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# SUPPORT THE SUMMER SEMINAR PROGRAM!

BY KYLE LONGLEY

Recently, SMH member Pasi Tuunainen responded to a request for a donation to support our Summer Seminar Program with the following: ""On the whole, the 2009 Summer Seminar was truly a great experience for me . . . The Summer Seminar was a 'game-changer' in my life. I can say, without hesitation, that the Seminar played a pivotal role in my professional development."

The Summer Seminar Program has been a signature event for many members of the SMH for more than two decades. Nearly 500 people have taken the multi-week courses taught by distinguished scholars and hosted originally by West Point with financial support from the Smith Richardson Foundation and most recently hosted by the SMH with the help of the WWII Museum in New Orleans. This year, the SMH has partnered with VMI to host the three-week seminar designed to expand the classroom and research knowledge of participants.

As we have transitioned to VMI, some immediate financial needs developed for the organization to allow time to solicit money from external funding organizations. Therefore, we started with the assistance of Beth Bailey whose graduate student helped compile a list of past summer seminar participants. Then, we reached out to those alumni via email to solicit support in early December. In a few weeks, we raised over \$4400 from twenty-one people. The gifts have ranged from \$25-\$1000 with many members of the board and senior leadership contributing.

We plan on doing follow ups with the participants as the new year begins, but we would like everyone to join us in raising money to help cover the first-year costs. We have various levels of giving including Diamond (\$1000+), Gold (\$500-999), Silver (\$250-499), and Bronze (\$100-249). Everyone giving at these levels will be recognized on the donation website (if you desire), at the awards luncheon, in the *Headquarters Gazette*, and on SMH social media.

I really hope you will visit the SMH website: <a href="https://www.smh-hq.org/donations.html">https://www.smh-hq.org/donations.html</a> and under the summer seminar link, contribute whatever you can. The SMH appreciates all donations to help people continue to benefit, such as Professor Tuunainen.

Finally, please note that this is the first of a series of campaigns for the upcoming year to create endowments for our book awards, and a major one centered on raising funds to sponsor those without institutional support to attend the annual conference. Thanks in advance for all your assistance in further enhancing the SMH and its mission.

Dr. Kyle Longley Executive Director of the Society of Military History longley@chapman.edu

# REGISTER NOW FOR THE SMH 2024 CONFERENCE

SMH 2024 promises to be a great conference! This year, the 2024 Annual Meeting will be at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Virginia on April 18-21, 2024.

Attendees: register now to secure your spot to attend!

- Early bird registration cut off: March 22, 2024
- Hotel cut off reservation date: April 1, 2024

https://www.smh-hq.org/annualmeeting/index.html

**Exhibitors:** Bring your products and books to the Society of Military History audience. We are offering great tabletop exhibit rates with plenty of display room. Hosted coffee breaks will be in the exhibitor hall. Register now to showcase your products!

https://www.smh-hq.org/annualmeeting/info/exhibitors.html

As a reminder, all attendees, presenters, students, and guests must register for the conference. Registering for membership does not auto-register you for the conference.

We look forward to seeing you in Crystal City in April!

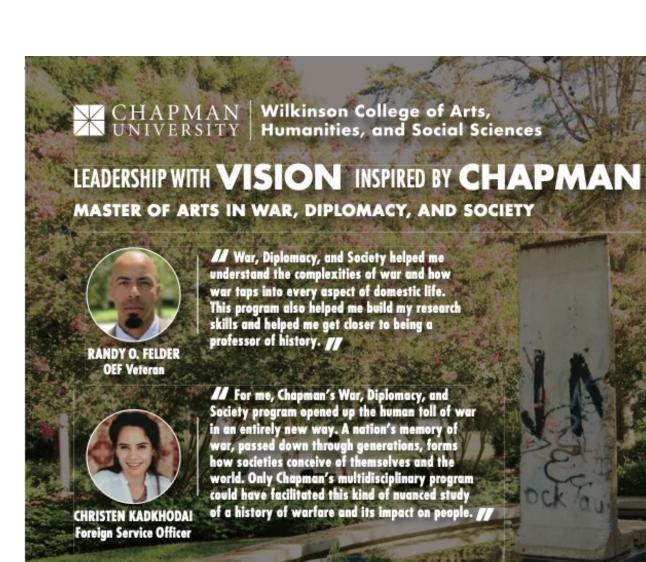
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Pictured:
A fragment of the Berlin Wall resides
in Chapman University's Liberty Plaza, reminding
students that the fight to stay free is central to the
American spirit and to the human spirit.

#### PROGRAM LOCATION

City of Orange, in the heart of Southern California.

