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Education

- 2000 Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh, History.
Committee: Michael Jiménez, George Reid Andrews, Seymour Drescher, Marcus Rediker and John Beverley
- 1995 M.A., University of Pittsburgh, History, with certificate in Latin American Studies.
- 1993 B.A., University of Florida, History major, Anthropology minor, Latin American Studies minor.

Academic Positions

- 2007-present Associate Professor, Utah State University, Logan, Utah
- 2003-2007 Assistant Professor, Utah State University, Logan, Utah
- 2001-2003 Assistant Professor, Brooklyn College, City University of New York
- 2000-2001 Adjunct Professor, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas

Publications

Book

Contentious Republicans: Popular Politics, Race, and Class in Nineteenth-Century Colombia.
Durham: Duke University Press, 2004.

- Reviewed in *Hispanic American Historical Review*, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, *American Historical Review*, *Labor*, *Journal of Third World Studies*, *The Latin Americanist*, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, *Atlantic Studies*, *Handbook of Latin American Studies*, *Fronteras de la Historia*, *Boletín de Historia y Antigüedades* and *Estudios Interdisciplinarios de América Latina y el Caribe*

Refereed Articles

“Atlantic Republicanism in Nineteenth-Century Colombia: Spanish America’s Challenge to the Contours of Atlantic History.” *Journal of World History* 20 (March 2009): 131-150.

“ ‘A Mob of Women’ Confront Post-Colonial Republican Politics: How Class, Race, and Partisan Ideology Affected Gendered Political Space in Nineteenth-Century Southwestern Colombia.” *Journal of Women’s History* 20 (Spring 2008): 63-89.

“Citizens of a Free People’: Popular Liberalism and Race in Nineteenth-Century Southwestern Colombia.” *The Hispanic American Historical Review* 84 (May 2004): 277-313.

- Winner of the James Alexander Robertson Prize

Refereed Book Chapters

“Subaltern Strategies of Citizenship and Soldiering in Colombia’s Civil Wars: Afro- and Indigenous Colombians’ Experiences in the Cauca, 1851-1877.” In *War, Protest and Identity: Military Struggle and the Formation of Race, Community and Nation in Latin America during the Liberal Period*. Eds. Rene Horst and Nicola Foote. Gainesville: The University of Florida Press, forthcoming late 2009/early 2010.

"Belonging to the Great Granadan Family: Partisan Struggle and the Construction of Indigenous Identity and Politics in Southwestern Colombia, 1849-1890." In *Race and Nation in Modern Latin America*. Eds. Nancy Appelbaum, Anne S. MacPherson and Karin Alejandra Roseblatt. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2003. Pp. 56-86.

- Translated (by Claudia Leal and Sandra E. Caicedo) as “Pertener a la gran familia granadina: Lucha partidista y construcción de la identidad indígena y política en el suroccidente de Colombia, 1849-1890.” *Revista de Estudios Sociales* 26 (April 2007): 28-45.

Review Essays and Other Publications

“The Ghostwriter’s Story.” *London Review of Books* 30 (24 January 2008): 32-33.

“Republics Without Citizens: Indigenous Peoples Confront the Nation and the State.” *A Contracorriente: A Journal of Social History and Literature in Latin America* 4 (Fall 2006): 175-182.

"Creating the Early Atlantic World: Review Essay." *Renaissance Quarterly* 56 (Spring 2003): 138-149.

"Marxism." Entry for *A Historical Guide to World Slavery*. Eds. Seymour Drescher and Stanley L. Engerman. New York: Oxford University Press, 1998. Pp. 269-271.

John Beverley and James Sanders. "Negotiating with the Disciplines: A Conversation on Latin American Subaltern Studies." *Journal of Latin American Cultural Studies* 6 (November 1997): 233-257.

Book Reviews

Peter Blanchard's *Under the Flags of Freedom: Slave Soldiers and the Wars of Independence in Spanish South America* in *The American Historical Review* 114 (April 2009): 459-460.

Marixa Lasso's *Myths of Harmony: Race and Republicanism during the Age of Revolution, Colombia 1795-1831* in *Hispanic American Historical Review* 88 (August 2008): 539-541.

Rebecca J. Scott's *Degrees of Freedom: Louisiana and Cuba After Slavery* in *Journal of Social History* 40 (Summer 2007): 1041-1043.

