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## EDUCATION

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**JUNE 2023 (EXPECTED)      DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY – ISLAMIC STUDIES (HISTORY)**

Philipps-Universität Marburg – Marburg, Germany  
Supervisor: Prof. Albrecht Fuess

Dissertation: *The Quiet Sixteenth Century: Patronage and the Production of Knowledge Across the Mamluk-Ottoman Transition*

**JUNE 2015      MASTER OF ARTS – ARABIC STUDIES**

The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt  
Specialization: Middle East History  
Supervisor: Prof. Leonor Fernandes

Thesis: *“From Farm to Fark: Cairo’s Food Supply and Distribution During the Mamluk Sultanate (1250-1517)”*

**DECEMBER 2008      BACHELOR OF ARTS – INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

American University – Washington, DC, USA  
Regional Focus: Middle East  
Specialization: International Economic Relations

## PUBLICATIONS

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### EDITED BOOKS AND SPECIAL ISSUES

Editor with Albrecht Fuess, *Environment and Nature in the Mamluk Sultanate: Proceedings of the Eighth School of Mamluk Studies*, Series Mémoires de l’Association pour la Promotion de l’Histoire et de l’Archéologie Orientales (Leuven: Peeters Publishers, Forthcoming 2023).

Issue Editor, *Mamluk Studies Review* 25, Special Issue: Scholarship from the EGYLandscape Project, (Forthcoming 2022).

### ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS — (\* INDICATES PEER REVIEWED)

\* “Environmental History of Egypt during the Mamluk and Early Ottoman Periods: A Review,” *Mamluk Studies Review* 25, Special Issue: Scholarship from the EGYLandscape Project, (Forthcoming: November 2022).

“Cairo and Coffee in the Trans-Ottoman Trade Network,” in *Transottoman Matters: Objects Moving through Time, Space, and Meaning*, eds. Blaszyck Arkadiusz, Robert Born, Florian Riedler (Göttingen: V&R Unipress, 2021): 83-97.

<https://doi.org/10.14220/9783737011686.83>

\* “A Medieval Garden City: Mamluk Cairo’s Food Supplies and Urban Landscape,” in *Living with Nature and Things: Contributions to a New Social History of the Middle Islamic Periods*, eds. Bethany J. Walker and Abdelkader al-Ghouz (Bonn: V&R Unipress, 2020): 33-48.

<https://doi.org/10.14220/9783737011037.33>

- \* “Making Tools for Transmission: Mamluk and Ottoman Cairo’s Papermakers, Copyists, and Booksellers,” *Eurasian Studies* 15(2), (2017): 304-319.  
<https://doi.org/10.1163/24685623-12340040>
- With Maria Szuppe and Sandra Aube, “Channels of Transmission: Family and Professional Lineages in the Early Modern Middle East,” *Eurasian Studies* 15(2), (2017): 177-179.  
<https://doi.org/10.1163/24685623-12340034>
- \* With Gregory Williams, “In Search of *Sibākh*: Digging Up Egypt from Antiquity to the Present Day,” *Journal of Islamic Archaeology* 3(1), (2016): 89-108.  
<https://doi.org/10.1558/jia.v3i1.31874>

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- SEPT. 2021 – DEC. 2021**     **ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR – MIDDLE EAST HISTORY**  
 ALSO: SEPT. 2017 – MAY 2018  
 & FEB. – MAY 2016     Department of Arab and Islamic Civilizations  
 The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt  
 Course taught: Survey of Arab History
- 14-18 MARCH 2016**     **INVITED INSTRUCTOR – GRADUATE SPRING SCHOOL**  
*Environmental Methods in Mamluk and Islamic Studies*  
 Annemarie Schimmel Mamluk Kolleg  
 Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn – Bonn, Germany
- SEPT. 2011 – MAY 2015**     **TEACHING ASSISTANT**  
 Prof. Leonor Fernandes, Associate Professor of Middle Eastern History  
 The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt
- SEPT. 2010 – JULY 2011**     **LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR**  
 Reaching Pinnacles Egypt (RP Egypt) – Cairo, Egypt  
 Courses taught: Conversational English; Business English; TOEFL
- FEB. 2009 – DEC. 2009**     **ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR**  
 Access Micro-Scholarship Program  
 AMIDEAST – Cairo, Egypt

