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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2016- Assistant Research Professor Georgetown University, McDonough School of Business
Director (since 2015) Georgetown Institute for the Study of Markets and Ethics
Affiliate Faculty Georgetown University, Department of History
- 2013 - 2015 Visiting Assistant Prof. of History James Madison University
2012 - 2013 Visiting Assistant Professor University of Illinois-Springfield
2011 - 2012 Postdoctoral Fellow University of Illinois-Springfield
2009 - 2010 Fulbright Scholar Universiteit Leiden (Netherlands)
2007 - 2011 Graduate Instructor Florida State University

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. History, Florida State University, 2011
M.A. History, Florida State University, 2006
B.A. History, Philosophy, Dutch Language. Hope College, 2004

RESEARCH INTERESTS

1. 19th century U.S. History (markets, migration, slavery, Lincoln, folk culture)
2. Dutch World (Netherlands, Suriname, South Africa, and Dutch Americans)
3. Political Economy (constitutions, Classical Liberalism, economic thought)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2019 *The Colonization of Freed African Americans in Suriname: Archival Sources relating to the U.S.-Dutch Negotiations, 1860-1866* (Leiden University Press).
- 2018 *Creative Historical Thinking* (Routledge)
- 2017 *What is Classical Liberal History?* [co-edited with Phillip W. Magness] (Lexington Press).
- 2014 *How Dutch Americans stayed Dutch: An Historical Perspective on Ethnic Change* (University of Amsterdam Press).
- 2005 *Veneklasen Brick: A Family, an Industry, and a Unique Nineteenth Century Dutch Architectural Movement in Michigan* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans).

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

- 2019 “Two Early Dutch Translations of the U.S. Constitution: Public Meaning in a Transnational Context” *Law and History Review* 37:3 (July 2019) special issue on “Legal History and Originalism; Rethinking the Special Relationship”
- 2018 [[Michael J. Douma, Anders Bo Rasmussen, Robert O. Faith] “The Impressment of Foreign-born Soldiers in the Union Army” *Journal of American Ethnic History*
- 2018 “Why Historians have Failed to Recognize Mises’s *Theory and History*” *Review of Austrian Economics* 31.3: 359-372.
- 2017 “How the First Ten Amendments became the Bill of Rights” *Georgetown Journal of Law and Public Policy* 15:2
- 2017 “A Dutch Confederate: Charles Liernur Defends Slavery in America” *BMGN: Low Countries Review* 132-2 (June, 2017), 27-50.
- 2017 “McCloskey and the Dutch: Capitalist Rhetoric and the Economic History of Holland” *Journal of Private Enterprise* 32:4 (Winter 2017), 49-58.
- 2016 [Christina Mulligan, Michael J. Douma, Hans Lind, and Brian Patrick Quinn] “Founding-Era Translations of the United States Constitution,” *Constitutional Commentary* 31.1: 1-53.
- 2015 “The Lincoln Administration’s Negotiations to Colonize African Americans in Dutch Suriname,” *Civil War History* 61.2: 111-137.
- 2015 “Sorting the Past: The Social Function of Antique Stores as Centers for the Production of Local History,” *International Journal of Regional and Local History* 10.2: 101-119.
- 2014 [Michael J. Douma and Anders Bo Rasmussen] “The Danish St. Croix Project: Revisiting the Lincoln Colonization Program with Foreign-Language Sources,” *American Nineteenth Century History* 15.3: 311-342.
- 2014 “Tulip Time and the Invention of a New Dutch American Identity,” *American Studies* 53.1: 149-167.

- 2014 "Rediscovering Van Raalte's Church History: Historical Consciousness at the Birth of Dutch American Religion," *Calvin Theological Journal* 49.1: 5-24.
- 2013 "Ethnic Identities in a Transnational Context: The Dutch American Reaction to the Anglo-Boer War, 1899-1902," *South African Historical Journal* 65.4: 481-503.
- 2012 "A Black Dutchman and the Racial Discourse of the Dutch in America, 1850-1920," *Dutch Crossing: Journal of Low Countries Studies* 36.2: 143-57.
- 2010 "Imagining a New Identity: The Dutch American Immigrant Community, 1845-1875," *Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis* [Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History] 7.2: 32-55.
- 2010 "Memory and the Myth of Van Raalte: How Holland, Michigan, Remembers its Founding Father," *Michigan Historical Review* 36.2: 37-62.

