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CURRENT

Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2009- . Chair, Department of History, 2008-2011, 2013-2014. Associate Professor, 1988-2009. Assistant Professor, 1983-88. Areas of specialty modern history of Poland and Central Europe, history of Christianity, especially Catholicism.

PREVIOUS

Lecturer, Department of History, Yale University, 1982.

EDUCATION

Yale University, Ph.D., History, 1982. M.A., History, 1976.

University of Kansas, M.A., History, 1975. B.A., History, 1973.

FOREIGN STUDY

Uniwersytet Warszawski, Warsaw, Poland, 1978-79.

Uniwersytet im. Adama Mickiewicza, Poznań, Poland, 1972-73.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Rome's Most Faithful Daughter: The Catholic Church and Independent Poland, 1914-1939, Athens, Ohio University Press, 2009.

Poland, the United States, and the Stabilization of Europe, 1919-1933, New York and Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1986.

Articles

"Mighty Son of Poland: Stanislaus Zbyszko, Polish Americans, and Sport in the Twentieth Century," *Polish American Studies* 74 (2017), 7-26.

"Stanley Ketchel, The 'Michigan Assassin': The First Polish American Sports Champion," *Studia Migracyjne-Przegląd Polonijny* 40 (2014), 119-130.

"Lessons Learned, Lessons Relearned: Piotr S. Wandycz on Recent East Central European History," *The Polish Review* 58 (2013), 83-86.

"The Marshal and the Almighty: Piłsudski and Religion," *The Polish Review* 56 (2011), pp. 47-56.

"Review Article: Timothy Snyder, *Bloodlands: Europe Between Hitler and Stalin*," *The Polish Review* 55 (2010), pp. 486-492.

"Big Game on the South Side: A Milwaukee Baseball Mystery Decoded," *Wisconsin Magazine of History* 88 (2005), pp. 28-39.

"The Kosciuszko Reds, 1909-1919: Kings of the Milwaukee Sandlots," *Polish American Studies* 61 (2004), pp. 11-26.

"Piotr S. Wandycz--pionier badań w Ameryce nad dziejami Polski i Europy Środkowo-Wschodniej," *Studia z dziejów Rosji i Europy Środkowo-Wschodniej* (Poland) 30 (1995), pp. 5-8.

"Stany Zjednoczone i Europa Środkowa w XX wieku," *Przegląd Zachodni* (Poland) 2 (1993), pp. 1-11.

"The United States and Central Europe in the 20th Century," *Polish Western Affairs* (Poland) 33 (1992), pp. 161-70.

"God's Patriot: Jerzy Matulewicz as Bishop of Vilna, 1918-1925," *East Central Europe/L'Europe du Centre-Est* 18 (1991), pp. 69-79.

"Poland and the Holy See, 1918-1939," *Slavic Review* 50 (1991), pp. 521-30.

"'The Unpardonable Insult': The Wawel Incident of 1937 and Church-State Relations in Poland," *Catholic Historical Review* 77 (1991), pp. 422-36.

"The Polish Test: Roman Catholic Views of 20th Century Polish History," *Religion in Communist Lands* (U.K.) 18 (1990), pp. 253-61.

"New Books on Poles and Jews During the Second World War," *Polish Review* 33 (1988), pp. 347-51.

"Charles Dewey as the United States Financial Adviser to Poland, 1927-1930," *International History Review* (Canada) 9 (1987), pp. 85-94.

"The United States and the Polish Boundaries, 1931: An American Attempt to Revise the Polish Corridor," *Polish Review* 27 (1982), pp. 122-37.

Articles in Books

"The United States and east central Europe in the 20th Century: General Remarks," in Halina Parafianowicz, ed., *Czas Ameryki/American Era*, Białystok, Trans Humana, 2011, pp. 193-198.

"Polish Americans in Sports," pp. 494-499, and numerous shorter entries in James S. Pula, ed., *The Polish American Encyclopedia*, Jefferson NC and London, McFarland and Co., 2011.

"'This Troublesome Question': The United States and the 'Polish Pogroms' of 1918-1919," in M. B. Biskupski, ed., *Ideology, Politics and Diplomacy in East Central Europe*, Rochester, University of Rochester Press, 2003, pp. 58-79.

"Diamonds Out of the Coal Mines: Slavic Americans in Baseball," in Lawrence Baldassaro and Richard A. Johnson, ed., *The American Game: Baseball and Ethnicity*, Carbondale and Edwardsville IL, Southern Illinois University Press, 2002.

Six entries in Richard Frucht, ed., *Encyclopedia of Eastern Europe: From the Congress of Vienna to the Fall of Communism*, New York and London, Garland, 2000.

Two entries in Council on Foreign Relations, *Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations*, 4. v., New York and Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1997.

"Historical Setting," in Glenn E. Curtis, ed., *Poland: A Country Study*, Washington, Federal Research Division, 1994, pp. 3-51.

