Fall 2015

"Odor and the Imperial Imagination"

Andrew Rotter, Colgate University

Thursday, September 24, 2015 3:30pm

Bio: Andrew Rotter is the Charles A. Dana Professor of History at Colgate University and Director of the Peace & Conflict Studies Program. He is the author of Hiroshima: The World's Bomb (Oxford University Press, 2008), and numerous other works.

Abstract: The British in India and the Americans in the Philippines had many things in mind for their imperial possessions. One was to 'civilize,' in their own terms, Asians whom they claimed were in serious need of refinement. And one of the ways in which the Anglo-Americans defined civilization was respect for the five senses. This talk will explore efforts by the British and Americans to make their imperial charges smell better, or less strong, in the belief that deodorization was an important step along the path to civilization and thus eventual self-government.

Video: https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/Zd75Yoq8

"U.S. Bases and the Construction of Hegemony"

A Symposium at the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy

October 9-10, 2015. Friday: 4:30pm, Saturday: 8:00am

Keynote Address on Friday by David Vine, American University.

Film Screening on Friday: "Occupy Turkey: Resistance in Baseworld," Dir. Amy Austin Holmes, American University in Cairo.

Friday Location: Room 222, Temple University Center City Campus, 1515 Market Street, Philadelphia

The Symposium on Saturday will feature four panel discussions throughout the day.

Saturday Location: Russel Weigley Room, Gladfelter Hall 914, Temple University Main Campus, Philadelphia

"Worldmaking: The Art and Science of American Diplomacy"

David Milne, University of East Anglia

Wednesday, October 21, 2015 2:30pm
Bio: David Milne is senior lecturer in modern history at the University of East Anglia. He is the author of *America's Rasputin: Walt Rostow and the Vietnam War* and senior editor of the two-volume *Oxford Encyclopedia of American Military and Diplomatic History*. Milne has held visiting fellowships at Yale University, the Gilder-Lehrman Institute for American History, and the American Philosophical Society. In addition to academic journals, his writing has appeared in the *Los Angeles Times* and *The Nation*.

Abstract: *Worldmaking* is a fresh and compelling new take on the history of American diplomacy. Rather than retracing a familiar story of realism versus idealism, David Milne suggests that U.S. foreign policy has also been crucially divided between those who view statecraft as an art and those who believe it can aspire toward the certainties of science.

*Worldmaking* follows a colorful cast of characters who built on each other’s ideas to create the policies we have today. Woodrow Wilson’s Universalism and moralism led Sigmund Freud to diagnose a messiah complex. Walter Lippmann was an internationally syndicated columnist who commanded the attention of leaders as diverse as Theodore Roosevelt, Lyndon Johnson, and Charles de Gaulle. Paul Wolfowitz was the intellectual architect of the 2003 invasion of Iraq—an ardent admirer of Wilson’s attempt to "make the world safe for democracy." Each was engaged in a process of worldmaking, formulating strategies that sought to deploy the nation’s vast military and economic power—or indeed its retraction through a domestic reorientation—to "make" a world in which America is best positioned to thrive. From the age of steam engines to the age of drones, Milne reveals patterns of aspirant worldmaking that have remained impervious to the passage of time. The result is a panoramic history of U.S. foreign policy driven by ideas and the lives and times of their creators.

Copies of Dr. Milne’s book will be available for purchase and signing.

Video: [https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/i6CFb9k7](https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/i6CFb9k7)

"When Should State Secrets Stay Secret? Accountability, Democratic Governance, and Intelligence"

Genevieve Lester, National Defense University

Friday, October 30, 2015 2:00pm

Bio: Dr. Genevieve Lester joined the National Defense University, Joint Special Operations Master of Arts program faculty as an assistant professor in 2015. She is a specialist in intelligence studies. Her areas of interest are international relations and security with an emphasis on accountability and domestic security institutions. She also studies covert action and the relationship between intelligence and Special Forces. She was senior research fellow and lecturer at the University of California, Washington Center, and a non-resident fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington DC.

Dr. Lester was also visiting assistant professor and faculty coordinator of intelligence studies and faculty coordinator for analytic methods at the Security Studies Program, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, and a senior fellow at the Center for Security Studies also at Georgetown. She was a research fellow at the International Institute for Strategic Studies, working on risk and counterterrorism, and an editor of the journal, *International Affairs*, based at Chatham House in London. She was a researcher at the RAND Corporation and a Fulbright Scholar at the Technical University in Berlin.
She holds a PhD and MA in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley, an MA in International Economics/International Law and Organizations from the Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, and a BA in history from Carleton College. Dr. Lester recently published her first book, *When Should State Secrets Stay Secret? Accountability, Democratic Governance, and Intelligence*, with Cambridge University Press. She is currently working on two more book projects, one on restoring the credibility of security services after failure, and another on the interaction of intelligence services and Special Forces.

**Abstract:** Contrary to popular assumption, the development of stronger oversight mechanisms actually leads to greater secrecy rather than the reverse. *When Should State Secrets Stay Secret?* examines modern trends in intelligence oversight development by focusing on how American oversight mechanisms combine to bolster an internal security system and thus increase the secrecy of the intelligence enterprise. Genevieve Lester uniquely examines how these oversight mechanisms have developed within all three branches of government, how they interact, and what types of historical pivot points have driven change among them. She disaggregates the concept of accountability into a series of specified criteria in order to grapple with these pivot points. This book concludes with a discussion of a series of normative questions, suggesting ways to improve oversight mechanisms based on the analytical criteria laid out in the analysis.

Copies of Dr. Lester’s book will be available for purchase and signing.

**Video:** [https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/Ed72Pgi4](https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/Ed72Pgi4)

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“Nationalists at War: Towards a New Understanding of the Vietnamese Wars, Anticommunist Nationalism, and South Vietnam”

**Nu-Anh Tran, University of Connecticut**

**Wednesday, November 18, 2015 2:30pm**

**Bio:** Nu-Anh Tran is Assistant Professor of Southeast Asian history at the University of Connecticut, Storrs. She graduated with a PhD from UC Berkeley and has worked extensively in American and Vietnamese archives.

**Abstract:** What was the Vietnam War about? Most American scholarship focuses on the confrontation between American intervention and Vietnamese communism, but the war was also a conflict between different groups of Vietnamese. This presentation explains that the war was part of a longer struggle between Vietnamese nationalists that predated American involvement. It proposes a new conceptual approach to the war and focuses on South Vietnamese anticommunism.

“Purity and Order: Toward Social-Cultural Understandings of the Cold War”

**Masuda Hajimu, National University of Singapore**

**Monday, November 30, 2015 3:30pm**
Bio: Masuda Hajimu (family name Masuda) is a historian whose work concerns the history of American foreign relations, the modern history of East Asia, and the social and global history of the Cold War. He received his Ph.D. from Cornell University in 2012, and currently is an Assistant Professor in the Department of History at the National University of Singapore. He is the author of *Cold War Crucible: The Korean Conflict and the Postwar World* (Harvard University Press, 2015), and has published a number of book chapters and articles which can be found in *Foreign Policy, Diplomatic History, Journal of Contemporary History, Journal of Cold War Studies,* and *Journal of American-East Asian Relations,* as well as IIAS Newsletter and History News Network.

Abstract: What was the Cold War? Masuda Hajimu's *Cold War Crucible: The Korean Conflict and the Postwar World* inquires into the peculiar nature of the Cold War through examining not only centers of policymaking, but seeming aftereffects of Cold War politics: Suppression of counterrevolutionaries in China, the White Terror in Taiwan, the Red Purge in Japan, and McCarthyism in the United States. Such purges were not merely end results of the Cold War, Masuda argues, but forces that necessitated the imagined reality of the Cold War in attempts at restoring purity and tranquility at home. Revealing social functions and popular participation, Masuda highlights ordinary people's roles in making and maintaining the "reality" of the Cold War, raising the question of what the Cold War really was.

Copies of Dr. Masuda's book, *Cold War Crucible,* will be available for purchase and signing.

Video: [https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/Kb85BoQg](https://ensemble.temple.edu/Watch/Kb85BoQg)

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Screening and Discussion: “Breath of Freedom”

Maria Hoehn, Vassar College

Wednesday, February 18, 2015 3:30pm

Bio: Maria Hoehn, Vassar College, teaches German history and is an established scholar of the American military presence in Germany. Her books include *GIs and Fräuleins: The German-American Encounter in 1950s West Germany,* *Over There: Living with The U.S. Military Empire from World War Two to the Present* (co-authored with Seungsook Moon), and *A Breath of Freedom: African American GIs, the Civil Rights Struggle and Germany* (co-authored with Martin Klimke). Hoehn is the co-founder and co-director of “The Civil Rights Struggle, African American GIs, and Germany” ([http://aacvr-germany.org](http://aacvr-germany.org)), a digital archive and oral history collection.

Abstract: The documentary “Breath of Freedom” tells the story of African-American GIs who were stationed in Germany at the end of World War II as part of a policy to help rid the country of racism and oppression. It is based on the book *A Breath of Freedom: The Civil Rights Struggle, African American GIs, and Germany* by Maria Hoehn and Martin Klimke. Accepted by the German people as representatives of a victorious power, these African-American GIs found themselves in a foreign country experiencing for the first time what it feels like to be treated as equals. Author Maria Hoehn will be present for a screening and discussion of the movie.

Trailer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkZZjsJuyJA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkZZjsJuyJA)
"World War II and the Re-Invention of the American Legion, 1940-1945"

Olivier Burtin, Princeton University

Tuesday, February 24, 2015 3:30pm

Bio: Olivier Burtin is a fourth-year graduate student in History at Princeton University. He holds a Master's Degree in History from Princeton (2013) and from the Institut d'études politiques in Paris (Sciences Po, 2011).

Abstract: By focusing on the internal operations of the American Legion during World War II, this talk brings to light an entirely forgotten episode in U.S history. It shows that the Legion, created in 1919 by and (only) for veterans of the Great War, opened itself to the new generation of World War II veterans only after a contentious debate within its membership. Many longtime Legionnaires were afraid of losing control of their beloved group and unsure of whether the new generation could be trusted with such power. Once the decision was taken, however, its consequences would ripple through American society for generations. As the Legion set out to convince suspicious active-duty servicemen and women as well as recently-discharged veterans to join its ranks, it embarked on a massive lobbying effort not only at the grassroots level all across the country but in the halls of power in Washington D.C. It is in that light, I will argue, that we need to see the landmark piece of legislation known as the “G.I Bill” of 1944: as the crowning achievement of a multi-faceted recruitment campaign meant to entice the new generation to join the old—in other words, as the symbol of the re-invention of the American Legion.

