

POSITION:

HISTORIAN

NATIONALITY:

BRITISH



DAVID BURTON

David graduated with a Master's degree from the University of Cambridge's Scott Polar Research Institute in 2013. He first experienced the Polar Regions as a student at the University Centre in Svalbard in 2010. Since then, he has returned to work in the Arctic numerous times as a field assistant for scientists across the Svalbard archipelago, for a British Exploring Society expedition in Arctic Norway, as a crew member aboard a scientific research vessel in West Greenland and, since 2014, as a staff member aboard expedition ships in both Polar Regions. He was recently elected to the prestigious Arctic Club, which was founded in 1932 for those with an enduring interest in the region. David has a keen interest in polar history. Indeed, it was reading accounts of early expeditions to Antarctica that was the catalyst for his desire to experience these unique regions himself. Trained in glaciology and glacial marine geomorphology, he has focused his research on reconstructing past ice flow around the Svalbard archipelago and has contributed to a new Atlas of Submarine Glacial Landforms. Now focused primarily on polar history, David spends his time researching those who have gone before us.