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EMPLOYMENT:

2011- Associate Professor of History, Augsburg College
2008-2011 Director, Environmental Studies Program, Augsburg College
2005-2011 Assistant Professor of History, Augsburg College
2004-2005 Visiting Assistant Professor of History, State University of New York at Buffalo
2003-2005 Visiting Assistant Editor, Western Historical Quarterly
2003-2004 Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Utah State University

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., History, University of Minnesota, 2003
Dissertation: "The Significance of Nonhumans in U.S. Western History"
Adviser: Sara M. Evans
Committee: Erika Lee, Thomas C. Wolfe, Bruce Braun (Geography), Karen Till (Geography)

M.A., History, Utah State University, 1998
Thesis: "Masculinity and Bonanza Wheat in North Dakota's Red River Valley, 1874-1950"
Adviser: Anne M. Butler
Committee: David Rich Lewis, Steve Siporin (Folklore)

A.B., History (with Highest Honors), Religious Studies, College of William & Mary, 1995

PUBLICATIONS:

"Salvaging the Manpower of America': Conservation, Manhood, and Disabled Veterans During World War I," Environmental History 14 (January 2009): 32-57.

Coauthor, with Anne M. Butler, The American West: A Concise History (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2008).

Coauthor, with David Rich Lewis, "Surveying the Western History Association," Western Historical Quarterly 38 (Autumn 2007): 303-306.

"Race, Space, and Chinese Life in Late Nineteenth-Century Salt Lake City," Utah Historical Quarterly 72 (Summer 2004): 219-238. Reprinted in Laurie F. Maffly-Kipp and Reid L. Neilson, eds., Proclamation to the People: Nineteenth Century Mormonism and the Pacific Basin Frontier, (Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press, 2008).

"Different Methods, Different Places: Feminist Geography and New Directions in U.S. Western History," Journal of Historical Geography 29, no. 2 (2003): 230-247.

"Environmental Ethics, Green Politics, and the History of Predator Biology," Ethics, Place, and Environment 5 (March 2002): 43-49.

"Plains Indian Women and Interracial Marriage in the Upper Missouri Fur and Hide Trade, 1804-1868" Western Historical Quarterly 31 (Winter 2000): 413-433. Reprinted in Roger L. Nicholls, ed., The American Indian: Past and Present, 6th edition, (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2008).

WORK-IN-PROGRESS:

Insurgent Democracy: The Nonpartisan League in the North American West (book manuscript)

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS:

Lloyd Lewis Fellowship in American History, Newberry Library, 2011-2012.

Dean's Summer Scholarship Grant, Augsburg College, 2009.

Dale L. Morgan Award (Best Scholarly Article in Utah Historical Quarterly), Utah State Historical Society, 2005.

University of Minnesota Graduate School Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 2002-2003.

Oscar O. Winther Award (Best Article to Appear in Western Historical Quarterly), Western History Association, 2001.

Burlingame/Toole Award (Best Graduate Student Submission to Montana, The Magazine of Western History), Montana Historical Society, 1997.

Robert M. Utey Editorial Fellowship, Western Historical Quarterly, Utah State University, 1996- 1998.

William Albert Fraley Award (Best History Honors Thesis of the Year), Department of History, College of William & Mary, 1995.

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENTS:

"New Perspectives on the Nonpartisan League." Paper presented at the *Western History Association Conference*, Incline Village, NV, October 14, 2010.

"New Possibilities for Public History in a Post-Carbon World." Paper presented at the *National Council on Public History Annual Meeting*, Portland, OR, March 13, 2010.

"Western Women's and Gender History." Panel presentation at the *Northern Great Plains History Conference*, St. Cloud, MN, October 17, 2009.

"Teaching About Women, Gender, and Sexuality in the American West." Panel presentation at the *Western History Association Conference*, Denver, CO, October 9, 2009.

"Perils of Place: Teaching Western History to Diverse Audiences." Panel presentation at the *Western History Association Conference*, Salt Lake City, UT, October 23, 2008.

"Tidal Waves? U.S. Feminist Historians Talk Back (and Forth) Across the Generations." Panel presentation at the *14th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women*, Minneapolis, MN, June 13, 2008.

"Conflicts in the Land." Chair and comment on paper presentations at the *The State We're In: Creative and Critical Approaches to Minnesota History at 150*, Collegeville, MN, May 29, 2008.

