

## MADELINE WOKER

### **Brown University**

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## EMPLOYMENT

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### **Watson Institute, Brown University**

Providence, RI

Research Associate in International and Public Affairs

Fall 2020- Summer 2022

## EDUCATION

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### **Columbia University**

New York City, NY

PhD in International and Global History (2014- expected September 2020)

Dissertation: *Empire of inequality: the politics of taxation in the French colonial empire, 1900-1950s*

Committee members: Emmanuelle Saada (advisor), Gregory Mann, Vanessa Ogle, Susan Pedersen, Thomas Piketty, Adam Tooze

General Examinations fields: Debt, Taxation, and Power; French Empires; Comparative Empires; Colonial Southeast Asia

### **University of Cambridge**

Cambridge, UK

MPhil in Modern European History (with Distinction) (2014)

Thesis: *The politics of taxation in the French Empire: the case of Indochina, 1897-1939*

Adviser: Prof. Martin Daunton

### **London School of Economics and Political Science**

London, UK

MSc Politics and Government in the European Union

Stream II: The International Relations of Europe (2011)

### **Sciences Po Paris**

Paris, FR

Master in European Affairs (2011)

## PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

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“E. R. A. Seligman, initiator of global progressive public finance”, *Journal of Global History*, Volume 13, Issue 3, November 2018, pp. 352-373

## WORKING PAPERS AND FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

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“Challenging the colonial oligarchy: the politics of European fiscal privilege in the French colonial empire, 1900-1940s” (under review)

“Paying for subjection: the meaning of colonial “financial autonomy” in the French Empire” in Gurminder Bhabra and Julia McClure (Eds.) *Imperial Inequalities: States, Empires, Taxation* (Forthcoming, 2021)

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#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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“Global Taxation Is a Mess. Here’s How to Start Fixing It.” *The Nation*, December 20, 2019

“Quantitative Literacy for historians: who’s afraid of numbers?” (with Nicholas Mulder), *Perspectives on History*, Guest Blog, May 18, 2016

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#### GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS

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Max Weber postdoctoral fellowship, European University Institute (declined)

Core Program Fellowship, Camargo Foundation, Cassis, France, Spring 2019

Visiting PhD researcher, University of California Los Angeles, Prof. Minayo Nasiali, Fall 2018

Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellow, Summer Research Abroad, Sasakawa Fund, Japan, Summer 2018

GSAS International Travel Fellowship, Columbia University, 2017-2018

Alliance Doctoral Mobility Grant, Sciences Po Paris and Columbia University, Fall 2017

African Humanities Project Fellowship, Columbia Institute for African Studies, Summer 2017

Social Science Research Council Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship (DPDF), 2016

Center for History and Economics “History Project” Research Grant, Harvard University and University of Cambridge, 2016

Global Innovation Fellowship graduate student mentor, Columbia University, 2016

History in Action Research Assistantship for the “Money, Numbers and Power Series” - American Historical Association and INET YSI, 2016

Swiss Study Foundation Summer Research Fellowship, Swiss Study Foundation, Zürich, 2015

Dean Alonso Summer Language Fellowship (Vietnamese), Columbia University, 2015

Weatherhead East Asian Institute Summer Training Grant, Columbia University, 2015

Richard Hofstadter Fellowship, Columbia University, 2014

Ellen McArthur Grant, University of Cambridge, 2014

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#### ORGANIZED CONFERENCES, INVITED TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

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##### **Organized Conferences and Events**

“Capital and Ideology” – A closed workshop with Thomas Piketty, April 13, 2020, *Maison Française*, Columbia University (canceled)

“New Political Economies of the French empire, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries”, *Maison Française*, Columbia University, February 28, 2020. One-day interdisciplinary conference co-sponsored by ISERP (Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy), the department of History, and the Heyman Center for the Humanities.

“Money, Numbers and Power Series”, Columbia University, Fall 2016. Co-sponsored by the American Historical Association and INET YSI. A semester-long speakers’ series bringing together economists, political scientists, and historians. Organized with Nicholas Mulder.

