

Benjamin Goldstein

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EDUCATION

University of California, Davis, PhD Candidate in History; Roland Marchand Fellow *Expected May 2028*
Provisional Thesis Title: Fascist USA: American Nationalist Collaboration with the Axis Powers, 1919-1945

Advisor: Kathryn Olmsted

Cambridge University, Wolfson College, MPhil in American History *Expected June 2023*
Thesis title: Isolationism, Anti-internationalism, and Nationalism in American Discourse on Foreign Policy 1898-1945"

Advisor: Prof. Julia Guarneri

Columbia University, BA in History, 3.97 GPA, Magna Cum Laude, Departmental Honors *May 2020*
Thesis title: "A Legend Somewhat Larger Than Life:"

Karl H. von Wiegand and the Fall of Hearstian Sensationalist Journalism

Advisor: Prof. Hillary Anne Hallet; Second Reader: Anders Stephanson

Oxford University, Study Abroad at St. Edmund's Hall, Oxford, U.K. *Fall 2018- Spring 2019*
70.33 (A equivalent) across six history tutorials, including an independent study

Free University of Berlin, Germany, Research Fulbright *September 2021-June 2022*
Conducted archival research on interwar Hearst media empire and fascism in German, Italian archives under Prof. Dr. Arnd Bauerkämper

PEDAGOGY EXPERIENCE

Academic Coaching: Concord Review and John Locke *Fall 2017- Present*

- Created curriculum and taught over 300 hundred students in online and in-person camps
- Collaborate with various elite education companies to tutor high school students
- Coached 35% of students from John Locke competition bootcamp to shortlist

Mehta+ Digital Humanities Machine Learning Bootcamp *Winter 2021-Summer 2022*

- Organized and taught Digital Humanities boot camp for advanced high school students

English Teaching Assistantship Fulbright, Madrid, Spain *December 2021-June 2021*

- Designed and implemented English language curriculum for Spanish middle school students.

The Open Classroom; Hong Kong *Summer 2018*

- Developed and implemented creative history and reading curriculum for students grades 3-8

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Consultant for Hearst Corporation Archive Division *Winter 2021-Present*

- Researched in over fifty archives across eight countries and five languages
- Discovering privately held archives of interwar Hearst operatives
- Translated Spanish-language scholarship on Hearst

Archival Research Assistantships *Fall 2019- Winter 2020*

- Conducted research on early 20th-century political, foreign affairs and media history in multiple archives
- Worked for Profs Julia Guarneri (Cambridge), Deborah Cohen (Northwestern), and Neil Lancot (Deleware)

Electronic Research Assistant at Digital Scholarship Services, Columbia University *Fall 2017-Winter 2019*

- Assist library patrons with digital humanities queries, including online database use, scanning and OCR, and database construction.

Oxford Student Newspaper Cherwell *Fall 2018-Summer 2019*

- Researched, filmed and wrote articles and videos for student newspaper.

Latin American Cities Study Abroad Program and Documentary *Summer 2017*

- Traveled with selective Global Scholars Program to five Latin American Cities with class under Prof. Jose Moya
- Conducted original research on Japanese-Brazilian history and created thirty-minute documentary

RELEVANT COURSES

History of World Migration, *Jose Moya*,

Latin American Cities, *Jose Moya*,

Islam and Europe in the Medieval Ages, *Adam Kosto*,

John Jay and the American Revolution, *Dr. Benjamin Lyons*,

War in Germany 1618-2018, *Adam Tooze*,

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Europe Divided 1914-1989, *Thomas Marsden*,
Imperial and Global History 1750-1930, *James McDougall*,
The Making of Modern America since 1863, *Daniel Rowe*,
The Middle East in the Age of Empire, *Eamonn Gearon*,
Extended Essay Project, *Stephen Tufnell*,
The Global 20th Century 1930-2003, *William Booth*.
Fascism's Global Trajectories, *Victoria de Grazia*
Thesis Seminar. *Hillary Anne Hallett*
Debates in American History and Historiography, *Gary Gerstle*
War and Modern America Society, *Andrew Preston*

FELLOWSHIPS - TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESEARCH FUNDING AT APROX. \$77,000

Global Scholars Program in Latin America, Columbia University (2017)
Cold War Archives Research Fellowship, Columbia European Institute (2017-2018)
Hoover Institution Archives' Silas Palmer Research Fellowship (2018)
Class of 1939 Fellowship Columbia University (2018, 2019)
FDR Presidential Library Grant-in-Aid (2021)
Hoover Institution Archives Grants (2018, 2022, 2023)
Cambridge History Faculty Sara Norton Grant (2023)

PUBLICATIONS

"The Peril's of Interviewing Hitler," forthcoming at *Hoover Digest*.
"Isolationism, Anti-internationalism, and Nationalism in American Discourse on Foreign Policy 1898-1945," late stage draft
"We Don't Want Dirt and Blood on our Hands": Race, Economic Nationalism, and Americanism in the anti-Nazi and Japanese Boycotts, 1933-1941', co-authored with Bradley Hart, late-stage draft.
["A legend somewhat larger than life": Karl H. von Wiegand and the trajectory of Hearstian sensationalist journalism'](#), *Historical Research*, published July 2021
"Silas Palmer Fellow Researches A Forgotten Foreign Correspondent and Journalistic Ethics In The Third Reich", *Hoover Institution Archives Blog*, November 6, 2018.
["Lethal Limits: Ethnoreligious Boundaries in Medieval Christian and Islamic Iberia"](#), *Columbia Undergraduate Journal of History*, Volume 2, Issue 2, Spring 2018.
Rebellion, Revolt and Resistance: A Study of Societal, Religious and Ethnic Tension in Early Islamic Iberia", *The Concord Review*, Volume 26, Spring 2015.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Hitler's Man in America": How the Media Empire of W.R. Hearst Sold Fascism to the U.S.A, presented at *Fascist USA* panel event at JFK Institute at Free University of Berlin in June of 2022.
- "Hitler Foresees His End!": Mysticism, Sensationalism, and Fascism in the Interwar Media Empire of William Randolph Hearst "Magical Thinking" and the Altright: Revisiting the Politics of Esotericism in Germany, Israel, and the United States, 1920 – 2020 Panel at German Studies Association in October of 2021,
- "Why Interviewing Hitler Was a Bad Idea", *2019 Columbia Undergraduate Research Symposium*
- "Dean of Foreign Correspondents or Nazi Postman?: Journalistic Integrity and Hearst Newspapers' Chief Foreign Correspondent", *2018 International Corvinus Center Student Cold War Research Center Conference*

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dean's List for four semesters

LANGUAGE AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Full reading capacity in Spanish and Portuguese; functional reading capacity in Italian, French and German;
- Proficiency in Python, Zotero, AbbyFindReader, FileMakerPro.