

TIMOTHY M. ROBERTS

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

D.Phil., Faculty of Modern History, University of Oxford, 1998; M.A., American History, Brandeis University, 1993; B.A., University of Virginia, History, 1987

2008-present Professor of History, Western Illinois University. Promoted from Associate Professor 2017

2013-2014 U.S. Fulbright Lecturer, Zhejiang University, China, 2013-2014

2002-2008 Assistant Professor of History, Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey, 2002-2008

2000-2002 Visiting Assistant Professor, Metropolitan State University of Denver

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Undergraduate courses: American history to 1877 [including online offering]; Senior capstone seminar: Public history; Civil War and Reconstruction; American military history; Senior capstone seminar: Slavery in history and today; History of the American South; Early American republic; American legal history; The Second Amendment in American history and culture; The United States in the World [capstone seminar, study abroad course]; Introductory historical methodology; Modern world history [jointly taught course]

Graduate courses: Seminar on introduction to graduate study in history; Reading seminar on the public history of slavery and abolition; Reading seminar on the Civil War and Reconstruction; Research seminar on print sources in the nineteenth century; Research seminar on American laws of slavery; Master's thesis research

ZHEJIANG UNIVERSITY, CHINA

Undergraduate course: History of American law

Graduate courses: America in the World to 1898; America in the World since 1898; American relations with the Middle East

BILKENT UNIVERSITY, TURKEY

Undergraduate courses: American history to 1877; American history since 1865; American political history; America in the World Since 1898; The American Revolution

Graduate courses: Historical methodology; The Civil War era; Comparative slavery; U.S. labor and immigration history; History of American radicalism; U.S. diplomatic history; History of American capitalism; Master's thesis research; Ph.D. dissertation research

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METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Undergraduate courses: American history to 1877; American history since 1865; American history since World War II; The Civil War Era

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Question Leader, AP Seminar Readings, 2015-2019

Reader, AP American History Reading, 2007

Certified Public Accountant, PriceWaterhouseCoopers (then Coopers & Lybrand), Washington, DC, 1987-1992

AWARDS AND GRANTS RECEIVED

2017 Illinois Humanities "Illinois Speaks" Micro-Grant

2015 Western Illinois University Provost Award for Excellence in Internationalizing the Campus and Excellence in Internationalizing the College of Arts and Sciences

J. William Fulbright Outreach Lecturing Fund Grant

2014 American Historical Association Tuning Project Grant

2013 J. William Fulbright lectureship, Zhejiang University, China

National Endowment for the Humanities/Gilder Lehrman Institute for American History Grant, "Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle- using documentary films to encourage community discussion about America's civil rights history"

2011 American Library Association/National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, "Let's Talk About It: Making Sense of the American Civil War - a scholar-led reading and discussion program for public audiences"

2010 Joan Nordell Research Fellowship, Houghton Library, Harvard University

American Library Association/National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War - a traveling exhibition to libraries"

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar for College and University Teachers, "The American Civil War at 150: New Approaches," Savannah, Georgia

2008 Andrew Mellon Foundation Research Fellowship, Massachusetts Historical Society

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar for College and University Teachers, "Rethinking America in a Global Perspective," Washington, DC

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2006 Best Article Prize of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic

1995 Andrew Mellon Foundation Research Fellowship, Virginia State Historical Society

1994 University of Oxford Faculty of Modern History research fellowship

1992 Brandeis University graduate scholarship

BOOK MONOGRAPH

Distant Revolutions: 1848 and the Challenge to American Exceptionalism (Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2009)

EDITED VOLUMES

This Infernal War: The Civil War Letters of William and Jane Standard (Kent: Kent State University Press, 2018)

Co-edited with Lindsay DiCuirci, *American Exceptionalism*, 4 vols., (London: Routledge, 2012)

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Republican Citizenship in the Post-Civil War South and French Algeria 1865-1900," *American Nineteenth Century History* 19 (2018), 79-102

"The Role of French Algeria in American Expansion during the Early Republic," *Journal of the Western Society for French History* 43 (2015), 153-164