PROGRAM LENGTH

2 Years

#### FINANCIAL AID

Tuition and paid researchassistantship fellowship consideration for all priority applications. Scan the QR code to learn more, or visit Chapman.edu/WDS



# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE SAMUEL ELIOT MORISON PRIZE

The Society for Military History seeks nominations for the 2024 Award for the Samuel Eliot Morison Prize. It recognizes not any one specific achievement, but a body of contributions in the field of military history, extending over time and reflecting a spectrum of scholarly activity contributing significantly to the field. Recent past winners include Brian McAllister Linn, Beth Bailey, and Robert Citino.

To nominate someone, please send a one-page letter of nomination (it can have multiple people sign) by February 1 to Executive Director Kyle Longley at <a href="longley@chapman.edu">longley@chapman.edu</a>. He will submit to the board of trustees for consideration (Please note that all nominees must be a member of the organization in good standing). The winner will be notified in advance of the April conference so they can hopefully attend the awards ceremony.

# CALLS FOR PAPERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

# Call for Papers

Echoes of Civil War: Legacies of Internecine Conflicts - Ireland and Beyond Royal Irish Academy, 19 Dawson St, Dublin, Friday 26 April 2024



Since ancient times civil wars have been recognised as uniquely tragic conflicts that leave particularly traumatic legacies. In circa 61AD the Roman poet Lucan keenly observed that 'it is wounds inflicted by the hand of fellow-citizens that have sunk deep'. As the bitter confrontation between pro and anti-Treaty

factions spread across Ireland in August 1922 a reluctant Frank Aiken reflected on the musings of an old priest that 'war with the foreigner brings to the fore all that is best and noblest in a nation, civil war all that is mean and base'.

At a time in human history when internecine struggles are now acknowledged as by far the dominant form of warfare across the world, this one-day academic workshop seeks to explore the complex inheritance of such conflicts in an Irish, European, and global context.

Proposals are invited for individual papers on subjects relating to any and all aspects of the social, political, and cultural impacts of these struggles.

However, a particular emphasis of this workshop will be a comparative examination of the everyday 'echoes' of civil wars in order to assess the frequent commonality of these experiences across space and time.

# **Confirmed Keynote speakers:**

- Professor Robert Gerwarth, School of History, University College Dublin (UCD); author of *The Vanquished: Why the First World War Failed to End* (2016).
- Professor Judi Pettigrew, School of Allied Health, University of Limerick (UL); author of *Maoists at the Hearth: Everyday Life in Nepal's Civil War* (2013).

This event is being organised by Dr Richard McElligott, Department of Humanities, Dundalk Institute of Technology (DkIT) and is being hosted by the Royal Irish Academy (RIA) and generously supported by the RIA's '2023 Decade of Centenaries Bursary' scheme.

For more details on Dr McElligott's 'Echoes of Civil War project' visit: <a href="https://echoesofcivilwar.com/">https://echoesofcivilwar.com/</a> Proposals for papers of circa 500 words should be emailed along with a brief biography of the speaker to <a href="mailto:richard.mcelligott@dkit.ie">richard.mcelligott@dkit.ie</a>

The closing date for submissions is Friday 2 February 2024.

#### **Call for Abstracts**

Please consider submitting an abstract for the 2024 Warfare, Environment, Social Inequality and Pro-Sociability (WESIPS) Biennial Conference to be held at the University of Seville, Spain.

This symposium will take place on June 4-7, 2024.

The organizers are seeking papers from a variety of disciplinary perspectives and theoretical approaches addressing one or more of the following topics: Prehistoric/historic/contemporary warfare, ritual violence, biodiversity, natural resource utilization, past and present cases of environmental degradation/sustainability, egalitarianism, advent of social complexity, social inequality, conflict resolution, and prosocial behavior from a variety of disciplinary and theoretical perspectives.

The deadline for submitting abstracts for the WESIPS Conference is January 11, 2024.

To submit an abstract or for more conference information go to: <a href="https://spanishstudies.org/wesips/">https://spanishstudies.org/wesips/</a>.

Please note that ALL submitted abstracts will undergo anonymous review. Therefore, an invitation to submit an abstract should not be considered as a guarantee of acceptance.

Participants are expected to make their own travel and lodging arrangements.

WESIPS does not offer financial assistance nor does it grant registration fee waivers to participants.

# **Call for Papers**

Military Welfare History Network Conference 2024 Economies of Military Welfare: Conversations between past and present Friday 21 June 2024 – University of Leeds, UK

Deadline for proposals: 1 March 2024

#### Conference overview:

The Military Welfare History Network (MWHN) will hold its third international conference on the 21st June at the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom. The conference organising committee invites individual paper proposals that fall under the theme of Economies of military welfare: conversations between past and present.

The welfare of soldiers and their families, both provision and neglect, is a theme relevant to wars throughout history. Understanding the role of economies - financial, emotional and social – in the success or failure of past military welfare systems is crucial for identifying how societies can structure and improve these systems today.

