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EDUCATION

Ph. D. 2004, History, University of California-Santa Barbara
M.A. 1996, Asian Studies, University of Oregon, with Honors
B.A. 1994, History, San José State University, Summa Cum Laude

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professor, University of Vermont, Department of History, since 2019
Associate Professor, University of Vermont, Department of History, 2010-2019
- Visiting Associate Professor, Hitotsubashi University, spring-summer 2012
Assistant Professor, University of Vermont, Department of History, 2005 - 2010
Lecturer, University of Vermont, Department of History, 2004-2005
Teaching Associate, University of California- Santa Barbara, Department of History, summer 2004
Lecturer, Santa Barbara City College, Department of History, Summer 2003
Assistant English Teacher, JET Program: Kawagoe City, Saitama Prefecture, Japan, 1996-98

PUBLICATIONS

Books

That Distant Country Next Door: Popular Japanese Expansion in Northeast Asia
Press, 2019. Paperback edition published in 2021.

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Journal Articles

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XSDWLRQ The Journal of Cold War Studies 17:3 (Summer 2015): 159-183.

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37KH μ\$QSR† THE PEOPLE'S WAR 'DQQA : Shaping Popular Chinese Perceptions of
Japan during the Cold War" The Asia-Pacific Journal, Vol 10, Issue 51, No. 1 (December 2012).

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Antiwar MRYHPHQW LQ 0R Radical History Review 101 (2008): 145-59.

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& ROODE RntDjñ Rã National Security 21:3 (2006): 342-63.

"Rethinking the Colonial Conquest of Manchuria: The Japanese Consular Police in Jiandao, 1909-1937"
Modern Asian Studies 39:1 (2005): 39-78.

Book Chapters and Translations

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Panel discussant for Technologies of Japanese Empire: Aesthetics, Planning and Ideology at the Asian Studies Conference Japan, Rikkyo University, Tokyo, June 2012.

Kaji Wataru and East Asian Democracy at the Intersection of Chinese Victory and Japanese Defeat, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS), Honolulu, April 2011. Also served as RUJDQLJHU DQG FKDLU Rhtwogating Deqlby and Natvra Rcenty, in Colonial, :DUWLPH DQG 3RVWZDU (DVW \$VLD

Samurai Imaginaries: Japanese Warriors in Popular Memory, Public lecture delivered in conjunction with μ6KDGRZ RI WKH 6DPXUDL H[KLELW 5Brity Vermont, October 2010. 0XVHX P 8QL

The United States and Kaji Wataru in Wartime China and Occupied Japan. Invited Lecture for the Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, December 2009.

Kaji Wataru and the Meanings of Japanese Support for Wartime Chinese Resistance, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS), Chicago, March 2009. Also served as organizer of the panel VHV VLRQ 37KH ,PSDFW RI &KLQD ([SHULH QHQ- B SDVQ KH H RGH QWU XW WLR Q

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Wartime Pacifism and Political Crime: The Case of Hasegawa Teruko, 1912-1947, New England Association for Asian Studies Conference, University of New Hampshire, October 2007. Also served as WKH RUJDQLJHU FKDLU RI WR B LSVLQ FVORV H&WJLPHQ 370LHF B DQG 3RZHU LQ

Foreign Ministry Thought Police and Ideological Security during the Manchurian Crisis, Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS), Boston, March 2007. Also served as organizer of the panel VHV VLRQ 37KH 0DQFKXUJLHZQ, &WJHVSU B WDWLRQ V

Japanese Consular Police and Transnational Thought Crime on the Edge of Empire, Invited p4<0048g 5W* n J ET Q q

Japanese Political Intelligence and Korean Resistance in Shanghai, 1919-

Fulbright Graduate Research Fellowship, Waseda University (Tokyo), 2001-2002

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship, 2001-2002 (Declined)

FLAS (Foreign Language and Area Studies) Graduate Student Fellowships, UCSB Department of East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies, 1998-1999, 1999-2000

UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES:

Search Committee Chair (Global Environmental History), Department of History, Fall 2023

History Department Graduate Studies Committee, 2022-23

Elected Member, Faculty Standards Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Spring 2021, Fall 2021-Spring 2022.

Faculty Advisor, History Review undergraduate journal, 2020-2022

History Department, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Fall 2017 ±Spring 2020

Elected Member, UVM College of Arts and Sciences Academic Studies Committee, 2018-2021

History Department Faculty Senator, Fall 2013 ±Spring 2016

Director, Asian Studies Program, UVM College of Arts and Sciences, Fall 2009-Spring 2016, Spring 2022- Spring 2024

Chair, Department of Asian Languages and Literatures Chairperson Review Committee, Fall 2011

Member of University Scholarship Committee, Fall 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 (Fulbright evaluations)

Chair, College of Arts and Sciences Honors Committee 2007-2009; College Honors Committee Member and Individually Designed Major/Minor (IDM) Advisor, 2006-2007

Search Committee Member, Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in Japanese Language and Literature, Department of Asian Languages and Literatures, 2007-08

UVM History Department, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Co-Undergraduate Advisor, Transfer Affairs Coordinator, 2006-present