"Lajos Kossuth and the Permeable American Orient of the Mid-Nineteenth Century," *Diplomatic History* 39 (November 2015), 793-818

"Construction of National Identities in Early Republics: A Comparison of the American and Turkish Cases," co-authored with Emrah Şahin, *Journal of the Historical Society* 10 (December 2010), 507-531

"Commercial Philanthropy: American Missionaries and the American Opium Trade," *Journal of Mediterranean Studies* 19 (Fall 2010), 371-388

"Learning About Civil War, Separatism, and Nation-Building through Teaching in the Turkish Republic," *Journal of American History* 96 (March 2010), 1119-1122

"Margaret Fuller's Rome and the Problem of Provincial American Democracy," *Patterns of Prejudice* 40 (February 2006), 45-60

"Revolutions Have Become the Bloody Toy of the Multitude': European Revolutions, the South, and the Crisis of 1850," *Journal of the Early Republic* 25 (June 2005), 259-283

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"'Now the Enemy is Within Our Borders': The Impact of European Revolutions on American Perceptions of Violence Before the Civil War," *ATQ: 19th C. American Literature and Culture* 17 (September 2003), 197-214

BOOK CHAPTERS

"Epilogue" to *Transatlantic Revolutionary Cultures, 1789-1861*, eds., Helena Toth and Charlotte Lerg (Leiden: Brill Publishers, 2017), 253-263

"The Relevance of Giuseppe Mazzini's Ideas of Insurgency to the American Sectional Crisis of the 1850s," in *Giuseppe Mazzini and the Globalization of Democratic Nationalism*, eds., Christopher Bayly and Eugenio Biagini (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), 311-322

"The United States and the European Revolutions of 1848," in *European Revolutions of 1848 and the Americas*, ed. Guy Thomson (London: Institute of Latin American Studies, 2002), 76-99

"The United States and the Revolutions of 1848," co-author, in *Revolutions in Europe 1848-1849: From Reform to Reaction*, eds. R. J. W. Evans and Hartmut Pogge von Strandmann (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000), 157-179

"Diplomatische Reaktionen der Vereinigten Staaten während der Revolutionsjahre 1848/49," in *Achtundvierziger Forty-Eighters: Die deutsche Revolution von 1848/49, die Vereinigten Staaten und der amerikanische Bürgerkrieg*, eds., Wolfgang Hochbruck and Ulrich Bachteler (Münster: Westfälisches Dampfboot, 2000), 29-41

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

"American Exceptionalism," "The United States and the Revolutions of 1848," and "Louis Kossuth," in *America in the World: 1776 to the Present*, ed., Edward Blum (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2016)

"Government," and "Politics," in *American Centuries: The Ideas, Issues, and Trends that Made U.S. History: the 19th century*, ed., Melanie Gustafson (New York: Infobase Publishing, 2011)

"The Democratic Party," in *Early Republic and Antebellum America: An Encyclopedia of Social, Political, Cultural, and Economic History*, ed. Christopher Bates (Armonk: M. E. Sharpe, 2010)

"Early National Period and Expansion, 1783-1859," and "Labor and Employment, 1860-1875," in *Handbook to Life in America*, ed., Rodney Carlisle (New York: Facts on File, 2009)

"Atlanticism," "Sugar," and "Timber," in *France and the Americas: Culture, Politics, History*, ed., Bill Marshall (Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, 2005)

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“America As Interpreted By Foreign Observers,” “Autobiography of Malcolm X,” “Freemasons,” “Harper’s Ferry Raid,” “Immediatism,” “Kennebec River Settlements,” “Kilroy Was Here,” “Know-Nothing Party,” “New England Antislavery Society,” “New England Emigrant Aid Society,” “Oberlin Movement,” “Port Authorities,” in *Dictionary of American History*, ed., Stanley Kutler (Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2003)

Book reviews

Michael Gobat, *Empire by Invitation: William Walker and Manifest Destiny in Central America* (2018), in *H-Diplo Roundtable Review* 20 (May 2019), online

