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Curriculum Vitae

Associate Provost for Research U.S. Naval War College 686 Cushing Rd., Newport, Rhode Island 02841 jeremiah.dancy@usnwc.edu / (401) 856-5761

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2023–Pres.	Associate Provost for Research, U.S. Naval War College
2021-2023	Associate Professor with Tenure, U.S. Naval War College, Joint Military
	Operations Department
2020-2021	Assistant Professor, U.S. Naval War College, Joint Military Operations
	Department
2018-2020	Assistant Professor, U.S. Naval War College, John B. Hattendorf Center for
	Maritime Historical Research
2017-2018	Director of Graduate Studies, Sam Houston State University, Department of
	History
2014-2018	Assistant Professor, Sam Houston State University, Department of History
2013-2014	Visiting Assistant Professor, Sam Houston State University, Department of
	History

EDUCATION

2012	DPhil	(PhD) ir	History	. University	of Oxford	۱

- 2008 MA in Naval History, with Distinction, University of Exeter
- 2006 BA in History, Honors in History, summa cum laude, Appalachian State University
- 2005 AA in Core Studies, with Honors, Wilkes Community College

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2020 Elected Fellow of the Royal Historical Society for original contributions to historical scholarship.
- 2016 Proxime Accessit Award, Anderson Medal, by the Society for Nautical Research, for *The Myth of the Press Gang*.
- 2016 *The Myth of the Press Gang* nominated for the Mountbatten Maritime Award for Best Literary Contribution by the Maritime Foundation.
- 2010 Warr-Goodman Scholarship, Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford (Two Years).
- 2008 Royal Navy IMEHA Bursary Award.
- 2008 South West Maritime History Society Research Bursary.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 2025 *The Routledge Handbook on the Pacific War*. London: Routledge. Edited with S.C.M. Paine and others (under contract).
- 2016 Strategy and the Sea: Essays in Honour of John B. Hattendorf. Woodbridge: The Boydell Press. Edited with N.A.M. Rodger, Benjamin Darnell, and Evan Wilson.

2015 *The Myth of the Press Gang: Volunteers, Impressment and the Naval Manpower Problem in the Late Eighteenth Century.* Woodbridge: The Boydell Press.

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

- 2025 "Veterans of the Pacific War." Co-authored with Joshua Fan. In *The Routledge Handbook on the Pacific War*. London: Routledge. Edited with S.C.M. Paine and others (under contract).
- 2025 "Hollywood and WWII in the Pacific." Co-authored with Charles Chadbourn and Richard Norton. In *The Routledge Handbook on the Pacific War*. London: Routledge. Edited with S.C.M. Paine and others (under contract).
- 2020 "Sir John Orde and the Trafalgar Campaign: A Failure of Information Sharing," In *Naval War College Review*, 73, no. 2, Article 10. Written with Evan Wilson.
- 2018 "Sources and Methods in the British Impressment Debate." In *International Journal of Maritime History*, 30, no. 4: 733–746.
- 2017 "British Naval Administration and the Manpower Problem in the Georgian Navy." In *New Interpretations in Naval History, Historical Monographs: 25*, edited by L. Bogle and J. Rentfrow, Newport, RI: Naval War College Press. 41–52. Written with Samantha Cavell and Evan Wilson.
- 2016 "Introduction" and "British Naval Administration and the Lower Deck Manpower Problem in the Eighteenth Century." In *Strategy and the Sea: Essays in Honour of John B. Hattendorf*, edited by N.A.M. Rodger, J. Ross Dancy, Benjamin Darnell, and Evan Wilson, 5–8 and 49–63. Woodbridge: The Boydell Press, 2016.

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2021 Unlike Anything that Ever Floated: The Monitor and Virginia and the Battle of Hampton Roads, March 8–9, 1862, by Dwight Sturtevant Hughes, The Civil War Monitor.
- 2021 The British Navy in the Caribbean, by John D. Grainger, Journal of British Studies
- 2020 Defending the Arteries of the Rebellion: Confederate Naval Operations in the Mississippi River Valley, 1861-1865, by Niel P. Chatelain, The Civil War Monitor.
- 2020 In the Waves: My Quest to Solve the Mystery of a Civil War Submarine, by Rachel Lance, The Civil War Monitor.
- 2020 British Flag Officers in the French Wars, 1793–1815: Admirals' Lives, by John Marrow, Journal of British Studies.
- 2020 The European Seaborne Empires: From the Thirty Years' War to the Age of Revolutions, by Gabriel Paquette, H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences (online).
- 2019 British Blockade Runners in the American Civil War, by Joseph McKenna, The Civil War Monitor.
- 2018 Order and Disorder in the British Navy, 1793-1815: Control, Resistance, Flogging and Hanging, by Thomas Malcomson, H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences (online).
- 2017 Hornblower's Historical Shipmates: The Young Gentlemen of Pellew's Indefatigable, by Heather Noel-Smith and Lorna M. Cambell, H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences (online).
- 2017 Poseidon's Curse: British Naval Impressment and Atlantic Origins of the American Revolution, by Christopher P. Magra, The Mariners Mirror.
- 2017 British Expeditionary Warfare and the Defeat of Napoleon: 1793-1815, by Robert K. Sutcliffe, Journal of Military History.

