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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA *Soviet History* (December 2005)

Dissertation: Nikolai Bukharin: Alternative or Interregnum?

M.A. University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA *Soviet and Russian History* (April 1991)

With Distinction

B.A. University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA *History and Political Science* (April 1989)

Summa Cum Laude

Web Author Certificate, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA (August 2002)

Associate degree in Specialized Technology, Vale Technical Institute, Blairsville, Pa. (January 1972)

HONORS

24 October 2024 Awarded the Belfast International Homecoming Medal for Service to Northern Ireland.

17 September 2024 Awarded the Sheth Distinguished Faculty Award for International Achievement.

21 March 2024 Pitt News “Best Professor of the Year”

30 September 2023 Awarded an Honorary MBE by King Charles III of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for ‘Service to Northern Ireland and Study USA’

2020 September Awarded Senior Lecturer Emeritus status.

2018 Recognition by Belfast City Council for Volunteer Work with Study USA and in the Loyalist community.

2018 College of General Studies Student Government Board for “Student Choice of Outstanding Teacher”

2017 Chancellor’s Distinguished Public Service Award for volunteer work in Northern Ireland with Study USA and within the Loyalist community.

2014 Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity “Volunteer Excellence Award”

2014 The National Society of Collegiate Scholars “Distinguished Member – Scholarship, Leadership and Service.”

2011 AMPCO-Pittsburgh Prize for Excellence in Advising 2010-2011

Who’s Who Among American Educators (2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)

College of General Studies Student Government Board for “Student Choice for Outstanding Teacher” (April 2008, April 2010)

Recognized at Division of Student Affairs “Faculty Appreciation Luncheon” (April 2008)

Greek Life “Outstanding Professor of the Year” 2007, 2009
 Career Services Award “Faculty Partner” 2006
 Faculty Honor Roll (Spring 2000, Fall 2000)
 Teaching Appointment, College of General Studies (1993-1994)
 Teaching Fellowship (1991-1993)
 Teaching Assistant (1989-1991)
 University Scholar Award (1988, 1989, 1990)
 Finalist, College of General Studies Senior Award (1989)
 College of General Studies Chancellors Scholarship (1987)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Pitt in Dublin Study Abroad (Summer 2013, 2014, 2015)
 IFTA (Integrated Field Trip Abroad) to Belfast (Summer 2008, 2010, 2012)
 Professional Development for History Majors and Minors, (Fall 2015- present)
 History of Russia: 1865-1917 (Spring 1991, Spring 1999, Spring 2000)
 History of the Soviet Union: 1917-1991 (Spring 1993, Summer 1993, Spring 2006, 2007)
 History of the Russian Revolution 1917-1932 (Summer 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2011)
 Western Civilization 1 (Ancient World-1700) (Fall 1989, Spring 1991, Spring 1992)
 History of Modern Ireland: From Cromwell to 1916, (Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019)
 Northern Ireland: The Troubles 1969-1994, (Twice a Year Spring 2016 to the present)
 Northern Ireland: The Troubles 1969-1994, University External Studies Program/Hybrid (Fall 2004 to Fall 2015)
 Comparative Perspectives of World War I (Spring 2009 to 2019)
 The Great War: A Cultural History, every other year from 2019 to present.
 Western Civilization II: 1700 to the Present (Fall 1990, Spring 1992, Fall 1994, 1999, Spring 2000, Fall 2001)
 University Honors College Western Civilization II: 1700 to the Present (Fall 2002, Spring 2003, Fall 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008)
 History of American Law (Spring 1990)
 Business Ethics (Spring 2004)
 Freshmen Studies in the STEP (Summer Transition Experience Program) (Summer 1997, 1998)
 Freshman Studies (Fall 1998, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2006)

Fox Chapel Adult Learning Program, Fox Chapel, PA

Potted History of the Troubles, March 20, 2025
 The Birth of the Modern World: Europe 1870-1940 (1993)
 The Russian Revolution 1917-1932 (1994)
 Ireland since Partition (Spring 1995)

Bethany College, Bethany, WV

World Civilization I (Fall 1995)

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE**University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA***Part Time Instructor – Department of History (2020-present)**Senior Lecturer and Advisor – Department of History (2006-2020)*

- Taught equivalent of five courses per year (2014-2020)
- Advised History undergraduate students on choices of classes and the focus of their undergraduate majors.
- Developed and maintained the History Department “Blog” on Courseweb.
- Developed and maintained the Department of History Majors Facebook group for undergraduate History Majors
- Worked with Career Services to connect History Majors to careers.
- Worked with Admissions Office in the FAST Program for prospective students and their parents.

