

**David MacLaren McDonald**

Alice D. Mortenson/Petrovich Distinguished Chair in Russian History  
University of Wisconsin-Madison.

*CURRICULUM VITAE*

EDUCATION:

- 1988            Ph.D, in History, Columbia University. Dissertation awarded “distinction.”
- 1982            M.Phil., in History, Columbia University; major field--Russia, minor--modern Europe.
- 1979            M.A., History, University of Toronto.
- 1977            B.A., Russian and East European Studies, University of Toronto, awarded with High Honours.

POSITIONS HELD:

Aug. 2006-Aug. 2010, Chair, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Sept. 2005-present, Alice D. Mortenson/Petrovich Chair of Russian History

Sept. 2000-present, Professor, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

July 1, 2001-Oct. 3, 2007, Special Assistant to the Chancellor for Athletics.

September 1993-Sept. 2000, Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

March 1991-September 1993, Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

September 1988-March 1991, Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Scholarly Referee for Submitted Manuscripts: Cambridge University Press; Smithsonian Institution; DC Heath; Colorado University Press, Northern Illinois University Press, Harvard University Press, *Slavic Review*, *Russian Review*, *Kritika*.

General Editor, with Anthony Heywood (Aberdeen, UK) and John Steinberg (Georgia Southern), *Russia's Great War and Revolution, 1914-1922*, international consortial research and publication project (projected 24 books on military, international, social,

political, economic, cultural, and technological history, currently under agreement with Slavica Press—ca. 300 contributors selected to provide chapters based on archival materials); member, editorial team, volumes on Russia's international relations, 1914-1922.

Spring 2014-present, Co-Team Leader, Curriculum Development—with Susan Yackee, UW-Madison consultation project with Nazarbaev University, Astana, Kazakhstan.

#### AWARDS:

Wisconsin Alumni Association, Ciriacks Faculty Outreach Award, May 2007.

Romnes-WARF Research Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, awarded June 1995.

Short-term research fellowship, Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, Summer 1993.

Research Fellowship, University of Wisconsin Institute for Research in the Humanities, awarded December 1992.

Summer research grant, Graduate School, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1989, 1992.

Participant, Scholarly Exchange Programme, USSR Academy of Sciences-AUCC(Canada), 1989, 1990.

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Harriman Institute for the Advanced Study of the Soviet Union, Columbia University, January-June, 1988.

#### PUBLICATIONS:

Books:        *United Government and Russian Foreign Policy, 1900-1914* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard U. P., 1992).

(translated), B. Feygin, *The Theory and Practice of Planned Price-Formation in the USSR* (Washington D. C.: Delphic Associates, 1983).

#### Articles/Chapters:

“Sport History and the Historical Profession,” in R. Edelman *et alii*, eds., *The Oxford University Press Companion to Sport History* (forthcoming, 2016).

“Petr Badmaev,” in S. Norris and W. Sunderland, eds., *Russia's People of*

*Empire: Life Stories of Eurasia, 1500 to the Present* (Bloomington: Indiana U. P., 2012), 199-211.

“1991 and the History of Russian *Gosudarstvennost*’,” *Ab imperio*, 3/2011: 223-241.

“Leopold Haimson: His Historical Vision and Historiographical Impact,” *Ab imperio*, 4/2010: 515-529

“Russian Statecraft after the "Imperial Turn": The Urge to Colonize?” *Slavic Review*, Spring 2010: 85-88.

‘*Mysliashchie miry*’ Dmitriia Abrikosova [“The ‘Thoughtworlds’ of Dmitrii Abrikosov,”] introductory essay to D. A. Abrikosov, *Sud’ba russkogo diplomata*, [*The Fate of a Russian Diplomat*] (Russkii put’, Moscow, 2008). 7-16.

*Razmyshleniia o poniatii “glush’”*: *Provintsiia, dvorianstvo i gosudarstvo v XVIII-m veke* [“Reflections on the ‘sticks:’ provinciality, power and noble identity in the eighteenth century”], *Russkii Sbornik*, V, 2008: 67-93.

“The State, Domestic Factors and the World Outside, 1700-2005,” in Robert Legvold, ed., *Russian Foreign Policy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century & the Shadow of the Past* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2007): 145-205.

