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EMPLOYMENT

Rice University

- Associate Professor of History, 2013 to present

University of Oklahoma

- Associate Professor of History, 2009-2013
- Assistant Professor of History, 2007-2009

University of Kentucky

- Assistant Professor of History, 2003-2007

EDUCATION

Emory University

- Ph.D., Department of History, 2003
- Dissertation: “those Disgracefull & unnatural Matches’: Interracial Sex and Cherokee Society in the Nineteenth Century”
- Dissertation Advisor: Elizabeth Fox-Genovese
- Dissertation Committee members: James L. Roark and John Juricek
- MA, History, 2000

Rice University

- BA, History and Political Science, 1997
- Magna Cum Laude

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Race and the Cherokee Nation: Sovereignty in the Nineteenth Century*, University of Pennsylvania Press, 2008.
- *Gender and Sexuality in Indigenous North America, 1400-1850*, co-editor with Sandra Slater, University of South Carolina Press, 2011.

Articles/Book Chapters

- “Reconstructing Other Southerners: The Aftermath of the Civil War in the Cherokee Nation,” *Democracy and the American Civil War: Race and African Americans in the Nineteenth Century*, edited by Kevin Adams and Leonne M. Hudson, Kent State University Press, 2016.
- “Dis Land Which Jines Dat of Ole Master’s’: The Meaning of Citizenship for the Choctaw Freedpeople,” *Civil War Wests: Testing the Limits of the United States*, edited by Adam Arenson and Andrew R. Graybill, University of California Press, 2015.
- “Negotiating Gender in Native North America,” review essay, *Journal of Women’s History*, Spring 2014.
- “From Kin to Intruder: Cherokee Legal Attitudes towards People of African Descent in the Nineteenth Century,” *Race and Science*, edited by Hamilton Cravens and Paul Farber, Oregon State University Press, 2009.

- “Power, Perception, and Interracial Sex: Former Slaves Recall a Multiracial South,” *Journal of Southern History*, August 2005.
- “Legislating Women’s Sexuality: Cherokee Marriage Laws in the Nineteenth Century,” *Journal of Social History*, Winter 2004.
- “Searching for Indigenous Ancestors,” *Kentucky Ancestors: Genealogical Quarterly of the Kentucky Historical Society*, Autumn 2004.
- “From Anatolia to Appalachia” review essay coauthored with Joanne Pope Melish, *Journal of Appalachian Studies*, Spring 2006.

