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FORTHCOMING POSITION

Research Fellow at the Fondazione Luigi Einaudi Torino

[01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024]

Supervisor: Matthew Evangelista

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

PhD Global History of Empires

Università degli Studi di Torino [01/11/2019 – 11/2023]

City: Torino

Country: Italy

Thesis: The Obstacles to Capital: Henry Carey's Political Economy in 19th-century US History

Supervisor: Marco Mariano (Università degli Studi di Torino); Co-supervisor: Nicolas Barreyre (EHESS)

Dissertation submitted in July 2023.

Expected defense: December 14, 2023.

MA in International Relations

Alma Mater Studiorum - Università di Bologna [09/2016 – 03/2019]

Three-Year Diploma in Social Sciences

Istituto Universitario di Studi Superiori (IUSS) Pavia [2013 – 2017]

City: Pavia

Country: Italy

BA in Political Sciences and International Relations

Università degli Studi di Pavia [09/2013 – 04/2016]

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND PRIZES

European Association for American Studies (EAAS) Transatlantic Travel Grant

[2022]

Short-term Fellowship, Library Company of Philadelphia

[01/2021 – 02/2021]

Program in Early American Economy and Society (PEAES)

Caterina Gullì Prize 2020

[2020]

Awarded by the Italian Association for North-American Studies (AISNA) for an «original and innovative» Master Thesis in American Studies.

Three-month scholarship to conduct research abroad for the Master Thesis

[2018]

Awarded by the University of Bologna, School of Social and Political Sciences

VISITING POSITIONS

Doctorant Invité at the Centre d'Études Nord-Américaines (CENA) of the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) in Paris

[04/2022 – 07/2022]

Invited by Nicolas Barreyre

Visiting Scholar at the Department of History of Columbia University in New York

[10/2021 – 12/2021]

Sponsor: Anders Stephanson

Visiting Scholar at the Department of Political Science of Columbia University in New York

[08/2018 – 10/2018]

Sponsor: Ira Katznelson

PUBLICATIONS

L'economia politica statunitense e lo scontro sull'emancipazione alla vigilia della Guerra Civile

[2022]

«Scienza & Politica. Per una storia delle dottrine», vol. 34, n. 67, December 2022, 17-36.

The essay reconstructs the conflict over emancipation that unfolded in the United States in the decades before the Civil War, focusing on the discourse of Northern political economy and particularly on the writings of Henry Charles Carey (1793-1879). The essay's goal is to show that, between the 1830s and the 1850s, Northern economists, against radical abolitionism, elaborated a gradual and limited vision of emancipation, in the attempt to guarantee, even after the end of slavery, the command over black labor in the South and the persistence of American capitalism's racial and class hierarchies. Moreover, the essay highlights how this vision of emancipation, despite being influential on the Republican Party and the Lincoln administration, was defeated by the slaves' «general strike» during the Civil War.

State, Market and Colonization: Notes on Empire in Nineteenth-Century U.S. History

[2020]

«USAbroad – Journal of American History and Politics», vol. 3, Special Issue, November 2020, 45-57.

The essay offers a critical overview of recent historiographies on the nineteenth-century United States that allows on the one hand to grasp the imperial and colonial character of U.S. nineteenth-century territorial expansion, on the other hand, it accounts for nineteenth-century U.S. industrial growth and market building both as a quest for independence on the world market and as an expansive imperial process. In this respect, an understanding of colonization and industry as the two driving forces of nineteenth-century U.S. history can prove crucial for a comprehensive interpretation of Friedrich List's and Henry Charles Carey's national project for capitalist development.

Protecting America: Order, Nation and Exception in Henry Carey's Social Science

[2019]

«USAbroad – Journal of American History and Politics», vol. 2, March 2019, 1-16

The essay offers a new understanding of Henry Charles Carey's (1793-1879) social science. As one of the major intellectuals of the antebellum period that actively participated in the Republican Party, Carey's works marked a reinterpretation of US nationalism in which the State became the guarantee of the exceptional American social order against social conflict and economic crisis following the capitalistic transition. Protectionism was conceived as a political measure to defend the harmony of the nation's interests. His social science should be understood as an attempt to scientifically re-legitimize the order: as a social science of the American nation.

