

**Curriculum Vitae
Erika Harlitz-Kern**

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, Department of Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, 2010.
Dissertation: *Urban Systems and State Formation in Scandinavia: The Rise and Fall of the Town of Lödöse, c. 1050–1646.*
M.A., European Urbanization, Department of History, Stockholm University, Sweden, 2000.
B.A., History (major), English, Swedish, and Economic History, Department of History, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, 1997.
Project Management, Kulturverkstan, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2002.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Teaching Positions

Adjunct Instructor, Department of History, Florida International University, Miami, FL, 2015–present.
Adjunct Instructor, Liberal Arts Program, Florida International University, Miami, FL, 2018–2019.
Adjunct Instructor, St. John Vianney College Seminary, Miami, FL, 2016–2017.
Teaching Fellow, Department of Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, 2006–2012.
Teaching Fellow, Department of Political and Historical Studies, Karlstad University, Sweden, 2010–2011.
Teaching Fellow, Department of History, University of Turku, Finland, 2008.

Research Positions

Visiting Scholar, Department of History, University of Miami, FL, 2013–2018.
Project Manager/Scholar, *Triton: Historiographical Analysis of Maritime Historical and Archaeological Research in Scandinavia*, Department of Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg, Sweden 2012.
Interdisciplinary Research Fellow, *Early Modern Towns*, Department of Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, 2011–2012.

Administrative Positions

Professional Mentor, Dual Enrollment, Florida International University, Miami, FL, 2017–2018.
Secretary, The Medieval Studies Committee, University of Gothenburg, 2007–2009.

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Project Manager, Culture Clinic NGO, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2004 and 2012.
Dance and Theater Producer, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2000–2004.

ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Empowering Students Through Group Work, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2019.

Faculty Reading Group: “Range. Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World” by David Epstein, THINC, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2019.

Faculty Reading Group: “The New Education. How to Revolutionize the University and Prepare Students for a World in Flux” by Cathy N. Davidson, THINC, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, Miami, FL, spring 2019.

Faculty Innovations for Student Success Roundtable Series: “Raised Hands. Strategies for Increasing Participation,” the Faculty Senate and the Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2018.

Faculty Reading Group: “Race Talk and the Conspiracy of Silence” by Derald Wing Sue, the Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2018.

Gateway Adjunct Faculty Institute, the Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, Miami, FL, spring 2018.

Dual Enrollment Professional Development Workshop, Dual Enrollment Office, Florida International University, Miami, FL, spring 2018.

FIU Canvas Pilot Training, FIU Hybrid, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2017.

Dual Enrollment Professional Development Workshop, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2017.

The Provost’s FIU Hybrid Pilot Program, FIU Hybrid, Florida International University, Miami, FL, USA, spring 2017.

Global Learning, Global Learning Center, Florida International University, Miami, FL, fall 2016.

New Adjunct Pedagogy Session, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Florida International University, fall 2015.

Teaching and Learning in Higher Education, University of Gothenburg, Pedagogical Development and Learning Unit (PIL), fall 2011.

InfoMaster, University of Gothenburg, IT Department, fall 2009.

TEACHING

Florida International University, Miami, FL (2015–current).

EUH 4501: England until 1688 (Certified Hybrid).

EUH 4185: Viking History and Society (Certified Hybrid, Online, GL).

EUH 3511: Tudor and Stuart England (Certified Hybrid).

EUH 3181: Medieval Culture (Certified Hybrid).

EUH 3143: War and Politics in the Age of the Reformation (Certified Hybrid, GL).

EUH 2021: Medieval to Modern Europe (Online).

EUH 2011: Early European Civilizations (F2F, Certified Hybrid, GL).

HUM 4431: The Greek World (F2F, Online).

WOH 2001: World Civilization (F2F).

St. John Vianney College Seminary, Miami, FL (2016–2017).

HIS 151: Ancient Civilizations to the Renaissance.

HIS 152: The Reformation to World War II.