Undergraduate Advisor (1994-2006)

- Advised incoming first year students, transfer students and continuing students on choosing courses, handling personal and academic problems, and choice of major and career.
- Mentored high school student in web development through the “Start on Success Program” (2003-2004)
- Developed and conducted presentations for prospective students and their parents for the University of Pittsburgh’s Office of Admissions
- Developed and maintained the initial Arts and Sciences Advising Center website at the University of Pittsburgh

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA*Faculty Assembly Fall 2007-Fall 2008**Faculty Senate Fall 2007-Fall 2008***Business Education Initiative (BEI)/Study USA(SUSA) Belfast, Northern Ireland***Academic Consultant, Counselor and Webmaster (1996-2022)*

- Designed and present both academic and cultural orientations in Northern Ireland for approximately 54 Protestant and Catholic third-year university students placed in various small liberal arts colleges and universities in the United States
- Served as contact and liaison for the students while they study in the United States
- Wrote and maintained the website used by students to keep in contact with the British Council in Belfast and myself and each other while studying in the United States. (No longer active)
- Managed homesickness and crises that arise while the students are in America.

RESEARCH, SCHOLARLY, VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

13-14 March 2024 – Spoke to four 10th grade classes at Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School on the Industrial Revolution and The Communist Manifesto.

2014- present Action for Community Transformation (ACT) Belfast has included my work as part of a permanent exhibit on the loyalist experience and history from 1912 to the present.

http://www.act-ni.co.uk/?page_id=12

13 December 2021 – Did an interview and talk on the Irish Left Podcast entitled, “[Northern Ireland's Lost Opportunity - The Frustrated Promise of Political Loyalism](#)”.

May 2021 – Gave a virtual lecture entitled “[An Alternative Ulster? Political Loyalism: 1973 to 1987](#)” for the Linenhall Library in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

5 March 2016- Participated in 2-hour discussion with 4 Progressive Unionist Party Activists, Julie-Anne Corr, Sophie Long, Gareth Cole and Dr. John Kyle at the Belfast City Hall

4 March 2016 -Attended and participated in a discussion on ‘Citizenship in a Divided Society’ with Tom Hartley of Sinn Fein, at the Belfast Unemployed Resource Centre.

January 2016 - Reviewed book proposal for McGill-Queen's University Press, 1010 Sherbrooke Street West, Suite 1720, Montreal, QC H3A 2R7 Canada.

19 May 2015 - Attended and Participated in a Symposium at Queen’s University Belfast on the 1974 Ulster Workers’ Council Strike,

11 March 2015 - Participated in discussion of "Writing a People's History of Peace in Asia” – Queen’s University of Belfast,

11 March 2015 - Participated in a debate on The Role of History & Historians in Dealing with the Past after the Stormont House Agreement – University of Ulster, Belfast,

7 March 2015 – ‘Irish Civil War 1922-1923’ at the Irish Institute at Queen’s University Belfast.

Attended a symposium called ‘Following the Fighters? Female experiences of imprisonment during the Civil War.’

5 March 2015 - Attended and participated in a Social History symposium at Belfast City Hall focusing on the “Lost voices of Belfast” in the Great War

March 2015 - Reviewed a scholarly article on the Flag Protests in Northern Ireland

17 February 2015 - Met with James King – a Ph.D. student at the University of Pittsburgh whose work focuses on Northern Ireland and worked with him on his methodology.

Autumn 2015 - Reviewed book proposal for a book to be published in September 2016 by Liverpool Press.

2014-2015 Commented and critiqued chapters for Ph.D. Students, Sophie Long, Jonathan Evershed, Tomas Gorman and Sean Brennan in Belfast

21 June 2014 - Attended and gave the keynote speech at an event organized and run by Northern Springs (Community Education Initiative) in Belfast. This included attending the workshops and speaking to 60+ former paramilitaries.

29 March 2014 - Panelist on “Time for Truth” discussion with the Pat Finucane Centre (An Irish Republican based human rights organization.) lawyers, co-sponsored by the EU Centre for Excellence and the Irish American Unity Caucus,

13 March 2014 – participated in talk with member of All-Souls Church in Belfast on “Political Loyalism.”

12 March 2014 – participated in a Panel Discussion at Queen’s University in Belfast on “Working Class Politics in Northern Ireland.”

10 March 2014 – presented the talk “Where Do We Go from Here?” for the Political Identity in Politics Programme at the Belfast Unemployed Resource Centre.

18 December 2013 - Presented a talk: “Political Loyalism: Where do We Go from Here?” at Queen’s University Belfast

25 June 2013- Attended and participated in the “Partners in Peace” initiative to County Monaghan, Ireland to discuss “Unionism in Monaghan after Partition.”

May 2013: Participated on Panel Discussion for the Pittsburgh Irish Classical Theater called “Good Neighbors-Bad Neighbors” dealing with how war changes personal relations.

