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Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Ph.D., History, August 2017

Teaching and Research Fields: Modern United States Political and Social History, African American History, Urban History, Migration and Immigration, Carceral State History, Public History

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

B.A., History Major, Minor in Museum Studies, June 2009

Dean's List, General Honors Graduate, History Department Honors Graduate

Academic Appointments

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| 2019- | Lecturer at the Residential College and Interim Director of the Prison Creative Arts Project (PCAP) University of Michigan |
| 2018-2019 | Michigan-Mellon Humanities Postdoctoral Fellow in Egalitarianism and the Metropolis, Department of History of Art, University of Michigan |
| 2017-2018 | Postdoctoral Fellow in African American Studies, Department of History, Case Western Reserve University |

Dissertation

“The Politics of Crime Control: Race, Policing, and Reform in Twentieth-Century Chicago”

Dissertation Committee: Matthew Lassiter (Chair, History), Matthew Countryman (History), Heather Ann Thompson (Afroamerican and African Studies), Bill Novak (Law), Martha Jones (History, Johns Hopkins University)

Selected Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

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| 2017 | Michael Katz Award for Best Dissertation, Hon. Mention, Urban History Association |
| 2016-2017 | Earl Lewis Award for Outstanding Graduate Students, University of Michigan |
| 2015-2016 | Miller Center National Fellowship, University of Virginia |
| 2015-2016 | Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan |
| 2015-2016 | Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies Research Fellowship, University of Michigan |
| 2015 | King V. Hostick Scholarship, Illinois State Historical Society |
| 2014 | Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, University of Michigan |
| 2014 | Rackham Humanities Research Candidacy Fellowship, University of Michigan |
| 2013-2014 | Race, Law, and History Research Fellowship, University of Michigan Law School |
| 2013 | Passed Preliminary Exams “With Distinction,” University of Michigan |
| 2012, 2014 | Rackham Graduate School Conference Travel Grant, University of Michigan |
| 2009 | Arthur M. Kouguel Prize for Best Honors Thesis, Johns Hopkins University |
| 2009 | Phi Beta Kappa Society, Johns Hopkins University |
| 2008 | Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, Johns Hopkins University |

Selected Conference Papers and Presentations

Panels Organized

- April 2019 “A Case for Abolition: Excavating Archives of Trauma and Policing,” Panel on Historicizing Policing in Postwar America, Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting; Philadelphia, PA
- October 2016 “Policing Race in the Prohibition Years,” Panel on New Histories of Policing in the 20th-Century United States; Urban History Association Meeting; Chicago, IL
- June 2016 “Law and Order in the Prohibition-Era City,” Panel on Crime Policy as Urban Policy; Policy History Conference; Nashville, TN

Papers Presented

- October 2018 “Reform and Retrenchment: Reflections on a Century of Police Improvement,” Roundtable on New Directions in the History of Police and Cities; Urban History Association Meeting; Columbia, SC
- Nov. 2017 “Race, Crime, and the Color Line in Prohibition-Era Chicago,” Panel on Race, Public Policy, and the Twentieth Century American City; Social Science History Association Conference; Montreal, QC
- January 2017 “Fighting the Third Degree: Police Violence and Critique in the Depression Years,” Panel on Race, Policing, and Violence in the Twentieth-Century United States; American Historical Association Annual Meeting; Denver, CO
- May 2016 “Lawlessness in Law Enforcement: Police Violence and the Chicago NAACP Campaign Against Police Violence,” Panel on Policing Mobility; Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia; Charlottesville, VA
- March 2016 “Fighting the Third Degree: Police Violence in Interwar Chicago,” Heidelberg Center for American Studies Spring Academy; Heidelberg, DE
- Nov. 2015 “The Color of Crime: Policing Race and Space in Interwar Chicago,” Panel on Complicating the Color Line; Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies, University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI
- Nov. 2015 “Beer Wars and Black and Tans: Policing the Color Line in 1920s Chicago,” McCurdy Fellow Panel at the Legacy of Charles W. McCurdy Conference; University of Virginia Law School; Charlottesville, VA
- October 2014 “The Cost of Crime: Business, Anti-Crime Activism, and Police State Building in Interwar Chicago,” Panel on Crime, Policing, and Incarceration in Chicago; Urban History Association Meeting; Philadelphia, PA
- June 2014 “Wide Open Town: Street Policing and the Racialization of Crime in Interwar Chicago,” Panel on Race and Punishment; Law and Society Association Annual Meeting; Minneapolis, MN
- April 2013 “Vice and the Rule of Law in Turn-of-the-Century Chicago,” Panel on Race, Gender, and the Spatial Production of Morality; Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies, University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI
- October 2012 “‘We Figure the First Thing is to Have the Job’: Black Policing, Urban Space, and Logics of Affirmative Action in Interwar Detroit,” Panel on Policing, Crime, and Urban Governance; Urban History Association Meeting; New York, NY

Discussant

- May 2013 Panel on Crime, Drugs, and the Making of Mass Incarceration; The American Racial State in the Long Twentieth Century Graduate Student Conference in Modern American History; University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI

Invited Talks

- May 2018 “Race, Crime, and the Color Line in Prohibition-Era Chicago,” Invited Talk; Case Western Reserve University; Cleveland, OH
- January 2018 “The Long History of Police Violence in America: Historical Lessons and Paths Forward,” Invited Talk; The College Club; Cleveland, OH
- Nov. 2014 “It Happened Here: The Political Geography of Student Activism at the University of Michigan,” Invited Talk; Michigan—An Introduction to History, University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI
- Feb. 2013 “Suburban Women’s Activism in the Era of ‘Gender Conservatism,’” Invited Talk; History of American Suburbia, University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI

Teaching and Pedagogical Training

Pedagogical Training

- May 2015 Preparing Future Faculty Seminar; Rackham Graduate School and University of Michigan Center for Research in Learning and Teaching

Instructor

- Winter 2020 “Race, Law, and Punishment,” University of Michigan, Residential College
- Fall 2019 “Downtown America: 20th-Century US Urban History,” University of Michigan, Residential College
- Winter 2019 “Crime, Policing, and Social Justice in Postwar Detroit: A HistoryLab Research Seminar,” University of Michigan, Department of History
- Spring 2018 “People, Policy, and Place: 20th-Century US Urban History,” Case Western Reserve University, Department of History
- Winter 2015 “Crime and Policing in 20th-Century American Cities,” University of Michigan, Department of History

Graduate Student Instructor (Teaching Assistant)

- Fall 2014 “Michigan—An Introduction to History” (with Professor Fran Blouin), University of Michigan, Department of History
- Fall 2014 History Pedagogy Seminar II (with Professor Paulo Squartriti), University of Michigan, Department of History
- Winter 2013 “History of American Suburbia” (with Professor Matt Lassiter), University of Michigan, Department of History
- Winter 2012 “The American South” (with Professor Stephen Berrey), University of Michigan, Department of History and Department of American Culture
- Fall 2011 “History of Sickness and Health” (with Professor Martin Pernick), University of Michigan, Department of History

Public Scholarship and Digital Humanities

- 2019- Documenting Criminalization and Confinement Research Initiative, U-M Carceral State Project; Project Director
Multidisciplinary research initiative on the impact of criminalization, policing, incarceration, and carceral control in the United States; consists of collaborative research projects spanning the domains of art and performance, history, visual culture, anthropology, literature and creative writing, public health, digital humanities, and public engagement.

- 2018- Policing and Social Justice History Lab; Research Historian and Instructor
Undergraduate curricular initiative that applies historical research methods to social justice problems related to policing and immigration; initiative includes courses in which students engage in original archival research resulting in digital exhibitions and interactive maps
- 2017 Michigan in the World: Local and Global Stories; Graduate Student Supervisor
“Go Blue: Competition, Controversy, and Community in Michigan Athletics”
- 2016-2017 University of Michigan Bicentennial Exhibition; Graduate Program Assistant
“The Leaders and the Rest: Boundaries and Belonging at the University of Michigan” and “Forever Unfinished: Making and Remaking a Public University”
- 2009-2010 Baltimore Museum of Art European Art Collection; Kress Interpretive Fellow
Digital exploration sites for ten masterworks in the museum’s European Art collection; in-gallery public theater performance in collaboration with Baltimore’s Single Carrot Theater
- 2007-2008 Homewood Museum Special Exhibit, Johns Hopkins University; Student Curator
“Welcome Little Stranger: Pregnancy, Childbirth, and Family in Early Maryland”
- 2007-2008 Mapping Museums, Johns Hopkins University; Technology Fellow
Digital site map of twenty world-renowned museums for instructional use in two core undergraduate courses in the Johns Hopkins Program in Museums and Society

Conferences and Symposia Organized

- 2018-19 Carceral State Project Symposium, Department of Afroamerican and African Studies and Department of History, University of Michigan
- 2014 “Work: The Politics of Laboring in American History,” Graduate Student Conference in American History, University of Michigan
- 2013 “The American Racial State in the Long Twentieth Century,” Graduate Student Conference in Modern American History, University of Michigan
- 2012 Graduate Student Conference in Modern American History, University of Michigan

Campus Service

- 2016-2017 Bargaining Team Chair, Graduate Employees’ Organization (AFT Local 3550), University of Michigan
- 2015 Graduate Coordinator of New Student Recruitment, University of Michigan Department of History
- 2014-2015 Graduate Committee Member, University of Michigan Department of History
- 2014 Logistics Coordinator, “1,000 Speak Out for Racial Justice,” United Coalition Against Racism, University of Michigan
- 2013 Graduate Peer Mentor, University of Michigan Department of History
- 2011-2013 Co-Coordinator, American History Workshop, University of Michigan

Relevant Professional Experience

- 2017-2019 Program Director, Carceral State Project, University of Michigan
Plan and coordinate programming, public engagement, and research initiative in carceral studies at U-M; design strategic plan for the U-M Center for the Study of the Carceral State including recommendations for mission, governance, programming, and funding over the next ten years.
- 2018 Grant Writer, Michigan Prison Education Consortium
Authored \$250,000 grant from the Vera Institute of Justice to fund a prison education consortium among six higher education institutions in Michigan.

- 2016 Research Associate, Humanities Doctorate in the Twenty-First Century Project,
Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan
*Researched career opportunities and professional development resources for humanists;
information collected resulted in the career tool website “The Humanities PhD Project”
(<http://sites.lsa.umich.edu/humanities-phd-proj/>).*
- 2013-2014 Research Assistant, Department of History, University of Michigan
*Researched course content and designed curriculum materials that culminated in a new upper-
level course undergraduate on “Crime and Drugs in Modern America.”*

Languages and Skills

French—reading proficiency
Geographic Information Systems—basic proficiency
Omeka web publishing—advanced proficiency

Professional Affiliations

American Historical Association
Association for the Study of African American Life and History
Organization of American Historians
Urban History Association
Social Science History Association

References

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