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Curriculum Vitæ

Current Position

Professor of Russian History, Baldwin Wallace University (formerly Baldwin-Wallace College), Berea, Ohio

Courses currently taught

HIS 101I: World Civilizations I
HIS 245I: Survey of Russian History
HIS 291I: History of East Asia I
HIS 292I: History of East Asia II
HIS 344I: Early Russia
HIS 345I: Imperial Russia
HIS 346I: Modern Russia

Publications

Monograph

Late Tsarist and Early Soviet Nationality and Cultural Policy: The Buryats and their Language (Lewiston, N.Y.: Edwin Mellen Press, 2005)

Journal Articles, Chapters in Edited Volumes, and Longer Review Essays

“Bato-Dalai Ochirov: A Buryat Activist at the Turn of the Twentieth Century” *Sibirica* Vol. 21, No. 2 (Summer 2022)

“Zhamtsarano among the Western Buryats: The ‘Field Notes’ as a Source for Buryat Social History in the Early Twentieth Century” *Russian Review* Vol. 78, no. 2 (April 2019)

“Daily Life of the Dzhida Buryats in the *Reminiscences* of Galina Tudinova” *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 37 (2015) (issue delayed until 2018)

“Vopros o buriatskoi pis’mennosti v pis’mе Mikhail Nikolaevicha Bogdanova” [The Question of Buryat Writing in a Letter of Mikhail Nikolaevich Bogdanov] *Vestnik Buriatskogo nauchnogo tsentra SO RAN* [Bulletin of the Buryat Scientific Center of the Siberian Division of the Russian Academy of Sciences] No. 4 (20) Nov. 2015

“Buryat Modernization and Gender in the Early Twentieth Century: Rudnev’s Obituary of Dulgar (Varvara) Vampilova, 1888-1914” *Mongol Survey* No. 30 (Aug. 2015)

“Recent Scholarship from the Buryat Mongols of Siberia” *ASIANetwork Exchange: A Journal for Asian Studies in the Liberal Arts* Vol. 20, No. 1 (Fall 2012)

“Buriat Political and Social Activism in the 1905 Revolution” *Sibirica* Vol. 10. No. 3 (Winter 2011)

“Ob odnom istochnike o dorevoliutsionnoi obshchestvenno-politicheskoi deiatel’nosti M. N. Bogdanova” [A Source for the Study of the Prerevolutionary Socio-Political Activity of M. N. Bogdanov] *Vestnik Buriatskogo gosudarstvennogo universiteta* [Bulletin of the Buryat State University] 2008, No. 7. (This is a modified version of the conference paper of the same title listed below.)

“Vopros vosstanovleniia stepnoi dumy vo vremia pervoi russkoi revoliutsii” [The Question of the Re-establishment of the Steppe Duma during the First Russian Revolution] in *Buriatskie natsional’nye demokrati i obshchestvenno-politicheskaiia mysl’ mongol’skikh narodov v XX v.: sbornik nauchnykh trudov* [The Buryat National Democrats and the Socio-political Thought of the Mongol Peoples in the Twentieth Century] ed. B.V. Bazarov, L.V. Kuras et al. Ulan-Ude: Izdatel’sko-poligraficheskii kompleks FGOU VPO VSGAKI, 2008. (This is a modified version of the conference paper of the same title listed below.)

