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Curriculum Vitae

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PRESENT POSITION:

Professor
Department of History

Date tenured: 15 July 2001

EDUCATION:

M.Div. **1987 - 1992**
Huron University College, The University of Western Ontario

Ph.D. (History) **1983 - 1988**
The University of Western Ontario

M.A. (History) **1978 - 1979**
The University of Western Ontario

B.A. (Honors History) **1974 - 1978**
Huron University College, The University of Western Ontario

EMPLOYMENT (Academic, full-time) The University of Western Ontario

Professor, Department of History	2019-present
Associate Professor, Department of History	2010- 2019
Associate Professor, Department of History and Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies Program	2001- 2010
Assistant Professor, Department of History and Bachelor of Administrative and Commercial Studies Program	1999-2001
Assistant Professor, full-time, limited-term, Department of History	1989-1992

Administrative Positions:

*Chair, Department of History
The University of Western Ontario* **1 July 2012 to 30 June 2016**

*Director, Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies (BMOS) Program,
The University of Western Ontario* **July 2001 to June 2007**

Co-ordinator, Bachelor of Administrative and Commercial Studies Program
July 1999 - June 2001

Special Projects Co-ordinator, Faculty of Social Science **January 1997 - June 1999**

BMOS Committee Memberships:

Steering Committee	1999-2007
Workload Committee	1999-2007
Appointments Committee	1999-2009, 2010- 2012
Annual Performance Evaluation Committee	1999-2007
Curriculum Committee	1999-2007
Dancap Fellowships Committee	2010-2012
Dancap Research Awards Committee	2009-2012
Promotion and Tenure Committee	2001-2013
Commercial Aviation Management Flight Standards Committee	1999-2007
Commercial Aviation Management Emergency Response Team	2001-2007
Commercial Aviation Management Advisory Board	2003-2007
Advisory Committee to the Western Continuing Studies Diploma in Accounting program	2001-2007
Advisory Committee to the Western Continuing Studies Diploma in Labor Relations program	2003-2007
Advisory Committee to the Western Continuing Studies Diploma in Arts Management program	2003-2007
Advisory Committee to the Western Continuing Studies Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety program	2004-2007
Advisory Committee to the Western Continuing Studies Diploma in Not-for-Profit Management program	2005-2007

Department of History Committee Memberships:

Advisory Committee	2003-2006; 2008-2016; 2017-2018; 2020-2022
Annual Performance Evaluation Committee	2008-2016; 2021
Appointments Committee	2020-2023
Chair Selection Committee	2007-2008
Graduate Committee	2009-2011; 2012-2016; 2024-2025
Promotion and Tenure Committee	2003-2006; 2008-2016; 2017-2026
Workload Committee	2008-2009; 2012-2016

Other UWO Committee Memberships:

Senate Review Board Academic (Chair)	2009-2021
Faculty of Social Science Student's Council Leadership Awards (selection)	2009
Faculty of Social Science Awards Committee	2006-2007
Faculty of Social Science Educational Policy Committee	2001-2005
Faculty of Social Science Space Committee	2001-2007
Western Centre for Continuing Studies Director Selection Committee	2005
Department of Political Science Chair Selection Committee	2004-2005
Department of Anthropology Chair Selection Committee	2025-2026
Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees	2000-2005
Appointments Committee, Brescia University College	2002
St. Andrews' University Student Exchange Selection Committee	1998-2001
member of three-person ad hoc committee designing the "Request for Proposals" and evaluating tender applications for the flight training operations of the BMOS/Commercial Aviation Management program	2010

RESEARCH:**In Progress or Forthcoming:**

Monograph: *History of the Liberal Party of Ontario, 1830s to 2025*

Monograph: *Not So Loyal She Remains: Political Dissent in Ontario's History, 1763-2019*

review of *Statecraft: Canadian Prime Ministers and Their Cabinets* (University of Toronto Press, 2025) in the *Canadian Journal of Political Science* by Stephen Azzi and Patrice Dutil (eds.) (forthcoming).

review of L.R. "Red" Wilson, *A Canadian Journey: Lessons in Life, Leadership, and Legacy* (University of Toronto Press, 2026) by Dimitry Anastakis in *Ontario History* (forthcoming).

"Walter Edward Harris," *Dictionary of Canadian Biography/Dictionnaire biographique du*

Canada (University of Toronto Press) – in press (5036 words)

“George Howard Ferguson,” *Dictionary of Canadian Biography/Dictionnaire biographique du Canada* (University of Toronto Press) – in press (8618 words)

“‘One Boy Who Left the City to Make Good in the Country’: the political rise and fall of Walter Edward Harris” (accepted for publication in *Ontario History*).

