

Curriculum Vitae
Dr Max Skjönsberg, FRHistS

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor of Humanities (Tenure-Track), Hamilton Center, University of Florida	2023 –
Leverhulme Trust Early-Career Fellow, University of Cambridge	2022 – 2023
Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Liverpool	2019 – 2022
Associate Lecturer in Intellectual History (post-1700), University of St Andrews	2018 – 2019
Associate Lecturer in the History of Political Thought and Political Theory, University of York	2017 – 2018

EDUCATION

PhD in History, London School of Economics and Political Science	2014 – 2018
Thesis: <i>Intersecting Discord: Party, History and Religion in Hanoverian Britain, c. 1714–65</i>	
Supervisor: Dr Tim Hochstrasser	
Examiners: Professor Richard Whatmore (St Andrews), Professor Brian Young (Oxford).	
MA in the History of Political Thought and Intellectual History, University College London (UCL) and Queen Mary University of London	2012 – 2013
Distinction, Skinner Prize for First Place	
BA in Contemporary History and Journalism, Queen Mary University of London and City University of London	2009 – 2012
First Class Honours	

SELECTED HONOURS & AWARDS

2022	Shortlisted for the Constance Blackwell Prize, International Society for Intellectual History, for <i>The Persistence of Party</i> (CUP, 2021). Shortlisted for the Istvan Hont Book Prize, for <i>The Persistence of Party</i> .
2021	Elected a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society
2021	Runner-up, David Berry Prize for articles on Scottish History, Royal Historical Society, for 'David Hume and the Jacobites'.
2020	Parliamentary History Essay Prize, the Parliamentary History Yearbook Trust, for 'Edmund Burke, the French Revolution and the Battle for the Soul of the Whig Party'. Recipient of the Hayek Fund for Scholars (IHS).
2019	Nominee, 'Outstanding Teacher' at the University of St Andrews. Elected a Fellow of the Jack Miller Center.
2018	David Hume Fellow at the Institute of Advanced Studies in the Humanities (IASH), University of Edinburgh; Nominee, Excellence Award in the 'Teacher of the Year' category at the University of York.
2017	The Hume Society Young Scholar Award; Martin Abel Gonzalez Prize for Highly Commended Class Teacher, LSE Class Teacher Awards.
2016	Recipient of the PhD Scholarship from the Institute for Humane Studies at George Mason University, Virginia.
2014	LSE four-year fully-funded PhD Studentship.
2013	Skinner Prize for First Place, University of London MA in the History of Political Thought.

