

**Nomination For Appointment as an
Associate Member
Of the Graduate Faculty**

Name of nominee: Brian Mann Date: 8/14/19
Department/school: History/CLAS
E-mail address of nominee bmann@eiu.edu
Graduate courses to be taught: none in 2019/2020
Semester/term and year of approval: Fall/Spring 2019-2020
Need for this assignment: Prof. Mann is our sole expert on the modern Middle East and currently serves on several MA exam committees, representing the Modern World field for those students.
Length of Appointment: ☒ 1 year term: ☐ 2 year term: ☐ 3 year term:

Profile of the candidate:

A. Date appointed to EIU Faculty: July 2012

B. Current academic rank: Instructor

C. Academic and professional experience:

Highest degree earned: M.A.

Date awarded: 2005


Degree granting institution: University of Texas, Austin

Field of specialization: Modern Middle East

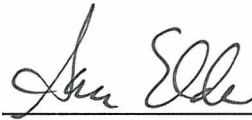
D. Evidence of other education, professional activity, and specialization in teaching areas within the last three years (workshops, research, service, creative activity, etc.). Please put in vita format and attach.

E. List the graduate courses taught by the candidate during the last three years:

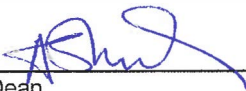
HIS 4775A: British Empire & Islamic World; HIS 4782: Modern Iran; HIS 57001: Nationalism & HIS 57001: West & Islamic World; HIS 59901: Persian Language; HIS 59901: Jihad & Martyrdom



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26 August 2019

Dear Dean Hendrickson,

I am writing to ask for special dispensation for Prof. Brian Mann in granting him associate graduate faculty status in the History Department. This unusual request arises from unusual circumstances. Brian is our only Middle East expert, and he also happens to be a Unit B faculty member without a terminal degree. I am hoping for an exception to the "tested experience" provision in IGP #30, if it is deemed necessary. Brian does have his M.A. in History from the University of Texas at Austin and is ABD there as well, with advanced work completed on the modern Middle East. He has been an active and vital member of our department, serving as undergraduate advisor, webmaster, and this year as the interim coordinator of our teacher certification program. Over the past year he has engaged in outreach with a series of public lectures that have highlighted the department's role in commemorating important events in the Middle East, and these lectures have been informed by his own expertise in the subject.

Brian is also vital to our graduate program. Having him available to offer courses in the modern Middle East fulfills significant needs in our curriculum: first, obviously the Middle East itself is an important subject for history graduate students to learn about, especially in the 21st century; second, his courses fulfill the Modern World requirement for those students who choose Modern for their major or minor concentration. For this reason Brian has also served as a representative of the Modern World concentration on MA exam committees for years. He is currently on three such committees, as well as two thesis committees. These students have worked with him and anticipate that he will be one of their examiners on their MA exams. Unfortunately, staffing changes in recent years have led us to have only a few modernists among our faculty. This makes his role in keeping our graduate curriculum viable and in fulfilling program needs all the more essential.

I understand the gravity of this request, and I do very much appreciate the consideration given to this matter. I am happy to follow up with additional information as requested.

Thank you,

Lee E. Patterson
Professor and Graduate Coordinator
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Graduate Faculty Exception Request

Jay Gatrell

Tue 8/27/2019 1:46 PM

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Dean Hendrickson,

I have reviewed Dr. Patterson's memo which explicitly requests a tested experience exception. While I recognize Mr. Mann's vita does not explicitly include professional experience (i.e., non-academic experience), he has published and presented on related topics since 2014. Additionally, he has also taught courses at the 4775-level and higher since Fall 2014. Further, I note he has contributed to MA exam committees.

In light of these experiences, I approve a Provost's exception to the policy contingent upon standard CGS practices.

