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APPOINTMENTS

2023- Present	<i>Researcher</i> , The American Historical Association
2022-Present	<i>Historian and Researcher</i> , The Oxbow History Company
2021-2022	<i>Research Scholar</i> , Historic New England, Maine and New Hampshire Region

EDUCATION

Ph.D. May 2021	United States History, Dissertation Title: <i>Slavery, Pollution, and Politics on Texas' Trinity River</i> Columbia University, New York, NY Committee: Karl Jacoby, Barbara Fields, Stephanie McCurry, Elizabeth Blackmar, Ling Zhang
M.Phil May 2017	United States History; Global Environmental History Columbia University, New York, NY <i>Oral examination fields passed with distinction.</i>
M.A. October 2015	United States History Columbia University, New York, NY
M.A.T. May 2011	History Education Tufts University, Medford, MA <i>Urban Education Scholar</i>
B.A. May 2009	History and Biology minor, <i>with honors</i> Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME <i>Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar</i>

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Environmental History, Political History, Southern History, Energy Humanities, Digital Humanities, Public Humanities

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles and Chapters:

Forthcoming "The Legacy of Plantation Slavery and Texas Rivers," *Nature and Place in the Lone Star State*, Texas Tech University Press.

February 2021 "The Wet Frontier of Slavery: Plantation Slavery and Freedom on Texas' Trinity River," *Slavery and Abolition*.

November 2017 "Oil on the Farm: The East Texas Oil Boom and the Origins of an Energy Economy,"
The Journal of Southern History 83.

April 2012 "Defining a Nuisance: Pollution, Science, and Environmental Politics on Maine's Androscoggin River,"
Environmental History 17.

Reviews and Public Writing:

April 2024, "Who is in Charge of History Curricula?" *Perspectives on History*, co-authors Whit Barringer and Nick Kryczka.

Winter 2024, "Caesar's Stories," *Historic New England Magazine*.

February 2024, "Review of *Shantyboats and Roustabouts: The River Poor of St. Louis, 1875-1930* by Gregg Andrews," *JSH*.

April 2023, "S is for Sturgeon," *Down East Magazine*.

March 2023 “Review of *Managing the River Commons: Fishing and New England’s Rural Economy* by Erik Reardon,” H-Water.

Fall 2022 “Recovering Home,” *Historic New England Magazine*.

November 2022 “Review of *Land of Milk and Money: The Creation of the Southern Dairy Industry* By Alan Marcus,” *JSH*.

Summer 2022 “Learning from Rivers,” *Historic New England Magazine*.

January 2022 “Making Connections and Recovering History,” *Atlantic Black Box Project*.

Spring 2021 “Teaching the History of American Rivers,” *Open Rivers*.

Spring 2021 “Review of *The Anthropocene and the Humanities* By Carolyn Merchant,” *Agricultural History*.

September 2020 “What is a River Historian?” *Water History* 12.

November 2020 “Reconnecting with the Harlem River,” Gotham Center for NYC History Blog.

September 2020 “Perspective: Slavery’s Legacy of Inequality on American Rivers,” *Washington Post*.

November 2019 “The Trinity River as a Texas Symbol for the 21st Century,” *Dallas Morning News*.

November 2019 “Review of *Louisiana Piney Woods Oil Boom* By Jon Gibson,” *The Journal of Southern History*.

November 2017 “The Oil Boom’s Roots in East Texas Cotton Farming,” *Texas Monthly Energy Department*.

Fall 2017 “Review of *Vanishing America* By Miles Powell,” *Western Historical Quarterly*.

April 2012 “Cool, clear water? On cleaning up U.S. rivers,” *Oxford University Press Blog*.

AWARDS, HONORS AND COMPETITIVE FELLOWSHIPS

2020-2021	<i>National Fellow</i> Jefferson Scholars Foundation, University of Virginia, Charlottesville
2020-2021	<i>Dissertation Completion Fellowship (declined)</i> Mellon/ American Council of Learned Societies, New York
2020-2021	<i>Dissertation Fellowship Finalist (declined)</i> Center for Engaged Studies, Oakland, CA
2020	<i>Presidential Teaching Award Finalist</i> Columbia University, New York, NY
2019-2020	<i>Public Humanities Graduate Fellowship</i> Society of Fellows and Heyman Center for the Humanities, New York
2019-2020	<i>G.S.A.S Teaching Scholars Fellowship</i> Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, New York
2019	<i>Public Outreach Grant</i> Center for Science and Society, Columbia University, New York
2018-2019	<i>Senior Lead Teaching Fellowship</i> Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University, New York
2018-2019	<i>Portal to Texas History Research Fellowship</i> University of North Texas Libraries, Denton, Texas
2017-2018	<i>Lead Teaching Fellowship</i> Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University, New York

