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APPOINTMENTS

Carleton College, Department of History. Fall 2015-present
Professor

Carleton College, American Studies Program. Fall 2017-present
Director

Carleton College, Department of History. Fall 2009-Fall 2015
Associate Professor

Carleton College, American Studies Program. Fall 2013-Fall 2015
Associate Director

Carleton College, Department of History. Fall 2002-Spring 2009
Assistant Professor

Carleton College, Department of History, 2000-2002
Andrew W. Mellon Post-doctoral Fellow

EDUCATION

Rutgers University, Department of History. Fall 1995-Summer 2000.
Ph.D. in Early American History, October 2000.

Dissertation: "Places of Exchange: New York City, 1700-1763," directed by Professor Jan Lewis.

Minor fields: Gender and Women's History; Early Modern Europe.

University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Department of Classics. Fall 1991-Spring 1995.
M.A. degree in Latin, May 1993.

Thesis: "Power and Poetics on Mt. Helicon," directed by Professor Sara Mack.

Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME. Fall 1987-Spring 1991.
B.A., *summa cum laude*, with High Honors in Classics.

PUBLICATIONS

An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre [provisional title], under contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

"Conclusion: Writing To and From the Revolution." The concluding essay for a special joint issue. *The William and Mary Quarterly*, 74, no. 4 (2017) and the *Journal of the Early Republic*, 37 no. 4 (2017).

“War, Violence, and Gender in Colonial and Revolutionary North America, in *The Oxford Handbook on Gender, War and the Western World since 1650* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2017).

“Women and the Boston Massacre,” in *Women in the Age of the American Revolution*, (University of Virginia Press, forthcoming 2017)

“Women, Trade, and the Roots of Consumer Societies,” in *The Oxford Handbook of American Women’s and Gender History* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2016)

"New York City" in *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Atlantic History*, (2013)

Dangerous Economies: Status and Commerce in British New York (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2009; University Press Audiobooks, 2010; paperback, 2011).

“Women’s Trading Networks and Dangerous Economies in British New York City,” *Early American Studies*, 4.2, Fall, 2006. (excerpted in Karen O. Kupperman, *Major Problems in American Colonial History*, 3d edition, 2012)

The New York Conspiracy Trials of 1741: Daniel Horsmanden’s “Journal of the Proceedings.” (Bedford Books of St. Martin’s Press, 2004).

“The Boston Massacre” in *An Encyclopedia of the New American Nation*, ed. Paul Finkelman (Charles Scribner's Sons, 2005)

“New York,” “New York City,” “Consumption” in *An Encyclopedia of Early American History*, ed. Gary Nash (Facts on File, 2002)

“Iudeae Benemerenti: Towards a Study of Jewish Women in the Western Roman Empire,” *Phoenix* 50, 1996.

Contributing author, *Latin Laughs* (Bolchazy-Carducci, 1997), a textbook with commentary, translation, video, and workbook on Plautus’ *Poenulus*.

INVITED LECTURES

“An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre,” The Society of the Cincinnati Lecture, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA (2018)

“The Boston Massacre: An Intimate History,” Hammond Family Lecture, Ohio State University, Columbus OH (2017)

“An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre,” University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN (2017)

“The Boston Massacre: An Intimate History,” The Society of the Cincinnati Lecture, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA (2016)

Scholar talk, opening night of *Blood on the Snow*, Old State House, Boston (2016 and 2017).

“An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre,” The Simons Lecture, University of Florida, Gainesville (2016)

“Intimate Ties and the Boston Massacre” at the Miller Center For Historical Studies, University of Maryland. Baltimore, MD (2015)

“An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre” at the McNeil Center Seminar. Philadelphia, PA (2015)

“Mapping the Early Republic” Roundtable. Society for the History of the Early American Republic, New Haven (2016)

“Nine Months in Philadelphia: British Occupation in America’s Revolutionary Capital,” Panel Comment. For the Society of the History of the Early American Republic, Raleigh, NC (2015)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“The Seductions of 0/1: Digital Storytelling and the Boston Massacre” For the Society of the History of the Early American Republic. Philadelphia (2016)