As the levels of conflict grew in the twentieth century, the welfare of soldiers and their families became an ever-increasing priority for the state systems which fund and direct the military. However, in the context of tightening budgets, the ability for states to address this identified need often proved to be incompatible with other state priorities. Indeed, these priorities have often been determined by the post war political context, rather than the outcome of the conflict itself. Whilst recent history points to a greater societal emphasis on welfare provision for ex-combatants, this is an area of concern that is as old as war itself, and which can be located within all combatant nations.

Where state support has been limited, it has left those in need of support without. This has often resulted in military communities, or sections of them seeking private support, to obtain the welfare that states and governments are unwilling or unable to deliver. Foremost amongst these alternative providers are charities and philanthropic organisations. Thus, veteran support was located, and continues to be located in a 'mixed economy of welfare, ' where state and private welfare co-exist.

The welfare systems developed for military communities have come to embrace different aspects of support: financial, emotional and rehabilitative, and developments in this last field have often been adopted for civilian use by the state. Yet despite this relationship, civilian groups can resent what they

perceive to be preferential treatment for veterans, whilst the latter group can feel let down by the levels of government provision. This in turn can cause further challenges, as the development of an alternative veteran welfare economy can elicit contradictory reactions from its clients; for some communities it can affirm an exalted status, but for others it can engender a sense of marginalization from the mainstream.

Researchers from the arts, humanities and social sciences are invited to submit. Papers covering underrepresented periods and geographies will be particularly welcomed, and proposals from early career researchers and doctoral students are especially encouraged.

Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- state and non-state benefits and provisions
- representations of military welfare recipients
- domestic economies of military welfare
- emotional economies of military welfare
- mobilising and demobilising military welfare provision
- military welfare economies in international perspective
- race and racial 'othering'
- exclusions from military welfare provision

## Submission:

Please send proposals for papers to <u>militarywelfarehistory@gmail.com</u> by Friday **1 March 2024**. Proposals should include a title and abstract of no more than 250 words, outlining your paper, along with a short biography of no more than 100 words, including any institutional affiliations. You will receive notification of acceptance no later than 22 March 2024.

All queries should be directed to militarywelfarehistory@gmail.com

MHWN provides a networking and dissemination platform for scholars who are active in military welfare history. The network seeks to bring together scholars in this unique yet diverse area of research to promote their research, expand their networks and develop collaborations.

# Funding:

MWHN acknowledges the kind support from the University of Leeds and the Economic History Society.

For more information about the MWHN see <a href="https://militarywelfarehistory.com/">https://militarywelfarehistory.com/</a>.

# Call for Papers

## Invasion, insurgency, escape, and Citizens - March 21-23, 2024

The Many Faces of War IX: An annual hybrid interdisciplinary conference on the experience and impact of war throughout history.

2024 Theme - Invasion, insurgency, escape, and Citizens in honor of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-day landings, the formation of the Italian Liberation Corps, and 'The Great Escape'

Scholars in North America will be considered only if attending in person at South Dakota State University. Attendance online through pre-recorded videos and live questions via Zoom worldwide.

The study of warfare is often restricted to the sphere of military history and rarely allowed to transcend the artificial boundaries of historical study, namely those limited by geography and periodization. Throughout the ages war has had the greatest impact, not on the political elite who declare wars but on those who fight and die and their families and friends. This annual interdisciplinary conference aims to address both the experience and impact of war for those fighting as well as for those on the periphery.

This year's theme is *Invasion, insurgency, escape, and Citizens* in honor of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-day landings, the formation of the Italian Liberation Corps, and 'The Great Escape'. 2024 marks the 80th anniversary of the D-day landings. This conference will examine D-Day and the roles of citizens in insurgency and aiding prisoners of war. It also encourages papers on warfare throughout history on all aspects of invasion, insurgency, and the role of citizens in war both as liberation movements and counteroffensives against an invading force.

The conference aims at an interdisciplinary approach and underappreciated aspects of war and nation building are especially welcome. All periods of history are of interest. We also welcome papers on any and all aspects of military history from any discipline.

The conference is aimed equally at postgraduate students, researchers in the early stages of their careers and established academics. We also hope to have a session for undergraduate students.

There are no specific geographical or temporal parameters regarding the subject matter of papers, and scholars and students of ancient, medieval and modern warfare are encouraged to submit proposals. We would also encourage the proposal of panels of three or four papers.

Send an abstract of 300 words and a brief bio to Graham Wrightson (graham.wrightson@sdstate.edu) BEFORE January 26<sup>th</sup> 2024.

# SMH ON SOCIAL MEDIA

For those not already aware, the Society maintains a private group on Facebook where members can post articles relating to military history, exchange job announcements, and discuss any number of topics relevant to the academy. The private group is an excellent forum for recruiting conference panels, arranging professional meet-ups, consulting the membership about research, and keeping oneself aware of new developments relating to the historical profession. If you are interested in joining, you only need to have an active Facebook account and find the "Society for Military History" group. Once you ask to join, one of the administrators will add you shortly thereafter. The Society also maintains a public Facebook page that members and non-members can view at any time, as well as a presence on Twitter under the handle @SMH Historians.