“Tsushima’s Echoes: Asian Defeat and Tsarist Foreign Policy” in J. W. Steinberg, B. W. Menning *et alii*, eds., *The Russo-Japanese War in Global Perspective: World War Zero*, (Leiden: Brill, 2005), 545-564

Introduction to L. H. Haimson, *Russia’s Revolutionary Experience, 1905-1917: Two Essays* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2005), ix-xxviii.

[co-author with Eric Ferris and Mark Finster], “Academic Fit of Student-Athletes: An Analysis of NCAA Division I-A Graduation Rates,” *Research in Higher Education*, Sept. 2004: 555-575.

Invited commentary, on “Constructing Region through the Past,” *Ab Imperio*, 1/2004: 183-188.

: “Russian Military History and Russian History,” concluding chapter in David Schimmelpenninck van der Oye and Bruce Menning, eds., *Reforming the Tsar’s Army* (London: Cambridge University Press, 2004), 307-321.

“Comments,” [originally entitled “Legal Culture and Legal Tradition in Twentieth-Century Russia,”] *Wisconsin International Law Journal*, 14.3 (1996): 611-619.

"The Durnovo Memorandum in Context: The Crisis of Autocracy and Official Conservatism," *Jahrbücher für Geschichte Osteuropas*, 4/1996: 481-502. (peer-reviewed)

“The Discourses of the ‘Wall’ and the ‘Grand Vizier’ in Russian Political Rhetoric,” *Dialogues on Discourse* October 1995: 1-5.

"United Government and the Crisis of Autocracy," in T. Taranovski, ed., *Reform in Modern Russian History* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1995), 190-212. (peer-reviewed)

"A Lever without a Fulcrum: Domestic Factors in Russian Foreign Policy, 1905-1914," in Hugh Ragsdale, ed., *Traditions in Imperial Russian Foreign Policy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1994), 268-312. (peer-reviewed)

"A. P. Izvol'skii and Russian Foreign Policy under 'United Government'", in R. B. McKean (ed.), *New Perspectives in Modern Russian History* (MacMillan and Co., 1991), 174-203. (selected contribution from conference proceedings)

"Isskirtine visuomene," interview on the constitutional crises in Canada and USSR, in *Lietuvos rytas*, Vilnius, Lithuania, 18 June, 1991.

#### Review Articles:

“Sports and American Education,” in *History of Education Quarterly*, Winter 2003: 623-630.

“Nationhood and Its Discontents: Ukrainian Intellectual History at Empire’s End. A Review Article,” *Canadian Journal of Ukrainian Studies*, Winter 1998: 105-116.

#### Other:

“Personality and Power in Twentieth-Century Russian History,” four one-hour programs for WHA-Radio “University of the Air.” Features examination of the life and times of Nicholas II, Lenin, Stalin and Khrushchev.

*History of the World for Dummies* (Indianapolis: IDG Books, 2001), technical advisor.

Reviews:

M. Reynolds, *Shattering Empires: The Clash and Collapse of the Ottoman and Russian Empires 1908-1918* (New York: Cambridge U. P. 2011), *Cahiers du monde russe*, 53/4 (2012).

J. L. Black, *The Peasant Kingdom: Canada in the 19<sup>th</sup>-century Russian Imagination* (Manotick, Ontario: Penumbra Press, 2003). *Canadian Slavonic Papers*, Sept.-Dec. 2003: 521-522.

V. A. Emets, A. V. Ignat'ev et alii, *Istoriia vneshnei politiki Rossii: konets XIX-nachalo XX veka* (Mezhdunarodnye otnosheniia, Moscow, 1997), *Slavonic and East European Review*, October 2002: 706-708

Michael Hughes, *Diplomacy Before the Russian Revolution: Britain, Russia and the Old Diplomacy, 1894-1917* (New York: St. Martin's Press, 2000). *Slavic Review*, Spring 2001.

Anna Geifman, *Entangled in Terror: The Azef affair and the Russian Revolution* (Wilmington, Delaware: Scholarly Resources Books, 2000). *American Historical Review*, June 2001.

A. B. Kamenskii, *The Russian Empire in the Eighteenth Century: Searching for a Place in the World* (Armonk, NY: M. E. Sharpe, 1997), P. Waldron, *The End of Imperial Russia, 1855-1917* (New York: St. Martin's, 1997); E. Kimerling-Wirschafter, *Social Identity in Imperial Russia* (DeKalb, Ill.: Northern Illinois University Press, 1997), *Canadian Journal of History*,.

