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Employment

2024- **Assistant Professor**, Department of History, University of California, Los Angeles

Education

2017-2024 **Duke University**, Ph.D., History
Dissertation: “Unfree Soil: Empire, Labor, and Coercion in the Upper Mississippi River Valley, 1812-1861”

June 2016 **Dartmouth College**, B.A., *cum laude*
History with High Honors, Minor in English

Publications

2023 Contribution to “The Agency Dilemma: A Forum,” *The American Historical Review* 128, no. 2 (June 2023): 919-921.

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

External

2024 IDEAL Provostial Postdoctoral Fellowship, Stanford University (*Declined*)
2024 Richards Center Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Civil War Era, Pennsylvania State University (*Declined*)
2024 CRRES Postdoctoral Fellowship, Indiana University-Bloomington (*Declined*)
2021 F.K. Weyerhaeuser Fellowship, Forest History Society
2020 Alfred M. Landon Research Grant, Kansas Historical Society
2020 Bordin-Gillette Researcher Travel Fellowship, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan
2018 History of American Democracy Graduate Student Fellowship, The Tobin Project
2018 Virginia Center for Civil War Studies Research Grant, Virginia Tech

Internal

2023 Katherine Goodman Stern Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Duke University
2023 Summer Research Fellowship for Research on Racism and Systemic Inequalities, Duke University
2022 Military History Teaching Stipend, Duke History Department
2022 Summer Research Fellowship for Research on Racism and Systemic Inequalities, Duke University
2021 Dissertation Research Travel Award: Domestic, Duke University
2017-2021 James B. Duke Fellowship, The Graduate School, Duke University
2019 Representing Migrations Humanities Lab Fellowship, Duke University
2019 Duke University Center for International and Global Studies Working Group Grant: “The Moving Aesthetics of Empire”
2017 Jonathan B. Rintels Prize for Best Honors Thesis in the Social Sciences, Dartmouth College
2016 Peter J. Reichard 1966 Memorial Research Award for Best Undergraduate Thesis, History Department, Dartmouth College
2016 Jones History Prize for Undergraduate Thesis in U.S. History, History Department, Dartmouth College

2014 Henry Eagle Class of 1943 Scholarship, Native American Program, Dartmouth College

Invited Talks, Panels, and Workshops

- 2024 “Indian Territory, Canada, and Freedom’s Legal Borderlands, 1841-1854,” To Freedom and Back: The Flight, Extradition, and Legacies of Nelson Hackett, Fayetteville, AR, September 5-7
- 2024 “‘The Mission Agents and Their Lawless Clan’: Native American Children, Mission Schools, and Unfree Labor in the Upper Midwest, 1827-1844,” Triangle Early American History Seminar, Research Triangle Park, NC, February 23
- 2024 “‘More Profitable to the Indians Than White Men or Indians’: Slavery and the Office of Indian Affairs,” University of Rochester History Department Workshop, Rochester, NY, February 8
- 2019 Speaker, “Dartmouth Stories That Shape the World,” Dartmouth on Location 250, Philadelphia, PA, October 26
- 2019 Speaker on Student-Faculty Research at The Call to Lead: A Campaign for Dartmouth, Seattle, WA, February 5
- 2018 Speaker on Student-Faculty Research at The Call to Lead: A Campaign for Dartmouth, Chicago, IL, October 30
- 2017 Panelist, “Daughters of Freedom, Daughters of War,” Peter J. Reichard Memorial Panel, Dartmouth College, January 23