Philip Gura, *Man's Better Angels: Romantic Reformers and the Coming of the Civil War* (2017), in *Journal of the Early Republic* 39 (Spring 2019), 192-194

Sean Scalmer, *On the Stump: Campaign Oratory and Democracy in the United States, Britain, and Australia* (2017), in *Journal of American History* 105 (December 2018), 668-669

Peter Hoffer, *Uncivil Warriors: The Lawyers’ Civil War* (2018), in *Civil War Book Review* 20 (Fall 2018), online

Matthew Karp, *This Vast Southern Empire: Slaveholders at the Helm of American Foreign Policy* (2016), in *H-Diplo Roundtable Review* 19 (October 2017), 16-17, online

John Wilsey, *American Exceptionalism and Civil Religion: Reassessing the History of an Idea* (2015), in *Church History* 86 (September 2017), 906-908

Vitor Izecksohn, *Slavery and War in the Americas: Race, Citizenship, and State Building in the United States and Brazil, 1861-1870* (2014), in *Journal of the Civil War Era* 5 (September 2015), 463-465

Nicole Phelps, *U.S.-Habsburg Relations from 1815 to the Paris Peace Conference: Sovereignty Transformed* (2013), in *H-Diplo Roundtable Review* 16 (October 2014), 15-17, online

Daniel Kilbride, *Being American in Europe, 1750-1860* (2013), in *Journal of American History* 100 (March 2014), 1200-1201

Andre Fleche, *Revolution of 1861: The American Civil War in the Age of Nationalist Conflict* (2012), in *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 110 (Summer/Autumn 2012), 585-587

Amanda Foreman, *World on Fire: Britain's Crucial Role in the American Civil War* (2011), in *American Historical Review* 117 (June 2012), 816-818

Don Doyle, ed., *Secession as an International Phenomenon: From America's Civil War to Contemporary Separatist Movements* (2010), in *Journal of Southern History* 78 (May 2012), 467-469

Matthew Guterl, *American Mediterranean: Southern Slaveowners in an Age of Emancipation* (2008), in *Enterprise & Society* 12 (September 2011), 691-693

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Rachel Hope Cleves, *Reign of Terror in America: Visions of Violence from Anti-Jacobinism to Antislavery* (2009), in *Common-place The Interactive Journal of Early American Life*, vol. 10, no. 1, October 2009, online

Charles Weeks, *Paths to a Middle Ground: The Diplomacy of Natchez, Boukfourka, Nogales, and San Fernando de las Barrancas, 1791–1795* (2005); Rafe Blaufarb, *Bonapartists in the Borderlands: French Exiles and Refugees on the Gulf Coast* (2005); and Sean Goudie, *Creole America: The West Indies and the Formation of Literature and Culture in the New Republic* (2006), in the *Journal of the Early Republic* 28 (Fall 2008), 511-517

Barry Rubin and Judith Rubin, *Hating America: A History* (2004), in H-USA, H-Net Reviews, September, 2006, online

“A Different Sort of Marshall Plan: A Review of the Turkish film Kurtlar Vadisi – Irak [Valley of the Wolves – Iraq],” in *Patterns of Prejudice* 40 (Summer 2006), 281-284

Eliga Gould and Peter Onuf, eds., *Empire and Nation: The American Revolution in the Atlantic World* (2005), in *History: Reviews of New Books* 34 (Fall 2005), 5

Stanley Weintraub, *Iron Tears: America’s Battle for Freedom, Britain’s Quagmire: 1775-1783*, in *History: Reviews of New Books* 33 (Summer 2005), 149

Michael Morrison and Melinda Zook, eds., *Revolutionary Currents: Nation Building in the Transatlantic World* (2004), in *History: Reviews of New Books* 33 (Fall 2004), 37-38

Wolfgang Schivelbusch, *Culture of Defeat: On National Trauma, Mourning and Recovery* (2003), in *History: Reviews of New Books* 31 (Summer 2003), 177