“Iazykovaia politika v Buriatii v 20-e gody” [Language Policy in Buryatia in the 1920s] in *Istoricheskoe, kul’turnoe i prirodnoe nasledie: sostoianie, problemy, transliatsiia* [Historical, Cultural and Natural Heritage: Status, Problems, and Transmission] vyp. 2. ed. L.V. Kuras. Ulan-Ude: Buriatskii nauchnyi tsentr, Sibirskoe otdelenie Rossiiskoi Akademii nauk; Vostochno-Sibirskaiia gosudarstvennaia Akademiia kul’tury i iskusstv, 1997

“Buddhist Monastic Education in Prerevolutionary Buriatia” *East/West Education* (formerly *Slavic and European Education Review*) Vol. 17, No. 1-2 (1996)

(with Yeshen-Khorlo Dugarova-Montgomery) “The Buryat Alphabet of Agvan Dorzhiev” in *Mongolia in the Twentieth Century*, ed. Stephen Kotkin and Bruce Elleman. Armonk, N.Y.: M. E. Sharpe, 1999

Book Reviews

Nikolay Tsreypilov, *Under the Shadow of White Tara: Buriat Buddhists in Imperial Russia*, in *Journal of Asian Studies* Vol. 81, No. 2 (August 2022)

Mongoliia v dokumentakh iz arkhivov FSB Rossii (1922-1936) [Mongolia in Documents from the Archives of the Federal Security Service of Russia (1922-1936)], ed. K. V. Orlova et al., in *Mongol Survey* No. 43 (Spring-Summer 2022)

Ivan Sablin, *Governing Post-Imperial Siberia and Mongolia, 1911-1924: Buddhism, Socialism and Nationalism in State and Autonomy Building*, in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 39 (2017-2018) (issue delayed until April 2021)

Vera Tsedashieva Lyksokova, *Alarskii datsan: stranitsy istorii (k 200-letiiu datsana)* [The Alar Datsan {Buddhist Monastery}: Pages of History. To the 200-Year Anniversary of the Datsan], in *Mongol Survey* No. 40, Fall 2019 (issue delayed until Summer 2020)

Edyta Bojanowska, *A World of Empires: The Russian Voyage of the Frigate Pallada*, in *H-War Reviews* September 19, 2019

Budit Tsydipmunkuevna Zhalsanova and Leonid Vladimirovich Kuras, *Istoriia Alarskoi Stepnoi dumy v dokumentakh Gosudarstvennogo arkhiva Respubliki Buriatii (1824-1889 gg.)* [The History of the Alar Steppe Duma in the Documents of the State Archive of the Republic of Buryatia (1824-1889)], in *Mongol Survey* No. 36, Winter 2017 (issue delayed until Spring 2018)

Lev Mikhailovich Dameshek, Budit Tsydipmunkuevna Zhalsanova, Leonid Vladimirovich Kuras, *Istoriia organov samoupravleniia buriat v XIX - nachale XX v.* [History of the Buryats' Organs of Self-Government in the Nineteenth and Beginning of the Twentieth Centuries], in *Russian Review* Vol. 77, No. 1 (Jan. 2018)

Paul Dukes, *A History of the Urals: Russia's Crucible from Early Empire to the Post Soviet Era*, in *Russian Review* Vol. 75, No. 1 (Jan. 2016)

Tunguso-man'chzhurskie etnosy v novom stoletii [The Tungus-Manchu Peoples in the New Century], ed. Elizaveta Fedorovna Afanas'eva and Liubov' Dashinimaevna Radnaeva, in *Northern Notes: Newsletter of the International Arctic Social Sciences Association* Issue 44 (Autumn/Winter 2015)

Craig Campbell, *Agitating Images: Photography against History in Indigenous Siberia* (University of Minnesota Press, 2014), in *Russian Review* Vol. 74, No. 3 (July 2015)

Gennadii Dorzhievich Basaev et al., *Uchenye iz Alarskogo i Nukutskogo raionov Ust'-Ordynskogo Buriatskogo Avtonomnogo Okruga* [Scholars from the Alar and Nukuty Raions of Ust'-Orda Buryat Autonomous Okrug], in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 32 (2010) (issue delayed until Aug. 2012)

Svetlana Vladimirovna Vasil'eva, *Gosudarstvennaia konfessional'naia politika po otnosheniiu k staroobriadchestvu v Baikal'skom regione XVII-XXI vv.: istoriografiia i istochniki* [State Confessional Policy towards the Old Believers of the Baikal Region from the Seventeenth to the Twenty-first Century: Historiography and Sources], in *Sibirica* Vol. 11, No. 1 (Spring 2012)

