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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2012-present University of Akron, Tenured Associate Professor of History
2006-12 University of Akron, Assistant Professor of History
2004-06 University of Denver, Assistant Professor of History

EDUCATION

Ph.D. History, University of Arizona, 2004.
M.A. Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, 1995.
B.A. Psychology, State University of New York, 1992.

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Cleansing Honor with Blood: Masculinity, Violence, and Power in the Backlands of Northeast Brazil, 1845-1889. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2012.

Articles in Refereed Journals and Books

“Recreating Patriarchy in Northeast Brazil: Widows, Property Rights, and Gender Inequality in the Backlands of Ceará, 1845-1889,” *Luso-Brazilian Review* 51, 2 (2014): 150-169.

“Of Clubs and Whiskers: Young Men, Honour, and Violence in the Backlands of Northeast Brazil, 1845-1889,” in Christopher Forth, Robert Cribb, and Carolyn Strange, eds., *Honour, Violence and Emotions in History* (London: Bloomsbury, 2014), 127-144.

“Nem turbulentos, nem despossuídos: mudança social, honra masculina e violência sertaneja no interior da província do Ceará, 1845-1889,” *Revista de História Regional*, Dossiê *Frenteira-Sertão* 15, 2 (December, 2010): 50-75.

“On the Importance of Being Honorable: Masculinity, Survival, and Conflict in the Backlands of Northeast Brazil, Ceará, 1840s-1890,” *The Americas* 64, 1 (July, 2007): 35-57.

“Tourism: A Strategy to Promote Economic Growth and Confront the Debt Crisis in Brazil.” *El Chasqui: Student Perspectives on Latin America* 5, 1 (Winter, 1997): 47-67.

Articles in Progress

“Honra, terra e violência: O mundo dos homens pobres livres do sertão cearense do século XIX,” article accepted and awaiting publication in *Trajetos: Revista de História UFC* 8.

“Wonders of Procreation, *Partus Sequitur Ventrem*, and the Naturalization of Slave Reproduction in Nineteenth-Century Brazil,” manuscript in progress.

Book Reviews

Monica Duarte Dantas, ed. *Revoltas, Motins, Revoluções: Homens livres pobres e libertos no Brasil do século XIX*, in the *Hispanic American Historical Review* 94, 2 (May, 2014): 323-25.

Herbert Klein and Francisco Vidal Luna, *Slavery in Brazil*, in *Choice* 47, 12 (August, 2010): 2391.

Antonio Pedro Tota, *The Seduction of Brazil: The Americanization of Brazil During World War II*, trans. Lorena B. Ellis, in *Choice* 47, 8 (April, 2010): 1545.

Patricia Pessar, *From Fanatics to Folk: Brazilian Millenarianism and Popular Culture*, in the *Luso-Brazilian Review* 43, 1 (June, 2006): 148-49.

Gerald Greenfield, *The Realities of Images: Imperial Brazil and the Great Drought* in the *Hispanic American Historical Review* 85, 1 (February, 2005): 168-69.

Translations

García Canclini, Néstor. "Popular Culture: From Epic to Simulacrum." Trans. Anne Gozzi and Martha Santos, *Studies in Latin American Popular Culture* 15 (1996): 61-71.

Monograph in Progress:

"Engendering Slavery: Mothering Slaves, Labor, and Reproduction in Nineteenth-Century Brazil, 1813-1884."

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- Santander Visiting Scholar Fellowship, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies (DRCLAS), Harvard University, 2013-14.
- Faculty Research Fellowship, University of Akron, 2013.
- National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Stipend, 2012.
- Outstanding and Distinguished Member of the University of Akron Faculty. The Richard L. Hansford Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary, University of Akron, 2012.
- Faculty Research Fellowship, University of Akron, 2007.
- Faculty Research Fund Award, University of Denver, 2006.
- Faculty Research Grant, Center for Multicultural Excellence, University of Denver, 2004.
- Kathryn Anne Govenal Award, Department of History, University of Arizona, 2004.
- Hesketh Fellowship. Department of History, University of Arizona, 2003.
- Turville Fellowship. Department of History, University of Arizona, 2002.
- The Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, Ph.D. Dissertation Fellowship, 2002.
- The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation Dissertation Research Scholarship, Department of History, University of Arizona, 2001.
- Travel Grant, Department of History and Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, 2001.
- Tinker Grant for Graduate Student Field Research Travel. Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, 1998.

