

Evan Wilson

Curriculum Vitae

Associate Professor
John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2022–pres.	Associate Professor, Hattendorf Historical Center, U.S. Naval War College
2018–2022	Assistant Professor, Hattendorf Historical Center, U.S. Naval War College
2016–2018	Associate Director, International Security Studies, Yale University
2016–2018	Lecturer in the Department of History, Yale University
2015–2016	Caird Senior Research Fellow, National Maritime Museum, Greenwich
2008–2011	Upper School History Teacher, The Haverford School

EDUCATION

2015	DPhil (PhD) in History, University of Oxford
2008	MPhil with distinction in Modern European History, University of Cambridge
2007	B.A. with distinction in History, <i>magna cum laude</i> , Yale University

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2021–pres.	Certificates of Recognition (eight), Teaching Excellence Center, U.S. Naval War College.
2018	Sir Julian Corbett Prize in Modern Naval History, Institute of Historical Research.
2011–2014	Clarendon Fund Scholarship, University of Oxford.
2011–2014	Humanities Scholarship, University College, Oxford.

PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPHS

2028	<i>Master and Commander: Admiral Lord St. Vincent, 1735–1823</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press (under contract).
2023	<i>The Horrible Peace: British Veterans and the End of the Napoleonic Wars</i> . Veterans Series. Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press.
2017	<i>A Social History of British Naval Officers, 1775–1815</i> . Woodbridge: The Boydell Press.

EDITED COLLECTIONS

2026	<i>The Routledge Handbook on the Pacific War</i> . London: Routledge. Edited with S.C.M. Paine and others (under contract).
2025	<i>Planning for War at Sea: 400 Years of Great Power Competition</i> . Annapolis: Naval Institute Press. Edited with Paul Kennedy.
2024	“The British Navy in the West Indies During the Age of Sail.” Forum. <i>International Journal of Maritime History</i> 36, no. 1: 4–90.

- 2020 *Navies in Multipolar Worlds: From the Age of Sail to the Present*. Cass Series: Naval Policy and History. London: Routledge. Edited with Paul Kennedy.
- 2020 *The Hattendorf Prize Lectures, Volume 1: 2011–2019*. Newport: Naval War College Press.
- 2019 *Eighteenth-Century Naval Officers: A Transnational Perspective*. War, Culture, and Society, 1750–1850. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan. Edited with Jakob Seerup and AnnaSara Hammar.
- 2016 *Strategy and the Sea: Essays in Honour of John B. Hattendorf*. Woodbridge: The Boydell Press. Edited with N.A.M. Rodger, J. Ross Dancy, and Benjamin Darnell.

ARTICLES

- 2024 “A Grand Tour on a Budget: Naval Officers and Intelligence Gathering in the Age of Sail,” *The Trafalgar Chronicle*, New Series 9: 25–33.
- 2024 “The Constellation Controversy and the Navy’s Culture,” *Proceedings of the U.S. Naval Institute* 150, no. 10 (October): 72–76. Feature article. Written with Rob Doane and Pauline Shanks Kaurin.
- 2024 “Forum Introduction: Sugar and Navies in the Age of Sail,” *International Journal of Maritime History* 36, no. 1: 4–9.
- 2023 “‘A Low, Surly Growl’: Returning to Britain after the Napoleonic Wars,” *Age of Revolutions* (<https://ageofrevolutions.com/2023/04/24/a-low-surly-growl-returning-to-britain-after-the-napoleonic-wars/>).
- 2021 “The Monster from Elba: Napoleon’s Escape Reconsidered,” *The Mariner’s Mirror* 107, no. 3: 265–79.
- 2021 “German Perspectives on the U-boat War, 1939–1941,” *Journal of Military History* 85, no. 2: 369–98. Written with Ruth Schapiro.
- 2020 “Sir John Orde and the Trafalgar Campaign: A Failure of Information Sharing,” *Naval War College Review* 73, no. 2: 141–71. Written with J. Ross Dancy.
- 2019 “The Naval Defense of Ireland in the French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars,” *Historical Research* 92, no. 257: 568–584. Winner of the 2018 Sir Julian Corbett Prize in Modern Naval History.
- 2019 “Don’t Call It a Comeback: Foreign Interference in U.S. Elections Has Been Here for Years,” *War on the Rocks* (<https://warontherocks.com/2019/07/dont-call-it-a-comeback-foreign-interference-in-u-s-elections-has-been-here-for-years/>).
- 2016 “Social Background and Promotion Prospects in the Royal Navy, 1775–1815,” *The English Historical Review* 131, no. 550: 570–95.
- 2015 “The Education and Careers of Naval Officers in the Long Eighteenth Century: An International Perspective,” *Journal for Maritime Research* 17, no. 1: 17–33. Written with Jakob Seerup and AnnaSara Hammar.

