

FACULTY PROFILE

## **Kevin Ostoyich, Ph.D.**

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## **Biography**

Professor Ostoyich joined the History Department in 2006 after having taught at The University of Montana. He took his Ph.D. in history from Harvard University and has served as a former Notre Dame Erasmus Fellow and former Harvard Business School Research Associate. The German Historical Institute (Washington, D.C.) published his book *The German Society of Pennsylvania: A Guide to Its Book and Manuscript Collections*. Most recently his article "German Reformation" appears in Immanuel Ness, ed., *International Encyclopedia of Protest and Revolt* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2009). Professor Ostoyich's research has been funded by such institutions as The Krupp Foundation, the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, the German Historical Institute, and the Charles Warren Center for American History (Harvard). He is currently working on three book projects: 1) *The Transatlantic Soul: German Catholic Emigration during the Nineteenth Century* 2) *Divergent Paths? Conceptualizing German Culture in America during the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries* (with Birte Pfleger), and 3) *Confessional Conflict in German History* (with Johannes Heil).

At Valpo, Professor Ostoyich offers general courses on European History and specialized courses on German History. Professor Ostoyich is married to the wondrous Rebecca and has the eternally happy daughter Daphne Freya. In his spare time, Professor Ostoyich listens to the music of Richard Strauss, Johann Sebastian Bach, Beck, Led Zeppelin, the Beatles, and George Pasles' Overlord. His lifelong pursuit is to emulate the Bee Gees and he has named his 6.5 lbs Paperanian (Papillion-Pomeranian) dog after Maurice Gibb.

## **Education**

B.A. - University of Pennsylvania A.M. and Ph.D. - Harvard University

## **Research Interests**

Early and Modern Europe, Germany, Religion, and German-American Studies

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