### Invited Talks

“Paying for subjection: the meaning of colonial “financial autonomy””, *Imperial inequalities workshop*, University of Sussex, September 17-18, 2020 (Canceled)

“Empire of inequality: the politics of taxation in the French colonial empire, 1900-1950s” *ISERP Interdisciplinary Seminar Series*, Columbia University, April 3, 2020 (canceled)

“The politics of European fiscal privilege in the French colonial empire”, *European History and Politics Workshop*, Columbia University, October 2019

“Is there a spatial turn in economic history?”, *Center for History and Economics Paris Center* launching event, *Centre de sociologie des organisations*, Sciences Po Paris, June 2019

“Empire, taxes, and loopholes: taxation and colonial capitalism in the French empire, 1920s-1950s”, *UCLA European Colloquium*, November 2018

“Histoire politique et sociale de l’impôt en situation coloniale”, *Université pour Tous, Centre Diocésain des Glycines*, Algiers, Algeria, March 2018

“Empire of inequality: the politics of taxation in the French colonial empire, 1918-1939”, *État, Institutions, Sociétés seminar, Sciences Po, Paris*, February 2018

“Was there an *indigénat fiscal*? Colonial fiscal power, law and exception in the French colonial empire, 1881-1939”, *Law and its History Workshop*, Columbia Law School, February 25, 2017

“Paying for subjection: the politics of taxation in the French colonial empire, 1918-1939”, *Global Histories of Taxation and State Finances since the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, Conference of the Laureate of the 2016 International Research Award in Global History*, Basel, Switzerland, December 1-3, 2016

### Conference presentations

“Mind the Methodological Gap: Economics, History, and Economic History”, *American Historical Association annual meeting*, Seattle, January 7-10, 2021 (panel with Juliette Levy, Trevor Jackson, Caitlin Rosenthal, Grace Ballor)

“Taxation in time of crisis: the politics of anticolonial tax resistance in the French empire in the 1930s”, *French Colonial Historical Society Annual Conference*, Sherbrooke University, Montréal, June 2019

“Tax justice in the colonies: the politics of taxation and inequality in colonial Algeria, 1918-1939”, *Society for the Study of French History 2018 Annual Conference*, University of Warwick, UK, July 2018

“Fiscal Justice in the Colonies? The Politics of Taxation in the French Colonial Empire 1900-1939”, *Cultures and Knowledge of the economy 2016 Summer School*, German Historical Institute, Paris, June 2016

*History Across Borders Workshop*, Columbia University, USA, January 2016

*French Colonial Historical Society Annual Conference*, Pannasatra University, Siem Reap, Cambodia, June 2014

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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External reviewer: *The Business History Review*

Rapporteur, “Beyond France”, Columbia University Seminar co-convened by Tabetha Ewing, Gregory Mann, and Emmanuelle Saada, 2016-2017; 2019-2020

Co-organizer, “Money, Numbers and Power Speakers Series”, Columbia University, 2016

Coordinator, New York Southeast Asia Network (NYSEAN), Columbia University, 2015-2016

Co-convener, History Across Borders workshop, Columbia University, 2015-2016

Professional Membership: American Historical Association, French Colonial Historical Society

## TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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Columbia University, Teaching Fellow

Spring 2020      *American Civilization since 1865* – Prof. Premilla Nadasen

Fall 2019        *American Civilization to 1865* – Prof. Andrew Lipman

Spring 2017     *Modern France and its Empire* – Prof. Emmanuelle Saada

Fall 2016        *Politics of Terror: The French Revolution* – Prof. Charly Coleman

Fall 2015        *Capitalism in Crisis: A Global History of the Great Recession* – Prof. Adam Tooze

Columbia University, Graduate Student Mentor

2015-2016        Global Innovation Fund senior thesis program

## OTHER ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2012 – 2013: **Pompeu Fabra University - Economics department**, Barcelona, Spain –Research Assistant to Prof. Hans-Joachim Voth. Conducted research on the ERC-funded project “Securities in Times of Insecurity: Asset returns and Holdings during Political, Social and Economic Crises 1900- 1950”

2011-2012: Public Affairs Officer - **Inmarsat SA**, Switzerland

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Capitalism and Empire, Racial capitalism, History of economic life

Fiscal history, History of inequality, History of capitalism

French colonial history, Comparative colonialism

Colonial Southeast Asia, Colonial North Africa, Colonial Africa

## LANGUAGES

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French (native)

English (fluent)

Vietnamese (reading)

German (reading)

Arabic (beginner)