- 2017 Letters of Seamen in the Wars with France, 1793-1815, by Helen Watt with Anne Hawkins, International Journal of Maritime History.
- 2017 In Nelson's Wake: The Navy and the Napoleonic Wars, by J. Davey, H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences (online).
- 2016 Modern Naval History: Debates and Prospects, by R. Harding, Journal for Maritime Research.
- 2015 *In the Hour of Victory: The Royal Navy at War in the Age of Nelson*, by S. Willis, *Journal for Maritime Research.*

BLOGS AND DIGITAL MEDIA

2020 (with Meghan Brown), "The Battle of Trafalgar and the Naval War College Museum," Soundings in Narragansett Bay's Naval History: The Naval War College Museum Blog, June 15.

PEER REVIEWS FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS AND PRESSES

- 2023 Bloomsbury Publishing—Book Manuscript
- 2023 U.S. Naval Institute Press—Book Chapter Manuscript
- 2022 Bloomsbury Publishing—Book Manuscript
- 2022 Joint Forces Quarterly—Article Manuscript
- 2022 U.S. Naval Institute Press—Book Manuscript
- 2022 War in History—Article Manuscript
- 2022 The Naval War College Review
- 2021 Vernon Press—Book Manuscript
- 2021 The Historical Journal—Article Manuscript
- 2021 International Journal of Maritime History—Article Manuscript
- 2020 Journal of British Studies—Article Manuscript
- 2019 The Naval War College Review—Article Manuscript
- 2018 The Historical Journal—Article Manuscript
- 2018 Boydell & Brewer Press—Book Manuscript
- 2014 University of Cambridge Press—Book Manuscript

VETERANS BOOK SERIES, UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS PRESS

CO-FOUNDER AND CO-EDITOR 2017-PRES.

SERIES BOOKS:

Wilson, Evan. *The Horrible Peace: Britain at the End of the Napoleonic Wars*. Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, forthcoming 2023.

Kinder, John and Jason Higgins, eds. Marginalized Veterans in American History.

Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2022.

Mendible, Myra. *American War Stories: Veteran-Writers and the Politics of Memoir*. Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2021.

Gambone, Michael D. *The New Praetorians: American Veterans, Society, and Service from Vietnam to the Forever War.* Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2021. Cooper, Benjamin. *Veteran Americans: Literature and Citizenship from Revolution to Reconstruction.* Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2018.

PRESENTATIONS & INTERVIEWS

INTERVIEWS FOR FILM, RADIO & INTERNET

- 2021 Film interview for U.S. Naval War College Museum, "USS *Constellation*", part of a forthcoming museum exhibit.
- 2019 Film interview by Insignia Films for *American Veteran*, a four-part PBS documentary mini-series, aired October-November 2021.
- 2016 Audio interview for *Living History Podcast*, Episode #2, hosted by Jeffrey Littlejohn and Wesley Phelps.
- Audio interview, "Solving the Myth of the Press Gang," for *What's The Word*, hosted by John Cheval on Blog Talk Radio.