"A Misplaced Massacre: Struggling Over the Memory of Sand Creek"

Ari Kelman, Penn State University

Wednesday, March 18, 2015 3:30pm

Bio: Ari Kelman is the McCabe Greer Professor of History at Penn State University, where he teaches a wide range of courses, including on the Civil War and Reconstruction, the politics of memory, environmental history, Native American history, World War II, and America in the 1960s. He is the author of A Misplaced Massacre: Struggling Over the Memory of Sand Creek (Harvard University Press, 2013), recipient of the Bancroft Prize and multiple other awards in 2014, and A River and Its City: The Nature of Landscape in New Orleans (University of California Press, 2003), which won the Abbott Lowell Cummings Prize in 2004. Kelman’s essays and articles have appeared in Slate, The Christian Science Monitor, The Nation, The Times Literary Supplement, the Journal of Urban History, The Journal of American History, and many others.

Abstract: For nearly a century and a half, the Sand Creek Massacre has been at the center of struggles over history and memory in the American West: from the government investigations launched in the massacre's immediate aftermath; to the controversial work of so-called Indian reformers, writing late in the nineteenth century; to memorials erected in Colorado during the Cold War; to the impact of popular histories, including Dee Brown's Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee; to the recently opened Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site. Ari Kelman will discuss the meaning and impact of the longstanding fight to shape and control memories of Sand Creek.
Copies of Dr. Kelman's book *A Misplaced Massacre: Struggling Over the Memory of Sand Creek* (winner of the 2014 Bancroft Prize) will be available for purchase and signing.

"Gorbachev's Asian Pivot: Lessons from the Soviet Collapse"

Christopher Miller, Yale University

Tuesday, April 7, 2015 3:30pm

Bio: Chris Miller is a PhD candidate at Yale University, where he recently completed his dissertation, "Collapse: The Untold Story of the Struggle to Save the Soviet Economy." Chris also serves as an associate scholar at the Foreign Policy Research Institute, where he writes on Russia, Ukraine, and Eurasia. Chris has also served as a visiting fellow at the Carnegie Moscow Center and has taught finance and history at the New Economic School in Moscow, Russia.

Abstract: The dissolution of the USSR is particularly puzzling because China -- also a Marxist-Leninist autocracy -- managed to ditch its centrally-planned economy while maintaining an authoritarian political structure. Christopher Miller’s research in Soviet archives has found that Soviet officials closely followed Chinese policy, and directly copied many Chinese reforms. Miller will describe how the problem was not Gorbachev's policies as much as the immense power of economic interest groups within Soviet society.

“The Historical Roots of the Snowden Revelations”

Jonathan Winkler, Wright State University

Thursday, April 23, 2015

Bio: Jonathan Reed Winkler is associate professor of history at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. He is a historian of U.S. diplomatic, military and naval history, and international affairs in the modern era. Past President of the Ohio Academy of History, Winkler is the author of *Nexus: Strategic Communications and American Security in World War I* (Harvard University Press, 2008), winner of several prizes including the Birdsall Prize of the American Historical Association.

Abstract: Dr. Winkler’s address will describe the steady development of the global communications grid with the U.S. at the center. He emphasizes that this grid is the overlooked - and perhaps more essential - component to understanding the recent revelations about the NSA’s monitoring of global communications. This is a study in an intricate but overlooked collision of diplomatic, military, strategic, and technological history.

“The Great War of Our Time: The CIA's Fight Against Terrorism, From al-Qa'ida to ISIS”

Michael J. Morell, former Deputy CIA Director

Thursday, May 13, 2015 3:30pm
CENFAD is a cooperating organization for this event. The event is hosted by the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia.

Former Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency Michael J. Morell visits the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia to offer an unprecedented look into our nation’s war against terrorism during the period he calls the “most remarkable in the history of the CIA.” Mr. Morell will discuss his book, The Great War of Our Time: An Insider’s Account of the CIA’s Fight Against Terrorism – from al Qa’ida to ISIS from the perspective of the only person with both President Bush when the World Trade Center towers fell on September 11, 2001 and with President Obama on May 1, 2011, during the capture and death of Osama Bin Ladin.

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"Hearts, Minds, and Labs: Science as Cold War Cultural Diplomacy"

Audra Wolfe, Public Historian

Tuesday, September 30, 2014 3:30pm

Bio: Audra J. Wolfe is a writer, editor, and historian based in Philadelphia. Her research centers on the role of science in the Cold War, whether in the form of weapons or cultural diplomacy. Her first book, Competing with the Soviets: Science, Technology, and the State in Cold War America, was published in 2012, and her articles have appeared in both scholarly and more popular online venues, including Slate.com, The Guardian, and the Atlantic.com. She is also the founder of The Outside Reader, an editorial and publishing consultant firm, and has taught on the history of science at the University of Pennsylvania.

Abstract: Dr. Wolfe will be speaking about her current research project, which considers the surprising role of science in Cold War soft diplomacy, from scientific exchanges and lecture tours to the CIA’s role in defining “scientific freedom.”

“Lessons Learned from Successes and Failure of the Israeli-Palestinian Peace-Finding Process”

Yair Hirschfeld

Friday, October 17, 2014 2:00pm

Bio: Yair Hirschfeld is the Director General of the Tel Aviv based Economic Cooperation Foundation (ECF), as well as the Director of the S. Daniel Abraham Center for Strategic Dialogue, Netanya Academic College, and the Isaac and Mildred Brochstein Fellow in Middle East Peace and Security in Honor of Yitzhak Rabin at the Baker Institute for Public Policy, at Rice University, Houston Texas.

Abstract: "Why can’t the Jews and Arabs get their act together and make peace?" Dr. Yair Hirschfeld helped organize during the 1980s an intense track-two and backchannel dialogue with the Palestinian leadership of the West Bank and Gaza, developing
hereby the backchannel negotiation technique. In December 1992, Hirschfeld created the Oslo Channel and headed the Israeli team between December 1992 and May 1993, when he joined the official Israeli negotiating team. In his talk, Dr. Hirschfeld will describe the causes that permitted the successful conclusion of the Oslo Accords, and the dramatic inside story that caused later failures and set-backs.

Copies of Dr. Hischfeld’s book *Track Two Diplomacy Toward an Israeli-Palestinian Two State Solution, 1978-2014* will be available for purchase and signing.

CENFAD is presenting this talk in conjunction with the Dissent in America Teach-In.

"DC Between Empire and Decolonization: A Cultural History of the Global Diplomatic Corps"

**Andrew Friedman, Haverford College**

**Tuesday, October 21, 2014 3:30pm**

**Bio:** Andrew Friedman is an Assistant Professor of History at Haverford College. His articles have appeared in The New York Times, The Journal of Urban History and numerous other publications, and he is the author of *Covert Capital: Landscapes of Denial and the Making of U.S. Empire in the Suburbs of Northern Virginia*, which recently won the 2014 Stuart L. Bernath Book Prize from The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations.

**Abstract:** Andrew Friedman looks at diplomats from Africa who arrived in Washington, D.C., focusing on 1960, the year the capitol was recognized as the first black-majority U.S. city and seventeen African colonies won independence. He chronicles how decolonization remade the US capital’s social geography, and examines connections between the social history of decolonization and D.C.’s struggle for home rule.

"Reclaiming American Virtue: Liberal and Conservative Visions of International Human Rights in the 1970s"

**Barbara Keys, University of Melbourne**

**Tuesday, November 4, 2014 3:30pm**

**Bio:** Barbara Keys is Senior Lecturer in U.S. and International History at the University of Melbourne. She is the author of *Reclaiming American Virtue: The Human Rights Revolution of the 1970s* (Harvard University Press, 2014) and *Globalizing Sport: National Rivalry and International Community in the 1930s* (Harvard University Press, 2006), along with numerous articles and chapters on the history of sport, human rights, and the role of emotion in diplomacy. She is currently writing a book about the role of emotions in Henry Kissinger’s diplomacy.
Abstract: After the Vietnam War, Americans sought a new approach to foreign policy, one that would help move the country past its recent traumas. In her talk, Barbara Keys examines why human rights became the framework that so many—both liberal doves and Cold War hawks—found compelling in the second half of the decade. Keys shows that for both groups, human rights served to reclaim a sense of American benevolence—in ways that were fundamentally about erasing rather than atoning for or coming to grips with the country’s recent mistakes.


“The Group of Seven and the Origins of Informal Global Economic Governance”

Orfeo Fioretos, Temple University

Wednesday, November 19, 2014 3:30

Bio: Orfeo Fioretos is Associate Professor of Political Science at Temple University, Philadelphia. His research is focused on the politics of markets and international institutions. He is the author of Creative Reconstructions: Multilateralism and European Varieties of Capitalism After 1950 (Cornell University Press, 2011), and articles in International Organization, Review of International Political Economy, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of European Public Policy, and Review of International Studies. He is an editor of two forthcoming volumes: The Oxford Handbook of Historical Institutionalism, and International Institutions and Politics in Time. Fioretos’ ongoing research examines the origins and evolution of informal institutions of global economic governance.

Abstract: In his talk, Dr. Fioretos explores the origins and evolution of the G-7, which has become the most durable and important informal organization of international economic governance. At the center of his research are explorations into the ideological and institutional battles that defined post-crisis cooperation among large economies in the 20th century, and the implications of such cooperation for global capitalism in the 21st century.

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"Pure Capitalism: The Rise and Fall of the Thai Marijuana Industry"

Author Peter Maguire

Thursday, February 6, 2014

Bio: Peter Maguire is the author of Law and War and Facing Death in Cambodia. He is a historian and former war-crimes investigator whose writings have been published in the International Herald Tribune, New York Times, The Independent, Newsday, and Boston Globe. He has taught law and war theory at Columbia University and Bard College and is a radio commentator for Voice of America Cambodia.

Abstract: During the 1970s, Bangkok, Thailand became a modern Casablanca to a new generation of treasure seekers: from surfers looking to finance their endless summers to wide-eyed hippie true
believers and lethal marauders left over from the Vietnam War. At the time the vast majority of marijuana consumed in the United States was imported, and there was little to no domestic production. Smugglers transformed the Thai marijuana trade from a GI cottage industry into one of the world’s most lucrative commodities. As historian Peter Maguire will discuss in his talk, moving shipments of Thai sticks from northeast Thailand farms to American consumers meant navigating one of the most complex smuggling channels in the history of the drug trade.

Copies of Maguire’s book, *Thai Stick: Surfers, Scammers, and the Untold Story of the Marijuana Trade* (with co-author Mike Ritter) will be available for sale at the talk.

“Building a Church in the Army: Chaplain Robert Dokes, Black Religious Practice, and Racial Resistance in World War II”

George White, CUNY York College

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 3:00pm

**Bio:** George White, Jr. is both a lawyer and historian. Currently, he is an Associate Professor of History at York College, CUNY. He earned his J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1987 and his Ph.D. from Temple University in 2001. White has published his scholarly work in the fields of African American history and American diplomatic history, including his first monograph in 2005, *Holding the Line: Race, Racism, and American Foreign Policy Toward Africa, 1953-1961.* He is working on his next book-length project, “On the Battlefield For My Lord: The Military Biography of Rev. Robert Boston Dokes in World War II.”

