

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2018, University of Tennessee, Ph.D., Early American History
Dissertation: "Papal Plots and Muslim Mischief: Religious Fear and Democratic Sensibilities in Early America."
Dissertation Advisor: Christopher Magra, Ph.D.

Employment

2023- , Assistant Professor of History, Department of Social Sciences, Fairmont State University
2019-23, Lecturer, The Department of History, University of North Texas
2018-19, Postdoctoral Fellow / Lecturer, The Department of History, University of Tennessee
2012-18, Teaching Assistant / Instructor, The Department of History, University of Tennessee
2010-2012, Teaching Assistant, The Department of History, Austin Peay University

Publications

Books/Essays in Books

Fear and Loathing and Freedom: Religious Language and Political Identity in Early America. (Under Contract, Baylor University Press, *Religion and Rhetoric* series.)
Engaged in Spiritual Warfare: Crusading and Holy War in Early American Society. Co-authored with Thomas Lecqae, Ph.D. (Under Contract, Routledge Press, *Religion and Revolutions* series.)
They Chase Specters: Conspiracy Theory and Power in Early America. (research phase, preliminary manuscript proposal in progress.)
"Piety in Early American Thought:" *The Bible and its Reception in American Life.* (De Gruyter Press, German Language, 2023.)
"The Shifting Nature of Power in Early America," in *Containing Multitudes: A Documentary Reader of U.S. History, Vol. 1 to 1877.* eds. Wesley Phelps and Jennifer Wallach. University of Arkansas Press. 2022.
"The Second Great Awakening and the Beginning of American Modernity," in *Containing Multitudes: A Documentary Reader of U.S. History, Vol. 1 to 1877.* eds. Wesley Phelps and Jennifer Wallach. University of Arkansas Press, 2022.

“The Rise of the New Right,” in *Containing Multitudes: A Documentary Reader of U.S. History, Vol. 2 from 1877*. eds. Wesley Phelps and Jennifer Wallach. University of Arkansas Press, 2022.

Articles (peer reviewed)

- “*No Bishops, No Kings*:” The Material Culture of the Religious Other in Early America. Age of Revolutions: *Early Modern Material Culture series*. Fall 2021.
- “*They Chase Specters*: The Irrational, the Political, and Fear of Elections in Colonial Pennsylvania.” Age of Revolutions: *Contours of the Other series*. 2020.
- “*As Arbitrary as the Grand Turk*: Religious Othering and the First American Revolution.” Age of Revolutions: *Faith and Revolutions series*. 2019.
- “The Bible in American Life: Trends in American Religious History.” Correspondence from the 2016 American Historical Association Annual Conference. *The Way of Improvement*.
- “Religious Rhetoric and Communities of Fear: Applying the History of Emotions to Early American Religious History.” Proceedings, Florida State Symposium on Religion in America, 2012.
- “*Reluctant Among Revolutionaries*: The Politics of Conscription in Revolutionary Pennsylvania, 1775-1778.” Phi Alpha Theta National Journal, 2011.

Articles (public facing)

- “The Future of American Religion has a Past: Understanding Persistent Declines in American Religiosity from a Historical Perspective.” *Dame Magazine*. 2022.
- “Edmund Burke and the Society that Bears his Name in the Modern Era.” *History News Network*. 2022.
- “*Ecclesiastical Systems Tend Toward Ignorance and Corruption*:” The Founding Era and Shifting Views on the Separation of Church and State.” *Religious Dispatches Journal*. 2022.
- “Pastors Claiming the Mantle of the Black Robed Regiment Get the History Wrong.” *The Washington Post*. November 2021.
- “Piety, Patriotism, and Paranoia: What today’s far right looks for in the American Revolution.” *The Bulwark Journal*. October 2021.
- “The Deep History of Religious Othering in American Politics: From the Colonial Era until the Age of Trump.” *Foreign policy Magazine*. Fall 2020.
- “Spiritual Warriors and the Politics of Millennialism: From the Founding into the 21st Century.” *The Bulwark Journal*. Fall 2020.