Robert D. Warth, *Nicholas II: The Life and Reign of Russia's Last Monarch*, (Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 1997), *American Historical Review*, Dec. 1999.

Susan Heuman, *Kistiakowsky: The Struggle for National and Constitutional Rights in the Last Years of Tsarism* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute, 1998), in *Canadian Journal of Ukrainian Studies*, Summer 1999..

John P. LeDonne, *The Russian Empire and the World, 1700-1917: The Geopolitics of Expansion and Containment* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997), in *Slavic Review*, (Summer 1998)

John Gooding, *Rulers and Subjects: Government and People in Russia 1801-1991* (New York: Arnold, 1996), in *Russian Review*, (January 1998).

Thomas Prymak, *Mykola Kostomarov: A Biography* (Toronto: University of Toronto

Press, 1996), in *Canadian Journal of Ukrainian Studies*, 22/1-2 (Summer-Winter 1997).

S. C. M. Paine, *Imperial Rivals: China, Russia and Their Disputed Frontier* (Armonk NY: M. E. Sharpe, 1996), in *Europe-Asia Studies* (Fall 1997).

Keith Neilson, *Britain and the Last Tsar: British Policy and Russia, 1894-1917* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1995), in *American Historical Review*, October 1997.

Hartmut Rüss, *Herren und Diener* (Köln, Weimar, Wien: Boehlau Verlag, 1994), *Sixteenth Century Journal*, Spring 1996.

Marc Ferro, *Nicholas II: Last of the Tsars* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1993), in *Russian History/Histoire russe*, 1994: 477-478.

Richard Lourie, *Russia Speaks: an Oral History since the Revolution* (New York: Harper-Collins, 1991), in *Russian History/Histoire russe*, December 1993.

Abraham Ascher, *The Revolution of 1905: Authority Restored* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1992), in *Canadian Journal of History*, April 1993.

Andrew Verner, *The Crisis of Russian Autocracy* (Princeton, 1991), in *Russian Review*, January, 1992.

#### INVITED PRESENTATIONS:

"Russia's Great War: The Historiography of the Last 25 Years," Banquet Address, BASEES Convention, Cambridge UK, 6 April.

Participant in panel discussion on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the USSR's collapse, CREECA, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 8 Dec. 2011.

Keynote Address at international symposium, *Russia's Great War in Global Perspective, 1914-1921*, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Scotland, 21 July 2008.

"Whig History with a Russian Accent: The Transmission of Texts across Cultural Boundaries," Department of Political Studies, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada, Nov. 17, 1998, University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada, April 1999. University of Chicago Workshop on Russian and Soviet History, May 18, 2004.

"The Domestic Sources of Russian Foreign Policy: The Geyer Hypothesis Twenty Years Later," Russian Historians' Seminar, Harvard University, Cambridge, Nov. 6, 1998.

“Russian Military History and Russian History: Conference Summation,” Yale-Kennan Institute Conference on Military Reform in Imperial Russia, Washington DC, 31 October-1 November 1997.

PAPERS PRESENTED:

“Rethinking *The State and Revolution* in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” World Congress of ICSEES, Makuhari, Japan, August 2015.

“1917 in a Corner of the Russian Diaspora and Remaking Dukhobor’e,” Russia and Global History, 2015 Summer International Symposium, Slavic-Eurasian Research Center, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan

“Nested Crises: Austro-Russian Rivalry and the Outbreak of the Great War,” Round-table presentation at National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies [AAASS], Philadelphia, November 2008.

“Seeing Like a (Russian) State: Absolutism, Upravlenie and Continuity in the History of Russian Administration,” presented at the National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies [AAASS], New Orleans, November 2007.

“Russia’s Great War, 1914-1921: A Future Research Agenda,” Round Table discussion at AAASS, New Orleans, November 2007.

Beyond East and West: “Europe,” Its East, and Traditions of Statecraft, presented at Ege University, Izmir, Turkey, June 2007.

Absolutism and Continuities in Russian Statecraft, 1701 to the Present, presented at Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey, June 2007.

Whig History with a Russian Accent: Imagining Responsible Government in Revolutionary Russia, 1906, presented at the annual convention of the International Association of Law and Mental Health, Padua, Italy, June 2007.

“*Glush*’: Provinciality, Power and Noble Identities in Eighteenth-Century Russia,” Annual Convention of the AAASS, St. Louis, November 1999.

