

## *Curriculum vitae*

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### **Education:**

Ph.D. in History, University of Liverpool (UK) 2015

Dissertation title: *Genoese Economic Culture: from the Mediterranean into the Spanish Atlantic.*

Viva Examination: Passed with *no corrections.*

MA in History, Roosevelt University (Chicago, USA) 2011

Research fields: European History and US History

Distinction

Certificate in Social Sciences, Fordham University (New York, USA) 2009

Institute of American Language and Culture

BA in European History and Literature, Università di Parma (Italy) 2008

Dissertation title: *Mario Einaudi e la storia del pensiero politico tra Stati Uniti ed Europa.*  
(*Mario Einaudi and the History of Political Thought between the United States and Europe*)

First Class Hons

## Academic Employment:

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| School of International Studies, University of Nottingham Ningbo China<br>Assistant Professor in European and International History<br>Director of Teaching (since August 2020)<br>Director of Global Institute for Silk Road Studies (since January 2023) | September 2019 – present   |
| Department of History, King's College London<br>Lecturer in Early Modern History   | August 2017 - August 2019  |
| Department of History, University of Liverpool<br>Lecturer in History  | September 2015 - June 2017 |
| Department of History, Manchester Metropolitan University<br>Associate Lecturer in History   | January 2016 - June 2016   |
| Department of History, University of Liverpool<br>University Teacher   | September 2013 - June 2015 |
| Department of History, Roosevelt University (Chicago)<br>Graduate Student Instructor   | January 2011 - June 2011   |

## Publications:

### Books:

Julian Henderson, Matteo Salonia, Stephen Morgan, (eds.), *Reimagining the Silk Roads: Interactions and Perceptions Across Eurasia* (under contract: Routledge, 2024).

Christian Müller, Matteo Salonia (eds.), *Travel Writings on Asia. Curiosity, Identities, and Knowledge across the East, c. 1200 to the Present* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2022).

<https://link.springer.com/book/9789811901232>

Matteo Salonia, *Genoa's Freedom: Entrepreneurship, Republicanism, and the Spanish Atlantic* (London: Lexington Books; 2017).

<https://rowman.com/ISBN/9781498534215/Genoa's-Freedom-Entrepreneurship-Republicanism-and-the-Spanish-Atlantic>

**Peer-reviewed articles and chapters:**

Matteo Salonia, “The Iberian Silk Roads: Spices, Silver, and Souls,” in Henderson, Salonia, and Morgan (eds.), *Reimagining the Silk Roads: Interactions and Perceptions Across Eurasia* (forthcoming).

Matteo Salonia, “Biblical Kingship, Catholic Theology, and the Rights of Indians in the Opening of Las Casas’s *Short Account*.” *Religions*, 14 (2023), pp. 1-11.

Matteo Salonia, “Da Genova alla frontiera cilena: Giovanni Battista Pastene (1507-1580) e la presenza ligure nell’America spagnola.” *Nuova Rivista Storica*, 107 (2023), pp. 701-724.

Matteo Salonia, “Encompassing the Earth: Magellan’s Voyage from its Political Context to its Expansion of Knowledge.” *The International Journal of Maritime History*, 34 (2022), pp. 519-696.

Christian Müller, Matteo Salonia, “Introduction: Curiosity, Identities, and Knowledge in Travel Writings on Asia,” in Müller and Salonia (eds.), *Travel Writings on Asia. Curiosity, Identities, and Knowledge, c. 1200 to the present* (Palgrave, 2022), pp. 1-28.

Matteo Salonia, “Asian Ceremonies and Christian Chivalry in Pigafetta’s *The First Voyage Around the World*,” in Müller and Salonia (eds.), *Travel Writings on Asia. Curiosity, Identities, and Knowledge, c. 1200 to the present* (Palgrave, 2022), pp. 83-110.

Matteo Salonia, Christian Müller, “The Challenge of Curiosity during the Cold War. Representations of Asia between politics and consumerism and the reflections of Goffredo Parise in the 1960s,” in Müller and Salonia (eds.), *Travel Writings on Asia. Curiosity, Identities, and Knowledge, c. 1200 to the present* (Palgrave, 2022), pp. 261-290.

Matteo Salonia, “A Dissenting Voice: The Clash of Trade and Warfare in Giovanni da Empoli’s Account of His Second Voyage to Portuguese Asia.” *Itinerario: Journal of Imperial and Global Interactions*, 45 (2021), pp. 189-207.