CHAPTERS

- 2025 “What to Expect When You’re Expecting the French Revolution” and “Conclusion.” In *Planning for War at Sea: 400 Years of Great Power Competition*, edited by Evan Wilson and Paul Kennedy. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 36–52, 366–72.
- 2023 “War at Sea in the Age of Napoleon.” In *Oxford Bibliographies in Military History*, edited by Kaushik Roy. New York: Oxford University Press (<https://doi.org/10.1093/OBO/9780199791279-0245>).
- 2023 “Soldiers versus Veterans: Peacemaking in Britain after Napoleon.” In *Soldiers in Peace-Making: The Role of the Military at the End of War, 1800–Present*, edited by Beatrice de Graaf, Frédéric Dessberg, and Thomas Vaisset. London: Bloomsbury Academic, 164–78.
- 2020 “Introduction” and “The Limits of Naval Power: Britain after 1815.” In *Navies in Multipolar Worlds: From the Age of Sail to the Present*, edited by Evan Wilson and Paul Kennedy. London: Routledge, 1–8, 62–81.
- 2019 “Introduction,” “Britain: Practicing Aggression,” and “Conclusion.” In *Eighteenth-Century Naval Officers: A Transnational Perspective*, edited by Evan Wilson, et al. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan, 1–46, 213–22.

- 2019 “Particular Skills: Warrant Officers in the Royal Navy, 1775–1815.” In *A New Naval History*, edited by Quintin Colville and James Davey. Manchester: Manchester University Press, 29–46.
- 2018 “British Naval Administration and the Manpower Problem in the Georgian Navy.” In *New Interpretations in Naval History: Selected Papers from the Eighteenth McMullen Naval History Symposium Held at the United States Naval Academy 19–20 September 2013*, edited by Lori Bogle and James Rentfrow, 41–52. Newport, RI: Naval War College Press. Written with J. Ross Dancy and S.A. Cavell.
- 2016 “Introduction” and “British Naval Administration and the Quarterdeck Manpower Problem in the Eighteenth Century.” In *Strategy and the Sea: Essays in Honour of John B. Hattendorf*, edited by N.A.M. Rodger, et al., 5–8 and 64–75. Woodbridge: The Boydell Press.