**Abstract:** Please join us for a talk by Dr. George White exploring the life of an African American Chaplain during World War II. Analyzing the mandatory periodic reports and personal correspondence of Chaplain Robert Dokes and drawing on oral histories, White argues that Black religious practice exposed White Privilege in a supposedly race-neutral environment and provided a space for Black soldiers to resist marginalization and oppression.

"Hiroshima/Nagasaki on Different Shores: Gender and the Making of Asian American Identity"

Naoko Wake, Michigan State University

Thursday, March 13, 2014 4:00pm

**Bio:** Naoko Wake is an assistant professor of history at Michigan State University. She is the author of *Private Practices: Harry Stack Sullivan, the Science of Homosexuality, and American Liberalism* (Rutgers, 2011) and the co-author (with Shinpei Takeda) of the forthcoming *Hiroshima/Nagasaki Beyond the Ocean* 海を越えたヒロシマナガサキ (Nagasaki National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims, 2014). Her current research explores the history of Japanese-American and Korean-American survivors of the atomic bombs with a focus on transnational memory, identity, and activism. She teaches a variety of courses in the history of medicine, gender, and sexuality in the United States and the Pacific Rim.
Abstract: Professor Naoko Wake will discuss the effects of war in a presentation on the little-known history of Japanese American and Korean American survivors of the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945. By focusing on these survivors’ activism during the Asian American civil rights movement, she will illuminate the history of the bomb by uncovering its influence on often neglected female minorities even as it encourages a reexamination of international conflicts.

CENFAD is hosting this event in conjunction with One Book, One Philadelphia, a joint project of the Mayor’s Office and the Free Library of Philadelphia that has the goal of promoting literacy and encouraging the Philadelphia community to come together through reading and discussing a single book. For more information on the One Book, One Philadelphia project, visit: https://libwww.freelibrary.org/programs/onebook/obop14/index.cfm

19th Annual James A. Barnes Club Graduate History Conference

Keynote Speaker: Marilyn B. Young

March 28-29, 2014. Friday evening, Saturday 9:00am-5:00pm

Bio: Dr. Young is a renowned scholar of American foreign relations at New York University. She is the recipient of fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the ACLS. Her books include Rhetoric of Empire: American China Policy, 1895-1901, and The Vietnam Wars, 1945-1990, winner of the Berkshire Women’s History Prize.

While the conference is not a CENFAD event, we encourage you to attend the keynote address by Dr. Young.

“The Pacific World”

Featuring Professor Qin Shan on “Chinese Gentry, U.S. Congress, and the Issue of Immigration in the 19th century” and Professor Fumiaki Kubo on “The Unique and Complicated Alliance of Japan and the United States”

Thursday, April 17, 2014 3:30pm

This CENFAD Colloquium features two scholars. Professor Fumiaki Kubo of the University of Tokyo explores the question of why the United States embraces an alliance with Japan in which Japan is not obliged to defend the United States. He argues that the present security environment adds urgency to addressing this question, even as both Washington and Tokyo pursue measures intended to bolster their value to the other. Professor Qin Shan, a visiting Fulbright scholar, explores the intersection of the Chinese gentry class and U.S. immigration policy in the 19th century. Qin traces the efforts of members of the Chinese gentry class to reform and reshape U.S. treatment of Chinese immigrants through direct contact with American Congress members.

Bio: Fumiaki Kubo is the A. Barton Hepburn Professor of American Government and History at the Graduate Schools for Law and Politics in the University of Tokyo. He is one of Japan's leading scholars of
American politics, public policy, and political history. Professor Kubo is currently a Japan Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and is the Vice President of the Japanese Association for American Studies.

**Abstract:** Applying international relations theory to his historical examination, Professor Kubo explores the question of why the United States embraces an alliance with Japan in which Japan is not obliged to defend the United States. He argues that the present security environment adds urgency to addressing this question, even as both Washington and Tokyo pursue measures intended to bolster their value to the other.

**Abstract:** Professor Qin Shan will explore the intersection of the Chinese gentry class and U.S. immigration policy in the 19th century. Members of the Chinese gentry class initially lacked direct experience with U.S. Congress and its instruments of immigration policymaking and restriction. But as they gradually came to understand the institution, they sought to reform and reshape U.S. treatment of Chinese immigrants through direct contact with American Congress members.

“Children of Chernobyl”: Social and Political Consequences of the Disaster in the Soviet Union and the United States

**Melanie Arndt, Stanford University**

**Thursday, April 24, 2014 3:30pm**

**Bio:** Melanie Arndt is a historian of environmental and social history who specializes in disasters as transnational processes. From 2008-2012 she was the director of an international research project titled: “Politics and Society after Chernobyl: Belarus, Ukraine, Russia, Lithuania, and Germany,” funded by the German Volkswagen Foundation at the Center for Contemporary History, Potsdam, Germany. She has taught environmental history and historical disaster research at the Humboldt University in Berlin, Potsdam University, and the European Humanities University Vilnius/Minsk in Lithuania. Currently, she is a fellow at the Stanford Humanities Center working on a book project on radioactive landscapes in the Soviet Union and the United States. After her return to Germany in June 2014, she will be one of three directors of a French-German research project on the environmental history of the Soviet Union. She received her PhD from the Humboldt University in 2008.

**Abstract:** “Children of Chernobyl” is not only a common label for the youngest victims of the nuclear disaster in the Soviet Union on 26 April 1986, it is also the name used by numerous civil society organizations that aim to help these victims worldwide. In a broader sense, this phrase has also been applied to social, political, and technical actors who were not directly affected by Chernobyl’s radioactive fallout, including some as far away as the United States. Please join us for a talk by Dr. Melanie Arndt exploring different groups of “Chernobyl Children” and their interactions. Dr. Arndt will analyze their reactions and interpretations to the disaster from a transnational perspective, focusing on its social and political consequences in both the Soviet Union and the United States.
Fall 2013

"Symposium on U.S. Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan"

Hosted by CENFAD and the Army War College

October 4-5, 2013. Friday 4:00pm, Saturday 8:00am.

Keynote Address by Stephen Biddle on Friday at 4:00 PM

Bio: Stephen Biddle is a professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University. His *Military Power: Explaining Victory and Defeat in Modern Battle* won four prizes, including the Harvard University Huntington Prize and the Council on Foreign Relations Arthur Ross Award Silver Medal. In addition to many other publications, he has presented testimony before congressional committees on the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, force planning, net assessment, and European arms control. He has also served on General David Petraeus' Joint Strategic Assessment Team in Baghdad in 2007, on General Stanley McChrystal's Initial Strategic Assessment Team in Kabul in 2009, and as a Senior Advisor to General Petraeus' Central Command Assessment Team in Washington in 2008-09.

Symposium on Saturday featured four panel discussions throughout the day.

Both days took place in the Weigley Room, 9th Floor Gladfelter Hall, Temple University

Speakers: Terry Anderson (Texas A&M), Beth Bailey (Temple University), Robert K. Brigham (Vassar), David Farber (Temple University), Richard H. Immerman (Temple University), David Kieran (Franklin & Marshall), Sam Lebovic (George Mason), Andrew McKevitt (Louisiana Tech), Lisa Munday (University of St. Thomas), Aaron O'Connell (U.S. Naval Academy), Michael Reynolds (Princeton), Robert Balcavage (Army War College), Tami Biddle (Army War College), Gregory Daddis (West Point), Tarn Warren (Army War College).

"Reining in the State: Civil Society and Congress in the Vietnam and Watergate Eras"

Kate Scott, U.S. Senate Historical Office

Tuesday, October 15, 2013 3:00pm

Bio: Kate Scott is a historian for the U.S. Senate and an adjunct professor of history at Cornell University. She received a doctorate in U.S. history at Temple University. At the Senate she has developed documentary histories of Senate committees and notable investigations. She leads the Senate's Oral History Project, conducting interviews with former staff about topics ranging from congressional oversight to the evolving role of women in the Senate.

Abstract: Recently, liberals and conservatives have denounced the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, a product of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), as a “rubber stamp” and a “kangaroo court.” Why did an overwhelming bipartisan majority in Congress approve FISA in 1978? In this talk, based on the just-published Reining in the State: Civil Society and Congress in the Vietnam and Watergate Eras (Kansas, 2013), Scott will explore how the tragedies of Vietnam and Watergate during the long 1960s emboldened the media, public interest groups, and their allies in Congress to challenge
state power. These unheralded reformers, she will suggest, turned public opposition to domestic surveillance programs into congressional support for landmark legislation including the Freedom of Information Act, the Privacy Act, and FISA.

"George W. Bush and his Eurasian 'Enter Strategy'"

Sergei Shenin, Saratov University

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 3:00pm

**Bio:** Sergei Shenin received his doctorate in History and is a professor of International Relations at Saratov University (Russia). He is the author of numerous books, including *Returning to Russia: Strategy and Politics of American Aid (in the 1990s)*, *America's Helping Hand: Paving the Way to Globalization (Eisenhower's Aid Policy and Politics)*, and *The United States and the Third World: The Origins of Postwar Relations and the Point Four Program*.

**Abstract:** The U.S in 2013 seeks balanced relations with the former Soviet republics. Only a dozen years ago, however, the goal of the George W. Bush Administration was to establish a dominant position throughout Eurasia. Dr. Shenin argues that the genesis of Bush’s “Enter Strategy” was a very complex and contradictory process, which was grounded in domestic politics and involved multiple interest groups and factions. Their inability to reach a broad consensus on Eurasian policy ultimately led to its failure. Sergei Shenin received his doctorate in History and is a professor of International Relations at Saratov University (Russia).

"Remaking Housing Policy in the Americas: Colombia and the United States, 1950-1980"

Amy Offner, University of Pennsylvania

Tuesday, November 12, 2013 3:00pm

**Abstract:** During the Cold War, poverty in capitalist countries became a discrediting embarrassment for government officials, a prestigious topic of expertise for social scientists, and a cause for protest by social movements. From Bogotá, Colombia to California’s San Joaquin Valley, some of the most visible manifestations of poverty were housing crises. This talk explores the rise of “aided self-help housing,” a distinctively privatized form of public housing, and traces its circulation within the Americas. Self-help programs illuminate lines of mutual influence between US and Latin American social policy, the midcentury origins of neoliberal practices, and an avenue by which economists rose as policymakers and public intellectuals.

Amy Offner is Assistant Professor of History at the University of Pennsylvania.

"Zumwalt: The Life and Times of Admiral Elmo Russell 'Bud' Zumwalt, Jr."

Larry Berman, Georgia State University
Tuesday, December 3, 2013 3:00pm

Bio: Larry Berman has been featured on C-SPAN Book TV, Bill Moyers’ The Public Mind and David McCullough’s American Experience. He has been a Guggenheim Fellow and a Fellow in residence at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. He received the Bernath Lecture Prize for contributions to our understanding of foreign relations and the Department of the Navy Vice Admiral Edwin B. Hooper Research Grant. Berman is Professor Emeritus at the University of California, Davis and Founding Dean of the Honors College at Georgia State University.