BOOKS

1. *The Persistence of Party: Ideas of Harmonious Discord in Eighteenth-Century Britain* (Cambridge University Press, 2021; paperback edition 2022). [Series: Ideas in Context.] 373 pp.
Reviewed in *Journal of British Studies*, *History of European Ideas*, *Intellectual History Review*, *European Journal of Political Theory*, *Parliamentary History*, *Parliaments, Estates and Representation*, *Journal of Scottish Philosophy*, *British Journal of Eighteenth Century Studies*, *Eighteenth-Century Studies*, the LSE *Review of Books*, *Law & Liberty*, *the University Bookman*, *Hume Studies*, *Choice Magazine*, *The Scribnerian and the Kit-Cats*, *イギリス哲学研究* = *Studies in British Philosophy: The Journal of the Japanese Society for British Philosophy* (as of 9 May 2023).
2. *The Minute Books of the Bristol Library Society, 1772–1801*, co-edited with Mark Towsey (Bristol Record Society, 2022). Reviewed in the *Transactions of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society*.
3. Catharine Macaulay, *Political Writings* (Cambridge University Press, 2023.) [Series: Cambridge Texts in the History of Political Thought series.] Reviewed in the *Times Literary Supplement* and *London Review of Books*.
4. *Adam Ferguson's Later Writings: New Letters and an Essay on the French Revolution*, co-edited with Ian Stewart (Edinburgh University Press, 2023). [Series: Edinburgh Studies in Scottish Philosophy].
5. *Hume's Essays: A Critical Guide*, co-edited with Felix Waldmann (Cambridge University Press). Submitted.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. 'Richard Champion and the Rockingham Whigs: The Aristocratic Politics of a Bristolian Quaker-Merchant in the Age of the American Revolution', *English Historical Review*, 138 (2023), pp. 157–184.
2. 'Patriots and the Country Party Tradition in the Eighteenth Century: The Critics of Britain's Fiscal-Military State from Robert Harley to Catharine Macaulay', *Intellectual History Review*, 33 (2023), pp. 83–100.
3. 'A Theory of the Enlightenment in Late Eighteenth-Century Sweden: Nils von Rosenstein and Scotland's Science of Man and Politics', *Scandinavian Journal of History* (Online first 2023).
4. 'The Hume-Burke Connection Examined', *History of European Ideas*, 49 (2023), pp. 243–66.
5. 'Charles Francis Sheridan on the Feudal Origins and Political Science of the 1772 Revolution in Sweden', *Journal of the History of Ideas*, 83 (2022), pp. 407–30.
6. 'Michael Oakeshott on Libertarianism, Conservatism, and the Freedom of the English', *Cosmos + Taxis: Studies in Emergent Order and Organization*, 10 (2022), pp. 7–14.
7. 'David Hume and the Jacobites', *Scottish Historical Review*, 100 (2021), pp. 25–56. *Runner-up for the David Berry Prize for articles on Scottish History, awarded by the Royal Historical Society*.
8. 'Edmund Burke, the French Revolution and the Battle for the Soul of the Whig Party', *Parliamentary History*, 40 (2021), pp. 543–62. *Winner of the 2020 Parliamentary History Essay Prize*.
9. "'This Revolution in the Town'": Richard Champion and the Early Years of the Bristol Library Society', *Library & Information History*, 37, (2021), pp. 149–167.
10. 'Ancient Constitutionalism, Fundamental Law, and Eighteenth-Century Toryism in the Septennial Act (1716) Debates', *History of Political Thought*, 40 (2019), pp. 270–301.
11. 'Adam Ferguson on Partisanship, Party Conflict, and Popular Participation', *Modern Intellectual History*, 16 (2019), pp. 1–28.

12. ‘Adam Ferguson on the Perils of Popular Factions and Demagogues in a Roman Mirror’, *History of European Ideas*, 45 (2019), pp. 842–865.
13. ‘On the Character of a “Great Patriot”: A Newly Ascribed Bolingbroke Essay’, *Journal of British Studies*, 57 (2018), pp. 445–466. (Co-authored with Joseph Hone.)
14. ‘Lord Bolingbroke’s Theory of Party and Opposition’, *Historical Journal*, 59 (2016), pp. 947–973.

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES & HANDBOOKS

1. ‘Party and Faction in Eighteenth-Century Political Thought from Montesquieu to Madison’, in *Political Thought and the Origins of the American Presidency*, edited by Ben Lowe (Florida: University Press of Florida, 2021).
2. ‘David Hume and “Of the Liberty of the Press” (1741) in its Original Contexts’, in *Freedom of Speech, 1550–1850*, ed. Alex Barber, Robert Ingram and Jason Peacey (Manchester University Press, 2020), pp. 171–91.
3. ‘The Communication of Fame’, in *A Cultural History of Fame in the Enlightenment: 1650–1770*, ed. Brian Cowan, volume 4 for *A Cultural History of Fame*, 6 vols., general editor, P. David Marshall (London: Bloomsbury Academic; forthcoming).
4. ‘Representative institutions and democracy’, in *The Cambridge History of Democracy: Volume 2*, ed. Sophie Smith and Markku Peltonen (Cambridge University Press; forthcoming).
5. ‘Henry Fielding and Political Thought’, in *The Oxford Handbook of Henry Fielding*, ed. Tom Keymer and Henry Power (Oxford University Press; forthcoming).