“In the Absence of Right: Language, Identity, and Sources of Resistance Among the Eighteenth-Century Russian Nobility,” Conference, “Vocabularies of Identity in Russia and Eastern Europe,” April 3-4, 1998, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

“*Glush*’: Notions of Provincialism and the Absolutist Project in 18<sup>th</sup> Century Russia,” invited seminar presentation, Kennan Institute, Washington DC, 30 October 1997.

“*Tezisy po povodu protivorechii v dorevoliutsionnoi russkoi iuridicheskoi mysli*,” [Theses on the paradoxes in pre-revolutionary Russian juridical thought--presented in Russian], seminar for Russian lawyers as part of UW Law School workshop on human rights law, June 1996.

"Narrative as Context: A Case Study from the History of Russian Liberalism," Midwest Russian Historians' Workshop, Akron OH, September 1995.

"Autocracy's Viability as a Political Order on the Eve of the Great War," presentation in round-table on late imperial Russian political culture, at National Convention of the AAASS, Philadelphia, Nov. 1994.

Invited Participant, Aspen Institute-Berlin, "Russia's Path to an Open Society," Berlin, Germany, April 1994.

"Ser'gei Witte, *raison d'état* and the Sources of Bureaucratic Capitalism in Imperial Russia," presented at Workshop on Bureaucratic Capitalism in China and Russia: A Comparative Inquiry, University of Wisconsin-Madison, May 1993.

"The Premiership of P. A. Stolypin and the Prospects of Autocracy," AAASS, Miami, November 1991.

"Cabinet Rule and the 'Crisis of Autocracy', 1906-1914: The Reformability of the *ancien régime* in Russia"; Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington D.C., International Conference on the History of Reform in Russia and the Soviet Union, May, 1990. [see Publications]

"A. P. Izvol'skii and Russian Foreign Policy, 1906-1910," World Congress of Slavists, Harrogate, England, July, 1990. [see Publications]

"The Effort to Institutionalize Confidence: Sergei Witte and the Unification of Russian Government," AAASS, Chicago, Nov., 1989.

"The Imperial Rhythms of Soviet Social History", Harriman Institute Seminar for Young Historians of Twentieth Century Russia, October, 1989.

#### Discussant:

Panel on Witte and reform in late imperial Russia, Conference on the Centennial of S. Iu. Witte's Death, European University of St. Petersburg, June 2015.

Panel on patriotic culture in Britain, France and the US during WWI,

International Conference on Culture and Society during the Great War,  
European University of St. Petersburg, Russia, 7 June.

Chair and discussant, International Conference on World War I and the Russian Empire,  
Higher School of Economics, Moscow Russia, 2 June 2014.

“Information Revolutions and Their Consequences in Late Imperial Russia,” National  
Convention of ASEEEES [formerly AAASS], Boston, MA, Nov. 2013.

“The Imperial Army in War and Revolution,” ASEEEES, Boston, Nov. 2013

“New Approaches to Russia’s Great War: International Law, Tsarist Imagery, and  
Soldierly Emotions,” National Convention of ASEEEES, New Orleans, Nov. 2012.

“Diplomatic Engagement during Russia’s Great War and Revolution,” National  
Convention of ASEEEES, Nov. 2011.

“Politics and Governance in Imperial Russia’s Borderlands,” National Convention of  
ASEEEES, Los Angeles, Nov. 2010.

“July 1914 in Comparative Perspective,” AAASS, Boston, Nov. 2009.

“Russian Law,” panel at *The Weimar Moment: Liberalism, Political Theology and Law*,  
UW-Madison, Oct. 2008.

“Foreign Dimensions of the National Question in Russia,” World Convention of the  
Association of Nationalities, New York, April 2007.

“Cultures of Negotiation,” Panel on cultural approaches to imperial Russian foreign  
policy, National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic  
Studies [AAASS], Washington DC, Nov. 2006

“Reconsidering the History of the Provisional Government,” Panel at AAASS, Salt Lake  
City, Nov. 2005.

“Empire and Nation in Late Imperial Russia,” Panel at AAASS, Denver, Nov. 2000.

“S. D. Sazonov and Russian Foreign Policy,” AAASS National Convention, Seattle,  
Nov. 1997

Panel on Silver Age Russian Philosophy, AAASS, Boston, Oct. 1996.

Panel on Political Thought among Russian Statesmen, 1815-1991, AAASS, Philadelphia,  
Nov. 1994.

