

PATRICK WATT

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EDUCATION

Sep 2013-Present PhD in History: University of Edinburgh

Thesis Title: 'Managing Deadlock: Organisational Development in the British First Army, 1915'.

My doctoral work presents a framework for analysing institutional learning and adaptation in the British Army of the Great War. It uses concepts more commonly found in business studies, such as organisational culture theory, knowledge management and exchange, and organisational memory to analyse the offensive operations of the British First Army in the 1915 campaign on the western front. My thesis is the first to produce a model of how the British Army learned on the western front.

Sep 2012-Aug 2013 MSc by Research in History: University of Edinburgh (1st class)

Thesis Title: 'Kilted Canucks: How Scottish Military Identity shaped the 16th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force'. My thesis examined the use of Scottish associational culture in creating regiments in the Canadian militia and demonstrated how that platform of 'military Scottishness' was used as a basis for the formation of the Canadian Expeditionary Force in 1914.

Oct 2008-Jul 2012 BA (Hons) in History: Open University (2:1)

Courses Studied: Total War and Social Change 1914-1955; Empires 1492-1975; European History 1400-1900; Understanding Global Heritage; Introduction to the Arts.

FUNDING AWARDED (Currently £18,500)

2016	Simon Fennell Research Award, University of Edinburgh
2015	Western Front Association PhD Scholarship McMillan Scholarship, University of Edinburgh Scottish International Education Trust Bursary Agnes Parry History Award, University of Edinburgh Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict Research Grant, University of Edinburgh University of Edinburgh Research Support Fund Travel Grant
2014	McMillan Scholarship, University of Edinburgh Scottish International Education Trust Bursary Society for Army Historical Research Major University Research Grant Douglas Haig Fellowship, Haig Scholar's Award University of Edinburgh Research Support Fund Travel Grant
2013	Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict Research Grant, University of Edinburgh

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- *Steel and Tartan: The 4th Cameron Highlanders in the Great War* (Stroud: Spellmount, 2012).

Book Chapters and Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 'Douglas Haig and the Battle of Neuve Chapelle', in Spencer Jones (ed.), *Courage without Glory: The British Army on the Western Front, 1915* (Solihull: Helion & Co., 2015), pp.185-205.
- 'Militia Chieftains: Profiling the Founders of Canada's Scottish Militia Regiments', *The International Review of Scottish Studies* 39 (November 2014): pp.27-54.
- 'The Platoon: A Study of Number 10 Platoon, 6th Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders at the First Battle of the Scarpe, April 1917' in *Journal of the Society of Army Historical Research* 91, Issue 4 (Winter 2013): pp.299-319.
- 'The Last Scottish Invasion of England: The Highland Division in Bedford 1914-1915' in *History Scotland* Vol.13, Issue 1 (Jan/Feb 2013): pp.44-9

Forthcoming Works/Works Under Consideration

- "'Beautiful and Striking": Edinburgh's Scottish-American War Memorial'. Scheduled for publication in *History Scotland* November/December 2016.
- 'Manpower, Myth and Memory: Analysing Scotland's Military Contribution to the Great War'. Under consideration by the *Scottish Historical Review* as of November 2015.

Book Review

- 'Review of Stuart Allan and David Forsyth, *Common Cause: Commonwealth Scots and the Great War* (National Museums of Scotland, 2014) & Kevin Munro, *Scotland's First World War* (Historic Scotland, 2014), *Journal of Scottish Historical Studies* 35, No.2 (October 2015): pp.253-6.

Other Articles

- 'Sir Douglas Haig and the Battle of Neuve Chapelle', *Records of the Douglas Haig Fellowship*, Vol.18 (November 2014).
- 'The First World War: An Overview', *The Istanbul Review*, Vol.4 (Winter 2013): pp.16-22.
- 'The Man who Forged Saturday Soldiers into a Fighting Unit', *Inverness Courier* (25 January 2013): pp.12.
- 'Remembering the 4th Cameron Highlanders' *Scottish Memories* (July 2012): pp.46-7.
- 'A Cameron can Never Yield: The 4th Cameron Highlanders at Festubert, 16-18 May 1915', *Stand To!: Journal of the Western Front Association*, Vol.94, (May/June 2012), pp.4-8.

Conference and Seminar Papers

- 'Recruitment in Scotland, 1914-1918'. Presented at the Third Annual 'Previously' History Festival Schools Conference, University of Edinburgh, 28 November 2014.

- 'British Operational Planning at the Battle of Neuve Chapelle'. Presented at the Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict, University of Edinburgh, 17 October 2014.
- 'Territorial Force Recruitment in Scotland: A Case Study of the 4th Cameron Highlanders, 1914-1916'. Presented at the Scotland's Great War Conference, organised by Perth College, University of the Highlands and Islands, 14 March 2014.
- 'Alba gu Brath: Military Scottishness in Canada, 1878-1920'. Presented at the Scottish Centre for Diaspora Studies Graduate Workshop, University of Edinburgh, 11 February 2014.

Public Engagement Talks

- 'Scotland and the First World War', *'Previously' History Festival*, Edinburgh, 29 November 2014
- 'The 4th Cameron Highlanders in the Great War', *Inverness Book Festival*, Eden Court Theatre, Inverness, 20 August 2014.

TEACHING

- 2015-2016 Scotland and the Great War (honours course - guest seminar presenter)
- 2014-2015 Modern Scottish History (sub-honours - 2 tutor groups)
- British History 1 (sub-honours - 3 tutor groups)

REFEREES

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 University of Edinburgh
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Dr Stuart Allan

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 National Museums of Scotland
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