europa Centro-Orientale e Balcanica (Institute on East-Central Europe and the Balkans), University of Bologna, Italy (funded by the European Commission-DG EAC under the Europe for Citizens Program- Action 4 "Active European Remembrance"), March-September 2010.

Fellow, Institute on the Public Humanities for Doctoral Students, Simpson Center for the Humanities, University of Washington, September 2007.

PAGE (Publicly Active Graduate Education) Fellow, Imagining America Conference, Syracuse, New York, September 2007.

#### Foreign Language Fellowships

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) scholarship, University of Washington, for Lithuanian language study, 2006-2007 and 2007-2008; for dissertation research in Lithuania, 2008-2009.

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) scholarship, Russian language, University of Washington, Summer 1993.

American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) East European Language Study Grant, Lithuanian language, Vilnius Pedagogical Institute, Lithuania, Summer 1992.

#### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

"Igniting a Generation: Romas Kalanta and the Lithuanian Diaspora," Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies Annual Conference, University of Pennsylvania, June 2016.

"25 Years of Baltic Independence: A Roundtable," Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Philadelphia, November 2016.

"A Blank Page or a Page of History? The Kalanta Monument in Kaunas, Lithuania," Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Philadelphia, November 2015.

"Establishing Intent: The KGB Investigation of Romas Kalanta's 1972 Self-Immolation," Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Austin, November 2014.

"Constructing a Narrative of National Resistance: Poems about Romas Kalanta's Self-Immolation in Soviet Lithuania," Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies Annual Conference, Yale University, May 2014.

"Talking 'Bout a Revolution: Was Kaunas 1972 Really Soviet Lithuania's '1968'?" Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Boston, November 2013.

"Kids in the Courtyards: Negotiating Soviet, Lithuanian and Youth Identities in Soviet Kaunas," Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, New Orleans, November 2012.

"Romas Kalanta and the Idea of Suicide in Soviet and Post-Soviet Society," Vilnius Symposium on Late Soviet and Post-Soviet Issues, Vilnius University, Lithuania, December 2011.

"We Were Hippies Too: Defining Lithuanian and European Identities through Remembering Kaunas, May 1972," Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies Conference, Seattle, Washington, April 22, 2010. Revised version presented at Baltic Studies Conference in Europe, Södertörn University, Stockholm, Sweden, May 2011.

"Negotiating a Post-Soviet Lithuanian Identity through Commemorations of Romas Kalanta's Self-Immolation," Baltic Studies Conference in Europe, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania, June 2009.

"Remembering Resistance and Accommodation: The Museum of the Occupation of Estonia and The Museum of Genocide Victims in Lithuania," Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies Conference, Bloomington, Indiana, May 2008.

"Narratives of Resistance and Accommodation: The Museum of the Occupation of Estonia, The Museum of the Occupation of Latvia and The Museum of Genocide Victims in Lithuania," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2007.

## INVITED TALKS

"The Myth of Hippies' Or Why Study Kaunas 1972," 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Symposium, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania, May 11, 2012.

"Children from 'Hotel America': History and Memory on Film," *How We Shape Our Past* International Workshop, Vilnius, Lithuania, May 17, 2012.

"National Martyr or Rock 'n Roll Hero? Commemorating Kalanta's 1972 Self-Immolation in Lithuania," Evergreen State University, Olympia, Washington, March 2, 2012.

"Youth Protest and Lithuanian Nationalism: Interpreting Romas Kalanta's Self-Immolation, Kaunas, 1972," Baltic Studies Summer Institute, University of Wisconsin, Madison, August 3, 2010.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Designed and Taught the following courses:

"Europe in the Modern World (1648 to the Present)" (undergraduate lower-division lecture course), Department of History, University of Washington, Seattle, Spring 2013.

"Europe in World War II" (undergraduate upper-division lecture course), Department of History, University of Washington, Seattle, Autumn 2011; Autumn 2012; Summer 2013.

"Remembering and Commemorating World War II in Europe" (undergraduate history majors senior seminar), Department of History, University of Washington, Seattle, Spring 2012.

### Community Courses

"Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania: From Soviet Union to the European Union," 4 lecture series, Creative Retirement Institute, Edmonds Community College, Winter 2013.

"Europe in Crisis? The Historical Context of Current Issues Facing the European Union," 4 lecture series, Creative Retirement Institute, Edmonds Community College, Winter 2012.

"The War is (Not) Over: Remembering and Commemorating World War II in Europe," four lectures for the *Window on History* lecture series, Women's University Club, Seattle, June 2012.

### **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

Executive Director, Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies, July 2016 to present.

Editor and host, New Books in East European Studies; New Books in Russian and Eurasian Studies (podcast series in the New Books Network), October 2014 to present.

Organized panel "Symbols of Violence: Commemorating Individuals in Tsarist Russia and Post-Communist Europe," Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Philadelphia, November 2015.

Organized panel, "Social Control and Social Networks in Soviet Lithuania, 1960s-1980s," Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies Annual Conference, Yale University, May 2014.

Organized panel, "Which form? What content? Sovietization and the Mobilization of National Identity in the Soviet Periphery during Late Socialism," Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, New Orleans, November 2012.

Co-Coordinator, Women Historians Working Group, Department of History, University of Washington. October 2011 to June 2013.

Curator, Baltic Animated Film Program, Seattle Art Museum (SASS-AABS Conference) and Northwest Film Forum (two public screenings), Seattle, April 23-25, 2010.

Student Representative, Board of Directors, Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies, July 2008 to June 2010.

### **LANGUAGES**

Lithuanian (advanced reading proficiency; intermediate speaking proficiency)

Russian (research reading proficiency; basic speaking proficiency)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Historical Association

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies

Association of Women in Slavic Studies

Coordinating Council for Women in History