Jay

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Teaching/Primary Duties

Courses (in chronological order)

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HIS 57001/2 – World History Seminar: Nationalism and Identity	S19, S15
HIS 3555 - Modern World History	S19
HIS 44001/59901 – Independent Study: Persian & Culture	S19, F18, S18, S17, S16, S15
HIS 1526G – World History: The Twentieth-Century World	F18, S18, F17, F16, F15, F14
HIS 3200 – Islamic History	F18, F15, F13
HIS 57001/2 – World History Seminar: The West & the Islamic World	S18, S16
HIS 4775A – The British Empire and the Islamic World	F17, F14
HIS 59901 – Independent Study: Cold War in the Middle East	Su17, S16
HIS 4782 – Modern Iran	S17
HIS 44001/59901 – Independent Study: Persian Language & Culture	Sp17, Sp16, Sp15, Sp14
HIS 3210 – Modern Middle East	F16, Sp14
HIS 4781 – The Arab-Israeli Conflict	F15
HIS 4785 – Crusade & Jihad	S15
HIS 59901 – Independent Study: Jihad & Martyrdom	S15
• Dept. undergraduate advisor (F16 to present)	
• Dept. webmaster (F14 to present)	
• Served on 7 MA exam committee (AY 18-19)	

Research & Professional Activity

Public Lecture & Discussant: “Everything Else is Darkness”: The Iranian Revolution at 40 Years”	2019
• Organized EIU event. Gave talk & participated in roundtable discussion. Also prepared a grad student and an undergraduate student for participation at event.	
Public Lecture & Discussant: “Fighting for Faith? Religion and War in West Asia”	2019
• Organized EIU event. Gave talk & participated in roundtable discussion.	
Public Lecture: “Teaching the Islamic World: History, Religion, & Geography”	2018
• Gave lecture on new trends in pedagogy and content at the 39 th Annual History and Social Studies Teachers Conference	
Public Lecture & Discussant: “Trump’s Foreign Policy in the Middle East”	2018
• Co-organized EIU event. Gave talk & participated in roundtable discussion.	
Public Lecture: “Teaching the Arab-Israeli Conflict”	2017
• Gave lecture on new trends in pedagogy and content at the 38 th Annual History and Social Studies Teachers Conference	
Public Lecture: “The Syrian Refugee Crisis”	2017
• Gave lecture prior to public screening of the film <i>After Spring</i> at the Tarble Arts Center at EIU	
Public Lecture & Discussant: “Energy in Asia”	2016
• Co-organized EIU event. Gave talk & participated in roundtable discussion.	
ICGD Grant Award	2015
• Received an ICGD grant for research on Khuzistani development programs.	
Public Lecture: “Iran’s Nuclear Program & its Implications for the Middle East & World”	2015
• Gave keynote address at History Department annual awards banquet.	
Public Lecture and Discussant: “The Origins of the Islamic State of Iraq & the Levant”	2015
• Co-organized EIU event. Gave talk & participated in roundtable discussion.	

Public Workshop: "Safely Researching Islamist Groups"

2015

- Led a workshop open to students and faculty on how to safely research Islamist groups.

Conference Presentation: "Development Arrested: David E. Lilienthal, the Khuzistan Plan, and the Arabs of Iran"

2015

- Presented at the annual conference of the Middle East Studies Association

Book Chapter: "The Khuzistani Arab Movement, 1941-46: A Case of Nationalism?"

2014

- Published in the edited volume *Rethinking Iranian Nationalism and Modernity* (U.Texas Press)

Public Lecture: "Modern Iranian Youth Culture"

2014

- Gave lecture prior to public screening of the film *No One Knows About Persian Cats* at EIU

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Rank: ACF – Instructor

Degree/date/inst.: MA History, University of Texas at Austin, 2005

Graduate Courses taught from Fall 14 to present (including HIS 4700+ courses since grad students were in them):

HIS 5700I – World History Seminar: Nationalism and Identity: Spring 19 & Spring 15

HIS 5700I/2 – World History Seminar: The West & the Islamic World: Spring 18 & Spring 16

HIS 5990I/2 – Independent Study: Persian Language & Culture: Fall 18, Spring 16, & Spring 15

HIS 5990I/2 – Independent Study: Cold War in the Middle East: Summer 17 & Spring 16

HIS 5990I/2 – Independent Study: Jihad & Martyrdom: Spring 15

HIS 4775A – The British Empire and the Islamic World: Fall 17 & Fall 14

HIS 4781 – The Arab-Israeli Conflict: Fall 15

HIS 4782 – Modern Iran: Spring 17

HIS 4785 – Crusade & Jihad: Spring 15