Book Reviews

- Review of *Growing up with the Country: Family, Race, and Nation after the Civil War* by Kendra Taira Field, *Ethnohistory*, forthcoming.
- Review of *Rethinking the Civil War Era: Directions for Research* by Paul D. Escott, *Journal of Southern History*, forthcoming.
- Review of *Indians in the Family: Adoption and the Politics of Antebellum Expansion* by Dawn Peterson, *Common-Place: The Interactive Journal of Early American Life* 18, n. 2 (2018).
- Review of *Who Belongs? Race, Resources, and Tribal Citizenship in the Native South* by Mikaela M. Adams, *American Historical Review* 122, n. 4 (October 2017): 1219-1220.
- Review of *The Civil War and Reconstruction in Indian Territory* edited by Bradley R. Clampitt, *The Journal of the Civil War Era* 6, n. 4 (December 2016): 604-607.
- Review of *The Ground on Which I Stand: Tamina, a Freedmen’s Town* by Marti Corn, *The Journal of Southern History*, November 2016.
- Review of *When the Wolf Came: The Civil War and the Indian Territory* by Mary Jane Warde, *Kansas History*, winter 2014/2015.
- Review of *We Have Raised All of You: Motherhood in the South 1750-1835* by Katy Simpson Smith, *Journal of the Early Republic*, winter 2014.
- Review of *Black Slaves, Indian Masters: Slavery, Emancipation, and Citizenship in the Native American South* by Barbara Krauthamer, *Journal of Southern History*, November 2014.
- Review of *The Payne-Buttrick Papers* edited by William L. Anderson, Jane L. Brown, and Anne F. Rogers, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, winter 2013.
- Review of *Sustaining the Cherokee Family: Kinship and the Allotment of an Indigenous Nation* by Rose Stremmlau, *North Carolina Historical Review*, April 2012.
- Review of *The Color of the Land: Race, Nation, and the Politics of Landownership in Oklahoma, 1832-1929* by David A. Chang, *Journal of the Civil War Era*, September 2012.
- Review of *Slavery in Indian Country: the Changing Face of Captivity in Early America* by Christina Snyder, *Journal of American History*, June 2011.
- Review of *Lumbee Indians in the Jim Crow South: Race, Identity, and the Making of a Nation* by Malinda Maynor Lowery, *American Indian Quarterly*, Spring 2011.
- Review of *Race and Radicalism in the Union Army* by Mark A. Lause, *Civil War Book Review*, Spring 2010.
- Review of *Voices from Haskell: Indian Students between Two Worlds, 1884-1928* by Myriam Vuckovic, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, Winter 2010.
- Review of *Bad Fruits of the Civilized Tree* by Izumi Ishii, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, Spring 2010.
- Review of *African Cherokees in Indian Territory: From Chattel to Citizen* by Celia E. Naylor, *Journal of Southern History*, November 2009.
- Review of *African Creeks: Estelivste and the Creek Nation* by Gary Zellar, *American Indian Culture and Research Journal*, volume 32, number 1 (2008).
- Review of *Crossing Waters, Crossing Worlds: The African Diaspora in Indian Country* edited by Tiya Miles and Sharon P. Holland, *Western Historical Quarterly*, Spring 2008.

- Review of *Creek Country: the Creek Indians and Their World* by Robbie Ethridge for H-List, August 2006.
- Review of *Powwow* edited by Clyde Ellis et al, *North Carolina Historical Review*, January 2006.
- Review of *Ties That Bind: The Story of an Afro-Cherokee Family in Slavery and Freedom* by Tiya Miles, *Journal of Southern History*, May 2006.
- Review of *Racial Thinking in the United States: Uncompleted Independence* edited by Paul Spickard and G. Reginald Daniel, *Journal of Southern History*, November 2005.
- Review of *Rape and Race in the Nineteenth-Century South* by Diane Miller Sommerville, *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, Summer 2005.
- Review of *A Strange Likeness: Becoming Red and White in Eighteenth-Century North America* by Nancy Shoemaker, *Journal of Social History*, Spring 2005.
- Review of *Beyond Black and White: Race, Ethnicity, and Gender in the U.S. South and Southwest* edited by Stephanie Cole and Alison M. Parker, *Journal of Southern History*, May 2005.
- Review of *Cherokee Women in Crisis: Trail of Tears, Civil War, and Allotment, 1838-1907* by Carolyn Ross Johnston, *Journal of Appalachian Studies*, Spring/Fall 2004.
- Review of *Love and Hate in Jamestown: John Smith, Pocahontas, and the Heart of a New Nation* by David A. Price, *Journal of the Historical Society*, Spring 2004.
- Review of *Notorious in the Neighborhood: Sex and Families across the Color Line in Virginia, 1878-1861* by Joshua D. Rothman, *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, Summer 2003.