Abstract: Author Larry Berman will discuss the life and times of Admiral Elmo Russell “Bud” Zumwalt, Jr., the man who modernized the Navy. Zumwalt, Berman argues, successfully enacted radical change within the Navy. His fight to modernize a technologically-obsolete fleet pitted him against such formidable adversaries as Henry Kissinger and Hyman Rickover. Ultimately, Zumwalt created a more egalitarian Navy as well as a smaller and modernized fleet better prepared to cope with a changing world—a policy that has helped keep the Navy a modern and relevant fighting force. A book signing will follow the presentation.

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"EMBERS OF WAR: RECONSIDERING VIETNAM"

Fredrik Logevall, Cornell University

Wednesday, February 6, 2013 3:00pm

Bio: Fredrik Logevall is John S. Knight Professor of International Studies and Professor of History at Cornell University, where he serves as director of the Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies. His newest book is Embers of War: The Fall of an Empire and the Making of America’s Vietnam (Random House, 2012), which was named a best book of 2012 by The Washington Post and the Christian Science Monitor. Logevall’s work has been featured on CBS and National Public Radio, and his reviews and essays have appeared in the Los Angeles Times, The Washington Post, Foreign Affairs, and World Affairs.

Abstract: Why did Vietnam became the setting for one of the longest and bloodiest struggles of the entire post-1945 era, and why did two Western powers, first France and then the United States, lose their way there? In this lecture, Fredrik Logevall, John S. Knight Professor of International Studies and History at Cornell University and author of the just-published Embers of War: The Fall of an Empire and the Making of America’s Vietnam, considers these contentious questions anew. Logevall will explore the importance of World War II in laying the groundwork for the French Indo-china War that followed, and the major role played from an early point by the United States. American leaders, he will suggest, were never blind to the obstacles that stood in the way of victory against Ho Chi Minh’s revolutionary forces, yet they failed to heed the lessons from France's disastrous defeat. Instead, they made the fateful decision to build up and defend South Vietnam, thereby putting the United States on its collision course with history.

"THE MOST DANGEROUS YEAR OF THE COLD WAR"
Georg Schild, Universität Tübingen

Monday, February 18, 2013 3:00pm

Bio: Georg Schild received a Ph.D. in History from the University of Maryland in 1993 and completed his Habilitation at the Universität Bonn in 2001. He is the author of numerous works published both in English and German, including Between Ideology and Realpolitik: Woodrow Wilson and the Russian Revolution, 1917 - 1921 (Westport, 1995), John F. Kennedy: Mensch und Mythos (Göttingen, 1997), and The American Experience of War (Paderborn, 2010), among other titles. He currently serves as Professor für Nordamerikanische Geschichte at Tübingen.

Abstract: Historians generally regard the Berlin blockade of 1948/49 and the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962 as the most dangerous Cold War crises. It appeared that politicians on both sides of the iron curtain barely averted the outbreak of a war between the superpowers. But what made those two crises so dangerous? By looking at the structure of conflicts between the superpowers, one can argue that some of the better known crises were comparatively easy to manage, while other, lesser known conflicts, posed more serious problems and, in retrospect, have arguably been more dangerous.

"MILITARY & SOCIETY CONFERENCE" –

March 1-2, 2013. Friday: 1:30pm-5:00pm, Saturday 9:00am-5:30pm

This Conference will bring scholars from across the country together at Temple’s Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy to conduct a conference and workshop on subjects related to the expanding subfield of "military and society" in United States history. Rather than having a series of paper presentations, we plan to organize several roundtables that focus on specific topics, including the state of the field, the militarization of American culture, the relationship between military needs or claims and American society, teaching U.S. military and society, and the role of veterans in American culture and society, among other intriguing and important topics. Please see the link to the schedule of events below for further details

Participants include: Michael Allen (Northwestern University), Beth Bailey (Temple University), E.J. Catagnus (Temple University, ABD), Greg Daddis (U.S. Army War College), Kate Epstein (Rutgers University-Camden), Andrew Huebner (University of Alabama), Michael Neiberg (U.S. Army War College), Aaron O’Connell (U.S. Naval Academy), Stephen Ortiz (SUNY Binghamton), Keith Skillin (U.S. Naval Academy), James Sparrow (University of Chicago), Heather Stur (University of Southern Mississippi), Kara Vuic (High Point University), Mark Wilson (UNC Charlotte), John Worsencroft (Temple University, Ph.D Student)

"THE MANY CHALLENGES WE WILL INEVITABLY FACE": ARMY SUICIDE PREVENTION, INSTITUTIONAL ANXIETIES, AND THE LEGACIES OF THE IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN WARS

David Kieran, Franklin & Marshall College

Tuesday, April 9, 2013 3:00pm
Bio: Kieran earned his doctorate in American Studies from the George Washington University and is currently a Visiting Assistant Professor of American Studies at Franklin & Marshall College. He is currently completing his book manuscript, “Sundered by a Memory”: Foreign Policy, Militarism, and the Vietnamization of American Memory, 1970-Present, which is under advance contract with the Culture, Politics, and the Cold War Series at the University of Massachusetts Press.

Abstract: In 2007, the suicide rate in the U.S. Army exceeded the national average for the first time. In 2012, the number of active-duty suicides reached an all-time high and eclipsed the number of combat deaths. This crisis has been a matter of significant concern within the military in general and the Army in particular, generating considerable attention from legislators and the media as well as from military leaders. David Kieran, Visiting Assistant Professor of American Studies at Franklin & Marshall College, argues that the Army’s suicide prevention efforts have focused less on the impact of multiple deployments, PTSD, mTBI, and other factors related to the long conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan than on other issues, such as the presence of poorly qualified and insufficiently resilient soldiers who lack discipline and have not received proper leadership. His talk will explore the Army’s response to soldier suicides, asking how such discourses help shape the legacies of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars for both soldiers and for a broader public concerned about U.S. militarism and foreign policy.

"THE STUDY OF AMERICAN HISTORY IN CHINA: RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT"

Han Yu, Xiamen University (China)

Tuesday, April 23, 2013 3:00pm

Bio: Han Yu earned his doctorate in American history from Northeast Normal University and is currently Professor of history and Director of the Institute of American history at Xiamen University in China’s Fujian Province. Professor Han Yu studies the history of urban development in the U.S. and is the author of The High-tech Cities of the United States (Beijing: Tsunghua University Press, 2009).

Abstract: In his talk, Professor Han Yu will explore the study and teaching of American history in China during the twentieth century.

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"A TIME OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY: THE NATIONAL SECURITY ESTABLISHMENT, ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, AND THE ORIGINS OF MIDDLE EAST STUDIES, 1941-1957"

Osamah Khalil, Syracuse University

September 24, 2012 3:00pm

Bio: Osamah Khalil is assistant professor of U.S. and Middle East History at Syracuse University. He received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley in 2011 and has BA in History and Biology from Temple University. He is currently completing his book manuscript, tentatively titled Constructing the Middle East: U.S. Foreign Policy, Area Studies, and the Politics of Knowledge, 1902-2012.

Abstract: From World War I to the War on Terror, the United States responded to different crises over the past century by identifying, recruiting, and attempting to sustain a body of experts related to the Middle East. In this talk, I discuss the period between two national emergencies: World War II and the Sputnik Crisis. I assert that these different crisis moments were not sufficient on their own to produce the institutional structure and support for Middle East studies. Rather, it was a cumulative process building on different programs and initiatives that led to the formal establishment of the field with the passage of the National Defense Education Act of 1958 (NDEA). Moreover, I contend that earlier efforts to establish Middle East studies were designed primarily to produce professionals for government service and the business sector – not academia.

"PREPARING FOR VICTORY: THOMAS HOLCOMB AND THE MAKING OF THE MODERN MARINE CORPS, 1936-1943"

David J. Ulbrich, U.S. Army Engineer School at Ft. Leonard Wood

October 10, 2012 1:00pm

Bio: David J. Ulbrich is author of Preparing for Victory: Thomas Holcomb and the Making of the Marine Corps, 1936-1943. His book won the “2012 General Wallace M. Greene Jr. Prize” for the outstanding book on U.S. Marine Corps history. Ulbrich has served as a historical consultant on the award-winning “Echoes of War: Stories from the Big Red One” television documentary <www.bsu.edu/echoesofwar>, and as co-director of the Cantigny First Division Oral History Project <libx.bsu.edu/cdm4/collection.php?CISOROOT=/CtgnyOrHis>, both funded by the Robert McCormick Foundation. Ulbrich received his doctorate in history from Temple University. He is currently the command historian at the U.S. Army Engineer School at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri.

Abstract: During the Great Depression, the U.S. Marine Corps fell to less than 18,000 men and its budgets slipped to $20 million in 1936. At this low point, Thomas Holcomb became Marine Corps Commandant. Over the next seven years, he directed the Corps’ incredible growth to 385,000 Marines with a budget of $500 million when he retired in late 1943. David Ulbrich is the first scholar to make a detailed examination of Holcomb’s roles in this period of extraordinary transformation. Ulbrich
demonstrates how Holcomb drew on thirty-six years of experience and education and why he became a successful commandant during the Corps’ transition from the Great Depression to the Second World War. Holcomb molded the Marine Corps into the modern amphibious force that helped defeat Japan. His skills in leadership and management compare favorably with those of Generals Dwight D. Eisenhower and George C. Marshall.

"FROM SOLDIER TO VIETNAM VETERAN: CARRYING HOME THE BAGGAGE OF WAR"

Meredith Lair, George Mason University

October 23, 2012 3:30pm

Bio: Meredith Lair is an associate professor of history at George Mason University. Her first book, Armed with Abundance: Consumerism and Soldiering in the Vietnam War Zone was published by the University of North Carolina Press in 2011.

Abstract: In the public's imagination, the Vietnam-era soldier's homecoming was a deliverance from trauma and deprivation, and his duffel carried only the essentials necessary for survival in a war zone. But careful examination of the contents of those bags, and consideration of consumerism in the war zone more fully, yields an alternative portrait of the American experience in Vietnam. It also raises new questions about the role of the Vietnam veteran—indeed, of the war veteran in general—in contemporary American society.

"THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AND THE MILITARIZATION OF AMERICA"

Aaron O'Connell, United States Naval Academy

November 19, 2012 3:00pm

Bio: Aaron B. O'Connell is Assistant Professor of History at the United States Naval Academy and a lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Abstract: The marine Corps has always considered itself a breed apart. Since 1775, America’s smallest armed service has been suspicious of outsiders and deeply loyal to its traditions. Marines believe in nothing more strongly than the Corps' uniqueness and superiority, and this undying faith in its own exceptionalism is what made the Marines ones of the sharpest, swiftest tools of American military power. Along with unapologetic self-promotion, a strong sense of identity has enabled the Corps to exert a powerful influence on American politics and Culture. Aaron O'Connell focuses on the period from WWII to Vietnam, when the Marine Corps transformed itself from America’s least respected to its most elite armed force. He describes how the distinctive Marine culture played a role in this ascendancy. Venerating sacrifice and suffering, privileging the collective over the individual, Corps culture was saturated with romantic and religious overtones that had an enormous marketing potential in a postwar America energizes by new global responsibilities.
U.S. Ambassador, The Hon. Ryan C. Crocker - Program and Reception at the Radfor Hotel, 591 W. Lancaster Avenue, St. David's, PA 19087

December 13, 2012 12:30pm

Sponsored by The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia: As the final departure of NATO military forces and U.S. troop withdrawal nears, The Hon. Ryan C. Crocker, U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan, will discuss the transition as Afghan military forces assume responsibility for the country’s security and governance. Ambassador Crocker, among the nation’s most experienced and admired envoys who has also served as Ambassador to Iraq, Pakistan, Syria, Kuwait and Lebanon, received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2009. In one of his first appearances following his long and consequential tenure in Afghanistan (and before, Iraq), Ambassador Crocker will offer Council members and guests his inside perspective of this critical region.

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"RELIGION IN AMERICAN WAR AND DIPLOMACY: A HISTORY"
Andrew Preston, Cambridge University
February 1, 2012 3:00pm

Andrew Preston is Senior Lecturer in American History and a Fellow of Clare College at Cambridge University. He has previously taught History and International Studies at Yale University; the University of Victoria, Canada; and The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva. He is the author of The War Council: McGeorge Bundy, the NSC, and Vietnam (Harvard University Press, 2006) and co-editor, with Fredrik Logevall, of Nixon in the World: American Foreign Relations, 1969-1977 (Oxford University Press, 2008). His most recent book is Sword of the Spirit, Shield of Faith: Religion in American War and Diplomacy (Knopf, 2012).

"WHEN THE WORLD SEEMED NEW: AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY IN THE AGE OF GEORGE H.W. BUSH"
Jeffrey Engel, Texas A&M University
February 29, 2012

Jeffrey A. Engel teaches history and public policy at Texas A&M University, where he is the Verlin and Howard ’52 Founders Professor and Director of Programming for the Scowcroft Institute of International Affairs. The author and editor of six books on American foreign policy, he also proudly served as a CENFAD fellow in 2000-2001.

"CROSSING BORDERS IN SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS"
Meredith Oyen, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
March 28, 2012 3:00pm
Meredith Oyen is an assistant professor at UMBC, teaching American foreign relations and Asian Studies. She came to UMBC via the Johns Hopkins University-Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies, where she was a visiting professor of American Studies from 2008-2010. Oyen received her Ph.D. in U.S. Diplomatic History, minor in Modern China, from Georgetown University in 2007.

"IMAGINING COLD WAR ENVIRONMENTS"

April 26-27, 2012

Join CENFAD for a two day conference exploring environmental history and the Cold War. The organizing theme of the conference is the ways in which environmentalism and the Cold War shaped each other. Though environmentalism has deep roots in western culture, the exigencies of the Cold War transformed environments on a global scale. Most notably, perhaps, environmentalist thinking was instrumental to such agreements as the 1963 Nuclear Test Ban Treaty. During the Cold War, defense planners, diplomats, scientists, and environmentalists converged in imagining future environments. In the last fifty years, historians of foreign relations have made the Cold War central to their work. More recently, environmental historians have devoted considerable attention to the emergence of environmental historians and historians of foreign relations to examine the Cold War and environmentalism in concert.

The event begins Thursday, April 26th at 2pm with a coffee reception, followed by the first session at 3pm. The keynote address, "Dueling Refrigerators: Cold War Consumerism," will be delivered by Mark Lytle, Bard College, Thursday evening at 6pm. Events continue Friday with three more sessions, beginning at 10:30am.

"THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S 2012 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES"

Mike Hammer, U.S. Department of State

April 30, 2012 3:00pm

Mike Hammer is the Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs. Prior to this assignment, Hammer served at the White House as Special Assistant to the President, Senior Director for Press and Communications, and National Security Council Spokesman from January 2009-January 2011. He is a career member of the U.S. Senior Foreign Service and entered the diplomatic corps in 1988. Hammer has served abroad in Bolivia, Norway, Iceland, and Denmark, and is a recipient of the Department's Edward R. Murrow Award for Excellence in Public Diplomacy. He earned a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and master's degrees from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University and the National War College at the National Defense University.

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"WAR SHORT OF WAR: KENNAN AND THE DILEMMAS OF POLITICAL WARFARE"
Kaeten Mistry, University of East Anglia  
September 28, 2011 3:00pm

Mistry is a Leverhulme Research Fellow in the School of American Studies at the University of East Anglia (UK), where he will take up a lectureship in 2012. His research interests include the history of American foreign relations, international history of the Cold War in Europe, and intelligence. He is currently finishing a book on U.S.-Italian relations and American political warfare in the early Cold War. His articles have appeared in journals including Diplomatic History, Cold War History, and Modern Italy. Prior to joining UEA, Kaeten held faculty positions at the University of Warwick and University College Dublin (Ireland), as well as a visiting fellowship at the University of Bologna (Italy). He completed his PhD at the University of Birmingham (UK) and also studied at UCLA and University of Padua (Italy). He is an Associate of the LSE IDEAS Cold War Studies Programme (based at the London School of Economics) and is currently a fellow at the Center for the United States and Cold War at NYU’s Tamiment Library & Robert F. Wagner Labor Archives.


Kate Epstein, Rutgers University-Camden  
October 12, 2011 3:00pm

Epstein is currently an Assistant Professor of History at Rutgers University-Camden. She received her B.A. summa cum laude in history from Yale University in 2004; her master’s degree in international relations from the University of Cambridge in 2005; and her Ph.D. in history from The Ohio State University in 2011. Her doctoral dissertation, which she is currently turning into a book, is entitled, "Inventing the Military-Industrial Complex: Torpedo Development, Property Rights, and Naval Warfare in the United States and Great Britain before World War I."

"FROM THE CAMEL TO THE CADILLAC: MODERNIZATION, CONSUMPTION, AND U.S.-SAUDI RELATIONS"

Paul Baltimore, University of California Santa Barbara  
October 26, 2011 3:00pm

Baltimore, who received his BA and MA from Temple, is a doctoral candidate at UC Santa Barbara. His research focuses on cultural, economic, and political connections between the United States and the Arab world, with a specific emphasis on the "special relationship" between the U.S. and Saudi Arabia. His dissertation, "Oil Shock," examines the ways in which American attitudes about modernization and consumption shaped popular perceptions of Saudi Arabia, as well as U.S.-Saudi diplomatic relations.
"NO SURE VICTORY: ASSESSING PROGRESS IN THE VIETNAM WAR"

Col. Gregory Daddis, United States Military Academy

November 2, 2011 3:00pm

Daddis is a colonel in the U.S. Army and an Academy Professor in the Department of History at the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. A West Point graduate, he served in numerous army command and staff positions in the United States and overseas, and is a veteran of both Operations Desert Storm and Iraqi Freedom. During his most recent deployment, Daddis served as the command historian for the Multi-National Corps-Iraq in Baghdad. He earned an MA in history from Villanova University and holds a PhD from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is author of *Fighting in the Great Crusade: An 8th Infantry Artillery Officer in World War II* (LSU Press, 2002) and *No Sure Victory: Measuring U.S. Army Effectiveness and Progress in the Vietnam War* (Oxford University Press, 2011).

"COLD WAR STUDIES AND POST-COMMUNIST TRANSFORMATION - A PERSPECTIVE FROM PRAGUE"

Oldřich Tůma, Institute of Contemporary History-Academy of Sciences Czech Republic

November 21, 2011 3:00pm

Oldřich Tůma is Director of the Institute for Contemporary History of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Prague. His main area of research was earlier Byzantine studies. Since the early 1990's his research has focused on modern history of Czechoslovakia and Central Europe, particularly in the years 1968-1989.

"LOSING PAKISTAN? U.S.-PAKISTAN RELATIONS AND COMPETING NATIONAL INTERESTS"

Alexander Evans, British Foreign Service

November 30, 2011 3:00pm

Evans is the 2011-12 Henry A. Kissinger Chair in Foreign Policy at the Library of Congress. On sabbatical from the British foreign service, he previously worked as a senior advisor to Ambassador Marc Grossman, and the late Ambassador Richard Holbrooke - the U.S. Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan. His work focuses on U.S.-Pakistan relations and developing a political process in Afghanistan. Evans served in Pakistan, India, and Afghanistan (for the U.N.), as well as the Policy Planning Staff. Before joining the diplomatic service, he worked with a number of think-tanks and in management consultancy and journalism. He has published widely, including in *Foreign Affairs* and *The Economist*. A visiting senior research fellow at King's College London, Evans is a past fellow of Yale and Oxford. He was appointed an officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in 2010.
MITTERRAND, THE END OF THE COLD WAR, AND GERMAN UNIFICATION

February 10, 2011 3:00pm

Most accounts of the end of the Cold War and German unification concentrate on the role of the United States and look at these events through the bipolar prism of Soviet-American relations. Yet because of its central position in Europe and of its status as Germany’s foremost European partner, France and its president, François Mitterrand, played a decisive role in these pivotal international events: the peaceful liberation of Eastern Europe from Soviet rule starting in 1988, the fall of the Berlin Wall and Germany’s return to unity and full sovereignty in 1989/90, the breakup of the USSR in 1991 and the shaping of a new European order.

Frédéric Bozo is currently a professor in contemporary history and international relations at the Sorbonne (University of Paris III, Department of European Studies). Born in 1963, Frédéric Bozo was educated at the Ecole normale supérieure, at the Institut d'études politiques de Paris and at Harvard University. He received his doctorate from the University of Paris X - Nanterre (1993) and his habilitation from the Sorbonne - Paris III (1997). His research field is French foreign and security policy, transatlantic relations and Cold War history. In 2010-2011, he serves as a Fulbright Scholar and a Public Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C.

RELIGION, WOMEN, AND THE START OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTIONARY WARS

February 17, 2011 3:00pm

Noah Shusterman received his Ph.D. in History from the University of California, Berkeley. He is currently a lecturer in the Intellectual Heritage Program at Temple University. Shusterman specializes in French and European history, as well as intellectual history and social theory. He has published in French History, and is the author of Religion and the Politics of Time: Holidays in France from Louis XIV.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE INDIAN OCEAN IN THE ERA OF COLD WAR AND DECOLONIZATION

March 17, 2011 3:00pm

W. Taylor Fain is an associate professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Fain obtained his Master of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University and a Ph.D. in history from the University of Virginia. Before arriving in Wilmington, he worked as a Department of State historian, and was also a scholar at the Miller Center’s Presidential Recordings Program where he transcribed, edited, and annotated the Nixon tapes. His research interests include the international history of the Cold War, Anglo-American relations, U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf and Indian Ocean, and the American response to European imperial retrenchment in the 1950s and 1960s. He is the author of American Ascendance and British Retreat in the Persian Gulf Region (2008) and has published articles in the journals Middle Eastern Studies and Diplomacy and Statecraft.
EUROPE IS A PEACEFUL WOMAN, AMERICA IS A WAR-MONGERING MAN?