James Palmer, *The Bloody White Baron: The Extraordinary Story of the Russian Nobleman who Became the Last Khan of Mongolia*, in *The Historian* Vol. 73, No. 3 (Fall 2011)

Shirab Bodievich Chimitdorzhiev, *Russkie, mongol'skie i buriatskie letopisi o srednevekovykh mongolakh* [Russian, Mongol, and Buryat Chronicles on the Mediaeval Mongols], in *Mongol Survey* No. 25 (Fall 2011)

Buriatskii mir: kontseptsii i strategii razvitiia iazyka i kul'tury [The Buryat World: Conceptions and Strategies of the Growth of Language and Culture] ed. Mariia Sonomovna Vasil'eva, Valentina Dugarovna Pataeva, and D. Tsedenzhav, in *Northern Notes: Newsletter of the International Arctic Social Sciences Association* No. 32 (Spring/Summer 2010)

Svetlana Vladimirovna Vasil'eva, *Vlast' i staroobriadtsy Zabaikal'ia* [Power and the Old Believers of Transbaikalia], in *Sibirica* Vol. 9, No. 1 (Spring 2010)

Leonid Vladimirovich Kuras, Igor' Vladimirovich Naumov, Tamara Aleksandrovna Nemchinova, and Pavel Aleksandrovich Novikov, *Oktiabr'skaia revoliutsiia i Grazhdanskaia voina v zapadnom Zabaikal'e: otechestvennaia istoriografiia i istochniki lichnogo proiskhozhdeniia* [The October Revolution and Civil War in Western Transbaikalia: National Historiography and Sources of Personal Origin], in *Russian Review* Vol. 69, No. 2 (April 2010)

Igor' Valentinovich Rassadin, *Khoziaistvo, byt i kul'tura tofalarov* [The Economy, Way of Life, and Culture of the Tofalar], in *Sibirica* Vol. 8, No. 3 (Winter 2009)

Konstantin N. Maksimov, *Kalmykia in Russia's Past and Present National Policies and Administrative System*, in *Russian Review* Vol. 68, No. 3 (July 2009)

Boris Vandanovich Bazarov, *Zhdanovskii diskurs v natsional'nykh regionakh Rossii poslevoennykh let* [The Zhdanov Discourse in the National Regions of Russia in the Postwar Years], in *Central Asian Survey* Vol. 27 (2008), Nos. 3-4

Balzan Zhimbiev, *History of the Urbanisation of a Siberian City: Ulan Ude*, in *Central Eurasian Studies Review* Vol. 2 (2003), No. 3

Donald Ostrowski, *Muscovy and the Mongols: Cross-Cultural Influences on the Steppe Frontier, 1304-1589*, in *Canadian-American Slavic Studies* Vol. 37 (2003)

Victor L. Mote, *Siberia: Worlds Apart*, in *Canadian-American Slavic Studies* Vol. 34 (2000)

Dennis A. and Alice L. Bartels, *When the North was Red: Aboriginal Education in Soviet Siberia*, in *East/West Education* (formerly *Slavic and European Education Review*) Vol. 18 (1998), No. 1

Istoriia Buriatii v voprosakh i otvetakh [The History of Buryatia in Questions and Answers], ed. T. M. Mikhailov et al., in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 20 (1997)

Jasper Becker, *The Lost Country: Mongolia Revealed*, in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 20 (1997)

John Snelling, *Buddhism in Russia: The Story of Agvan Dorzhiev, Lhasa's Ambassador to the Tsar*, in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 18 (1995)

James Forsyth, *A History of the Peoples of Siberia*, in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 17 (1994)

Fred W. Bergholz, *The Partition of the Steppes*, in *Mongolian Studies* Vol. 17 (1994)

