

## Note from the Davis Fellow

By Michael Fischer

I would like to thank each and every one of you for an incredibly successful year at CENFAD! We have hosted fifteen events including colloquium presentations from scholars on a variety of topics, roundtable conversations with members of the US Army War College, talks from historians with compelling new books out, and visits from several former Temple graduate students and Davis Fellows. Without all of your generous support, these events would absolutely not have been possible. I have been honored to serve as the Davis Fellow this year. I am thrilled to have been part of such a proud tradition of scholarship and discourse.

CENFAD's success would also not have been possible without the leadership of Dr. Alan McPherson, whose guidance and dedication to high-level scholarship has been indispensable in the Center's success. Working alongside Dr. McPherson has been one of the bright spots in a long list of highlights during my year as Davis Fellow.

Though I am moving on from the Davis Fellowship, I will not be far or difficult to contact. I am eager to get into the classroom and teach on a variety of topics, including those covered by CENFAD's wonderful guests of the past year. I will also be busy at work, both in Gladfelter Hall and in the archives, working toward a dissertation wrestling with questions related to the Wilson Administration, American foreign policy, and the Russian Revolution.

As I leave the Davis Fellow's office, my friend and colleague Brandon Kinney will take my place as the 2019-2020 Davis Fellow. I know that CENFAD is in incredibly capable hands. Brandon will formally take over this summer, but in the meantime, please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or comments that you may have related to CENFAD.

I look forward to the future of CENFAD and to being involved in the community in my post-Davis Fellow work. I wish you all a successful end to the academic year, and a restful but productive summer.

Best,

Michael Fischer