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (NON-TEACHING)

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- JUNE 2019 – PRESENT**     **PROJECT COORDINATOR**  
 THE EGYLANDSCAPE PROJECT – ([WWW.EGYLANDSCAPE.ORG](http://WWW.EGYLANDSCAPE.ORG))  
 Islamic Studies, Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies  
 Philipps-Universität Marburg – Marburg, Germany
- SEPT. 2015 – SEPT. 2018**     **RESEARCH FELLOW (WISSENSCHAFTLICHER MITARBEITER)**  
 Islamic Studies, Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies  
 Philipps-Universität Marburg – Marburg, Germany
- SEPT. 2007 – DEC. 2008**     **RESEARCH ASSISTANT**  
 Dr. Michael E. Siegel, Adjunct Professor of Government  
 American University – Washington, DC, USA
- JAN. 2007 – MAY 2008**     **PAID INTERN**  
 Education Division, Federal Judicial Center –  
 Washington, DC, USA

## CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND INVITED TALKS

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### CONFERENCE PAPERS

- “Descriptions of Weather in Mamluk Sources,” *Closing Conference of the EGYLandscape Project: Final Reports*, Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l’Homme, Aix-en-Provence, 7 September 2022.

- “Overview of the EGYLandscape Project and the Environmental History of Mamluk Egypt,” *Eighth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Marburg, 9 July 2022.
- “Descriptions of Weather and Climate in the Mamluk Sources,” *4<sup>e</sup> Congrès du GIS Moyen-Orient et mondes musulmans*, Aix-Marseille Université, Online Conference (COVID-19), 1 July 2021.
- “Using Nature and Open Spaces in Mamluk Cairo,” *Middle East Studies Association 2019 Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, 17 November 2019.
- “A Topography of Taste: Mapping Mamluk Cairo’s Food Markets,” *Sixth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, Waseda University, Tokyo, 16 June 2019.
- “*Waqf* as a Linchpin in the Organization and Distribution of Food from Mamlūk Cairo’s Suburban Orchards and Plantations,” *Fifth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, Universiteit Gent, Ghent, 7 July 2018.
- “Book Ownership, Intellectual History, and the Transmission of Knowledge in Early Ottoman Egypt: A State of the Art,” *Closing Symposium of the ANR-DFG Project: Dynamics of Transmission: Families, Authority and Knowledge in the Early Modern Middle East*, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle – Paris 3, Paris, 7 March 2018.
- “Families, Fortunes, and Geography: Connections through variation in occupation and locality amongst Ottoman Cairene families” *33. Deutscher Orientalistentag: „Asien, Afrika, und Europa,”* Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Jena, 21 September 2017.
- “Families and Fortunes Intertwined: Occupational diversity within 16th/17th century Ottoman Cairene families,” *2e Congrès du GIS Moyen-Orient et mondes musulmans*, Bibliothèque universitaire des langues et civilisations, Paris, 8 July 2017.
- “Nature or City: Mamluk Cairo as a Model for Reinterpreting the Urban/Rural Dichotomy,” *Environmental Approaches in Pre-Modern Middle Eastern Studies*, Annemarie Schimmel Mamluk Kolleg, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Bonn, 6 December 2016.

## WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

- “Reimagining Egypt’s Historical Landscape: Outcomes and Implications of the EGYLandscape Project,” *Cultural Landscapes: New Horizons and Challenges for Research, Conservation, and Valorisation*, Université libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, 27 May 2022.
- “Food from Afar: Rural Agriculture, Small Commodities, and Cairo’s Food Supply,” *Annual History Seminar*, The American University in Cairo, Cairo, 24 March 2022.
- “Rain or Shine: Weather and climate in the Mamluk Period,” *Third Workshop of the EGYLandscape Project: Land and Nature in Medieval and Early Modern Egypt*, Institut Français, Alexandria, 1 November 2021.
- “Cairo as a Nexus in the Early Coffee Trade,” *Art, Culture, and Trade as Evidence of Bonds Between East and West: 11<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Webinar of the ASRT / CNR Bilateral Project, Online Webinar (COVID-19), 28 May 2021.
- “Looking for Weather and Climate in Mamluk Sources, a historiography,” *Second Workshop of the EGYLandscape Project, New Steps: A Virtual Gathering*, Online Workshop (COVID-19), 9 June 2020.
- “Historical Climatology and the Study of Medieval Egypt,” *Inaugural Workshop of the EGYLandscape Project: Sources, Methods, and Tools*, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Marburg, 5 September 2019.
- “Buying Books in Mamluk and Ottoman Cairo,” *Actors, Contents, and Practices of Transmission in Family and Social Contexts: Third General DYNTRAN Workshop*, Università di Napoli: L’Orientale, Naples, 3 April 2017.
- “Sustaining the Body in Mamluk Cairo: Food, Markets, and the *Hisba*,” *Doctoral Spring School 2017: Islam, the Body, and the Self*, University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, 13 March 2017.
- “From the Ends of the Red Sea: Families as Connectors between Egypt and Yemen.” *Modes and Frameworks of Transmission in the 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Century Middle East: Second General Workshop DYNTRAN*, Institut français d’archéologie orientale, Cairo, 21 November 2016.

“Towards New Understandings: Using Ottoman Court Records (*sijillāt*) in Exploring Patterns of Book Ownership among Merchant Groups in 16th/17th Century Cairo,” *Families in Transmission: First General Workshop DYNTRAN*, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Marburg, 27 November 2015.

“From Farm to Fork: Transformations in the Fifteenth Century Food Economy of Mamluk Cairo,” *Annual History Seminar*, The American University in Cairo, Cairo, 21 March 2015.

“Precursors for Revolt: Ya’qub Sannu and the Development of Public Political Consciousness,” *Annual History Seminar*, The American University in Cairo, Cairo, 23 March 2012.

## **ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND PANELS**

Conference Organizer, with Albrecht Fuess, *Eighth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Marburg, 4-9 July 2022.

Workshop Organizer, with Nicolas Michel, *Third Workshop of the EGYLandscape Project: Land and Nature in Medieval and Early Modern Egypt*, Institut Français, Alexandria, 31 October – 3 November 2021.

Panel Organizer, with Nicolas Michel, “New Issues in Egyptian Rural History, 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Centuries,” *4<sup>e</sup> Congrès du GIS Moyen-Orient et mondes musulmans*, Aix-Marseille Université, Online Conference (COVID-19), 1 July 2021.

Workshop Organizer, *Second Workshop of the EGYLandscape Project – Next Steps: A Virtual Gathering*, Online Workshop (COVID-19), 8-9 June 2020.

Workshop Organizer, with Muhammad Shaaban, *Inaugural Workshop of the EGYLandscape Project: Sources, Methods, and Tools*, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Marburg, 3-5 September 2019.

Panel Organizer, “Irrigation, Landscapes, and Environment: Towards a History of Mamluk Agriculture,” *Sixth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, Waseda University, Tokyo, 15-17 June 2019.

Panel Organizer and Chair, “New Views on *Waqf* During the Mamluk Sultanate,” *Fifth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, University of Ghent, Ghent, 7 July 2018.

Workshop Organizer, with Sandra Aube, Sacha Alsancakli, and Alberto Tiburcio, *Closing Symposium of the ANR-DFG Project: Dynamics of Transmission: Families, Authority and Knowledge in the Early Modern Middle East*, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle – Paris 3, Paris, 7-9 March 2018.

Panel Chair, “The Oral and the Written,” *Fourth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*, American University of Beirut, Beirut, 13 May 2017.

Panel Chair, *Environmental Approaches in Pre-Modern Middle Eastern Studies*, Annemarie Schimmel Mamluk Kolleg, University of Bonn, Bonn, 5 December 2016.

Workshop Organizer, with Nicolas Michel and Albrecht Fuess, *Modes and Frameworks of Transmission in the 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Century Middle East: Second General Workshop of the Dyntran Project*, Institut français d’archéologie orientale, Cairo, 20-22 November 2016.

