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## EDUCATION

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- D. Phil. Economic and Social History, Oxford University** 2015
- Dissertation: Hunger in War and Peace: the Nutritional Status of Women and Children in Germany, 1914-1924.
- M.Sc. Economic History, London School of Economics** 2008
- Dissertation: Why was Samoa, Germany's "Pearl of the Pacific," Sustained for Sixty Years and then Suddenly Abandoned?
- B.A. German, B.A. Comparative Literature, Brigham Young University** 2007
- Graduated with University Honors (less than 1% of graduates reach this qualification).

## PRIZES FOR WRITTEN WORK

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- The Alexander Prize, the Royal Historical Society** 2016
- Prize for outstanding article by an early career academic in any field of history
- Best Doctoral Dissertation** 2015
- Dev Family Prize, for best doctoral thesis in history of medicine at Oxford University
- Best Essay** 2015
- William Cadogan Prize, British Society for the History of Paediatrics and Child Health

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship** 2018-2021
- William Golding Junior Research Fellow in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Brasenose College, Oxford University** 2016-2020
- Visiting Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University** 2015-2020

## UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- Departmental Lecturer in Economic & Social History, Oxford University** 2014-2017
- Taught statistics to graduate and undergraduate history students
  - Taught an advanced graduate paper in anthropometric history
  - Taught an undergraduate course - 1919: Remaking the World
- Stipendiary Lecturer in History, Balliol College, Oxford University** 2013-2014
- Taught undergraduates Modern European and World History
- Teaching Coordinator, Oxford University** 2012-2014
- Liaison between tutors and colleges for Approaches to History: Economics
  - Course on Marx, Malthus, Smith, and economic growth in China & the West
- Teaching for 'A Comparative History of the First World War', Oxford University** 2012
- Designed and gave undergraduate tutorials on the economic and social history of the First World War, with a focus on Germany, Great Britain, Russia, and France

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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Oxford University John Fell OUP Research Fund	2016
The Fred and Ellen Lewis Joint Distribution Committee Archives Fellowship	2016
Europaeum return travel grant to Geneva	2016
Royal History Society funding for individual travel to a conference	2016
Sanderson Fund Grant	2015
Leverhulme Trust International Network Grant, co-applicant	2015
Exploratory Research and Data Grant, Economic History Association	2013
Royal Historical Society Research Support Award	2013
E.O. James Bequest, All Souls College, Oxford University	2013
Writing Up Bursary, St Antony's College, Oxford University	2013
Europaeum Oxford - Geneva Bursary	2013
Gladstone's Library Scholarship	2013
Arnold, Bryce and Read Designated Studentship, Oxford University	2012
Research Grant from the History Project and the Institute for New Economic Thinking	2012
German History Society Postgraduate Bursary Award	2012
Carr and Stahl Travel Grant, St Antony's College, Oxford University	2012
Economic History Society PhD Bursary	2011

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

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**German** (Fluent)

**Swedish** (Intermediate)

**Samoan** (Basic)

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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Swedish Language Diploma Level B1, Uppsala International Summer Session	2018
Summer School in Socioeconomic Inequality, University of Chicago	2012
Advanced Econometrics, LSE Summer School	2011
Summer Institute, Center for the History of Political Economy, Duke University	2010
German Diploma Level V, London School of Economics	2008
German Language Diploma, Goethe Institute, Stuttgart	2005

## PUBLICATIONS

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Cox, M. E. *Hunger in War and Peace: Women and Children in Germany, 1914-1924*. Oxford University Press, (2019).

Cox, M.E. 'L'indice Pelidisi (1920-1921). Une réévaluation contemporaine d'un indicateur nutritif oublié, in Laurent Dornel et S. Le Bras, *Les Fronts intérieurs européens : l'arrière en guerre (1914-1920)*, Rennes, Presses universitaires de Rennes, (2018).

Cox, M. E. 'The Application of Anthropometrics to Identify and Assess War Crimes' in *A Multi-Disciplinary Introduction to War Crimes, Trials, & Investigators*. Eds. J. Waterlow and J. Schuhmacher. Palgrave MacMillan, (2018).

Cox, M.E. 'Hunger Games: Or how the Allied Blockade in World War I Deprived German Children of Nutrition, and Allied Food Aid Subsequently Saved them,' *Economic History Review*, Vol. 68, No. 2, (2015), 600-31.

Cox, M. E. 'Indigenous informants or Samoan savants? German translations of Samoan texts in *Die Samoa-Inseln*'. *Pacific Studies*, Vol. 32 (2009), 23-47.

## WORKING PAPERS & BOOKS

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Cox, M.E. 'Food Security in Britain During the First World War' in *British Homefront 1914-1918*. H. Strachan, Ed. (Expected 2020).

Cox, M.E. and C. Morelon. Eds. *Hunger Draws the Map: Europe and the Ottoman Empire 1914-1923*. (Expected 2020).

Cox, M.E. 'Economic Reasons for Germany's Abandonment of its Samoan Colony in the wake of the First World War.'

Cox, M.E. 'Religion and International Aid: The Jewish Community in Vienna, 1919-1921.'

Cox, M.E. 'Non-Combatants and the Costs of War: Continuity and Change Between the Two World Wars.'

