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Research Interests: Medieval Mediterranean: political, social, economic history; Sicily, southern Italy, Malta; Jewish-Christian relations; food and foodways.

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List of Publications:

2013. 'Amalасenta', in Mary Hays, *Female Biography; or, Memoirs of Illustrious and Celebrated Women, of All Ages and Countries* (1803). *Chawton House Library Series: Women's Memoirs*, ed. G. Luria Walker, *Memoirs of Women Writers, Part III*. London: Pickering & Chatto, 2013, Vol. 5: 111-2.

'Salt and royal finance in the Kingdom of Naples under Alfonso the Magnanimous', *Medioevo Adriatico*, 3 (2010): 9-28.

'A Test-Case for Regional Market Integration? The Grain Trade between Malta and Sicily in the Late Middle Ages', in *Money, Markets and Trade in Late Medieval Europe: Essays in Honor of John H. A. Munro*, ed. L. Armstrong and I. Elbl. Leiden: Brill, 2007: 297-309.

'Malta and the Perollo Family of Sciacca', *Melita Historica*, XIV, 2 (2005): 239-46.

'The Maltese *Corso* in the Fifteenth Century', *Medieval Encounters*, 9 (2003): 193-203.

Biography:

I obtained my undergraduate degree in History at the University of Malta (B.A. Hons, 1995) before continuing my studies at Cambridge University (M.Phil. in Medieval History, 1997) and the University of Minnesota (Ph.D. in History, 2008). Prior to my current appointment at the University of Malta I was an assistant professor at Colorado State University (2008-2012).

My research and teaching interests center around the history of the Mediterranean in the later Middle Ages and especially Sicily, southern Italy and Malta from the twelfth to the fifteenth centuries. I am particularly drawn to the intersection of commercial and financial activities with political, social and cultural developments. Some of my recent publications include 'Salt and royal finance in the Kingdom of Naples under Alfonso the Magnanimous', *Medioevo Adriatico*, 3 (2010), and 'A Test-Case for Regional Market Integration? The Grain Trade between Malta and Sicily in the Late Middle Ages', in *Money, Markets and Trade in Late Medieval Europe: Essays in Honor of John H. A. Munro*, ed. L. Armstrong and I. Elbl (2007). I am currently engaged on two research projects: a book-length study on economy and society in fourteenth- and fifteenth-century Sciacca, and an article on the meat trade in medieval Sicily as a backdrop for interactions between the Jewish and Christian communities. My teaching portfolio includes courses on Medieval Europe, the Crusades, Jewish-Christian relations in the Middle Ages, Urban Society in Medieval Italy, and World History.