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Education

Lehigh University

Ph.D., History, 2010

Dissertation: “*The Deed of Gift*”: *Borderland Encounters, Landscape Change, and the “Many Deeds of War” in the Hudson-Champlain Corridor, 1690-1791*
Fields of Study: American History (1770s-1870s), Colonial American History, African American History, American Environmental History

University of Scranton

M.A., History, 2001

Ithaca College

B.A., History, 1999 (minor in religious studies), *summa cum laude*

Teaching

Georgia Gwinnett College (Lawrenceville, Ga.)

Assistant Professor of History, August 2011 – present

Courses Taught: “United States History I and II,” “American Military History,” “American Environmental History,” “Special Topics: The American Revolution,” “Intellectual and Cultural History of Colonial America,” and “History Capstone”

Westchester Community College (Valhalla, N.Y.)

Adjunct Instructor (History), September 2010 – May 2011

Courses Taught: “19th-Century U.S. History,” “20th-Century U.S. History,” and “Western Civilization I: Rome to 1648”

Culinary Institute of America (Hyde Park, N.Y.)

Adjunct Instructor (History), January 2010 – July 2011

Courses Taught: “History and Cultures of the Americas,” and “History and Cultures of Europe”

Hudson Valley Community College (Troy, N.Y.)

Adjunct Instructor (History), January 2007 – December 2007

Courses taught: “Interpretations of American History, I and II,” and “Western Civilization and the World, II.”

Lehigh University (Bethlehem, Pa.)

Instructor, January 2006 – May 2006

Course taught: “Revolutionary Encounters”

Teaching Assistant, August 2002 – May 2004

Courses: “U.S. History, 1865-1941,” and “Survey of European History to 1648.”

Publications

Writing Women and Natural Passages in the Womb of Ecofeminism: Ecocriticism, Public Health, and Popular Culture in Postwar America, 1955-1964 (under contract with Lexington Books).

“‘Crumbling to Dust’: British Military Engineering Efforts in the Hudson-Champlain Corridor in the Seven Years’ War, and its Aftermath,” in Pedro Luengo-Gutierrez and Gene A. Smith, eds., *From Colonies to Countries in the North Caribbean: Military Engineers in the Development of Cities and Territories* (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016).

Review of Steven H. Jaffe, *New York at War: Four Centuries of Combat, Fear, and Intrigue in Gotham* (New York: Basic Books, 2012), *New York History* (Winter, 2015).

Review of Robert D. Lifset, *Power on the Hudson: Storm King Mountain and the Emergence of Modern American Environmentalism* (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2014), *The Sixties* (November, 2015).

Review of Kathryn S. Meier, *Nature’s Civil War: Common Soldiers and the Environment in 1862 Virginia* (Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 2013), *History: Reviews of New Books* 43, 3 (July, 2015), 95-96.

“Churches,” “Oratory,” “Ships,” and “Wine,” entries in Merrill Smith, ed., *World of the American Revolution: A Daily Life Encyclopedia* (ABC-CLIO, 2015).

Review of James D. Rice, *Nature and History in the Potomac Country: From Hunter-Gatherers to the Age of Jefferson* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2009), *William and Mary Quarterly* (October, 2012), 875-878.

“King Philip’s War,” “Lexington and Concord,” and “Valley Forge,” entries in Ballard Campbell, ed., *Disasters, Accidents, and Crises in American History* (Facts on File, 2008).