REVIEWS

- 2025 *Nelson’s Pathfinders: A Forgotten Story in the Triumph of British Sea Power*, by Michael Barritt, in the *International Journal of Maritime History*, online first: <https://doi.org/10.1177/08438714251382535>.
- 2024 *Atlantic Voyages: The East India Company and the British Route to the East in the Age of Sail*, by John McAleer, in the *American Historical Review* 130, no. 1: 434–35.
- 2024 *Spanish Warships in the Age of Sail, 1700–1860: Design, Construction, Careers and Fates*, by Rif Winfield, John Tredrea, Enrique García-Torralba Pérez, and Manuel Blasco Felip, in the *Naval War College Review* 77, no. 2: 142–43.
- 2024 *The Coalitions Against Napoleon: How British Money, Manufacturing, and Military Power Forged the Alliances that Achieved Victory*, by William Nester, in the *Journal of Military History* 88, no. 2: 532–34.
- 2023 *The English and French Navies, 1500–1650: Expansion, Organisation and State-Building*, by Benjamin W.D. Redding, in *H-France Review* 23 (November 2023), No. 187.
- 2023 *Commanding Petty Despots: The American Navy in the New Republic*, by Thomas Sheppard, in the *Naval War College Review* 76, no. 3: 174–75.
- 2023 *The Execution of Admiral John Byng as a Microhistory of Eighteenth-Century Britain*, by Joseph J. Krulder, in *Eighteenth-Century Studies* 56, no. 3: 510–12.
- 2021 *Inside the U.S. Navy of 1812–1815*, by William S. Dudley, in the *Canadian Journal of History* 56, no. 3: 423–24.
- 2021 *Sons of the Waves: The Common Seaman in the Heroic Age of Sail*, by Stephen Taylor, in the *Naval War College Review* 74, no. 3: 174–75.
- 2020 *Ideologies of Western Naval Power, c. 1500–1815*, edited by J.D. Davies, Alan James, and Gijs Rommelse, in the *International Journal of Maritime History* 32, no. 4: 1025–6.
- 2020 *Seapower States: Maritime Culture, Continental Empires and the Conflict That Made the Modern World*, by Andrew Lambert, in the *Journal for Maritime Research* 21, no. 1: 153–5.
- 2020 *British Flag Officers in the French Wars, 1793–1815: Admirals’ Lives*, by John Morrow, in *The Mariner’s Mirror* 106, no. 1: 102–4.
- 2019 *The Fear of Invasion: Strategy, Politics, and British War Planning, 1880–1914*, by David G. Morgan-Owen, in the *Journal of Military History* 83, no. 4: 1294–6.
- 2019 *To Master the Boundless Sea: The U.S. Navy, the Marine Environment, and the Cartography of Empire*, by Jason W. Smith, in *Isis: The Journal of the History of Science Society* 110, no. 1: 188–9.
- 2018 *The Social History of English Seamen, 1650–1815*, ed. Cheryl A. Fury, in *The English Historical Review* 133, no. 564: 1319–21.
- 2017 *Youth, Heroism and War Propaganda: Britain and the Young Maritime Hero, 1745–1820*, by D.A.B. Ronald, in *The English Historical Review* 132, no. 559: 1615–17.
- 2017 *Letters of Seamen in the Wars with France, 1793–1815*, by Helen Watt with Anne Hawkins, in *Journal for Maritime Research* 19, no. 1: 87–9.

- 2017 *Protecting the Empire's Frontiers: Officers of the 18th (Royal Irish) Regiment of Foot during its North American Service, 1767–1776*, in *Journal for Eighteenth Century Studies* 40, no. 1: 147–8.
- 2016 *A History of the Royal Navy: Empire and Imperialism*, by Daniel Owen Spence, on H-War (www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=47872).
- 2016 *A History of the Royal Navy: The Napoleonic Wars*, by Martin Robson, in *War in History* 23, no. 4: 518–19.
- 2015 *Empire of the Deep: The Rise and Fall of the British Navy*, by Ben Wilson, in *Journal for Maritime Research* 17, no. 2: 239–40.
- 2015 *British Naval Power in the East, 1794–1805: The Command of Admiral Peter Rainier*, by Peter A. Ward, in *History* 100, no. 339: 142–3.
- 2014 *Empire to Nation: Art, History and the Visualization of Maritime Britain, 1768–1829*, by Geoff Quilley, in *The English Historical Review* 129, no. 541: 1517–18.
- 2013 “Nelson, Navy, Nation” Gallery at the National Maritime Museum for the British Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies.

POPULAR PUBLICATIONS (not peer reviewed)

- 2022 “Seeing the Balance Turn: Winston Churchill and the Battle of the Atlantic,” *Finest Hour: The Journal of Winston Churchill and His Times* 200 (October): 14–19.
- 2022 “How to Read a Book,” United States Naval Institute *Proceedings* (February): 76–78. Written with Christopher Green.
- 2021 “Sobre la lectura académica profesional,” *Revista de Marina* (<https://revistamarina.cl/articulo/sobre-la-lectura-academica-profesional>). Written with Christopher Green.
- 2020 “A Brief History of the U.S. Naval War College,” *Sea History* 170 (Spring): 34–37. Published by the National Maritime Historical Society.
- 2019 “The Graduate Certificate in Maritime History at the U.S. Naval War College,” United States Naval Institute *Proceedings* (online only).
- 2017 “Remarkable and Tragic Stories in the Survey Returns of Officers’ Services, 1817,” *The Navy Records Society Online Magazine* (https://www.navyrecords.org.uk/magazine_posts/remarkable-and-tragic-stories-in-the-survey-returns-of-officers-services-1817/).