University of Gothenburg, Sweden (2006–2011).

History, Introductory Level.

History, Intermediate Level.

History, Intermediate Level (thesis mentor).

History, Advanced Level (thesis mentor).

History of the Middle Ages.

Gothenburg through the Ages.

Gender History.

Man and the Sea.

Vikings and the Middle Ages in Scandinavia (in English).

Scandinavian Studies: Cultural and Social Perspectives (in English).

Archaeology (interdisciplinary).

Archaeology of West Sweden (interdisciplinary).

Karlstad University, Sweden (2011–2012).

History, Introductory and Intermediate Level.

History, Advanced Level (thesis mentor).

Aspects of Sweden, Exchange Student Introduction (in English).

University of Turku, Finland (2008).

Perspectives on the Nordic Countries in the Middle Ages, Advanced Level (in English)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Urban Systems and State Formation in Scandinavia. The Rise and Fall of the Town of Lödöse, c-1050–1646* (Gothenburg, 2010).
Reviewed in: *Historisk tidskrift* (Sweden), 131:2 (2011); *Svensk Numismatisk Tidskrift* 8 (2011); *Svenska Dagbladet: Under Strecket* (Sweden), August 9, 2011; *Hansische Geschichtsblätter* (Germany), 130 (2012); *Svenska Dagbladet: Historiebloggen* (Sweden), November 16, 2013.
Cited in: Olle Ferm & Erika Kihlman (eds.), *Swedish Students at the University of Vienna* (Stockholm, 2011); Stefan Larsson & Hanna Menander, *Kalmar Gamla Stad. Vetenskaplig och pedagogisk potential och åtgärdsförslag* (UV Rapport 2011:12). [The Old Town of Kalmar. Scientific and Pedagogical Potential and Suggestions for Course of Action]; Erik Wångmar, "Historia – ett ämne för arkivnötare?" in *Scandia*, 77:2 (2011). [History – a discipline for archive studies?]; Håkon Haugland, *Felleskap og Brorskap. En komparative undersøkelse av gildenes sosiale, religiøse og rettslige rolle i et utvalg nordiske byer fra midten av 1200-tallet til Reformasjonen* (Bergen, 2012). [Fellowship and Brotherhood. A Comparative Study of the Social, Religious, and Judicial Roles of Guilds in Selected Nordic Towns from the 13th Century until the Reformation]; Thomas Lindkvist & Maria Sjöberg, *Det svenska samhället: Adeln och klerkernas tid, 800–1720*, (Studentlitteratur, 2013) [Swedish Society: The Era of the Nobility and the Clergy, 800–1720]; Anna Ihr, *Becoming Vitrified. Kilns, Furnaces and High Temperature Production* (Gothenburg, 2014); Hans Andersson, "What Did the Blacksmiths Do in Swedish Towns? Some New Results," in Gitte Hansen et. al. (eds.), *Everyday Products in the Middle Ages: Crafts, Consumption and the Individual in Northern Europe, c. AD 800–1600* (Oxford/Philadelphia, 2015); Roger Svensson, "Coinage Policies in Medieval Sweden,"