Peer-reviewed Case Studies

- 2018 "Newspapers and Knowledge in the Market Revolution" **SAGE Business Cases**
- 2018 "Early Road Building in American History" **SAGE Business Cases**
- 2018 "Money and Credit on the American Frontier" **SAGE Business Cases**
- 2018 "What Came First: The Automobile or the Gas Station?" **SAGE Business Cases**
- 2018 "Dynamic Pricing in American History" **SAGE Business Cases**
- 2018 "A Paper World: Before Finances Went Digital" **SAGE Business Cases**
- 2018 "20th Century American Agricultural Policy" **SAGE Business Case**

Book Chapters

- 2017 (with John E. Jobson) "150 Years of Student Life at Hope College" in Jacob E. Nyenhuis, editor, *An Enduring Hope: A Sesquicentennial of Hope College, 1866-2016*. (Holland, MI: Van Raalte Press).
- 2014 "Writings about Van Raalte: Historiography and Changing Views about the Dutch American Leader," in Jacob E. Nyenhuis and George Harinck, eds. *The Enduring Legacy of Albertus Van Raalte* (Holland, MI: Van Raalte Press/ Grand Rapids, MI, and Cambridge, UK: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.), 279-296.
- 2012 "The First Dutch Consul in Wisconsin, Gijsbert van Steenwijk, and his Transnational Family," in Nella Kennedy, Mary Risseuw, Robert P. Swierenga, eds. *Diverse Destinies: Dutch Colonies in Wisconsin and the East* (Holland, MI: Van Raalte Press).

- 2009 “Dutch American Identity during the Civil War and the Boer War,” in Hans Krabbendam, Cornelis A. Van Minnen, and Giles Scott-Smith, eds., *NL - USA: Four Hundred Years of Dutch American Relations, 1609-2009* (Albany, NY: New York University Press and Amsterdam, The Netherlands: Boom), 375-385.
- 2008 “Arnold Mulder as a Dutch American Novelist,” in Robert P. Swierenga, Jacob E. Nyenhuis, and Nella Kennedy, eds., *Dutch-American Arts and Letters in Historical Perspective* (Holland, MI: Van Raalte Press) 43-60.

Other academic writings: magazines, newspapers, and journals

- 2018 “De Populistische en Liberale Concepten van De Geschiedenis” *Liberale Reflecties* (May, 2018)57-65.
- 2018 “I-66 tolls cause winners and loser in the daily commute” *InsideNova* (January 25, 2018)
- 2017 “My Friend Zeno’s Tax Paradox” **FEE.org** (Foundation for Economic Education), November 22, 2017.
- 2017 “How to Transition from College to Graduate school” *Intercollegiate Review* [online], June 14, 2017.
- 2017 “The bell-curve of anti-slavery” *LearnLiberty* [online], Feb., 19, 2017.
- 2017 “Unintended effects of Trump’s trade policy beginning to emerge,” *The Hill*, Feb., 9, 2017
- 2017 “Influencing one business is not sound pro-business policy,” *The Hill*, January 4, 2017.
- 2016 “Trump’s attempts to pick industry winners and losers will ultimately fail,” *The Hill*, December 8, 2016.
- 2016 “Hands-On Ethics Education: Georgetown Offers Courses to Students and Training to Teachers” *BizEd Magazine*, December 2016, 54-55.
- 2013 “Holland’s Plan for America’s Slaves,” *New York Times* [online], 11 July. Reprinted in Ted Widmer, ed. *The New York Times Disunion: A History of the Civil War* (Oxford University Press, 2016), 260-263.

- 2013 “Hoe verder zonder slaven? Het kolonisatie project van Amerikaanse vrijgelaten slaven op de Surinamse plantages, 1862-1866,” *Geschiedenis Magazine* 4: 14-19.
- 2013 “Rev. A.C. Van Raalte on Slavery,” *Origins, Historical Magazine of the Calvin College Archives* 31.2: 40-41.
- 2009 “Broers - Nederlandse Amerikanen en de Boerenoorlog,” *Zuid Afrika Maandblad* [South African Monthly] 86.7/8: 140-141.
- 2009 “When Holland had a Socialist Councilman,” *Origins, Historical Magazine of the Calvin College Archives* 27.1: 40-44.
- 2006 “Jacob Maasdam’s Memoir, 1831-1840,” Robert P. Swierenga and Muriel Kooi, eds., Michael J. Douma, trans. *Origins, Historical Magazine of the Calvin College Archives* 24.2: 22-30.

