

## DAVID RAINBOW

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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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#### University of Houston, The Honors College

Instructional Assistant Professor 2016-present  
Visiting Assistant Professor 2015-2016

#### Columbia University in the City of New York, Harriman Institute for Russian, Eurasian and East European Studies

Postdoctoral Fellow 2014-2015

#### New York University, College of Arts and Science

Postdoctoral Fellow 2013-2014

#### New York University, Center for the Humanities

Academic Coordinator, Leadership Alliance Mellon Initiative 2015  
Research Fellow 2012-2013

#### Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, NYU

Writer in Residence 2013-2014

#### Remarque Institute for the Study of Europe, NYU

Research Fellow 2012

### EDUCATION

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#### New York University, New York, New York

Ph.D., modern European history 2013  
*Review of dissertation:* <http://dissertationreviews.org/archives/13166>

#### Drew University, Madison, New Jersey

M.A., history, *with distinction* 2007

#### Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, California

B.A., history (philosophy minor), *highest honors* 2002

### ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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#### New York University, New York, New York

Advanced Teaching and Learning Certificate (year-long seminar) 2011-2012

#### Tomsk State University, Tomsk, Russian Federation

Russian Certificate 2008

#### St. Petersburg State University, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation

Russian Certificate 2006-2007

#### Nizhnii Novgorod State University, Nizhnii Novgorod, Russian Federation

Semester Abroad 2001

### FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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Wong Award for Teaching and Student Engagement 2017

American Councils for International Education, CLS Alumni Development Award 2017-2018

United States Department of Education, Title VI Course Development Award	2017-2018
Stanford University, Hoover Institution Archives and Library, Research Fellowship	2015
Columbia University, Harriman Institute, Postdoctoral Fellowship	2014-2015
New York University, College Core Curriculum Postdoctoral Fellowship	2013-2014
Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Fellowship in History, NYU (declined)	2013-2014
Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, NYU, Writer-in-Residence	2013-2014
Center for the Humanities, NYU, Research Fellowship	2012-2013
Remarque Institute for the Study of Europe, NYU, Doctoral Fellowship	2012
Fulbright IIE, Dissertation Research Fellowship (Russia)	2010-2011
Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship, five years of full funding, NYU	2007-2013
IREX and Woodrow Wilson International Center/Kennan Institute, Research Award	2010
Howard C. Reese Prize, best graduate student paper in diplomatic history, NYU	2010
United States Department of State, Critical Language Enhancement Award (Russian)	2010
History Departmental Pre-Dissertation Summer Research Fellowship, NYU	2009
United States Department of State, Critical Language Scholarship (Russian)	2008
Finn M. W. and Barbara Caspersen Scholarship, multi-year award, Drew University	2005-2007
Academic Merit Scholarship, Drew University	2004-2005
Alpha Chi National College Honor Society	2002

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **The Honors College, University of Houston**

- Ideology: A History (seminar, fall 2018)
- European Intellectual History (seminar)
- Russian History through Literature (seminar)
- Russian Revolution (seminar)
- History of Energy in Russia and Eurasia (seminar)
- Russian Empire (seminar)
- The Human Situation: Modernity and Antiquity (lecture/seminar)
- Russian Intellectual History (independent study)

### **The Women's Institute of Houston**

- Ruling Russia: From Peter to Putin (six-week lecture course, fall 2018)
- Dostoevsky and His World (eight-week lecture course)
- Exile in Modern History (six-week lecture course)
- Russian Revolution (six-week lecture course)

### **New York University**

Seminar in Research Methods  
Forced Exile in World History  
Regionalism in Russia and Eurasia

### **TEACHING DEVELOPMENT**

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Curriculum Development Award, Department of Education 2017  
Awarded \$2,500 through Title VI to develop course, “History of Energy in Eurasia.”

Conference participation, “Reacting to the Past: Game Development Conference” 2017  
Participant in four-day pedagogy conference for college instruction, Newman University.

Teaching and Learning Colloquia, NYU College Core Curriculum 2013-2014  
Co-organizer, six colloquia on pedagogy featuring guest speakers from various disciplines.

Curriculum Development, NYU Shanghai 2013  
Developed core curriculum course with Vice Chancellor of NYU Shanghai, Jeffrey Lehman.

Building on ‘Difference’ in the Classroom 2013  
Faculty development program, NYU Center for the Advancement of Teaching.

Teaching Digital Natives and the Global Classroom 2013  
Faculty development program, NYU Center for the Advancement of Teaching.

Certificate, Advanced Teaching and Learning Seminar 2011-2012  
Selected by Associate Dean of NYU Graduate School of Arts and Sciences to participate in yearlong seminar.

Curriculum Development, NYU History Department 2011  
Co-designed introductory course on historical methods for undergraduate history majors.

### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE**

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#### *Organizer*

“Enchanting World: Centennial of the 1917 Russian Revolution.” A series of 13 public events at the University of Houston and several cultural institutions in Houston, January-November 2017.

“Revolution and the Making of the Soviet Union,” student symposium, UH Honors College.

“Fight of the Red Knights: Russian Propaganda Art, 1917-1930,” student-curated art exhibit, M.D. Anderson Library, UH Special Collections, April 2017-present.

“Honors Night at the Opera.” Several outings per semester to Houston Grand Opera with UH freshmen, 2015-2017.

#### *Study Abroad Co-Leader, UH*

Israel and Greece (2018)

Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia (2017)

*Faculty Advisor, University of Houston*

Senior Honors undergraduate thesis advisor.

Mellon Undergraduate Research Fellowship advisor.

Houston Scholars Program undergraduate research, Madeline Styskal, “Muscovite Music.”

Houston Scholars Program seminar leader.

Critical Language Scholarship workshop.

*Committee Member, University of Houston*

Fulbright review committee member, University of Houston.

Tier One Scholars interview committee member, University of Houston.

Senior Honors Thesis advisor and committee member.

Arete Award committee member.

*Co-Organizer*

Six Colloquia on Teaching and Learning: College Core Curriculum, NYU, 2013-2014

Conference: “Seeing Eurasia Inside and Out: Representation, Authority, Inequity,”  
Organization for the Advancement of Studies of Inner Eurasian Societies, Columbia  
University, 2013

Conference Panels: “Rediscovering Siberia, I and II” Association for Slavic, East European  
and Eurasian Studies Conference, 2012

Dissertation Writing Group, Department of History, NYU, 2012-2013

Conference: “Power and Movement Across Eurasia,” Organization for the Advancement of  
Studies of Inner Eurasian Societies, Columbia University, 2010

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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Works in Progress:

*Ideologies of Race: Imperial Russia and the Soviet Union in Global Context.* Edited collection under review.

*Participatory Autocracy: Siberian Regionalism and the Cohesion of the Russian Imperial State, 1860-1940.* Book manuscript in progress.

“An Invisible Skeleton’: Statistics, Siberia and the Russian Whole in the Late Imperial Period.”  
Revise and resubmit, *Kritika*.

Article:

“Amerikanskoe proniknovenie? Proekt soedineniia rossiiskoi i amerikanskoi seti zheleznykh dorog v nachale XX v.” [American Penetration? A Project to Unite the Russian and American Railroad Networks at the beginning of the Twentieth Century], *Vestnik Omskogo universiteta*, no. 3 (2011), 122-130.

Reviews:

Jonathan D. Smele, *The “Russian” Civil Wars, 1916-1926: Ten Years that Shook the World* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015), in *World History Connected* (June 2017).

Roland Cvetkovski and Alexis Hofmeister, eds, *An Empire of Others: Creating Ethnographic Knowledge in Imperial Russia and the USSR* (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2014), in *The Russian Review*, vol. 74, no. 2 (April 2015).

Julia Fein, “Cultural Curators and Provincial Publics: Local Museums and Social Change in Siberia, 1887-1941,” PhD diss., University of Chicago, 2013, in *DissertationReviews.org* (March 2014).

David Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, *Russian Orientalism: Asia in the Russian Mind from Peter the Great to the Emigration* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2010), in *Nationalities Papers*, vol. 39, no. 5 (September 2011): 851-853.

Other writings:

“Russian Revolution,” seminar paper for Houston Assembly of Delphian Chapters, 2017.

“Unity and Diversity: The Soviet Union and *Animal Farm*,” historical notes for the production of *Animal Farm* at the University of Houston, Spring 2017.

“External and Internal Enemies: Protecting the Revolution,” historical notes for the production of *Animal Farm* at the University of Houston, Spring 2017.

“Baja California Here We Come! Separatism and the Russian Solution,” All the Russia’s Blog, NYU Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, entry posted September 18, 2014, <http://jordanrussiacenter.org/news/separatism-russian-solution-baja-california-come/#.VRmYBEKGRb6> (accessed March 30, 2015).