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, July 2018-June 2019.
- Rice University, Humanities Research Center, Faculty Teaching-Release Fellow, Spring 2018.
- NEH Summer Institute Scholar, Visual Culture of the American Civil War, hosted by ASHP/CML at CUNY Graduate Center, 2012.
- University of Oklahoma, Junior Faculty Summer Fellowship, 2008.
- Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, 2006-2007.
- Hallam Article Prize for best faculty article, University of Kentucky History Department, 2006.
- University of Kentucky, Summer Research Grant, 2006.
- Hallam Article Prize for best faculty article, University of Kentucky History Department, 2005.
- University of Kentucky, Summer Research Grant for New Faculty, 2004.
- Emory University Dean's Teaching Fellowship, 2002-2003.
- Brown Southern Studies Dissertation Research Award, 2002-2003.
- Earhart Foundation Fellowship recipient for dissertation writing, 2002-2003.
- Emory Minority Graduate Fellow, 1997-2002.
- Earhart Foundation Fellowship recipient for dissertation travel and research, 2001-2002.
- Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellows Travel and Research Grant recipient, 2001.
- Huggins-Quarles Award recipient, given by the Organization of American Historians, 2001.
- Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, 2000-2001.
- Benjamin Prize for Best History Graduate Paper for Academic Year 1998-1999.
- McLean Prize for Best First Year Graduate Student in the History Department, 1997-1998.
- Andrew W. Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship, Rice University, 1995-1997.

- Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society.

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Commenter, “Native Places and Identities,” Omohundro Institute, June 2018.
- Discussant, Panel 2, Rice University Center for the Study of Women, Gender and Sexuality Graduate Symposium, April 2018.
- “Choctaw Soldiers in the American Civil War,” panelist, VI Seminario Interinstitucional Rice-Unicamp-Mora, March 2018.
- Invited panelist, “Tenure,” SSRC-Mellon Mays Graduate Initiatives Program Postdoctoral Fellows Retreat, February 2018.
- Invited lecture, “Choctaw Confederates: the American Civil War in Indian Territory,” Department of Anthropology Brown Bag series, Rice University, October 2017.
- Invited presenter, “Even if the master was good the slaves was bad off: Slavery in the Choctaw Nation,” Summer Workshop on African American Texas History, July 2017.
- Invited panelist, “Self-Care and Wellness,” SSRC Annual Graduate Student Summer Conference, June 2017.
- Invited panelist, “Topical Roundtable,” SSRC-Mellon Mays Graduate Initiatives Program Postdoctoral Fellows Retreat, February 2017.
- Invited NEH Summer Institute Faculty presenting “Native Perspectives on U. S. Territorial Expansion,” for Westward Expansion and the Constitution in the Early American Republic, hosted by University of Oklahoma, June 2016.
- “Freedom on the Border: Freedpeople in Indian Territory and the American South,” panelist, IV Seminario Rice-Unicamp, May/June 2016.
- Invited panelist for the symposium African Americans in the Nineteenth-Century West, Saint Louis University, May 2016.
- Commenter, “Geographies of Identity: Civilizing Projects and Racial Imaginaries in the Antebellum Era,” Organization of American Historians, April 2016.
- Invited presenter, “Choctaw Confederates: Slavery and the Creation of Racial Ideology in an Indian Nation,” History Colloquium, University of New Mexico, February 2016.
- “Roundtable: Rewriting Reconstruction,” panelist, American Historical Association, January 2016.
- “Bridging the Gap between the West and the War: A Roundtable on Civil War Wests,” panelist, Western History Association, October 2015.
- “Enslavement and Emancipation in Indian Territory,” panelist, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, July 2015.
- Invited panelist for a public event on “Unfree Labor,” Autry National Center of the American West, May 2015.
- “Violence Remembered: Slavery and Emancipation in Indian Territory,” panelist, Organization of American Historians, April 2015.
- Commenter, “Texas: A Cherokee Refuge,” Texas State History Association, March 2015.
- “Envisioning Freedom: Ex-Slaves and Emancipation in the Indian Territory,” panelist, Western History Association, October 2014.
- Invited NEH Summer Institute Faculty presenting “Native Perspectives on U. S. Territorial Expansion,” for Westward Expansion and the Constitution in the Early American Republic, hosted by University of Oklahoma, June 2014.
- Invited panelist, “Lightning Round: How the West Changed the Civil War,” Autry National Center, February 2014.
- Invited panelist for the conference “Indigenous Enslavement and Incarceration in North American History,” Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, Yale University, November 2013.