REVIEW ARTICLES & HISTORIOGRAPHICAL REVIEWS

1. ‘The History of Political Thought and Parliamentary History in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries’, *Historical Journal*, 64 (2021), pp. 501–13. Peer-reviewed.
2. ‘Liberty and Religion: Catharine Macaulay and the History of Republicanism and the Enlightenment’, *Intellectual History Review* (Online First 2021).
3. ‘State of the Field: The History of Political Thought’, *History: The Journal of the Historical Association*, 105 (2020), pp. 470–83. (Co-authored with Danielle Charette, University of Chicago.) Peer-reviewed.
4. ‘Hume and Smith Studies after Forbes and Trevor-Roper’, *European Journal of Political Theory*, 19 (2020), pp. 623–635.

BOOK REVIEWS

My book reviews have appeared in *Journal of Modern History*, *Intellectual History Review*, *Global Intellectual History*, *English Historical Review*, *Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, *Journal of British Studies*, *Scottish Historical Review*, *History*, *Journal of Eighteenth-Century Studies*, *Parliamentary History*, *Journal of Scottish Philosophy*, *Nations and Nationalism*, *Utilitas*, *Dublin Review of Books*, *AdamSmithWorks.org*, *Law & Liberty*, and *Book of the Old Edinburgh Club*.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS (2022 and 2023 only)

Invited to present at ‘The Future of Intellectual History: A Celebration of Quentin Skinner’s London Years’, Queen Mary University of London, 10 May 2023. Paper title: ‘The History of Political Thought and the Whig Interpretation of History.’

Invited to present at the ‘ISIH Women in Intellectual History (Early Modern)’ seminar, 19 January 2023. Paper title: ‘Editing Catharine Macaulay’s *Political Writings*.’

Invited to present at the ‘Experiencing Political Texts’ workshop, at the University of Newcastle, 7-8 September 2022. Paper title: ‘Reading Politics in Eighteenth-Century Subscription Libraries.’

‘Intellectual History at the LSE: Michael Oakeshott’s History of Political Thought’, at *From Cambridge to Bielefeld— and back? British and Continental Approaches to Intellectual History*, conference held at the Centre for British Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin 2-4 June 2022.

Invited to a discussion on my monograph at the Research Institute for Politics and Government at the University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary, 2 March 2022.

TEACHING

Recognition

- 2019 Nominee, ‘Outstanding Teacher’ at the University of St Andrews.
- 2018 Nominee, Excellence Award in the ‘Teacher of the Year’ category at the University of York.
- 2017 Martin Abel Gonzalez Prize for Highly Commended Class Teacher, LSE Class Teacher Awards.

Qualification

- 2015 – 2016 LSE Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education, UK Higher Education Academy (HEA) Associate Level.

Courses

2023 – Present, *University of Florida*

1. Quest: Capitalism and Its Critics.
2. Quest: Constitutionalism and the Making of Modern Freedom
3. Un(common) Read: *The Federalist Papers*.

Courses

2022 – 2023, *University of Cambridge*

4. History of Political Thought, c. 1700–c. 1890 (supervisions).
5. Evidence and Argument (seminars).
6. Historical Argument and Practice (lectures).

2020 – 2022, *University of Liverpool*

7. Enlightenment Ideas, Politics and Society in Eighteenth-Century Europe (second-year), convened.
8. Living the Global Eighteenth Century (second-year).
9. Revolution and Social Change: Politics, Cultures and Societies in the 18th–Century World (MA).

2018 – 2019, *University of St Andrews*

10. Political Thought from Machiavelli to Tocqueville (third-year), convened.
11. Revolutions and Empires, 1776–1848 (fourth-year special subject), convened.
12. MLitt in Intellectual History.
13. MLitt in Scottish Historical Studies.
14. MLitt in Early Modern History.
15. MLitt in Modern History.
16. Scotland, Britain and Empire, c. 1500–2000 (second-year).
17. History as a Discipline: Development & Key Concepts (second-year).

2017 – 2018, *University of York*

18. History of Political Thought (BA second year), convened.
19. We the People: Ideas of Democratic Representation from Rousseau to Occupy (BA, third-year), convened.
20. Approaches to Political Theory (MA-level), convened.
21. Introduction to Political Theory (BA first-year).

