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Education

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA <i>Ph.D. in History</i>	Philadelphia, PA	1997–2004
FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN <i>Graduate Exchange Fellowship</i>	Berlin, Germany	2002–2003
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY <i>B.A. summa cum laude, with honors in the Liberal Arts, with distinction in History</i>	Columbus, OH	1993–1997
UNIVERSITÄT HAMBURG <i>Huntington International Fellowship</i>	Hamburg, Germany	1995–1996

Publications

- Manuscript in preparation: *Urbanism as Reform: Modernist Planning and the Crisis of Urban Liberalism in Europe and North America, 1945-1975* (under contract with University of Chicago Press; Historical Studies of Urban America, series editors: Kathleen N. Conzen, Timothy J. Gilfoyle, and James R. Grossman)
- "From Political Outsider to Power Broker in two 'Great American Cities': Jane Jacobs and the Fall of Urban Renewal Order in New York and Toronto," *Journal of Urban History* 34:2 (Special Issue: Politics and the American City, 1940-1990) 2008
- "Jane Jacobs and the Future of New York," in Timothy Mennel, Jo Steffens, and Christopher Klemek, eds., *Block by Block: Jane Jacobs and the Future of New York* (Princeton Architectural Press) 2007
- "Bacon's Rebellion: Philadelphia's Master Planner as False Prophet" *Context: Journal of the AIA Philadelphia* 1:1 (Spring) 2007
- "Jane Jacobs's Urban Village: Well Preserved or Cast Adrift?" *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians* 66:1 (March) 2007
- "Placing Jane Jacobs within the Transatlantic Urban Conversation" *Journal of the American Planning Association* 73:1 (Winter) 2007
- "Always a Divided City?: Segregation, Fragmentation, and 'the Problem of the Color-Line' in Twentieth Century Urban History," *Archiv für Sozialgeschichte* 46, special issue: *Integration und Fragmentierung in der europäischen Stadt* (Bonn: J.H.W. Dietz) 2006
- "Mall Meets Maker: Suburban Developer as Failed Reformer," *Journal of Planning History* 4:3 (SAGE publications); solicited 5,000-word review essay 2005
- Review of Gary Nash, *First City: Philadelphia and the Forging of Historical Memory* H-Urban (www.h-net.msu.edu/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=102721017677091) 2002

Entries on Urban Crisis, Model Cities, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Jane Jacobs, and Martin Meyerson, in reference works including:
Encyclopedia of New York City, Kenneth Jackson, ed. (Yale U. Press, forthcoming rev. edition);
Encyclopedia of Urban Studies, Robert Beauregard et al., eds. (SAGE Publications, in press);
Encyclopedia of American Urban History, David Goldfield, ed. (SAGE Publications, 2006);
Routledge Encyclopedia of the City, Roger W. Caves, ed. (Routledge, 2004).

Honors and Fellowships

Schwartz Research Fellowship, New-York Historical Society/New School University	2008-2009
Urban History Association Award for Best Dissertation	2005
American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Visiting Scholar	2004-2005
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Graduate Fellow	2003-2004
Nichols Research Chair Fellowship, Penn History Department	2003-2004
Research Fellowship, Freie Universität Berlin (Germany)	2002-2003
First Annual T.A. Prize from Penn Graduate Student Association	1999
Mellon Graduate Fellowship, Penn History Department	1997-2002
First Place, Ohio State University Research Forum	1997
Phi Beta Kappa (inducted as a junior)	1996
Huntington International Fellowship for study in Germany	1995
Amstutz Award for International Travel, College of Humanities	1995
National Merit Scholar	1993-1997

Selected Presentations

"New York's New Gilded Age," plenary lunchtime panel at Divided Metropolis conference, New York Institute of Technology, New York, NY	3/7/2008
"American Exceptionalism and the End of the Urban Renewal Order, 1961-1980," Cities in American History, German Association of American Studies, Wittenberg	2/10/2008
"Urban Governance in the 20th Century," Berlin-New York Transatlantic Graduate Research Program, Center for Metropolitan Studies, Technische Universität Berlin	2/8/2008
"Demythologizing Jane Jacobs: Beyond the anti-Moses," Columbia University Seminar on the City, New York, NY	11/19/2007
"Can One Woman (Still) Make a Difference? Jane Jacobs and New York," panel discussant at St. Mark's Church in-the-Bowery, New York, NY	10/31/2007
"Foundations of the Urban Renewal Order in Europe and North America," Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Portland, ME	10/27/2007
"Jane Jacobs and Our Urban Myths," panel chair and commentator, American Studies Association, Philadelphia, PA	10/12/2007
"Jane Jacobs and the Future of New York," George Washington University Seminar on Urban Studies, Washington, DC	4/6/2007
"New York Architecture as Global Practice," panel discussant at New York Institute of Technology Global Cities Conference, New York, NY	3/9/2007
"Jane Jacobs in Canada and the United States," invited lecture at the Centre for American Studies, University of Western Ontario, London, ON	2/15/2007
"Transnational Figures in 20 th Century Urbanism"	1/6/2006

