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OBJECTIVE

To teach courses in history and in other disciplines in the social sciences and the humanities at the Rancho Santiago Community College District

EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine (2014-present)

PhD, History (anticipated 2022)

ABD, History (2017)

MA, History (2015)

Thesis: "Masculinity and Militant Piety in Defying Yazdgerd II"

California State University, Northridge (2009-2013)

BA, History (2013)

Minor, Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Instructor, University of California, Irvine (Summer, 2020)

History 21A: World History: Innovations and Exchanges, Prehistory to 1500

Teaching Assistant and Reader, University of California, Irvine (January 2016–November 2020)

T.A. to Laura Mitchell, History 21B: World History: Empires, Globalization, Revolutions

T.A. to Joseph McKenna, Religious Studies 5A: World Religions I: Judaism, Christianity, Islam

T.A. to Joseph McKenna, Religious Studies 5C: Religious Dialogue

T.A. to Ian Coller, History 11: Genocide and Crimes against Humanity since World War II

T.A. to Patricia Seed, History 70F: First Encounters

T.A. to Touraj Daryaee and Simcha Gross, History 21A: World: Innovations (three times)

T.A. to Cynthia Claxton, Classics 36B: Classical Greece

T.A. to Nancy McLoughlin, History 70C: European Queens

T.A. to Touraj Daryaee, History 12: The Ancient World

Reader to Touraj Daryaee, History 131B: Ancient Persia

Research Assistant, UCI Jordan Center for Persian Studies (November 2014–June 2015)

R.A. to Touraj Daryaee for Project MIDEL

CERTIFICATES

Humanities Pedagogical Certificate Program (School of Humanities, UCI, 2020)

Division of Teaching Excellence and Innovation Summer Graduate Fellows Training (UC Irvine, 2020)

DTEI 2020 Summer Remote Teaching Institute for Graduates and Postdocs (UC Irvine, 2020)

INTERNSHIPS AND PROGRAMS

California Community College Internship Program (Irvine Valley College-UC Irvine, 2020-2021)

The Rancho Academy (RSCCD District Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, 2020)

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

Conference co-organizer, “Hybrid History: Conversations across Disciplines and Audiences:” Annual History Graduate Students Association Conference (April 21, 2017)
 Department of History, Humanities Commons, UC Irvine

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- “Slaying Huns for the King of Kings: On the Iranian Colors of Christian Armenian Heroism in the Sasanian East” (*Dabir* special issue, forthcoming 2021)
- “Enjoying Persian Elephants in Late Antiquity: Shared Roman, Christian, and Islamic Fantasies about Sasanian War Elephants” (February 23, 2019)
 A Crucible of Cultures: Cultural Exchange in the Ancient Mediterranean, 2019 OSU Classics Graduate Colloquium, Ohio State University
- “Heroism in the East: Nomadic Invasions and Prospects for the Armenian Elite’s Political Mobility in the Later Sasanian Empire” (January 26, 2019)
 Armeno-Iranica: A Shared History, UC Irvine-UCLA
- “The Magi Mobilized? Mowbeds, Hērbeds, and the Persecutions of Yazdgerd II and Pērōz I” (August 16, 2018)
 Association for Iranian Studies 12th Biennial Conference, UC Irvine
- “Immolation and Martyrdom in Defying Empire: Gender, Nation, and Violence in Sasanian Martyrologies and Sati in Colonial Bengal” (April 2016)
 History? The Past in the Present: A Graduate Student Conference and Workshop, UCI
- “The ‘Umar II-Leo III Correspondence in Ghevond’s Text as an Early-Abbasid Epistolary Exchange” (June 2013)
 History Department Research Symposium at California State University, Northridge

LANGUAGES

Modern	Premodern
Persian: reading, writing, speaking	Middle Persian
Armenian: reading, writing, speaking	Classical Armenian
French: reading	Syriac
Spanish: reading	Ancient Greek
Arabic: acquiring	Classical Arabic (acquiring)

AWARDS

- Division of Teaching Excellence and Innovation Summer Fellowship (DTEI, UC Irvine, 2020)
- Department of History Summer Research Award (UC Irvine, 2020)
- Movahedi Family Fellowship (Jordan Center for Persian Studies, UC Irvine, 2020)
- Armenian Studies Prize in Honor of Sylvie Tertzakian (Center for Armenian Studies, UCI, 2020)
- The Humanities Dean’s Gateway Award in Persian Studies (School of Humanities, UC Irvine, 2018)
- Dumbarton Oaks and HMML Syriac Summer Program Fellowship (2017)
- The Farzaneh Family Fellowship (Jordan Center for Persian Studies, UC Irvine, 2017)
- UC Regents’ Fellowship (School of Humanities, UC Irvine, 2015)
- Albert Zoraster Scholarship for Academic Excellence (CSU Northridge, 2013)