Elizabeth Glaser and Hermann Wellenreuther, eds., *Bridging the Atlantic: The Question of American Exceptionalism in Perspective* (2002), in *History: Reviews of New Books* 31 (Spring 2003), 118

Daniel Elazar and John Kincaid, eds., *Covenant Connection: From Federal Theology to Modern Federalism* (2000), in H-Ideas, H-Net Reviews, September, 2001, online

C. Bradley Thompson, *John Adams and the Spirit of Liberty* (1998), in *History: Reviews of New Books* 27 (Spring 1999), 109

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“What Was also Wrong About the Claim that Andrew Gillum’s Election as Florida’s Governor “Would Monkey This Up” September 9, 2018, by the *History News Network*, online

“When Lincoln Visited Macomb,” a 45-minute historical re-enactment of Abraham Lincoln’s August, 25-26, 1858 stay in Macomb, Illinois, performed at the Western Illinois Museum, August 26, 2018

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“U.S.-China: Nineteenth-Century Anglo-American Rivalry Redux?” February 10, 2014, by the *History News Network*, online

“Untangling American History in Turkey,” *Chronicle of Higher Education Worldwide*, April 25, 2012, online

“The Challenges of 1848 Reprised in the Middle East Today,” March, 2, 2011, by the *History News Service*, online

“Could Obama's Internationalism Cost Him Support at Home?” January 26, 2009, *History News Network*, online

“Teaching by Analogy: Comparing American and Turkish History,” *Common-place: The Interactive Journal of Early American Life*, vol. 8, no. 1, October 2007, online

"1848 and American Frustrations with Europe," *Historically Speaking: The Bulletin of the Historical Society* 4 (April 2003), 18-19

"The 1942 Internments and Today's Security Crisis," October 11, 2001, *History News Service*, online

“Bob Knight: A Latter-Day MacArthur?” October 9, 2000, *History News Service*, online

CONFERENCE PAPERS

2019 “The Role of French Algeria in American Annexation of the Philippines,” for conference of the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations

2018 “The Role of French Algeria in American Proslavery Expansion,” for conference, “The Worlds of 1848: International Colloquium,” co-sponsored by the Université Paris-Est Créteil, the École des Hautes Études en Sciences, and the Université Paris 13

“Images of French Algeria in American State-Building and Citizenship,” for conference of the French Colonial Historical Society

2017 “‘I Need Your Care and Protection Worse Than Old Abe Does’: The Civil War Experience of a Copperhead Woman,” for conference of the University of Mississippi Center for Civil War Research

“Republican Citizenship in the post-Civil War South and French Algeria 1865-1887,” for conference, “Emancipations: Reconstructions, and Revolutions: African American Politics and U.S. History in the Long 19th Century,” co-sponsored by The Graduate Center, City University of New York and the McNeil Center for Early American Studies at the University of Pennsylvania

2015 “Territorial Settlement Policies in the American West and French Algeria,” for conference of the Western Society for French History

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- 2013 “The 1848 Revolutions, the American Civil War, and the Republican Empire,” keynote address for conference “Transatlantic Revolutionary Cultures,” Center for Advanced Studies, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich, Germany
- 2012 “Identity and Representation among American Missionaries and Merchants in the Near East, 1810-1860,” for conference of the American Historical Association
- “Imperial Nation-Building in the United States and France, 1848-1877,” for conference of the Organization of American Historians
- 2011 “Considering American Exceptionalism and Imperialism in light of the Civil War,” for conference of the American Historical Association
- 2010 “Approaching the Early American Republic from Comparative and Transnational Perspectives,” for conference of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic
- “Is Hungary in the East or West? Lajos Kossuth in America and Conceptions of ‘Western Civilization’,” for conference on Global Intellectual History: An International Workshop, New York University, New York City
- 2009 “Teaching the American Civil War in Turkey,” for conference of the American Historical Association
- 2007 “American Missionaries and Opium Traders in Turkey,” for conference of the World History Association
- 2005 “Early American Relations with the Middle East: An Overview of the Scholarship and Suggestions for Synthesis,” for conference of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
- 2004 “The Importance of ‘Founding Fathers’ in Early Republican Nation-Building: Washington and Atatürk in Comparative Perspective,” lecture for the Turkish Military Academy, Ankara, Turkey
- “American Relations with the Ottoman Empire from the Early Republic to the Civil War,” for conference of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic
- 2003 “Margaret Fuller, the Trials of Democracy, and American Exceptionalism,” for conference of the American Studies Association of Turkey
- “Relations Between the Ottoman Empire and the Early American Republic,” for conference of the Association of British American Nineteenth Century Historians
- 2001 “Images of Europe Among American Protestants and Catholics During the Revolutions of 1848,” for conference of the Society for the Interdisciplinary Study of Social Imagery

