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## THE FUTURE OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

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*Editor's Note: The following letter is printed in its entirety as a courtesy to a Society member who wishes to alert other members to a potential future funding issue for the National Archives. The views expressed are those of the author, not the Society of Military History. Currently, the Society is in the process of developing a policy on public statements. Until a policy is finalized and approved by the Council, the Society recognizes, but will not address, the concerns that Ed raises. Individual members are free to determine their own course of action.*

October 11, 2018

Dear Kurt,

I am very concerned about the future of the U.S. National Archives System. I have been told that the Trump budget for the next fiscal year makes draconian cuts. I understand on what I consider good authority that the Archivist of the United States and his staff plan to close all the regional Federal Records Centers. All permanent records are theoretically to be shipped to Archives II where they will be integrated into existing collections. Of course, this assumes that Archives II will have enough space to accommodate those records and the staff to process them. Contrary to what I originally heard, the destruction of non-permanent Federal Records will not be accelerated. After 2022 Federal Records Centers will not accept new records. They will be closed once all their permanent and non-permanent records have departed. After 2022 agencies will have to create their own records centers, contract with private firms (such as Iron Mountain, Inc.), or simply destroy the records, illegal perhaps but cheap.

If the agencies do not retire permanent records by 2022 they will have to digitize them because the National Archives will no longer accept paper records. This will lead to four possible responses: (1) Invest resources to digitize records; (2) Store them in an agency records center; (3) Store them with a private firm; (4) Destroy them.

I am perhaps too much the cynic, but I suspect that the cheapest response will be the most popular alternative for many agencies. I have watched the Department of the Army descend from being the gold standard for record keeping among federal agencies (as it was until 1987) to now having the reputation of being the worst. Until 1987 the Army had a system of record keeping extending from company clerks all the way up to The Adjutant General in the Pentagon. In that year the Army decided to take its digital records saving somewhat prematurely. It abolished the existing record keeping system. (The Adjutant General became a mid-level manager in the Army's personnel management system.) It gave

the mission to the Assistant Chief of Staff for Information Management (now the G-6) but without any plan as to how that officer would accomplish it. He had many other issues to deal with (think how technology was changing during this period). So all of a sudden the Army's records were not being preserved. The mission has shifted among staff elements over the years, but the records are still not being preserved. There is a records management office that issues policies but does not enforce them. Basically, those policies are ignored without negative consequences for those doing the ignoring.

An acquaintance has pointed out to me that private firms don't pay any attention to records retirements schedules. Any records sent to privately owned records storage centers are invisible to the National Archives. They may never return to public control.

I may be old fashioned, but I believe inherently governmental functions, such as preserving official records, should remain under government control at all times. I am reminded that in the 1990s the latest craze was turning prisons over to private contractors. Look how well that turned out.

There is also the question of accessibility. I have been doing some part-time work for the Joint History Office on planning for the invasion of Iraq. I recently found some documents from 1995 that were not retrievable from the data base into which they were saved. Twenty-three years is nothing in terms of historical time but apparently an eternity in digital time. I am convinced that for long-term preservation of information, high-quality-paper records are essential, but that is hardly a popular sentiment with either party these days. There was a presidential memorandum from the Obama administration that required all permanent federal records to be digitized.

I spent over thirty years working at the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH) before I retired in 2011. I began working there in what was then called the Staff Support Branch. We prepared information papers on historical precedents for the Army Staff on subjects of contemporary interest. Requests came from a range of individuals---action officers on the staff who were majors or lieutenant colonels all the way up to the Chief of Staff of the Army. Often we had material at hand that allowed us to answer the question, but when we did not, a quick trip to the National Archives, consultation with a knowledgeable archivist, and a little research in the records usually sufficed to answer the question. Sometimes something more was involved, and the Center would send a historian or even a team of historians to the Archives if the issue was of considerable importance to conduct research for an extended period of time. Most historical offices perform similar functions for their agencies. Whether CMH will continue to provide that service for the Army Staff now that the Army has decided to place it under Headquarters, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, is at least questionable.

Regional offices can make similar use of records stored in regional centers. That, of course, was one of the rationales for creating the current decentralized system. Another major factor was fiscal. In most instances, it is cheaper to house records in locations away from Washington than in Washington.

I think that as historians we have to defend the integrity of the historical record. I hope the Society for Military History and other major historical societies will strongly oppose these budget cuts. I have written similar letters to the Executive Directors of the Organization of American Historians and the American Historical Association as well as to my Congressman and the two Senators from Virginia.

One of the most disturbing things about this process is that as far as I can tell the Archivist of the United States has made no effort to defend his program. This judgment may be unfair, but given how things leak in Washington, if he had mounted a vigorous defense I suspect that something would have appeared

in the media by now. The Trump administration's proposal represents a major shift in the policy of the federal government concerning record keeping. The pros and cons should receive a full public debate. It should not be decided in a surreptitious manner behind closed doors and then trotted out for an up-or-down, pure-party-line vote.

I believe that the above account is accurate; certainly it is as accurate as I can make it. At best, it is only a sketch of what is going on. I hope that some of the younger members of our organization with more energy and vastly greater computer skills will fill in some of the details and correct any errors or omissions.

Sincerely,

Edgar F. Raines, Jr.  
Alexandria, Virginia

The views expressed are the personal opinions of the author. They do not represent the position of the Joint History Office, the U.S. Army Center of Military History, the Department of Defense, or any other agency of the federal government.

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## **2019 ANNUAL MEETING**

**BY PETER MANSOOR**

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Our next meeting in Columbus is on the horizon. Planning is proceeding apace and the program committee is hard at work evaluating all of the proposals that have been submitted. Conference registration will open on December 1 and will be available at the conference website link: <https://u.osu.edu/smh2019>.

Program submissions for all but Young Scholars are now closed and the program committee under the capable leadership of Marion Dorsey is busy evaluating them. The committee will send email notification of accepted/rejected proposals in a few weeks. Young Scholar submissions will be open until January 15. Proposals received to date span conflicts and periods, and touch on themes of total war, soldier reintegration into civilian life, post-conflict legal fallout, POW/MIA issues, and the evolution of military cultures and strategies. The program promises a range of thoughtful and engaging presentations, including Young Scholars panels and mentoring meeting opportunities.

We are arranging tours to the National Museum of the United States Air Force on both Friday and Saturday and to the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center and the Charles Young Buffalo Soldiers National Monument on Saturday. The National Veterans Memorial and Museum is scheduled to have its grand opening at the end of October in Columbus, and although we are not planning a tour of the facility, members who wish to visit may do so by taking a short taxi ride or walking 30 minutes from the hotel to the facility.

By popular demand, we are opening the awards banquet on Thursday evening to the general membership for those who wish to attend. There will be a fee associated with this event for those general members who are attending, with the exception of award winners who will be provided complimentary meals.

An unofficial tradition of annual meetings is alumni and reunion get-togethers. The SMH2019 organizing committee will help facilitate these events to make it easier for attendees. Alumni receptions are being planned for graduates of Ohio State University's military history program and several other academic departments and service organizations. The Hilton Columbus Downtown has several group spaces available and there are a number of great bars and restaurants within easy walking distance. For help with planning your alumni/reunion group function, please email Maysan Haydar at [smh@osu.edu](mailto:smh@osu.edu).

As of the end of September, the SMH hotel room block at the Hilton Columbus Downtown is already more than one-third full. Given this early enthusiasm for bookings, members are encouraged to make their reservations as soon as possible. Early bookings will enable us to arrange more rooms at the conference hotel before other groups or individuals reserve them. Rooms are \$169 per night. This hotel only has 532 guest rooms, so hotel space will fill up fast. There are two other hotels nearby for overflow, but our experience is that members are much happier when they stay in the conference venue.

The SMH pilot message list to assist panel organizers and panelists coordinate their efforts has been a success and a similar message board for attendees wishing to share a room is in the works. Please watch for its launch in an email announcement in early January.