EDITORIAL ACTIVITY

USAbroad - Journal of American History and Politics

[09/2021 – Current]

Member of the Editorial Board

REFEREE ACTIVITY

Cambridge Journal of Economics

[2023]

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Labor and Working-Class History Association

[2023 – Current]

American Historical Association

[2022 – Current]

Italian Association for North-American Studies (AISNA)

[2020 – Current]

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Abolitionism, Political Economy and the Vulnerability of Gradual Emancipation

[Narni, Italy, 21/09/2023 – 23/09/2023]

Paper presented within the panel «The Vulnerabilities of Capital: Conflicts over Class, Race and Sex in the History of American Capitalism», coordinated together with Clemente Parisi at the 27th AISNA Biennial Conference « Vulnerabilities: Weaknesses, Threats, Resilience in the U.S.A. and in Global Perspective», held at the Department of Philosophy, Social Sciences and Education, University of Perugia.

The «Interfering Social Power»: Daniel Raymond, Friedrich List and the Political Economy of the American Developmental State

[Paris, France, 25/05/2023 – 26/05/2023]

Paper presented at the International Conference «The American Developmental State: The Origins of American Capitalism in Comparative Perspective», organized by Noam Maggor, Sofia Valeonti, Nicolas Barreyre and Ariel Ron at the Institut d'Études Avancées de Paris and at the American University of Paris.

Abolitionism, Political Economy and the Conflict over Emancipation before the Civil War

[Torino, Italy, 24/03/2023 – 25/03/2023]

Paper presented at the International Conference «Infrastructures of Racism and the Contours of Black Vitality and Resistance» at the University of Torino.

Class Conflict in the Classless Society: Labor Movement, Political Economy and Republicanism in Philadelphia (1827-1837)

[London, UK, 01/07/2022]

Paper presented within the panel on «Class Conflict in the Age of Revolutions» at the 13th London Graduate Conference in the History of Political Thought – «Classes and Masses in the History of Political Thought», held at University College London.

Protection, the Home Market and the State

[Online, 21/03/2022]

Chapter presented within the panel on «Capitalism» at the Spring Academy on American History, Culture & Politics 2022 of the Heidelberg Center for American Studies (HCA).

Henry Carey, the Philadelphia Working Class and the Origins of Free Labor (1835-1840)

[Online, 01/12/2021]

Paper presented at the Oxford Early American Republic Seminar.

Henry Carey, Class Struggle, and the Origins of Free labor (1835-1840)

[L'Aquila, Italy, 24/09/2021]

Paper presented within the panel «Recognizing Fractures before and after the Civil War: Gender, Race and Class in the Making of the Global America», coordinated by Matteo Battistini and Serena Mocci at the 26th AISNA Biennial Conference «Crossing Territories. Recognition across Time, Space, and Textuality in the US and Beyond», held at the Department of Humanities, University of L'Aquila.

Henry Carey, Political Economy and the Labor Movement in Philadelphia, 1835-1840

[Online, 26/01/2021]

Paper presented at the Fellow's Colloquium of the Program in Early American Economy & Society at the Library Company of Philadelphia.

The Politics of Economy: Henry Carey, U.S. Capitalism and the World Market

[Online, 03/12/2020]

Dissertation prospectus presented and discussed at the International PhD Seminar Fall 2020 of the Roosevelt Institute for American Studies (Middleburg, NL).

The Domestication Of Politics. Beecher, Carey and the Separate Spheres in the Nineteenth-Century United States

[Napoli, Italy, 24/01/2020]

Paper presented within the panel on «Home, Domesticity, Housing. Three Moments in the Anglo-American Discourse on the Domestic Space», organized together with Anna Nasser and Leonardo Ravaioli at the First Workshop of Italian PhD Students in Historical Disciplines, held at the University of Naples "L'Orientale".