# "WAYS OF WAR, WAYS OF PEACE" CONFERENCE REPORT

By Lesley J. Gordon

In October 2023 the University of Alabama's Department of History hosted a two-day conference called "Ways of War, Ways of Peace: American and British Military Leadership from 1812." More than twenty panelists from across the United States and the United Kingdom discussed leadership and command in the armed forces; differing national leadership approaches taken by the US and British military; lessons learned from war and peace; and what endures through history in preparation for war and when warfighting. Across these and many other topics, the conference aimed broadly to bring into dialogue those engaged in scholarly discussion of military history and leadership with those directly entrusted with the education of the next generation of modern military leaders.

Dr. Lesley Gordon, Professor of History and the Charles G. Summersell Chair of Southern History at UA, organized the conference in collaboration with Dr. Lloyd Clark, director of Research for the Centre for Army Leadership (CAL) at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS) in the UK.

Keynote speakers included Dr. Beth Bailey, Foundation Distinguished Professor and Director of the Center for Military, War, and Society Studies at the University of Kansas; and Maj. General Zac Stenning, OBE, Director of British Army Leadership and Commandant of the RMAS.





More than ninety people registered for the conference, including University of Alabama faculty and students, as well as members of the local community and beyond. In addition to the panels and keynote addresses, there was a reception sponsored by the Society for Military History, held at the historic

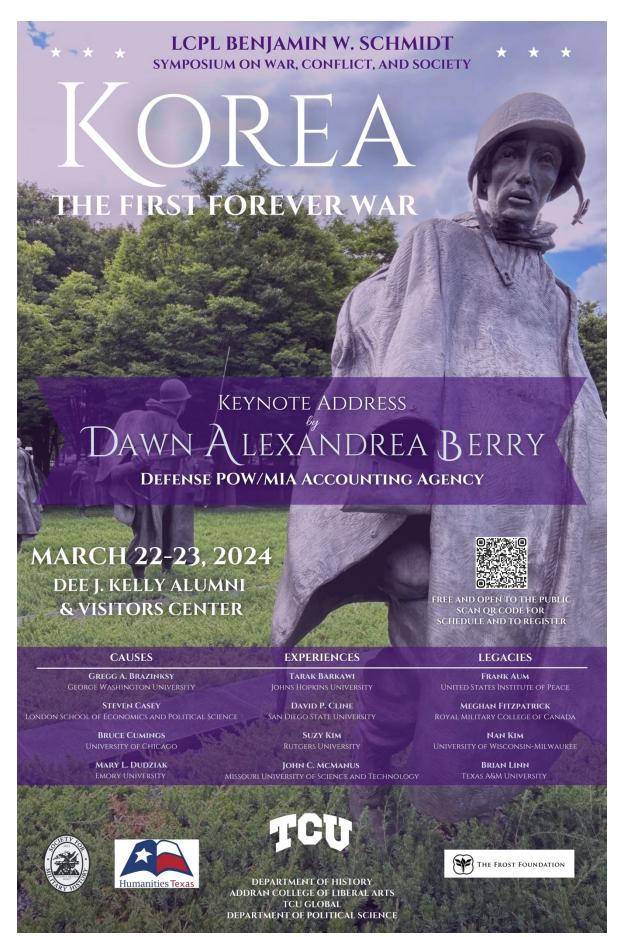
Gorgas House on the UA campus. A large crowd of guests attended the sessions and enjoyed a fine celebratory dinner with keynote remarks by Dean Joseph Messina of the College of Arts and Sciences, himself an army veteran as well.



In addition to the Society for Military History, other generous supporters of the conference included the University of Alabama Departments of History, American Studies, English, and Gender & Race Studies; the Charles G. Summersell Chair of Southern History; the Summersell Center for the Study of the South; McGriff Insurance Services; the University of Alabama's Capstone International Center, Army ROTC, College of Arts & Sciences, Graduate School, Office of Academic Affairs, and Office of Research and Economic Development's State-of-the-Art Research & Creativity Conference Grant Program; the University of Alabama Press; and an Event Sponsorship Grant from the Visit Tuscaloosa Tourism Enhancement Fund.

The event was a great success. There are preliminary plans to organize another conference in 2025 in the UK.

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



# **JOBS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

#### **Job Announcement**

The National World War I Museum and Memorial is hiring for the position of Full Curator specializing in the history and material culture of WWI. This curator will enhance exhibitions and resources, increase the Museum collection of WWI material culture, and strengthen public programming on the experiences of combatants, civilians, communities and cultures in WWI. This position is responsible for the permanent collection, gallery installations, generating original exhibitions, and serves as a member of cross-institutional teams including, but not limited to, curatorial, exhibition-related, outreach, development, and educational museum projects. The Museum and Memorial takes a non-partisan, inclusive interpretive approach.