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- “A ‘Wilder Scheme than the French Socialist Ever Dreamed’: Reform Movements and the Growth of the State in America and France during the Mid-Nineteenth Century,” for conference of the American Historical Association
- 2000 “Transatlantic reform during the mid-nineteenth century,” for the Mid-America Conference on History
- 1998 “American Policy During the European Revolutions of 1848,” series of public lectures delivered to the German-American Institutes, Frankfurt, Heidelberg, Tübingen, and Freiburg Baden-Wuerttemberg, Germany
- 1997 “Margaret Fuller as a Radical American Republican Amid the European Revolutions of 1848,” for conference of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic
“American Diplomacy during the 1848 Revolutions,” for the Consortium on Revolutionary Europe, 1750-1850
- 1996 “American Reactions to the 1848 Revolutions,” for conference of the British Association Of American Studies

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- 2018 Author’s Voice: A House Divided, about book *This Infernal War: The Civil War Letters of William and Jane Standard*, February 2, online
- 2014 Backstory: Responsibility to Protect? A History of Humanitarian Intervention, about debates on American intervention in Hungary in 1849 and in contemporary Syria, April 4, online
- 2011 Canadian Broadcasting Corporation: Sunday Edition, about parallels between the European Revolutions of 1848 and the Arab Spring uprisings, March 3, online
- 2009 Fox News, about parallels between criticisms of the internationalism of Presidents Lincoln and Obama, February 11, online

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Manuscripts reviewer for the *Journal of Southern History*, *Journal of the Civil War Era*, *American Nineteenth Century History*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, *Journal of American Studies of Turkey*, and Oxford University Press

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program Discipline Peer Reviewer, 2015-2016

“Republican Party to 1865,” for the Virginia Center for Center for Civil War Studies at Virginia Tech, *Essential Civil War Curriculum*, 2014, online

Governing board, American Studies Association of Turkey 2006-2008

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Article prize committee, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, 2006

UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Western Illinois University

Chair, History Department graduate studies program, 2018-2019

Member, University personnel committee, 2018

Donor, History Department scholarships, to fund Bill of Rights student essay prize, 2017-2018

Chair, College of Arts and Sciences curriculum committee, 2017-2018

Faculty Senate representative to the Provost's Advisory Council, 2017-2018

Humanities representative to College of Arts and Sciences curriculum committee, 2017-2018

Chair, Faculty Senate ad-hoc committee on First Year Experience program, 2018

Chair, History Department personnel committee, 2017-2018

Internship coordinator, History Department, 2016-2018

Faculty senator, 2015-2018

Co-chair, Faculty Senate Council on provost and presidential performance, 2015-2016

Chair, History Department assessment committee, 2015-2016

Chair, History department scholarship and recruitment committee, 2012-2013

Faculty ambassador for international student recruitment, 2013-2014

Faculty advisor, Phi Alpha Theta history student honor society, 2012-2013, 2015-2017

Co-founder and faculty advisor of anti-human trafficking campus group Western against Slavery, 2011-2013, 2015-2016

Western Illinois Museum

Treasurer, 2016-2019

Member, Board of Trustees, 2015-2019

Macomb, Illinois Soccer Club

Chair, Board of Directors, 2016-2019

Member, Board of Directors, 2015-2019