“An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre” For the Massachusetts Historical Society conference ““So Sudden an Alteration’: The Causes, Course, and Consequences of the American Revolution.” Boston, MA. (2015)

“Women and the Boston Massacre” For Sons of the American Revolution conference “Women in the Era of the American Revolution.” Williamsburg, VA. (2014)

“War, Violence, and Gender in Colonial and Revolutionary North America” For “Gender War and Culture: From Colonial Conquest, Standing Armies and Revolutionary Wars to the Wars of Nations and Empires.” Chapel Hill, NC (2014)

“On the Edges of Trade: Women, Commerce, and Space in the 18th-century Anglo-Atlantic World.” Panel Chair. For the Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Toronto. (2014)

“Occupying Boston: An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre.” For the Early American History Seminar, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, MA (2013)

“There goes the Neighborhood: The Regulars Move into Boston” For the conference “Alternative States”. Berkeley, CA (2013)

“Desertion, Military Families, and the Boston Massacre.” For the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture. Pasadena, CA (2012)

“Intimate Networks in Occupied Boston” For the Berkshire Conference of Women Historians. Amherst, MA (2011)

- “Occupying Boston.” For the Colonial Society of Massachusetts. Boston, MA (2011)
- “The Slave Trade as a Destabilizing Force in Early America.” Panel comment. For the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture. New Paltz, New York. (2011)
- “Social Networks in the Boston Massacre.” For the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture. Oxford, MS (2010)
- Dangerous Economies.* For the Herbert H. Lehman Center for American History Columbia University. New York City (2010)
- “Gendering Religion in Early America.” Panel chair. For the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Minneapolis. (2008)
- “Republicanism Across Borders.” Panel Chair. For the Society for the History of the Early American Republic. Worcester, MA (2007)
- “The Work-Life Tightrope at a Liberal Arts College.” For the American Historical Association Meeting. Atlanta, GA. (2006)
- “Cheats and Rogueries: Gender and the Making of an Eighteenth-Century Atlantic Market.” For the Newberry Library Seminar in Early American History and Culture. Chicago. (2004)
- “Women’s Trading Networks and Dangerous Economies.” For a conference on Women’s Economies in Early America, at the Program in Early American Economy and Society, Philadelphia. (2004)
- “Dancing on the Atlantic Rim.” For the Columbia Seminar in Early American History, New York. (2003)
- “Reselling Gentility: Working Women and the Consumer Revolution in Eighteenth-Century New York.” For the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Storrs, Connecticut. (2002)
- “Dangerous Economies: Sex and Goods in Colonial New York City.” For the Gotham Center History Festival, New York City. (2001)
- “Pistoles and Death Threats: Women’s Shares in the Storehouse.” For the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, Glasgow. (2001)
- “The Spanish Prisoner: Foreign Black Sailors in New York City.” For the Organization of American Historians Conference, St. Louis. (2000)
- “Balls for Peace: Dancing on the Atlantic Rim.” For the “Speaking in Signs” Conference, McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Philadelphia. (1999)

“Simple Simon in the Howling Wilderness: Violent Women in the Colonial Imagination.”
For the Northeast American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Conference, Boston.
(1997)

GRANTS AND HONORS

American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship (one year) for *An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre* (2016)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (one year) for *An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre* (2015-16)

John Brockway Huntington Foundation Fellowship, Huntington Library (one month) for *An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre* (2015)

Benjamin Franklin Stevens Fellowship, Massachusetts Historical Society (one month) for *An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre* (2013)

Election to the Society of Fellows, Massachusetts Historical Society (2013)

Faculty Development Endowment award, Carleton College (for one term of leave) for *An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre* (2011-12)

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend (two months) for *Occupying Boston: An Intimate History of the Boston Massacre Street Politics and the Boston Massacre* (2010)

New England Regional Consortium Fellowship, (two months) for research for *Street Politics and the Boston Massacre* in multiple archives in Boston. (2008)

Ruth R. & Alyson R. Miller Fellowship, Massachusetts Historical Society (one month) for research for *Street Politics and the Boston Massacre* (2008)

Hildebrandt-Higinbotham Fund, Carleton College, for archival research for *Street Politics and the Boston Massacre* (2007).