Finally, both mentors and mentees spoke highly of their experiences with last year's meetings and would like to see the program continue. Scholars who wish to be assigned mentees and graduate students and junior faculty wishing to meet with a mentor are encouraged to email [smh@osu.edu](mailto:smh@osu.edu).

For those booking flights, Columbus is served by John Glenn International Airport, which services 151 non-stop destinations. The city center is located twenty minutes from Port Columbus International Airport by car, taxi, or bus. COTA AirConnect provides direct bus service between Port Columbus Airport and Downtown Columbus, serving downtown hotels and the Greater Columbus Convention Center. AirConnect is \$2.75 each way, and ride passes can be purchased with credit/debit cards at the bus stop just to the right of the taxi station.

The 2019 meeting is shaping up to be a wonderful event. We look forward to hosting you in Columbus.

Peter Mansoor  
SMH 2019 Conference Coordinator  
General Raymond E. Mason Jr. Chair of Military History  
The Ohio State University

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# NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BY C. C. FELKER

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Greetings Colleagues,

It's amazing how quickly fall is upon us. I hope you all had a chance to enjoy your summer. Up here in Potter County, the wet weather kept me off the stream a bit more than I'd have liked, but I still had an opportunity to wet a line and fool a trout, as well as having several fool me.

I have two announcements to pass on. The first involves the future of SMH annual meeting planning. Not long after I took over from Bob in May 2017, and based on comments from several trustees, Jennifer asked me to investigate the prospect of moving our current conference planning and implementation model, which is based on a faculty volunteer from a host college or university, to a professional event planner. Several reasons informed her decision to look into a new model. The most significant was the amount of work for the conference organizer. SMH's charter only calls for an annual members' meeting. In the 1990s, however, the annual meeting expanded into a conference, and over the ensuing twenty-seven years the annual conference has become even more popular with our members, but also increasingly more complicated and time consuming. I was fortunate to have had Dan Krebs coordinating the Louisville conference in my first go through as executive director, and he did a fantastic job. But even Dan acknowledged the excessive amount of time he had to direct toward the conference, while still having to support a full teaching schedule.

Aside from the workload placed on a faculty member, from a logistic and continuity perspective, it also made sense to see if we should move to another model. So, over the summer (and helped by colleagues from other scholarly societies who use event planning companies) I reached out to several companies, and received proposals from three that I thought most closely fit our requirements. I presented my findings to the Council in Louisville (and also briefed the members at the Members' Meeting), who subsequently voted in September to hire a professional event planning company. Of the three final proposals received, we agreed to go with Cypress Planning Group, a company based out of New Orleans. The CPG proposal most closely aligned with the requirements that I placed on our current conference organizers. Plus, the company rep has prior experience with our annual meeting, having been the director of event planning at the New Orleans Sheraton Hotel during SMH 2013. Contract negotiations are underway, but since we are locked into sites and hotels for 2019-2021, I expect to have CPG take over conference planning in 2022. I recognize that this is a significant change in our operating methods. But I can assure you that we will maintain the conference's reputation for both robust scholarship, as well as the opportunity for our members to enjoy their conference experience. Finally, and this should be obvious to all, moving to CPG will entail a cost. But, based on the last two conferences, I'm confident that proceeds will cover those costs. Compared to other academic conferences, we do a pretty decent job of keeping costs reasonable. I intend to maintain that tradition.

The second announcement involves our records at Kansas State University. In May the Hale Library suffered damage from a fire. Fortunately, our records, which are located in Special Collections Archive, were not damaged. But as part of library restoration they were moved to an offsite storage facility, where they cannot be accessed, and will reside there until permanent and climate-controlled storage at the library is completed. The director of special collections estimates that our paper records will not be accessible for at least a year. While that may certainly be an inconvenience, it is a far better

consequence than destruction. It also might be a catalyst to move our organization's record-keeping into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Digitization is the present. Electronic records not only provide backup, but more importantly access. Circumstances provide me an opportunity to look into how we might digitize our records once they are moved out of storage. Until then, it's obvious that KSU archivists cannot accept paper records. What they can accept, however, are digital records that you feel ought to be part of the SMH historical record. If you have such records, please feel free to send them to me (via memory stick), and I will pass along to KSU.

Best,  
C.C.

## Seeking Nominations

The Society for Military History welcomes nominations of qualified candidates for the positions of: Vice President and Trustees. The Vice President serves for two years and then serves two years as President. Trustees are elected for four-year terms. Terms of office begin at the close of the 2019 annual meeting. Candidates must be members of the Society in good standing and must agree to serve if elected.

Send nominations (including name, contact information, curriculum vitae, nomination statement, and short biographical paragraph) via email by November 1, 2018 to the chair of the Nominations Committee Chair, Brian Linn, [b-linn@tamu.edu](mailto:b-linn@tamu.edu). Members of the Nominations Committee are: Brian Linn (Texas A&M University), Heather Stur (University of Southern Mississippi), Drew Bledsoe (Lee University).

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## CATHAL NOLAN WINS GILDER LEHRMAN PRIZE FOR MILITARY HISTORY

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The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History announced today that Cathal Nolan has been awarded the fifth annual Gilder Lehrman Prize for Military History at the New-York Historical Society for *The Allure of Battle: A History of How Wars Have Been Won and Lost* (Oxford University Press). The \$50,000 prize is bestowed annually in recognition of the best book in the field of military history published in English during the previous calendar year. A program celebrating the winner and the shortlisted authors will take place on Monday, November 26, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at the New-York Historical Society.

“The judges were unanimous in choosing *The Allure of Battle* for its combination of an arresting overarching theme, extraordinary breadth of knowledge of warfare over the centuries, first-class scholarly erudition, and ability to speak to the general reader. There was also a moral quality to the work that was unusually powerful,” said Professor Andrew Roberts, chair of the judging committee.

“Just when you start to think no one can say anything original about war, Mr. Nolan has come along to help us re-imagine both how critical wars have been to cultural development and how insignificant the famous battles within those wars have been to their outcomes,” observed James Basker, president of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

*The Allure of Battle* challenges the notion that military history should measure a war’s winners and losers in terms of their major engagements, or by battles in which the result was so clear-cut that they could be considered “decisive.” Nolan explores in his epic and sweeping work, which covers battles at Marathon, Cannae, Tours, Agincourt, Austerlitz, Sedan, and Stalingrad, among others, the idea that victory in major wars usually has been determined in broader strokes, pointing out that even the most legendarily lopsided of battles did not necessarily decide the endings or results of wars.

Says Cathal Nolan about his book: “My main intentions in writing *The Allure of Battle* were twofold. First, to challenge the too pervasive, nationalist-heroic character that lurks in the background of a great deal of military history; and second, to reach for a broader understanding and awareness of the pervasive and persistent reality of war (and preparations for war) that lie at the center of international history and international relations, however much the wider practice of academic history has drifted away from the study of war as a main fact of the human condition.”

About receiving the Military History Prize, he declares: “The award of this prize is deeply gratifying because it validates my gadfly career, spent asking uncomfortable and outsider questions about too comfortable insider orthodoxies. Just as gratifying is the positive response I have had from reviewers, especially from active duty officers and veterans who tell me that they recognize in the book the same long-war problems we still face that arise from short-war delusions among civilian policy-makers and abstract, battle-centric war-fighting doctrine.”

Cathal J. Nolan is an associate professor of history and executive director of the International History Institute at Boston University. He is an award-winning teacher and scholar of military and international history. His other books include the two-volume *Concise History of World War II*, *Wars of the Age of Louis XIV*, and a two-volume study of *The Age of the Wars of Religion*. He consults on military history to the PBS series NOVA and various other films. He is now writing *Decency*, a study of mercy and honor in warfare for Oxford University Press.

