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Academic Qualifications

1985: BA Modern History, Oxford University, first class.
1990: D.Phil, Oxford University, 'France in British Foreign Policy: The Popular Front and the Approach of War.'
1991: PGCE History, Oxford University.

Academic Career

1992-96 Lecturer, University of the West of England, Bristol
1996-98 Senior Lecturer, University of the West of England, Bristol
1998-2003 Reader, University of the West of England, Bristol
2003-5 Lecturer, Exeter University
June 2005 Reader in Colonial History, Exeter University
September 2005: appointed first Director of Exeter's Centre for War, State and Society
September 2007: Promoted to Professor of European Imperial History

External Recognition

In November 2002 I was awarded a £50,000 Philip Leverhulme Prize.
In December 2008 I secured a three-year Leverhulme Trust Major Research Fellowship.

Membership of professional bodies: *Society for French Historical Studies*; the *French Colonial History Society*; the *American Political Science Association*; the *British International History Group*; *International Studies Association*; *UK Study Group on Intelligence*.

Membership of journal editorial boards: *Diplomacy & Statecraft* (appointed 2011); *French Historical Studies* (three-year term, 2009-12); *Intelligence & National Security* (appointed 2008); *International History Review* (three-year term, 2003-6); *War & Society* (appointed 2011).

2001-5 External examiner, BA War Studies, King's College, London
2005-8 External examiner, BA International History, London School of Economics
2005-8: BA History, University of Wales, Aberystwyth

PhD external examiner for Cambridge University (5 PhDs); Oxford University (3); LSE (1); King's College, London (3); SOAS (1); UEA Norwich (1); Sydney University (1).

Publications

Books:

Fight or Flight: Britain, France and their Roads from Empire (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014), pp. 560.

Violence and Colonial Order: Police, Workers, and Protest in the European Colonial Empires, 1918-40 (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2012), pp. 527.

Empires of Intelligence: Security Services and Colonial Disorder after 1914 (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2007), pp. 438.

The French Empire between the wars. Imperialism, Politics, and Society, (Manchester University Press, 2005), pp. 408.

The French North African Crisis: Colonial Breakdown and Anglo-French Relations, 1945-62, (Macmillan: Studies in Military and Strategic History, 2000), pp. 287.

The French Empire at War, 1940-45, (Manchester University Press, 1998), pp. 298.

with Bob Moore and Larry Butler, *Crises of Empire: European Decolonisation, 1918-1975*, (London: Arnold, 2008), pp. 418.

Edited collections:

Sole editor: *The French Colonial Mind*, 2 volumes: *Mental Maps of Empire and Colonial Encounters*, pp. 371; *Violence, Military Encounters, and Colonialism*, pp. 382. (Both Lincoln, NE.: University of Nebraska Press, 2012).

Joint editor (with Kent Fedorowich), *The Politics of Colonial Retreat: Decolonization and International Diplomacy, 1940-75*, (London: Frank Cass, 2000), pp. 260.

Invited Conference papers (past five years)

I have been invited to give papers at the following conferences/workshops since 2008:

December 2013: '*Violence and Colonial Order: Political Economies of Dissent in the European Empires*,' Keynote to European Colonial Policing conference, University of Brussels.

September 2011, '*Empire and Globalization: From High Imperialism to Decolonization*,' keynote address with Professor Andrew Thompson, to British International History Group annual conference, University of Strathclyde.

July 2011, '*Coolies, Communists and Capital: Policing the Rubber Crash in Malaya and Indochina*,' 'Colonial Circulations' Conference, University of Bristol.

June 2011, '*Locating Colonial Violence: The Role of Police and Labour Control*,' Workshop on Comparative Colonial Violence, Paris I.

February 2011, '*Ringleaders, Mobs, and Enemies: Defining 'Minimum Force' in Colonial Protest Policing after 1914*,' International Studies Association Conference, Montreal.

February 2010, '*Policing and Labour Control: Political Economies of Colonial Policing in the inter-war years*,' University College Dublin, War Studies Centre Seminar.

March 2009, '*Evaluating British Intelligence Gathering in Colonial South East Asia*,' METIS network, Sciences Po., Paris.

February 2009, '*The French Empire and International Politics: Changing Normative Standards of Imperialism in the Interwar Years*,' International Studies Association Conference, New York.