THE 1980s PEACE MOVEMENT IN NATO-ALLIED EUROPE

March 22, 2011 3:00pm

Belinda Davis is an associate professor of history at Rutgers University. She is the author of numerous books and articles, including Home Fires Burning: Food, Politics, and Everyday Life in World War I Berlin (2000). She is the co-author of Changing the World, Changing Oneself: Political Protest and Transnational Identities in 1960s/70s, West Germany and the U.S. (2010).

Following the talk, Professors Petra Goedde, Rita Krueger, and Jay Lockenour will participate in a roundtable discussion. A reception with refreshments will take place at 5:00. This event is hosted by Temple University’s General Education Program and the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy.

HISTORICAL MEMORIES IN CENTRAL EUROPE AND THE IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS: THE CASE OF THE LUDWIG BOLTZMANN INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH ON WAR CONSEQUENCES

March 24, 2011 11:30am

Stefan Karner is a scholar of twentieth century Austrian history, the NSDAP and Nazi regime, World War II and POWs, and Soviet History. He is a professor at the University of Graz in the Department of Economic, Social, and Business History, and serves as the director of the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Research on War Consequences. Dr. Karner is also an advisor to the Austrian Ministers of Sciences, International and European Affairs, and Defense, and co-head of the Austrian Government task force on the “House of Contemporary Austrian History.” He has supervised numerous historical exhibitions, and is the co-editor of The Prague Spring and the Warsaw Pact Invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968. Dr. Karner is the author of numerous books, including Stalins letzte Opfer. Verschleppte underschossene Österreicher in Moskau 1950–1953 and Im Archipel GUPVI. Kriegsgefangenschaft und Internierung in der Sowjetunion 1941-1956.

THE HONEST BROKER: THE ENDURING LESSONS OF THE FAILURE OF EISENHOWER'S ARAB STRATEGY

March 28, 2011 3:00pm

Dr. Michael S. Doran is a Visiting Professor at NYU Wagner. An academic expert on the international politics of the Middle East, Doran also held several senior posts during the George W. Bush Administration; serving as Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary at the State Department, as a Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense and as the Senior Director of the Near East and North Africa at the National Security Council. At State and DoD his emphasis was on countering al-Qaeda's ideology, and at the White House, he helped to devise and coordinate national strategies on a variety of Middle East issues, including Arab-Israeli relations and efforts to contain Iran. He previously taught at Princeton University and the University of Central Florida. He is particularly interested in inter-Arab relations, believing that contests for power and authority within Arab societies and between Arab states have a significant influence, both over relations between the Middle East and the West and over the Arab-Israeli conflict.
SPORTING RELATIONS:
DIPLOMACY, SMALL STATES, AND GERMANY'S POST-WAR RETURN TO INTERNATIONAL SPORT

April 7, 2011 3:00pm

Heather Dichter is currently an Adjunct Professor at York College in York, Pennsylvania and will be a Faculty Fellow at Franklin College in Lugano, Switzerland this summer. She attended the Universities of Michigan, North Carolina, and Toronto, completing theses on sport and politics at all three. She received her PhD from the University of Toronto in 2008 with a dissertation, entitled "Sporting Democracy: The Western Allies' Reconstruction of Germany Through Sport, 1944-1952". She has published an article in Stadion: International Journal of the History of Sport, edited a special issue of Sport in Society on Olympic Reform which will be published next month, and is currently co-editing an anthology on sport and foreign relations since 1945 with Andrew Johns at Brigham Young University.

"BECAUSE WE HAVE NOTHING": THE RADICALIZATION OF AMATEUR FÚTBOL IN CHILE AND THE WORLD CUP OF 1962

April 11, 2011 3:00pm

Throughout the twentieth century, fútbol (or soccer) clubs integrated working-class men into urban politics, connected them to parties, and served as venues of political critique. Beginning in the 1910s, clubs created rituals, narratives, and symbols that legitimated workers' claims to political subjectivity. By the 1950s, amateur football clubs were among the largest and most politicized civic associations, taking an active role in squatter movements, labor disputes, and political campaigns. In the process they created a magnetic icon of the popular barrio or neighborhood football player. This figure became a charismatic symbol of working-class ingenuity and class injustice. Moreover, these clubs created an alternative ideal of masculinity based on physical labor, creativity, class solidarity, and political militancy. The political nature of the Chilean barrio hero distinguished it from similar figures in other parts of Latin America. This icon and the effervescence of barrio clubs became a centerpiece of the Chilean bid to host the World Cup of 1962. Preparations for the event shed light on the ways in which the Cold War shaped the daily interactions of civic associations. By the 1960s, Chile was the only country in Latin America where leftist parties realistically hoped to gain control of the state through democratic means. Thus, the relationship between politics and popular culture warrants close attention.

Brenda Elsey is the author of Citizens and Sportsmen: Fútbol and Politics in Twentieth-Century Chile (University of Texas Press, July 2011). Her research focuses on the relationship between popular culture and the transnational solidarity movements with Latin America, especially in the 1970s and 80s. She is an assistant professor of history at Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY.

Fall 2010

STALIN AND SOVIET EUROPEAN STRATEGIES IN THE LATE 1940s
October 7, 2010 3:30pm

CENFAD is pleased to welcome Dr. Peter Ruggenthaler to Temple University. Please join us in the Weigley Room, on the 9th floor of Gladfelter Hall, to hear Dr. Ruggenthaler speak on Soviet European strategies in the late 1940s.


THE RUSSIAN MEDIA, FREEDOM OF THE PRESS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

October 21, 2010 1:00pm

CENFAD is pleased to welcome Dr. Nadezhda Azhgikhina from Moscow, Russia. She graduated from the Faculty of Journalism in Moscow State University, and has since 2002 worked as Executive Secretary of the Russian Union of Journalists. Dr. Azhgikhina has written and edited 17 books on cultural and gender issues, freedom of expression, media development, and human rights. She worked for and extensively published in “Independent Gazette,” “Ogonyok,” and other media during the time of Glasnost and the Yeltsin era. Dr. Azhgikhina is a member of PEN Club and the Gender Council of the International Federation of Journalists. She founded the “Citizen club” in Russia and the Association of Women Journalists.

REMEMBERING VIETNAM: THE LAST MEMOIR OF WAR IN THE MEKONG DELTA

November 11, 2010

Nguyễn Thị Vân (Mrs. Lê Dương) will be in Philadelphia with her co-authors, Lê Thị Mai and Cao Tuấn Phong, to discuss their three-volume study: *The Resistance War in the Western Mekong Delta (1945-1975).* Ngô Vĩnh Long, an advisor for the project, will also be present.

They will explain the genesis and purpose of these volumes, and what they see as their contributions to our knowledge of the Vietnam Wars. Our guests will have most of the morning to speak and answer questions. After a lunch hosted by Temple, we will continue the discussion with two thematic sessions: one on War, Politics and Leadership, and the second on War and Society.

CENFAD organized the seminar along with the Center for Vietnamese Philosophy, Culture and Society at Temple University.
BEYOND THE HORIZON: GRAND STRATEGY, ARCHIVES, AND INTERNATIONAL HISTORY

November 15, 2010 3:30pm

CENFAD’s Hertog Program in Grand Strategy has over the past year been an asset to Temple University’s history department. Temple graduate students who took the inaugural grand strategy seminar were awarded travel grants, which provided them with the opportunity to conduct dissertation research overseas. Tim Sayle and Matt Shannon report their findings.

Tim Sayle’s talk is titled “Berlin, the North Atlantic Council, and the Canadian Stick-in-the-Mud.” He will examine efforts within NATO to establish a grand strategy to respond to any Soviet efforts to block access to West Berlin. This paper, which is part of a larger project that examines the political, economic and military components of NATO’s grand strategy, will focus on military and nuclear plans.

Matt Shannon’s talk is titled “Public Diplomacy and Grand Strategy.” He will demonstrate how student exchange was an integral component of U.S.-Iran relations during the Cold War. Matt’s presentation will address methodology, demonstrating how research at the U.K. National Archives has contributed to his larger project on Iranian student migration and U.S. policy toward Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi’s regime.

THE U.S. AND INSTABILITY IN CENTRAL ASIA: DANGERS AND OPPORTUNITIES

November 22, 2010 2:30pm

Dr. Sergei Shenin, of the Institute of History and International Relations at Saratov State University, will discuss the current geopolitical environment in Central Asia. He will address the history of foreign involvement in Central Asian affairs, but will focus primarily on America’s twenty-first century strategy in the region. Dr. Shenin will demonstrate how the evolving dynamics in Central Asia challenge U.S. interests. With audience participation, he will discuss whether the United States should be involved in the region, and, if so, in what capacity. Dr. Shenin is the author of numerous books, including Returning to Russia: Strategy and Politics of American Aid in the 1990s, America’s Helping Hand: Paving the Way to Globalization (Eisenhower’s Aid Policy and Politics), and The United States and the Third World: The Origins of Postwar Relations and the Point Four Program.

BOOK TALK BY DR. GREGORY URWIN, OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

December 1, 2010 3:30pm

Professor Urwin will discuss his ninth book, Victory in Defeat: The Wake Island Defenders in Captivity, 1941-1945, which has been just released by Naval Institute Press.

In an advance review, Professor Dennis E. Showalter of Colorado College, former president of the Society for Military History, says of Urwin’s work:
“The Americans captured on Wake Island depended for their high survival rate on wits and will power. They created a buddy system, structured by leadership and discipline that became a lifesaving community. They benefited from the luck that put them for much of the war in a camp near Shanghai, in the orbit of the city’s Western civilians, the Red Cross, and the Swiss government. Because the Japanese treated the camp as a showplace, guards and administrators showed enough decency, kindness, and compassion to demonstrate that the atrocities committed elsewhere reflected policy, not culture. Urwin’s brilliantly nuanced presentation of the synergy among these factors is a unique contribution to understanding the POW experience.”

Spring 2010

ROUNDTABLE on the FOREIGN RELATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

February 1, 2010 2-4pm

The Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS) series is the indispensable first-stop for students and scholars of American foreign policy. To better understand the historical process behind the FRUS series, CENFAD is hosting a roundtable discussion at 2 pm on February 1 in the Weigley Room.

The roundtable will feature Dr. David Zierler, a member of the State Department’s Office of the Historian with responsibilities for the forthcoming FRUS volume on Afghanistan. Dr. Zierler will be joined by two members of the Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation: Peter Spiro, Charles R. Weiner Professor of Law at Temple University, and Katherine Sibley, Professor and Chair of the History Department at Saint Joseph’s University. The roundtable will be moderated by Richard Immerman, Professor of History at Temple University and Director of CENFAD.

