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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

2013 - Assistant Professor, History Department, University of Alabama in Huntsville.  
Director of Ancient and Medieval Studies Program.

## EDUCATION:

2013 Ph.D., Late Antiquity, University of Florida.  
Dissertation: "Marginal Money: Coins, Frontiers, and Barbarians in Early Byzantium (6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Centuries)." Advisor: Florin Curta.

2006 M.A., Greco-Roman History and Archaeology (with distinction), University of Bucharest.

2004 B.A., Ancient History, University of Bucharest.

## PUBLICATIONS:

### Refereed Journal Articles:

2016 "Going East: Western Money in the Early Byzantine Balkans, Asia Minor and the Circumpontic Region (6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> c.)." *Rivista Italiana di Numismatica e Scienze Affini* 116 (2016), forthcoming.

2016 "A Few Rare Byzantine Coins Found in Dobrudja and the Extent of Byzantine Control in the Seventh-Century Balkans," *Cercetări Numismatice* 17 (2016), forthcoming.

2015 "A Hoard of Sixth-Century Solidi, Light-Weight Solidi and Fractions from Gökler (Phrygia)." (with Zeliha Demirel Gökalp). *Revue Numismatique* 171 (2015): 317-335.

2014 "A Hoard of Early Byzantine Gold Coins from Bithynia." (with Zeliha Demirel Gökalp). *Numismatic Chronicle* 174 (2014): 193-203.

2013 "Sixth-century Fibulae with Bent Stem." (with Florin Curta) *Peuce* 11 (2013): 101-76.

2012 "Heavy Money, Weightier Problems: The Justinianic Reform of 538 and Its Economic Consequences." *Revue Numismatique* 168 (2012): 363-402.

2012 "Hoards and Hoarding Patterns in the Early Byzantine Balkans." (with Florin Curta). *Dumbarton Oaks Papers* 65-66 (2012): 45-111.

- 2011 "Too Much Typology, Too Little History: A Critical Approach to the Classification and Interpretation of Cast Fibulae with Bent Stem." (with Florin Curta). *Archaeologia Bulgarica* 15 (2011), no. 3: 51-81.
- 2009 "Early Byzantine Coin Circulation in the Eastern Provinces: A Statistical Approach." *American Journal of Numismatics* 21 (2009): 151-226.
- 2009 "A Hoard of Early Byzantine Coins Found at Capidava (Scythia)." *Cercetări Numismatice* 15 (2009): 87-105.
- 2007 "Early Byzantine Capidava – The Numismatic Evidence." *Cercetări Numismatice* 12-13 (2006-2007): 153-74.
- 2007 "Greek Imperial, Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman Coin Finds at Capidava (1966-2006) in the Collection of National History Museum of Romania." *Pontica* 40 (2007): 607-23.
- 2005 "Sixth to Seventh Century Coin Circulation in Dobrudja." *Cercetări Numismatice* 9-11 (2003-2005): 109-66.

#### **Book Chapters:**

- 2009 "Face Value or Bullion Value? Early Byzantine Coins beyond the Lower Danube Border." In *Byzantine Coins in Central Europe between 5th and 10th Century*, ed. M. Wołoszyn, 449-71. Krakow: Polish Academy of Sciences, 2009.
- 2008 "Some Aspects of Monetary Circulation in the Byzantine Province of Scythia during the 6th and 7th Century." In *Acta Musei Varnensis VII: Numismatic, Spigraphic and Epigraphic Contributions to the History of the Black Sea Coast*, ed. I. Lazarenko, vol. 1, 301-30. Varna: Zograf, 2008.

#### **Reviews:**

- 2015 *Byzance et sa monnaie (IV<sup>e</sup>-XV<sup>e</sup> siècle)*, by C. Morrisson and G.-D. Schaaf. Paris: Lethielleux, 2015. Forthcoming in *Revue Numismatique* 171 (2015).
- 2013 *Untersuchungen zur schiffsgestützten Grenzsicherung auf der spätantiken Donau (3.-6. Jh. n. Chr.)*, by F. Himmler. BAR International Series 2197. Oxford: Archaeopress, 2011. *Ancient West & East* 13 (2014): 333-35.
- 2011 *Les destinées de l'Illyricum méridional pendant le haut Moyen Âge. Mélanges de l'École Française de Rome, Moyen Âge 120-2*. Rome: l'École Française de Rome, 2009. In *Early Medieval Europe* 19, n. 3 (2011): 354-55.