"Representations of Female Rulership in Eighteenth-Century Russia," AAASS, Honolulu HI, Nov. 1993 (my comments were communicated by fax.)

Conference on Religious Philosophy in Russia's Silver Age, UW-Madison, June 1993.

Panel on nationalism as discourse, AAASS National Convention, Phoenix, November 1992.

Panel on the Foreign Policy of the Russian Empire, AAASS National Convention, Miami, November, 1991.

Panel on the Russian Emigré Experience in America, AAASS National Convention, Chicago, 1989.

CURRENT RESEARCH:

*Russia's Great War and Revolution, 1914-1922.*

*The Problem of "Responsible Government" in Russia, 1905-1914*

*Glush': Provinciality, Absolutism, and Noble Identity in Eighteenth Century Russia.*

TEACHING AWARDS:

Member, UW-Madison Teaching Academy, inducted October 1994.

Honors Fellow, Sept. 1994-present.

Departmental nominee, UW-Madison Distinguished Teaching Award, 1992-1993.

Wisconsin Student Association:

"Feed Your Head," 1991 (Listing of the 50 best professors, according to student polls)

Top 100 Professors, 1992 (as above, but based on more extensive polling).

Phi Alpha Theta History Society, Karen Johnson Award for Undergraduate Teaching, 1990-1991.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

**History Department:**

Chair, Aug. 2006-Aug. 2010.

Search Committees:

Modern European International, Spring 2014.

Allan H. Selig Chair in the History of American Sport and Society, 2012-2013.

Transnational Asia (**co-chair**), 2011-2012.

Central Asia History (**co-chair**), 2010-2011;

Ottoman Empire/Middle East, 2005-2006;

Pre-Meiji Japan, 2004-2005;

Africa, 2003-2004;

German-speaking Europe, 2001-2002;

20<sup>th</sup> Century Russia/USSR (**chair**), 1999-2000;

East Asia, 1997;

Africa, 1994-1995;

East Central Europe, 1990-1991.

Tenure committees: Leonora Neville, Francine Hirsch (chair), Brett Sheehan, Julia Thomas.

Elected member, Faculty Council, 1994-1996, 1999-2001, 2004-6; 2011-2013, 2014-present.

Elected member, Budget Committee.

Undergraduate Education Council, 1991-1993; 1996-1998.

Associate Chair/Chair of Undergraduate Education: Jan. 1996-Aug. 1998.

Teaching Assistant Evaluation Committee (1989-1991).

Graduate Seminar Paper Prize Committee (1990-1991).

**Extra-departmental service:**

**Chair:** UW-Madison Chancellor Search-and-Screen Committee, 2012-2013.

**Chair:** Advisory Committee for Division of International Studies, 2012-2013

**Chair:** University Committee on Honorary Degrees, Jan. 2010-present

Member, L & S Planning and Selection Committee for Mellon Postdoctoral Program,  
2009-2010

**Chair:** Search Committee for University Provost, Jan.-July 2009.

**Chair:** Provost's Committee on Tuition Remissions for Fellowships, 2007-2008.

Member: L & S Committee on AOF Awards, 2005-2009.

**Chair:** UW-Madison Athletic Board, July 2000-July 2001.

**Director:** Central Asian Studies, Sept. 1996-1998.

**Director:** Center for Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies, 1995-1996.

Member, UW-Madison Athletic Board, 1994-2001;

**Chair** of Personnel Committee, Sept. 1996-July 2000.

Participant, AAHE project on Peer Review in Undergraduate Teaching, 1994-1995.

Elected member, executive committee of Soviet and East European Studies program,  
1989-1996; Member, CREECA Administrative Council, 2011-present.

Member, executive committee of Central Asian Studies program, 1990-present;

Faculty Senate (elected, 1991, 1994);

**Professional service:**

External reviewer, Center for Europe, Russia and Central Asia, Carleton University,  
Ottawa, Canada, Dec. 2014.

Elected member, Executive Committee, Midwest Association for Slavic Studies, 1999-  
2001.

Wayne Vucinich Book Prize Committee, National AAASS, 1999-2002.

**Chair, 2001-2002.**

Promotion assessments for associate and full professor for more than twenty institutions in the US, Canada and UK.

LANGUAGES:

Russian, French: fluent reading, speaking.

German: reading, limited speaking.

Other Slavic and Romance languages—reading.