

## PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Thank you as always for your support of and interest in the History Graduate Program at PC. We continue to be resilient during these challenging times, and the graduate program remains not unlike its former self. Powered by its people, I continue to be proud of the faculty and staff that have allowed the program to continue to grow and flourish. In our classrooms, we're engaging with the past in a meaningful way, and our students continue to think about & research the tough questions. Thanks again for taking the time to peruse the program's latest happenings – and I wish you a happy Spring!

— Dr. Jeff Johnson



## **RECENT NEWS**

History Professor is Appointed to the Providence College Board of Trustees Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee



Assistant Professor Dr. R. Alexander Orquiza, Jr. has been appointed to the Providence College Board of Trustees Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. He is one of two faculty members on the committee created by President Fr. Kenneth Sicard, O.P. The newly formed committee will work to address issues of systemic racism on our campus such as the assurance of an environment of equitable and inclusive policies and practices;

recruitment and retention of diverse students, faculty, staff, and trustees; ongoing and transparent assessment of campus climate; and continuing progress toward the achievement of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives in the PC200 strategic plan. Congratulations, Dr. Orquiza!

## **UPCOMING EVENT**

Graduate History Spring Virtual Info Session Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

The Graduate History Program will host its semiannual information session in a few weeks. The goal of this event is to help prospective students learn more about the program.

Please consider attending the session if you are interested in learning more about the curriculum, in-class experience, application process, or have any other questions.

All attendees will have their application fee waived.

REGISTER HERE

### **GRADUATE PROGRAM IN HISTORY**

# Alumni Stories: Ebru Erginbas

The Providence College Master of Arts in History program broadened my horizons and inspired me to open a new chapter in my academic endeavor. I cannot imagine an easier transition to my doctoral studies without the foundational skills I have developed at PC History Department. The wide-ranging course offerings gave me options to explore multiple subjects and time periods; also, its small-scale class settings provided an environment for professors and students to have a deeper engagement with the course materials.

My Master of Arts education in History at Providence College set the cornerstone in my academic career and it helped me to open a

new chapter in my life. I am very grateful for the opportunities Providence College has provided me, and I am specifically thankful that it revived the love of learning in me.

To prospective students, PC offers an excellent academic environment with a world-class faculty; it also offers a true community with a strong sense of belonging! If you are planning to pursue a graduate degree in History in an inclusive, caring, nourishing while academically challenging environment, do not spare a moment and visit PC History Department and fill out your application and start the transformation! It will open a new world to you. Forever grateful!

#### Want to share your own story? We would like to hear it!

Are you an alumnus or alumna of the PC Graduate History Program? We would love to hear your story! What have you been doing since finishing the program? How did the program help you in your career and life? Email history2@providence.edu for more details if you are interested. Read more about others' experiences and submit your own alumni story on our website.

# **COURSE UPDATE**

#### Summer I

- HIS 591: Europe 1914-1933
- HIS 770: Special Topics: Early Black Biographies
- HIS 770: Special Topics: Race, Class & Gender in Modern America

#### Summer II

- HIS 770: History of the Middle East through Biography
- HIS 770: Special Topics: The US and WWII in Europe

#### Fall

- HIS 630: The Early American Republic
- HIS 500: Methodology
- HIS 628: History of the Middle East to 1920
- HIS 654: Seminar in European History: The Holocaust