#### **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS:**

- 2015 New Faculty Research Award, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
- 2014-2015 Faculty Research Grant, Humanities Center, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
- 2014 Ad Astra Award for Excellence in Research for Doctoral Students (ERD).
- 2013 Graduate School Dissertation Scholarship Award, University of Florida.

- 2012-2013 Junior Fellowship, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection.
- 2012 E. K. Rand Dissertation Grant, Medieval Academy of America.
- 2012 Tedder Family Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities, Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere, University of Florida.
- 2012 James Wilkerson Dissertation Research Award, History Department, University of Florida.
- 2011-2012 Assistantship, University of Florida, History Department.
- 2009 Fellowship of the American Numismatic Society Eric P. Newman Graduate Seminar, New York. June-July.
- 2007-2012 Certificate of Outstanding Achievement, University of Florida International Center.
- 2007-2011 Alumni Fellowship, University of Florida.
- 2003-2004 Erasmus Scholarship, University of Aachen, Germany.

#### **COMPETITIVE TRAVEL AWARDS:**

##### **External:**

- 2015 International Numismatic Council Congress Grant.
- 2011 The International Association of Byzantine Studies Grant.
- 2007 Romanian Ministry of Culture, Mobility Grant.

##### **Internal:**

- 2014-2015 Faculty Travel Grant, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
- 2010-2012 Graduate Travel Grant, History Department/College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida (awarded three times).
- 2009-2011 Graduate Student Council Travel Grant, University of Florida (awarded three times).
- 2009 Medieval and Modern Studies Travel Stipend, University of Florida.

#### **CONFERENCE PAPERS & PUBLIC LECTURES:**

- 2016 "Money and "Barbarians:" Enhancing Social Prestige on Byzantium's Northern Frontier (6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> c)." 51th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 12-15.
- 2015 "Byzantium and Lazica in the Sixth Century: The Numismatic Evidence." XV International Numismatic Congress, Taormina, Italy, September 21-25.
- 2015 "Fiduciary Coinage in Early Byzantium." 50th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 14-17.
- 2015 "Minting in the Balkans and Asia Minor." "Framing the Late Antique and early Mediterranean Economy," Princeton University, March 28.

- 2014 "Between Byzantium and Persia: Money and Politics in Transcaucasia (6th-7th c)." 49th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 8-11.
- 2014 "From Apollo to Christ: The Conversion of Constantine and the Survival of Pagan Representations in Late Antiquity." AIA Lecture Series, University of Alabama in Huntsville, April 3.
- 2014 "Ancient Coins as Historical Source." Phi Alpha Theta, University of Alabama in Huntsville, February 6.
- 2012 "The Lower Danube and the Frontier Question in Late Antiquity." 47th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 10-13.
- 2011 "In the Shadow of the Empire: Early Byzantine Coins across Frontiers." 22nd International Congress of Byzantine Studies, Sofia, Bulgaria, August 22-27.
- 2011 "Coins, Barbarians, and Frontiers in Early Byzantium." 46th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 12-15.
- 2010 "A "Purse" of Early Byzantine Coins Found at Capidava (Scythia) and the Circulation of Justinianic Large *Folles*." 45th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 13-16.
- 2009 "Early Byzantine Coin Circulation in the Eastern Provinces: A Statistical Approach." XIV International Numismatic Congress, Glasgow, UK, August 31-September 4.
- 2009 "Early Byzantine Coin Circulation in the Eastern Provinces." 44th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 7-10.
- 2007 "Face Value or Bullion Value? Early Byzantine Coins beyond the Lower Danube Border." (Invited paper). Byzantine Coins in Central Europe between 5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Century, international conference, Krakow, Poland, April 23-26, 2007.
- 2005 "Some Aspects of the Monetary Circulation in the Byzantine Province of Scythia during the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Century." (Invited Paper). Numismatic, Sphragistic and Epigraphic Contributions to the History of the Black Sea Coast, international conference, Varna, Bulgaria, September 15-17, 2005.