"A 'Republic of Clerics'?: The Catholic Church and Polish Democracy in the Second and Third Republics," in M. B. Biskupski and James S. Pula, ed., *Poland and Europe: Historical Dimensions*, Boulder, East European Monographs, 1993, pp. 155-59.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (since 2007)

"The Holler House: Bowling, Beer, and Bras on Milwaukee's Polish South Side," Polish American Historical Association, Washington, D.C., 2018.

"Henryk Halkowski as Historian of Jewish Kraków," Sixth World Congress on Polish Studies, Kraków, Poland, 2017.

“The Pelé of Chicago: Janusz Kowalik and the Beginnings of Professional Soccer in the United States,” Polish American Historical Association, Denver, 2017.

“Zbyszko, ‘The Mighty Pole’: Stanislaus Zbyszko, Polish Americans, and Sport in the Early 20th Century,” Polish American Historical Association, New York City, 2015

“Haunted By the Past: Poland Remembers its Vanished Jews” and “Karski’s Testimony on the Holocaust: *Story of a Secret State*, ‘Shoah,’ and ‘The Karski Report,’” Jan Karski International Conference on Memory and Responsibility, Chicago, 2014.

“Not a Stone Upon a Stone: The Demolition of St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Warsaw,” Fifth World Congress on Polish Studies, Warsaw, Poland, 2014.

“Sport as an Element of Acculturation of Polish Immigrants to American Society,” American Ethnicity and East European Immigration, Kraków, Poland, 2014.

“The Roman Kwaśniewski Photographic Collection: A Visual Record of Milwaukee Polonia,” (co-presenter), Conference: East Central Europe in Exile, Uniwersytet Gdański, Gdańsk, Poland, 2012.

“Stanley Ketchel, the ‘Michigan Assassin’: The First Polish American Sports Champion,” Conference: American Ethnicity, Rethinking Old Issues, Asking New Questions, Uniwersytet Jagielloński, Kraków, Poland, 2012.

“Poland and Polish History in ‘The Polish American Encyclopedia’,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Arlington, VA, 2011.

“Pius XI and Poland: The First Polish Pope,” Conference: Pius XI and America, Brown University, Providence RI, 2010.

“Piłsudski and the Church: The ‘Wawel Incident’ of 1937,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Milwaukee, 2010.

“Rural and Village Life in Poland: The Louise Arner Boyd Photographic Collection,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Milwaukee, 2010.

“Rome’s Most Faithful Daughter: Book Session,” Polish American Historical Association, San Diego, 2010.

“The United States and East Central Europe in the 20th Century: General Remarks,” Conference “Rediscovering Eastern Europe,” University of Białystok, Poland, 2009.

“1989 ‘*Annus Mirabilis*’: Poland’s Road to Independence—The Role of the Catholic Church,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Jersey City, 2009.

“The Influence of Sports in American Polonia,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Jersey City, 2009.

“Achille Ratti as Papal Nuncio to Poland, 1918-1921,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Philadelphia, 2008.

“Poland: The Exceptional Universal Country,” Conference on “Teaching the Polish Experience,” New York, 2008.

“Pope Pius XII and the Outbreak of the Second World War,” Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, Washington, D.C., 2007.

“The Vatican, Poland, and the Conversion of Russia, 1917-1939,” American Catholic Historical Association, Milwaukee, 2007.

“A Polish Foreign Minister’s Secret ‘Rules’ for Managing U.S.-Polish Relations, 1925,” Polish American Historical Association, Atlanta, 2007.

AWARDS

Mieczyslaus Haiman Medal, for sustained contributions to Polish American studies, Polish American Historical Association, 2015

Officer’s Cross, Order of Merit, Republic of Poland, 2014.

American Catholic Historical Association John Gilmary Shea Prize (best book, history of Catholicism), 2010.

Co-winner, ASEEES/Orbis Book Prize for Polish studies (best book in any discipline, on any aspect of Polish affairs), 2010.

Swastek Award for outstanding article in *Polish American Studies*, 2004, Polish American Historical Association, 2006.

Pew Research Fellow, 1999.

Prize for outstanding book in field of modern Polish history published 1985-86, Pilsudski Institute of America, 1987.

Prize for teaching excellence, college/university level, Wisconsin Association for Promotion of History, 1987.

LANGUAGES

Polish, French, German, Italian, Latin

EDITORSHIPS

Editor in Chief, *The Polish Review*
Associate editor, *Polish American Studies*

MEMBERSHIPS/PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

American Catholic Historical Association
Joseph Pilsudski Institute of America
Polish American Historical Association (President-emeritus; member, Board of Directors)
Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America (member, Board of Directors)
Polish Studies Association

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

President, UWM Athletic Board
Jewish Studies Committee
Polish Studies Committee
Religious Studies Committee

PUBLIC/COMMUNITY SERVICE

Member, Advisory Board, Holocaust Education Resource Center
Member, Advisory Board, Lux Center for Catholic-Jewish Studies
Member, Advisory Board, Milwaukee County Historical Society