Conference Papers

- “In Roads: The Logistics and Ecology of British Military Defeat and Victory in the Northern New York Borderlands, 1758-1759,” Society for Military History, Ottawa, Canada, April, 2016.
- “‘Crumbling to Dust’: British Military Engineering Efforts in the Hudson-Champlain Corridor in the Seven Years’ War, and its Aftermath,” International Conference on Military Engineering in America (18th-19th Centuries), Universidad de Sevilla, November, 2014.
- “Pre-Selling Preparedness and Intervention: The Reach and Reputation of Theodore Roosevelt, 1914-1917,” The Great War, a Hundred Years On: Origins, Lessons and Legacies of the First World War, Georgia Gwinnett College, November, 2014
- “‘Environmental Agents’: Virginia Apgar, Rachel Carson, Frances Kelsey, and the Role of Gender in the Public Health Watershed,” Popular Culture Association / American Culture Association National Conference, April, 2014.
- “Masters of Augusta: A Green Analysis of Revolutionary Warfare in the Georgia Backcountry,” Georgia Association of Historians, Annual Conference, March, 2014.
- “‘Not a Stick upon the Mount:’ Military Labor and Environmental Change in the Revolutionary War,” Georgia Association of Historians, Annual Conference, February, 2013.
- “Toward an Environmental History of the Revolutionary War,” Northeast and Atlantic Canada Environmental History Forum, October, 2012.
- “Place and Placenta: Virginia Apgar, Rachel Carson, Frances Kelsey, and the Role of Gender in the Public Health Watershed,” Intersections: Interdisciplinary Conference on Gender and Sexuality, April, 2012.
- “Creative Destruction and Revolutionary Settlements in the Hudson-Champlain Corridor, 1775-1791,” Northeast American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, October, 2010.
- “Military Ecology and the Late Colonial Wars for Empire,” East-Central, American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Meeting, October, 2009.
- “War and the Social Construction of Landscape in Revolutionary New York,” American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting, March, 2007.
- “Imperial Commons,” Conference on New York State History, June, 2006.
- “Unsettled Marchland: The Politics of Land in the Hudson-Champlain Corridor at War’s End, 1760-1770,” Temple University, James A. Barnes Club Graduate Student History Conference, April, 2006; and New England Historical Association Conference, April, 2006.

“Toward a Social and Environmental History of the Upper Hudson-Champlain Corridor in the Age of Imperial Warfare,” Researching New York Conference, November, 2005.

Invited Talks

“A Brief History of Federal Food and Drug Regulation from the Founders through Thalidomide,” National Constitution Day, September 16, 2014, Georgia Gwinnett College.

“Controversial Elections in United States History,” Election Day, November 6, 2012, Georgia Gwinnett College.

“Hamilton’s Role at the Constitutional Convention,” National Constitution Day, September 16, 2011, Georgia Gwinnett College.

Fellowships, Grants, Awards, and Service

Georgia Gwinnett College

Faculty Senator (2016-present)

Member of GGC Speakers Series Committee (2016-present)

Recipient of VPASA/Provost Seed Grant (2016-2017)

Primary Advisor to History Club (2014-2015) and Co-Advisor to History Club (2013-2014, and 2015-2016)

Representative to University System of Georgia Regents Academic Advisory Committee on History (2013-present)

Co-organizer of Conference, “The Great War, a Hundred Years On: Origins, Lessons and Legacies of the First World War” (November 6-8, 2014)

Delegate to attend Council on Foreign Relations Educators’ Workshop (2013)

Georgia WWI Centennial Commission

Volunteer Member, 2016-present (including service on History Committee)

AJC-Decatur Book Festival, Panel Moderator, “1776: What You Don’t Know,” September 2015.

Environmental History and *Journal of American History*, peer journal article review.

Lehigh University

Joseph A. Dowling Dissertation Prize, 2010

Joan and Michael Hoben ’61 Teaching Fellowship, 2006

Joseph A. Dowling Teaching Assistant Award, 2004

David Library of the American Revolution

Research Fellowship, 2006

Huntington Library
Fletcher Jones Foundation Fellowship, 2006

New York State Library
Cunningham Research Residency, 2005

Lawrence Henry Gipson Institute
Dissertation Fellowship, 2005
Research Grant, 2004

Research and other Work Experience

Measurement, Inc. (Durham, N.C.)
Historical Consultant, September 2010 – July 2011

Seth Kaller Inc., Authentic Historic Documents & Artifacts (White Plains, N.Y.)
Writer/Historian, October 2007 – February 2009
Historical Consultant, November 2009 – November 2010

Scholarly Affiliations

American Historical Association, Organization of American Historians, Omohundro
Institute of Early American History and Culture, Society for Historians of the Early
American Republic, American Society of Environmental Historians, Georgia Association
of Historians, Society for Military History, Phi Alpha Theta

References

Available upon Request