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

- 2024–pres. Deputy Director of the Summer Seminar in Naval and Maritime History.
- 2019–pres. War at Sea in the Age of Sail: A required elective for students in the Graduate Certificate in Maritime History that provides an introduction to historical methods and maritime history.
- 2019–pres. Co-director, committee chair, and mentor for the Graduate Certificate in Maritime History.
- 2020 Strategy and Policy: Joint Professional Military Education Phase II Senior Level Course.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

- 2025–2026 External Examiner for a Ph.D. Student. 3010 General Exam Field: Global Maritime History.

YALE UNIVERSITY

- 2017–2018 Directed Reading: A one-semester undergraduate course examining issues in twentieth-century naval historiography.
- 2016–2018 War at Sea in the Age of Sail: This advanced undergraduate seminar discusses naval warfare and the relationship between navies and societies in Europe, 1500–1850.
- 2016–2018 The Senior Essay: A one-year course for final-year undergraduates to undertake a major

2016–2018 piece of original research based on primary documents.
 Supervisor and mentor for Smith Richardson Foundation Predoctoral Fellows (3 per year), Henry Chauncey, Jr., Postdoctoral Fellows (3 per year), and Henry A. Kissinger Visiting Scholars (2 per year) at International Security Studies.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

2013–2014 The Military and Society in Britain and France, c. 1650–1815: An undergraduate seminar that explored both the conduct of war and its social, legal, and cultural impact in the long eighteenth century.

OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY

2013 Britain and the Sea, 1588–2000: An undergraduate lecture that examined Britons' relationship with the sea from the time of the Spanish Armada to the present.

THE HAVERFORD SCHOOL (secondary school)

2008–2011 Ancient World History
 2008–2011 Modern World History
 2008–2011 Assistant Coach, Freshmen Basketball
 2010–2011 Assistant Coach, Junior Varsity Baseball
 2008–2011 Faculty Sponsor, Model U.N. Club

LEADERSHIP IN THE FIELD

BOOK SERIES

2025 Editor of a new naval history series with Naval Institute Press (name TBD)
 2017–pres. Editorial board member of the University of Massachusetts Press's series Veterans

EDITORIAL BOARDS

2024–pres. *Naval Documents of the American Revolution*
 2024–pres. *The Mariner's Mirror*
 2024–pres. *The Northern Mariner / Le marin du nord*

LEARNED SOCIETIES

2024–2027 Vice President of the North American Society for Oceanic History
 2021–2024 Member of Council of the North American Society for Oceanic History
 2020–pres. Fellowship, Royal Historical Society
 2016–2020 Member of Council of the Navy Records Society
 2014–2016 Member of the Publications Committee of the Society for Nautical Research
 2014–pres. Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (UK)

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

INVITED TALKS

2025 "The Founding of the U.S. Navy, from Britain's Perspective," Newport Historical Society, 9 October.
 2025 "The Founding of the U.S. Navy, from London's Perspective," Rhode Island Historical Society, 30 January.
 2024 "How to Cheat on Your Navigation Exam in the Age of Sail," Newport Historical Society, 4 April.
 2024 "The Life and Times of Oliver Hazard Perry," Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, University of Rhode Island, 29 February. (Given again in 2025.)

