

EDUCATION

- 2022 **High 2:1 with Distinctions**
London School of Economics (with Columbia University), London, UK | **MSc in International History**
- **Thesis:** “*City of London v. Strangers: The London Steelyard and the Shifting Political Economy of Tudor England*”
 - **Courses:** East Asia in the Age of Imperialism (1842-1945), Asian Borderlands
- 2022 **GPA: 3.88**
Columbia University (with London School of Economics), New York, NY | **MA in International History**
- **Courses:** GIS & Spatial History, Modern China, Europe’s Commercial Revolution, Local History in Tibet, The Idea of Europe
- 2017 **GPA: 3.63 | 3.72 Major**
University of Chicago, Chicago, IL | **BA in History, with Honors**
- **Thesis:** “Solitary Refinement: Understanding Isolationism and the Anglo-Japanese Alliance”
 - **Courses:** Rupture and Continuity in Modern Japan, Early Modern Japan, Frontiers and Expansion in Modern China, Europe 1815-1914, Europe 1914-Present, America in the 20th Century
- 2013
Sidwell Friends High School, Washington, DC | **High School Diploma**
- **Capstone historical research paper:** “Barbed: A History of the Wire That Conquered the American West”
 - **Courses:** Spanish Language and Literature, American Studies, Environmental History, Philosophy of the European Enlightenment, Modern Middle East

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT AND EXPERIENCE

- 2024-pres. **Editor and Executive Assistant**, Center for Astrophysics | Harvard & Smithsonian, Cambridge, MA
- 2023-2024 **Senior News Assistant on Defense, Politics, Climate, Health, and Science**, *The Asahi Shimbun*, Washington, DC
- 2023-2023 **Senior News Assistant on Politics, Climate, Health, and Science**, *The Asahi Shimbun*, Washington, DC
- 2022-2023 **News Assistant on Politics, Climate, Health, and Science**, *The Asahi Shimbun*, Washington, DC
- 2021-2022 **News Researcher**, Kaiser Health News, Washington, DC, and London, U.K.
- 2018-2020 **Barista**, Swing’s Coffee, Alexandria, Virginia
- 2017-2018 **Editor and Publisher**, *Pétain’s Praise and Other Incongruities* (family memoirs)

2017 **Editorial Intern**, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC

2016-2017 **Copy Editor**, *The Chicago Maroon*, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2016-2017 **Editor**, *Red Bull Media House*, Chicago, IL

2016 **Editorial and Web Design Intern**, *Fashionweek Magazine*, New York, NY

PUBLICATIONS

2023 “[「産業革命以来、最大の変革」 国内外で気候テックが注目される理由](#)” [Eng. “‘The biggest change since the industrial revolution’: Why climate tech is attracting attention both domestically and internationally”], *The Asahi Shimbun*, Tokyo, Japan

2023 “[Smithsonian museum to show A-bombed cities in 2025](#),” *The Asahi Shimbun*, Tokyo, Japan

- Japanese-language version: “[原爆投下後の写真、スミソニアン博物館が展示計画 世論反発の過去も](#)”

2023 “[中国系研究者の「米国離れ」加速、スパイ対策の「意図しない結果」](#)” [Eng. “Chinese researchers are leaving the US in greater numbers, the ‘unintended consequences’ of anti-espionage measures”], *The Asahi Shimbun*, Tokyo, Japan

2023 “[City of London v. Strangers: The fall of the Hanse in England, and the rise of state-sponsored trade](#),” *Eras Journal* 24, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia

2023 “[Border Typologies and Their Anti-Imperial Usage in East and Southeast Asia](#),” *The Webster Review of International History*, London School of Economics, London, UK

2023 “[Interview: Don’t neglect Japan-U.S. friendship ‘garden’](#),” *The Asahi Shimbun*, Tokyo, Japan

2022 “[Against a rupture narrative: Japanese ‘western learning’ from Tokugawa to Meiji](#),” *Columbia Journal of Asia*, Columbia University, New York

2022 “[Isolationism in Vogue](#),” *EPOCH Magazine* Issue #9 at the University of Lancaster, Lancaster, UK

2022 “[The Changing Tides of Baltic Sea Trade: A Case Study of the Gotland Invasion](#),” *The Webster Review of International History*, London School of Economics, London, UK

2021 “[Europa Universalis IV: An Interactive Idea of Europe](#),” *The Webster Review of International History Blog*, London School of Economics, London, UK

2021 “[Baltic Frontiers](#),” *Columbia Journal of History*, Columbia University, New York

HONORS AND AWARDS

2022 **Published Poet** in *The Clare Market Review*, London, UK

2021	Alliance Fellowship , Department of History, Columbia University
2020	Tuition Reduction Fellowship , Department of History, Columbia University
2017	Honors in the College, The University of Chicago
2017	Honors , BA History Thesis, Department of History, The University of Chicago
2016	Published poet in <i>Sliced Bread Magazine</i> , Chicago, IL
2013-2017	Dean's List , The University of Chicago

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023	US History Teaching Assistant/Grader , OnRamps dual-enrollment education program, University of Texas at Austin Department of History
2020	Teaching Assistant , "Introductory Astronomy," Lexington Community Education

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

2023	Presentation: "City of London v. Strangers: The fall of the Hanse in England, and the rise of state-sponsored trade," New York State Association of European Historians annual conference, St. Francis College, New York, NY
2023	Presentation: "Europa Universalis IV: Historical grand strategy simulation games as historiography," Brian Bertoti Innovative Perspectives in History Graduate Research Conference, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
2022	Presentation: "Against a rupture narrative: Japanese 'western learning' from Tokugawa to Meiji," Columbia Journal of Asia launch, New York, NY
2022	Conference Organizing Assistant , New York State Association of European Historians annual conference, Niagara University, Niagara, NY
2022	Presentation: "Anglo-American Rhetoric on the Chinese 'Open Door' of 1899," Inaugural LSE International History Graduate Student Conference, London, UK
2021	Presentation: "The Fall of the Steelyard," International History Prospectus Conference, Columbia University, New York, NY

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021	Rare Books and Manuscripts Library Research Assistant for published book Shirley Hazzard: A Writing Life (with named acknowledgement), Dr. Brigitta Olubas, University of New South Wales
2021	Rare Books and Manuscripts Library Research Assistant , Dr. Amanda Ciafone, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
2013-2014	Exhibit Research and Collections Intern , American Enterprise , National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2024 **Volunteer Organizer**, 50th Annual DC History Conference, DC History Center and DC Public Libraries, Washington, DC
- 2023 **Volunteer Organizer**, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual meeting, Arlington, VA
- 2022 **Peer Reviewer and Editor**, *Past Tense Graduate Review of History*, University of Toronto
- 2022 **Blog Editor**, *The Webster Review of International History*, London School of Economics

MEMBERSHIPS

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR)
New York State Association of European Historians (NYSAEH)
Japan-America Society of Washington, DC (JASWDC)

RELATED SKILLS

Produces videos analyzing inaccuracies and history in early modern political and grand strategy simulation Europa Universalis IV for up to 150,000 international viewers

Publishes and edits select history and related papers, at erichlilienfeld.com

Software: ArcGIS, data entry and visualization, WordPress, web design, Adobe Creative Suite, Zotero, YouTube, Audacity, Sony Vegas Pro (video and audio production software)

LANGUAGES

Japanese Intermediate speaking, beginner reading/writing

German Intermediate reading/writing, beginner speaking

Spanish Intermediate reading/writing, beginner speaking