- Invited contributor for the symposium “The Civil War and the West,” sponsored by the Clements Center for Southwest Studies (SMU) and the Autry National Center, October 2013.
- Commenter, “Frontiers and Borders in the American South and West: Comparative Approaches to Gender and Marriage in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century,” Organization of American Historians, April 2013.
- Invited lecture, “Race and the Cherokee Nation: Sovereignty in the Nineteenth Century,” Duke University, February 2013.
- Invited panelist for the conference “The Shadow of Slavery: Emancipation, Memory, and the Meaning of Freedom,” hosted by the University of Florida, February 2013.
- Panelist and Keynote Speaker, Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Southeastern Regional Conference, Rice University, November 2012.
- Panelist, “Leading Women: A Roundtable Discussion of Gender and Academic Leadership,” Southern Historical Association, November 2012.
- Commenter, “Reactions to Contact: Re-Fashioning Native American Identities,” Western History Association, October 2012.
- Invited panelist, “Reconstructing Other Southerners: the Aftermath of the Civil War in the Cherokee Nation,” Kent State University Symposium on Democracy: Democracy and the American Civil War, April 2012.
- Panelist, “Black Women in the Ivory Tower,” Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Midwinter Conference, March 2012.
- Invited panelist, “The Meaning and Impact of the End of Slavery in the United States,” Rice University School of Continuing Education, February 2012.
- Commenter, “Interrogating Racialized Intimacies: Language, Generational Conflict, and Eating Practices,” Western History Association, October 2011.
- Invited panelist, screening of the documentary *The Reconstruction of Asa Carter*, sponsored by the Race Scholars Program, Rice University, October 2011.
- Commenter, “Slavery’s Completely Unsurprising Role,” Mid-America Conference, September 2011.
- Invited lecture, “Race and the Cherokee Nation: Sovereignty in the Nineteenth Century,” Rice University, April 2011.
- Invited commenter, “Eugene Genovese on Slavery and the Master-Slave Relationship,” at the symposium “Slavery and Southern History: The Work of Eugene Genovese,” Princeton University, March 2011.
- Panelist, “Roundtable: Teaching Gender in the American West,” Western History Association, October 2010.
- Invited speaker, “The Cherokee Removal and Race,” Trail of Tears Association Conference and Symposium, September 2010.
- “Unwelcome Citizens: Freedpeople and Reconstruction in the Choctaw Nation,” panelist, Organization of American Historians, April 2010.
- Invited speaker for the Symposium on Native American Removal for the Bandy Heritage Center at Dalton State College, GA, April 2010.
- Invited lecture, “Race and the Cherokee Nation,” East Central University, February 2009.
- Commenter, “Modes of Masculinities: Gender and Sexuality in Native America,” Ethnohistory, November 2008.
- “Sam Dent, Molley, and the Intersection of Federal, State, and Cherokee Law,” panelist, American Society of Legal History, November 2007
- Invited panelist for the conference “African American Scholarship: New Directions for the 21st Century,” Claflin University, April 2007.

