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Call for papers for the EHS/SHA meeting in Charlotte, NC: November 9-12, 2023

The European History Section of the Southern Historical Association invites proposals for individual papers and complete panels for presentations at its annual meeting in Charlotte, NC, November 9-12, 2023.

Papers on any aspect and any period of European history are welcome. The program committee encourages full panel proposals comparing Europe to other regions or exploring connections between Europe and other regions. We also invite pedagogical submissions, especially on the recent shift to online teaching and remote learning with regard to teaching European history, including digital history projects.

Panels should consist of two or ideally three papers, a commentator, and a chair. Doctoral students, as well as faculty members and independent scholars are welcome to submit individual papers or panels, although a panel should not consist exclusively of graduate students. Presenters at the conference are eligible to apply for the Sections's Simpson Prize (see the EHS website for description: thesha.org/ehs).

Individual paper submissions must include an abstract of approximately 250 words for each paper and a short (1-2 page) c.v.. Submissions for full panels should include a 250 word abstract of each paper, a short c.v. for each participant, and a short (i.e. 250-500 words) description of the overarching topic or theme of the panel with a panel title. Please provide the full name, affiliation, and e-mail address of each participant and indicate who is serving as panel organizer. Proposals are due by September 1, 2022 to be considered for the 2023 program. Panelists must be current members of the EHS at the time of the Conference of 2023.

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Westin Charlotte, Charlotte, NC, November 9-12

**Proposals should be sent via email by
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Other Committee Members:

**Heather Perry, University of North
Carolina Charlotte**

Nathan Wood, University of Kansas



Call for nominations for the Snell Prize

AWARDED FOR BEST GRADUATE SEMINAR PAPER IN EUROPEAN HISTORY BY THE EUROPEAN HISTORY SECTION OF THE SOUTHERN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The John L. Snell Memorial Prize is named for Professor John L. Snell (1923-1972) who was a distinguished scholar and diplomatic historian and a founder of the European History Section. A bomber pilot during World War II, he taught at Tulane University, the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he received his Ph.D. in 1950. The Snell Prize is given annually to the graduate student with the best seminar research paper in European history, written within the past year. "European" is defined as encompassing the entire continent, including Russia, from pre-history to the present.

The Prize winner will be honored at the annual meeting of the Section in Baltimore in November 2022. The award carries a stipend of \$100. The Snell Award winner also receives one complimentary year of student membership in the European History Section of the Southern Historical Association.

The competition is open to graduate students of any member of the Section or of a program at a Southern college or university. Only papers written during the academic year immediately preceding the granting of the award, including summer 2022, are acceptable. Only one paper per student may be submitted. The supervising faculty member or advisor must submit a letter endorsing the fact that the paper was written during the mandated period.

The competition is open *only* to seminar papers, the length of which shall not exceed 50 pages, including footnotes or endnotes (bibliography does not count toward this limit). Seminar papers may be related to prospective theses or dissertations, but they may *not* be edited-down versions of theses or dissertations.

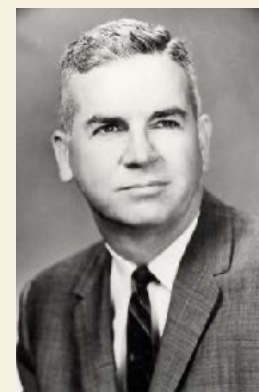
Manuscripts must be typed in Times New Roman 12-point font, double-spaced with 1-inch margins on all sides, and include a bibliography and the customary documentation.

One copy should be sent to each of the following three judges September 1, 2022:

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Dr. John Snell, courtesy Tulane University Archive

Call for nominations for the Parker-Schmidt Dissertation Award

AWARDED FOR THE BEST DISSERTATION IN EUROPEAN HISTORY

The European History Section of the Southern Historical Association is pleased to announce the biennial competition for Parker-Schmitt Dissertation Award. Named for Harold Parker, long-time professor of French history at Duke University, and Hans Schmitt, who taught German history at several institutions before completing his career at the University of Virginia, the Award is given in even-numbered years to the best Ph. D. dissertation in European history nominated by a faculty member at a Southern university (the term “Southern” should be broadly construed) or by a member of the European History Section.