Peter Guardino's *The Time of Liberty: Popular Political Culture in Oaxaca, 1750-1850* in *Canadian Journal of History* 41 (Spring/Summer 2006): 168-170.

John Charles Chasteen's *National Rhythms, African Roots: The Deep History of Latin American Popular Dance* in *Pacific Historical Review* 74 (November 2005): 665-666.

Gonzalo Sánchez and Donny Meertens' *Bandits, Peasants, and Politics: The Case of "La Violencia" in Colombia* in *The Hispanic American Historical Review* 82 (May 2002): 390-391.

Alan Dye's *Cuban Sugar in the Age of Mass Production* and César J. Ayala's *American Sugar Kingdom: The Plantation Economy of the Spanish Caribbean, 1898-1934* in *New West Indian Guide* 75 (2001): 172-175.

John L. Offner's *An Unwanted War: The Diplomacy of the United States and Spain Over Cuba, 1895-1898* in *Cuban Studies* 25 (1995): 257-258.

Current Research

“The Vanguard of the Atlantic World”: Contesting Republicanism and Modernity in the Nineteenth-Century Americas.” My second book-length project will explore how nineteenth-century Latin Americans envisioned their role in the construction and development of democracy, republicanism, and modernity in the Atlantic World. Broadly comparative, it will involve research about Colombia, Mexico, Uruguay, Cuba, Brazil, and Florida. I spent the spring of 2007 conducting research for this project at the Library of Congress with a Kluge Fellowship.

Honors and Fellowships

2009 USU Seed Grant

2008 University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies Library Travel Grant

- 2007 Kluge Fellowship at the Library of Congress
- 2005 James Alexander Robertson Prize for the best article (2004) in *The Hispanic American Historical Review*
- 2004/05 USU New Faculty Research Grant
- 2002/03 PSC-CUNY Research Foundation Grant
- 1999/2000 Mellon Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh
- 1997/98 Mellon Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh
- 1996/97 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh
- 1996 University of Pittsburgh Center for Latin America Studies Graduate Student Field Research Grant
- 1995 U.S. Department of Education Summer Intensive Foreign Language Fellowship for study with Georgetown University and the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador in Quito, Ecuador.
- 1994/95 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh
- 1993/94 Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies, The Woodrow Wilson Foundation
- 1993 Valedictorian, University of Florida
- 1992 Phi Beta Kappa, University of Florida

Conference Presentations

- 2007 “The Washington Consensus and the Distortion of Popular Democracy’s History in Latin America.” Latin American Studies Association XXVII International Congress. Montreal.
- 2007 “Roundtable: Nation and State Formation Literature in Latin America and the Caribbean: Subaltern Actors and Master Narratives.” The American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta.
- 2005 “Roundtable: Race and Liberalism in the Andes.” Conference on Latin American History at the American Historical Association. Seattle.

- 2004 “‘Savage Democracy’: Popular Politics, Discipline and Colombia’s Regeneration, 1863-1886.” Latin American Studies Association XXV International Congress. Las Vegas.
- 2004 “Liberty and Independence Are Found in the Cabin of the Peasant Too...”: Indigenous and Antioqueño Popular Conservatives in Nineteenth-Century Colombia.” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Annual Meeting. Santa Fe.
- 2003 "Liberals and Conservatives, Afro-Colombians and Indians: Popular and Elite Strategies of Race During Colombia's Nineteenth-Century Civil Wars." The American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Chicago.
- 2003 "Strategic Identities: Local, Regional, National and Trans-National Associations in Nineteenth-Century Southwestern Colombia." Latin American Studies Association XXIV International Congress. Dallas.
- 2003 "Race and Nation in the Modern Americas: A Conversation." Roundtable at the Latin American Studies Association XXIV International Congress. Dallas.
- 2001 "Conrad's *Nostromo* and Popular Politics in Nineteenth-Century Southwestern Colombia." The American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Boston.
- 2000 "'We the Undersigned, Citizens of the State': Three Forms of Popular Republicanism." Latin American Studies Association XXII International Congress. Miami.
- 2000 "Political Bargaining between Elite and Popular Liberals in Nineteenth-Century Southwestern Colombia." Conference on Latin American History at the American Historical Association. Chicago.

As Commentator

- 2009 Comment for “Narratives of Nation, Family, Privilege and Society in Nueva Granada.” Conference on Latin American History at the American Historical Association. New York.
- 2005 Comment for “New Perspectives on Partisan Political Discourse in Colombia and Ecuador.” Conference on Latin American History at the American Historical Association. Seattle.