- 2024 “The Rise of British Sea Power, 1740–1830,” MASSOLIT lecture course, filmed 28 February.
- 2024 “The Horrible Peace: British Veterans and the End of the Napoleonic Wars,” Society for Army Historical Research, 9 January.
- 2023 Guest Lecturer, World War II class, St. Albans School, Washington, DC, 19 September.
- 2023 “The Life and Times of Oliver Hazard Perry,” The Town South Kingstown 300th Anniversary Speaker Series, 7 September.
- 2023 “The Horrible Peace: British Veterans and the End of the Napoleonic Wars,” Napoleonic and Revolutionary War Graves Charity, 19 July.
- 2023 Featured Speaker, Naval Heritage Night, The Naval Order of the United States, 17 May.
- 2023 “The Horrible Peace: British Veterans and the End of the Napoleonic Wars,” Hattendorf Historical Center Speaker Series, U.S. Naval War College, 15 May.
- 2022 “¿Por qué Gran Bretaña se convirtió en la gran potencia naval del siglo XIX? / Why Did Great Britain Become the Great Naval Power of the Nineteenth Century?” Maritime and Naval History course, University of Piura and the Peruvian Navy, 2 November.
- 2022 Guest Lecturer, World War II class, St. Albans School, Washington, DC, 31 October.
- 2022 Guest Lecturer, Humanities 1 classes, St. George’s School, Middletown, RI, 11 and 14 October.
- 2022 “Armadas en un mundo multipolar / Navies in Multipolar Worlds,” Academia de Guerra Naval, Chile, 15 June.
- 2021 Featured Speaker at the 93rd Annual Banquet of The Rhode Island Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America, The Squantum Association, 3 November.
- 2021 Guest Lecturer in Professor Paul Kennedy’s undergraduate lecture course, “The Military History of the West Since 1500,” Yale University, 23 February.
- 2021 Panel Participant, “Creating a Great Elective Course,” U.S. Naval War College, 22 January.
- 2020 “War at Sea in the Age of Sail: The Campaign of Trafalgar,” Redwood Library and Athanaeum, 28 October.
- 2020 “The British Battle of the Atlantic,” Eight Bells Lecture Series, U.S. Naval War College Museum, 14 August. Canceled due to pandemic.
- 2019 “Admiral Lord Nelson in Context,” Eight Bells Lecture Series, U.S. Naval War College Museum, 7 February.
- 2019 Guest Lecturer in Professor Paul Kennedy’s undergraduate lecture course, “The Military History of the West Since 1500,” Yale University, 5 February.
- 2018 Sir Thomas More Lecture Series, Yale Political Union’s Conservative Party, 28 September.
- 2018 “How the British Fiscal-Military State Transitioned from War to Peace,” Brady-Johnson Colloquium in Grand Strategy and International Security, International Security Studies, Yale University, 17 April.
- 2018 Workshop leader, Yale Naval ROTC Leadership Conference, 7 April.
- 2017 Guest Lecturer in Professor Paul Kennedy’s undergraduate lecture course, “The Military History of the West Since 1500,” Yale University, 21 September.
- 2017 Commentator at “U.S. Nuclear Policy Towards China,” Author’s Workshop, Institute for Security and Conflict Studies, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 7–8 September.
- 2015 “Eighteenth-Century Naval Officers: An International Perspective,” Institute of Historical Research, War, Society and Culture Seminar Series, 4 November.
- 2014 “An Officer and a Gentleman: Social Status in the Royal Navy, 1775–1815,” Graduate Seminar in History, 1680–1850, University of Oxford, 29 October.
- 2014 “The Sea Officers: Gentility and Professionalism in the Royal Navy, 1775–1815,” British Maritime History Seminar, Institute of Historical Research, 21 October.
- 2013 “The Wardroom: A Social History of the Royal Navy, 1775–1815,” King’s Maritime History Seminar, King’s College London, 24 October.

- 2012 “A Social History of the Officers of the Royal Navy, 1775–1815,” Maritime and Oceanic History Workshop, University of Cambridge, October.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 2025 “Waterloo Live,” The Napoleonic and Revolutionary War Graves Charity, 18 June.
 2025 “The Congress of Vienna,” Generals and Napoleon Podcast, 15 June.
 2024 “The Battle of Cape St. Vincent,” Generals and Napoleon Podcast, 3 October.
 2024 “Admiral Nelson, the greatest British naval commander in history,” Generals and Napoleon Podcast, 25 February.
 2023 “Waterloo Live,” The Napoleonic and Revolutionary War Graves Charity, 18 June.
 2023 “The Legacy of Waterloo,” The Napoleonic Wars Podcast, 5 June.
 2023 “S3E19 Evan Wilson—U.S. Naval War College,” Military Historians Are People, Too! Podcast, June.
 2023 “Ending the War—The Horrible Peace,” The Napoleonic Wars Podcast, 7 May.
 2021 Interviewed for U.S. Naval War College Museum video exhibition, “USS *Constellation*,” U.S. Naval War College, 10 November.
 2021 Interviewed for National Science Foundation-funded documentary by Kendall Moore, *Decolonizing Science?*, University of Rhode Island, 29 October.
 2021 “Naval Warfare Expert Rates 9 Sea Battle Tactics in Movies and TV,” How Real Is It?, *Insider*, 3 August (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nWY_s14z57w).
 2020 Conversation Six with RADM (ret.) James Goldrick, RAN, 19 October (<https://www.conversationsix.com/p/K2YW8CmXvLjycv9Z6>).