- 15 May 2013- Presented a paper at the Belfast Unemployed Resource Centre on the topic: “Has the Protestant Working Class Lost Out in the Peace Process?”
- 8 March 2013 – Book launch for my book, *Northern Ireland’s Lost Opportunity: The Frustrated Promise of Political Loyalism*, at the Belfast Unemployed Resource Centre (BURC) in Belfast.
- Spring 2013 -Developed learning module to be used by the Progressive Unionist Party in educating its new members on the history of the Party and working-class loyalism.
- 12 November 2012- Presented “From Civil Rights to Civil War and Back” at Penn State New Kensington as part of their focus on Britain and Ireland for 2012-2013.
- 20 September 2012 - Presented “From Civil Rights to Civil War and Back” at Penn State Greater Allegheny (McKeesport) as part of their focus on Britain and Ireland for 2012-2013.
- 3-9 August 2012 – Participated in the Feile an Phobail (Festival of the People) in west Belfast. As part of the festival, on the 7 August, I delivered a talk entitled “Spence University” and participated in a Panel Discussion involving Billy Hutchinson, Progressive Unionist Party, Robert Campbell of EPIC (Ex-Prisoners Interpretive Centre) and Dr. William Mitchell of Action for Community Transformation in front of 200+ Irish Republicans on the Falls Road at St. Mary’s University. This talk was tied to the “Voices Behind the Wire: The Loyalist Prison Experience” presentation. This was a landmark event as it was the first time that Loyalists were invited onto the Falls Road to present their experience and also serve on a panel.
- 5 March 2012 - Along with Roy Garland of the Irish News delivered talk on the research on political loyalism to former members of the Provisional IRA at Intercomm Belfast.
- 4 March 2012 – Delivered talk to Shankill Area Social History Group on the Loyalist Prison experience.
- 1 March 2012 – Participated in a day long workshop at the Spectrum Centre on the Shankill Road in Belfast entitled “Voices Behind the Wire: The Loyalist Prison Experience” delivering a talk entitled “Spence University” and participated in a Panel Discussion involving Dr. Peter Shirlow, from Queen’s University of Belfast, Robert Campbell of EPIC (Ex-Prisoners Interpretive Centre) and Dr. William Mitchell of Action for Community Transformation.
- 21-24 October 2011 – Participated and delivered a talk entitled ‘Civil Rights to Civil War: 1969-1994 and the Long Search for Peace’ to the Fellowship of Messines Association.
- 15 October 2011 – Keynote speaker at the party conference of the Progressive Unionist Party (PUP) on “What is the future of the Progressive Unionist Party and Working-Class Loyalism – Is there one?”
- 28 June 2011 – Met with senior leadership of the Ulster Volunteer Force to discuss how they could use my work while attempting to Disarm, Demobilize and Reintegrate (DDR).
- 9 March 2011 – Presented findings of research on Loyalism at Somme Heritage Center to 75 members of the Red Hand Commando.
- 8 March 2011- Presented findings of research on Loyalism at the Monkstown Community Centre, Monkstown, Northern Ireland
- 7 March 2011 – Presented findings of research and facilitated discussion with the Progressive Unionist Party in North Belfast on the research into the politics of the Loyalist community in the 1970s.
- 18 November 2010 – Presented findings of research on Loyalism at the Mt. Vernon Community Centre in North Belfast, facilitated by the Mt. Vernon/New Lodge Study Group to Republicans and Loyalists.
- 13 May 2010 – Presented findings of research on Loyalism at the Somme Heritage Centre in Bangor, Northern Ireland, to the Killelea, Bangor and Newtownards branches of the Red Hand Commando
- 11 March 2010 - Presented findings of research on Loyalism at the Mt Vernon Community Centre in North Belfast to members of the Republican and Loyalist communities.
- 24 October 2009 – Presented findings of research on Loyalism at Northern Ireland Supporters Club to joint meeting of members of the Red Hand Commando and the Ulster Volunteer Force.
- 2008-2009 Developed, in collaboration with “The Messiness Project” in Northern Ireland, a “Learning Module” on the United Irishmen Rebellion of 1798 to be used throughout both communities in

Northern Ireland.

1996- 1999: Developed and maintained the website for the Northern Ireland Women’s Coalition during the Good Friday Peace talks and Assembly Elections (1996-1999)

<http://www.pitt.edu/~novosel/northern.html> (1996-1999) (No longer active)

Internet Archive - [NIWC Home Page \(archive.org\)](https://www.archive.org/details/NIWC)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Northern Ireland’s Lost Opportunity: The Frustrated Promise of Political Loyalism, London, Pluto Press, 2013.

Articles and Essays

April 2024 – Journal of Military History, book review of *Uncivil War* by Hew Bennett

15 June 2021 – Published an essay entitled, ‘[Sharing Responsibility’ and the future of Northern Ireland](#)’ on the Writing the Troubles blog at Edinburgh University in Scotland.

17 October 2015 “Is It Time to Revisit ‘Sharing Responsibility’?” <http://eamonnmallie.com/2015/10/is-it-time-to-revisit-sharing-responsibility-by-professor-tony-novosel/> ,

2 December 2013 Published an article for Long Kesh Inside Out called “Stalemate” <http://www.longkeshinsideout.co.uk/?p=2573>

14 October 2013 Published an article for the Eamonn Mallie Blog Site on Northern Ireland called “Where Do We Go from Here?” <http://eamonnmallie.com/2013/10/where-do-we-go-from-here/>