

# Daniel Mahoney

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## Education

The University of Chicago

Ph.D. in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, 2014

Thesis Title: “The Political Landscape of the Yemeni Central Highlands during the Late Medieval and Early Modern Periods”

M.A. in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, 2005

University of Wisconsin-Madison

B.S. with distinction in Anthropology, 2002

Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society and Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society

## Research Positions

2019-Present *Post-Doctoral Researcher*, University of Ghent, “Mamlukisation of the Mamluk Sultanate II: Historiography, Political Order and State Formation in 15th-Century Egypt and Syria”, director Jo Van Steenbergen

2018-2019 *Research Fellow*, University of Bonn, Annemarie-Schimmel Kolleg “History and Society during the Mamluk Era (1250-1517)”, director Stephan Conermann and co-director Bethany Walker

2014-2019 *Post-Doctoral Researcher*, Austrian Academy of Sciences and the University of Vienna, *Visions of Community: Comparative Approaches to Ethnicity, Region and Empire in Christianity, Islam and Buddhism (400-1600 CE)*, directors Walter Pohl and Andre Gingrich

2011-2014 *Doctoral Researcher*, Austrian Academy of Sciences and the University of Vienna, *Visions of Community: Comparative Approaches to Ethnicity, Region and Empire in Christianity, Islam and Buddhism (400-1600 CE)*, directors Walter Pohl and Andre Gingrich

## Selected Peer-Reviewed Publications

“Medieval Reports of the Preservation and Looting of Pre-Islamic Burials in South Arabia,” *International Journal of Islamic Architecture* 8.1 (2019): 71-87. (DOI: 10.1386/ijia.8.1.71\_1)

“Settlement Patterns and Fortification Architecture in the Central Highlands of Yemen,” *Journal of Islamic Archaeology* 5.2 (2018). (DOI: 10.1558/jia.33381)

“Writing the Ethnic Origins of the Rasulids in Late Medieval South Arabia,” *The Medieval History Journal* 21.2 (2018): 380-399. (DOI: 10.1177/0971945818775459)

“The Role of Horses in the Politics of Late Medieval South Arabia,” *Arabian Humanities: International Journal of Archaeology and Social Sciences in the Arabian Peninsula* 8 (2017). (DOI: 10.4000/cy.3287)

“The Political Agency of Kurds as an Ethnic Group in Late Medieval South Arabia,” *Medieval Worlds* 3 (2016): 146-157. (DOI: 10.1553/medievalworlds\_no3\_2016s146)

“The Political Construction of a Tribal Genealogy from Early Medieval South Arabia,” in *Meanings of Community across Medieval Eurasia*, E. Hovden, C. Lutter, and W. Pohl (eds.), 163-182. Leiden: Brill, 2016. (DOI: 10.1163/9789004315693\_009)

“Ceramic Production in the Yemeni Central Highlands during the Islamic Period,” in *Landscapes of the Islamic World: Archaeology, History, and Ethnography*, S. McPhillips and P. Wordsworth (eds.), 129-142. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2016. (DOI: 10.1553/0x003718e5)

“Cultural Heritage and Identity Politics in Early Medieval South Arabia,” in *Southwest Arabia across History*, A. Gingrich and S. Haas (eds.), 67-78. Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences Press, 2014. (DOI: 0x003763fe)

### **Fellowships and Grants**

2019	Fritz Thyssen Stiftung (Germany)
2018-2019	Annemarie-Schimmel Kolleg Research Fellowship (U. of Bonn)
2011, 2010	Doolittle-Harrison Travel Fellowship (U. of Chicago)
2010, 2006	American Institute for Yemeni Studies Research Fellowship
2008-2009	IIE Fulbright Fellowship
2008-2009	Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship (declined)
2005-2011	Helen Rich Travel Grants (The Oriental Institute of the U. of Chicago)
2004	American Institute for Yemeni Studies Language Fellowship
2003-2008	Century Fellowship (U. of Chicago)
2001	Phi Kappa Phi Summer Research Fellowship

### **Selected Conference and Workshop Papers**

- 2019 “Medieval Antiquarian Writing about Ancient South Arabia,” “Antiquarianism in the Islamic World” conference, Bard Graduate Center (USA)
- 2019 “Power Dynamics between Yemeni Islamic Jurists and the Early Rasulid Sultanate,” “Interdisciplinary Approaches to Rasulid Entanglement in the Medieval Islamic World” conference, University of Bonn (Germany)
- 2018 “The Social Lives and Networks of Late Medieval Yemen in Transformation,” “Whither Islamicate Digital Humanities? Analytics, Tools, Corpora” conference, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Amsterdam (The Netherlands)
- 2018 “The Place of Zafār in Medieval Yemen,” Cities Workshop 2: “Zafar – Material History of a Buried South Arabian City on the Eve of Islam”, New York University (USA)
- 2018 “Local Legal Resistance to Emergent Rasulid Authority in the 13th Century,” World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies, Seville (Spain)
- 2018 “A Comparative Approach to Medieval Biographical Collections from Rasulid South Arabia,” International Medieval Congress, Leeds (UK)

- 2018 “Understanding Yemeni Tribalism: A Temporal Approach,” Yemen’s Living Heritage: Tribes and Tribalism into the 21st Century Workshop, Vienna (Austria)
- 2017 “The Ethnic Origin Narratives of the Rasulids in Late Medieval South Arabia,” Narratives of Ethnic and Tribal Origins in Eurasian Comparison Workshop, Vienna (Austria)
- 2017 “Deconstructing the Rasulid Court,” International Medieval Congress, Leeds (UK)
- 2017 “Obituaries in the Service of the Rasulid State,” Medieval Biographical Collections: Perspectives from Buddhist, Christian and Islamic Worlds Workshop, Vienna (Austria)
- 2016 “Reports of Muslims Looting Pre-Islamic Burials from a Medieval South Arabia Text,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Boston (USA)
- 2016 “Non-Local Glazed Ceramics from the Islamic Period Yemeni Highlands,” 10th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, Vienna (Austria)
- 2016 “Under Siege: The Political Landscape of the Yemeni Central Highlands during the Late Medieval and Early Ottoman Periods,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta (USA)