- Invited contributor, “From Kin to Intruder: Cherokee Legal Attitudes towards People of African Descent in the Nineteenth Century,” Conference on Science, Race, and the Law in America, Oregon State University, April 2006.
- Invited lecture, “For the Good of the Nation: Policing Sex and Citizenship in Indian Country,” Brown Bag Series, Rhodes College, March 2006.
- “Nineteenth-Century Cherokee Marriage Laws: Regulating Race and Sex in the Cherokee Nation,” panelist, American Studies Association, November 2005.
- Commenter, “Indian-African Interaction in the Early South: Race and the Transformation of Native Cultures and Identities,” American Historical Association, January 2005.
- Panelist, “Conversations with Elders,” SSRC Mellon Minority Fellowship Summer Conference, 2004.
- Moderator, “Life on the Kentucky Frontier: A Roundtable Discussion,” Kentucky Historical Society’s Boone Day, June 2004.
- “‘Her mother, she say, my great gran’mother was almost pure Injun’: Black Perceptions of Interracial Sex in the Nineteenth Century,” Carter G. Woodson Lecture, University of Kentucky, November 2003.
- “Legislating Women’s Sexuality: Cherokee Marriage Laws in the Nineteenth Century,” panel organizer, Southern Association for Women Historians, June 2003.
- “For the Good of the Nation: Policing Sex and Citizenship in Nineteenth Century Cherokee Society,” panelist, American Historical Association, January 2003.
- “Policing Sex and Citizenship: Anti-Amalgamation Laws in the Cherokee Nation during the Nineteenth Century,” SSRC Mellon Minority Fellowship Summer Conference, 2002.
- “Private Acts and Public Choices: the Cherokee Nation and Marriage Laws in the Nineteenth Century,” Graduate Student Conference sponsored by the Department of History, Emory University, February 2002.
- Panelist, “Conversation with Chester Pierce,” SSRC Mellon Minority Fellowship Summer Conference, 2000.
- “How to Make the Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Work for You,” guest speaker, Rice University Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Banquet, April 2000.
- “A Broken Promise: Urban African-American Literacy and Wealth in 1870,” SSRC Mellon Minority Fellowship Summer Conference, 1999.
- “Gendering Slave Labor: The Hierarchy of Slave Work in the Antebellum South,” SSRC Mellon Minority Fellowship Summer Conference, 1997.

SCHOLARLY SERVICE

Review article submissions

- *Left History*
- *Civil War History*
- *Journal of American History*
- *Journal of Southern History*
- *Journal of Appalachian Studies*
- *Journal of the Civil War Era*
- *Journal of the History of Biology*
- *Georgia Historical Quarterly*
- *Western Historical Quarterly*
- *Frontiers: A Journal of Women’s Studies*
- *Journal of the Early Republic*

Review manuscript submissions

- University of Oklahoma Press

Journal of the Civil War Era, Editorial Board member, 2016-present

- Richards Prize for best article published in the journal, selection committee member, 2016
- Richards Prize for best article published in the journal, selection committee member, 2017

Journal of the Early Republic, Editorial Board member, 2014-2017

- Ralph D. Gray Prize for best article published in the *Journal of the Early Republic*, selection committee member, 2015

American Academy in Berlin, Peer Reviewer, 2017 and 2018.

Southern Association for Women Historians, Membership Committee, 2014

Western History Association, 2012 Program co-Chair

Southern Historical Association, Committee on Women, member, 2011-2014

AP Summer Institute Advanced Topic Academy, Rice University

- Provided a 2 hour session on Native education for high school teachers, July 2018.
- Provided a 2 hour session on Resisting Slavery for high school teachers, July 2016
- Provided a 2 hour session on Unfree Labor in the United States for high school teachers, July 2015
- Provided a 2 hour session on American Indigenous Slavery and Indian Removal in the United States for high school teachers, July 2014

Humanities Research Center Civic Humanist Program, Rice University

- Provide lecture on Indian Removal for high school students, 2014-2016

Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History, University of Oklahoma

- Rediscovering Native Oklahoma Teacher Institute, provided content on the Trail of Tears for school teachers, July 2011.

East Central University, Center for Advancement of American History

- Provided two sessions on slavery and resistance for middle school teachers, February 2009.

Osage County Interlocal Cooperative, SMASH Seminar

- Provided day-and-a-half long seminar on Cherokee Indians for public school teachers, October 2010.
- Provided day-and -a -half long seminar “The Constitution and the Civil War” for public school teachers, October 2008.

Early American Art & Cultural History Program, Art Museum, University of Kentucky

- Provided content on slavery and the Underground Railroad for public school teachers, November 2006.