2017-2018	<i>William and Madeline Welder Smith Travel Award</i> Briscoe Center for American History, University of Texas, Austin
2017	<i>Ottis Locke Research Grant</i> East Texas Historical Association, Nacogdoches, TX
2017	<i>Bonham Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Research Travel Grant</i> Clements Center for Southwest Studies, Southern Methodist University, Dallas
2017	<i>Brebner Travel Grant</i> Columbia University History Department, Columbia University, New York
2015	<i>History in Action Project Award</i> Columbia University History Department, Columbia University, New York
2015	<i>Pre-Prospectus Summer Research Grant</i> Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, New York
2014 - 2019	<i>Richard F. Hofstadter Fellow</i> Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, New York
2010	<i>Sherman David Spector of the Class of 1950 Fellowship in History</i> Department of History, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME
2009	<i>Class of 1875 Prize in American History</i> (for the best U.S. History essay) Department of History, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME
2007	<i>Hawthorne Prize</i> (for the student who writes the best short story) Department of English, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME

INVITED LECTURES

- “Recovering Northern New England’s Voices.” Historic New England, April 2022.
- “River History and the New Environmental Movement.” Friends of Merrymeeting Bay, May 2021.
- “Linking River History to Current Conservation Efforts.” Pennsylvania Environmental Council, November 2020.
- “The City and the Countryside on Texas’ Trinity River.” University of North Texas, October 2018.
- “East Texas and the Trinity River.” Houston County Historical Commission, October 2018.
- “Trinity River as Texas History.” Polk County Historical Commission, July 2017.
- “Trinity River as Texas History.” San Jacinto County Historical Commission, July 2017.
- “Education and the Remember Slocum Movement.” Slocum Massacre Historical Marker Ceremony, January 2016.
- “The Androscoggin River: A Changing River and People.” Maine Historical Society and Maine Audubon, July 2014.

CONFERENCE PAPERS and PRESENTATIONS

- “American Lesson Plan: A Progress Report from the American Historical Association’s Mapping the Landscape Of Secondary US History Education,” AHA Annual Meeting, San Francisco. January 2024.
- “Mapping the Landscape of Secondary US History Education: A Report and Update from the AHA,” National Council for Social Studies Annual Meeting, Nashville. December 2023.
- “Public History Beyond the Academy.” Organizer and Chair. Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, El Paso. March 2023.

- “Recreation and Subsistence on the Trinity River: A Common Purpose.” Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, Online. March 2021.
- “All Water Has a Memory: Rivers and American History.” Organizer, Jefferson Scholars Foundation Interdisciplinary Conference, University of Virginia, Online. October 2020.
- “Harlem River History: A Digital Walk.” Organizer, Heyman Center and Society of Fellows, Online. August 2020.
- “The Power of Hidden River Histories.” River Rally, River Network Annual Meeting, Online Conference. May 2020.
- “A Southern River: Trinity River History.” East Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas. October 2018.
- “Plantations and Prisons on the Trinity River.” Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Marcos, Texas. March 2018.
- “Water Quality in Maine: The Androscoggin and the Rest of the Country.” Maine Sustainability and Water Conference, Senator George J. Mitchell Center at the University of Maine, Augusta, ME. March 2017.
- “The Slocum Massacre and the Power of the Past.” High Stakes History, History in Action Conference, Columbia University, New York, NY. January 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2019	“Rivers, Politics, and Power in the United States,” Instructor of Record, Columbia University.
Spring 2016, 2018, 2020	Barbara J. Fields, “History of the South,” Lead Teaching Assistant, Columbia University.
Fall 2017	Paul Chamberlin, “U.S. Foreign Relations 1775-1920,” Teaching Assistant, Columbia.
Spring 2017	Pablo Piccato, “Mexico from Revolution to Democracy,” Teaching Assistant, Columbia.
Fall 2016	Kenneth Jackson, “History of New York City,” Teaching Assistant, Columbia University.
Fall 2015	Herbert Sloan, “American Civilization Survey to Civil War,” Teaching Assistant, Barnard.
2012-2014	Mentor Teacher in History and Geography, Chemeketa Community College, Salem, OR.
2011-2012	Writing Coordinator and Writing Instructor, Kings Valley School, Kings Valley, OR.
2010-2011	Humanities Intern and Inclusion Associate, Codman Academy, Dorchester, MA.

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2022-2023	2023 Program Committee member for Texas State Historical Association
2020-2021	Peer Reviewer for <i>Journal of Urban History</i>
2018	<i>Advisor</i> , www.lynchingintexas.org , Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
2018-2019	<i>Co-Organizer</i> , New York Metro Seminar in Environmental History, New York, NY
Spring 2017	<i>Graduate Student Representative</i> , US History Search Committee, Columbia University.
2017-2018	<i>Co-Chair Creative History Writing Workshop</i> , History in Action at Columbia University.
2016- 2018	<i>High School Teaching Mentor</i> , Columbia Secondary School, New York, NY
2014- 2020	<i>Historical Walking Tour Guide</i> , Big Onion Historical Walking Tours, New York, NY
2015- 2016	<i>History in Action</i> , Slocum Massacre Website www.TeachSlocumMassacre.org , New York, NY

Fall 2014

Public History Consultant, Metropolis of Science <http://metropolisofscience.org>, New York, NY

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

American Society of Environmental Historians

Southern Historical Association

Texas State Historical Association

East Texas Historical Association (2019-Service on Membership Committee)

Lincoln County Historical Association (Board Member: Development and Archives Committee)

REFERENCES

Available upon request.