Wiadomosci Numizmatyczne/Polish Numismatic News IX (2015); Johnny Karlsson, *Waste: Osseus Materials, Craft and Networks in the Mälaren Region during the Middle Ages* (Stockholm, 2016); Christian Oertel, *The Cult of St. Erik in Medieval Sweden. Veneration of a Royal Saint, Twelfth–Sixteenth Centuries* (Brepols, 2016); Kristina Linscott, *Interpretations of Old Wood. Figuring mid-Twelfth Century Church Architecture in West Sweden* (Acta Universitatis Gothoburgensis, 2017); Christina Rosén, “Hundra år i Nya Lödöse. Synen på staden då och nu”, *META* 2017; Mats Roslund, “Stadsbor. Urbana aktörer, subjektiv interaktionism och social neurovetenskap i tidigmedeltidens Sigtuna och Nyköping,” *META* 2018.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- “The Puzzle of the Banquet Hall of the Dukes. The Professionalization of Swedish Historical Research Studied through Ludwik Fleck’s *Thought Collective* and *Thought Style*,” *History and Theory*, 1 (2020).
- “Möte mellan kust och hav. En historiografisk undersökning av maritimhistorisk forskning kring Kattegatt-Skagerrak,” *Forum Navale*, 71 (2015), p. 12–45. [Between Coast and Sea. A Historiographical Survey of Maritime Historical Research in the Kattegatt-Skagerrak Region].
- “Urban Systems and State Formation in Scandinavia, 1050–1646. The Town of Lödöse Analyzed through the Dynamic Urban System Theory”, *Revue d’histoire nordique* (France), 16 (2013) p. 73–95.
- “The Norwegian Origins of the Swedish Town of Lödöse, c. 1050–1300. A Suggested Change of Perspectives”, *Scandinavian Journal of History*, 38:1 (2013) p. 1–17. Cited in: Anna Ihr, *Becoming Vitriified. Kilns, Furnaces and High Temperature Production* (Gothenburg, 2014); Christian Oertel, *The Cult of St. Erik in Medieval Sweden. Veneration of a Royal Saint, Twelfth–Sixteenth Centuries* (Brepols, 2016).
- ”Bland läder och renhorn eller svenskt och norskt i Lödöse stad,” *Heimen* (Norway), 3 (2008). [Among Antlers and Leather – or Norwegian and Swedish Influence in the Town of Lödöse]. Cited in: Anna Ihr, *Becoming Vitriified. Kilns, Furnaces and High Temperature Production* (Gothenburg, 2014).
- ”Living on the Limit – the Rise and Fall of the Town of Lödöse”, *International Journal of Maritime History* (Canada), 2 (2007). Cited in: Cátia Antunes ”Early Modern Ports, 1500–1750”, EGO – European History Online (www.ieg-ego.edu), December 3, 2010.
- ”Var går gränsen? Lödöse och Kungahälla som grannstäder och gränsstäder under medeltiden,” *Humanistdagboken* (Sweden), 2006. [To Draw the Line. Lödöse and Kungahälla as Neighboring Towns and Border Towns in the Middle Ages].

Book Section

- ”Hertigarnas festhall. En diskussion om trädning och självkritik inom 1900-talets svenska historikerkollektiv” in Auður Magnúsdóttir, Henric Bagerius and Lars Hermanson (eds.) *Det våras för medeltiden. Vänbok till Thomas Lindkvist* (Gothenburg, 2014). [”The Hall of the Dukes. Source Criticism and Self-Criticism among Swedish Historians during the Twentieth Century” in *Spring Time for the Middle Ages. Festschrift for Thomas Lindkvist*].

Textbook Chapters

- ”Nordsjön och Nordatlanten – ett skandinaviskt innanhav” in Madelaine Miller and Katarina Streiffert Eikeland (eds.) *En maritim värld. Från stenåldern fram till idag* (Bricoleur Press,

Gothenburg, 2013) [”The North Sea and the North Atlantic – a Scandinavian Sea” in *A Maritime World. From the Stone Age until Today*].

- Stormakten Sveriges transatlantiska kolonier” in Madelaine Miller and Katarina Streiffert Eikeland (eds.) *En maritim värld. Från stenåldern fram till idag* (Bricoleur Press, Gothenburg, 2013) [”The Trans-Atlantic Colonies of the Swedish Empire” in *A Maritime World. From the Stone Age until Today*].
- ”Det skandinaviska fisket under vikingatid och medeltid” i Madelaine Miller och Katarina Streiffert Eikeland (eds.) *En maritim värld. Från stenåldern fram till idag* (Bricoleur Press, Gothenburg, 2013) [”Scandinavian Fishing during the Viking and Middle Ages” in *A Maritime World. From the Stone Age until Today*].