The award of \$100 will be presented at the EHS luncheon at the SHA meeting in Birmingham, Alabama, this November. Eligible dissertations must have been defended between August 1, 2020 and July 31, 2022. Criteria for selection include quality and originality of research, new and stimulating interpretations and insights, and literary quality.

Recommendations of eligible dissertations should be sent to the committee chair by September 1, 2022. Recommenders are also responsible for ensuring that each committee member receives the dissertation itself via email by that date.

One copy must be sent to each of the following three judges **via email**, by September 1, 2022.

Michele Strong (Chair)
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Aaron Gillette
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Professor Hans Schmitt, who retired from the faculty at the University of Virginia, was a founder of the European History Section of the Southern Historical Association



Professor Harold Parker, specialist in French history at Duke University.

Call for nominations for the Smith Award

AWARDED FOR THE BEST BOOK IN EUROPEAN HISTORY

The European History Section of the Southern Historical Association is pleased to announce the biennial competition for the THE SMITH AWARD

The Smith Award, named for Professor Charles E. Smith (1906-1959), who taught ancient, medieval, English History, and Renaissance and Reformation at Louisiana State University and served as Dean from 1934 until his untimely death in 1959. The Award is given by the European History Section of the Southern Historical Association for the best book published in European history by a member of the Section or a faculty member of a Southern college or university, or by a Southern press. "European" is defined as encompassing the entire continent, including Russia, from pre-history to the present.

The award is given in even years and carries a cash value of \$100.

Books published between August 1, 2020 and July 31, 2022 are eligible for consideration. Criteria for selection include quality and originality of research, new and stimulating interpretations and insights, and literary quality.

Eligible books may be recommended to the chair of the Baker-Burton-Smith Committee by their authors or publishers or by any member of the Section. The person making the recommendation is responsible for ensuring that each committee member receives a copy by September 1, 2022.

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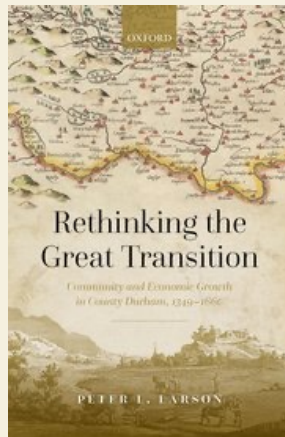


This photo of Professor Charles E. Smith, from about 1959, is from the University Archives in the Special Collections of Louisiana State

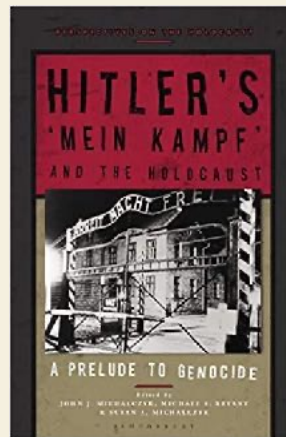
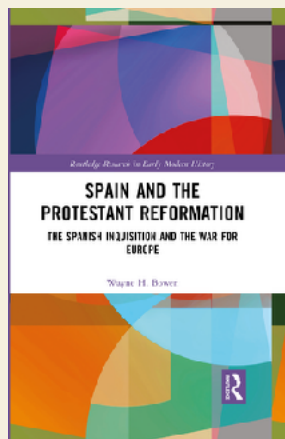
News from EHS members

TRAVEL, BOOKS AND ARTICLES, NEW POSTS, RETIREMENTS, AWARDS

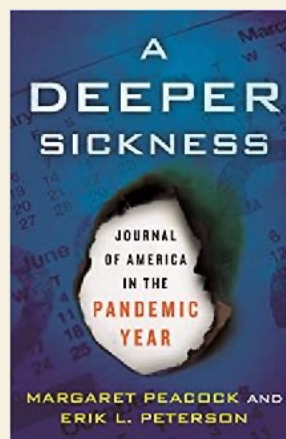
Peter Larson, University of Central Florida, published *Rethinking the Great Transition: Community and Economic Growth in County Durham 1349-1660* (Oxford University Press, 2022).



Wayne Bowen, University of Central Florida, has a forthcoming book, *Spain and the Protestant Reformation: The Spanish Inquisition and the War for Europe* (Routledge, forthcoming).