Invited Lectures and Symposia

- 2009 “The Vanguard of the Atlantic World: The Political Culture of Modernity in Mid-Nineteenth-Century Colombia and Mexico.” Symposium “Latin American Revolutions and Civil Wars Before Mass Politics, 1810-1910: Towards New

Interpretations From the Political Culture and Social Movements Perspectives.”
University of Illinois.

- 2009 Participant in the symposium “Beyond Modernity: How are We Writing the Political History of the Spanish World in the Middle Period?” University of Warwick.
- 2007 “The Vanguard of the Atlantic World: Contesting Modernity in Nineteenth-Century Latin America.” Kluge Center, The Library of Congress. Washington, D.C.
- 2006 “The Vanguard of the Atlantic World: Colombia’s Short Nineteenth-Century Nation-Making in the Context of Post-Colonial and Subaltern Studies.” University of Pennsylvania, Center for Latin American Studies. Philadelphia.
- 2006 “Contentious Republicans: Popular Politics, Race, and Class in Nineteenth-Century Colombia.” Brigham Young University, Kennedy Center for International Studies. Provo.

Public Lectures

- 2008 “Latino/a and Latin American Studies at USU.” Tanner Symposium on Latino Contributions to U.S. Culture. Logan.
- 2008 “The Shifting U.S.-Mexican Border.” Teaching American History (PATHS) presentation to the Ogden School District Teachers. Ogden.
- 2008 “Reconsidering the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo 160 Years Later.” Bridgerland PATHS Symposium. Logan.
- 2006 “The Shifting U.S.-Mexican Border.” Teaching American History (PATHS) presentation to Logan and Cache School District Teachers. Logan.
- 2006 “Looking South: Relations between the United States and Mexico in Historical Perspective.” Latin American Studies and the Public Schools presentation to Cache and Logan City School Districts. Logan.
- 2004 “The Spanish-American War: Empire and its Discontents.” Teaching American History (PATHS) presentation to Logan and Cache School District Teachers. Logan.
- 2004 “The Mexican-American War: One War, Many Perspectives.” Teaching American History (PATHS) presentation to Logan and Cache School District Teachers. Logan.

2004 “Looking North: U.S. History in the Mexican Context.” Teaching American History (PATHS) presentation to Logan and Cache School District Teachers. Logan.

Courses Taught

Economic and Cultural Exchange in the Pre-Nineteenth-Century World
History of Colonial Latin America
History of Modern Latin America
History of Mexico
Slavery in the Atlantic World
Social Movements in Latin American History
History Capstone (Senior Research Paper)
History and Theory (M.A. level)
Slavery in the New World (M.A. level)
Caribbean History (undergraduate and M.A. level)
Atlantic History (M.A. level)

Professional Service

Reader for *Journal of Latin American Studies*
Reader for *Revista de Estudios Sociales*
Reader for *Historia Crítica*
Reader for Duke University Press
Reader for Oxford University Press
Reader for University of Nebraska Press
Reader for University of Pittsburgh Press
Reader for University of New Mexico Press
Member of Graduate Editorial Board for *Social Science History* (1998/99)
Evaluator for PSC-CUNY (City University of New York) Grant Applications
Chair, 2008 Conference on Latin American History James R. Scobie Memorial Award
Committee

University Service

“Road Scholar” USU Recruitment Presentation to High Schools (2008)
Faculty Senator (2007-09)
Budget and Faculty Welfare Committee (2007-09)
U.S. Colonial History Search Committee (2007-08)
Departmental Undergraduate Teaching Fellow Committee (2007-2009)
Phi Beta Kappa Application Committee (2006)
Library Subcommittee for University Re-Accreditation (2006)
Latin American Studies and the Public Schools Coordinator (2006)
Portuguese Language/Literature Search Committee (2005-06)
Latin American Studies Steering Committee (2005-2008)

Latin American Studies Title VI Grant Application (2004-06)
College of HASS Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (2004-09)
Phi Alpha Theta Faculty Advisor (2004-05)
Departmental Student Prize Committee Chair (2004-05)
Departmental Scholarship Committee (2004)
U.S. Borderlands History Search Committee (2003-04)
Departmental Spanish Language Exam Administrator (2003-2006)

Professional Organizations

American Historical Association
Latin American Studies Association
Conference on Latin American History
Rocky Mountain Council of Latin American Studies