Book Reviews

- *Faroe-Islander Saga*, transl. Robert K. Painter, H-Net War (USA), in progress.
- Richard M. Hutchings, *Maritime Heritage in Crisis. Indigenous Landscapes and Global Ecological Breakdown*, The International Network for Theory of History (Belgium), date of publication: April, 2018.
- Dick Harrison, *En medeltida storstad. Historien om Söderköping*, *Historisk Tidskrift* (Sweden), 134:1 (2014). [A Medieval Big City. The History of Söderköping]
- Tor Ulset (ed.) *Diplomatarium Norvegicum Bind XXIII*, *The Medieval Review* (USA), date of publication: October 8, 2012. Re-published in *Revue d’histoire nordique* (France), 16 (2013) p. 263–265.
- Sverre Bagge, *From Viking Stronghold to Christian Kingdom – State Formation in Norway, c. 900-1350*, *Historisk Tidskrift* (Sweden), 132:2 (2012).
- Steinar Imsen (ed.), *The Norwegian Domination and the Norse World c. 1100 – c. 1400*, *Historisk Tidskrift* (Sweden), 132:2 (2012).
- Niels Kayser Nielsen, *Steder i Europa – omstridte byer, grenser og regioner*, *Historisk Tidskrift* (Sweden), 1 (2007). [Places in Europe. Towns, Borders, and Regions under Dispute.

PUBLIC HISTORY

Consultant

Expert Consultant on *The Story of God*, National Geographic Channel, Revelations Entertainment LLC, 2018.

Expert Consultant, *Bohus fästnings sjuhundraårsjubileum* [Bohus Castle 700th Anniversary], Kungälv Municipality, Sweden, 2007–2008.

TV Appearances

Expert on the Devil’s Bible, *The Story of God*, National Geographic Channel, season 3 episode 1, 2019.

Interviews

Viking Runestones Were the Original Tweets, *Counterpoint with Amanda Vanstone*, ABC Australia/National Radio, July 1, 2019.

On Historical Diversity and Writing Fiction: An Interview with Historian E.H. Kern, *GeekDaddy/GeekMom*, April 11, 2017.

Articles and op-eds (most recent)

- “Monarchies Are Gradually Disappearing,” *The Week*, February 3, 2020.
- “History and SFF: Big Data and Malka Older’s Centenal Cycle Trilogy,” Tordotcom, January 24, 2020.
- “What Happens When Women Translate the Classics?” *The Week*, January 14, 2020.
- “History and SFF: Historical Sources and N.K. Jemisin’s Broken Earth Trilogy,” Tordotcom, December 17, 2019.
- “The Myth of the Viking Woman Warrior,” *The Week*, October 9, 2019.
- “What the Alt-Right Gets Wrong about the Vikings,” *The Daily Beast*, August 17, 2019.
- “The Day that Obsessed Hitler,” *The Daily Beast*, August 3, 2019.
- “The Silver Bible. What Is Silver, Purple, and Very Well Traveled?” *Atlas Obscura*, July 31, 2019.
- “Viking Runestones Were the Original Tweets,” *The Week*, June 10, 2019.
- “How a Forgotten War Can Help Us Solve the Crisis in Syria,” *The Washington Post*, June 17, 2018.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

Conference Organizer

- *The Role of Culture, the State and Religion in the Europeanisation of the Medieval Nordic Countries*. **Organizer:** Nordic Centre of Excellence, Department of History at University of Gothenburg, Sweden. **Role:** Project Manager, October 28–29, 2006.

Conference Session Organizer

- *Svenska Historikermötet 2011: Historia i Sverige – fångad i nationen?* [Swedish Historical Conference 2011: History in Sweden – Trapped within the Nation?] **Organizer:** Historiska Föreningen and Department for Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg. **Role:** Organizer of the round table discussion *Triton I: Maritim historia – ett forskningsfält i vardande* [Triton I: Maritime History – an Emerging Field of Research], May 5–7, 2011.
- *Svenska Historikermötet 2011: Historia i Sverige – fångad i nationen?* [Swedish Historical Conference 2011: History in Sweden – Trapped within the Nation?] **Organizer:** Historiska Föreningen and Department for Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg. **Role:** Organizer of the session *Triton II: Maritim historia – ett forskningsfält i vardande* [Triton II: Maritime History – an Emerging Field of Research], May 5–7, 2011.

