

Melissa R. Jordine

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- Ph.D. in History, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Carbondale, IL.
Dissertation: “*Rommel’s Mission and the Mediterranean Theater: German Intervention in North Africa 1941-1942.*”
- M.A. in History, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL.
- B.A. in History, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois.

Professional Experience:

- Professor, Central Washington University, Ellensburg, 2020 – present
- Director of Assessment, California State University, Fresno 2015-2020
- Professor, California State University, Fresno, 2015 – 2020
- Associate Professor, California State University, Fresno, 2009 – 2015
- Assistant Professor, California State University, Fresno, 2005 – 2009

Teaching:

Courses Taught

•World History 1500-1815 (History 102) World History Since 1815 (History 103), U.S. Military History, World War Two in Europe, The Holocaust, Germany Since 1815, Research Methods, CAH Research Methods (Liberal Studies), Senior Seminar. History 496 (undergraduate independent study), History 596 (graduate independent study).

Student Award -- Adam Fadich was awarded the Warren Street Thesis Prize for his DHC undergraduate thesis, *The Geopolitics of Revolution: How 1848 Influenced German Unification*. (2024). Committee Member and advisor for section on German revolutions.

M.A. Committees: Marius Schnell, (current, Chair), Allen McQuade (current, Chair), Zach Rubino (current, Chair), Mikaela Phillips (current, committee member) Catherine Colwell (member, 2023), Jazmyn Bragg (member, 2023), Jenny Findsen, (member, 2021).

Mentoring and Advising of undergraduate and graduate students:

I meet with and advise between eight and twelve students a quarter to answer questions about major requirements, Phi Alpha Theta requirements (History Honor Society), graduate school admission requirements, letters of reference, and career options. I have supervised one undergraduate and two graduate student independent studies. I worked with two undergraduate students (Braden Swanson and Natalie Hammill) who revised papers they wrote in my upper-division major courses and presented at the Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference at Western Washington University April 22-23, 2022.

Research 2020-2024:

Peer Review Article- Work in Progress – “Logistics during the North Africa Campaigns.”

Research Trip: April 8th-14th, 2024. National Archives II, College Park Maryland, Captured German records on microfilm and U.S. records on Operation Torch and Allied Operations in North Africa.

Journal of Central European History. (Forthcoming: Initially scheduled for Vol. 2 June 2024). Review of Caddick-Adams, Peter. *Fire and Steel: The End of World War Two in the West.* New York: Oxford University Press, 2022.

Presentations 2020-2024:

“Development of Blitzkrieg” Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Continuing and Global Ed., Fresno State. Wednesdays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Nov 2 & 9th, 2022.

“20th Century Dictators” Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Continuing and Global Ed., Fresno State. Thursdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Sept 24, Oct 1, 8, & 15th 2020.

Publications:

Jordine, Melissa. “A Holocaust Exhibit: Actively Engaging Students.” *The International Journal of ePortfolio (IJeP)*, Volume 5, Number 1, 2015.
http://www.theijep.com/past_5_1.cfm

Jordine, Melissa, “The Origins of the Cold War” in Slutsky, Beth, Shennan Hutton, Sarah Taylor, Melissa Jordine, et. al. *History Blueprint: The Cold War.* California History-Social Science Project. Davis, California: University of California, Davis, 2013.

Lopez, Maritere and Melissa Jordine. "A Practical Compromise to Teaching World History: Thematic Bridges, Standards, and Technology." *World History Connected*. <http://worldhistoryconnected.press.illinois.edu/5.3/lopez.html>. 21 Oct. 2009

Jordine, Melissa. *Dispute Over Gibraltar*, edited by James Matray & Christian Green, for the *Arbitrary Borders: Political Boundaries in World History* series, Chelsea House Publishers, November 2006.

Peer and Book Reviews:

"The Legacy of El Alamein" *The Journal of Military History* Volume 81, No. 4, October 2017. <http://www.smh-hq.org/jmh/jmhvols/814.html>

"Deception in North Africa" *Michigan War Review*, 22 August 2014. <http://www.miwsr.com/2014-084.aspx> [An essay reviewing Whitney T. Bendeck's "*A Force: The Origins of British Deception During the Second World War*, Annapolis, Maryland. Naval Institute Press, 2013.]

Conference Panels:

Moderator. "Genres of Holocaust Representation: Wartime Writing in Yiddish in the Face of Communal Collapse. German Studies Association 43rd Annual Conference, October 3-6, 2019, Portland, Oregon.

Presentations and Conference Papers:

"Churchill, FDR, and WWII" REACHABLE Grant Teacher's Workshop, January 23, 2019.

"Revising GE Assessment and Supporting Student Success into the 24th Century," Dr. Melissa Jordine, JoLynne Blake, and Max Tsai. WSCUC ARC Conference, Burlingame CA, April 25-27, 2018.