For a pull position announcement, go to <a href="https://www.theworldwar.org/sites/default/files/2023-12/2023-full-curator-job-posting.pdf">https://www.theworldwar.org/sites/default/files/2023-12/2023-full-curator-job-posting.pdf</a>.

# **Postdoctoral Fellowship Announcement**

U.S. Naval War College Seeks a Postdoctoral Fellow Strategy & Policy Department AD-1701-1

The U.S. Naval War College. The U.S. Naval War College (NWC) is a Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) institution serving the nation, the Department of Defense, and the U.S. Navy. U.S. and selected international graduates earn Master of Arts degrees in National Security & Strategic Studies or Defense & Strategic Studies accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE). The College educates and develops future leaders through the development of strategic perspective, critical thinking, and cultural awareness, as well as enhancing the capability to advise and eventually serve as senior leaders and policy makers. The College also helps to define the future Navy and its roles and missions; supports combat readiness; strengthens global maritime partnerships; and promotes ethics and leadership throughout the force. We are actively seeking candidates with diverse academic, demographic, and professional backgrounds. More information on the college can be found at www.usnwc.edu.

**Strategy & Policy Department.** The Strategy & Policy Department is renowned for its use of a multi-disciplinary case study approach to integrate history, strategic theory, political science, economics, and security studies to critically analyze historical and contemporary conflicts. The Strategy and War course challenges students to grapple with the complex interrelationship of policy aims, strategy, and military operations. Additional details regarding the Naval War College and the Strategy and Policy Department curriculum can be obtained by visiting the Naval War College website at: https://usnwc.edu/Faculty-and-Departments/Academic-Departments/Strategy-and-Policy-Department.

**Responsibilities.** The post-doctoral fellowship is a one-year appointment in the Strategy & Policy Department renewable for a second year. The position's teaching requirement is two sections of the

Strategy & War course, which is currently taught in the fall trimester from August to November (overall 2-0-0 load). Sections in the course average 12 students who are mid-career officers and civilian government employees. Sections are team-taught by a civilian academic and a military faculty member. In the other terms, Fellows are expected to work on their own research and participate in the intellectual life of the department and college. Anticipated starting date is late June/early July 2024.

**Qualifications.** Qualified candidates must have a recent Ph.D. or have defended their dissertation at the time of appointment. A doctorate in Diplomatic or International History, War Studies, Naval/ Maritime History, Military History, International Relations, Political Science, International Security Affairs, Political Economy, Regional Studies, or a related field is highly desired. This appointment is contingent upon receiving documented successful dissertation defense before 30 June 2024. The university transcript showing the award of the Ph.D. should be provided to the NWC as soon as it is available. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and capable of obtaining a secret security clearance.

**Salary Considerations.** Salary is \$71,384 from the current Navy Faculty Pay Schedule. The Postdoctoral Fellow will also be eligible to apply for funding from NWC related sources for activities such as conference travel and research support. This compensation package is accompanied by a generous federal employee benefits package that includes health insurance with employer contribution, retirement savings plan, paid vacation and sick leave, and other benefits.

**Application Procedures.** Applicants must reference VA#NWC-24-02 and forward their material as one application package via email to: <a href="https://www.edu">www.edu</a>. The package should include a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, a research proposal, writing sample (no more than 50 pages in length), three references (may overlap with letter writers), and up to three teaching evaluations (where applicable). Applications must be received by 11:59 pm (EST), **31 January 2024**.

Signed letters of recommendation can be sent independently of the application package and should be sent via email to <a href="mailto:laura.cavallaro@usnwc.edu">laura.cavallaro@usnwc.edu</a> (preferred method) or be mailed via post to:

Department of Strategy & Policy U.S. Naval War College 686 Cushing Road Newport, RI 02841-1207 ATTN: Laura Cavallaro

Questions about the position should be directed to Dr. Marybeth P. Ulrich, Strategy and Policy Department at: <a href="marybeth.ulrich@usnwc.edu">marybeth.ulrich@usnwc.edu</a>.

NOTICE OF VETERANS PREFERENCE: There is no formal rating system for applying veterans' preference to the excepted service; however, the Department of Defense considers veterans' preference eligibility a positive factor for hiring. Applicants eligible for veterans' preference must include that information in their cover letter or resume and attach supporting documentation (e.g., DD Form 214, "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty") to their submissions. Although the point-preference system is not used, applicants eligible to claim 10-Point preference must submit a Standard Form (SF) 15, "Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference," and supporting documents required for specific type of preference claimed. (SF 15, which lists the types of 10-Point Preference and the required

supporting documents, is available from the Office of Personnel Management Website at <a href="https://www.opm.gov">www.opm.gov</a>.)