Presenter at Conference Sessions

- *Workshop: Ny forskning i Øresundsregionen og Østdanmarks middelalderhistorie* [Workshop: New Research in the History of the Øresund Region and East Denmark], Malmö Museum, Malmö, Sweden. **Organizer:** Malmö Museum. **Presentation:** *Teorin om det dynamiska urbana systemet. Exempel: Haderslev* [The Dynamic Urban System Theory. Case Study: Haderslev], October 6, 2011.
- *Workshop om tidigmodernitet i våra städer: problem och möjligheter i jämförelser* [Workshop on the Early Modern in Our Towns: Obstacles and Possibilities in the Comparative], *Department of Historical Studies, University of Gothenburg*, Sweden. **Organizer:** Den tidigmoderna staden – arkeologi mellan det lokala och det globala [The Early Modern Town – Archaeology Between the Local and the Global]. **Presentation:** *Lödöse – arkeologi och historia i fruktsam symbios* [Lödöse – archaeology and history in a fruitful symbiosis], June 17, 2011.

- *New Directions in Medieval Scandinavian Studies, 30th Annual Conference of the Center for Medieval Studies, Fordham University, New York, New York, USA. Organizer:* Center for Medieval Studies, Fordham University. *Paper presented:* *The Influence of Nationalism on the Interpretative Frameworks of the Medieval Scandinavian State and Urbanization Processes. Case Study: The Town of Lödöse*, March 27–28, 2010.
- *IXth International Conference on Urban History, Lyon, France. Organizer:* European Association for Urban History (EAUH). *Paper presented:* *From International Gateway Town to Central Place of Local (in)Significance – the Process of Change in the Hinterland of the Swedish Town of Lödöse, c. 1050-1646*, August 27–30, 2008.
- *International Medieval Congress (IMC), Leeds, United Kingdom. Organizer:* Institute for Medieval Studies, Leeds University. *Paper presented:* *Why They Went to Town: Saints' Cults, Festa Fori, Markets and Urban Functions in the Town of Lödöse*, July 9–12, 2007.
- *NURBAN, Härnösand, Sweden. Organizer:* Department of History, Mid Sweden University. *Paper presented:* *Lödöse stads urbana funktioner c. 1050-1646* [The Urban Functions of the Town of Lödöse, c. 1050-1646], May 29–30, 2007.
- *Eighth International Conference on Urban History, Stockholm, Sweden. Organizer:* European Association for Urban History (EAUH). *Paper presented:* *On the Town of Lödöse – an Attempt to Explain Continuity and Change in a Medieval Port Town on the Swedish-Norwegian Border (1050-1646)*, August 30 – September 2, 2006.

Attended Conferences (no presentation).

- *Medieval Academy of America 85th Annual Meeting, Yale University, Connecticut, USA, March 18–20, 2010. Organizer:* Medieval Academy of America, USA.
- *Guilds, Towns and Cultural Transmission of the North, 1300-1500, Syddansk Universitet, Odense, Denmark, November 9–10, 2009. Organizer:* Syddansk Universitet, Odense, Denmark.
- *Nordic State Development in the Middle Ages, Voss, Norway, September 14–17, 2009. Organizer:* Center for Medieval Studies, University of Bergen, Norway.
- *American Historical Association 123rd Annual Meeting, New York, New York, USA, January 2–5, 2009. Organizer:* American Historical Association.
- *Svenska Historikermötet 2008: Gränser, identiteter och kulturmöten* [Swedish Historical Conference 2008: Borders, Identities and Cultural Encounters], Lund, Sweden, April 24–26, 2008. *Organizer:* Lund University, Sweden.
- *Along the Oral-Written Continuum: Types of Texts, Relations and Their Implications, University of Bergen, Norway, October 17–19, 2007. Organizer:* Center for Medieval Studies, University of Bergen, Norway.