Gender, the Middle East, and Western Reactions: A Conversation with Joan Scott, Todd Shepard and Kelly Shannon

Paley Library Lecture Hall, Paley Library, Temple University Main Campus

March 3, 2010 2:30pm

Presented by Temple University Libraries, the Free Library of Philadelphia and the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy.

Joan Scott of the Institute for Advance Study, Todd Shepard of Johns Hopkins, and Kelly Shannon, doctoral candidate in history and a Center for the Humanities at Temple graduate fellow, in conversation with Temple’s Laura Levitt on issues of gender in the Middle East, and how Western nations have responded. Just as Persepolis has become a sensational hit with Western audiences, these scholars will demonstrate how Westerners have viewed Muslim gender relations and taken action to alleviate the perceived oppression of women in Muslim communities, from banning the headscarf in French schools to integrating concerns for women’s rights into U.S. foreign policy. Program presented as part of the 2010 ONE BOOK, ONE PHILADELPHIA program featuring Marjane Satrapi’s The Complete Persepolis. Please join us on March 3 for this exciting conversation.
Joan W. Scott is Harold F. Linder Professor of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study. Scott studies French history and the history of women and gender. Her most recent book is The Politics of the Veil, which critically analyzes the debates in France about the banning of Islamic headscarves in state schools.

Todd Shepard teaches in the History department at Johns Hopkins University. He explores 20th-century France and the French Empire, with a focus on how imperialism intersects with histories of national identity, state institutions, race, and sexuality; his studies and teaching have concentrated on modern European history (particularly France), modern colonialism, and the history of sexuality.

Kelly Shannon (A.B., Vassar; M.A., University of Connecticut) is a Ph.D. Candidate in History at Temple University. Her dissertation, "Veiled Intentions: Islam, Global Feminism, and U.S. Foreign Policy Since the Late 1970s" interrogates the U.S. discourse about the perceived oppression of Muslim women since the Iranian Revolution and examines how that discourse came to influence the formulation of U.S. foreign policy toward the Muslim world in recent decades. Kelly is currently the CHAT Graduate Teaching Fellow for the Center for the Humanities at Temple, and she has received various fellowships and awards from the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, and Temple University.

"CNN Screens COLD WAR"
March 17, 2010 4-6pm
Join CENFAD at 4 pm, Wednesday March 17 in Gladfelter Hall 21 to watch an episode of CNN Cold War. Dr. Vlad Zubok will introduce the episode and there will be opportunity for discussion.

Cold War heavyweights set to spar!
March 24, 2010 3-5pm
Join CENFAD on March 24, 4 pm, in Gladfelter Hall 24 for a debate over the origins of the Cold War. The debate will follow a screening of Episode 2 from CNN's Cold War documentary.

"The American Way of War: Slight Return"
Brian McAllister Linn, Ralph R. Thomas Professor of Liberal Arts at Texas A&M University and President of the Society for Military History
March 30, 2010 3-5pm

Brian McAllister Linn was born in the Territory of Hawaii and completed his graduate studies at The Ohio State University under Dr. Allan R. Millett. He joined the History Department at Texas A&M University in 1989. He has authored four books, including The Echo of Battle: The Army’s Way of War, Guardians of Empire and The Philippine War, 1899-1902. Linn is the only person to have twice received the Society
for Military History’s Distinguished Book Award. He has also been an Olin Fellow at Yale University, the Susan Dyer Peace Fellow at the Hoover Institute, the Harold K. Johnson Visiting Professor of History at the U.S. Army War College, a John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow, a Woodrow Wilson International Center Fellow, and a Fulbright Fellow at the National University of Singapore. He was recently named the Ralph R. Thomas Professor in Liberal Arts and is the current president of the Society for Military History. His current research project is “Elvis’s Army and the Cold War, 1946-1976.”

"War by Other Means: Political Combat in the Trans-Mississippi Confederacy"

Dr. Jeffery Prushankin, Millersville University

March 31, 2010 4-6pm

Dr. Jeffery Prushankin will examine the complex relationship between politics and combat in the American Civil War. He will focus on the Louisiana congressional election of 1864 and how it reflected the Smith-Taylor split, while also examining Kirby Smith’s diplomacy with France and Mexico in 1865.

CONFERENCE: "The State of Buying: Consumption, Culture, and Power in the Global Marketplace"

April 16, 2010

Over the last decade, scholars of U.S. foreign relations and international history have increasingly examined consumption and how it shapes power. Over the same period, researchers on globalization have raised pressing questions about the reach and power of the state. This one-day workshop will bring together leading and innovative anthropologists, historians, and sociologists who study global consumption and the impact of consumption on the state to talk about their fields, what we can learn from different disciplinary approaches, and where we should go from here.

“1941: Stalin’s War Plans, Hitler’s Attack, and the Collapse of the Soviet Army” A Historical Reappraisal

Mark Solonin, Russian Military Historian

April 21, 2010 2:15-4pm

Mark Solonin is a major figure in Russian military history. His books have sold in excess of 180,000 copies in Russian, and have appeared in 5 other languages. He has written on the impact of the Nazi assault on Soviet Russia, the Soviet Air Force, Soviet military planning in the Second World War, The Second Soviet-Finnish War, and the Great War.

"The Influence of Domestic Politics on the Formulation of Grand Strategy During the Second Punic War"

Dr. Robert Epstein, School of Advanced Military Studies

April 21, 2010 4-6pm

Dr. Robert M. Epstein is professor of history at the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) that is part of the Army’s Command and General Staff College (CGSC) since its inception 1984. He graduated in 1981 with a Ph.D. with an emphasis in military history from Temple University. He was a visiting associate professor of history at CGSC starting in 1981. Prior to coming to CGSC in 1981, Dr. Epstein has taught at Temple University, Drexel University, and the Community College of Philadelphia. At CGSC and SAMS his courses ranged from antiquity to current operations. He is an internationally known scholar and military historian due to his many publications and presentations. Major books: Napoleon’s Last Victory and The Emergence of Modern War (a History Book Club selection), and Prince Eugene At War: 1809. He is currently engaged in writing his third book, The Defeat of Napoleon and the Reemergence of the Great Powers. Other publications including articles in The Journal of Military History, “The Creation and Evolution of the Army Corps in the American Civil War” (awarded the Moncado Prize), and “Patterns of Change and Continuity in Nineteenth Century Warfare (Required reading for at least 10 years in CGSC). Dr. Epstein has appeared on A&E, The History and History International Channels. He has spoken at West Point and the Smithsonian Institute and at other major forums in the U.S. and Europe. Dr. Epstein’s key interests include operational military history, war and society, military effectiveness and the nature of command.

Fall 2009

"What is Grand Strategy?"

John Lewis Gaddis, Robert A. Lovett Professor of Military & Naval History and Director of the Brady-Johnson Program in Grand Strategy, Yale University

September 10, 2009

"Can America Do Grand Strategy?"

Walter A. McDougall, Senior Fellow, FPRI and Alloy-Ansin Professor of International Relations, University of Pennsylvania

October 8, 2009 3pm

"AFGHANISTAN: Strategic Impressions from Kabul"

Colonel Jim Boling (US Army, Director, Military Strategy, US Army War College)

Colonel Boling recently served as the Director, ISAF-ANSF Planning Team in Kabul, Afghanistan.
"Alexander I and His Idea of Europe"

Prof. Marie-Pierre Rey (Sorbonne)

October 19, 2009 4-6pm
Marie-Pierre Rey is Professor of Russian and Soviet History at the Panthéon-Sorbonne (University of Paris I) and the Director of the Center for Research in Slavic History. She has published The Temptation of Reconciliation, France and USSR in the era of detente, 1964-1974 (Publications de la Sorbonne, 1991); From Russia to the Soviet Union, the Construction of the Empire, 1462-1953 (Hachette, 1994); and the Russian Dilemma, Russia and Western Europe by Ivan the Terrible to Boris Yeltsin (Flammarion, 2002).

"India and the World from the Great War to the Cold War"

An International Scholarly Workshop

October 21, 2009 1-4:30pm
The Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy and the New India Forum at Temple held a workshop on the international and transnational dimensions of Indian history in the twentieth century world. This event featured introductory remarks by Dr. Frank Costigliola, Professor of History at the University of Connecticut, a member in residence at the Institute for Advanced Study, School of Historical Studies, Princeton University and President of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR). Five scholars from Germany, United Kingdom, Netherlands and United States presented papers questioning the meaning and utility of transnational, international, and global frameworks to the study of India. Dr. Daud Ali, Associate Professor and Chair at the South Asian Studies Department at the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. David C. Engerman, Associate Professor of History at Brandeis University, were discussants.

“Celebrating the publication of America’s Army”

Prof. Beth Bailey (Temple University)

Please join us on Wednesday, October 28 at 4pm to celebrate the publication of America's Army: Making the All-Volunteer Force (Harvard University Press). America's Army is the newest book by Dr. Beth Bailey, Professor of History at Temple University and a Faculty Expert at CENFAD. Refreshments will be served, and copies of America's Army will be available for purchase (ahead of the scheduled release date).

America’s Army tells the story of the making of the all-volunteer Army, from its origins in the Vietnam War through the war in Iraq. In tracing the struggles over the all-volunteer force—from members of the Gates Commission arguing in 1969 over whether there was “something immoral in seducing people to die for their country” through contemporary debates about what it means, in time of war, to ask sacrifice from such a small portion of the American people—it offers an historical understanding of some
of the difficult questions the Army, and the American people, have confronted. What is the meaning of military service if it is no longer an obligation of citizenship? How did the Army change as it was forced to compete with other “employers” in a national labor market? How has the Army dealt with massive social change and the increasing diversity of the American population as it confronted explosive racial conflicts, integrated women into the ranks, and attempted to manage the issues of sex and sexuality? How has the Army portrayed the meaning of soldiering, and how has it debated its own purpose in American society, not only in times of war, but in times of peace?

Advance reviews have been tremendous: Andrew J. Bacevich recommends “Every American should read Beth Bailey's excellent book on America's Army" while Ronald Spector expects it "will become a major addition to the history of the post-Vietnam armed forces."

State Department Careers

November 24, 2009 3:30pm

On Tuesday, Nov. 24th, CENFAD hosted an event to inform Temple students about careers with the U.S. Department of State. Mr. Ramin Asgard (BIO), a Foreign Service Officer and Temple Alumnus who currently serves as a Political Advisor to the Command Group at US Central Command, spoke and took questions.

"Assertive Supremacy: Transatlantic Relations from the Cold War through the War on Terror."