Book Reviews

- 2019 David Prior, ed. *Reconstruction in a Globalizing World* (New York, NY: Fordham University Press, 2018), *The Journal of African American History*
- 2019 Alex Rosenberg, *How History Gets Things Wrong: The Neuroscience of Our Addiction to Stories* (MIT Press, 2018), *The Journal of Value Inquiry*
- 2019 Sean Patrick Adams, *Home Fires: How Americans Kept Warm in the 19th Century* (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2014), *Business History*
- 2018 Brett Bowden, *The Strange Persistence of Universal History in Political Thought* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2017), *The Journal of Value Inquiry*
- 2018 David Gaido, *The Formative Period of American Capitalism: a materialist interpretation* (Routledge Press, 2017 [original 2006]), *Business History*
- 2017 Eugene P. Heideman, *Hendrick Scholte: His Legacy in the Netherlands and in America* (Holland, MI: Van Raalte Press, 2015). *Fides et Historia* 49:2 Summer/Fall 2017, 107-108.
- 2017 Jeroen DeWulf, *The Pinkster King and the King of Congo: The Forgotten History of America’s Dutch-Owned Slaves* (Jackson, Miss.: University of Mississippi Press, 2017), *BMGN – Low Countries Historical Review* 132

- 2017 William N. Goetzman, *Money Changes Everything: How Finance Made Civilization Possible* (Princeton University Press, 2016) *Journal of Markets and Morality* 20:1 (Fall, 2017), 206-207.
- 2017 James J. Gigantino II, *The Ragged Road to Abolition: Slavery and Freedom in New Jersey, 1775-1865* (Philadelphia, PA; University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015). *Journal of African American History* (Winter, 2017), 79-81.
- 2017 Beverly C. Tomek, *Colonization and its Discontents: Emancipation, Emigration, and Antislavery in Antebellum Pennsylvania* (New York University Press, 2011), *Journal of African American History* 102:2 (Spring, 2017), 256-258.
- 2016 Christian Olaf Christiansen, *Progressive Business: An Intellectual History of the Role of Business in American Society* (Oxford University Press, 2015). *Journal of Markets and Morality* 19:2(Fall, 2016), 495-496.
- 2016 [Review essay] Sylviane A. Diouf, *Slavery's Exiles: The Story of the American Maroons* (New York: New York University Press, 2014), and Nathaniel Millett, *The Maroons of Prospect Bluff and Their Quest for Freedom in the Atlantic World* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2013), in *Journal of American Ethnic History* 35:4 (Summer, 2016) , 93-97.
- 2016 Pauline Hillaire, Gregory P. Fields,ed. *A Totem Pole History: The Work of Lummi Carver Joe Hillaire*. *Journal of American Folklore* 129:511 (Winter 2016), 107-108.
- 2015 Mark Mulder, *Shades of White Flight* (Rutgers University Press, 2015), **Origins, Historical Magazine of the Calvin College Archives** 33.2: 44-45.
- 2015 Helena Simonett, *The Accordion in the Americas: Klezmer, Polka, Tango, Zydeco, and More!* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2012). *Journal of American Folklore*
- 2014 John B. Rehder, *Tennessee Log Buildings: A Folk Tradition* (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2012). *Journal of American Folklore* 125: 505 (Summer, 2014), 341-343.
- 2014 Lonn Taylor and David B. Warren, *Texas Furniture: The Cabinetmakers and Their Work, 1840-1900*. Revised editions, vol. 2. (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2012). *Journal of American Folklore* 125: 505 (Summer, 2014), 356-357.

- 2013 Cornelius J. Jaenen, *Promoters, Planters, and Pioneers. The Course and Context of Belgian Settlement in Western Canada* (The West Series 4; Calgary: University of Calgary Press, 2011). *BMGN/ Low Countries Historical Review* 128.1: 28.
- 2012 Joseph M. Lubig, *Maltese in Michigan* “Discovering the Peoples of Michigan” series. (Lansing: Michigan State University Press, 2011). *Michigan Historical Review* 38.2.
- 2011 Johan Schot, Harry Lintsen, and Arie Rip, eds. *Technology and the Making of the Netherlands: The Age of Contested Modernization, 1890-1970* (Boston: MIT Press, 2010). *History: The Journal of the Historical Association* 96.2.
- 2011 Nicholas Von Hoffman, *Radical: A Portrait of Saul Alinsky* (New York, Nation Books, 2010). *History: Review of New Books* 39.2.