"Opportunities for Students and Connections with the Community that Benefit All" WSCUC ARC Conference in Garden Grove, California, April 6-8, 2016.

"Critical Thinking Signature Assignment" WSCUC ARC Conference in Oakland California, April 2015.

"British, French and German Strategies in World War II," California Council for the Social Studies, Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, CA, April 7-9 2014.

"Armored Warfare." Guest lecture at the University of the Pacific, March 28, 2014.

"The Origins of the Cold War," History Blueprint Cold War Workshop, Fresno State, February 8, 2014. Sponsored by the History Project @ Fresno State.

“The Development of Armored Warfare, 1916-1939” Guest Lecture at the University of the Pacific, April 2014.

“No History Left Behind,” American Historical Association Meeting in San Diego, January 7th to 10th 2009.

“The Social and Political Impact of Germany’s defeat in World War II,” paper presented at The Berlin Seminar in Berlin, Germany, May 28–June 6, 2006.

Grants:

Assessment Evaluator. REACHABLE Grant funded by the US Department of Education. Assessment Coordinator for the Grant which provides workshops for K-12 teachers and high-school students, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022. I wrote the assessment section of the grant including learning outcomes for K-12 students and teachers and carried out the assessment of the implementation of the grant as well as evaluating all student participant research papers and all teacher participant lesson plans and wrote the assessment section of the annual report due to the Dept. of Education.

Leadership Professional Development:

Leadership Kittitas County (LKC)- Participant. LKC is an in-depth, 7-month exploration of Kittitas county. LKC participants visit offices in the county frequently not open to the public, have exclusive meetings with community leaders and top business people, and have spirited conversations about policy and our communities’ future.

Leadership College of Arts and Humanities (LCAH), participant, Cohort 1, 2020-2021 led by CAH Dean Jill Hernandez.

Professional Development:

CWU Multimodal Learning Workshop Incorporating Virtual Reality into your Course, led by Nat Nickel, Thursday 3-4 p.m. Feb. 8th, 2024.

Presentations:

“Leaders’ Partners and the Leadership Role” presented at the LGBTQ Leaders in Higher Education “Out and Authentic Leadership Institute.” October 16-17, 2024, Bothell WA. **(forthcoming)** Conference Agenda: <https://whova.com/embedded/event/ly-lnIVtKCCitoCLWMTewph422G%40IZ71HxpQYO10mtc%3D/?refer=undefined&day=2>

University and Professional Service:

- **Manuscript Review** by Jordine (double-blind review) – “‘Desert Fox’ or ‘Hitler Favorite’? Allied Wartime Portrayals of Erwin Rommel.’ (author not identified). Article submission to the Journal of Military History, April 2023.
- General Education Assessment, evaluated artifacts corresponding to GE learning outcomes for GE Knowledge Area 4: Global Dynamics (17 June 2024)
- History Department Five-Year Review (2023-2024) – revised and updated the departments 4-year curriculum guides for the small and large plans. Wrote up a summary of History Department assessment activities and results for the official Five-Year Review Report. (Every member of the History department completed at least one section of the Five-Year Report).
- Chair, History Department Assessment and Curriculum Committee 2021-present
- Member, CAH DEI Committee, 2020-2023
- Member, CAH Personnel Committee, 2022-2023
- Member, History Personnel Committee, 2022-2023
- Chair, student panel, “The Politics of Hate”, Phi Alpha Theta Northwest Regional Conference, April 21-22, 2023 hosted by Central Washington University.
- Commentator, student panel “The Politics and Representations of War, Phi Alpha Theta Northwest Regional Conference, April 21-22, 2023, hosted by Central Washington University
- Chair, student panel “Legacies of World War II”, Phi Alpha Theta Northwest Regional Conference, April 22-23, 2022, hosted by Western Washington University.
<https://chss.wwu.edu/history/phi-alpha-theta-2022-nw-regional-conference-schedule>
- Commentator, student panel “War and Memory”, Phi Alpha Theta Northwest Regional Conference, April 22-23, 2022, hosted by Western Washington University.
<https://chss.wwu.edu/history/phi-alpha-theta-2022-nw-regional-conference-schedule>
- Member, Art & Design personnel committee, 2021-2022
- Member, History Department Scholarship Committee, 2021-2022
- Alternate, CAH Personnel Committee, 2020-2021
- Assessment Evaluator for Fresno State REACHABLE Grant 2017-2022

Community Service

- Kittitas County Pride, LGBTQ+ non-profit organization. Board Member 2022-204 (Founding Board Member).
- Gallery One volunteer helping set up for specific events 2022-present. Volunteer at Wine Tasting and Sale Event, 12 to 5 on July 27th, 2024.

Membership in Associations

German Studies Association
American Historical Association
Phi Alpha Theta