American Historical Association Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA	
"Agendas of Design in the Modern World," panel discussant for Wolfsonian Museum, Tenth Anniversary Conference, Miami Beach, FL	12/9/2005
"New (Left) urbanism: grassroots advocacy planning and the search for politically conscious design in 1960s Philadelphia and Berlin" Society for American City and Regional Planning History Conference, Miami, FL	10/21/2005
"The Politics of Planning in Moses' Wake," invitation-only symposium on Robert Moses, Lehman Center for American History, Columbia University, New York, NY	5/13/2005
"Power, Protest, and Patriotism in two 'Great American Cities': Jane Jacobs and the Fa ll of the Urban Renewal Order," Boston Univ. American Political History Seminar	3/2/2005
"Jane Jacobs and Urban Renewal's Lost Middle Way," Visiting Scholar research talk presented at the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, Cambridge, MA	3/1/2005
"Waterloo of Planning': Neoconservatism and Social Science in 1960s Urban Policy" Paper presented to the History Dept. Colloquium, Florida International Univ., Miami, FL	11/5/2004
"The Bitter End of Urban Renewal in Transatlantic Perspective: Comparing the Divergent Legacies of Modernist Planning and Liberal Reform in West Berlin, London, New York, and Toronto, 1960-1980" Urban History Assn. Conf., U. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	10/8/2004
"The Crisis of Expertise: Policy Intellectuals and the Urban Debate" Conference: "JFK and the Thousand Days," sponsored by the German Historical Institute, hosted by Freie Universität Berlin (Germany)	8/22/2003
"Metropolis and the Public Sphere: Democracy and Urbanism in Post-WWII Germany" Modern History Research Colloquium, Technische Universität Berlin (Germany)	6/17/2003
"Learning from Liberals: Transcending the Limits of Urban Renewal" International American Studies Assn. World Congress, Leiden (Netherlands)	5/22/2003
"Frontiers and Boundaries in U.S. Urban History" Sixth Conference of European Historians of the U.S., Middelburg (Netherlands)	4/24/2003
"The Last Great Hope for Urban Renewal" Deutsche Gesellschaft für Amerikastudien, Universität Leipzig (Germany)	11/11/2002
"Jane Jacobs v. New York: Urban Renewal and the Battle for Greenwich Village" Soc. for Am. City and Regional Planning History Conference, Philadelphia, PA	11/02/2001
"The Ivory Tower and the Streets of Philadelphia: Walking Tours as Public History" Pennsylvania Historical Assn. annual mtg., U. of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, PA	10/12/2001
"The Uses and Abuses of 'Jazz' in the the Weimar Republic: The History of an Idea" (Ohio State U. Honors Thesis) Natl. Conf. of Undergraduate Research, U. of Texas	4/25/1997

Public History Experience

MUNICIPAL ART SOCIETY www.futureofnyc.org New York, NY 2007-2008
Co-curator of Rockefeller Foundation sponsored exhibition, "Jane Jacobs and the Future of New York"

- Curatorial services including researching and organizing exhibition content, supervising acquisition of archival and copyrighted materials, writing panel text, presenting gallery talks, media appearances.

POOR RICHARD'S WALKING TOURS www.phillywalks.com Philadelphia, PA 1997–Present
Founding partner of historical tour company staffed by Penn history graduate students

- Research, writing and tour services. Clients include universities, museums and groups such as University of Pennsylvania, Drexel University, Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corporation, Rosenbach Museum, Penn Humanities Forum, and African Studies Association

Media/Public Appearances

Scott Carlson, "Legacy of Jane Jacobs," <i>Chronicle of Higher Educ.: Chronicle Review</i> 3/7/2008 http://chronicle.com/weekly/v54/i26/26b02601.htm	
Elizabeth Evitts, "What Would Jane Do?" <i>MetropolisMag.com</i> http://www.metropolismag.com/cda/story.php?artid=3038	11/10/2007
"Can One Woman (Still) Make a Difference? Jane Jacobs and New York," panel discussion at St. Mark's Church in-the-Bowery, New York, NY http://youtube.com/watch?v=CsMSr78Lgx0	10/31/2007
Open dialogue on Jane Jacobs and the Future of New York, hosted by Municipal Art Society in conjunction with OpenHouseNewYork Weekend	10/6/2006
Justin Rocket Silverman, "Has NYC lost its soul?" <i>AM New York</i> http://www.amny.com/news/local/am-soul1005,0,4510283.story	10/5/2007
Matthew Schuerman, "What Would Jane Jacobs Think?" <i>New York Observer</i> http://www.nyobserver.com/2007/what-would-jane-jacobs-think	9/24/2007
Dustin Goot, "Jane's addiction," <i>Time Out New York</i> http://www.timeout.com/newyork/article/features/22665/janes-addiction	9/20/2007
David Glenn, "Remembering Jane Jacobs," <i>Chronicle of Higher Education</i> online edition: http://chronicle.com/daily/2006/04/2006042703n.htm	4/27/2006
Inga Saffron, "A symbol of city's renewal deserves to be preserved," <i>Phila. Inquirer</i>	12/10/2004
Featured on "Travels and Traditions with Burt Wolf," PBS Television Network	Fall 2000
Featured in Burt Wolf article at www.salon.com/ent/col/wolf/2000/08/31/philly	8/31/2000
Featured in <i>Attaché Magazine</i> story	July 2000
Interviewed by Rod Sharp, "Up All Night," BBC radio, London	July 2000
Interviewed by Joel Siegel on "Good Morning America," ABC Network	7/31/2000
Interviewed by Kathleen Mathews on WJLA-TV, ABC affiliate, Washington, DC	7/31/2000
Interviewed on WTVE-TV, Philadelphia	7/14/2000
Interviewed on WPHL-TV, WB affiliate, Philadelphia	7/14/2000
Interviewed on CN8-TV news	7/11/2000
Richard P. Carpenter, "Star Spangled City" <i>Boston Globe</i> p. M1	7/2/2000
Interviewed on WXPB public radio, Philadelphia	5/24/2000

Professional Affiliations

American Historical Association
Organization of American Historians
American Studies Association
International American Studies Association
Urban History Association
European Urban History Group
Gesellschaft für Stadtgeschichte und Urbanisierungsforschung e.V.
Society for American City and Regional Planning History
International Planning History Society

Language Proficiencies

University of Pennsylvania graduate translation examinations passed in German, French, and Spanish.