Freedom through Annexation: Henry Carey and the American Postcolonial Empire

[Manchester, UK, 08/11/2019]

Paper presented at the First Conference of the History of International Thought Network – «States, Empires and Global Spaces. Visions of Order Beyond Liberal Internationalism», held at the University of Manchester.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Workshop: United States History and Government

[02/2024 – 04/2024]

University of Torino, Department of Languages, Foreign Literatures and Modern Cultures, a.a. 2023-2024.

Empire for Free Labor: Carey, Lincoln, Seward and the Republican Party

[03/12/2019]

Lesson held within Professor Marco Mariano's course «History of the Atlantic World» at University of Torino.

The Italian Constitutional Transition between 1943 and 1948

[03/03/2016]

Lesson held within Professor Silvia Illari's course «Institutions of Public Law» at the University of Pavia.

Teaching Tutor in «Institutions of Public Law» at the University of Pavia, Department of Social and Political Sciences.

[2015 – 2017]

Supervisor: Professor Silvia Illari

SEMINARS ORGANIZED

The Government of Society: State, Power and Economy in the 19th Century

[09/10/2020]

Organized together with Matias X. Gonzalez at the Dipartimento di Culture, Politica, Società, Università degli Studi di Torino.

BOOK REVIEWS

Arnaldo Testi, I fastidi della storia. Quale America raccontano i monumenti (Bologna, Il Mulino, 2023)

«Ricerche di Storia Politica», forthcoming.

Eric Helleiner, The Neomercantilists. A Global Intellectual History (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2021)

«Ricerche di Storia Politica», anno XXV, n. 2, Agosto 2022, pp. 191-193.

Matteo Battistini, Storia di un feticcio. La classe media americana dalle origini alla globalizzazione (Milano: Mimesis, 2020)

«Filosofia politica», n. 2, Agosto 2022, pp. 377-379.

Jonathan Israel, The Expanding Blaze. How the American Revolution Ignited the World, 1775-1848 (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2017)

«Ricerche di Storia Politica», anno XXIV, n. 2, Agosto 2021, pp. 242-243.

ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Historical Society of Pennsylvania

2018, 2021, 2023.

Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts, University of Pennsylvania

2018, 2023.

Manuscripts and Archives Division, New York Public Library

2021

Rare Books and Manuscripts Library, Butler Library, Columbia University

2021

Patricia D. Klingenstein Library, New York Historical Society

2021

Friends Historical Library, Swarthmore College

2023

SUMMER SCHOOLS, WORKSHOPS AND GRADUATE SEMINARS ATTENDED

Spring Academy on American History, Culture & Politics 2022, Heidelberg Center for American Studies (HCA)

[21/03/2022 – 25/03/2022]

Selected Participant

Bonnie and Richard Reiss Graduate Institute for Constitutional History Seminar, New York Historical Society.

[10/2021 – 12/2021]

«Constitutions in Conflict: Proslavery versus Antislavery», held by James Oakes and Sean Wilentz. Selected Participant

Summer School CISPEA (Inter-University Center for Euro-American History and Politics) 2019

[30/06/2019 – 03/07/2019]

«Nation/Nationalisms in American History», Seminario dell'Abbazia Matildica di Marola, Carpineti (RE, Italy). Selected participant

Summer School CISPEA (Inter-University Center for Euro-American History and Politics) 2018

[24/06/2018 – 27/06/2018]

1968-2018: from the Crisis of the New Deal Order to Trump's America», Gattatico (RE, Italy). Selected participant.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **Italian**

Other language(s):

English

French

LISTENING C2 READING C2 WRITING C1

LISTENING B2 READING B2 WRITING B1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C1 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1 SPOKEN PRODUCTION B1 SPOKEN INTERACTION B1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office / Microsoft Word / Microsoft Powerpoint / Microsoft Excel / Outlook