Eighty books were submitted for consideration by publishers in the United States and the United Kingdom for the Gilder Lehrman Prize for Military History at the New-York Historical Society. The other finalists for this year’s prize are Steven E. Sodergren for *The Army of the Potomac in the Overland and Petersburg Campaigns* (LSU Press), Richard S. Faulkner for *Pershing’s Crusaders: The American Soldier in World War I* (University Press of Kansas), Christopher M. Bell for *Churchill and the Dardenelles* (Oxford), and Victor Davis Hanson for *The Second World Wars: How the First Global Conflict Was Fought and Won* (Basic).

The judging panel for the prize was composed of Andrew Roberts, visiting professor at the War Studies Department of King’s College London, committee chair; Flora Fraser, author, chair of the Elizabeth Longford Prize for Historical Biography, and founder of the Elizabeth Longford Grants for Historical Biography; Allen C. Guelzo, author, Henry R. Luce Professor of the Civil War Era and director of the Civil War Era Studies Program at Gettysburg College; and Ian Beckett, author, chairman of the Council

of the Army Records Society, secretary to the Buckinghamshire Military Museum Trust, and professor of military history at the University of Kent.

The inaugural prize for 2013 was awarded to Allen Guelzo for his bestselling book, *Gettysburg: The Last Invasion* (Knopf). Other recipients include Alexander Watson for *Ring of Steel: Germany and Austria-Hungary in World War I* (Basic Books), David Preston for *Braddock's Defeat: The Battle of the Monongahela and the Road to Revolution* (Oxford University Press), and Peter Cozzens for *The Earth Is Weeping: The Epic Story of the Indian Wars for the American West*.

The intent of the Gilder Lehrman Prize for Military History at the New-York Historical Society is to draw public attention to military history not only as an important staple of education in the areas of international relations, diplomacy, and conflict studies, but also as a subject in which any educated citizen should be interested. The study of the steps to war, conduct of military campaigns, and diplomatic responses to war can play an essential role in the quest for a more peaceable future.

Funding for the prize is provided by Lewis E. Lehrman, co-founder of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, author, and champion of studies in American political and military history.

## **George C. Marshall Lecture in Military History**

*How Should We Think About the Vietnam War?*

Fredrik Logevall

Laurence D. Belfer Professor of International Affairs at the  
Harvard Kennedy School and Professor of History

Saturday, January 5, 2019

5:30 PM-7:00 PM

Hilton Chicago, Waldorf Room

Presider: Rob Havers, George C. Marshall Foundation

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## **George C. Marshall Lecture Reception**

Saturday, January 5, 2019

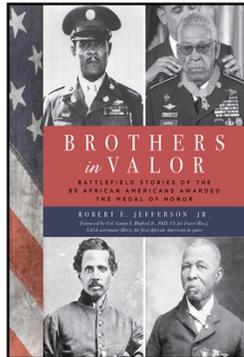
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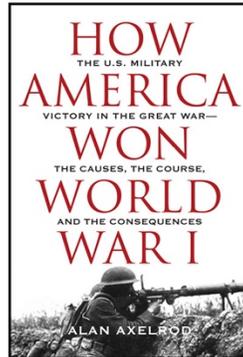
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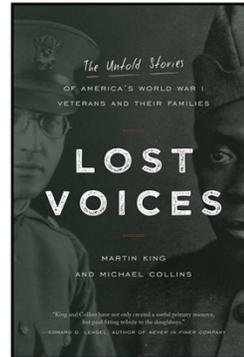
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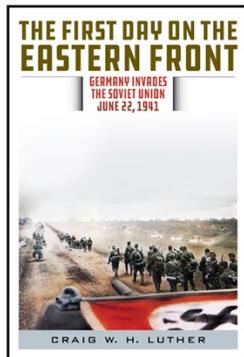
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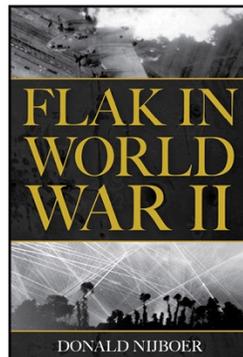
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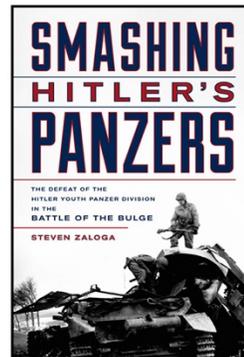
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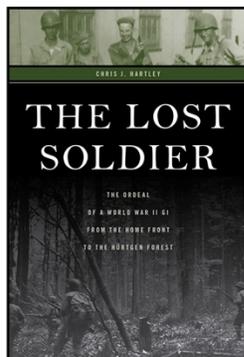
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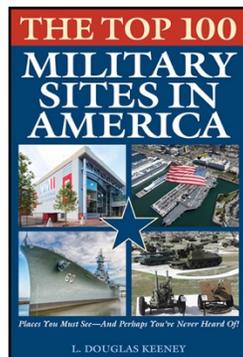
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# NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

BY ASHLEY KUMBIER

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Hello Members –

I'm pleased to report that the Society's fiscal year ending March 31, 2018 financial statements were issued at the end of August and as expected, SMH has once again received an "unqualified" (clean) audit opinion. The entire audited financial statement is now available on the website for any members who wish to review.

Highlights from the audit include: total net income of \$16,100, with revenue up almost 10%, including contributions that were up almost 20%. Thank you generous donors! As discussed at the annual meeting, part of the increase in revenue was due to a great year for the Society's investment accounts. Along with those investments, you'll note that SMH has also maintained a robust balance sheet, reporting \$994,019 in assets at cost, and almost \$1.1 M in assets with investments valued at fair market value, with no liabilities.

This year-to-date, the Society has continued financial operations as expected in line with the approved budget for the year, and while there is still a lot of year left, SMH is in fact on track to "beat the budget." This is in part, due to continued strong performance of the Society's investments, with our investment accounts up in both market value and dividends and capital gain distributions in excess of budget. That said, even accounting for the investment gains, the Society is still forecasting ahead for the year. The executive director has also reviewed the Society's investment strategy with our Morgan Stanley advisor and taken the opportunity to move some funds into better performing fund, while still maintaining relatively low investment risk.

If you renewed your dues after August, you may have noticed the \$10 approved dues increase has gone into effect. The board projects that once fully implemented, this will fully close any operating deficits without relying on investment income, which can be unpredictable, to cover those losses. If you are reading this, you'll also have noticed that the electronic-only newsletter has gone into effect since the beginning of the year, which is a cost savings measure also implemented by the board. Overall, the board continues its commitment to a strong financial future for the Society and its members.

Best,

Ashley Kumbier, CPA  
SMH Treasurer

***New members to the Society will automatically be entered into the online directory database. If this is not acceptable, please contact the Business Office.***

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# CALLS FOR PAPERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

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**Young Scholars Call for Papers**  
**86th Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History**  
**“Soldiers and Civilians in the Cauldron of War”**  
**May 9-12, 2019, Columbus, Ohio**

Hosted by the College of Arts & Sciences and the Department of History  
The Ohio State University

The Society for Military History is pleased to call for papers for several special sessions by **Young Scholars (B.A. and M.A. students)** during its 86th Annual Meeting, hosted by the Ohio State University’s College of Arts & Sciences and the Department of History in Columbus, Ohio. The goal of this initiative is to highlight excellent historical research by students who are not in PhD programs and promote them and their work.

The program committee will consider proposals on all aspects of military history, especially encouraging submissions that reflect on this year’s theme, **Soldiers and Civilians in the Cauldron of War**.

We invite submissions that examine the experience of war for combatants and civilians in comparative perspective, from any period and region. We particularly welcome proposals that adopt a “symmetrical” historical approach that examines both sides in a given conflict, and panels on the experience of occupation – an aspect of war often neglected despite the fact that war creates or deepens fissures in civil society that persist long after the fighting ends. While submissions that address the conference theme will be prioritized, submissions that focus on other topics will also be entertained by the Program Committee. Submissions of pre-organized panels are strongly encouraged.

