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Boston College

### **Education:**

PhD, Economics, Harvard University, 1992.

### **Present Position:**

Assistant Professor to Professor, Department of History, Boston College, 1998-present.

### **Select Awards and Fellowships:**

Boston College Graduate Teaching & Mentoring Award, May 2015.

Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Beatrice Shepherd Blane Fellow, 2014-5.

Jerry Bentley World History Association Book Prize, 2012.

American Council of Learned Societies, Senior Fellow, 2004-5.

Dibner Institute for the History of Science and Technology, Cambridge, Mass., Senior Fellow, 2004-5.

### **Books:**

*Indian Ocean Current: Six Artistic Narratives* (Chestnut Hill, Mass.: McMullen Museum of Art, 2020).

*Why Europe Grew Rich and Asia Did Not: Global Economic Divergence, 1600-1850* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011).

*The Spinning World: A Global History of Cotton Textiles, 1200-1800* (Pasold Studies in Textile History, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009) (edited with Giorgio Riello).

*The Transition to a Colonial Economy: Weavers, Merchants and Kings in South India, 1720-1800* (Studies in Indian Society and History, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2001).

### **Select Articles:**

“Water and Agriculture in Nineteenth-Century Tamilnad,” *Modern Asian Studies*, 51, 2 (March 2017), pp. 485-510.

“Money and Ritual in Eighteenth-Century South India,” *The Medieval History Journal*, 19, 1 (2016), pp. 1-20.

“The Great Divergence,” *Past and Present*, no. 176 (August 2002), pp. 273-91.

“Rethinking Wages and Competitiveness in the Eighteenth Century: Britain and South India,” *Past and Present*, no. 158 (February 1998), pp. 79-109.

**Select Editorial Boards:** *Capitalism: A Journal of History and Economics*; *Journal of World History*; *American Historical Review*; *Indian History*; *Medieval History Journal*; *International Labor and Working-Class History*; *Journal of Social History*; *Textile History*.