INVITED TALKS

- 2021 "Film, War, and Society in America," Issues in National Security Lecture Series, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2019 "The Attack on Pearl Harbor: Beyond the Day of Infamy," Observance of the 78th Anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor, Naval Order of the United States, Newport Commandery.
- 2019 "David Farragut, George Dewey and Chester Nimitz: Admirals in the Making," Observance of the 244th Birthday of the U.S. Navy, Naval Academy Preparatory School, Newport, RI.
- 2019 "Volunteers, Impressment, and British Naval Manpower in the 18th Century," Eight Bells Lecture Series, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2017 "The Myth of the Press Gang," Glasscock Center Lecture Series, Texas A&M University.
- 2017 "Veterans Day and Veterans," University Veterans Day Ceremony Keynote Speaker, Sam Houston State University.
- 2015 "The Myth of the Press Gang," The History Lecture Series, Houston Maritime Museum
- 2015 "Success and Academia," Scholarship Awards Presentation Keynote Speaker, Sam Houston State University
- 2013 "'The Life of your Fleet': Volunteers and the Royal Navy during the Great War with France, 1793–1815," Royal Navy Seminar Series, The National Museum of the Royal Navy.
- "The Men behind the Wooden Walls: Examining British Naval Manpower, 1793-1815," The Second Annual Alan Villiers Memorial Lectures, University of Oxford.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 "Manning Nelson's Navy," Hattendorf Historical Center Working Group, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2019 "Sir John Orde and the Trafalgar Campaign," Hattendorf Historical Center Working Group, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2018 "Impressment: Sources and Methods," Hattendorf Historical Center Working Group, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2015 "The Myth of the Press Gang," Faculty Research Colloquium, Sam Houston State University.
- 2012 "The Wealth, Strength, Security and Glory of Britain': Volunteers and the Royal Navy in the Age of Revolution," The Graduate Seminar in History: 1680–1850, University of Oxford.

2010 "Manning the British Fleet: Statistics and Naval Manpower in the Eighteenth Century," Lady Margaret Hall Graduate Seminar Series, University of Oxford.

- 2010 "The Quota Acts: The Politics of Naval Service in the Age of Revolution," The Graduate Seminar in History: 1680–1850, University of Oxford.
- 2010 "Redefining Naval Manning: Dispelling the Myths of Royal Navy Manpower, 1793–1801," The British Maritime History Seminars, The Institute of Historical Research.
- 2010 "Statistical Data and Naval History: A New look at Royal Navy Manpower, 1793-1801," History of War Graduate Seminar, University of Oxford.
- 2009 "Manning the British Fleet: The Myths and Reality of Naval Manpower," The Maritime and Oceanographic History Workshop, University of Cambridge.
- 2009 "The Right Men for the Jog: Manning the Royal Navy during the Great War with France," History of War Graduate Seminar, University of Oxford.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 "Prisoner Exchanges and British Naval Manning in the Great Wars with France, 1793-1815," The McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy.
- 2021 "The Point of Greatest Strain: British Naval Manpower Policy at the End of the Napoleonic Wars" The Society for Military History Annual General Meeting, National Defense University's Joint Forces Staff College.
- 2020 "The Social Consequences of Turning Over Men in the British Navy, 1793–1815," The Consortium of the Revolutionary Era: 1750-1850, Florida State University.
- 2019 "Orde, Nelson, and the Admiralty: Information Sharing and Seams of Command at Trafalgar," The McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy.
- 2019 "The Hattendorf Historical Center Research Section: The Graduate Certificate in Maritime History," The McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy.
- 2019 "Royal Navy Veterans in 1802 and 1815," Veterans: Enduring, Surviving, and Remembering War Conference, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2019 "British Naval Manpower after Two Decades of War," The North American Society of Oceanic History 2019 Annual Conference, New Bedford Whaling Museum.
- 2019 "British Naval Manpower at the Point of Greatest Strain," The Consortium of the Revolutionary Era: 1750-1850, Georgia State University.
- 2018 "Veterans of the American Revolutionary War: A Preliminary Examination," The Consortium of the Revolutionary Era: 1750-1850, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
- 2017 "On Site and On Celluloid: History, Hollywood, and Civil War Memory," American Studies Association of Texas Conference, Sam Houston State University.
- 2017 "The Quota Acts: The Politics of Naval Service and the Threat of French Invasion," The McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy.
- 2017 "British Naval Mobilization after the Piece of Amiens, 1801–1803," The Consortium of the Revolutionary Era: 1750–1850, College of Charleston.
- 2016 "Demobilization and Mobilization in the Royal Navy, 1801-1803," Waging Peace Conference, Dale Center for the Study of War and Society.
- 2015 "The Tipping Point? British Royal Naval Manpower during the Napoleonic Wars," War, Society and Culture c. 1688–1850 Conference, University of Leeds.

2014 "British Naval Administration and the Lower Deck Manpower Problem," Strategy and the Sea: An International Conference in Honour of Professor John B. Hattendorf, All Souls College, University of Oxford.