Wallin Research Fellowship. Carleton College (for two terms of leave) for *Dangerous Economies: Status and Commerce in Imperial New York* (2004)

Research Fellowship. New-York Historical Society, (one month) for *Dangerous Economies: Status and Commerce in Imperial New York* (2001)

Daughters of the American Revolution – New Jersey Chapter. Marnie Smith Prize for Early American Studies (2000)

American Dissertation Fellow. American Association of University Women (one year) for “Places of Exchange: New York City, 1700-1763,” (1999-2000)

Rosenwald Research Fellowship. New-York Historical Society (two months) for “Places of Exchange: New York City, 1700-1763,”(1999)

Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Grant in Women’s Studies Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation for “Places of Exchange: New York City, 1700-1763” (1999)

George E. Pozzetta Dissertation Research Award. Immigration and Ethnic History Society (1999)

Graduate School Language Study Grant. Rutgers University for study of Dutch in Leiden NL. (1998)

Excellence Fellowship. Rutgers University (one year) (1997-1998)

Excellence Fellowship. Rutgers University (one year) (1995-1996)

Phi Beta Kappa, Bowdoin College (1990)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

National

Nominating Committee, Organization of American Historians, 2018-2021

Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Fellowships, 2017

External Reviewer, Kenyon College History Department, 2017

Mary Kelley Book Prize, Society for the History of the Early American Republic, 2015-2017 (Chair, 2016-2017).

Book Prize Committee Chair, *Berkshire Conference of Women Historians*, 2011-2014

Board of Academic Advisors, Old State House, Boston, 2014-present

Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Scholarly Editions and Translations, 2012

Carleton College

Board of Carleton Humanities Center, 2014-present

Co-chair, Education and Curriculum Committee, 2013-2015

Secretary, Phi Beta Kappa, 2012-2014

Chair, Junior Faculty Affairs Committee, 2005-2008

REVIEWS

Book reviews for

American Historical Review
Business History Review
Journal of American History
William and Mary Quarterly
Reviews in American History
H-Atlantic
Common-Place
New-England Quarterly
Itinerario
Journal of Interdisciplinary History
Journal of the Early Republic
Journal of Social History
Massachusetts Historical Review

Manuscript reviews for

Oxford University Press
Yale University Press
Cornell University Press
Wiley-Blackwell
William and Mary Quarterly
Early American Studies
Atlantic Studies
Journal of American History
Massachusetts Historical Review
Journal of the Early Republic

Tenure and promotion reviews:

Adelphi University
Willamette College

COURSES TAUGHT

At Carleton College

HIST 100: Trials in Early America
HIST 110: Antebellum Reform Movements
HIST 110: Natives & Newcomers in Early America
HIST 120: Rethinking the American Experience: American History, 1607-1865
HIST 208: The Atlantic World: Columbus to the Age of Revolutions, 1492-1792
HIST 211: More than Pilgrims: Colonial British America
HIST 212: The Era of the American Revolution
HIST 213: The Age of the Early Republic

HIST 216: History Beyond the Walls
HIST 298: Junior-year History Colloquium
HIST 395: Political Culture in a New Nation
HIST 395: Topics in American History: Liberty, Equality and Power: America 1607-1865
HIST 395: American Legal History, 1607-1865
HIST 398: Advanced Historical Writing

AMST 100: History and American Culture
AMST 345: Theory and Method of American Studies
AMST 396: Research Seminar (American Empire)

K-12 Teacher Workshops

“Women in the Era of the American Revolution,” For the Massachusetts Historical Society for a Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati Grant. (2016)

“The Native Ground,” for southern Minnesota social studies teachers’ continuing education.

“Early Minnesota,” for the Minnesota History Center (2006)

“Represented in the New Nation,” For “Shaping the American Nation: Immigration and its Historical Impacts” for a Teaching American History Grant, Northfield Public Schools (2004)

REFERENCES

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