PAPERS PRESENTED AT SCHOLARLY CONFERENCES (selection)

"Wonders of Procreation, Rebellious Slaves, and the Naturalization of Slave Reproduction in Nineteenth-Century Brazil," Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), Kings College, London, August 2014.

“Engendering Slavery: Slave Women and Labor in the Hinterlands of Northeast Brazil, Ceará, 1813-1884,” Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, September 2012.

“Poor but Respectable: Masculinity, Honour, and Access to Resources among the Sertanejos of Ceará, Brazil, 1845-1889,” UK Society for Latin American Studies annual conference, University of Sheffield, England, April 2012.

“Landlords and Providers: Honor, Masculinity, and Citizenship in the Rural Backlands of Ceará, Brazil, 1845-1889,” Conference of the Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies (RMCLAS), Santa Fe, April 2011.

“Honorable Providers: Paradoxes of Masculinity and State Formation in the Backlands of Ceará,” Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), Brasília, Brazil, July 2010.

“Desigualdade de gênero, pobreza feminina e propriedade no sertão cearense, 1845-1889,” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Conference, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 2009.

“Disempowering Women: Widows, Property Rights, and Inheritance in the Brazilian Backlands of Ceará, 1845-1889,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies, Santa Fe, March 2009.

“Private and Public Patriarchy, Gender Violence, and Order in the Backlands of Ceará, Brazil, 1845-1889,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Minneapolis, June 2008.

“‘Instinctually Criminal’ or Innately Brave? Sertanejo Masculinity and State Formation in the Backlands of Ceará, 1850-1889,” Congress of the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), New Orleans, March 2008.

“Why Honor Matters: Masculinity, Access to Resources, and Conflict in the Brazilian Backlands of Ceará, 1845-1890,” Ohio Latinamericanist Conference, Ohio State University, April 2007.

“From Small Farmers and Ranchers to Drought Refugees and Bandits: Honor, Manhood and Violence in a Changing World. Ceará, Brazil, 1865-90,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, January 2006.

“Work, Property, and Masculine Honor in the Backlands of Ceará, 1845-1889,” Conference on Latin American History (CLAH), Seattle, January 2005.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (selection)

“Mothering Slaves, Labor, and the Persistence of Slavery in Northeast Brazil: A Non-Plantation View from the Hinterlands of Ceará, 1813-1884.” Invited panelist at the international conference of the research network on Mothering Slaves: Comparative Perspectives on Motherhood, Childlessness and the Care of Children in Atlantic Slave Societies, Universidade de São Paulo USP, São Paulo, Brazil, September 2015.

“Slave Mothers, Labor and the Reproduction of Slavery in the Hinterlands of Northeast Brazil, Ceará, 1813-1884,” Department of History and Department of Women and Gender Studies, University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio, March 2015.

“Violence, Lawsuits, and Autonomous Women in the Nineteenth-Century Nordeste, Brazil,” Teleconference, Centro de Ciências Jurídicas, Universidade Federal da Paraíba-João Pessoa, Brazil, December, 2013.

“Enslaved Women, Motherhood, and Labor in the Hinterlands of Northeast Brazil, Ceará, 1813-1884,” Brazil Studies Program Seminar Series, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, September, 2013.

“On Gender and Honor in the Northeastern Backlands of Brazil, 1845-1889,” Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, February, 2013.

“The Gender of Labor: Slavery, Maternity and Work in the Hinterlands of Northeast Brazil, Ceará, 1813-1884,” Office of Sponsored Programs, University of Akron, October, 2012.

“Novos Olhares sobre a História de Gênero no Nordeste Brasileiro,” Universidade Federal Fluminense-Niterói, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 2012

“Of Clubs and Whiskers: Gender, Honor, and Violence in the Brazilian Backlands of Ceará, 1845-89,” Women’s Studies Program, Youngstown State University, Ohio, March, 2012.

“Writing a Feminist History of *Machismo*,” at the “Panel on Feminist Methods Across the Disciplines,” Women’s Studies Program and ARM Lab, University of Akron, March, 2011.

“State Formation, Honor and the Gender of Violence in the Brazilian Hinterland, Ceará, 1845-1889,” Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Michigan State University, East Lansing, March, 2009.

“Cleansing Honor with Blood: Masculinity, Honor and Violence in the Brazilian Backlands, 1845-1889,” Faculty Research Committee Colloquium, University of Akron, November, 2008.