## **INVITED TALKS AND WORKING PAPERS**

“Soil and Farming Implements in Medieval and Early Modern Egypt,” (talk, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, 16 March 2021).

“Digging Dirt: Mamluk Soil Typologies, A State of the Art and Implications for Study,” (talk, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, 15 October 2020).

“First thoughts on Ottoman Egyptian Rice Growing and Distribution,” (talk, Inaugural Working Meeting of Phase II of the TransOttomanica Project, University of Leipzig, Leipzig, 10 October 2020).

“The EGYLandscape Project and Historical Climatology in Mamluk and Ottoman Egypt,” (talk, Institutskolloquium, Centrum für Nah- und Mittelost-Studien, Philipps-Universität Marburg, 29 May 2020).

“Historical Climatology, the Little Ice Age, and Implications for the Study of Medieval Egypt,” (talk, *The Relationship between the East and the West from the Middle Ages to Modern Times Lecture Series*, Bibliotheca Alexandrina Center for Islamic Civilization Studies, Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria, 31 October 2019).

“Understanding the Transmission of Intangible Heritage: DFG/ANR Dyntran Project - Its Findings and Implications,” (talk, *Cultural Heritage Cluster Kick-Off – COSIMENA: Clusters of Scientific Innovation in the Middle East and North Africa*, DAAD – Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, Cairo, 9 May 2018).

“Understanding Merchants in Ottoman Cairo: A Review,” *DYNTRAN Working Papers*, n° 17, October 2016, <http://dyntran.hypotheses.org/1568>.

“Egypt's Ottoman Court Records: Towards an Understanding of Economic and Social Life in Ottoman Cairo,” (talk, Institutskolloquium, Centrum für Nah- und Mittelost-Studien, Philipps-Universität Marburg, 2 December 2015).

## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND CERTIFICATIONS

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<b>APRIL 2018</b>	<b>TEACHING ENHANCEMENT CERTIFICATE I</b> Center for Learning and Teaching The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt
<b>MAY 2015</b>	<b>DEAN'S HONORS AWARD</b> School of Humanities and Social Sciences The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt
<b>SPRING 2015</b>	<b>UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP</b> The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt
<b>SEPT. 2012 – MAY 2015</b>	<b>GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP</b> The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt
<b>FALL 2011 – SPRING 2012</b>	<b>GRADUATE MERIT FELLOWSHIP</b> The American University in Cairo – Cairo, Egypt
<b>FALL 2008</b>	<b>DEAN'S LIST</b> School of International Service American University – Washington, DC, USA Also awarded in: Fall 2006, Spring 2008

## SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES AND PROJECT GROUPS

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<b>JUN. 2019 – PRESENT</b>	<b>COORDINATOR</b> – EGYLandscape Project Philipps-Universität Marburg – Marburg, Germany
<b>DEC. 2017 – PRESENT</b>	<b>MEMBER</b> – Cultural Heritage Cluster, COSIMENA (Clusters of Scientific Innovation in the Middle East and North Africa) DAAD Egypt, Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst – Cairo, Egypt
<b>AUG. 2019 – PRESENT</b>	<b>MEMBER</b> – PAGES: PAST GLOBAL CHANGES NETWORK <a href="http://www.pastglobalchanges.org">www.pastglobalchanges.org</a>
<b>DEC. 2017 – DEC. 2019</b>	<b>ASSOCIATED RESEARCHER</b> TransOttomanica Project - Working Group 3: Materiality and Mobility of Objects Justus-Liebig-Universität Giessen – Giessen, Germany
<b>SEPT. 2015 – MAR. 2018</b>	<b>MEMBER</b> – Core Research Team Dyntran Project - Dynamics of Transmission: Families, Authority, and Knowledge in the Early Modern Middle East (15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> Centuries) Philipps-Universität Marburg – Marburg, Germany

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

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- Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
- The American Research Center in Egypt (ARCE)
- Middle East Medievalists (MEM)
- American Oriental Society (AOS)
- American Society for Environmental History (ASEH)
- Climate History Network (CHN)