Book Reviews

- Instruments of Empire: Colonial Elites and U.S. Governance in Early National Louisiana, 1803-1815*. Journal of Louisiana History, Fall 2021.
- The Full Gospel in Zion: A History of Pentecostalism in Utah*. University of New Mexico Press, Fall 2023.

Selected Awards

CLEAR Teaching Innovation Development Grant, University of North Texas, 2021
Summer Teaching Prize, OIEAHC, 2020 (co-recipient)
TLISI Fellowship for Teaching Innovation and Excellence, University of Tennessee, 2018-9
Excellence in Teaching Practice, State of Tennessee, 2017-18 (co-recipient)
Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Tennessee, 2018
Travel Research Award, Brown University, 2017
Thomas and Kathryn Skelton Research Award, 2017
Newberry Library, McNeil Center Research Fellowship, 2016-17
Charles O. Jackson Dissertation Prize, 2015-16
Wheeler Research Endowment, 2015-16, 2016-17

Conference Presentations

“‘Souldiery Spiritualized’: Artillery Sermons, Holy War, and Democracy in Colonial America.”
Consortium on the Revolutionary Era Annual Conference. 2023.

“‘Entirely Democratical and Anti-Papist’: Religious Identity and Political Power in Colonial
Massachusetts”. New England Historical Association, Fall Conference. 2022.

“‘A Contest of Papists and Levellers’: Understanding Quaker Political Symbols in Colonial
Pennsylvania.” Quaker History Annual Conference. Remote, 2021.

“‘The Cause of their Removal to Pennsylvania’: Anti-Popery and Revolutionary Pennsylvania’s
Public Debate over Freedom of Conscience.” Society for the History of the Early
American Republic, Cambridge, Ma., 2019.

“‘Fear and Loathing and Freedom: Anti-Catholicism and the Early American Discourse on
Religious Freedom. Southeast World History Association Annual Conference. Maryville,
2018.

“‘As Arbitrary as the Grand Turk’: Anti-Catholicism and Protestant Exchange in
Muslim Africa.” Atlantic Trajectories and Trends Conference. Brown University, 2017.

“A Common Interest Achieved: Inter-denominational Political Alliances Against the Anglican
Church, 1760-1773.” Roundtable Discussion. Omohundro Annual Conference.
University of Chicago, 2015.

“Inter-denominational Rivalry and American Interpretations of Anglicanism.” Ohio River
Valley Conference, 2014.

“Raids, Revolution and Charter Change: Military Sermons and Identity Formation in
Colonial Massachusetts, 1672-1705.” Society for Military History Conference,
2013.

“The Hanoverian Ascension and Religious Rhetoric in New England.” Appalachian State
World History Conference, 2012.

“Loyalty, Identity, and Authority: An Analysis of Thomas Foxcroft’s Sermon on the
Accession of King George II.” Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference, Murray
State University, 2011. Best Graduate Paper Award

“Religious Rhetoric and Popular Mobilization in Colonial Massachusetts, 1775-1779.”
Ohio River Valley Conference, 2011.

- “Truths From Their Mouths: Radical Clergy and Popular Mobilization in Revolutionary New England.” Ohio River Valley Conference, Tennessee Technological University, 2010.
- “Reluctant Among Revolutionaries: The Politics of Conscription in Revolutionary Pennsylvania, 1775-1778.” Phi Alpha Theta National Conference, Lee University, 2010. Best Graduate Paper Award.
- “Between Bravery and Bribery: Religious Views of Enlistment Bonuses in the Continental Army, 1775-1779.” Society for Military History Conference, Middle Tennessee State University, 2009.

