

## Carlos Grenier

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### EDUCATION

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- 2016      Ph.D., History, University of Chicago (Formal conferral expected June 10, 2017)
- Dissertation (completed): "The Yazıcıoğlus and the Spiritual Vernacular of the Early Ottoman Frontier," defended February 24, 2017
- Committee: Cornell H. Fleischer (Chair), John E. Woods, Hakan Karateke
- 2011      M.A., History, University of Chicago
- 2009      M.A., Near Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley
- 2005      B.A., Biological Sciences (honors), University of Chicago

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Late medieval and early modern Islamic intellectual and cultural history; piety in the Ottoman Empire; popular religion and Sufism in civic life; Mediterranean borderlands; confessionalization and canon formation; regional and local histories in early modern empires; the Ottomans and Iran; premodern science and occultism.

### GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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- 2015-16    University of Chicago Social Sciences Division Harper/Provost Dissertation Year Fellowship
- 2013-14    Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Award, for research in Turkey
- 2009-11    Five-Year Fellowship, Social Sciences Division, University of Chicago
- 2008      Critical Languages Scholarship for the study of Modern Turkish at Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
- 2007-8     Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### *Preceptor*

2016-17 Preceptor, Master's Program of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Chicago

### *Lecturer*

2016-17 Guest Lecturer, Loyola University, Chicago

### *Teaching Assistant and Intern*

2017 "Islamic History and Society II: The Middle Period," University of Chicago

2013 "Ancient Empires: Ottoman Empire," University of Chicago

"Renaissance East and West: Boundaries and Connections in the Mediterranean,"  
Co-instructor, University of Chicago

2012-13 "Power, Identity, Resistance," University of Chicago

2012 "Ancient Empires: Ottoman Empire," University of Chicago

## **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE**

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2017 Coordinator, Early Modern Workshop, University of Chicago

2013 Lead Organizer, Middle East History and Theory Conference

2012-13 Coordinator, Middle East History and Theory Workshop, University of Chicago

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Articles Under Review*

- 2016 "The Yazıcıoğlu Brothers and the Textual Genealogies of Ottoman Islam"  
(accepted for publication in *Turcica*, vol. 49)
- "To String the Pearls of Orthodoxy: Vernacular Islamic Apologetics on the Fifteenth-Century Mediterranean Frontier" (under review)

### *Articles in Progress*

- 2017 "Solomon, his Temple, and Ottoman Imperial Anxieties"
- "Reassessing the Authorship of the *Dürr-i Mekkun*"

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

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- 2017 "Solomon, his Temple, and Ottoman Imperial Anxieties," Middle East History and Theory Conference, Chicago
- 2016 "'To String the Pearls of Orthodoxy': Vernacular Islamic Apologetics on the Fifteenth-Century Mediterranean Frontier," Newberry Center for Renaissance Studies Conference, Chicago
- 2015 "I saw some *subaşı*s and asked how they could favor me': Patronage on the Early Ottoman Borderlands," Middle East Studies Association Conference, Denver
- "Sunni Catechistics on the Fifteenth-Century Ottoman Frontier," Middle East History and Theory Conference, Chicago
- 2014 "Writing a Frontier Canon: The Works of Ahmed and Mehmed Yazıcızade," Middle East Studies Association Conference, Washington D.C.
- 2012 "The Caliph of the Unseen World: Qasim-i Anvar and Mystical Leadership in Timurid Iran," Middle East History and Theory Conference, Chicago; same paper also presented at American Oriental Society Conference, Boston

*Workshop Presentations*

- 2016        “Man and Cosmos at the World’s Edge: Natural Philosophy in the Vernacular Turkish Writings of Ahmed Bican,” Early Modern Workshop, University of Chicago
- “Sunni Apologetics in Fifteenth-Century Gallipoli,” Late Antiquity and Byzantine Studies Workshop, University of Chicago
- 2013        “The Politics of Piety Between Istanbul and Tabriz, 1478-1512,” Early Modern Workshop, University of Chicago

**LANGUAGES**

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Turkish – Proficiency

Ottoman Turkish – Reading proficiency, paleography

Arabic (classical) – Reading proficiency, paleography

Persian – Reading proficiency, paleography

French – Reading proficiency

German – Reading knowledge

Spanish – Proficiency

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

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Middle East Studies Association

American Oriental Society

Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association

**REFERENCES**

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