Prof. Klaus Larres (University of Ulster)

November 11, 2009 4-6pm

"Afghanistan and American Grand Strategy"

John Nagl, President, Center for a New American Security

November 19, 2009

"The Iran Hostage Crisis after 30 Years"

Mark Bowden (contributing editor, Vanity Fair) and David Farber (Temple University)

December 2, 2009 4-6pm

Summer 2009

Prof. Jay Lockenour took members of his graduate class to the United States Army Ordnance Proving Grounds in Aberdeen, Maryland.
April 28, 2009

Temple PhD (and Ordnance Corps Historian) Peter Kindsvatter and Museum Director Dr. Joe Rainer were gracious hosts who treated the class to a behind the scenes look at the museum's operation, including some of their maintenance and storage facilities that aren't part of the normal tour.

Spring 2009

Prof. David Trim (Pacific Union College): "Humanitarian Intervention in Historical Perspective"

January 29, 2009

David Trim is an early modern military historian at Newbold College, U.K and a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. He has held visiting fellowships at the Huntington Library, the Folger Shakespeare Library, the University of Reading, (UK), and the University of California at Berkeley. He is presently a Visiting Professor at Pacific Union College (California, USA) and is editor or co-editor of six books. He is currently completing work on a co-edited history of *European warfare, 1350-1750.* [Flyer](#).

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall 4:30-5:45pm

Prof. Jeremy Black (Exeter): "War Since 1990"

February 24, 2009

Jeremy Black is a Professor of History at the University of Exeter in Great Britain. His expertise is in post-1500 military history and on 18th century British history, international relations, cartographic history and newspaper history. Black is author of numerous books, including most recently *Parliament and Foreign Policy in the Eighteenth Century* (CUP, 2004), *The English Seaborne Empire* (Yale, 2004), *World War Two: A Military History* (Routledge, 2003), *Italy and the Grand Tour* (Yale, 2003), *France and the Grand Tour* (Palgrave, 2003), *Visions of the World: A History of Maps* (Mitchell Beazley, 2003), *War: An Illustrated World History* (Sutton, 2003), *Warfare in the Eighteenth Century* (Cassell, 2002), *The World in the Twentieth Century* (Longman, 2002), *America as a Military Power 1775-1882* (Greenwood, 2002), and *Europe and the World 1650-1830* (Routledge, 2002). He is also editor of Archives, the journal of the British Records Association. Black became a Member of the Order of the British Empire in 2000 for his work on the 1999 stamps as advisor to the Royal Mail. This involved selecting the topics which covered British history, writing briefings for the stamp designers, and writing the text for the presentation packs. [Flyer](#).

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall 2:40-4:00pm

Obama, America, and the World Forum

March 2, 2009
Relations, Conrad Crane, Director of the U.S. Army Military History Institute at Carlisle Barracks, PA, and Michael Palmer, chair of the history department at East Carolina University will discuss America's strategic challenges and choices in the Obama era.

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall 2:30-4:30pm.

Volker Berghahn (Columbia): "American Social Sciences and Trans-Atlantic Knowledge Transfers, 1930-1970"

March 26, 2009

Volker Berghahn, Seth Low Professor of History, specializes in modern German history and European-American relations. He received his M.A. from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (1961) and his Ph.D. from the University of London (1964). He taught in England and Germany before coming to Brown University in 1988 and to Columbia ten years later. His publications include: America and the Intellectual Cold Wars in Europe (2001); Quest for Economic Empire (ed., 1996); Imperial Germany (1995); The Americanization of West German Industry, 1945–1973 (1986); Modern Germany(1982); Der Tirpitz-Plan (1971); and most recently Europe in the Era of Two World Wars (2006).

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall 2:40-4:00pm

Prof. Richard Immerman (Temple), "Analyze This: On a Mission to Improve the Quality of Intelligence Analysis"

March 19, 2009

Richard Immerman is the Buthusiem Family Distinguished Faculty Fellow in History at Temple University, the Marvin Wachman Director of the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, and the Co-Director of the Center for the Humanities at Temple. The author of many books and articles, he was the president of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations in 2007-08. From Sept. 2007 to Dec. 2008 he served as Assistant Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Analytical Integrity and Standards and Analytic Ombudsman for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. In that capacity he was responsible for the improving the analytic quality of all finished intelligence and guarding against its politicization.

Dr. Henry Gole (Ret. Col.), "General William E. DePuy and the Transformation of the Army"

April 23, 2009

Henry G. Gole, Col., USA (Ret.), Ph.D., fought in Korea as an enlisted rifleman and served two tours in Vietnam as a Special Forces officer. He has taught at West Point, the U.S. Army War College, the University of Maryland, Dickinson College and Franklin & Marshall College. He is the author of The Road to Rainbow: Army Planning for Global War, 1934-1940 (2002), Soldiering: Observations from Korea, Vietnam, and Safe Places (2005), and General William E. DePuy: Preparing the Army for Modern War (2008).
Fall 2008

Prof. Campbell Craig (University of Southampton): "The Atomic Bomb and the Origins of the Cold War"

September 23, 2008

Campbell Craig is Professor of International Relations at the University of Southampton, where he teaches nuclear history, U.S. foreign policy, and international political theory. His most recent books are *Glimmer of a New Leviathan: Total War in the Realism of Niebuhr, Morgenthau, and Waltz* (2003) and, with Sergey Radchenko, *The Atomic Bomb and the Origins of the Cold War* (2008).

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall 2:40-4:00pm

Prof. Max Paul Friedman (American University): "Anti-Americanism and U.S. Foreign Relations"

October 6, 2008

Dr. Friedman is an Associate Professor of History at American University, where he teaches U.S. foreign relations history. He is the author of *Nazis and Good Neighbors: The United States Campaign Against the Germans of Latin America in World War II* (Cambridge, 2003), which won the Herbert Hoover Book Prize in U.S. History and the A.B. Thomas Book Prize in Latin American Studies. He is currently working on a history of anti-Americanism and foreign perceptions of U.S. foreign policy during the Cold War.

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall 2:40-4:00pm

Prof. William I. Hitchcock (Temple University): "The Liberation of Europe"

October 30, 2008

In *The Bitter Road to Freedom* (Free Press, 2008), Prof. Hitchcock tells a part of the story of World War II that is missing from traditional accounts. Told from the point of view of those who were liberated, the book helps explain why even liberated people, grateful for their freedom, generally do not like their liberators, and why liberation achieved even in the most righteous of wars comes at a dire price. Free and open to the public but reservations required.

FPRI Library, 1528 Walnut Street, Suite 610, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

3rd Annual International History Workshop on "Human Rights and History"

December 12-13, 2008

Featuring Special Guest: Blanche Wiesen Cook, who will speak to us and other guests about Eleanor Roosevelt and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The Russell F. Weigley Room, 9th Floor, Gladfelter Hall
Spring 2008

Film screening of "Khan Game" and discussion with Dr. Craig Eisendrath

February 4, 2008

Dr. Eisendrath is a Senior Fellow at the Center for International Policy and the Chairman of the Project for Nuclear Awareness. He is the author of "Khan Game," an interactive play. He will show the film version of "Khan Game" and will discuss potential nuclear war scenarios with the audience, such as the potential for nuclear war between Iran and Israel or Pakistan and India.


March 6, 2008

Dr. Hosoya is Associate Professor of European Diplomatic History at Keio University in Tokyo, Japan. He is the author of numerous books and articles, including Postwar International Order and British Diplomacy, which won the 24th Suntory Prize for Social Sciences and Humanities, and Diplomacy and the Search for Peace: Anthony Eden, the Cold War and the Origins of Detente, which won the Sakurada Prize for a Book on Political Science. He has published widely on European international history, British foreign and security policy, and Japanese diplomacy.

Dr. Fredrik Logevall: "Into Iraq: The Path to War"

April 3, 2008

Dr. Logevall is a Professor of History at Cornell University, where he teaches U.S. foreign relations history. His publications include Choosing War: The Lost Chance for Peace and the Escalation of War in Vietnam (California, 1999) and The Origins of the Vietnam War (Longman, 2001), and he is the winner of the 2001 Warren F. Kuehl Book Prize and the co-winner of the 2000 Stuart L. Bernath Book Prize from the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations, as well as the 2000 W. Turrentine Jackson Book Award from the American Historical Association.

Dr. Stephen Miller: "Volunteers on the Veld: British Citizen-Soldiers and the South African War, 1899-1902"

April 9, 2008

Dr. Miller is an Associate Professor of History at the University of Maine, where he teaches European, African, British, and military history. His publications include Lord Methuen and the British Army: Failure and Redemption in South Africa (Frank Cass & Co., 1999) and Volunteers on the Veld: British Citizen-Soldiers and the South African War 1899-1902 (Oklahoma, 2007). His current project explores the nature and practice of discipline and punishment in the late Victorian British Army in South Africa.
Damien and Diana Cave: "Reporters' Notes from Iraq: A Talk With Damien Cave and Diana Oliva Cave of the New York Times."

April 22, 2008

Reporter Damien Cave and video journalist Diana Oliva Cave have recently returned from working together as New York Times' correspondents in Iraq. Please join us for a lecture and conversation about their experiences and the current situation in Iraq. Damien will speak about recent political and military developments, his experiences alongside Iraqis and Americans, and the unique challenges of working in a war zone with his spouse. Diana will introduce and show a short clip of her work, and both Damien and Diana will participate in a question and answer session.

Fall 2007

David Zierler, Temple University, "Recovering from War: Agent Orange and Vietnam Today"

September 20, 2007

Co-Sponsored by the Center for Vietnamese Philosophy, Culture, and Society

Gillian Sorensen, UN Foundation, "Women's Rights and Empowerment: Gender Equity in the New Millennium"

October 16, 2007

Dr. Frank Costigliola, University of Connecticut, "The Impact of 'Disability' and Intimacy on the Isolation of Franklin D. Roosevelt in World War II"

November 6, 2007

Terrorism on the Home Front: A Panel Discussion at the American Philosophical Society

November 13, 2007

Featuring Gov. Tom Ridge and Marc Sageman, Ian Lustick, and Jessica Stern

With Moderator Richard Immerman

Reception following panel discussion
Captain Brian Iglesias, U.S. Marine Corps, "The Eagle and the Crescent: A Marine's Experience With the Iraqi Security Forces"

November 19, 2007

Dr. David J. Ulbrich, Ball State University, "Japanese and American Logistics in the Pacific War"

December 3, 2007

Past Conferences and Workshops

- Historian Jeremy Black led a symposium that illustrated how military revolutions affect the conduct of war
- Historian John Lewis Gaddis delivered the keynote address at a conference concerned with the implications of the Cold War's origins
- Michael Cohen, an Israeli scholar, discussed how allied holdings in the Middle East influenced the Western bloc's war planning after World War II
- CENFAD co-sponsored an international conference in Potsdam, Germany, to explain how the Berlin Crisis of 1953 affected the Cold War in Europe
- CENFAD asked Rose Bernstein, the U.S. Liaison Officer to NATO, to conduct a practicum concerning the functioning of NATO after the Cold War
- Manifesting its diverse abilities, CENFAD also directed a project that produced a script for a television documentary about former Secretary of State John Foster Dulles