Within the Department of Defense (DoD), the appointment of retired military members within 180 days immediately following retirement date to a civilian position is subject to the provisions of 5 United States Code 3326.

The U.S. Naval War College is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

# 2024 Research Fellowships at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture

The Virginia Museum of History & Culture (VMHC) offers research fellowships of up to three weeks a year to promote the interpretation of Virginia and access to its collections. Thanks to a matching grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and generous gifts from individuals, fellowships carry a weekly stipend of \$1,000 and \$500 for local mileage. A week is defined as five days in the E. Claiborne Robins, Jr. Research Library, which is open 10am to 5pm, Monday through Saturday. The deadline for applications is Friday, January 26, 2024. For information about the research fellowships and how to apply for 2024, please visit the following page on the VMHC website: <a href="https://virginiahistory.org/research/research-resources/research-support">https://virginiahistory.org/research/research-resources/research-support</a>

#### Contact Info:

Dr. James Brookes, Melanie Trent De Schutter Library Director Virginia Museum of History & Culture P.O. Box 7311 Richmond, VA 23221-0311 jbrookes@VirginiaHistory.org

Telephone: 804.342.9663

# **Colonel Charles Young Fellowship**

This fellowship commemorates the service of Col. Charles Young to the nation and the Army. Born to enslaved parents in 1864, he graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1889, becoming just the third African American to do so. During his career he served in the cavalry, led the military science program (a forerunner of ROTC) at Wilberforce College, was superintendent of a national park, served as military attaché to Haiti and later Liberia, and commanded a cavalry squadron in the Philippines and another during the 1916 Punitive Expedition in Mexico. He was a torchbearer and trailblazer, becoming the first African American officer to achieve the ranks of major, lieutenant colonel, and colonel in the Regular Army. Through his selfless service Colonel Young demonstrated that African Americans could lead at any level and serve fully as soldiers in the U.S. Army. By doing so he helped open doors for African Americans in the Armed Forces and made the Army more representative of the nation it serves. In 2022, the Army bestowed on him an honorary promotion to the rank of brigadier general.

The U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH) sponsors this fellowship with the objective of increasing diversity in its historian workforce and in the history it produces. Fellows will acquire additional knowledge in the fields of U.S. Army history and general military history, gain firsthand experience in the federal government history community, and obtain a security clearance. Fellows thus will be better prepared for possible future opportunities with the federal government as a civil service employee or contractor. Fellows with a PhD will receive \$80,000 in return for working at the Center of Military History for one year. Fellows who have not yet completed their PhD degree and are in all-but-dissertation (ABD) status will receive \$60,000. The fellowship does not include any paid benefits, other than 11 paid national holidays and 26 days of paid leave. By mutual agreement, the fellowship may be extended for a second year. Fellows will work a standard 40-hour week but are eligible for flexible work schedules that may permit occasional weekdays off in addition to holidays and paid leave. Fellows are eligible for partial telework, but should anticipate spending part of each week at CMH offices in Washington, D.C.

Fellows will be part of the Historical Programs Directorate within CMH. The directorate researches, writes, and publishes historical books and monographs; provides historical support to the Headquarters, Department of the Army; manages the Army's lineage and honors program; and oversees the field history program throughout the Army. Fellows will perform one or more of the following duties in furtherance of those CMH missions: conduct archival research in support of a major official history book project, research and write short monographs, assist with preparation for and conduct of oral histories, research and write information papers intended for senior leaders, assist in guiding battlefield staff rides, and answer historical inquiries. Fellow duties also include researching and writing historical content for Army History magazine and the CMH website and providing support to commemorative programs. CMH will assign specific duties based on the experience and interests of the fellow and the needs of the directorate. The Fellows also will participate in a mentorship program with CMH senior historians and in a professional development program that introduces them to most of the larger government history organizations in the Washington, D.C. area.

The fellowship is open to individuals who are citizens of the United States and who have graduated within the past two years with a doctoral degree in history from an accredited university or who have completed their general exams and are in the dissertation phase of a doctoral degree program in history at an accredited university. Preference is given to those who have focused their education in the field of military history, but historians from any field are encouraged to apply. Fellows must be eligible to obtain a secret security clearance, so they should have no issues such as a history of criminal convictions or illegal substance use that will unreasonably delay processing for a clearance. A security clearance will provide many opportunities for employment throughout the federal government and industry at the completion of the fellowship.