Contributions to Reference Works

"Railways in Russia," in *World History Encyclopedia, Era 7: The Age of Revolutions, 1750-1914* ed. Alfred J. Andrea and Carolyn Neel. New York: ABC-CLIO, 2011

(With E. B. Batarova) “Dandaron, Bidiia,” in *The Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet & Eurasian History*. Vol. 7 ed. Bruce F. Adams. Gulf Breeze, Fla.: Academic International Press, 2006

“Buriats” in *The Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet & Eurasian History*. Vol. 5 ed. Bruce F. Adams. Gulf Breeze, Fla.: Academic International Press, 2004

“Baradin, Bazar” in *The Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet & Eurasian History*. Vol. 3 ed. Edward J. Lazzerini. Gulf Breeze, Fla.: Academic International Press, 2004

“Buryats,” “Chukchi,” “Evenki,” “Evens,” “Koriaks,” “Nanai,” “Nivkhs,” and “Tuvans” in the *Worldmark Encyclopedia of Culture and Daily Life*. Vol. 4: Europe 1st ed., ed. Allison McNeill. Detroit: Gale Research, 1997

Conference Papers and Presentations

“Brides and Shamans: Western Buryat Wedding Practices in the Publications of Matvei Khangalov” presented at the 55th National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies), Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 2, 2023

“Mikhail Bogdanov among the Khakas of Southern Siberia” presented at the 54th National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies), Chicago, Ill., Nov. 10, 2022

“Bato-Dalai Ochirov: A Buryat Political and Social Activist of the Early Twentieth Century” presented at the 51st National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies), San Francisco, Calif, Nov. 25, 2019

“Zhamtsarano, Bogdanov, and Buryat Cultural Survival in the Early Twentieth Century” presented at the 50th National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies), Boston, Mass., Dec. 7, 2018

“Tsyben Zhamtsarano’s Field Notes as a Source for the Study of Western Buryat Social and Political History in the Early Twentieth Century” presented at the 48th National Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies), Washington, D.C., Nov. 18, 2016

“Issues in Buryat Cultural Survival in the Twentieth and Twenty-first Centuries” presented at the Spring Colloquia Series “Ethnicity and Development in Siberia,” Havighurst Center for Russian and Post-Soviet Studies, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, Feb. 27, 2012

“Buryats in the 1905 Revolution and its Aftermath” presented at the 41st National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, Nov.13, 2009

“Ob odnom istochnike o dorevoliutsionnoi obshchestvenno-politicheskoi deiatel’nosti M. N. Bogdanova” [A Source for the Study of the Prerevolutionary Socio-Political Activity of M. N. Bogdanov] presented at the “International Symposium Dedicated to the One Hundred Thirtieth Anniversary of the Birth of Mikhail Nikolaevich Bogdanov,” at Buryat State University, Ulan-Ude, May 16, 2008

“Vopros vosstanovleniia stepnoi dumy vo vremia pervoi russkoi revoliutsii” [The Question of the Re-establishment of the Steppe Duma during the First Russian Revolution] presented at the “International Conference on the Buryat National Democrats and the Socio-Political Thought of the Mongol Peoples in the Twentieth Century,” at the Institute of Mongolian Studies, Buddhology and Tibetology of the Siberian Division of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Ulan-Ude, May 13, 2008

“The Buriat National Committee and Buriat Language Issues between the February and October Revolutions” presented at the Sixth Annual Central Eurasian Studies Conference, Indiana University, March 27, 1999

“The 1926 Conference on the National Culture and the Question of the Buriat Alphabet” presented at the Fourth Annual Central Eurasian Studies Conference, Indiana University, Feb. 8, 1997

“Buriat Buddhist Education under the Tsarist Regime” presented at the 27th National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Washington, D.C., Oct. 26-29, 1995

“Buriat-Language Policy under Tsars and Soviets” presented at the Workshop on Greater Mongolia in the Twentieth Century, Princeton University, Feb. 2-4, 1995

Other Conference Participation

Invited discussant, 11:15 a.m. panel (untitled) at the “Buryat Studies: New Perspectives” Workshop, Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, New York University, New York City (remote), Oct. 9, 2023.