Works in Progress

- Entry for Dutch (Midwest) in *The Encyclopedia of Vernacular Architecture of the World* (invited and forthcoming)
- Book: *Dutch-speaking Slaves after New Netherland*
- Book: *Ethics for Historians*
- Article: “What is the Conservative Philosophy of History?”

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018 Charles W. Wendell Research Grant, New Netherland Institute
- 2016 Visiting Scholar, Political Theory Project, Brown University
- 2014 Mellon Research Fellowship, Virginia Historical Society
- 2013 Advanced Theological Studies Fellowship, Theologische Universiteit Kampen
Research Travel Grant, A.C. Van Raalte Institute
- 2012 Summer Fellowship, Jack Miller Center Summer Institute
- 2009-2011 Graduate Student Fellowships, Institute for Humane Studies
- 2010 Visiting Research Fellowship, A.C. Van Raalte Institute
- 2009-2010 Fulbright Scholar, Universiteit Leiden (the Netherlands)
- 2009 International Research Dissertation Fellowship, Florida State University
- 2006-2007 Kingsbury Writing Fellowship, Florida State University
- 2005 Zeeland (Michigan) Historical Society Book Publication Grant

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 Invited presentations for my book *Creative Historical Thinking*: St. Francis University (PA); American University, Georgetown University, Belmont Abbey College, Washington & Lee, University of New Orleans, Loyola University (New Orleans)
- Invited panelist, panel on neocalvinism and economics. Kuyper Conference at Calvin College: The Future of African Public Theology. Grand Rapids, MI, May 1, 2018.
- Invited book presentation on “What is Classical Liberal History?” West Virginia University – Free Market Enterprise Center – April 17, 2018
- Invited book presentation on “What is Classical Liberal History?” and guest lecture on the rise and fall of Dutch economic power at Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico (Mexico City), February 19-20, 2018.
- Invited book presentation on “What is Classical Liberal History?” and guest lectures at Universidad Francisco Marroquin (Guatemala): “History of American Slavery” and “The U.S. Bill of Rights.” February 13-14, 2018.
- 2017 Ethics Panel member (invited), American Accounting Association (San Diego, CA, August 8, 2017)
- “Dutch Soldiers Pressed into the Union Army” Association for Advancement of Dutch American Studies, Fulton, Illinois, June 15, 2017.
- “How the First Ten Amendments become known as The Bill of Rights” (invited presentation) NYU Law School, February 28, 2017.
- 2016 “How the First Ten Amendments become known as The Bill of Rights” (invited colloquium presentation) Georgetown Law School, December 3, 2016.
- “Why historians have failed to understand Ludwig Von Mises’ *Theory and History*. (invited presentation) Bruno Leoni Institute Seminar, Sestri Levante, Italy. October 11, 2016. Also presented at the conference of the Southern Economic Association, Washington, D.C., November 20, 2016., and Mercatus Center, George Mason University (invited presentation), February 2, 2017.
- “Two Dutch Translations of the U.S. Constitution”, Political Theory Project, Brown University, Providence, RI: August 8, 2016.

“Historical Research on the Bill of Rights in the Digital Age” Bill of Rights Institute, Arlington, VA: June 13, 2016.

“Slavery and the Constitution from DeTocqueville to Lincoln” Intercollegiate Studies Institute Honors Conference, Wilmington DE, June 12-18, 2016.

“The Meaning of the U.S. Constitution: Evidence from Early Translations” New York University Law School, Classical Liberal Institute. February 23, 106.

“New Evidence and Arguments about the Original Meaning of the Constitution,” Panel Presentation at Georgetown Law’s Center for the Constitution. Washington, DC, January 29, 2016.

2015 “Categorizing Historic Inscriptions in the Shenandoah Valley,” Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology Conference, Fredericksburg, VA, November 8, 2015.

“Liberty and the Historical Imagination: Ethics, Logic, and Metaphors in History,” Weekend on Liberty Seminar, University of Illinois-Springfield, November 6, 2015.

“A Dutch Confederate: Defending Slavery in America” at “The Dutch in the Americas Across the Centuries” New Netherland Institute/ Association for the Advancement of Dutch American Studies Conference, Albany, NY, September 18, 2015.