Publications (books):

“The world is our parish”: John King Gordon, 1900-1989 An Intellectual Biography (University of Toronto Press, 2015).

Power at Cost: Ontario Hydro and Rural Electrification, 1911-1958 (McGill-Queen's University Press, 1992).

Publications (articles and book reviews):

review of Ken Brown, *Macdonald and Mrs. Hall: Brought Together by Beavermead Farm, Peterborough* (Cover to Cover, 2024) in *Ontario Historical Society Bulletin*, Spring 2026, p. 10.

review of Rideau Township Historical Society, *North Gower: A Village History, 1820-2020* (2023) in *Ontario Historical Society Bulletin*, Spring 2026, p. 11.

review of *Canada's Prime Ministers and the Shaping of a National Identity* (UBC Press, 2024) by Raymond B. Blake in *The Canadian Historical Review*, June 2025, Vol. 106 (2), pp. 310-311.

review of Ian McKechnie and Tom Mohr, eds., *Reflections on Old Victoria County: A Tribute to R.B. Fleming* (Independently published, 2024), in *Ontario Historical Society Bulletin*, Fall 2025, pp. 18-19.

review of Scott Kennedy, *Nobody's Home: Abandoned Houses of York Mills and the Bridle Path* (Friesen Press, 2023), in *Ontario Historical Society Bulletin*, Fall 2025, p. 19.

“The Rise and Fall of an Ontario Business Dynasty: William Kennedy & Sons and its Successors, 1857-1997,” in Lori Chamers, Edgar-André Montigny, James Onusko, and Dimitry Anastakis, eds., *Ontario Since Confederation: A Reader*, 2nd edition (University of Toronto Press, 2024), pp. 182-207.

“‘Socially Disruptive Actions ... Have Become as Canadian as Maple Syrup’: Civil Disobedience in Canada, 1960–2012,” *Journal of Canadian Studies / Revue d'études canadiennes*, Volume 54, Number 1, Winter 2020, pp. 181-211.

TEACHING:**1981 to the present*****Department of History, The University of Western Ontario*****courses taught:**

History 025E (Canada: A Survey)
 History 030E (Introduction to the History of Business and Commerce)
 History 143F/G (Canada Since 1929)
 History 144F/G (Canadian Business and Labour History)
 History 150E (Canadian Political Thought)
 History 188 (Christianity and Western Society)
 History 231E (Canada: Origins to Present)
 History 232E (Canada: From the Beginning of the French Regime to Confederation)
 History 233E (Canada: From Confederation to the Present)
 History 360E (The Evolution of Canadian Political Parties, 1867 - Present)
 History 451E (The Canadian Elite and its Urban Base)
 History 491E (Industrialization in Ontario)
 History 1707F/G (Making Money: History of Business and Capitalism)
 History 2807F/G (Entrepreneurship in the United States and Canada Since 1800)
 History 3231F/G (Yours to Discover: A History of Ontario)
 History 3226F/G (Canadian Political Leadership)
 History 3227F/G (Canadian Political Protest)
 History 3265F/G (Racism in Canadian History)
 History 3735F/G (Global History of Populism)
 History 4701E (Canada and the United States)
 History 4703F/G (Canada and the United States)
 History 9200A/B (Selected Topics in Ontario History)
 History 9207E (Political Culture in Canadian Society Since 1867)
 History 9206Y (Canada in the 20th Century)
 History 9210A/B (Canada: State and Society Since 1945)
 History 9277F/G (Themes in Canadian Intellectual History)

Management and Organizational Studies Program, The University of Western Ontario**courses taught:****1999-2007**

Management and Organizational Studies 020a/b (Globalization)
 Management and Organizational Studies 180 (Organizational Behaviour)

Graduate Studies Committees:**supervisor, Ph.D dissertation:**

David Blocker, “‘To Waffle to the Left’: Canada’s New Democratic Party and New Left during the Long Sixties” (defended, August 2019).

examiner, doctoral dissertation committees:

Daniel Manulak, “A Light in the Window: Canada, Race, and South African Apartheid, 1958-1994” (Department of History, August 2021).

Tyler Girard, “Explaining the Origins and Evolution of the Global Financial Inclusion Agenda” (Department of Political Science, July 2021).

Michael O’Hagan, “Beyond the Barbed Wire: POW Labour Projects in Canada during the Second World War” (Department of History, February 2020).