Conference Presentations and Workshops

- 2024 “A ‘Vast Field of Missionary Labor’: Missionaries and the Conversion of Indian Territory into Slave Territory,” The Western Historical Association Conference, Kansas City, MO, October, (Panel Organizer)
- 2024 “‘In a Country Where Slavery is Forbidden’: Slavery, Conquest, and the United States Army in the Upper Mississippi River Valley,” The Western Historical Association Conference, Kansas City, MO, October
- 2024 “Kinship, Guardianship, and Notions of Race at Green Bay’s Cadle Mission, 1829-1836,” American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, Fargo, ND, September
- 2024 “‘The Indian state which they wish to preserve’: Race, Citizenship, and the Stockbridge Nation,” American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, Fargo, ND, September
- 2024 Roundtable Participant, “Beyond Forty Acres: Manifestations & Memory of Land Reform in the Civil War Era,” Meeting of the Society of Civil War Historians, Raleigh, NC, June 21
- 2023 “Unfree Soil: Slavery in Kansas Territory before 1854,” The Western Historical Association Conference, Los Angeles, CA, October 26 (Panel Organizer)
- 2023 “‘The motive is that of sordid gain’: Native American Children, Mission Schools, and Unfree Labor in the Upper Midwest, 1830-1854,” Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, PA, July 14 (Panel Organizer)
- 2023 “‘In a Country Where Slavery is Forbidden’: Slavery, Conquest, and the United States Army in the Upper Mississippi River Valley,” Western History Dissertation Workshop, Lawrence, KS, May 19

- 2021 “The Privilege to Choose for Themselves”: Citizenship, Race, and Belonging in the Stockbridge Nation, 1820-1856,” Carolina Seminar in American Indian and Indigenous Studies, Chapel Hill, NC, May 7
- 2019 “Half ‘Citizens’ and Half ‘Indians’: The Stockbridge Nation and the Work of Citizenship in Jacksonian America,” The American Society for Ethnohistory Conference, State College, PA, September 26
- 2019 “*Restraints of Civilized Society*”: Stockbridge Citizenship and Anticolonial Nationalism in 1840s Wisconsin Territory,” NC State History Graduate Conference, Raleigh, NC, March 23
- 2018 “Passing Marks: Determining Insiders from Outsiders in Confederate Richmond,” History of American Democracy Graduate Student Workshop, The Tobin Project, Cambridge, MA, May 30 - June 1
- 2018 “They Shall Not Pass: Movement and Belonging in the Capital of the Confederacy,” CUNY Early American Republic Seminar Graduate Conference, New York, NY May 11

Departmental Talks

- 2023 Comment, “Agency and History,” History Methods Lab, Duke University, March 6
- 2020 Panelist, “Virtuality as Method: Teaching,” History Methods Lab, Duke University, October 19
- 2020 “Indigeneity and Immigration,” Representing Humanities Migration Lab Showcase, Duke University, Durham, NC, January 31

Teaching

University of California, Los Angeles

- 2024 (F) The Civil War Era in the United States, 1850-1877

Duke University

- 2023 (S) Instructor of Record, The Civil War & Reconstruction: The United States, 1850-1880
- 2020 (F) Teaching Assistant, The History of Modern Warfare
- 2020 (S) Teaching Assistant, American Dreams, American Realities
- 2019 (F) Teaching Assistant, North American Environmental History, Dr. Gunther Peck
- 2019 (S) Research Tutor, The Price of Sex: Gender and the Global Political Economy
- 2019 (S) Research Tutor, The Modern Caribbean after Emancipation
- 2018 (F) Teaching Assistant, US Legal History

North Star Academy (Newark, NJ)

- 2016-2017 11th Grade AP US History Teacher
- 2015 (S) Summer Teaching Fellow

Service

- 2021-2024 Co-Founder of the Native American Graduate and Professional Student Alliance, Duke University
- 2022-2023 Co-Chair, Duke History Graduate Student Association
- 2021 Coordinator for the Triangle Legal History Seminar
- 2019-2020 Constitutional Committee, Duke History Graduate Student Association (GSA)
- 2018-2020 GED Tutor, Youth Education Program, Durham Literacy Center
- 2019-2020 Director of Programming and Social Events, Duke History GSA
- 2017 (F) Graduate Student Assistant, Duke History Department Colloquium, Duke University

2014-2015 Student Coordinator, Native American Program, Dartmouth College

Mentoring

2014-2015 Native American Peer Advisor, Native American Program, Dartmouth College

2014 Native and Indigenous Pre-Orientation Mentor, Dartmouth College

Languages

French (research proficiency)

Spanish (intermediate)

Professional Memberships

American Society for Ethnohistory (ASE)

Digadatseli'i, Cherokee Scholars Think Tank

Native American and Indigenous Studies Association (NAISA)

The Society of Civil War Historians (SCWH)

The Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR)

The Western History Association (WHA)