

CURRICULUM VITAE

NAME: Alan Mills Ball

RANK: Professor

DEGREES: B.A. 1974 Oberlin College, Oberlin Ohio
M.A. 1976 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Ph.D. 1982 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE: Spring 1983 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Instructor
1983-1990 Marquette University, Assistant Professor
1990-2006 Marquette University, Associate Professor and (from 2005) Director of Graduate Studies in the History Department
2006- Marquette University, Professor and (to 2008) Director of Graduate Studies

PUBLICATIONS:

Books

- 1987 Author, *Russia's Last Capitalists: The Nepmen, 1921-1929*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- 1990 Author, revised paperback edition of *Russia's Last Capitalists: The Nepmen, 1921-1929*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- 1994 Author, *And Now My Soul Is Hardened: Abandoned Children in Soviet Russia, 1918-1930*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- 1996 Author, paperback edition of *And Now My Soul Is Hardened: Abandoned Children in Soviet Russia, 1918-1930*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- 2003 Author, *Imagining America: Influence and Images in Twentieth-Century Russia*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
- 2015 Compiler, Translator, Editor, *Liberty's Tears: Soviet Portraits of the "American Way of Life" During the Cold War*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Articles and Chapters

- “Lenin and the Question of Private Trade in Soviet Russia.” *Slavic Review* 43 (Fall 1984): 399-412.
- “NEP’s Second Wind: ‘The New Trade Practice’.” *Soviet Studies* 37 (July 1985): 371-385.
- “Survival in the Street World of Soviet Russia’s *Besprizornye*.” *Jahrbücher für Geschichte Osteuropas* 39 (no. 1, 1991): 33-52.
- “Private Trade and Traders during NEP.” In *Russia in the Era of NEP. Explorations in Soviet Society and Culture*. Edited by Sheila Fitzpatrick, Alexander Rabinowitch, and Richard Stites. Bloomington, Indiana: Indiana University Press, 1991, pp. 89-105.
- “The Roots of *Besprizornost*’ in Soviet Russia’s First Decade.” *Slavic Review* 51 (summer 1992): 247-270.
- A Japanese translation of this article was published in the *Bulletin of the Faculty of Education* (Nagasaki University), no. 46 (1994): 29-52.
- “State Children: Soviet Russia’s *Besprizornye* and the New Socialist Generation.” *Russian Review* 52 (April 1993): 228-247.
- Joint author with Professor Toshimi Murachi of Nagasaki University. “Photographs of *Besprizornye* in the 1920s in Soviet Russia.” *Bulletin of the Faculty of Education* (Nagasaki University), no. 51 (June 1996): 73-85. A Japanese-language version of the article appeared at the same time.
- “The Roots of Golden America in Early Soviet Russia.” In *The Human Tradition in Modern Russia*. Edited by William H. Husband. Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, 2000, pp. 51-64.
- “Building a New State and Society: NEP, 1921-1928.” In *The Cambridge History of Russia*. Volume III: *The Twentieth Century*. Edited by Ronald Grigor Suny. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2006, pp. 168-191.

Encyclopedia Articles

- “Church Peasants,” *The Modern Encyclopedia of Russian and Soviet History*, vol. 7, pp. 105-107.
- “Nepmen,” *The Modern Encyclopedia of Russian and Soviet History*, vol. 24, pp. 151-155.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

A long-term statistical analysis of the Wisconsin Supreme Court. This has given rise to my blog (www.scowstats.com), launched in 2012, to which I'm currently adding roughly two dozen posts per year. The blog is read, and cited by, judges/justices, attorneys, journalists, and researchers. It has become my principal area of research and writing.

SCHOLARLY MEETINGS:

