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## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Harvard University, Department of the History of Science, est. 2020  
Dissertation: *Lost Souls Delivered: LSD, Technopolitics, and the Battle for the Spirit of a Nation*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

technopolitics / history of the social sciences / science, technology, & society

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Contributor*

Vito Campanelli and Danilo Capasso, *Cultura e nuovi media: Cinque interrogativi di Lev Manovich*.  
Napoli: MAO – Media & Arts Office Onlus, 2011.

## PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES

“A Priest, a Panther, and a Witch Walk into a Brawl”  
How Psychotropic Substances Transformed the World: Harvesting, Producing and Consuming LSD,  
Psilocybin and Mescaline, Universität Bern, April 2018

“Cool Medium: Art, Television, and Psychedelia”  
Invited talk with the curator, deCordova Sculpture Garden and Museum, February 2018

“An Oblique Complement: Hannah Arendt’s Scientific Engagement”  
Hannah Arendt Circle, March 2014

“Plato and the Logic of Desire”  
Western Political Science Association Conference, March 2013

“Physics Duds, Forensic Studs: On the Popularity of Forensic Science”  
Invited lecturer, Sarah Lawrence College, May 2003

“Man or Astro-man? Cyborgs and the Genetic Frontier”  
Equinoxes 2000: Science and Culture, Literature/Theory/Action, Brown University, March 2000

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard University: Teaching Fellow, 2017 –  
History of the Psychotherapies  
Sophomore Tutorial in the History of Science  
Junior Tutorial in the History of Science

Indiana University: Instructor, 2014  
Scientific Reasoning

Indiana University: Assistant Instructor, 2011 – 14  
Introduction to Political Theory  
Modern Political Thought  
Introduction to American Politics  
American Political Controversies

## HONORS & AWARDS

Hiebert Dissertation Fellowship in the History of Science, Harvard University, 2018  
Language Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, 2016  
Graduate Conference Travel Award, College Arts & Humanities Institute, Indiana University, 2014  
Best Paper in Political Theory, Indiana University Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2013  
Department of Political Science Fellowship, Indiana University, 2012  
University of Chicago Scholarship, University of Chicago, 2009  
Ed Cogan Prize in Science and Mathematics, Sarah Lawrence College, 2001  
Gaylord Donnelly Family Scholarship, Sarah Lawrence College, 2000

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### *Affiliations*

American Historical Association, Association for Political Theory, History of Science Society

### *Service*

Webmaster, Philosophy of Science Association Women's Caucus, 2014 – 15  
Web Committee, Department of Medical Informatics & Clinical Epidemiology, Oregon Health & Science University, 2006 – 07  
Curriculum Committee, Department of Medical Informatics & Clinical Epidemiology, Oregon Health & Science University, 2005 – 07

## LANGUAGES

Reading knowledge: Spanish