SELECT RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (full list available upon request)

- 2025 “The Historical Evolution of the Transatlantic Convoy System, from the Earliest Times to 1945,” The Kingston Consortium on International Security Conference 2025, “Securing the Seas: Strengthening Maritime Security in a Time of Global Uncertainty,” Kingston, ON, 19 November.
 2025 “An Accidental Volunteer: John Menzies’ Experience in the Royal Navy, 1793–1794,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 18 September.
 2025 “German Perspectives on the U-Boat War,” Naval History Symposium, U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa, Château de Bernaville, Normandy, 3 June.
 2025 “Naval Life-Writing: Challenges and Opportunities,” North American Society for Oceanic History Annual Conference, Natchez, MS, 16 May.
 2025 “Maritime Culture and the Fiscal-Naval State,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Auburn University, 28 February.
 2024 “‘Long Calm Lee of Trafalgar’? The Hold of the Napoleonic Wars on the Royal Navy,” The Great War and Grand Strategy Conference, Yale University and the U.S. Naval War College, 20 September.
 2024 “Honor, Duty, and the Duel,” The Third War and Peace in the Age of Napoleon Conference, Napoleonic & Revolutionary War Graves Charity, 4 September.
 2024 “Making Fewer Blunders: Wolfe, Cook, and Jervis at Quebec, 1759,” Joint North American Society for Oceanic History/Canadian Nautical Research Society Annual Conference, Brock University, St. Catharines, ON, Canada, 21 June.
 2024 Moderator, “Reflections on NASOH at 50” Roundtable; Panel chair, “Maritime History: Using a Different Lens,” Joint North American Society for Oceanic History/Canadian Nautical Research Society Annual Conference, Brock University, St. Catharines, ON, Canada, 20 and 22 June.
 2024 Moderator, Writers’ Workshop—Framing WPS through a National Security Perspective, Women, Peace & Security 10th Annual Symposium, U.S. Naval War College, 2 May.

- 2023 “The Rise and Fall of Naval History: The Legacy of *British Naval Mastery*,” Rethinking Great Power Politics: Celebrating Paul Kennedy Conference, International Security Studies, Yale University, 11 November.
- 2023 Commenter, “Royal Navy Management of Captive Populations, 1793–1815,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 22 September.
- 2023 “A Grand Tour on a Budget: Naval Officers and Intelligence Gathering in the Age of Sail,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 22 September.
- 2023 “Revisiting Corbett’s *Campaign of Trafalgar*,” Corbett 100 Conference: “The League of Peace and a Free Sea”: Sir Julian Corbett and the Application of History in the Twenty-First Century, U.S. Naval War College, 10 May.
- 2023 “British Naval Strategy in the American War, As Seen from the Quarterdeck,” Society of Military History Annual Conference, 25 March.
- 2023 “Newport, Sea Power, and American Independence,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, University of North Texas, 4 February.
- 2022 “Sailors on Strike: The End of the Napoleonic Wars in the Ports,” North American Conference on British Studies, 12 November.
- 2022 “British Veterans’ Experience of Demobilisation,” The Second War and Peace in the Age of Napoleon Conference, Napoleonic & Revolutionary War Graves Charity, 9 September.
- 2022 “What to Expect When You’re Expecting the French Revolution,” Yale Naval History Conference, Yale University, 22 April.
- 2022 “Confiscation and Protection in the West Indies, 1793–1794,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Mississippi State University, 11 February.
- 2021 “Naval Officers in the Empire after 1815,” North American Conference on British Studies, 13 November.
- 2021 “The Monster from Elba: Napoleon’s Escape Reconsidered,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 23 September.
- 2021 Chair and commenter, “Manpower Policy and Reform during the Napoleonic Wars and their Aftermath,” Society of Military History Annual Conference, 21 May.

ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

- 2024 Joint North American Society for Oceanic History/Canadian Nautical Research Society Annual Conference, Brock University, St. Catharines, ON, Canada, 20–23 June.
- 2022 “Yale Naval History Conference: Thinking About Enemies in Advance,” International Security Studies, Yale University, 21–23 April.
- 2018 “Yale Naval History Conference: Navies in Multipolar Worlds,” International Security Studies, Yale University, 20–21 April.
- 2017 “Three Decades of International Security Studies at Yale: A Conference in Honor of Paul Kennedy,” International Security Studies, Yale University, 12–13 May.
- 2017 “Troubled Waters: The South China Sea Question,” International Security Studies and the Brady-Johnson Program in Grand Strategy, Yale University, 2–3 March.
- 2016 “Naval Officers in the Baltic, 1700–1800: Careers and Context,” The Centre for Maritime Studies, University of Stockholm, 9–10 June.
- 2014 “Strategy and the Sea: An International Conference in Honour of Professor John B. Hattendorf,” All Souls College, Oxford, 10–12 April.
- 2013 “Naval Expertise and the Making of the Modern World,” Wolfson College, Oxford, 10–11 May.

SEMINARS AND SPEAKER SERIES ORGANIZED

- 2022–pres. Hattendorf Historical Center Speaker Series, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2018–pres. Hattendorf Historical Center Reading Group, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2018–2022 Hattendorf Historical Center Working Group, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2016–2018 ISS Brady-Johnson Colloquium in Grand Strategy and International Security, International Security Studies, Yale University.
- 2017–2018 ISS Brady-Johnson Speaker Series in Grand Strategy and International Security, International Security Studies, Yale University.

OTHER PUBLIC LECTURES ORGANIZED

- 2020 “The Outlaw Ocean,” with Ian Urbina, U.S. Naval War College, 17 December.
- 2019 “Arc of Containment: Britain, the United States, and Anticommunism in Southeast Asia,” with Wen-Qing Ngoei, U.S. Naval War College, 24 October.
- 2018 “The Future of War: A History,” with Sir Lawrence Freedman, U.S. Naval War College, 23 October.
- 2017 “Dealing with Deadlock: The Naval War in Northern European Waters after Jutland,” with James Goldrick, International Security Studies, Yale University, 19 September.
- 2017 “Demons Unleashed? Why Did Brexit Happen, and What Does It Mean?” with Glen O’Hara, International Security Studies, Yale University, 11 April.
- 2017 “In Nelson’s Wake: The Navy and the Napoleonic Wars,” with James Davey, International Security Studies, Yale University, 7 March.
- 2016 “Crusoe’s Island: A Rich and Curious History of Pirates, Castaways, and Madness,” with Andrew Lambert, International Security Studies, Yale University, 17 November.
- 2016 “21st Century Corbett: Maritime Strategy and Naval Policy for the Modern Era,” with Andrew Lambert, International Security Studies, Yale University, 16 November.
- 2016 “German Naval Strategy in the Two World Wars: A Conversation with Werner Rahn and Paul Kennedy,” International Security Studies, Yale University, 20 September.

PANELS ORGANIZED

- 2025 “From the Sea: British Expeditionary and Combined Operations, 1775–1815,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 19 September.
- 2024 “The Royal Navy in North America during and after the Seven Years War,” Joint North American Society for Oceanic History/Canadian Nautical Research Society Annual Conference, Brock University, St. Catharines, ON, Canada, 21 June.
- 2022 “Thinking about Enemies in the Age of Sail,” Yale Naval History Conference, 21–23 April.
- 2021 “New Perspectives on the Royal Navy, the Slave Trade, and the Empire in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries,” North American Conference on British Studies, 11–14 November.
- 2021 “A Blundering Business: British Strategic and Operational Failures in Europe and North America, 1814–1815,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 23–24 September.
- 2020 “Navies in Transition, 1800–1850,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Florida State University, 27–29 February.
- 2019 “New Research on Old Favorites: Camperdown and Trafalgar,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 19–20 September.
- 2019 “Trade Protection and Manpower in Eighteenth-Century Britain,” North American Society for Oceanic History, New Bedford Whaling Museum, 15–18 May.