Partners in Teaching American History Grant, Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative, funded by the Department of Education

- Provided content on American Indian history and nineteenth-century American history for the summer institute, Summer 2005.
- Provide content on American Indian history and nineteenth-century American history for public school teachers during the academic year, Spring 2005-Fall 2006.

Kentucky Association for Teachers in History

- Provided content on nineteenth-century American history for summer conference, Summer 2005.

Harcourt Publishing

- Reviewed chapters for primary school social studies textbook , Summer and Fall 2005.

Rich-Heape Productions

- Provided some scholarly commentary for the documentary film *Trail of Tears*, May 2005.

SERVICE AT RICE UNIVERSITY

Department of History

- Director of Undergraduate Studies, Fall 2017 and Spring 2018
- Executive Committee member, Fall 2016 to Spring 2018
- Tenure and Promotion Committee member, Fall 2017, Fall 2018
- Women’s History Month Lecture organizer, Spring 2015 to present

University

- Junior Faculty Triad Mentoring Program, 2014 to present
- Rice University Athletic Committee member, 2015 to present
- Quality Enhancement Plan, Faculty Advisory Council, 2016 to present
- Dean of Undergraduates Search Committee, Fall 2017 and Spring 2018

College

- Jones College Associate, 2014 to present
- First Year Mentor, Jones College, 2015 to present

TEACHING EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Rice University

Associate Professor, 2013-present

- Glasscock School of Continuing Studies: “Beyond Pocahontas”
- Graduate Seminar: “Women and Gender in Native America”
- FWIS: “Beyond Pocahontas: Natives in Nineteenth-Century America”
- “Early America”
- “History: the Workshop”
- “Black Life in the Nineteenth-Century US”
- “The Civil War”
- “Nineteenth-Century American Women’s Narratives”
- “Blacks in the Americas”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: ““Nineteenth-Century American Women’s Narratives”
- Graduate Seminar: “U.S. Social/Cultural History Methods”

University of Oklahoma

Associate Professor, 2009-2013

Assistant Professor, 2007-2009

- “US History to 1865”
- “The History Sleuth”
- Colloquium Course: “Nineteenth-Century Black Experience”
- “Survey of African American History to 1865”
- “Survey of African American History since 1865”
- “The Civil War”
- “History of the American South”
- Capstone Course: “American South”
- Graduate Seminar: “US History, 1820-1865”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “Race in the Americas before 1865”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “African American History, 1800-1850”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “The American South”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “The Civil War”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “American Religious History before 1860”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “Women and Gender in Native America”

University of Kentucky

Assistant Professor

- “Inventing Indians”
- “Honors Historical Methodology”
- “Honors Historical Methodology: Writing the Thesis”
- “Survey of American Indian History until 1838”
- “Survey of American Indian History from 1838 to the Present”
- “Survey of African American History to 1865”
- “Survey of African American History since 1865”
- Graduate Seminar: “Jackson, the Civil War, and Reconstruction”
- Graduate Independent Readings Course: “Race in the Americas before 1865”

Emory University

Instructor

- “Race and Identity in the Cherokee Nation,” Spring 2003
- “U.S. History, 1877 to the Present: the Making of Modern America,” Fall 2000, 2002
- “Why Didn’t Somebody Tell Me?” Teaching Assistant and Teacher Training Opportunity (TATTO) Program, Summer 2002

Morris Brown College

Instructor, Social Studies/Critical Thinking, Upward Bound—TCC, 1998-2001

- Created written exams, daily lesson plans, lectures, and assignments.
- Improved students’ skills in reading comprehension, oral and written communication, and logic and reasoning.
- Maintained student files for inspection by Department of Education officials.

Emory University

Teaching Assistant and Teacher Training Opportunity (TATTO) Program. Course work included “Introduction to College Teaching,” a two-credit course on teaching, Fall 1998.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Southern Historical Association
- Organization of American Historians
- Western History Association
- Society for Historians of the Early American Republic
- American Historical Association