Applications must be submitted by **28 February 2024**. Applicants possessing a PhD should have graduated from that degree program no earlier than 1 May 2022. The exact start date of the fellowship is negotiable but should begin on 1 August 2024. A complete application package includes the following items:

1. Letter from the applicant explaining why they are seeking the fellowship (no more than two pages in single-space, 12-point, Times New Roman font). Applicants are invited, but not

- required, to explain how their background contributes to the diversity of the military history profession or to their approach to study in the field of military history.
- 2. A curriculum vitae or resume (in 12-point Times New Roman font) listing education completed or in progress, a brief description of the completed or in-progress dissertation, recent employment history, publications, presentations at academic conferences, and awards or recognitions (highlighting those relevant to the field of history).
- 3. A transcript covering academic work at the masters (if applicable) and doctoral level.
- 4. A letter of recommendation from at least one professor at the student's graduate school, and preferably two.
- 5. A writing sample of 15–25 pages in the form of a published article or a paper submitted for course credit. This can be submitted in Word or PDF format.

Applications must be submitted digitally to <u>usarmy.mcnair.cmh.mbx.opportunities@army.mil</u>. Applicants can submit any questions they may have to the same address.

# **Fellowship Announcement**

The Linda Hall Library is now accepting applications for its 2024-25 fellowship program. These fellowships provide graduate students, postdoctoral researchers, and independent scholars in the history of science and related humanities fields with financial support to explore the Library's outstanding science and engineering collections. Fellows also participate in a dynamic intellectual community alongside in-house experts and scholars from other Kansas City cultural and educational institutions.

The Linda Hall Library holds nearly half a million monographs and more than 43,000 journal titles documenting the history of science and technology from the 15th century to the present. Its collections are exceptionally strong in the engineering disciplines, chemistry, and physics. In addition, the Library boasts extensive resources related to natural history, astronomy, earth science, environmental studies, aeronautics, life science, infrastructure studies, mathematics, and the history of the book.

The Library will once again be offering residential fellowships to support on-site research in Kansas City, as well as virtual fellowships for scholars working remotely using resources from the Library's digital collections. Applicants may request up to four months of funding at a rate of \$3,000 per month for doctoral students and \$4,200 per month for postdoctoral researchers.

The Library is also offering several fellowships intended for specific groups of researchers:

- 1 The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Postdoctoral Fellowship provides nine months of residential funding (\$5,000 per month) to a postdoctoral scholar whose research explores the intersection of science and the humanities.
- 2 The History of Science and Medicine Fellowship, cosponsored by the Clendening History of Medicine Library at the University of Kansas Medical Center, provides one month of residential funding (\$3,000 per month) to a doctoral student whose research examines the intersecting histories of science and medicine.
- The Pearson Fellowship in Aerospace History provides up to two months of residential funding (\$4,200 per month) to a postdoctoral scholar studying the history of aviation or spaceflight.

- 4 The Presidential Fellowship in Bibliography provides up to four months of residential funding (\$4,200 per month) to a postdoctoral scholar whose research focuses on the study of books and manuscripts as physical artifacts.
- 5 The Ukraine Fellowship, offered in partnership with the UK-Ukraine Twinning Initiative, provides up to two months of virtual funding (\$4,200 per month) to a Ukrainian doctoral student or postdoctoral scholar pursuing a history of science or humanities project that would benefit from the Library's holdings.

The Linda Hall Library is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive research environment and encourages members of any groups that have traditionally been underrepresented in academia to apply for fellowship support.

Please share this announcement with graduate students, colleagues, or anyone else who might be interested in the Linda Hall Library's fellowship program. All application materials are due no later than **January 19, 2024**. For further information, visit the Fellowships page on our website or email fellowships@lindahall.org.

# **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

# **Summer Research Workshop**

Kaete O'Connell and Adam Seipp are organizing an International Summer Research Workshop at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum this summer on "The US Military and the Holocaust." (July 15-26)

More information and application instructions at: <a href="https://www.ushmm.org/military-workshop">https://www.ushmm.org/military-workshop</a>.

## **Dissertation Prize Competition**

ICMH André Corvisier Prize for Ph.D. Theses in Military History VIII edition – 2024

- 1. The International Commission of Military History (http://www.icmh-cihm.org/en/) awards the "André Corvisier Prize for Ph.D. theses in Military History", named after the distinguished French scholar who served for ten years as President and later as President of Honour of ICMH.
- 2. The Ph.D. degree can be awarded in any academic discipline and is not restricted to Military History only. However, the thesis must deal with Military History in the broadest sense: the history of warfare, military campaigns, the armed forces, military thought and philosophy, diplomatic aspects of conflicts, causes and effects of wars, defence economics, civil-military relations, military technology, military leadership, and demographics of military forces. To be eligible, applicants must come from a country where there is an ICMH National Commission or, if there isn't one, they must apply and be accepted as ICMH Individual Affiliate Scholars.