- 2017 “The Wooden Walls: Britain and the Invasion Threat, 1793–1805,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 14–15 September.
- 2017 “The Outlaw Ocean: Lawlessness at Sea in Historical Context,” International Security Studies, Yale University, 20 February.
- 2016 “Mobilization and Demobilization in Britain and the United States, 1800–1820,” Waging Peace Conference, University of Southern Mississippi, New Orleans, 8–10 September.
- 2015 “British Naval Personnel and the War against Napoleon, 1803–1815,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 17–18 September.
- 2013 “British Naval Manpower, 1775–1815,” United States Naval Academy McMullen Naval History Symposium, 19–20 September.
- 2013 “The Education and Careers of Naval Officers in the Long Eighteenth Century: An International Perspective,” Naval Expertise and the Making of the Modern World Conference, Wolfson College, Oxford, 10 May.

PEER REVIEWS

- 2025 *Journal of Global History*
- 2025 *Proceedings of the War and Peace Conference*
- 2024 Cambridge University Press
- 2024 Routledge
- 2024–pres. *The Northern Mariner / Le marin du nord* (editorial board member)
- 2024–pres. *International Journal of Maritime History*
- 2023 *War in History*
- 2022–pres. Naval Institute Press
- 2022 Yale University Press
- 2021 *Journal for Maritime Research*
- 2021 *Journal of Military History*
- 2021 *The International History Review*
- 2021–pres. *The Mariner’s Mirror*
- 2020 *Journal of Modern Greek Studies*
- 2020 *War on the Rocks*
- 2020 *Historical Research*
- 2019–23 *Naval War College Review*
- 2019 *Historical Journal*
- 2018–pres. The Boydell Press
- 2018 University of Virginia Press
- 2017 *European Review of History / Revue Européenne d’Histoire*

THESES EXAMINED

- 2022 University of Tasmania

COMMITTEES

- 2025 Member of a Curriculum Committee, College of Leadership and Ethics, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2025 Member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
- 2025 Member of the Search Committee for the Senior Historian, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.

2024–pres.	Member of the Selection Committee for the Hattendorf Prize, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
2024	Chair of the Subcommittee on Pay and Promotion, Faculty Advisory Council, U.S. Naval War College.
2024–2025	Steward (leadership position) of the Faculty Advisory Council, U.S. Naval War College.
2023–2025	Representative of the College of Leadership and Ethics on the Faculty Advisory Council, U.S. Naval War College.
2023–2024	Member of the Search Committee for the LPA ILC Course Director, College of Leadership and Ethics, U.S. Naval War College.
2023	Chair of the Validation Committee for the Ernest J. King Professor of Maritime History, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
2023	Member of the Internal Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Review Committee, College of Leadership and Ethics, U.S. Naval War College.
2023	Member of the Search Committee for the Records Manager, U.S. Naval War College Archives.
2023	Member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, College of Leadership and Ethics, U.S. Naval War College.
2020	Chair of the Search Committee for an Assistant or Associate Professor, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
2018–pres.	Co-Chair of the Edward S. Miller Fellowship Selection Committee, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
2018–2020	Member of the Dudley W. Knox Lecture Series Organizing Committee, John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, U.S. Naval War College.
2016–2018	Member of the Smith Richardson Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship Committee, Henry Chauncey, Jr., Postdoctoral Fellowship Committee, Henry A. Kissinger Visiting Scholars Program Committee, and Smith Richardson Foundation Research and Travel Awards Committee, International Security Studies, Yale University.
2016–2018	Chair of the Travel Fellowship in Honor of Professor Robin W. Winks Committee and of William Crozier, Jr., '54 Travel Fellowship Committee, International Security Studies, Yale University.
2012–2013	Secretary of the Graduate Common Room, University College, Oxford.

OTHER SERVICE AND EXPERIENCE

2019	Spouse Tour Guide, International Seapower Symposium
2013–2015	Junior Dean, University College, Oxford
2014–2015	Young Alumni Program Coordinator, University College, Oxford
2013	History Aptitude Test Marker, University College, Oxford

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