#### **Other Conference Activity:**

- 2016 Session Presider, "Innovation in identities, innovation in narratives: literature in the Mediterranean region during Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages." 51th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 12-15.
- 2012 Session Presider, "The Health and Lifestyle of Medieval Populations: A Bio-anthropological Perspective," 47th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 10-13.
- 2011 Session Presider, "The Archaeology of Early Medieval Europe." 46<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May 12-15.
- 2007 Organizing Committee Member, Ancient and Medieval Monetary Technologies and Metrology: The Contribution of Atomic and Nuclear Analyses, international symposium, Bucharest, Romania, May 4-5.

2007 Speaker at the Round Table Varna in the History and Archaeology of the West Black Sea-Coast, Varna, Bulgaria, February 19.

### **TEACHING:**

- 2013- Assistant Professor, University of Alabama in Huntsville, History Department:  
HY 103 – World History to 1500 (Fall & Spring, incl. honors sections).  
HY 229 – Ancient & Medieval Worlds (Fall 2016).  
HY 290 – Craft of History (Fall 2015).  
HY 329 – Imperial Rome (Fall 2014).  
HY 331 – World of the Middle Ages (Spring 2015).  
HY 399 – The Mediterranean World in Late Antiquity (c. 250-750) (Spring 2014).  
HY 498/598 – Daily Life in Ancient Rome (Spring 2016).  
HY 498/598 – Roman Frontiers & Frontier Culture (Fall 2013).
- 2012 Instructor of Record, University of Florida, History Department:  
EUH 2001 - Western Medieval Civilization: From Late Antiquity to the Age of Discovery (Spring 2012).
- 2009-2011 Teaching Assistant/Grader, University of Florida, History Department:  
MEM 3003 – Introduction to the Medieval World (Fall 2009 - TA).  
EUH 3931 – History of Christianity (Spring 2009 - TA).  
EUH 3033 – History of the Holocaust (Spring 2010 - TA).  
HPS 3003 – Perspectives on Science & Mathematics: Newton-Darwin-Freud (Fall 2011 - Grader).
- 2005 History Teacher, High School no. 81, Bucharest. Spring.

### **RESEARCH:**

- 2015- Contributor to *Byzantinische Zeitschrift. III Abteilung. Bibliographische Notizen und Mitteilungen. 8A Numismatik* (Balkans).
- 2013- Member of the international project FLAME "Framing the Late Antique and early Mediterranean Economy," directed by Princeton University.
- 2012-2013 Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, Junior Fellow.
- 2012 Dissertation research in Romania (museum collections). June-September.
- 2011 Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, pre-doctoral resident. August.
- 2010 Dissertation research at the American Numismatic Society, New York. October.
- 2008 Research Assistant for Florin Curta, University of Florida. Conducted research for a project application submitted to NEH. Fall.
- 2006-2007 Research associate in the international project *ARHEOMET* (scientific research of ancient metallurgy technologies).
- 2005-2007 Assistant Curator, National History Museum of Romania, Bucharest.

**FIELD WORK:**

- 2001-2014 Excavations at Capidava, Romania, a major Roman and Byzantine fortress on the Danube frontier.
- 2006 Excavations at Muro Leccese, Italy, the Medieval Archaeology Field Practicum of the University of Florida. July.
- 2004 Excavations at Roşia Montană (Alburnus Maior, Dacia), Roman necropolis. August.

**SERVICE:****Peer Reviewer for:**

- Oxford University Press
- Numismatic Chronicle
- Czech Science Foundation, Czech Republic
- Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, Croatia
- Cercetări Numismatice, Romania

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

- 2012 Medieval Academy of America.
- 2010 American Historical Association.
- 2009 American Numismatic Society
- 2005 Romanian National Commission for Archaeology.
- 2002 Romanian Numismatic Society.

**LANGUAGES:**

Romanian: native.

French: reading (excellent), speaking (fluent), writing (good).

German: reading (very good), speaking (conversational).

Spanish: reading (very good).

Italian: reading (very good).

Bulgarian: reading (with dictionary).

Latin: reading (good).

Ancient Greek: reading (good).