Nolan Brown, “Protecting the Individual: The Origins and Development of Saskatchewan Conservatism, 1905-1944” (Department of History, June 2019)

Paul Andrew Evans, ‘The Least Possible Fuss and Publicity’: The Politics of Immigration in Postwar Canada, 1945-1963” (Department of History, Wilfrid Laurier University, external examiner, August 2018)

Elliot Worsfold, “Welcoming Strangers: Race, Religion, and Ethnicity in German Lutheran Ontario and Missouri, 1939-1970” (Department of History, August 2018)

Graeme Phillips, “‘An Articulate Minority’: Studies in the Ideas of Canadian Peace, 1945-1963” (Department of History, June 2018)

Nick Caruana, “Should Voters Decide?: Successes, Failures and Effects of Electoral Reform” (Department of Political Science, 2015)

Douglas Adams, “The War of the Worlds: The Militant Fundamentalism of Dr. Thomas Todhunter Shields and the Paradox of Modernity (Department of History, 2015)

Steven Seligman, “Canada and the 2001 United Nations World Conference against Racism” (Department of Political Science, 2014)

Daniel Heidt, “‘First Among Equals’: The Development of Preponderant Federalisms in Upper Canada and Ontario to 1896” (Department of History, 2014)

Brandon Dimmel, “Outside Influences: Great War Experiences along the Canada-U.S. Border” (Department of History, August 2012)

Dorotea Gucciardo, “The Powered Generation: Canadians, Electricity, and Everyday Life, 1882-1960 (Department of History, August 2011).

Teresa Iacobelli, “No Example is Needed: Discipline and Authority in the Canadian Expeditionary Force During the First World War” (Department of History, December 2009).

Graham Broad, “A Small Price to Pay: Consumerism on the Canadian Home Front,” 1939-1945” (Department of History, September 2008).

Andrew Ross, “Hockey Capital: Commerce, Culture and the National Hockey League, 1917-1967” (Department of History, July 2008).

Devkamal Dutta, “Multimarket Competitive Context, Differentiation, and Performance: The US Automotive Industry Over Time” (Faculty of Business Administration, August 2007).

Daryl White, “Multinational Patriots: Business-Government Relations in the Canadian Aluminum and Nickel Industries, 1914-1945” (Department of History, April 2006).

Amy Shaw, “These Strange, Ridiculous and Contradictory Creatures: Conscientious Objection in Canada During the First World War” (Department of History, August 2005).

Sean O’Hagan, “Tacit Knowledge Transfer Via Interlocking Directorates: A Geographical Approach” (Department of Geography, May 2002).

member, doctoral dissertation advisory committees:

Rosemary Giles, “Western Counties Veterans' Lodge and the Rehabilitation of Canada's Tubercular Second World War Veterans” (July 2025).

Khrystyna Nyshchei, “Training Ukrainian Greek Catholic Priests in the the Era of Persecution, 1946-1989” (December 2024).

Scott van Wetten, “Internment in Canada during the First World War” (October 2021)

Guy St. Denis “Exploiting a Hero: Sir Isaac Brock and the Rise of Canadian Nationalism” (April 2020).

Jonathan Bayer, “National Identities in the Canadian and American Presses, 1763-1867 (March 2019).

Allen Priest, “The Politics of Loss: Masculinity and Leadership in Cold War North America, 1945-1975” (May 2018).

Nolan Brown, “The Right in Saskatchewan, 1929-1971 (October 2013).

Stephen Grandpre, “The Winnipeg Police Institution, 1874-1919” (November 2012)

Alex Souchen, “Munitions Incorporated: Demobilizing Canada’s Munitions Industry in the 1940s” (May 2012)

Steve Marti, “Embattled Identities: Patriotism in the Dominions, 1914-1918” (March 2012)

Jonathan Scotland, “Living a Separate Peace: A Generation of Men in the Aftermath of the Great War” (October 2011)

Daniel Heidt, “‘There’s No Place Like This’: Ontario and Region in Canada, 1867-1967” (September 2010)

Jeremy Marks, “The Evolution of the Federal Conservative Party, 1957-1981” (September 2010)

Ryan O’Connor, “Keep It Clean: Pollution Probe and the Emergence of Environmentalism in Canada” (April 2007).

Doug Adams, “War of the Worlds: Dr. Thomas Todhunter Shields and the Battle for Religious Relevance in a Secular Age” (June 2005).

Daryl White, “Multinational Patriots: Alcan, Inco and the Canadian Government, 1914-1945” (June 2004).