Invited discussant, “Cossacks, Criminals, and Urban Spaces in Eurasian History” at the 2022 North East Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, New York City (remote), April 30, 2022

Invited discussant, “Asians in Russia: Buddhism, Migration, and Citizenship” at the 53rd National Convention of the American Association for East European, Eurasian, and Slavic Studies (formerly American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies), New Orleans, Nov. 21, 2021

Invited discussant, “War and Consequences” at the Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society 2019 Regional Conference, Baldwin Wallace University, Berea, Ohio, March 17, 2019

Invited discussant, “The State and Siberia: Three Centuries of Defining People and Places” at the 40th National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 20, 2008

Select Professional Service

Peer reviewer, *The Russian Review*, Spring 2020, Summer 2017, Fall 2008
Reader for Advanced Placement World History examination, Summer 2010-2013, 2015-2017, 2019
Peer reviewer, *Sibirica*, Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2009, Fall 2005
Peer reviewer, *Nationalities Papers*, Spring 2018, Spring 2013, Spring 2006
Peer reviewer, *Mongolian Studies*, Summer 2018
Evaluation of World history survey text for Oxford University Press, Spring 2018
Peer reviewer, *Russian History*, Fall 2016
Peer reviewer, *AlterNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples*, Spring 2016
Peer reviewer, *Kritika*, Fall 2022, Spring 2014
Interviewed for Buryat-language radio program on questions of Buryat-language study, Aug. 2, 2011, Ulan-Ude
Interviewed for newspaper article: “Amerikyn erdemten Robert Montgomeri. Buriad khele üzekhede orioo, gebesh’e ügenüüdein’ zhasa uгаа баian” [The American Scholar Robert Montgomery. The Study of the Buryat Language is Complex, but its Treasury of Words is Quite Rich] *Buriad Ünen*, Aug. 4, 2011
Participant in Russian-English translation project on the history of Russian Alaska, Spring 2010
Peer reviewer, Edwin Mellen Press (area: Russian history), Summer 2007

Select Awards and Honors

Office of Academic Advising “Thanks to You for All You Do” Award, Nov. 2023, Nov. 2022, March 2022
Research Sabbatical, Fall 2021, Spring 2008
New York Public Library Short-Term Research Fellowship (Slavic and East European Collections), May 4, 2021
Baldwin Wallace University Summer Research Grant, 2021, 2019, 2015, 2011, 2008
Gigax Faculty Grant, Summer 2021, Summer 2011, Summer 2008, Summer 2003
Promotion in Rank, April 30, 2021
Named by an Honors/History/Education student as “her most influential faculty/staff person for the Honors Program Senior Celebration,” May 2020
Baldwin Wallace University Gigax Faculty Scholarship Award, Aug. 20, 2019
Summer Research Laboratory, Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 2019 (Title VIII support)
Promotion to Full Professor, May 3, 2014
Regional Languages Program of the American Councils for International Education: Buryat-language study in Ulan-Ude, Summer 2011
Post-Secondary Curriculum Development Program Grant, University of Michigan Center for Russian and East European Studies, Ann Arbor, Summer 2009
Tenure and promotion to Associate Professor, May 1, 2006
Gund Faculty-Student Research Grant, Summer 2002

International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX), Long-Term Research Exchange,
Ulan-Ude, 1991-1992

Education

Ph.D., Russian History, May 1995

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Minor Fields: East Asian History and Mongolian Studies

M.A., Russian History, May 1988

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

B.A., College Scholars Honors Program (History and Russian Language), March 1986

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Current Research

The Buryat intelligentsia in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries