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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2018-2020 **LSA Collegiate Fellow**, Department of History
University of Michigan Ann-Arbor
- 2017-2018 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences and
Chabraja Center for Historical Studies
Northwestern University, Evanston IL

EDUCATION

- Aug 2017 **Northwestern University**, Evanston IL
PhD in History
Thesis Title: “Rites of Reproduction: Tradition, Political Ethics, Gender and
Generation among Nguni-speakers of Southern Africa, 8th-19th Century CE.”
Dissertation Advisor: David Schoenbrun
- 2011 **University of Houston**, Houston TX
MA in History
Thesis Title: “A History of Healers and Heterarchy: The Political Structure and
Culture of the Botatwe-Speaking Peoples of South Central Africa, CA. 1000-
BCE-20th Century.”
Thesis Advisor: Kairn Klieman
- 2009 **University of Houston**, Houston TX
BA in History and Psychology

AWARDS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2016 **Ford Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellowship**, Honorable Mention
- 2014-2015 **Research-Year University Fellowship**, Northwestern University
- 2014 **Graduate Research Grant**, The Graduate School, Northwestern University
Morris Goodman Award, Program of African Studies, Northwestern University
- 2013 **Alseth Summer Language Grant**, Department of History, Northwestern
University
Summer Language Grant, The Graduate School, Northwestern University
EDGS Graduate Student Pre-Dissertation Research Award, EDGS/Buffett
Center, Northwestern University
Hans E. Panofsky Pre-Dissertation Award, Program of African Studies,
Northwestern University
- 2012 **Hans E. Panofsky Pre-Dissertation Award**, Program of African Studies,
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- 2011-2016 **Morris Goodman Award**, Program of African Studies, Northwestern University
2011-2016 **Graduate Fellowship**, The Graduate School, Northwestern University
2009-2011 **Murray Miller Fellowship**, Department of History, University of Houston
2009-2011 **Cullen/ Presidential Fellowship**, University of Houston
2009-2010 **Discretionary Grant from John and Rebecca Moores Endowment**,
Department of English, University of Houston

PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 R. F. Jimenez, "Review of: *Doing Conceptual History in Africa*, by Axel Fleisch and Rhiannon Stephens. *Journal of African History*, forthcoming.

In Progress

- 2018 Journal article: "Slow Revolution in Southern Africa: Cattle and the Transformation of Political Economy among South African Nguni-speakers," in preparation.
Journal article: "Social Animal, Political Beast: Cattle, Masculinity and Household Political Ideology in the Making of the Zulu Kingdom," in preparation.
Book chapter: "The politics of chiefs and commoners, until circa-1830s," in *The Oxford Handbook on South Africa*, D Magaziner (ed.), in preparation.
Book chapter: "Gendered Themes in Early African History," in *A Companion to Global Gender History*, M Weisner-Hanks and T Meade (eds.), in preparation.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

- 2018 "Olden Times and 'Childish Tales': The South African Cattle Complex and Invention of Tradition as a Category of Time." Pre-circulate paper presented at Columbia University, Workshop on Time and Temporality in the African Past. September 28, 2018.
- 2017 "Girls Doing What They Like: Gender and Marriage in Colonial South Africa." Paper presented at African Studies Association. Chicago, IL. December 2017.
- "Dominion of Youths: Martial Masculinity, Political Economic Transformation and the Rise of the Zulu Kingdom ca. 1300-1900," pre-circulated paper presented to Northwestern, U Wisconsin-Madison, and U Chicago, African History Workshop; September 23, 2017, Northwestern University.
- 2016 "A Tale of Three Cities: Popular Politics in the Borderlands of Southern Africa," Invited Lecture, Yale Summer Institute, New Haven, CT; June 8, 2016.

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“Gender and Institutions of Marriage and Initiation.” PowerPoint Presentation, Historical Linguistics and African History Workshop. Columbia University; May 5-6, 2016.

“Social Animal, Political Beast: Pre-colonial political economic concepts of cattle-keeping among Nguni-speakers of South Africa.” African Studies Association. Washington, DC.

“Reconstructing Gender through Comparative Historical Linguistics: A South African Case Study.” Nordic Africa Days. Nordic Africa Institute. Uppsala, Sweden.

“Beyond Patriarchy: Women's Power and Marginality among South African Nguni-speakers, 8th-19th century CE.” Nordic Africa Days. Nordica Africa Institute. Uppsala, Sweden.

2014 “Patriarchy, Patronage and Pastoralism: Gender and Dominant Ideology in the Making of Southern African Political Economies, ca. 1st-17th Century CE.” Engendering Change: 4th Annual Graduate Student Conference. Gender and Sexuality Studies, Northwestern University.

2013 Societies, States, and Development Graduate Student Conference. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University. Conference Organizer.

NU-UW-UofC African History Workshop. University of Wisconsin-Madison. Workshop Participant.

Studying Meaning in African Worlds without Literacy Reading Group and Workshop. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University. Reading Group and Workshop Participant.

“Social Animal, Political Beast: Gender, Cattle-Keeping and Political Economy among South African Nguni-speakers, ca. 1000-1900 CE.” Hans E. Panofsky Award Recipient Presentation. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University.

“The Trade-State(-Marriage) Question: Social Organization and Centralization in Shona-Speaking Zimbabwe, ca. 700-1000 CE.” Hans E. Panofsky Award Recipient Presentation. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University.

2012 NU-UW-UofC African History Workshop. Northwestern University. Workshop Participant

“Constituting the African Past: The Use of Material Culture and Historical Linguistics in Precolonial African History.” University of Illinois-Chicago Spring

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Graduate Student Conference. Chicago, IL.

- 2011 “Concepts of Authority and Well-Being among the Botatwe-Speaking People of Zambia.” Houston Area Phi Alpha Theta History Consortium.
- 2010 “History of the Atlantic Slave Trade in Nigeria, Cameroon, and Gabon.” The de Menil Collection, Houston, TX. PowerPoint Presentation.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017-18 Postdoctoral Instructor, Department of History, Northwestern University
HIST 300: Women and Gender in African History (Cross-listed, Gender and Sexuality Studies)
HIST 103: African History: Myths, Lies and Stereotypes

Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Northwestern University

- 2016 History of the Islamic Middle East, 13th-19th century
Global History II
- 2014 History of South Africa, 1652-1900
- 2013 Roots of Feminism (Cross-listed, Gender and Sexuality Studies)
Global History I
- 2012 Roots of Feminism (Cross-listed, Gender and Sexuality Studies)

Teaching Assistant, Department of History, University of Houston

2009-2011 US History to 1850

Instructor, YMCA International Services, Houston, TX

2010 Pre-GED Instructor

RESEARCH AND FIELD EXPERIENCE

- 2014-2015 Dissertation Field Research. South Africa.
- 2013 Pre-Dissertation Summer Research. Cape Town and Pretoria, South Africa.
Archaeological Field School. Kajászó, Hungary.
- 2012 Pre-Dissertation Summer Research. Harare, Zimbabwe.
- 2010 MA Thesis Field Research. Livingstone and Monze, Zambia, Katima Mulilo, Namibia.
Public History Internship. The Menil Collection. Houston, TX.

SERVICE

2017-2018 Ayers College of Commerce and Industry. Faculty Fellow.

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