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EDUCATION

- Oct. 2011-present Ph.D. Candidate in History at the University of Leeds
Thesis Title: *The Role of Castles and Martial-Style Architecture in Early Tudor Society, 1485-1547*
Supervisors: Dr Emilia Jamroziak and Axel Müller
- Sept. 2010-2011 M.A. degree in Medieval History at the University of Leeds
Dissertation: *Military Obligation in Anglo-Norman England, 950-1166*
Supervisor: Professor Graham Loud
- 2007-2010 B.A. degree in History and Medieval and Renaissance Studies at The College of Saint Scholastica, Duluth, Minnesota, USA
Dissertation: *Sixteenth-Century Perceptions of Richard III*
Graduated: *Cum Laude* (GPA 3.67/4.0)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- The use of space within residences by the nobility for politics, ceremonies, and everyday activities
- The rebuilding, renovating, and reusing of martial-style architecture during the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries
- Licences to crenellate as a device to gain power, promote status, and settle disputes by both the noble and ecclesiastical classes during the Middle Ages
- Architectural comparisons of domestic residences between England and the Continent, particularly on borderlands

PUBLICATIONS

- 2014 ‘The Commemoration of Lineage and the Formation of Identity through Castle Building in the Late Fifteenth Century’, (in progress)

- 2014 'Ecclesiastical Licences to Crenellate: Urban Space and Rivalries in Thirteenth- and Fourteenth-Century England', in *Urban Society in Medieval Europe: A Social History*, (forthcoming)
- 2014 "St George, his pilgrimage to St David's': A Pembrokeshire Tournament in 1506', *Pembrokeshire History Society Journal*, 23, (forthcoming)

ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 2014 'The Role and Symbolism of Martial Architecture in Early Modern London', *Map of Early Modern London*, University of Victoria, (forthcoming)
- 2014 'The 'Great Rebuilding' of Early Modern London', *Map of Early Modern London*, University of Victoria, (forthcoming)
- 2013 'Early Tudor Lineage and Loyalty: A Look at the Shields of Carew Castle, Pembrokeshire, *Beyond Borders*, <http://beyondborders-medievalblog.blogspot.co.uk/>

AWARDS

- Apr. 2014-May2015 Ochs Scholarship from the British Archaeological Association
- Feb. 2014 Royal Historical Society Research Grant
- Sept. 2013 Fully funded bursary to attend summer school ('Detecting Changes in Landscape with LiDAR'), from the Università Degli Studi di Padova
- May 2013 Fully funded bursary to attend AHRC archival training course for historians at The National Archives, Kew
- May 2012 Castle Studies Group bursary to attend annual conference
- Sept. 2007-2011 Marie V. Saltwick Scholarship
- Jan. 2008-2010 Benedictine Scholarship from The College of Saint Scholastica
- Jan. 2008-2010 Student Achievement Grant from The College of Saint Scholastica

GROUP AWARDS

- May 2014 The Society for Post-Medieval Archaeology, Conference Grant
- May 2014 *Medium Aevum*, Conference Grant

May 2014 Medieval Research Group, University of Leeds, Conference Grant

May 2013 Economic History Society, Conference Grant

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

June 2014-May 2015 University of Leeds, Teaching Assistant on 'War and Conflict in the Later Middle Ages' module (2nd and 3rd years)

Sept. 2013-Jan. 2014 University of Leeds, Seminar Leader on 'Faith, Knowledge, and Power, 1500-1750' module (1st years)

Sept. 2013-May 2014 University of Leeds, Seminar Leader on 'RIXA seminars', research based seminar discussions with high achieving students (2nd and 3rd years)

Jan. 2013-May 2013 University of Leeds, Seminar Leader on 'Religion and Culture in Medieval Europe, 1000-1500' (1st years)

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Sept. 2014 "Every mans...home, being the theatre of his hospitality': Early Tudor Castles as the Nobleman's Stage, 1485-1525', *Fifteenth Century Conference*, University of Aberdeen

Aug. 2014 'A Norman Great Tower in Late-Fifteenth-Century England: A Symbol of Ancient Lineage and Regional Power for the de Vere Family', *5th Conference on Towers in Medieval Europe. Antiquity and Lineage: The Tower as Status Symbol*, University of Newcastle

July 2014 'Thornbury Castle: The Capital of a Ducal Empire?', *International Medieval Congress*, University of Leeds

June 2014 'The Tudor Biography of Carew Castle: From Henry VII to Elizabeth I', *Buildings in Society International Conference*, Queen's University, Belfast

Feb. 2014 'The Parks and Gardens of the English Elite, 1485-1547', *Postgraduate Work in Progress Conference*, University of Leeds

July 2013 'Castles in the Late Middle Ages: The Case of John de Vere (1442-1513) and Hedingham Castle', *International Medieval Congress*, University of Leeds

June 2013 'Early Tudor Castles: Lineage, Local Politics, and Martial Prowess', *First Annual Symposium in Medieval and Renaissance Studies*, University of St Louis, Missouri

June 2013 'Ecclesiastical Licences to Crenellate: Disputed Spaces and the Voice of the King',
International Medieval Meeting, Universitat de Lleida, Spain

IMPACT AND ENGAGEMENT

June 2014 Presented research-led discussion with secondary-school pupils on 'War and Conflict in the Middle Ages'

Sept. 2011 Invited to discuss M.A. research with history class at Denfeld High School, Duluth, Minnesota

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

May 2014-present Historical Consultant, consulted on historical sources and material for the book: *In the Footsteps of Henry VIII's Six Wives*, by Dr Sarah Morris

May 2013-June 2014 Co-founder and organiser of the annual conference on *The Early Modernist and the Archives*, held at the Senate House Library, London

Jan. 2013-present Production Secretary at the International Medieval Bibliography

Sept. 2012-May 2014 Co-organiser of the annual monasticism conference at the University of Leeds

Sept. 2012-present Outreach Coordinator for the *Middle Ground History Journal*, based at The College of Saint Scholastica

Jan. 2012-present Peer-reviewer for *Hortulus Journal*

REFERENCES

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