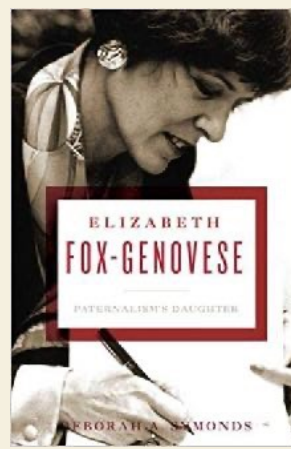
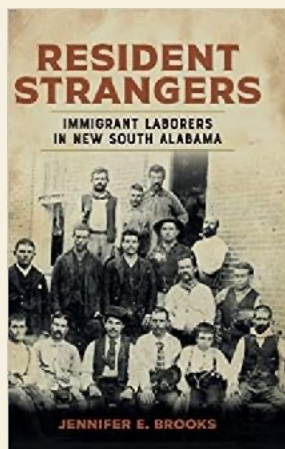


David Redles, Cuyahoga Community College, this April published, “The Apocalypse of Adolf Hitler: *Mein Kampf* and the Eschatological Origins of the Holocaust,” in John J. Michalczyk, Michael S. Bryant, and Susan A. Michalczyk, eds., *Hitler's 'Mein Kampf' and the Holocaust: A Prelude to Genocide* (Bloomsbury Academic Publishing, 2022). This title is part of the Bloomsbury's *Perspectives on the Holocaust*



Margaret Peacock, University of Alabama, published, with Erik L. Peterson, *A Deeper Sickness: Journal of America in the Pandemic Year* (Beacon Press, 2022).

Jennifer E. Brooks, Auburn University, published *Resident Strangers: Immigrant Laborers in New South Alabama* (LSU Press, 2022)



Deborah Symonds, Drake University, published *Elizabeth Fox-Genovese: Paternalism's Daughter* (University of Virginia Press, 2021).

Highlights of the Executive Committee Meeting European History Section November 3, 2021 (Zoom)

The annual executive meeting of the EHS was called to order at 5:00 pm and presided over by Rebecca Boehling, chair of the EHS. During the course of the meeting the following items were addressed.

EHS Officers:

Presentation and approval of new officers by Joanne Sanchez, St. Edward’s University, Chair of the Nominating Committee:

- EHS Executive Committee Chair
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Texas A&M University
Commerce
- EHS Executive Committee Vice Chair
Stephen Stillwell,
University of Arizona,
(Retired)
- EHS Representative to the SHA
Kary Trybus
Limestone University

Awards:

The following awards were presented by the European History Section.

The **Baker-Burton Award** for best first book in European history by a member of the Section or a graduate student or a faculty member of a Southern college or university was presented by committee chair John Frymire, University of Missouri, to Krista A. Goff of the University of Miami, for *Nested Nationalism: Making and Unmaking Nations in the Soviet Caucasus* (Cornell University Press, 2021).

The **Snell Award** for best graduate seminar paper was presented by committee chair Bryan Banks, Columbus State University, to **Olivia Cocking** of Emory University for “Pronatalism’s Peripheries: Housing Poor Women in Early Third Republic Paris, 1880-1912”

The Parker-Schmidt-Simpson Award for Best Paper presented at an EHS panel was presented by committee chair Emily Greble, Vanderbilt University, to **Alessa Culp**, University of Tennessee for her paper “The Corpse House in Nineteenth-Century Bavaria: A Barrier against ‘Superstition’.”



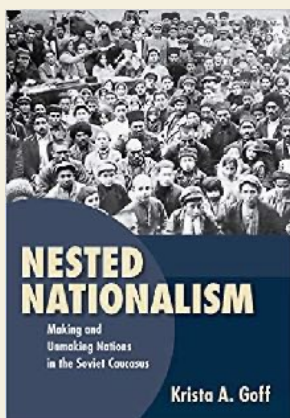
Olivia Cocking
Emory University



Alyssa Culp
University of Tennessee



Günter Bischof
University of New Orleans



The Mathews-Weinberg Luncheon Talk (Zoom):

This year’s Mathews-Weinberg Address was presented by Günter Bischof (above), University of New Orleans, on the topic of “The Cold War in Austria from Occupation to the 1980s.” The talk was followed by a lively question and answer session.

The business meeting was officially adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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