Invited Lectures / Appearances

- “‘A Prerogative of the State:’ Changing Views on Witchcraft in the Early Modern Atlantic World.” Tarrant County College, 2023.
- “Early American Conspiracy Theories and Popular Religious Beliefs.” UNT Seminar on History of Conspiracy Theories. 2022.
- “Intersectionality on the Colonial American Frontier: The Story of Ester Pembroke.” UNT Mixed Greens Lecture Series. University of North Texas. 2022
- “Anti-Catholicism and the Role of the Religious Other in Early America.” Texas Women’s University. 2021.
- “Navigating Objectivity: Politics and social media in the Academy.” Conversation Six Podcast, 2020.<https://www.conversationsix.com>
- “Applying the History of Emotions to American Religious History: Theoretical and Practical Approaches.” Southern Methodist University. 2019.
- “Popery and Civil Oppressions are Coming:” The Episcopacy Crisis and the American Revolution on the Tennessee Frontier.” East Tennessee Historical Society, 2018.
- “No Popery, No Tyranny: Sectarianism and Political Violence in Colonial Pennsylvania.” The AfterWars Seminar, The Center for War and Society, 2017.
- “The Power of Music in the American Past.” Radio Interview with Garrett McQueen. WUOT, National Public Radio, March 31, 2017.
- “Understanding the Role of Emotions in Early American Religious History.” Grand View University Faculty Seminar, 2017.
- “Anti-Catholicism and the Origins of Islamic Xenophobia in Early America.” Austin Peay University, 2016.

Courses Offered

- Western Civilizations 1, 2(2012-2015, 2017, 2018)
- World Civilizations 1, 2 (2015,2018, 2019)
- US History 1, 2 (2010-2011, 2015-2016, 2018-2022)
- Colonial America (2021)*
- Early American WitchCraft: Practices and Popular Perceptions, 1600-1800 (2022)
- The Atlantic World (2016)
- The Ideological Origins of the American Revolution(2019, 2021)
- The American Revolutionary Era (2016-2017, 2021)

Religion in American Life:1600-1950 (2018-2021, 2023)
Religion and Politics on the Colonial American Frontier (2020)
Causes and Consequences of the American Revolution (2021*)
Digital Humanities Methods (2015, 2019)
World Civilizations 2* (2019)
Western Civilizations 2* (2017)
US History 1* (2018)
The American Revolutionary Era* (2019)

(*Denotes an Active Learning Course designed around *Reacting to the Past* Pedagogy)

Directed Student Research

Graduate

Ruth Gibbs. *Mothers and Murderers: Infanticide and Gender in Scots-English Murder Ballads*.
Masters Thesis. Committee Member. 2022.

Undergraduate

Janice Dishner. *Emotional Symbolism and the American Revolution*. UNT Undergraduate
Research Fellowship winner. Director. 2019.

Emily Mullins. *Evangelical Belief Systems and the Causes of the American Revolution*. UNT
Undergraduate Research Fellowship Winner. Director. 2020.

Cesar Pena-Mondragon. *Native Burial Practices and Resistance to Colonial Christianization*.
UNT Undergraduate Research Fellowship Winner. Director. 2020.

Sterling Rosen. *Jewish Enclaves and Political Power in Early America*. UNT Undergraduate
Research Fellowship Winner. Director. 2021. *Project also awarded Mackey Symposium
Award. John Hopkins University.

Maddie Bricout. *The Wounded Knee Massacre: Christian Responses to Native Death*. UNT
Undergraduate Research Fellowship Award Winner. Director. 2021.

Service

Senator, Faculty Senate, University of North Texas, 2022-2023

Undergraduate Advisor, UNT Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program, University of North
Texas, 2019-2023

Department Contributor, Department of History Course Reader, University of North Texas, 2021
Department Coordinator(History), Course Skill Mapping Initiative, University of North Texas,
2020-2021

Member, Faculty Senate Fine Arts Committee, University of North Texas, 2020-2023

Member, Social Sciences Faculty Advisory Committee, University of North Texas, 2019-2023

Department Coordinator(History), SECC Program, University of North Texas, 2019-2023

Member/Chair, Active Learning Curriculum Workshop, OIEAHC, 2019-20

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Professional Affiliations

AHA- American Historical Association

AAR- American Academy of Religion

OIEAH- Omohundro Institute for Early American History

RTTP- Reacting To The Past Teaching Consortium

SEA- Society for Early America

SHEAR- Society for the History of the Early American Republic