- 1981 Presented paper "Perspectives on the Nepmen" at the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, Lexington, Kentucky.
- 1981 Panel member: "Conditions of Research in the Soviet Union Today in History and the Social Sciences: A Round-Table Discussion" at the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, Lexington, Kentucky.
- 1983 Presented paper "Lenin and the Problem of Utilizing Private Trade During NEP" at the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1985 Presented paper "NEP's Second Wind: 'The New Trade Practice'" at the Midwest Slavic Conference, South Bend, Indiana.
- 1986 Presented paper "Private Trade and Traders During NEP" at the NEP Society Conference, Bloomington, Indiana.
- 1987 Presented paper "Liquidating the New Bourgeoisie" at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies National Convention in Boston. My paper was read for me by William Husband, as I was in the Soviet Union at the time.
- 1989 Participated in a Research Consortium sponsored by Columbia University's Harriman Institute—a two-day series of discussions with approximately a dozen other historians on the current state of research in the field of Soviet history.
- 1990 Presented an address—comparing the current legalization of private trade in Russia with similar policies adopted there in the 1920s—to the students and faculty of the history department of Monmouth College, Monmouth, New Jersey.
- 1992 Presented an address—on the nature and findings of my current research—to the members of the Russian and East European Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin. Madison, Wisconsin.
- 1996 Presented a lecture—on the Soviet Union's New Economic Policy—at the invitation of the Russian and East European Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin. Madison, Wisconsin.
- 1997 Presented a lecture—on the Communist Party debates in the 1920s and the emergence of Stalin as Party leader—at the invitation of the Russian and East European Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin. Madison, Wisconsin.

- 1997 Participated in the Midwest Russian Historians' Workshop, October 10-11, at the University of Chicago.
- 1998 Participated in the Midwest Russian Historians' Workshop, October 30-31, at Ohio State University.
- 2000 Participated in the Midwest Russian Historians' Workshop, October 20-21, at the University of Chicago.
- 2003 Served as commentator for three papers given at the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, held in Savannah, Georgia, March 27-29.
- 2004 Served as chair of a panel ("Soviet State Intervention in Private Life during the 1920s and 1930s") at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies National Convention, held in Boston, December 2004.
- 2008 Participated in the Midwest Russian Historians' Workshop, March 1, at the University of Chicago.

REVIEWING AND REFEREEING:

- 1991 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Slavic Review* on private enterprise in the Soviet Union.
- 1992 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Slavic Review* on the American Red Cross in the Soviet Union.
- 1993 Served as a member of the selection committee in Washington DC for the *Special Projects in Library and Information Science Competition* administered by the International Research and Exchanges Board.
- 1993 Reviewed *Stalinism in Ukraine in the 1940s*, by David Marples, for *Slavic Review*.
- 1994 Served as a referee in the *Collaborative Projects* research competition administered by the National Endowment for the Humanities.
- 1994 Served as a member of the selection committee in Washington DC for the *Special Projects in Library and Information Science Competition* administered by the International Research and Exchanges Board.
- 1994 Served as an external referee in a history-department promotion-and-tenure case at Franklin & Marshall College.
- 1995 Reviewed *Soviet Nationality Policy, Urban Growth, and Identity Change in the Ukrainian SSR 1923-1934*, by George Liber, for *Nationalities Papers*.
- 1995 Reviewed a draft of *A History of Russia*, by Walter Moss, for McGraw-Hill.
- 1996 Refereed a book manuscript on childhood in the Soviet Union for Cornell University Press.

- 1996 Served as an external referee in a history-department promotion-and-tenure case at Vassar College.
- 1996 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to the *Carl Beck Papers* on Soviet disenfranchisement.
- 1996 Reviewed *Women, the State and Revolution. Soviet Family Policy and Social Life, 1917-1936*, by Wendy Goldman, for *Canadian-American Slavic Studies*.
- 1997 Reviewed *Stalin's Reluctant Soldiers. A History of the Red Army, 1925-1941*, by Roger Reese, for the *American Historical Review*.
- 1997 Reviewed *Children of the Russian State: 1917-95*, by Judith Harwin, for *Slavic Review*.
- 1997 Reviewed *Merchants and Markets in Revolutionary Russia, 1917-30*, by Arup Banerji, for *H-Business*.
- 1998 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Slavic Review* on a Soviet con artist.
- 1998 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *The Historian* on the construction of the Moscow Metro.
- 1999 Served as an external referee in a history-department promotion-and-tenure case at Oregon State University.
- 2000 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Slavic Review* on public-health activists in the early Soviet period.
- 2001 Judged applications from Belarus for the US State Department's *Contemporary Issues Fellowship Program*, administered by the International Research and Exchanges Board.
- 2001 Served as an evaluator of proposals in a grant competition administered for the National Endowment for the Humanities by the American Councils for International Education and the National Council for East European and Eurasian Research.
- 2002 Served as an evaluator of proposals from American scholars seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2002 Served as an external referee in a history-department promotion-and-tenure case at the University of Oregon.
- 2003 Served as an evaluator of proposals from American scholars seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).