- 3. For the 2024 edition, the prize will be awarded for a Ph.D. thesis approved in 2023 at a recognized university. The amount of the Prize is fixed at € 3,000 plus a maximum of € 1,500 to cover the recipient's expenses for participation to the award ceremony during the XLVIII ICMH Congress in Lisbon in early September 2024.
- 4. Candidates must send a scanned certificate of their Ph.D. degree, a *curriculum vitae*, and a PDF copy of their thesis to ICMH Senior Vice President, Dr. Efpraxia Paschalidou efpraxia2001@yahoo.com before **31st Jan 2024**.
- 5. The thesis may be in any language; however, a translation in any of the ICMH official languages (English, French, German, Italian, and Spanish) is required if the language employed is different. This applies also to the scanned certification of the Ph.D. title and to the *curriculum vitae*.
- 6. The Prize will be awarded by a Jury of seven persons, chaired by the ICMH President and including the members of the ICMH Executive Board and the President and the Secretary of the ICMH Educational Committee. With the approval of the ICMH President, members of the Jury unable to participate may designate a substitute. The Jury may decide not to award the Prize if no thesis is considered worthy or may decide to award it *ex aequo* to two doctors, dividing the amount of money. The Jury's decisions are taken by simple majority; in case of parity of votes the President's vote determines the decision.
- 7. The winner will be required to write an article drawn from his thesis to be published in the *International Journal of Military History and Historiography*, after peer review.
- 8. Requests for any further information should be addressed to Dr. Paschalidou.

# **MEETINGS CALENDAR**

#### 2024

February 2-3 – The Institute for Political History and the Arizona State University Center for American Institutions will co-host a Policy History Conference at the Tempe Mission Palms Resort in Tempe, Arizona. The theme of this year's gathering is "Policy History Studies: The State and Future of the Field". For registration, see the Institute's website at Policy History Conferences | Journal of Policy History (asu.edu).

February 9-10 – The History Graduate Student Organization at Texas A&M University 14th annual graduate and undergraduate history student conference, in College Station, TX. Contact: <a href="mailto:tamuconference2024@gmail.com">tamuconference2024@gmail.com</a>.

March 21-23 – The Many Faces of War IX, hosted by South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD. Contact: Graham Wrightson (graham.wrightson@sdstate.edu)

April 5-6 –All Roads Lead to Gettysburg: A Conference Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, Temple University. Contact: Joseph Johnson at <a href="joseph.johnson0008@temple.edu">joseph.johnson0008@temple.edu</a>.

- April 10-13 Annual Meeting of the National Council on Public History and Utah Division of State History/Utah Historical Society, Hilton Salt Lake City. Point of contact: Program Manager Meghan Hillman at <a href="mailto:meghan">meghillm@iupui.edu</a>.
- April 11-14 The Organization of American Historians will offer its annual conference at the New Orleans Marriott Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. This year's theme will be "Public Dialogue, Relevance and Change: Being in Service to Communities and the Nation." For more information, see the Organization's website at <a href="https://oah.org/conferences/oah24/">oah.org/conferences/oah24/</a>.
- April 18-21 Society for Military History 90th Annual Meeting, Arlington, Virginia. The conference hotel is the Crystal Gateway Marriott.
- April 26 Echoes of Civil War: Legacies of Internecine Conflicts Ireland and Beyond, Royal Irish Academy, Dublin. Contact: richard.mcelligott@dkit.ie
- May 8-9 19th Cryptologic History Symposium, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab Kossiakoff Center in Laurel, Maryland. Details at <a href="https://www.nsa.gov/History/Cryptologic-History/Cryptologic-History-Symposium/">https://www.nsa.gov/History/Cryptologic-History-Symposium/</a>.
- May 18-20 War College of the Seven Years' War at Fort Ticonderoga, Fort Ticonderoga, NY. Contact: Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs: rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org.
- June 4-7 Warfare, Environment, Social Inequality and Pro-Sociability (WESIPS) Biennial Conference, University of Seville, Spain. Conference information: <a href="https://spanishstudies.org/wesips/">https://spanishstudies.org/wesips/</a>.
- June 7-8 The Military History Consortium first annual conference, Lancaster University in the United Kingdom. Contact: Dr Evert Kleynhans (<u>kleynhans@sun.ac.za</u>) and Professor Marco Wyss (<u>m.wyss@lancaster.ac.uk</u>).
- June 7-9 Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference on the American Revolution, Norfolk, VA. Conference theme is The American Revolution: War on the Waters. For more information contact C.C. Felker at <a href="mailto:ccfelker@msn.com">ccfelker@msn.com</a>.
- June 19-22 Society of Civil War Historians Biennial Conference, Sheraton Raleigh in Raleigh, North Carolina. Details at https://scwh.memberclicks.net.
- June 21 Military Welfare History Network Conference, University of Leeds, UK. Information: militarywelfarehistory@gmail.com
- **September 20-22 Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution**, Fort Ticonderoga, New York. Contact: Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs: <a href="mailto:rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org">rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org</a>

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March 27-30 – Society for Military History 91st Annual Meeting, Mobile, Alabama.