2015 – 2017, *London School of Economics and Political Science*

22. Faith, Power and Revolution: Europe and the Wider World, 1500–1800.

2015 – 2017, *Queen Mary University of London*

23. The Foundations of Modern Thought: Introduction to Intellectual History.

2016 – 2017, *King's College London (Department of Political Economy)*

24. History of Political Thought: Machiavelli to Bentham.
25. Contemporary Issues in Political Theory.

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Conferences, workshops and events organisation (selections)

- 2023 Co-organising a workshop in Library History and the History of Reading at the University of Liverpool, 13-14 April 2022. Funded by Eighteenth-Century Worlds.
- 2019 'David Hume as a Reader: The Authors who Provoked Hume', at the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, Edinburgh, 3 May 2019. £550 received from the Susan Manning Fund.
- 2018 Convened an international early-career workshop in the History of Political Thought at the University of York, 14-15 June 2018 (with Tim Stuart-Buttle, York).
- 2014 – 2017 Member of the convening committee for the Institute of Historical Research (IHR) Early-Career Seminar in the History of Political Ideas.
- 2014 – 2016 Member of the committee for the London Graduate Conference in the History of Political Thought.

Board Membership

- 2023 – Present Member of the International Advisory Board of *History of European Ideas*
- 2019 – 2022 Member of the Early-Career Board of *History*, the journal of the Historical Association.

Public Engagement (selections):

1. 'Burke Among and Beyond the Whigs', *Law & Liberty* (2023).
2. 'Hegel for Us Moderns', *Law & Liberty* (2023).
3. 'Adam Smith's Reader's in Bristol, 1773–1795', *AdamSmithWorks.org* (2023).
4. 'The Philosophy of Pride', *Law & Liberty* (2023).
5. 'The Philosopher as Essayist', *Law & Liberty* (2022).
6. 'The Two Adams of the Scottish Enlightenment and Political Economy. Part 1', *AdamSmithWorks.org* (2022).
7. 'The Two Adams of the Scottish Enlightenment and Political Economy. Part 2', *AdamSmithWorks.org* (2022).
8. 'Parliamentary Culture and Library History in Britain', <https://intellectualhistory.web.ox.ac.uk> (2022). (Co-authored with Mark Towsey.)

9. 'From Factions to Parties: The Eighteenth-Century Debate', *Journal of the History of Ideas Blog* (2021).
10. Interview with Ryan Tripp for New Books in History podcast, part of the New Books Network (2021).
11. 'Party Like It's 1714–97': Interview for the Podopticon Podcast (2021).
12. 'Adam Smith on Political Parties', *AdamSmithWorks.org* (2021).
13. 'Party in Eighteenth-Century Politics', *The History of Parliament Trust* (2021).
14. Contributions sections to the History of Parliament Publication *300 Years of Leadership and Innovation* (2 vols., St James's House, 2021).
15. 'Adam Smith's Readers in Eighteenth-Century Libraries', *AdamSmithWorks.org* (2020).
16. 'After Edward Colston: The Bristol Library Society and the Slave Trade'. Blog Post for the University of Liverpool (2020).
17. 'Edmund Burke and the Rockingham Whigs', *The History of Parliament Trust* (2020).
18. 'Problems and Promises of Party in History and Politics', *Starting Points: A Journal of American Principles & American Practices* (2019).
19. 'Bolingbroke's Reflections upon Exile', *The History of Parliament Trust* (2019).

Peer-Review

Reviewed book manuscripts and book proposals for:
Princeton University Press, Oxford University Press, Manchester University Press, Routledge, and Boydell and Brewer.

Reviewed articles for:

Historical Journal, *Journal of the History of Ideas*, *Journal of British Studies*, *History of Political Thought*, *European Journal of Political Theory*, *History of European Ideas*, *Global Intellectual History*, *Parliamentary History*, *Helsinki Centre for Intellectual History Yearbook*, *Scottish Historical Review*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *History*, *Northern Studies*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, *Law & Liberty*, *AdamSmithWorks.org*, and *EconLib.org*.

LANGUAGES

English (fluent); Swedish (native); French (higher intermediate, C1); German (intermediate, B2); Latin (basic); Spanish (basic); Danish and Norwegian (communicative).