- 2013 "Volunteers, Impressment and the Naval Manpower Problem, 1793-1801," McMullen Naval History Symposium, United States Naval Academy.
- 2013 "The Myth of the Press Gang: Volunteers Impressment and the Naval Manpower Problem in the Late Eighteenth Century," Press Gangs, Conscripts, and Professionals: Recruiting the Royal Navy from the Age of Sail to the Present-Day Conference, National Museum of the Royal Navy.
- 2013 "None Need Apply but Seamen or Stout Hands': The Impress Service and Manning the British Navy during the age of Revolution," Naval Expertise and the Making of the Modern World Conference, Wolfson College, University of Oxford.
- 2010 "Naval Manpower and Britain: Examining the Complex Relationship between Royal Navy Manning and the British Empire, 1793-1802," New Horizons in Maritime History Conference, University of Cambridge.
- 2010 "Manning the Wooden Walls: Procurement of Naval Manpower and the British Empire, 1793-1801," British Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Post-graduate and Early-Career Conference, University of Warwick.
- 2010 "A New Look at Naval Impressment: The Myths and Realty of Royal Navy Manpower, 1793-1801," The Hudson Trust Conference in Naval History, University of Oxford.
- 2010 "A New look at Naval Manning: Challenging the Historiography of British naval Manpower," New Researchers in Maritime History Conference, University of Exeter.

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

2019–Pres. U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

<u>Core Courses Taught 2020–2023 (as Senior Moderator from 2021)</u> Graduate Core Seminar: Joint Military Operations, Senior Leaders Course Graduate Core Seminar: Joint Maritime Operations, Intermediate Leaders Course

Electives Taught

Graduate Elective Seminar: Film, War and Society in America (2020–Pres.) Graduate Elective Seminar: War at Sea in the Age of Steam (2019–2020)

Graduate Certificate in Maritime History Projects Directed

Wetselaar, Samuel. "Logistics at Guadalcanal." GCMH Project, In progress, expected 2024.

- Walker, Steven. "Secretary of the Navy John D. Long and the Creation of the Modern American Navy." GCMH Project, In progress, expected 2024.
- Skerry, John. "No Getting to Yes... Or any Other Common Position: Ambassador Joseph Grew, U.S. Embassy Tokyo, and the Chasm Between the United States and Japan, 1937-1942." GCMH Project, 2023.
- Anderson, Andrew. "A paltry frigate dare not then insult us,' U.S. Coastal and Harbor Defense, 1776-1834." GCMH Project, 2022.
- Wilson, Andrew. "William Jones-Secretary of the Navy, 1813-1814: Master of Wartime Planning and Realistic Strategic Decision Making." GCMH Project, 2022

Gordon, Alexia. "Afro-Colonial and African Americans in the US Maritime Industry, 1763-1820." GCMH Project, 2021.

Omarov, Yuliya. "Exploring and Claiming the Artic: 1880-1914." GCMH Project, 2021.

Barnett, John B. "Army vs. Navy: The Race to Federalize the Militias." GCMH Project, 2020.

Imbrenda, Michael. "Expeditionary Intelligence in a Time of Crisis: The USS *Scorpion* in Constantinople, 1914-1918." GCMH Project, 2020.

Rak, Michael. "The Quasi-War and the Origins of the Modern Navy and Marine Corps." GCMH Project, 2020.

2013–2018 SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Classes Taught

Freshman Survey: American History, 1492 – 1877

Undergraduate Seminar: Modern European Military History

Undergraduate Seminar: The Second World War

Undergraduate Seminar: French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars

Undergraduate Seminar: The History of Seapower Undergraduate Seminar: The Civil War and Film

Graduate Seminar: The British Navy in the Age of Revolution Graduate Seminar: Naval Battles in the Eighteenth Century

Graduate Seminar: Naval Warfare, 1850-1950 Graduate Seminar: Texas and the First World War Graduate Seminar: Film and War in America

Graduate Seminar: Sources, Methods and Research (Capstone Seminar)

Master's Theses Directed

Obringer, Christopher S. "The Global Impact of British Naval Leadership, 1757–1805." Master's thesis, 2018.

Jackson, Daniel, Maj. USAF. "Fallen Tiger: The Fate of America's Missing Airmen in China during World War II." Master's thesis, 2017.

Hutzell, Eric C. "Down the Lines: U.S. Army Communications in Europe, 1942-1945." Master's thesis, 2017.

Mohr, Gerald David. "Echoes of Honor: Reflections on the Life of Bill Halbert and the Greatest Generation." Master's thesis, 2016.

Sierleja, Paul B., CDR, USN. "United States Navy Maritime Patrol Aviation Support to Operation Market Time, 1965-1968." Master's thesis, 2014.

Comprehensive Exam Committees

Prepared and administered thirty-one Comprehensive Examinations from 2014-2018: Each consisted of written and oral examinations to test the mastery of student knowledge in field of Military History.