- "Forestry, Prosthetics, and Manhood in World War I America." Paper presented at the *Western History Association Conference*, St. Louis, MO, October 12, 2006.
- "Where is the Western History Association? Report on a Survey." Panel presentation at the *Western History Association Conference*, St. Louis, MO, October 12, 2006.
- "An American Daughter in Africa: Era Bell Thompson on Race, Human Rights, and African American Identity in the 1950s." Paper presented at *Organization of American Historians Midwest Regional Conference*, Lincoln, NE, July 8, 2006.
- "Protecting What the River Runs Through: Legal Activism in Minnesota's Sierra Club, 1966-2000." Poster presentation at *American Society for Environmental History Conference*, St. Paul, MN, March 30, 2006.
- "Planting the Seeds of International Environmental Activism: Greening the Peace Prize Consortium Colleges." Co-organizer and Panelist at *Nobel Peace Prize Forum: Striving for Peace, Sustaining the Planet*, Decorah, IA, March 11, 2006
- "Western History Journals." Panelist at *Western History Association Conference*, Scottsdale, AZ, October 15, 2005.
- "The Ethnography of an Imperial Tourist: Prince Maximilian of Wied as Scientist and Explorer on the Upper Missouri." Paper presented at the *Western History Association Conference*, San Diego, CA, October 5, 2001.
- "Applying Feminist Geographies to U.S. History: The American West." Paper presented at the *National Women's Studies Association Conference*, Minneapolis, MN, June 16, 2001.
- "Science Studies, Environmentalism, and the History of Predator Biology." Paper presented at *Carnivores 2000: A Conference on Carnivore Biology and Conservation in the 21st Century (sponsored by Defenders of Wildlife)*, Denver, CO, November 14, 2000.
- "Between Dissimilar Worlds: Indian Women, Trade, and Cultural Change on the Northern Plains." Paper presented at the *Northern Great Plains History Conference*, Mankato, MN, September 28, 2000.
- "Race, Gender, and Bonanza Farming: Black Men and Settlement Rhetoric in North Dakota, 1882." Paper presented at the *Social Science History Association Conference*, Ft. Worth, TX, November 12, 1999.
- "Masculinity and Bonanza Wheat in North Dakota's Red River Valley." Paper presented at the *Western History Association Conference*, St. Paul, MN, October 17, 1997.
- "Environmental History, Farm Fiction, and the Past, Present, and Future of the Great Plains." Paper presented at the *Northern Great Plains History Conference*, Bismarck, ND, September 25, 1997.
- "Children of the Trade: Métis on the Upper Missouri." Paper presented at the *Plains Anthropology Conference*, Laramie, WY, October 19, 1995.

BOOK REVIEWS:

The Red Corner: The Rise and Fall of Communism in Northeastern Montana, by Verlaine Stoner McDonald, for Western Historical Quarterly (Summer 2011).

Hoboes: Bindlestiffs, Fruit Tramps, and the Harvesting of the West, by Mark Wyman, for Montana The Magazine of Western History 60 (Winter 2010).

African Americans on the Great Plains: An Anthology, eds. Bruce A. Glasrud and Charles A. Braithwaite, for Annals of Iowa 69 (Fall 2010).

North Woods River: The St. Croix River in Upper Midwest History, by Eileen McMahon and Theodore J. Karamanski, for Minnesota History 62 (Summer 2010).

Their Own Frontier: Women Intellectuals Re-Visioning the American West, eds., Shirley A. Leckie and Nancy J. Parezo, for Journal of American History 96 (June 2009).

Creating Minnesota: A History from the Inside Out, by Annette Atkins, for Western Historical Quarterly 39 (Winter 2008).

The Opium Debate and Chinese Exclusion Laws in the Nineteenth-Century American West, by Diana L. Ahmad, for Utah Historical Quarterly 75 (Fall 2007).

A Time for Peace: Fort Lewis, Colorado, 1878-1891, by Duane A. Smith, for Military History of the West 37 (2007).

Confronting Race: Women and Indians on the Frontier, 1815-1915, by Glenda Riley, for Pacific Historical Review 74 (November 2005).

Creatures of Empire: How Domestic Animals Transformed Early America, by Virginia DeJohn Anderson, for Journal of British Studies 44 (October 2005).

Print the Legend: Photography and the American West, by Martha A. Sandweiss, for Western Historical Quarterly 35 (Winter 2004).

African American Women Confront the West, 1600-2000, eds. Quintard Taylor and Shirley Ann Wilson Moore, for Great Plains Quarterly 24 (Summer 2004).

PUBLIC HISTORY EXPERIENCE:

Consultant and Facilitator, Curriculum Connections Project (5th Grade U.S. History), Anoka-Hennepin School District, Anoka, MN, 2010-

Author, "From Sustenance to Leisure: The Environmental History of Minnesota," MNOpedia (online), Minnesota Historical Society Press, 2011.

Chair, Academic Council, Headwaters American History Project, Itasca, MN Area Schools Collaborative, Teaching American History Grant, U.S. Department of Education, 2008-2011.

Researcher and Author, Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN, 2005-2008. Resulted in The Faith of Our Forebears: One Hundred Years at Mount Olive Lutheran Church (Minneapolis, MN: Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 2009).

Coordinator and Author, Oral History Project, North Star Chapter, Sierra Club (Minnesota), 2001-2003. Resulted in A Light to Reckon By: North Star Sierrans in Minnesota (Minneapolis, MN: North Star Chapter, Sierra Club, 2003).

History Day Campus Coordinator, National History Day in Minnesota Program, Minnesota Historical Society and University of Minnesota, 1999-2001.

