

Dr Dean Clay

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Education and Qualifications

- 2019** **PhD, History, Liverpool John Moores University**
Thesis Title: ‘The Congo Reform Association and the beginning of Transnational Humanitarianism, 1904-1913’.
Supervisors: Professor Nick White, Dr Christopher Vaughan, and Dr James Crossland
- 2013** **MA, History, University of Northumbria**
Thesis Title: ‘Anglo-American Activism over atrocities in the Congo Free State’
Supervisors: Professor Michael Cullinane and Dr Daniel Laqua
- 2012** **BA Honours (2:1), History, University of Northumbria**

Teaching Experience

Sept. 2021 – Present **Lecturer in History/Programme Director, University of Hull**

Modules led/taught:

Shamans, Priests, and Witches
Human Worlds
Interactions and Exchanges: The Roots of Globalisation
History Group Project
Co-produced Module
Revolutions: Continuity and Change
Practising History (MA)
Memory, Meaning and History (MA – module lead)

Sept. 2020 – July 2021 **Associate Lecturer in History, Liverpool John Moores University**

Modules taught:

The International History of the Cold War
Lion Rampant, Lion Tamed: The Rise and Fall of the British Empire
Modern Europe: Myth, Memory, and Uses of the Past

Laws of War

Germany's Path to Modernity, 1871-1918

Jan. 2020 – August 2021 **Associate Lecturer in American Studies, Northumbria University**

Modules taught: The American West

Jan. 2020 – June 2020 **Associate Lecturer, Newcastle University**

Modules taught: The History of the Americas

Feb. 2015 – July 2019 **Graduate Teaching Assistant, LJMU**

Modules designed

History Dissertation module: designed sessions on essay writing and presentation skills

Independent Study module: designed sessions on extended essay writing

Modules taught (lectures and seminars):

- Lion Rampant, Lion Tamed: The Rise and Fall of the British Empire
- The American Age: People, Power and Politics Making History
- History at Work
- Making History
- Modern European History: Myth, Memory and Uses of the Past
- Revolutions
- Dissertation
- Independent Study

Other duties included preparing for delivery of seminars, marking of assessed work, and providing pastoral support to students.

Publications

Published

“A Clash of Titans”: Big Business and the Congo Reform Movement,’ *History: The Journal of the Historical Association*, Vol. 107, Issue 374 (20 October 2021), 97-120.

“David vs Goliath”: The Congo Free State Propaganda War, 1890-1909,’ *International History Review*, Vol.43, Issue 1 (2021), 457-474.

‘Transnational Dimensions of the Congo Reform Movement, 1904-1908,’ *English Studies in Africa*, Vol.58, No.1 (April 2016), 18-28.

Under Review

“The ‘Open Sore of America’: Race and the American Congo Reform Movement, 1885 – 1908,” invited to revise and resubmit with the *Journal of American Studies*, December 2022.

Media

‘L’état C’est Moi: Leopold II and Belgium’s Imperial Memorials,’ *Brussels Times*, 17 June 2020.

Funding and Awards

HOTCUS Conference Bursary

June 2019, June 2022 – Awarded to attend the HOTCUS conference.

Liverpool John Moores University

January 2015-January 2018: Doctoral Studentship from Liverpool John Moores University (£13,863 per annum stipend, including full tuition fee bursary).

Royal Historical Society

Research grant 2017 – Awarded for a research trip to the National Archives at Kew, Richmond to access Foreign Office papers relating to Anglo-American relations and the Congo Free State at the beginning of the twentieth century.

Research grant 2016 – Awarded for a research trip to the USA to access the Robert E. Park archives at the University of Chicago, and the G. Stanley Hall archives at Clark University, Worcester, MA., both leading figures within the American Congo reform movement.

Scholarly Networks

Committee member of the **International History and Diplomacy in the Twentieth Century** research network (launched in 2017): editor of www.ihd.news; co-organisation of annual symposia

Member of the European research network ‘**The Congo Free State across Language, Media, Culture**’, funded by Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) from 2014 – 2017 (principal investigator: Prof. Sara De Mul); created the website www.congofreestate.com in conjunction with the Open University of the Netherlands and the Royal Museum for Central Africa

Network Coordinator for the **North East Transnational and World History Research Centre (NETWoRC)**; editor of the NETWoRC blog and maintain the social media account

Professional Memberships

Early Career Member of the Royal Historical Society

British Scholar Society

Historians of the Twentieth Century United States

Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

Conference Papers Presented

“‘To Bunco a Yankee’: The American Congo Reform Movement, 1903-1909’, Historians of the Twentieth Century United States Annual Conference, Edinburgh, June 2022.

‘The “Open Sore” of America: Race and the American Congo Reform Movement, 1885-1908’, British Association for American Studies Annual Conference, Hull, 2022.

“‘David vs Goliath’: The Congo Free State Propaganda War, 1890-1909’, Historians of the Twentieth Century United States Annual Conference, Liverpool, June 2019.

‘Bringing Light into the Heart of Darkness: Transnational Human Rights and the Congo Reform Association’, Britain and the World Conference, Exeter, June 2018.

‘Congo Reform and the Liverpool Business Community’, North American Conference on British Studies, Denver, Colorado, 2017.

‘The Congo Reform Association and the beginning of Transnational Humanitarianism, 1903-1913’, British International History Group Conference, Keele, 2017.

‘The role of propaganda discourses in Anglo-American activism over atrocities in the Congo Free State, 1904-1909’, Britain and the World Conference, London, 2016.

References

Professor Martin Thomas (External examiner)

Professor Nick White (Director of Studies)

Dr Charles Prior (Head of the School of Humanities)