“What is Classical Liberal History?” and “Primary Sources on the History of Roads”, Two invited lectures at the Institute for Humane Studies’ seminar, Liberty and Society, Wake Forest University, June 4-8, 2015.

“History of Veneklasen Brick,” invited speaker, Zeeland Historical Society, Zeeland, Michigan, 14 May 2015.

“The Early Translations of the U.S. Constitution,” Association for Private Enterprise Education, Cancun, Mexico, 14 April, 2015.

“How to Get your First Peer-Reviewed Publication,” and “Co-authoring and collaborating,” [two 1-hour seminars] Institute for Humane Studies online seminar series, 19 March 2015, 28 April 2015.

2014 “Folklore v. History, a Conflict between Disciplines at the Frontier Culture Museum,” American Folklore Society Annual Conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 30 Nov. 2014.

“Visualizing the Past: How to think like a Historian,” [invited speaker] Art of Teaching Seminar, Institute for Humane Studies, Towson University, Towson, Maryland, 30 June 2014.

“Lincoln and Seward on Colonization in Danish St. Croix,” Society of Civil War Historians Conference, Baltimore, MD, 13 June 2014

“The Character Sketches of Ray Nies” International Interdisciplinary Conference of the American Association for Netherlandic Studies/ Historians of Netherlandish Art, Boston University, Boston, MA, 7 June 2014.

“Historic Inscriptions in the Shenandoah Valley,” four invited presentations: Augusta County Historical Society, 30 April; Virginia Archaeological Society; 7 May; Virginia Historical Society, 14 May 2014; Waynesboro VA Arts Council, 22 Jan. 2015.

“The Geography of Black Colonization and Emigration” [Poster Presentation, with Phillip Magness] American Historical Association Conference, Washington, D.C., January 4.

2013 “Rediscovering A.C. Van Raalte” Advanced Theological Studies Fellowship Lecture, Theologische Universiteit Kampen (the Netherlands), 25 June. (A presentation on the same theme followed as an invited lecture at Hope College in Holland, Michigan, 20 January 2014).

“The Frustration of Roest van Limburg: Black Colonization, the Lincoln Administration, and a Failed Proposal to Bring Freed Slaves to Dutch Suriname,” 2013 Illinois History Symposium "Slavery and Emancipation: Global Perspectives." Springfield, IL, March 1.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgetown University

Assistant Research Professor

HIS390 Markets and the Making of the U.S. Fall 2018

James Madison University

Visiting Assistant Professor

HIS 225: U.S. History Survey

Spring 2015

Spring, Summer, Fall 2014

	Fall 2013
HIS 439: American Folk Culture History	Fall 2013, Fall 2014
HIS 339: U.S. Immigration	Spring 2015
HIS 493/593: Historic Preservation	Spring 2014

University of Illinois-Springfield

Visiting Assistant Professor

HIS 440: History of American Folk Culture	Fall 2012
HIS 107: Globalization and Power	Fall 2012
Liberal Studies Senior Seminar (online)	Spring 2013

Postdoctoral Fellow

HIS 107: Globalization and Power	Spring 2012
HIS 440: History of American Education	Spring 2012
Liberal Studies 301: Self-Directed Learning	Fall 2011, Spring 2012

Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL)

Graduate Student Instructor (Courses Taught)

AMH 2097: U.S. Race and Ethnicity	2007-2011 (six semesters)
AMH 2020: U.S. History since 1865	Spring 2009

Teaching Assistant

AMH 2097: U.S. Race and Ethnicity	Spring 2006
WOH 1023: Modern World since 1815	Fall 2005

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Peer-Reviewer: *European Journal of American Studies*, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, *American Studies in Scandinavia*, *Journal of Private Enterprise*, University of Notre Dame Press, *The Independent Review*, Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, *Social Philosophy and Policy*, Sage Business Cases.

2018	Series Editor, Sage Publishers Business/ Economic History Case Studies
2018	Special issue guest editor: <i>Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy</i>
2017	Special issue guest editor: <i>Review of Austrian Economics</i>
2017	Host/Discussant for Netherlands-America Foundation, D.C. Chapter Event
2017	Fulbright Committee Member, Georgetown University
2013, 2014	Fulbright Committee Member, James Madison University
2012	Reader - College Board AP U.S. History Exam (June 1-7, 2012)
2009-2011, 2017-	Board Member, Association for the Advancement of Dutch American Studies (AADAS)

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Dutch (and spoken fluency), German, Frisian

REFERENCES

Dr. John Hasnas
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