

LAURA LISY-WAGNER

EDUCATION

Harvard University 1998 – 2005	Ph.D., History, November 2005 M.A., History, March 2001 Prof. Steven Ozment, advisor	Cambridge, MA
Johns Hopkins University 1994 – 1998	M.A., History, May 1998 Prof. Nancy Struever, advisor	Baltimore, MD
Johns Hopkins University 1994 – 1998	B.A., History, May 1998 Prof. Orest Ranum, advisor Departmental and General Honors	Baltimore, MD

MANUSCRIPT IN PROGRESS

Between the Eagle and the Crescent: The Czech Lands between Christianity and Islam, 1450 – 1650
This study places the Czechs at the center of the story and envisions them as active agents, looking both east and west to find their place in the early modern world. It systematically works through the descriptive and ethnographic texts (rather than news accounts of events) produced by Czech speakers about the Turk or about Islam to show how they were using this discourse to construct a specifically Czech identity.

PUBLICATIONS

Review of Mancall, Peter, ed., *Travel Narratives from the Age of Discovery: An Anthology*, *Journal of Early Modern History* 11: 6 (2007), 533 – 534.

Review of Safley, Thomas Max, ed., *Ad historiam humanam: Aufsätze für Hans-Christoph Rublack*, *Journal of Early Modern History* 11: 6 (2007), 529 – 530.

Review of Fisher, Alexander, *Music and Religious Identity in Counter-Reformation Augsburg*, *Journal of Early Modern History* 9: 3-4 (2005), 409 – 411.

Review of Parish, Helen, and Naphy, William, eds., *Religion and Superstition in Reformation Europe*, *Journal of Early Modern History*, 8: 3-4 (2004), 425 – 427.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

San Francisco State University	Assistant Professor, History Department, 2006 -
Harvard University	Lecturer, Committee on History and Literature, 2005 – 2006
Plymouth State University	Adjunct Faculty, Social Science Department, Fall 2005
Harvard University	Teaching Fellow, Committee on History and Literature, History Department, Core Program, and Extension School, 2000 – 2005

PROFESSIONAL PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Jan Hasištejnský z Lobkovic: A Fifteenth-Century Czech Traveler to the Mediterranean”, Encounters in the Mediterranean, UC World History and MRG Conference, University of California at Riverside, May 14 – 15, 2010

“Religious Confessions, Czech Identity, and the Battle of White Mountain”, National Convention for the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia, November 20 – 23, 2008

“Czech Emissaries to Istanbul”, Under Eastern Eyes: Travel Writing from Eastern Europe and the Balkans, University of Sofia, Bulgaria, March 19 – 21, 2005

“Potters, Pacifists, and Pashas: Czech Anabaptist Perspectives on the Ottoman Empire, 1526 – 1685”, Early Modern History Workshop, Harvard University, November 16, 2005

“Connection and Difference: Turkish, Italian, and Czech Anabaptist Faience of the 16th and 17th Centuries”, Johns Hopkins Center for Italian Studies, Villa Spelman, Florence, Italy, March 29, 2004

“Poturčený: Identity and Fear of Conversion in Early Modern Bohemia”, Early Modern History Workshop, Harvard University, May 13, 2003

“Shifting Boundaries: The Turks in Texts from Early Modern Czech Travelers”, East Looks West: East European Travel Writing on European Identities and Divisions, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College, London, February 1 – 2, 2003

“Central Europe at the Center: Bohemia Between East and West, 1350 – 1650”, Fulbright Mid-Year Conference, Třešť, Czech Republic, January 28 – 31, 2002

“Wir glauben all in einem Gott: Music, Spirituality, and Community in Early Modernity”, European Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, April 1998

HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Foreign Language and Area Studies Grant, 2004 – 2005, 2002 – 2003

Fulbright Grant, J. William Fulbright Commission, 2001 – 2002

Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Language Award, Summer 2001, Summer 2000

Graduate Society Fellowship, Summer Pre-dissertation Grant, Harvard University, Summer 2000

The Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies, 1998 – 1999

Phi Beta Kappa, 1998