Teng Li, Matteo Salonia, “The Regulation of Religious Communities in the Late Middle Ages: a Comparative Approach to Ming China and Pre-reformation England.” *Religions*, 11 (2020), 606, pp. 1-21.

Matteo Salonia, “The First Voyage of Giovanni da Empoli to India: Mercantile Culture, Christian Faith, and the early Production of Knowledge about Portuguese Asia.” *The International Journal of Maritime History*, 31 (2019), pp. 3-18.

Matteo Salonia, “The Body in Medieval Spirituality: A Rationale for Pilgrimage and the Veneration of Relics.” *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion*, 14 (2018), pp. 2-20.

Matteo Salonia, “Charles V’s Universal Monarchy in the *Compendio* of Antonio Doria.” *Renaissance Studies*, 32 (2018), pp. 388-405.

Matteo Salonia, “18 Brumaire and its Place in the French Revolution: a Critical Historiography.” *World History Studies*, 3 (2016), pp. 38-60.

### **Book Reviews:**

Matteo Salonia, “Review of Rafael Giron Pascual, *Comercio y Poder. Mercaderes genoveses en el sureste de Castilla durante los siglos XVI y XVII (1550-1700)*,” *Hispania*, Vol. 81 (2021), pp. 536-539.

Matteo Salonia, “Review of Penelope Francks, *Japan and the Great Divergence. A Short Guide*,” *Economic History Review*, Vol. 71, No. 1 (2018), pp. 352-254.

Matteo Salonia, “Review of Jo Ann Cavallo and Carlo Lottieri, *Speaking Truth to Power, from Medieval to Modern Italy*,” *Libertarian Papers*, Vol. 9 (2017), pp. 277-283.

Matteo Salonia, “Review of Fabrizio Ricciardelli’s *The Myth of Republicanism in Renaissance Italy*,” *Renaissance Quarterly*, Vol. 70 (2017), pp. 714-716.

**Articles for Catholic Exchange:** <https://catholicexchange.com/author/matteo-salonia/>

**Articles for Mises Institute:** <https://mises.org/profile/matteo-salonia>

### **Languages:**

Italian (native)

English (fluent)

Spanish (reading, research)

### **Professional Qualifications:**

Fellowship, Royal Historical Society 2020

Fellowship, Higher Education Academy 2019

## Teaching Experience:

Modules designed/taught at UNNC (2019-present):

- ‘Understanding the West: Europe Cradle of Western Civilization’
- ‘The Making of Modern Europe, 1789-1945’
- ‘History of Political Thought’
- ‘The Iberian World: Portugal and Spain in Global History, c. 1400-1700’
- ‘Introduction to European Politics’
- Christian Culture in World History
- Lectures and seminars on ‘Trade and Commodities in Global History’ and ‘Justice, Morality and International Law in Vitoria and Las Casas’, part of a team-taught MA module on ‘Core Concepts: International Relations and World History’
- Guest lectures on ‘Economic History’ for the School of Economics

Selected MA Thesis Supervisions at UNNC (2019-present):

- 2022 ‘Protestant Missionaries and Disaster Relief in Modern China’
- 2022 ‘British Responses to Irish and Indian Famines: a Comparative Study’
- 2021 ‘The Arthurian Legend and Medieval Chivalry: Transnational Culture in Medieval Europe’
- 2020 ‘The Filipino Diaspora: Contemporary History of Transcontinental Networks’

PhD Thesis Supervisions at UNNC:

- 2022-23 Georg Schindler, ‘The Rise of Benevolent Orientalism. European Encounters with China and Central Asia along the Silk Roads and the question of equality with the East, c. 1200-1700’

Modules designed/taught at KCL (2017-2019):

- ‘European Expansion: Ethnic Prejudices and Civil Rights (1500-1800)’ (MA course; King’s 2018 Teaching Excellence Awards)
- ‘Thematic Subject – Nations’
- ‘Thematic Subject – War’
- ‘Thematic Subject – Rights in Global History’
- ‘Sources on European Expansion’ (small-group seminars and supervision)
- ‘Historiographical Approaches on World Economic History’ (small-group seminars and supervision)
- ‘History of the Iberian World (1492-1822)’
- ‘Religion and Society in Southern Europe (1500-1800)’
- Lectures on ‘Social and Economic Change’ and ‘Europe and the World,’ as part of a team-taught survey course on European History
- Seminar on ‘Commodities and Trade’, part of a module on Transnational History
- Seminar on ‘Institutions and Markets in Economic History,’ part of an MA team-taught course