## INVITED SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS

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- "The Ethics of Food Relief in Europe After WW1" Eating the World: Food and International Thought in the Twentieth Century, City, University of London 2019
- "Investigating Gender: Sources and Approaches" 2019  
Oxford Centre for Gender, Identity & Subjectivity
- "Expectation and reality: Blockade & Swedish food security during the First World War" 2019  
Blockade Workshop, Trinity College, Dublin
- "Legality and blockade: Germany in World War I" 2018  
Modern German History Seminar, School of Advanced Study, University of London
- "Food Security in Britain During the First World War" 2018  
Conference on the British Home Front 1914-1918, University of St Andrews
- "Hunger and the Urban/Rural Divide in Europe and the Ottoman Empire, 1914-1923" 2018  
Hunger Draws the Map Workshop, University of Oxford
- "Hunger in War and Peace: The Nutritional Status of Women and Children in Germany 1914-1924" 2018  
Medical Humanities Seminar, University of Huddersfield
- "Non-Combatants and the Costs of War: Continuity and Change Between the Two World Wars" 2018  
Costs of War OxPo Conference, All Souls College, University of Oxford.
- "Neutrality & Nutrition: Sweden and the First World War" 2018  
European Social Science History Conference, Queens University, Belfast
- "Hunger in War and Peace: The Nutritional Status of Women and Children in Germany 1914-1924" 2018  
Their War and Ours, Christ Church College, University of Oxford
- "Hunger in War & Peace, Germany 1914-1924" 2017  
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris
- "Hunger Draws the Map: Blockade and Food Shortages in Europe, 1914-1922" 2017  
Hoover Institution, Stanford University
- "German Black Markets in World War I" 2017  
Economic History Seminar, Lund University
- "Jewish Aid and Hungry Children in Vienna, 1920-1921," American Joint Distribution Committee, Public Lecture, Jerusalem 2016
- "The Economic History of Poverty: Viennese Children & the Fall of the Austrian-Hungarian Empire, European Social Science History Conference, Valencia 2016
- "Hungry Children, 1914-1924: Germany, Vienna, and Beyond," 2016  
Hoover Institution, Stanford University

## INVITED SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)

"A Global Node, a Global Order: Austria and the invention of 'Positive Security' (coauthored with Patricia Clavin), After Empire: The League of Nations and the Former Habsburg Lands, Austrian Institute of Historical Research, Laureate Research Program in International History	2015
"Using modern WHO and FAO health standards to understand the health of women and children from the past: Leipzig, 1917-1921," Seminars in the History of Science, Medicine, and Technology, Wellcome Unit for The History Of Medicine, University of Oxford	2015
"The Forgotten Pelidisi Index: a Modern Reassessment" (received the William Cadogan Prize), The British Society for the History of Paediatrics and Child Health Annual Meeting, Brasenose College, Oxford	2015
"The Economic History of Aid after Wartime: Inequality in Vienna and the First World War," World Economic History Conference, Kyoto, Japan	2015
"Mapping Distribution and Inequality in Vienna After the First World War," International Conference of Historical Geographers, Royal Geography Society	2015
"The Allied Blockade and German Food Supplies in the First World War," Military History Seminar, All Souls College, Oxford University	2015
"The Use of Anthropometrics In Understanding and Assessing War Crimes," War Crimes Network	2014
"American Quakers Saved Millions of German Children After World War I," The Outsiders: New Perspectives on Europe, The Europaem	2014
"Calories in The Great War: Averages Hide More Than They Reveal," European Social Science History Conference, International Institute of Social History and the University of Vienna	2014
Measuring Bodies to Assess the Efficiency of International Aid in Post World War I Germany," What is the History of the Body? The Institute of Historical Research	2014
"Hunger Games in World War I Germany," Modern European Social and Cultural History Research Seminar, Oxford University	2014
"Humanitarian Aid for German children, 1919-1924," New Work on the History of Childhood, Oxford University Centre for the History of Childhood	2013
"Black Markets in World War I Germany," LSE Cliometrics Seminar, London School of Econometrics	2013
"War, Blockades, and Hunger: Nutritional Deprivation of German Children 1914–1924," The Economic History of Poverty, Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2012
"Assessing Efficacy of Government Food Rationing Programs," Institutions and the History of Health and Medicine, University College Dublin	2012
"Legitimacy and the Kriegsernährungsamt," German History Society Annual Conference, University of Edinburgh	2012
"Nutritional Deprivation of German Children During The First World War," Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, University of Chicago	2012
"An Anthropometric Analysis of Nutritional Deprivation of Children in WWI Germany," Economic History Society Annual Conference, St Catherine's College, Oxford University	2012
"Malnutrition in World War I Germany," Household Decision-making in History, All Souls College, Oxford University	2012
"Malnutrition in World War I Germany," Economic History Society Training Course, Manchester, UK	2011
"An Anthropometric Analysis of Nutritional Deprivation of Children in World War I Germany," Graduate Workshop in Economic and Social History, Nuffield College, Oxford University	2011
"Living Standards and Household Economies in Wartime Germany," Consumption and standards of living since the 18th Century, Huddersfield University	2011

## **INVITED SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)**

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“Impacts of Nutritional Deprivation on German Children in the First World War” (poster), Economic History Association Annual Meeting, Boston, USA	2011
“Frauen und Kinder zuerst? Eine Anthropometrische Analyse der Kinderernährung im Ersten Weltkrieg in Deutschland,” Economic History Workshop Universität Tübingen	2011

## **Community Service**

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Peer review articles for <i>The Economic History Review</i>	2015-present
Peer review articles for <i>First World War Studies</i>	2016-present
Advised master and undergraduate theses at the University of Oxford	2014-2018
Served on the Exam Board, University of Oxford	2017
Helped review graduate applications in Economic and Social History	2015-2016
UNIQ Summer School at the University of Oxford	2015
Served on the Standing Committee for the Joint School of History & Economics	2014-2017