

# Spring and Fall 2019 Lectures

## Spring 2019

*The Kingdom of God Has No Borders: A Global History of American Evangelicals*

**Melani McAlister, Professor of American Studies and International Affairs at George Washington University**

Wednesday, January 23, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Melani McAlister is Professor of American Studies and International Affairs at George Washington University. She is an expert of studies of the United States in a global context, transnational United States history, United States media and cultural history, evangelical Christianity, religion and politics.

She is the author of the recently published book *The Kingdom of God Has No Borders: A Global History of American Evangelicals*, as well as the author of *Epic Encounters: Culture, Media, and U.S. Interests in the Middle East since 1945* (2001) and the co-editor of *Religion and Politics in the Contemporary United States* (2008). Furthermore, she has published in a variety of academic journals including the *Journal of American History* and *Diplomatic History*.

She received her PhD in American Civilization from Brown University and her BA in International Affairs from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. She has been the recipient of a variety of fellowships and grants including an NEH grant to begin work on a cultural history of humanitarianism in the Cold War.

- [Video of Melani McAlister's Lecture](#)

*A Roundtable Discussion of US Military History and Military Culture*

**Colonel Edward A. Kaplan, USAF and the US Army War College**

Tuesday, January 29, 2019 10 am

*Activists and Insurgents: Human Rights Advocacy During the Contra War, 1981-1988*

**Erik Moore, CENFAD Non-Resident Fellow and Postdoctorial Associate at the University of Oklahoma**

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Erik Moore is a postdoctoral associate at the University of Oklahoma's Humanities Forum. He is also a 2018-2019 visiting fellow at Temple University's Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy. Moore was previously a Bullard-Wethington Fellow (2016-17) and a Hudson Family Fellow (2013-16) at the University of Oklahoma where he received his PhD in history in 2018. Before entering graduate school, Moore practiced law in the Kansas City area six years.

Moore's research focuses on law in U.S. foreign relations to explain how domestic conceptions of law interacted with that of other nations to influence international affairs. His current book project examines how U.S.-based NGOs, the Reagan administration, and the Nicaraguan government defined and then operationalized human rights as a transnational language of advocacy during the Contra War of the 1980s. Research in Sandinista records in Managua and in NGO archives throughout the United States demonstrates that Contra opponents tried to reframe the conflict for Congress and the American people as an issue of human rights, not Cold War geopolitics. Moore's work will be published in the December 2018 issue of *Diplomacy and Statecraft*.

- [Video of Erik Moore's Lecture](#)

- [Interview with Erik Moore](#)

*Harry Washington's Peace: Slavery and Freedom in the United States' Founding Treaty*

**Eliga Gould, Professor of History**

Thursday, February 21, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Eliga Gould is a historian of the American Revolution at the University of New Hampshire who emphasizes the revolution's "outer" history in the wider world. He focuses on the international history of the American Revolution and the ways in which the Revolution interacted with wider world. He is the author several books including *Among the Powers of the Earth: The American Revolution and the Making of a New World Empire* (2012).

He received his Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins University and has taught at the University of New Hampshire since 1992.

- [Video of Eliga Gould's Lecture](#)

*The Ghosts of Colonial Past and the Crisis of Post-Qadhdhafi Libya*

**Ali Ahmida, Professor of Political Science at the University of New England**

Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Professor Ali Ahmida is the founding Chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of New England. He is an expert in political theory, comparative politics, and historical sociology who focuses on North Africa, specifically modern Libya. He is the author of books including *The Making of Modern Libya: State Formation, Colonialization and Resistance* (2009), as well as several major articles published in a variety of journals.

Dr. Ahmida received his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Washington and has received a certificate from the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

- [Video of Ali Ahmida's Lecture](#)

*From Confrontation to Détente?: Controversies about a planned Cold War Museum at Checkpoint Charlie, Berlin*

**Andres Etges, Senior Lecturer in American History at the Amerika-Institut of the University of Munich**

Tuesday, March 26, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Dr. Andreas Etges is senior lecturer in American history at the Amerika-Institut of the University of Munich. The Cold War specialist and expert on the Kennedy presidency studied in Bochum, Bielefeld and at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has curated several historical exhibits on John F. Kennedy and is involved in setting up an international museum of the Cold War at Checkpoint Charlie in Berlin. He is the author of *Western Europe*, in *The Oxford Handbook of the Cold War*. Petra Goedde and Richard Immerman (eds.), Oxford University Press: Oxford 2013, *From Confrontation to Détente? Controversies about a Planned Cold War Museum at Checkpoint Charlie, Berlin*, in: *Memoria e Ricerca* (1.2017), 81-98, and editor (with Konrad Jarausch and Christian Ostermann) of *The Cold War: Historiography, Memory, Representation*, Munich: de Gruyter 2017. He is also funder and co-editor of the new e-journal *International Public History*, *The Journal of the International Federation for Public History*.

- [Video of Andres Etges's Lecture](#)

*Jimmy Carter in Africa: Race and the Cold War* **Nancy Mitchell, Professor of History at North Carolina State University**

Wednesday, April 3, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Dr. Mitchell is a Professor of History at North Carolina State University who focuses on Cold War diplomatic history. She is the author of *Jimmy Carter in Africa: Race and the Cold War* (2016), which received several awards including the American Academy of Diplomacy's Douglas Dillon Award, and the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations' Robert

Ferrell Prize.

Dr. Mitchell received her MA and Ph.D. in history from Johns Hopkins University and teaches courses in Modern American History and American Foreign Relations.

- [Video of Nancy Mitchell's Lecture](#)

- [Interview with Nancy Mitchell](#)

*In the Shadow of Vietnam: Lyndon Johnson and the Third World*

**Mark Lawrence, Associate Professor of History at University of Texas at Austin**

Wednesday, April 24, 2019 4:30 pm

**Bio:** Dr. Lawrence is Associate Professor of History at The University of Texas at Austin and Distinguished Fellow at the Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law. He is an expert in U.S. Foreign Relations, the Vietnam War, international history, and decolonialization. He is the author of books including *Assuming the Burden: Europe and the American Commitment to War in Vietnam* (2005) and *The Vietnam War: A Concise International History* (2008).

Dr. Lawrence earned his Ph.D. at Yale University and teaches courses in American history, the Vietnam War, American foreign relations, and the Cold War.

## **Fall 2019**

*"Cuban Revolution in America: Havana and the Making of a United States Left, 1968- 1992"*

**Dr. Teishan Latner, Assistant Professor of History at Thomas Jefferson University**  
**Wednesday, September 4, 2019 4:30 pm**

**Bio:** Teishan A. Latner is Assistant Professor of History at Thomas Jefferson University. A scholar of the United States and Cuba, he received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Irvine in 2014. His first book, *Cuban Revolution in America: Havana and the Making of a United States Left, 1968- 1992*, was published by The University of North Carolina Press in 2018 for the "Justice, Power, and Politics" book series.

Latner's research has also been published in the journals *Diplomatic History*, *SOULS: a Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture, and Society*, and *the Journal of Transnational American Studies*. Prior to coming to Jefferson, Latner was a Postdoctoral Fellow at New York University's Center for the United States and the Cold War, and a Research Associate at the Center for Black Studies Research at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Latner is currently working on a second book-length project which is a study of United States soft power and regime change programs in Cuba and Venezuela after the Cold War.

- [Video of Teishan Latner's Lecture](#)

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*"MAKING FRIENDS?" U.S. Public Diplomacy Strategies in Latin America during the Cold War"*

**Dr. Francisco Rodríguez-Jiménez, Professor at the University of Salamanca**  
**Wednesday, September 11, 2019 4:30 pm**

**Bio:** Francisco Rodríguez-Jiménez is professor at the University of Salamanca; formerly, he was a postdoctoral researcher at Weatherhead Centre for International Affairs, Harvard University (2012-2013) and a Fulbright Visiting Scholar at George Washington University, 2010-2012. His areas of concentration are: International Relations in the XX century; US Public Diplomacy and the so-called Cultural Cold War (Spain-United States-Latin America).

Among other publications, Rodríguez-Jiménez has co-edited the following books in the last years: U.S. Public Diplomacy and Democratization in Spain. *Selling Democracy?*; *El Portugal salazarista frente a la democracia*; *Estrategias de Diplomacia Cultural en un Mundo Interpolar*; *Mujeres universitarias en España y América Latina*. Rodríguez-Jiménez serves (or has acted) as international reviewer for the European Commission's Research Agency (Horizon 2020 and Marie Curie Actions); Fulbright Screening Committees (in Madrid and in Washington), and Dublin Trinity College.

He has also taught Graduate or Masters courses for other universities: Università degli studi di Bergamo; Wake Forest; Ohio Wesleyan; Colby College; University of Extremadura; UNED-Madrid; George Washington University, and Carlos III.

- [Video of Francisco Rodríguez-Jiménez's Lecture](#)

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*"The Jim Crow Cigarette in China: An Intimate History of Corporate Imperialism"*

**Dr. Nan Enstad, Robinson Edwards Professor of History at the University of Wisconsin, Madison**  
**Wednesday, September 26, 2019 4:30 pm**

**Bio:** Nan Enstad is the Robinson Edwards Professor of History at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, an affiliate of the Gender and Women's Studies Department and the Afro-American Studies Department, and the current Director of the UW Food Studies Network. Her research and teaching interests include the history of capitalism, cultural

history, and the history of food systems. In all of her work she foregrounds race, gender, sexuality, and labor.

Enstad is the author of *Cigarettes Inc.: An Intimate History of Corporate Imperialism* published by University of Chicago Press in October of 2018, and *Ladies of Labor, Girls of Adventure: Popular Culture and Labor Politics at the turn of the Twentieth Century*, which appeared from Columbia University Press in 1999.

An interdisciplinary scholar and researcher, Enstad received her PhD in history at the University of Minnesota along with a certificate in Feminist Studies and a minor in American Studies.

- [Video of Nan Enstad's Lecture](#)
- [Interview with Nan Enstad](#)

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*"Free Labor and Democratic Revolution: The Early Republican Party Confronts the World"*

**Dr. Matthew Karp, Associate Professor of History, Princeton University**  
**Wednesday, October 9, 2019 4:30 pm**

**Bio:** Matthew Karp is an Associate Professor of History at Princeton University, where he teaches courses on the American Civil War era. His first book, *This Vast Southern Empire: Slaveholders at the Helm of American Foreign Policy* (Harvard University Press, 2016) received the John H. Dunning Prize from the American Historical Association, the James Broussard Prize from the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, and the Stuart L. Bernath Prize from the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations.

Karp has won year-long fellowships from the New-York Historical Society, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the McNeil Center for Early American Studies. His essays and reviews have appeared in the *Journal of Southern History*, *Common-place*, *Jacobin*, *The Nation*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Boston Review*, and *Public Books*. Currently, he is at work on a book about the birth of the Republican Party in the 1850s.

- [Video of Matthew Karp's Lecture](#)

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*"The 1968 Olympics... in Divided Berlin?"*

**Dr. Heather Dichter, Associate Professor at De Montfort University**  
**Wednesday, November 6, 2019 4:30 pm**

**Bio:** Heather Dichter is an Associate Professor at the Leicester Castle Business School at

De Montfort University. Her research expertise focuses on topics such as the Olympics, International Sports, and the intersection between sports and diplomacy. She has been published in journals such as *The International Journal of History of Sport* and *The History of Education*, co-edited *Olympic Reform Ten Years Later*, and co-authored an essay in *Diplomatic Games: Sport, Statecraft, and International Relations since 1945*.

Dr. Dichter received her MA in History from the University of North Carolina and her PhD in History from the University of Toronto.

- [Video of Heather Dichter's Lecture](#)

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*"Henry Kissinger and American Power"*

### **Dr. Thomas Schwartz**

**Bio:** Thomas Alan Schwartz is a historian of the foreign relations of the United States, with related interests in Modern European history and the history of international relations. He is the author of *America's Germany: John J. McCloy and the Federal Republic of Germany* (Harvard, 1991), which was translated into German, *Die Atlantik Brücke* (Ullstein, 1992). The book examined the "dual containment" policy of the United States in Germany, a policy which sought to integrate Germany into the West while using her resources and strength to contain the Soviet Union. This book received the Stuart Bernath Book Prize of the Society of American Foreign Relations, and the Harry S. Truman Book Award, given by the Truman Presidential Library.

He is also the author of *Lyndon Johnson and Europe: In the Shadow of Vietnam* (Harvard, 2003), which examined the Johnson Administration's policy toward Europe and assessed the impact of the war in Vietnam on its other foreign policy objectives. He is the co-editor with Matthias Schulz of *The Strained Alliance: U.S.-European Relations from Nixon to Carter*, (Cambridge University Press, 2009). Professor Schwartz's book, *Henry Kissinger and American Power*, is forthcoming in Spring 2020.

- [Interview with Thomas Schwartz](#)
- [Video of Thomas Schwartz's Lecture](#)

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*"Fighting With Allies: The United States and the World War II Grand Alliance"*

### **Dr. Mark Stoler, Professor Emeritus, University of Vermont** **Thursday, November 21, 2019**

**Bio:** Mark A. Stoler earned his B.A. at the City College of New York (1966) and his Ph.D. at



the University of Wisconsin-Madison (1971). He joined the UVM faculty in 1970 and became Professor Emeritus in 2007.

Stoler's areas of special expertise are U.S. diplomatic and military history and World War II. Included among his many publications are *Allies and Adversaries: the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Grand Alliance, and U.S. Strategy in World War II* (2000), *The Politics of the Second Front: American Military Planning and Diplomacy in Coalition Warfare, 1941-1943* (1977), *George C. Marshall: Soldier-Statesman of the American Century* (1989), and *Allies in War: Britain and America against the Axis Powers, 1940-1945* (2005). He also co-authored *Explorations in American History* (1987) with Marshall True, *Major Problems in the History of World War II* (2003) with Melanie Gustafson, and *Debating Franklin D. Roosevelt's Foreign Policies* (2005) with Justus Doenecke.

Stoler's scholarship earned him the University Scholar Award at UVM (1993) and the Distinguished Book Award of the Society for Military History (2002); his equally distinguished teaching earned him the Dean's Lecture Award (1992), the George V. Kidder Outstanding Faculty Award (1984), and the Kroepsch-Maurice Excellence in Teaching Award (2006). In addition to teaching at UVM, Stoler has served as a visiting professor at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the U.S. Naval War College, the University of Haifa in Israel, the U.S. Military History Institute, Williams College, and Washington & Lee University. He has also produced two audio/DVD courses for The Teaching Company and served as editor of volumes 6 and 7 of *The Papers of George Catlett Marshall* (2013 and 2016). Most recently he co-edited with Molly Michelmores of *The United States in World War II: A Documentary History* (2018). He is former president of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (2004) and a former trustee of the Society for Military History.

- [Video of Mark Stoler's Lecture](#)