MA Thesis Supervisions at KCL (2017-2019):

- 2018 ‘The Role of Francisco de Vitoria in the Development of Modern International Law’
- 2019 ‘Correcting Cicero? Roman Republicanism in Machiavelli’s Writings’
- 2019 ‘Technology and Plantation Economy in the Iberian World: Sugar from Sicily to Brazil’

Modules taught at Liverpool (2013-2017):

- ‘History Methods – Italian Renaissance’
- ‘The Historian’s Craft’
- ‘The Atlantic World since 1400’
- Supervisor for external placement students in ‘History Volunteering and Experience’
- ‘Religion, Politics and Society in European History, c. 800 to 1600’
- ‘Rethinking History – Historiography and Methods’
- ‘British Uses of the Past (History, Literature and Culture), c. 1700-1900’
- ‘World War II and Local History: The Blitz and the Battle of the Atlantic’
- ‘Christian Pilgrimage and Local History’
- Seminars for ‘Introduction to Latin American History since c. 1400’

Module taught at MMU (2016):

- ‘Europe and the Atlantic world, c. 1400 – 1700’

## **Grants and Distinctions:**

Distinguished Visiting Scholar Spring 2024  
Benedictine College, Atchison (Kansas, US)

UNNC Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Research Funding for Open Access May 2022

UNNC ‘Spot Award’ December 2021  
In recognition of contribution to Faculty application for Award from Ministry of Education

Invited to speak on: January 31, 2020  
“From Trade to Self-Criticism: Early Images of Asia in Giovanni da Empoli’s Letters”  
Institute of Historical Research, London

Invited to speak on: April 4, 2018  
“Local Causes and Global Consequences: the 1528 Hispanic-Genoese Alliance, from the Mediterranean to the Pacific.”  
The University of Hong Kong

Research Development Grant for History November 2017  
King’s College London

Invited to speak on November 5, 2016  
“Genoa: a Mediterranean City in Global History”  
Shanghai Normal University, International Seminar on Mediterranean History

Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Travel Grant November 2016

British Arts and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Research Scheme 2012-2015  
Awarded 3-year scholarship

## Selected Conference Papers and Seminars:

- University of Nottingham Ningbo China November 10-11, 2023  
International Conference “The Jesuits in China: Encounter, Friendship, and Inculturation.”  
Organizer and Chair
- Ningbo University May 13, 2022  
International Studies Research Series  
“Travel Writings on Asia: a History of Curiosity and Knowledge”
- University of Nottingham Ningbo China January 5, 2022  
International Conference “All the Oceans are One: the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Magellan’s Voyage.”  
Organizer and Chair
- University of Sheffield, UK July 2018  
8<sup>th</sup> Renaissance Studies Conference  
“Cinquecento Italy and the Ottoman Threat: Military Counsel and Hispanophile Sentiment”
- King’s College London, UK June 2018  
Symposium on Early Modern Mercantile Culture  
“Self-perception and Production of Knowledge in Imperial Peripheries: Giovanni da Empoli (1483-1517)”
- University of Liverpool, UK January 2016  
History Research Seminar Series  
“Italy in Charles V’s Universal and Polycentric Empire”
- Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany March, 2015  
Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America  
“*Libertà* and Sovereignty in early Cinquecento Genoa”
- University of Liverpool, UK November 2014  
Department of Modern Languages and Cultures  
“Two questions (and tentative answers) on Christian Pilgrimage”
- Brock University, St. Catharines, Canada May 2014  
Canadian Society for Italian Studies Conference  
“*Modestissima autorità*: Late Medieval and Renaissance Republicanism in Genoa”
- University of Reading, UK July 2013  
Early Modern Studies Conference  
“Genoa’s Republicanism: Institutional Change and Economic *Libertà*.”
- Escuela de Estudios Hispano-Americanos, Seville, Spain May 2013  
International Symposium - Comercio y comerciantes italianos en la monarquía hispánica  
“*Libertà* and Self-perception in Medieval and Early Modern Genoa”