- 2003 Served as an evaluator of proposals from American scholars seeking funds to support language training and research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2004 Reviewed *A Social History of Soviet Trade*, by Julie Hessler, for the *Journal of Modern History*.
- 2005 Served as an evaluator of proposals from American scholars seeking funds to support language training and research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2006 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Canadian Slavonic Papers* on homeless children in the Soviet Union during the 1930s.
- 2006 Served as an evaluator of proposals from American scholars seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2006 Refereed a book manuscript submitted to Indiana University Press on homeless children in the USSR.
- 2007 Served as an evaluator of a proposal from an American scholar seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2007 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Russian Review* on the distribution of Soviet films in the United States.
- 2009 Refereed an article manuscript submitted to *Europe-Asia Studies* on juvenile delinquency and Soviet policing in the 1930s.
- 2009 Served as an evaluator of a proposal from an American scholar seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2010 Served as an external referee in a history-department promotion-and-tenure case at Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne.
- 2011 Served as an evaluator of a proposal from an American scholar seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).

- 2012 Served as an evaluator of a proposal from an American scholar seeking State Department funds to conduct research in portions of the former Soviet Union. The grant competition was administered by the American Councils for International Education (ACTR and ACCELS).
- 2014 Refereed an article manuscript, titled “Tarzan and the Soviet Union,” submitted to *Russian Review*.
- 2014 Reviewed for Bloomsbury Publishing a book proposal titled “Without a Family: Children on the Margins in the Wartime Soviet Union.”
- 2014 Reviewed for Bloomsbury Publishing a book proposal titled “A History of Russian Childhood.”
- 2015 Refereed an article manuscript, titled “Class War, Child Homelessness (Besprizornost’), and State Security,” submitted to *Russian Review*.

RECENT COURSES TAUGHT:

Undergraduate

History of Western Civilization (2 semesters)
 Russian and Soviet History (2 semesters)
 The Cold War
 America through Russian and Soviet Eyes
 Honors Seminar on the Cold War

Graduate

Europe in the Twentieth-Century
 Readings Course: Stalinism Through Memoirs and Literature
 Readings Course: The Cold War Through Soviet Eyes
 Research Seminar on Twentieth-Century Russian/Soviet History
 Research Seminar on the Cold War

ADDITIONAL WORK WITH GRADUATE STUDENTS:

Along with work on the exam committees of numerous MA and PhD candidates, I have directed the Masters Essays of 11 students and been on the dissertation committees of 7 PhD students. I have served as the dissertation director for one student and am currently doing so for another.

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE UNIVERSITY:

History Department Director of Graduate Studies
 History Department Graduate Studies Committee
 History Department Undergraduate Committee
 History Department Executive Committee
 History Department Library Liaison

History Department Curriculum Planning Group
 Various department search committees
 Faculty adviser for the History Department's Phi Alpha Theta society
 Toball-Braatz Award Committee
 University's lead adviser for students interested in the James Madison Fellowship
 Dean's Curriculum Committee
 University's Core Curriculum Review Committee
 University's Academic Integrity Council
 Promotion and Tenure Area Committee (Humanities)
 Smith Fellowship Committee
 First-Year English Committee
 Asian Studies Committee
 Academic Technology Advisory Committee
 Honors Faculty Advisory Council

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies
 Southern Slavic Studies Society
 Phi Alpha Theta, Alpha-Delta Chapter
 Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia—University of Wisconsin-Madison

SPECIAL GRANTS, AWARDS, HONORS:

1974	Phi Beta Kappa (Oberlin College)
1976	Stanley Zyzniewski Student Achievement Award presented by the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies
1978-79	University Teaching Fellowship, granted annually by the Graduate School at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
1980-81	Grant from the International Research and Exchanges Board to participate in the Graduate Student/Young Faculty exchange with the Soviet Union.
1987	Faculty Development Award from the Marquette University Graduate School to assist in completing <i>Russia's Last Capitalists</i> .
1987-88	Grant from the International Research and Exchanges Board to participate in the Long-term Advanced Research exchange with the Soviet Union.
1993	Faculty Development Award from the Marquette University Graduate School to assist in completing <i>And Now My Soul Is Hardened</i> .
2003	Faculty Development Award from the Marquette University Graduate School to assist in completing <i>Imagining America</i> .
2004-05	Marquette University Sabbatical Fellowship.
2011	Faculty Buyout for Research from Marquette University—spring semester.