**INVITED TALKS**

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“The Utopian and the Mundane,” exhibit opening talk, *Russia, 1917: Photography from the Museum of Multimedia in Moscom*, Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, Texas. 2017

“Gorky’s Russia and the 1905 Revolution,” post-performance talk, *Enemies*, Main Street Theater, Houston. 2017

“Orwell, Animal Farm, and the Russian Revolution,” post-performance talk, *Animal Farm*, School of Theater and Dance, University of Houston. 2017

“Russian Orientalism,” commentary on “I Utter Other,” lecture by *Slavs and Tatars*, The Honors College, University of Houston. 2016

“Race in North Asia,” presentation delivered at symposium, “Contact Zones: Articulating and Practicing Difference,” Seton Hall University. 2015

“Siberian Mestizos: Race and Ethnicity Late Imperial Russia,” lecture delivered at the University Seminar on Slavic History and Culture, Columbia University. 2013

“Derailed Development: A Plan to Tunnel the Bering Strait, 1902-1907,” lecture delivered at Omsk State Regional Academic Library, Omsk, Russia. 2011

“American Invasion! A Plan to Tunnel the Bering Strait,” lecture delivered at Irkutsk Regional Academic Library, Irkutsk, Russia. 2010

“Regionalism that Strengthens the State? Understanding the Bases for Stability in Russian Federalism,” presentation at the Policy Symposium on Regional Security in Eastern Europe and Eurasia, IREX and Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars’ Kennan Institute, Washington, DC. 2010

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## PRESENTATIONS

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- “Class, Race and Siberia in the Late Imperial Period,” paper to be presented at the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Boston. 2018
- “From Enemies to Servants of the State: Siberian Political Activists,” paper to be presented at the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Chicago. 2017
- “The Great Transgression: Instrumentalizing Race in Russian and Soviet History,” discussant for panel at the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Chicago. 2017
- “Separation Anxiety in an Age of Reform: Siberia in the 1860s,” paper presented at the Russian History Kruzhok, Columbia University. 2015
- “Exploring the Spatial Turn in Imperial Russia,” discussant for panel at the Northeast Slavic, Eurasian and Eastern European Studies Conference, New York University. 2015
- “Life’ as Political Metaphor in Late Imperial Russia,” paper presented at the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, San Antonio, Texas. 2014
- “Politics and Metaphor: The Life of Siberia in Late Imperial Russia,” paper presented at the Central Eurasian Studies Society Conference, Columbia University. 2014
- “Siberian Mestizos: Race and Ethnicity in Late Imperial Russia,” paper presented at the Doctoral Workshop in European History, New York University. 2013
- “Siberian Mestizos: Race and Ethnicity in Late Imperial Russia,” paper delivered at the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, New Orleans. Panel co-organizer. 2012
- “Saving the Russian Body: Siberian States and the Russian Civil War,” paper delivered at the Slavic Colloquium, Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, New York University. 2012
- “Counting Sheep: Statistics in Asian Russia during the Late Imperial Period,” paper delivered at the Northeast Slavic, Eurasian and Eastern European Studies Conference, Seton Hall University. 2012
- “Counting Sheep: Statistics and Governance in Siberia in the Late Imperial Period,” paper presented at the Doctoral Workshop in European History, New York University. 2012
- “Saving the Empire: Siberian Patriotism and the Russian Civil War,” paper delivered at the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Washington, DC. 2011
- “Inside the State: Siberian Regionalism and the Russian Empire in the 1880s,” paper delivered at the Association for the Study of Nationalities, Columbia University. 2010
- “Siberian Patriotism and the Imperial State: Autocracy, Governance, and the Publishing Habits of Nikolai Iadrntsev in the 1880s,” paper delivered at the Mid-Atlantic Slavic Conference, Swarthmore College. 2010
- “Regional News and the Politics of Siberian Patriotism in the 1880s,” paper delivered at the Organization for the Advancement of Studies of Inner Eurasian Societies, Columbia University. 2009
- “What's So Dystopian About Reason? The Radical Yevgeny Zamyatin and Ivan Kireevskii’s Slavophile Philosophy,” paper delivered at the Programme in Social and Political Thought Annual Conference, York University, Canada. 2008

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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### *Organizer*

Workshop: “Russia’s Races: Meanings and Practices of Race in Imperial Russia and the Soviet Union.” Received major multi-source funding for interdisciplinary workshop with over twenty participants from around the U.S. and Europe. Hosted by the Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, NYU, February 2015. For more on the workshop: <http://jordanrussiacenter.org/event/russias-races-meanings-and-practices-of-race-in-imperial-russia-and-the-soviet-union/> (accessed May 14, 2018).

### *Exam Reader*

Advanced Placement: European History, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018

### *Article Reviewer*

*Sibirica: Interdisciplinary Journal for Siberian Studies*

*Russian Review*

### *Graduate Student Convener*

Modern History and Literature Program, Drew University. Elected by faculty and students. 2005-2006

### *Seminar Participant*

“Opyt mezhdunarodnogo sotrudnichestva vysshykh uchebnykh zavedenii g. Omska i perspektivy ego razvitiia” [The experience of international collaboration in Omsk’s institutions of higher education and the prospects for its development], Omsk, December 2010. A two-day seminar.

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