2009–2012 UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT, Further Subject: Politics, Reform and Imperial Crisis: Britain 1774–1784

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OTHER	EXPER	IENCE
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PERIENCE
Director of Emergency Services, Rhode Island Wing, Civil Air Patrol, U.S.
Airforce Auxiliary.
Direct emergency services logistics and training, as well as lead and coordinate
real world emergency services responses for the Rhode Island CAP Wing,
consisting of over 80 adult members and 90 cadets.
Consultant, The National Maritime Museum, Greenwich.
Provided research for the permanent exhibit, "Nelson, Navy, Nation: The Story of
the Royal Navy and the British People, 1688 – 1815."
Infantry Assaultman, United States Marine Corps.
Completed tours in Afghanistan and Iraq. Served two years as an Assault Squad
Leader. Received a Letter of Commendation and a Meritorious Mast for service
in Afghanistan. Honorably discharged in 2004.

SERVICE

2017-2018

2022–Pres.	Editorial Board, Joint Force Quarterly, National Defense University Press.
2021-Pres.	Judging Committee, Matthew C. Perry Writing Award for International Research,
	U.S. Naval War College.
2021-Pres.	Council Member, Navy Records Society.
2019–Pres.	Historian, Newport Commandery, Naval Order of the United States.
2019–Pres.	National History Day Judge, State Competition, Rhode Island.
2018–Pres.	Editorial Board, International Journal of Maritime History.
2018–Pres.	Judging Committee, CNO Naval History Essay Contest, U.S. Naval Institute.
2022-2023	College wide Promotion and Tenure Committee, U.S. Naval War College.
2022-2023	Jury Duty, (6-months), Statewide Grand Jury, State of Rhode Island.
2021–2023	Faculty Advisory Council, U.S. Naval War College.
2021–2023	Deputy Historian General, National Office, Naval Order of the United Sates.
2021–2022	Faculty Hiring Committee, Assistant Professor Search, Strategy and Policy
	Department, U.S. Naval War College.
2021–2021	Moderator for "Extremism in the Ranks Stand-Down," U.S. Naval War College
2020–2021	Director of Emergency Services, Rhode Island Wing, Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Air
	Force Auxiliary.
2020–2020	Faculty Development Leader, Senior Leaders Course, Joint Military Operations
	Department, U.S. Naval War College.
2020–2020	Transition to Virtual Learning Committee, Joint Military Operations Department,
	U.S. Naval War College.
2019–2023	Co-Director of the Graduate Certificate in Maritime History Certificate Program,
	U.S. Naval War College.
2019–2021	President, Brown's Farm Homeowner's Association.
2019–2020	Faculty Awards Committee, U.S. Naval War College.
2018–2019	Member of National Endowment for the Humanities Project Review Committee
	for "Dialogues on the Experience of War."
2017–2023	Historian General's Committee, Naval Order of the United Sates.
2016–2019	Advisory Committee, 'No Man's Land: East Texas African American Veterans of

WWI' Project, East Texas Historical Association.

Graduate Directors Committee, College of Humanities & Social Sciences, SHSU.

2016–2018	University Student Disciplinary Hearing Committee, SHSU.
2016–2018	Campus Security Authority, SHSU.
2015–2018	Faculty Representative for the University Veterans Alliance Network, SHSU.
2014–2018	Graduate Studies Committee Member, Department of History, SHSU.
2014–2018	Faculty Advisor for the Bearkat History Club, Department of History, SHSU.
2014–2018	Montgomery County Historic Commission Committee Member.
2016–2017	Faculty Needs and Planning Committee, Department of History, SHSU.
2015–2016	Faculty Hiring Committee, Department of History, SHSU.

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

- 2019 "Veterans: Enduring, Surviving, and Remembering War," U.S. Naval War College.
- 2014 "Strategy and the Sea: An International Conference in Honour of Professor John B. Hattendorf," All Souls College, University of Oxford.
- 2010 "The Hudson Trust Conference in Naval History," All Souls College, University of Oxford.

PUBLIC LECTURES ORGANIZED

- 2018 "Future War," with Sir Lawrence Freedman, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2016 "Was the Napoleonic War 'Total' War?" with Roger Knight, Twelfth Annual Coffey Symposium, Sam Houston State University.
- 2015 "Pearl Harbor & Franklin Delano Roosevelt," with Thomas Gillette, Department of History, Sam Houston State University.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Maritime History Association

Naval Order of the United States

Navy Records Society

North American Society for Oceanic History

Rhode Island Association of Emergency Managers

Royal Historical Society

Society for Military History

Society for Nautical Research

U.S. Naval Institute

Victorian Military Society

REFERENCES

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