Andrew Ross, “Hockey Capital: The National Hockey League, 1925-67” (March 2004).

supervisor, M.A. theses and cognates:

Paul White, “The Impact of the Forest Products and Tourist Industries on the Development of the Bruce Peninsula, 1850-2019,” M.A. thesis (August 2020).

Jeffrey Shefler, “William Hamilton Merritt and the Business of Canal Building and Politics” (August 2019)

Trevor McKillop, “George Drew’s 22-Point Program” (August 2013)

Theodore Cogan, “The Sunday School Mentality: Perception and Reality in Canadian Foreign Aid Policy, 1950-1970” (August 2011).

Matthew van der Heide, “The Victims, the Villains, or the Virtuous?: Physicians in the 1962 Saskatchewan Doctors’ Strike” (August 2009).

Michael Schatte, “British Appeasement, 1935-1938: An Anglo-Canadian Editorial Perspective” (August 2008).

Troy Krywulak, “The Colombo Plan and Canadian Foreign Policy, 1945-1951: A Re-assessment” (August 2007).

Kate Primeau, “Before the ‘State Had No Place in the Bedrooms of the Nation’: Political

Advocates, Women's Groups, and the Decriminalization of Birth Control in Canada, 1962-1969" (August 2007).

Rebecca Beusaert, "The parties these ladies used to put on!: Class and the Formation of Women's Leisure Activities in Tillsonburg, Ontario, 1881-1911" (August 2006).

examiner, M.A. thesis committees:

Mary E. Baxter, "The 1900s Southwestern Ontario Sand Sucker Panic" (Department of History, July 2023).

Evan Mardell, "Quebec's Uninhabitable Community: Identity and Community among Anglo-Quebecer Out-Migrants," (Department of Anthropology, August 2021).

Tabitha Edgar, "Personhood, Particularity, and Perichoresis: The Doctrine of the Trinity in Identity and Faith Formation," M.Th. thesis, (Faculty of Theology, Huron University College, June 2021).

Shane Roberts, "Separating the Sands: Karl Clark and Early Oil Sands Research in Alberta" (Department of History, July 2018).

Kerry Wilson, "Historical Thinking and the History Textbook," (Faculty of Education, M.Ed., December 2009).

Michale Veenema, "Challenge, Corruption, and Grace on the Road to Closure: the Moravian Mission of New Fairfield on the Thames, 1843-1903" (Department of History, August 2002).

Shane Silverberg, "Concentration of Ownership in Canada's Resource Industries: Historical and Recent Trends in Mining, Petroleum, and Forestry" (Department of Sociology, November 2001).

Gordon Cavanaugh, "The Knights of the Air and the Myth of Chivalry" (Department of History, September 2001).

Michael Petricca, "Edward Plunket Taylor's Entrepreneurial Visions of Expansion: The Interrelated Development of Canadian Breweries Limited and Argus Corporation, 1945-1975" (Department of History, August 2001).

Kathy English, "Family Ties and Chains of Ownership of *The Expositor*: From Thomas Hiram Preston to Conrad Moffat Black, 1890-1997" (Department of History, September 1997).

Andrew Ross, "A History of the Heintzman Piano Company, 1888-1922" (Department of History, September 1994).

Stephanie Tiffin, "The Evolution of Labour and Gender Relations at the J.M. Schneider

Company of Kitchener, Ontario” (Department of History, September 1993).

Daniela Gallo, “Institutional Autonomy and Interprovincial Co-operation” (Department of Political Science, January 1993).

Rick Lund, “Unemployment Insurance and Seasonal Workers in Canada, 1940-1963” (Department of History, September 1991).

Dino Zorzi, “*The Toronto Catholic Register, The London Catholic Record*, and the Great Depression, 1929-1935” (Department of History, September 1990).

Related Teaching Activities:

peer teaching evaluations, 25 conducted for the Department of History and MOS Program (2004-2022)

designer, complete curriculum, including over 50 individual course syllabi, for baccalaureate programs in Business Administration, and Business Administration and Information Technology, Castle University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (2004)

reviewer, Brandon University proposed baccalaureate program in Commercial Aviation Management (2004)

panelist, “Writing in University: What Professors Expect,” UWO Summer Academic Orientation (2002-2004)

assessor, “Petro-Canada Young Innovator Awards” (2003)

assessor, Ontario Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board, application by Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology to establish a Bachelor of Applied Technology in Aviation degree program (2002)

co-developer, UWO Faculty of Music Bachelor of Arts in Music Studies Administration program (2000-2001)

faculty supervisor, SLIS graduate student co-op placement at the Diocese of Huron Archives (1999-2000)