OTHER ORGANIZED CONFERENCES

- *Belarus International Implementers Meeting (BIIM), Stockholm, Sweden, September 14–17, 2011. Organizer:* Culture Clinic (NGO), Sweden. *Role:* Project Manager.

INVITED TALKS

- *Global Learning Teaching Strategies Workshop. Igniting Creativity as a Global Learning Strategy, Global Learning Initiative, Florida International University, Miami, FL, February 27, 2019.*
- *Tuesday Times Roundtable: Are We Really Global Citizens?, Global Learning Initiative/The New York Times, Florida International University, Miami, FL, September 18, 2018.*

- *TEDx University of Gothenburg: Water*, University of Gothenburg. **Organizer:** University of Gothenburg under license from TED Conferences. *TEDx Talk: In Cod We Trust – The Historical Background to the Future Challenges of Marine Ecosystems*, November 25, 2011.
- *Mandagsseminar*, IAKH, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway. **Paper presented:** the published article *Bland renhorn och läder eller svenskt och norskt i Lödöse stad* [Among Antlers and Leather – or Norwegian and Swedish Influence in the Town of Lödöse], November 3, 2008.
- *Center for Medieval Studies Research School Seminar*, University of Bergen, Norway. **Paper presented:** *Bland renhorn och läder – en diskussion om norskt och svenskt i Lödöse* [Among Antlers and Leather – a Discussion on Norwegian and Swedish Influence in Lödöse], October 23, 2007.
- *Freitags-Kolloquium zu Problemen vergleichender Städtegeschichte*, Institut für vergleichende Städtegeschichte, Münster, Germany. **Paper presented:** *The Town that Was Discarded – the Decline of the Swedish Town of Lödöse, 1350-1646*, June 29, 2007.

SCHOLARSHIPS, STIPENDS AND AWARDS

Independent Research Project: At the Edges of Empires. Small States as Colonial Agents in the Atlantic and the Baltic Worlds, 1642–1655.

Gunvor och Josef Anérs Stiftelse, fall 2015, fall 2016, fall 2017.

Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse, spring 2016.

Independent Research Project: Triton. An Historiographical Analysis of Maritime Historical and Archaeological Research in Scandinavia.

Herbert och Karin Jacobssons Stiftelse, spring 2011.

Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse, spring 2011.

Kungliga och Hvitfeldtska Stiftelsen Överskottsfonden, spring 2011.

Carl Johan Linderbergs Fornminnesfond, spring 2011.

Mary von Sydows Minnesfond, spring 2011.

International Scholarship.

Nordic Centre for Medieval Studies Mobility Scholarship, University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway, fall 2007.

Dissertation and International Conferences Stipends.

Stiftelsen Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond, spring 2008, 2007.

Stiftelsen Paul och Marie Berghaus donationsfond, spring 2008, 2007, 2006.

Gunvor och Josef Anérs Stiftelse, spring 2009, fall 2007.

Kungliga Gustav Adolfs Akademien, spring 2009, spring 2007.

Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse, spring 2011, spring 2009, spring 2007, 2006.

Per Lindecrantz fond, spring 2006.

Adlerbertska stipendiefonden, fall 2006, 2005.

Letterstedtska föreningen, spring 2009.

Kungliga och Hvitfeldtska Stiftelsen, spring 2011, spring 2009.

Lennart J Hägglunds Stiftelse, spring 2009.

LANGUAGES

I am a native speaker of Swedish, and I am fluent in English at an advanced level. As a speaker of Swedish, I am also able to read Norwegian and Danish. My Latin and German are at intermediate levels.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

Association of Writers and Writing Programs.

Medieval Academy of America.