

HEATH SPENCER

TEACHING PROFESSOR

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in History, University of Kentucky (1997)
M.A. in History, University of Kentucky (1991)
B.A. in History, University of Washington (1988)

EXPERIENCE

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| 2002-2024 | Seattle University Teaching Professor (2023-Present) Associate Teaching Professor (2022-2023) Senior Instructor (2010-2022) Core Lecturer (2005-2010) Adjunct Professor (2002-2005) |
| 1995-2002 | Kansas Wesleyan University Associate Professor with Tenure (2001-2002) Assistant Professor (1995-2001) |

COURSES TAUGHT (CURRENT AND RECENT)

UCOR 1400 German Churches and the Third Reich
UCOR 1400 The Great War as Global Conflict
UCOR 3600 Genocide in the Modern World
UCOR 3600 Global Migration and Human Dignity
HONR 2220 History of Revolutions
HONR 2240 Revolution and Rebellion in the Early Modern World

ARTICLES

"The Thuringian *Volkskirchenbund*, the Nazi Revolution, and *Völkisch* Conceptions of Christianity," *Church History* 87:4 (December 2018): 1091-1118.

"From Liberal Theology to *Völkisch* Christianity? Heinrich Weinel, the *Volkskirchenbund*, and the Church Struggle in Thuringia," *Holocaust and Genocide Studies* 30:2 (Fall 2016): 328-350.

"Kulturprotestantismus and 'Positive Christianity': A Case for Discontinuity," *Kirchliche Zeitgeschichte: Internationale Zeitschrift für Theologie und Geschichtswissenschaft* 22:2 (2009): 519-549.

SCHOLARSHIP OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

“Creating Space for Productive Seminar Discussions,” in *The University Honors Handbook*, ed. Sean H. McDowell (Seattle University, 2017), 45-51.

REVIEWS (RECENT)

Review of Johannes Ehmann, ed., *Die Kirchen der Union: Geschichte - Theologie – Perspektiven* (Book), in *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 72 (January 2021): 208-210.

Review of Jörg Spenkuch and Philipp Tillmann, “Elite Influence? Religion and the Electoral Success of the Nazis” (Article), in *Contemporary Church History Quarterly* 26:3 (September 2020).

Review of Ionuț Biliuță, “Fascism, Race, and Religion in Interwar Transylvania: The Case of Father Liviu Stan (1910–1973)” (Article), in *Contemporary Church History Quarterly* 26:3 (September 2020).

Review of Anita Rasi May, *Patriot Priests: French Catholic Clergy and National Identity in World War I* (Book), in *Contemporary Church History Quarterly* 25:3 (September 2019).

Review of Julio de la Cueva, “Violent Culture Wars: Religion and Revolution in Mexico, Russia and Spain in the Interwar Period” (Article), in *Contemporary Church History Quarterly* 25:3 (September 2019).

Review of Konstantin Hermann and Gerhard Lindemann, eds., *Zwischen Christuskreuz und Hakenkreuz. Biographien von Theologen der Evangelisch-lutherischen Landeskirche Sachsens im Nationalsozialismus* (Book), in *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 70:2 (April 2019): 438-440.

INVITED LECTURES (RECENT)

“State and National Elections in Weimar Germany: A Cautionary Tale,” Seattle University (October 2020)

“The Great Seminal Catastrophe of the Twentieth Century?” Women’s University Club, Seattle (April 2019)

“Legacies of the Great War in Asia and Africa,” Women’s University Club, Seattle (March 2019)

“From Ottoman Empire to Republic of Turkey,” Women’s University Club, Seattle (February 2019)

“The Ideal and Reality of Self-Determination in Eastern Europe,” Women’s University Club, Seattle (November 2018)

“The Treaty of Versailles and the Politics of Bitterness,” Women’s University Club, Seattle (October 2018)

“The Paris Peace Conference and the New International Order,” Women’s University Club, Seattle (October 2018)

ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (RECENT)

History Department Coordinator for Reimagining and Revising Our Curriculum, Seattle University (2023-Present)

College of Arts and Sciences Space Committee, Seattle University (2013-2015, 2016-2024, Interim Chair Fall Quarter 2020 and Winter Quarter 2021)

Academic Assembly, Seattle University (2013-2016, 2019, 2021-2022)

Editorial Board, *Contemporary Church History Quarterly* (2010-2021)

University Non-Tenure Track Committee, Seattle University (2018-2021)

College of Arts and Sciences Non-Tenure-Track Committee, Seattle University (Co-Chair 2018-2019)

VOLUNTEER SERVICE (RECENT)

Eloy Visitation and Accompaniment (2024-Present)

Tucson Samaritans (2024-Present)

Nogales Returnees Support, Salvavision (2024-Present)

Help Desk and Food Service, Casa Alitas, Tucson, Arizona (2022-Present)

Refugee Resettlement Host, World Relief of Western Washington (2023-2024)

Day Workers Center, Casa Latina, Seattle, Washington (2016-2024)