Panel and paper proposals will include the following information:

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** CVs must include institutional affiliation, email address, and other professional contact information. They should **not** contain personal information, since CVs will be linked to the conference program on the mobile app.

- Panel proposals must include a panel title and 300-word abstract summarizing the theme of the panel; paper title and a 300-word abstract for each paper proposed; and a one-page professional curriculum vitae for each panelist. Include CVs for faculty chairs and commentators; if no chair or commentator is noted, the program committee will assign one.
- Individual paper proposals are also welcome and must include a paper title, 300-word abstract of the paper, and one-page vita with contact information and email address. The program committee will assign accepted papers to an appropriate panel with a chair and commentator.
- SMH members who wish to volunteer to serve as chairs and commentators for a Young Scholars panel should send a one-page curriculum vitae to the program committee chair.

Proposals will be judged according to the following criteria:

- Proposal explains the topic, research questions, methodologies, and historiographic significance in ways that specialists and non-specialists alike can understand. (10 points)
- Proposal presents new findings or revisions of long-held interpretations. (10 points)
- Proposal addresses the conference theme. (5 points)
- Proposal reflects the SMH's diversity of various career paths and ranks, gender, race, and ethnicity. (Does not apply to individual submissions) (5 points)

Young Scholars may only submit one proposal. All submissions must be made through the 2019 SMH Submission Portal at [www.smh-hq.org/2019submissions.html](http://www.smh-hq.org/2019submissions.html). One person will need to gather all required information for panel submissions and enter the information in the portal in the order of panel chair (if available), papers in the order of presentation, and commentator (if available). Individual paper submissions can be made by the individual. For questions about the submission process, contact [smh@osu.edu](mailto:smh@osu.edu).

All proposals must be submitted by **January 15, 2019**. All accepted presenters must register for the conference and pay the registration fee by **February 22, 2019**, to be placed on the conference program.

### **Society for Military History at the 2019 Missouri Valley History Conference**

The 62nd Annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held February 28-March 3, 2019 at the Hotel Magnolia in Omaha, Nebraska. The theme for 2019 is "Human & Civil Rights Throughout History." In 1948 the United Nations in Paris, France passed a resolution known as "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights"--the most translated document in the world. Well before the passage of this critical document, historic events around the globe were filled with examples of ordinary and extraordinary individuals who strove for freedom of expression, the abolition of slavery, equality, Indigenous sovereignty, and the right to education. These issues are further complicated by issues of environmental injustice, voting, nationalism, ethnicity, religion, race, sexuality, and gender. The 2019 Missouri Valley History conference invites historical papers that explore how colonization, imperialism, empires, and the rise of nation-states have impacted global human and civil rights throughout history.

The Society for Military History sponsors a full slate of sessions at the MVHC. SMH works to have panels related to the theme, but proposals for all types of military history papers are accepted. Individual proposals are welcome and session proposals are encouraged. For individuals, send a c.v., short one-page proposal, and contact information. For sessions, send one-page session proposal, short one-page proposal for each paper, and short c.v.'s for all participants. All proposals need to indicate A/V requirements. Send proposals, c.v.'s and inquiries to George Eaton at [smhatmvhc@gmail.com](mailto:smhatmvhc@gmail.com). If you would like to volunteer to chair a panel or comment, please contact George.

**\*\*\*Deadline for proposals is Friday, November 30, 2018.\*\*\***

For non-SMH sponsored panels, please find the overall conference call for papers at <https://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/history/news-and-events/mvhc.php>. You can also contact the MVHC Coordinator, Dr. Kent Blansett, at [mvhc.coordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mvhc.coordinator@gmail.com). The deadline is also 30 November for these non-military history proposals.

The Society for Military History and the First Division Museum Cantigny sponsors the Kevin J. Carroll award for the best graduate student paper in Military History at MVHC. This prize is valued at \$800 dollars. In addition to the graduate student prize, the Society for Military History and the First Division Museum Cantigny sponsor the Colonel Robert R. McCormick Prize for the Best Undergraduate Paper in Military History at MVHC, valued at \$400. For information on competing for these prizes please send inquiries to George Eaton ([smhatmvhc@gmail.com](mailto:smhatmvhc@gmail.com)). We especially encourage faculty to make your undergraduate students aware of the McCormick Prize.

### **2019 Symposium on Cryptologic History**

The National Security Agency/Central Security Service (NSA/CSS) and the National Cryptologic Museum Foundation invite proposals for the 2019 Symposium on Cryptologic History. The Symposium will be held on October 17-18, 2019 at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory's Kossiakoff Center in Laurel, MD. The theme of the 2019 Symposium is "From Discovery to Discourse." Proposals are due February 4, 2019. For details please visit: <https://www.nsa.gov/about/cryptologic-heritage/center-cryptologic-history/>

### **Call for Papers**

Intelligence Community Forum (ICF)  
Intelligence Support for Decision-Makers  
18-20 June 2019 Mercyhurst University, Erie, PA

Brécourt Academic and Mercyhurst University's Ridge College of Intelligence Studies and Applied Sciences, in association with *Global War Studies*, are pleased to announce the first annual Intelligence Community Forum (ICF). An international conference, ICF 2019 will bring together intelligence community professionals from a wide array of disciplines, including academia, government, business, and students. Paper proposals dealing with one or more of the following topics are welcome, and while "Intelligence Support for Decision-Makers" is the general focus, papers and panels covering other related topics or taking thematic approaches are equally encouraged.

National Intelligence / Business Intelligence / Cyberwarfare / Cyber Security Military Intelligence / Naval/Maritime Intelligence / Indicators and Warnings Intelligence and Alliance Politics / Inter-Agency Cooperation / Science & Technology Multi-National Intelligence Sharing / Intelligence and Security Studies History of Intelligence / Intelligence and Diplomacy / Industrial Mobilization Intelligence Methods and Data Analysis / Intelligence and Assymetric Warfare Problems of Intelligence Analysis in Early Post-War Planning Intelligence and Peacekeeping/Peacemaking / NGOs

Paper proposals must be submitted by **15 January 2019** and must include a brief (200 words or less) one-paragraph abstract and a one-page curriculum vitae. Panel proposals are welcome and should include a brief description of the panel's theme. Additional conference details and registration information will be available soon at: <https://mercyhurst.edu/icf2019>.

Submissions and inquiries should be addressed to:  
Sharon von Maier E: [brecourtacademicadm@gmail.com](mailto:brecourtacademicadm@gmail.com)

T: 202 875 1436 (US number)

The conference proceedings will be published by Brécourt Academic.

### **Call for Papers**

Italy and the Suez Canal. A global history, from the mid-19th century to the present  
Turin, 23-24 May 2019

As it approaches its 150th anniversary (it was opened to navigation in 1869), and with a recent expansion doubling its capacity, the Suez Canal is receiving renewed media and historiographical interest. Innovative perspectives from global, imperial and maritime history, and from wide-ranging studies on the Mediterranean and the Middle East, have stimulated original research paths on the Canal's history. Meanwhile international business, labor and social history has been shedding new light on the experience of the Compagnie internationale du canal maritime de Suez and its relationship with modern Egypt. These approaches have introduced new actors, topics and periodization, thus contributing to integrate and revise traditional —if not stereotyped or even mythical— narratives on the Canal.

No comprehensive account exists of the long, rich and multifaceted relationship between Italy and the Canal. The Italian side of the Canal's story has been the object of fragmentary studies and is usually ignored by international historiography, despite Italy's fundamental technical, labor, diplomatic and financial contribution to the construction of the Canal and to its subsequent development (e.g. up to the 1930s Italians represented the second largest national group of the Company's workforce). Moreover, Italian communities on the isthmus were affected in many ways by the role and use of the Canal in peace and war (as during the liberal era, fascism, the two world wars, the Ethiopian war, the cold war, the 1956 crisis and post-1956 events), while Italian investment, trade, banking and maritime interests have been revolving in many ways around the Canal's activities, from its origin to the present doubled "new Suez Canal".

The Conference aims to overcome the fragmentary nature of existing studies on Italy and the Canal, and to propose innovative research and materials, which might improve our understanding of different moments and episodes of Italian history, of Italy's role and presence in the Mediterranean and the Middle East, and of the globalization of the Italian economy, as seen from the perspective of the Canal.

We welcome contributions based on original research that may somehow intersect both the Canal's and Italian history, in different periods, from the mid-19th century to the present, particularly —though not exclusively— on the following subjects:

History of historiography Biography Non-governmental actors and international organizations Cultural history, representations and discourses on modernity Religious and linguistic encounters Citizenship Gender Labor and professional migration Infrastructure, ports, networks of transport and communication Banking, investment and trade Oil and other commodities War passages, strategic and military aspects Colonial connections International and maritime law and legal governance Health and medicine Tourism Ecology and the environment

Proposals (400-500 words, in English) and a short cv with main publications (max 300 words) should be sent to [barbara.curli@unito.it](mailto:barbara.curli@unito.it) by **30 October 2018**. Participants will be notified by late November and will be expected to hand in a foot-noted draft paper (6000 words) by 30 March 2019.

Languages of the Conference: Italian, English, French

The organization will take charge of accommodation and meals in Turin.

Scientific Committee: Nir Arielli (University of Leeds), Sven Beckert (Harvard University), Francesca Biancani (University of Bologna-CEDEJ/IFAO Cairo), Hubert Bonin (University of Bordeaux), Barbara Curli (University of Turin), Abdel Aziz Ezz El Arab (AUC Cairo), Pascal Griset (University of Paris Sorbonne-CNRS), Maurizio Isabella (University of London), Nicola Labanca (University of Siena), Lucy Riall (EUI Florence), Elisabetta Tonizzi (University of Genoa)

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## **JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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### **20th Century US Military History**

The Department of History at Kansas State University has an opening for a tenure track Assistant Professor with a specialty in twentieth century US military history beginning August 2019.

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute to the advising and supervising of Masters and PhD students in both History and the interdisciplinary Security Studies program, offer undergraduate and graduate courses in their area of expertise, and be able to teach a broad range of undergraduate courses in nineteenth and twentieth century U.S. military history. The teaching load in the department is currently two courses per semester. The candidate must have PhD in hand by the start of the appointment. Kansas State University is recognized as a R1 Doctoral University by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, and the Department of History supports its faculty's pursuit of a research regimen that is commensurate with that status. We offer B.A., B.S., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees. In collaboration with the Department Political Science, we also offer M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in the interdisciplinary Security Studies program. Kansas State University embraces diversity and promotes inclusion in every sector of the institution. The university actively seeks individuals whose commitments and contributions will advance the University's dedication to the Principles of Community.

#### **Minimum Requirements:**

- PhD in hand by the time of appointment.
- Research and scholarly expertise in 20th century US military history.

#### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- A specific topic of expertise not currently represented among Department of History faculty.
- Interdisciplinary training or background.
- Record of peer reviewed publications.
- Teaching experience and a record of accomplishment in the classroom.

Please submit the following documents in ONE pdf file to <http://careers.k-state.edu/cw/en-us/job/504844/assistant-professor-twentieth-century-us-military-history>:

- Cover Letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Graduate Transcripts
- Writing Sample

In addition, when completing the online application be sure to enter the names, contact information, and email addresses of three references, who will be contacted with a request to submit written letters of recommendation on the applicant's behalf. We encourage all applicants to inform their references of this pending request prior to the submission of an application to ensure the search committee receives recommendation letters by the beginning of the application review process. To receive full consideration for this position, the search committee must have three letters of recommendation submitted for each applicant.

Application Deadline: November 15, 2018

### **Job Announcement**

The Department of History at the United States Air Force Academy seeks applicants for full-time renewable term appointments at the ranks of assistant Professor (3 positions) and associate professor (1 position).

Applicants for these positions should possess and demonstrate the capability to teach in one of the core (general-education) history courses offered to all USAF Academy students. The Department of History teaches core courses in both military history and world history. The selectee for these positions will also teach upper-division courses in their regional or area historical specialty. In particular, the department desires applicants with one of the following regional specialties: Russia/Eastern Europe; Africa; Latin America; or South, East, or Southeast Asia. Applicants with expertise in transregional, global, military, or world methodological approaches will also be considered. The selectees will also have responsibility for lesson planning and preparation, course instruction, grading, class exercises, exams, assessment, academic advising; and service on departmental and USAF Academy committees.

Note: Applicants for the position of associate professor should be qualified and prepared to assume leadership positions in the department. Experience and expertise in curriculum design, program review, and program oversight or management is highly desired. Applicants for the associate professor position may also apply for assistant professor of history vacancies, but they must do so through the separate assistant professor position listing.

Preference will be given to candidates who have demonstrated excellence and innovation in teaching. Applicants will be assessed based on education, evidence of teaching effectiveness, quality of scholarship, and demonstrated service in an academic setting.

The minimum annual salary (12-month working year) for the position of associate professor is \$98,470.00

The minimum annual salary (12-month working year) for the position of assistant professor is \$79,513.00

The deadline for applications is **10 December 2018**.

For complete details on the requirements for the position as associate professor of history, and to make an application, please go to the official announcement by following the link provided below: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/509983700>

Applicants can also access the official job announcement by visiting the USAJobs website at <http://www.usajobs.gov> and searching for USAJOBS Control Number 509983700.

For complete details on the requirements for positions as an assistant professor of history, and to make an application, please go to the official announcement by following the link provided below: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/509997900>

Applicants can also access the official job announcement by visiting the USAJobs website at <http://www.usajobs.gov> and searching for USAJOBS Control Number 509997900.

Please direct questions concerning these positions to either Dr. Chuck Steele ([charles.steele@usafa.edu](mailto:charles.steele@usafa.edu)) or Lt Col John Clune ([john.clune@usafa.edu](mailto:john.clune@usafa.edu))

### **Job Announcement**

Arizona State University Position: Clinical Assistant Professor of History

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (Job #12534) The School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies at Arizona State University (SHPRS) is pleased to invite applications for a full-time Clinical Assistant Professor with an anticipated start date of December 1, 2018. This is a fiscal year (July 1 – June), benefits-eligible, non-tenure track faculty position. The faculty rank of clinical professor denotes a scholar who has significant teaching experience and who, in addition to teaching in their area of specialization, is responsible for program administration. The position is annually renewable, contingent upon satisfactory performance, availability of resources, and the needs of the university.

The School seeks applicants committed to outstanding teaching, student-centeredness, and effective program administration. The successful candidate will serve as the primary faculty administrator for the online educational offerings associated with the School's World War II Studies partnership with the National World War II Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana. Those offerings include a Master's degree in World War II Studies and a suite of non-credit continuing education courses.

The position's primary duties include:

- Coordinating with scholars from the National World War II Museum and with faculty and staff from across Arizona State University to develop World War II-focused Master's-level courses and public-oriented non-credit courses.
- Teaching foundational courses in the World War II Studies MA.
- In collaboration with Museum and ASU staff, managing all aspects of program administration,

including student recruitment, enrollment, and advising, as well as program planning, curricular revision, and assessment.

- Advocating for the program internally and externally through service on appropriate committees, task forces, and other institutional and organizational bodies.
- Curating program information disseminated through the program handbook, websites, and publicity materials in coordination with Museum and ASU marketing staff.
- Engaging with the scholarship of online teaching and learning to ensure the production of high- quality educational experiences that align with best practices.

#### Minimum Qualifications:

- Doctoral degree in History or a related field with an emphasis in the histories and cultures of World War II by time of appointment.
- Evidence of successful teaching at the university level

#### Desired Qualifications:

- Experience teaching in an online environment
- Experience managing academic programs, curricula, and/or complex projects
- Ability to teach the history of World War II from a global perspective
- Track record of academic publishing and grant funding
- Ability to effectively communicate in multiple formats to diverse audiences (e.g., social media, conference presentations, K-12 outreach)
- Experience collaborating with faculty, staff, and academic professionals
- Demonstrated success meeting the needs of diverse student populations and/or reaching out to diverse communities.

Application Instructions To guarantee full consideration, applicants must apply online at: <http://apply.interfolio.com/54032>, submitting a complete dossier which consists of the following: 1. A cover letter, not to exceed 1200 words, stating qualifications. 2. A CV, clearly identifying areas of specialization and competence (if ABD, the CV must include information concerning which requirements in the candidate's doctoral program have been completed, and the expected date of completion of the remaining requirements). 3. Three professional references (names and email addresses). 4. Evidence of successful teaching.

The applicant's last name should appear in the name of each document that is uploaded as part of the dossier. The cover letter can be addressed to Penelope Adams Moon, Search Committee Chair.

Questions about the position should be directed to the search committee chair at [penelope.moon@asu.edu](mailto:penelope.moon@asu.edu).

Application deadline is **October 18, 2018** at 11:59p.m. Eastern Standard Time. If not filled, completed applications will be reviewed every week thereafter until the search is closed. A background check is required for employment.

ASU is a VEVRAA Federal Contractor and an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will be considered without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other basis protected by law. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Further information on ASU's policies can be found

at <https://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd401.html> and its complete non-discrimination statement at <https://www.asu.edu/titleIX/>.

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## FELLOWSHIP AND GRANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### General Omar N. Bradley Fellowships in Military History

Each year the General Omar Bradley Foundation offers \$2000 research fellowships to up to ten active-duty Army officers engaged in research related to military history. Selection of the Fellows will be made without regard to rank, branch or affiliation with the USMA Department of History. Funds will be granted to those officers who are “actively engaged” in historical research and have the best developed plans for conducting significant historical work. Research should be in pursuit of a graduate degree or scholarly publication. Officers may reapply annually. Officers who have been awarded a fellowship in the past may apply again. In such cases, the officer should indicate the receipt of the previous grant and how it was employed, including any publication (or degree thesis) to which it contributed.

**Who May Apply.** U.S. Army officers who are actively engaged in the study of military history may apply for these fellowships. “Active engagement in the study of military history” includes research toward a master’s degree or doctorate in military history or research toward a scholarly article or monograph in military history. The selection committee interprets “military history” in the broadest sense. The projects supported in 2018 included French generalship during the War of the Spanish Succession; the forced relocation of the Acadians during the Seven Years War; gender roles in the battles of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma; African American and Native American soldiers during the late nineteenth century; the Army’s “official” physical culture between 1885 and 1953; Army processes for identification, notification, and burial of dead; how the Korean War influenced U.S. policy in Vietnam from 1950-1961; III Corps during the surge in Iraq; and digital mapping of battles and sieges in Caesar’s Gallic Wars, to be published via website and Google Expedition.

**How to Apply.** Officers meeting the criteria above should apply to Professor Samuel Watson, Chair, Omar Nelson Bradley Fellowships Committee, Department of History, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York 10996, or electronically to [samuel.watson@usma.edu](mailto:samuel.watson@usma.edu). The committee strongly prefers electronic applications. These may consist of a single PDF or several documents.

Applications should include the name, rank, phone number, and duty position of the applicant, the objective of the proposed research, status of research to date, methodology to be used, a specific statement of needs for funding, and the proposed method of publishing or disseminating the results of the research. Additional materials that will assist the committee in evaluating the application may also be submitted: letters of recommendation are especially recommended. ORBs and OMPFs are unnecessary. Applications are due to the committee by **1 January 2019**.

**Selection of Omar Nelson Bradley Fellows.** The Omar Nelson Bradley Fellowships Committee shall consist of current or former members of the Department of History of the United States Military Academy appointed by the Professor and Head, Department of History, United States Military Academy. The committee will recommend a slate of ten proposed Omar Nelson Bradley Fellows to the Directors of the Omar Nelson Bradley Foundation by 15 January 2019 with the aim of a final

announcement of recipients by 15 February 2019.

**Required Grant Application Items** (must be received by 1 January 2019):

Name, rank, duty position, contact information

-Objective of the proposed research –

Methodology – Status of research to date -

Itemized cost estimate –

Proposed method of disseminating research results

**Suggested Supporting Items:**

Letters of Recommendation (preferably academic)

- Writing Samples or Manuscripts

- Curriculum Vitae

- Academic Transcripts -

**Application Timeline:**

Applications due to the Committee no later than 1 January 2019

- Committee forwards recommendations to the Bradley Foundation no later than 15 January 2019

- Announcement of recipients approximately 15 February 2019.

**Send Application Materials to:**

Professor Samuel Watson

United States Military Academy

Department of History

Suite 251, Building 601

West Point, NY 10996

Or electronically to [samuel.watson@usma.edu](mailto:samuel.watson@usma.edu)

The committee strongly prefers electronic applications.

### **Fellowship Announcement**

The James C. Bradford Dissertation Research Fellowship in Naval and Maritime History  
Awarded by the North American Society for Oceanic History

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date for Applications: **15 March 2019**

Send Application Materials To: [nasohbradfordfellowship@gmail.com](mailto:nasohbradfordfellowship@gmail.com)

Announcement of Award: 15 May 2019

The North American Society for Oceanic History is offering one dissertation fellowship in North American naval and maritime history for 2019. The fellowship is named in honor of NASOH past-president Dr. James C. Bradford, in recognition of his distinguished contributions to the field of American naval history.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. at the time of application and

have an approved dissertation proposal on file at their degree-granting institution.

Topics in all periods of United States and North American naval and maritime history are eligible, including:

- Naval topics include strategy, tactics, and operations; institutional development and administration; biography, personnel, and social developments; exploration, science, and technology; and policy and diplomacy;
- Maritime (including oceans and inland waters) topics include commerce, the environment, exploration, biography, societies, fishing, labor, shipbuilding and technology, navigation, oceanography, and travel.

**Application Documents:** Applications should include:

- 1). A completed and signed application cover sheet (the blank application cover sheet is available at [www.nasoh.org](http://www.nasoh.org));
- 2). Curriculum Vitae;
- 3). Copy of approved dissertation proposal;
- 4). Description of the status of the project (not over 1,000 words);
- 5). Brief statement of proposed use of the fellowship funds;
- 6). The names and contact information for the dissertation committee chair and two other individuals asked to submit letters of recommendation.

**Submission and Deadline:** All application materials and letters of recommendations are due on **15 March 2019** and should be sent by e-mail with pdf attachments to: [nasohbradfordfellowship@gmail.com](mailto:nasohbradfordfellowship@gmail.com)

**Selection:** Applications will be evaluated by a three-person committee of NASOH members and the recipient notified by 15 May 2019.

### ACLS Fellowships and Grants

We are pleased to announce that the 2018-19 ACLS fellowship and grant competitions are now open for many programs. ACLS offers programs that promote research in all fields of the humanities and humanistic social sciences and that support scholars from the graduate student level through all stages of the academic career, as well as independent scholars. Comprehensive information and eligibility criteria for all programs can be found at [www.acls.org/programs/comps](http://www.acls.org/programs/comps).

Application deadlines vary by program:

October 24, 2018

Getty/ACLS Postdoctoral Fellowships in the History of Art

Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art

Luce/ACLS Program in Religion, Journalism & International Affairs – Fellowships for Scholars

Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships

Mellon/ACLS Scholars & Society Fellowships – New in 2018-19

November 7, 2018

Luce/ACLS Predissertation-Summer Travel Grants in China Studies

Luce/ACLS Postdoctoral Fellowships in China Studies

Luce/ACLS Collaborative Reading-Workshop Grants in China Studies  
Comparative Perspectives on Chinese Culture and Society (grants for planning meetings, workshops,  
and conferences)

November 14, 2018

The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Dissertation Fellowships in Buddhist Studies  
The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowships in Buddhist Studies  
The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Research Fellowships in Buddhist Studies  
The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Grants for Critical Editions and Scholarly Translations

January 9, 2019

The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation New Professorships in Buddhist Studies

January 2019 (date TBA)

ACLS Digital Extension Grants – pending renewal of funding

March 2019 (date TBA)

Mellon/ACLS Public Fellows

The American Council of Learned Societies is the leading private institution supporting scholars in the humanities and humanistic social sciences. In the 2017-18 competition year, ACLS awarded over \$24 million to more than 350 scholars worldwide. Recent fellows' and grantees' profiles and research abstracts are available at [www.acls.org/fellows/new](http://www.acls.org/fellows/new). The 2018-19 season promises to be equally successful!

Contact: [fellowships@acls.org](mailto:fellowships@acls.org)

### **ACLS Doctoral Innovation Fellowships**

The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) is pleased to announce a new initiative to advance publicly engaged scholarship in the humanities. The Mellon/ACLS Scholars & Society program, made possible by a grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, will support humanities scholars who seek to partner with nonacademic organizations in their research and encourage innovation in doctoral education at their universities.

Inspired by the Mellon/ACLS Public Fellows program, which demonstrates the dynamic value of doctoral education by placing recent humanities PhDs in top nonprofit and government organizations, the Scholars & Society program will encourage faculty to explore connections between humanities research and broader society while in residence at a US-based cultural, media, government, policy, or community organization of their choice. The fellowships also provide resources and training that will enable fellows to incorporate best practices of public scholarship into doctoral education on their campuses. ACLS developed the program in consultation with academic and nonprofit leaders with extensive experience in the realm of publicly engaged scholarship.

“Just as ACLS strives to increase funding for core humanities research through a variety of fellowship and grant programs, we also recognize the urgent need to promote the broader circulation of that

knowledge across all sectors of society,” said John Paul Christy, director of public programs at ACLS. “We look forward to supporting scholars who can be ambassadors for the humanities beyond their campus communities, and who will instill an ethos of reflective public engagement in their scholarship for years to come.”

The fellowships are open to faculty who hold tenured positions in PhD-granting departments or programs at universities in the United States. In the pilot year of the program, ACLS will award 12 fellowships for the 2019-20 academic year. Each fellowship carries a stipend of \$75,000, plus funds for research, travel, and related project and hosting costs.

The goal of the fellowship year should be a major research project in the humanities or humanistic social sciences that treats a significant issue in society, such as democratic governance; technological change; racism and inequality; environmental change; economic exclusion; or migration and immigration, to name just a few possibilities. Fellows will select host organizations based on their capacity to advance their research.

Fellows will participate in two workshops over the course of the fellowship year. These workshops will encourage collaboration between scholars and organizations engaged in public scholarship and will support institution-building efforts to train humanities faculty and doctoral students who are interested in developing research agendas that have purchase both inside and outside of the academy.

Proposals must be submitted through ACLS’s online application system, which will begin accepting applications in late July. Further information about the program, including eligibility criteria and FAQ, is available online at <http://www.acls.org/programs/scholars-society/>. The application deadline is **October 24, 2018**.

Contact: [fellowships@acls.org](mailto:fellowships@acls.org)

The American Council of Learned Societies, a private, nonprofit federation of 75 national scholarly organizations, is the preeminent representative of American scholarship in the humanities and related social sciences. Advancing scholarship by awarding fellowships and strengthening relations among learned societies is central to ACLS’s work. This year, ACLS will award more than \$20 million to over 350 scholars across a variety of humanistic disciplines.

### **Fellowship Announcement**

The Smith Richardson Foundation is pleased to announce its annual World Politics & Statecraft Fellowship competition to support Ph.D. dissertation research on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, strategic studies, area studies, and diplomatic and military history.

The purpose of the program is to strengthen the U.S. community of young scholars and researchers conducting policy analysis in these fields by supporting the research and writing of policy-relevant dissertations through funding of field work, archival research, and language training.

The Foundation will award up to twenty grants of \$7,500 each.

The deadline is October 8, 2018.

For further information, please visit: <https://www.srf.org/programs/international-security-foreign-policy/world-politics-statecraft-fellowship>.

Please submit your application to [worldpolitics@srf.org](mailto:worldpolitics@srf.org); do not mail a hardcopy.

### **Larry J. Hackman Research Residency**

Deadline **January 15, 2019**

The Larry J. Hackman Research Residency Program supports advanced work on New York State history, government, or public policy with grants to qualified applicants to defray travel-related expenses for on-site research at the New York State Archives in Albany, NY.

In honor of the bicentennial of the construction of the Erie Canal, the State Archives invites researchers to apply with a research focus on the history of New York's canal system. For a detailed guide to our records on the Erie Canal, go to *The Mighty Chain: A Guide to Canal Records in the New York State Archives*.

Previous Residents have included academic and public historians, graduate students, independent researchers and writers, and primary and secondary school teachers. Residencies range from a few days to several weeks depending upon the nature of the research and volume of records consulted. Contact the Archives Researcher Services staff to discuss your research topic and the records you propose to use: [archref@nysed.gov](mailto:archref@nysed.gov) or 518-474-8955.

Learn more at: [archives.nysed.gov/research/hackman-research-residency](http://archives.nysed.gov/research/hackman-research-residency)

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## **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

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### **Distinguished Book Awards for 2019**

*Background:* The Society for Military History is soliciting nominations for its annual Distinguished Book Awards for 2019. Established in 1933, the Society is devoted to stimulating and advancing the study of military history. Its membership (today more than 2,600) includes many of the most prominent scholars, soldiers, and citizens interested in military history. The Society encourages research and publication across the whole range of military history (ancient, medieval, and modern, including related popular studies). The Society publishes *The Journal of Military History*, the leading international scholarly journal of military history.

*The Distinguished Book Awards:* For the 2019 awards, books published (copyright date) in 2017 and 2018 are eligible. Works previously nominated for the Society's book awards may be resubmitted

provided they were published in 2017. At the discretion of the Committee, nominated books will be considered for one or more of the following prize categories:

- American Military History (works by single or multiple authors reflecting original research and original contributions to military history)
- Non-American Military History (works by single or multiple authors reflecting original research and original contributions to military history)
- Reference Works
- Biography and Memoirs

The committee will make its selections for awards by February 28, 2019. The Society will give the awards at its annual meeting May 9-12, 2019, Columbus, Ohio. There, the author of each prize-winning book will receive recognition at a private dinner following the opening reception, an award plaque, and a \$1000 prize.

The Committee must receive books for consideration for the 2018 awards by 31 December 2018. Please send a copy of each book for consideration with a letter specifying consideration for the SMH Book Awards to each committee member at the addresses listed below. The Committee recognizes the expense to authors and publishers associated with submitting five copies of each nominated book and therefore encourages serious submissions only. Please note that books will not be returned and that only award winners will be notified of selection.

#### SMH 2019 Book Awards Committee Member Addresses

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Professor of History  
Department of History

The Citadel  
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Charleston, SC 29409

Margaret Sankey, Ph.D.  
Director of Research and Electives  
USAF Air War College  
130 Shelton Place  
Deatsville, AL 36022

### **Cold War Essay Contest**

John A. Adams '71 Center for Military History & Strategic Analysis

For the fourteenth consecutive year, the John A. Adams '71 Center for Military History & Strategic Analysis at the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va., is pleased to announce that it will award prizes for the best-unpublished papers on Cold War military history. The contest recognizes and encourages innovative scholarship on Cold War subjects.

Any aspect of the Cold War (1945-1991) era is eligible, including papers on military strategy, plans, and operations; the relationship between the armed forces and society; international security affairs; and the connections between Cold War military history and contemporary geopolitical challenges. This year, the Adams Center staff is especially interested in scholarship related to George C. Marshall's role in the making of early Cold War foreign and national security policy.