Intern for Archival Research, Education Department, Minnesota Historical Society, 1994.

TEACHING:

Augsburg College, 2005-present

America to 1815; Nineteenth-Century U.S.; Twentieth-Century U.S.; Latin American History; Globalization and Women's Grassroots Movements in Latin America (study-abroad); Public History; U.S. Urban Environmental History; The North American West; Senior Seminar: Gender in Twentieth-Century America; Senior Seminar: The Nonpartisan League; Independent Study: Public History and Environmental History; Independent Study: Political Ideology in Late 18th-Century America

Co-taught courses:

Augsburg Seminar for First Year Students; Environmental Connections – Introduction to Environmental Studies; Margins as Center – Feminist Theory

State University of New York at Buffalo, 2004-2005

U.S. History, 1877 to Present; The U.S. West; U.S. Environmental History; Women and Gender in the U.S. West; Graduate Seminar – U.S. Environmental History; Graduate Seminar – The North American West

Utah State University, 2003-2004

U.S. History to 1877; The American West; Graduate Seminar – U.S. West; Directed Graduate Readings--U.S. Women's History; Directed Graduate Readings – U.S. Rural History

University of Minnesota, 2001-2003

U. S. History, Through Reconstruction; U. S. History, 1900-1945; Making the American Male: Masculinities in U. S. History, 1863-Present; The American West: Film & History

ADVISING:

Undergraduate

Matthew Charboneau, "Catholic Temperance Movements in the Twin Cities," Undergraduate Research Office Summer Fellowship (\$4000), Augsburg College, 2010.

Schuyler Tilson, "Bringing Dakota History to Fort Snelling," Departmental Honors in History, Augsburg College, 2010.

Christopher Shockey, "Minnesotans and U.S. Imperialism in the Philippines, 1898-1899," Undergraduate Research Office Summer Fellowship (\$4000), Augsburg College, 2007.

Christina Quick, "The Ku Klux Klan and Minneapolis Politics, 1922-1924," Undergraduate Research Office Summer Fellowship (\$4000), Augsburg College, 2006.

Graduate

Outside Reader: Skylar Harris, Ph.D. dissertation in progress, Department of History, State University of New York at Buffalo.

Outside Reader: Jonathan C. Bergman, "The Shape of Disaster and the Universe of Relief: A Social History of Disaster Relief and the 'Hurricane of '38,' Suffolk County, Long Island, New York, 1938-41." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of History, State University of New York at Buffalo (2008).

Outside Reader: Terrienne K. Schulte, "Grassroots at the Water's Edge: The League of Women's Voters and the Struggle to Save Lake Erie, 1956-1970." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of History, State University of New York at Buffalo (2006).

Committee Member: Jennifer L. Holland, "Salt Lake City Is Our Selma: The Equal Rights Amendment and the Transformation of the Politics of Gender in Utah," M.A. thesis, Department of History, Utah State University (2005).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Chair, Ray Allen Billington Award Committee, Organization of American Historians, 2011-

Member, Trennart-Iverson Graduate Student Scholarship Committee, Western History Association, 2011-

Member, 2012 Conference Program Committee, Western History Association, 2011-

Member, Irene Ledesma Graduate Student Prize Committee, Coalition for Western Women's History, 2010-

Editorial Board, "Women's Western Voices" Monograph Series, University of Arizona Press, 2005-

Judge, Gilder-Lehrman Preserve America History Teacher of the Year Award (Minnesota), 2010, 2011.

Judge, Solon J. Buck Award (for best article in Minnesota History), 2009.

Manuscript Referee: University of Arizona Press (2), Western Historical Quarterly (3), Environmental History, Minnesota History (2), Gender & History, Environmental Justice, Environment and Planning D: Society and Space

Graduate Assistant, 1998 Conference Program Committee, Western History Association, 1997.

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE:

Honorary Degree and Commencement Speaker Committee, Augsburg College, 2007-

Adviser, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society (Alpha Mu Lambda), Augsburg College, 2006-

Co-Adviser, Coalition for Student Activism, Augsburg College, 2006-

Environmental Stewardship Committee, Augsburg College, 2005-

Adviser, Augsburg History Club, Augsburg College, 2005-

“Green by 2019” Committee, Augsburg College, 2009

Convocation Committee, Augsburg College, 2006- 2008

Canadian Studies Advisory Committee, Augsburg College, 2006

Anne Pederson Women’s Resource Center Planning Committee, Augsburg College, 2006

Columnist, “Being Green at Augsburg,” Augsburg Echo (campus newspaper), 2005- 2006

Vocation Seminar for Faculty, Augsburg College, 2005-2006

African American History Search Committee, Departments of History and African American and African Studies, University of Minnesota, 2001-2002.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Organization of American Historians
Western History Association
American Society for Environmental History
Coalition for Western Women’s History

Agricultural History Society
National Council on Public History
Minnesota Historical Society
Alcohol and Drugs History Society