Prizes: First place will earn a plaque and a cash award of \$2,000; second place, \$1,000 and a plaque; and third place, \$500 and a plaque.

Procedures: Writers should send their entry electronically to the Adams Center at the Virginia Military Institute by Friday, **November 16, 2018**. Please make your submission as a MS Word document and limit your essay to a maximum of 7,500 words (minimum 4,000 words) of double-spaced text, exclusive of documentation and bibliography. A panel of judges will examine all papers; the Adams Center director will announce the winners in late 2018. The *Journal of Military History* will consider prize-winning essays for publication.

Submissions to: [adamscenter@vmi.edu](mailto:adamscenter@vmi.edu)

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### **Prize Competition**

The Army Medical Department Museum Foundation is pleased to sponsor the 2018 Spurgeon Neel Annual Award competition for the article of 5000 words or less that best exemplifies the history, legacy, and traditions of the Army Medical Department.

Named in honor of Major General (Retired) Spurgeon H. Neel, first Commanding General of Health Services Command (now U.S. Army Medical Command), the award competition is open to all federal employees, military and civilian, as well as non-governmental civilian authors who submit manuscripts for publishing consideration.

The AMEDD Museum Foundation will present a special medallion award and a \$1000 monetary prize to the winner, who will be notified in advance, at a Foundation-sponsored event early in 2019.

All manuscripts must be submitted to the AMEDD Museum Foundation, [Amedd.Foundation@ameddmuseum.org](mailto:Amedd.Foundation@ameddmuseum.org), by **30 November 2018**. At the time of submission, a manuscript must be original work and not pending publication in any other periodical. It must conform to the Writing and Submission Guidance of the AMEDD Journal, and must relate to the history, legacy and/or traditions of the Army Medical Department. Manuscripts will be reviewed and evaluated by a six-member committee appointed by the President of the AMEDD Museum Foundation. The winning manuscript will be selected in December 2018.

Additional detail concerning the Spurgeon Neel Annual Award may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Sue McMasters at the AMEDD Museum Foundation, 210-226-0265.

### **Prize Competition**

The Council on America's Military Past (CAMP) is pleased to announce the Herbert Hart Award for writing Military History.

Col. Herbert Hart, USMC (Ret), was a mainstay of CAMP: official historian, prolific author, and Heliogram editor, in addition to being the executive director who grew the organization and just plain

made things happen. Col. Hart, who died in 2015, was one of the nation's leading authorities on western forts.

CAMP aims to honor Col. Hart and encourage scholarship in this field by inviting undergraduate and graduate students to submit original, previously unpublished, scholarly articles that address a topic at the intersection of American military history and historic preservation. The winner will be awarded \$1,000 and, if not already a member, a one year membership in CAMP. His or her article will be featured in a future issue of the Journal of America's Military Past. All entrants will be offered 50% registration at the next annual conference.

Articles must be no more than 5,000 words, and written in accordance with the Chicago Manual of Style. One submission per person only, please. Articles submitted must note the entrant's name, mailing address, telephone number, and academic affiliation. Entries must be emailed to [editorjamp@yahoo.com](mailto:editorjamp@yahoo.com) by March 1, 2019. Entries will be acknowledged by email and judged by the CAMP Editorial Board within three months.

Articles that meet the criteria can be seen at CAMP's website, [CAMPJAMP.org](http://CAMPJAMP.org). A good example of what we are looking for was a cover story on Custer and Little Big Horn that looked at the battlefield then and now. Other successful stories feature historic military posts, and the men and women who inhabited them. CAMP has a broad definition of military posts, to include historic ships and airplanes

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## MEETINGS CALENDAR

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### 2018

**October 6 – Third Annual Symposium on Modern Warfare**, Texas Tech University's International Cultural Center. Conference theme: Modern Warfare through the Arts & Humanities. Contact: [andrew.hinton@ttu.edu](mailto:andrew.hinton@ttu.edu).

**October 8-9 – Manpower and the Armies of the British Empire in the Two World Wars**, Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston, Ontario. Contact: [Symposium-Colloque2018@rmc-cmr.ca](mailto:Symposium-Colloque2018@rmc-cmr.ca).

**October 10-13 – The Oral History Association** will hold its annual meeting and symposium at Concordia University in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. For details: <http://www.oralhistory.org/2018-call-for-papers/>.

**October 11-14 – The Society for the History of Technology** will hold its annual meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. Details: <https://www.historyoftechnology.org/annual-meeting/2018-shot-annual-meeting-10-14-october-st-louis/>

**October 18-20 – 2018 Ohio Valley History Conference** at the Boling University Center in Martin, TN, University of Tennessee at Martin. Contact: Richard Garlitz, [rgarlitz@utm.edu](mailto:rgarlitz@utm.edu).

**November 1-4 – The History of Science Society** will hold its annual meeting at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Seattle, Washington. This year's theme is "Telling The Stories Of Science." For registration and program information, see <https://hss2018.hssonline.org/en/>.

**January 3-6 – The American Historical Association** will hold its 133rd annual meeting at the Hilton Chicago and Palmer House Hilton in Chicago, Illinois. This year's theme will be "Loyalties." For program information and registration, see the Association's website at <https://www.historians.org/annual-meeting>.

**February 28-March 3** – 62nd Annual Missouri Valley History Conference. Hotel Magnolia in Omaha, NE. Conference theme: Human & Civil Rights Throughout History. SMH contact is George Eaton at [smhatmvhc@gmail.com](mailto:smhatmvhc@gmail.com).

**March 19-21 – The American Astronautical Society** will host its annual Robert H. Goddard Memorial Symposium in Greenbelt, Maryland. For gathering details, see the Society's website at <http://astronautical.org/events/goddard/>.

**April 3-6** - Focusing on the intersection of military history and historic preservation, the **Council on America's Military Past** will hold its 53rd annual conference in Tucson, AZ. Contact Danny Johnson: [CAMPConference@hotmail.com](mailto:CAMPConference@hotmail.com) or 916.801.0631.

**April 4-9 – The Organization of American Historians** will hold its annual meeting at the Philadelphia Downtown Marriott in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This year's theme will be "The Work of Freedom." For details, see their website at <http://www.oah.org/meetings-events/meetings-events/call-for-proposals/>.

**April 25-26 –The Society for History in the Federal Government** will hold its annual meeting at the National Archives Building in Washington, DC. For further information, see the Society's website at <http://shfg.wildapricot.org/Annual-Meeting>

**May 9-12 – Society for Military History Annual Meeting**, hosted by the Department of History at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. This year's theme will be "Soldiers and Civilians in the Cauldron of War." For more details, see <http://www.smh-hq.org/smh2019/index.html>.

**May 17-19 – War College of the Seven Years' War at Fort Ticonderoga**. Contact: Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs, [rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org](mailto:rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org).

**June 14-16 – Tenth Annual Conference on the American Revolution**, hosted by the Sons of the American Revolution, Philadelphia, PA. Theme: Women Waging War in the American Revolution. Contact: Holly Mayer - [mayer@duq.edu](mailto:mayer@duq.edu).

**June 18-20 - Intelligence Community Forum –** "Intelligence Support for Decision-Makers, Mercyhurst University, Erie, PA. For more information, contact Sharon von Maier: [brecourtacademicadm@gmail.com](mailto:brecourtacademicadm@gmail.com)

**July 23-27 – The History of Science Society** will hold its annual meeting in Utrecht, the Netherlands. Details: <https://hssonline.org/>.

**September 20-22 – Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution**. Contact: Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs, [rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org](mailto:rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org).

**October 17-18 - 2019 Symposium on Cryptologic History**, sponsored by the National Security Agency/Central Security Service (NSA/CSS) and the National Cryptologic Museum Foundation. Details: <https://www.nsa.gov/about/cryptologic-heritage/center-cryptologic-history/>