“The Challenges of Writing the History of Masculinities in the Backlands of Ceará, 1845-1889,” Phi Alpha Theta Colloquia Series, Department of History, University of Akron, March 2008.

“Honra, Terra e Violência: O mundo dos homens pobres livres do sertão cearense do século XIX,” Departamento de História, Universidade Federal do Ceará, Fortaleza, Brazil, June 27, 2007.

“Crossing Borders in the Interrogation of the Gendered Past,” Keynote Address at the University of Akron’s Graduate Gender Symposium, April 20, 2006.

PANELS ORGANIZED, CHAIRED

As Chair of the Brazilian Studies Committee, panel organizer, “Writing New Histories of Gender and Sexuality in Brazil,” for the Conference on Latin American History in association with the AHA annual meeting, New York, January, 2015.

Panel organizer, “Slaves, Slave Traders, Farmers and Rebels: New Perspectives on Society and History in the Brazilian Northeast, 19th and 20th Centuries,” Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA) Conference, King’s College, London, August, 2014.

Chair, “Petty Credit, Property, and Gender in Late Colonial and Early Republican Argentina, Mexico, and Brazil,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Conference, Santa Fe, March 2009.

Panel organizer, “Repensando o Nordeste brasileiro e a desigualdade desde a história,” Conference of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 2009.

Panel organizer, “When the State Moves In: Women, Authority, and Citizenship in Nineteenth-century Brazil,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Minneapolis, MN, June 2008.

Panel organizer, “The Contradictions of Modernity: Elite and Subaltern Discourses on Modernity During the Second Empire,” Conference of the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA), New Orleans, March, 2008.

Chair and commentator, “Identity and Community in Nineteenth-century Latin America,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Conference, Denver, CO, February, 2006.

Chair and moderator, “Global Rights, Local Cultures,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Claremont, CA, June, 2005.

COURSES TAUGHT

General Education

World Civilizations: Latin America
 Colonial Encounters: Europeans and Indians in the New World
 Humanities in the World Since 1300

Undergraduate Level

Colonial Latin America
 Spanish Conquest and Colonization of Latin America
 Modern Latin America
 History of Women in Latin America
 Honor and Masculinities in Latin America
 History of Brazil
 Latin American Popular Culture in Historical Perspective
 Issues in World History: Deviant Women

Graduate Courses/ Seminars

Slavery, Race, and Nation in Brazil
Machismo and Masculinities in Latin America
 Conquest and Beyond: Readings in Colonial Latin American History
 Gender in the Americas
 History Teaching Practicum

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

University Service

Fall 2015- College of Arts and Sciences’ Representative to Graduate Council

Fall 2009-present Founder and Director, Latin American Studies Certificate Program.

Nov. 2010-13 Academic Adviser, H.A.L.O.-Hispanics and Latinos Organized, a campus-wide student organization.

Nov. 2009-13 Organizing Committee “Revisiting Race: Black, White, and Beyond.”

College Service

Spring 2011-present Women’s Studies Academic Advisory Council
 Spring 2013 Chair, Women’s Studies Director Search Committee
 Fall 2010 Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Spanish Linguistics,
 Department of Modern Languages.
 Spring 2008 Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Spanish Literature,
 Department of Modern Languages.
 AY 2007-09 Global Studies Initiative Working Group.

Departmental Service

Fall 2014-present Director of Graduate Studies
 Fall 2006-present World Civilizations Steering Committee.
 AY 2013-13 Public Relations Committee
 AY 2009-13 Undergraduate Committee
 AY 2008-13 Library Committee
 AY 2010-11 Chair’s Advisory Committee
 AY 2010-11 Committee to Revise Guidelines for Retention, Tenure and Promotion
 AY 2006-09 Graduate Studies Committee.
 AY 2007-08 Scheduling Committee.
 AY 2007-08 Faculty Adviser, Delta Chi Chapter, Phi Alpha Theta student organization.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

2014-15 Chair, Brazilian Studies Committee, Conference on Latin American History
 (CLAH), affiliated with the American Historical Association (AHA)
 2014-15 Chair, Dissertation Award Committee, Ohio Academy of History
 2013-14 Secretary, Brazilian Studies Committee, Conference on Latin American History
 (CLAH), affiliated with the American Historical Association (AHA)
 2013-14 Dissertation Award Committee member, Ohio Academy of History
 2013 Anonymous Peer Reviewer for *Luso-Brazilian Review*
 2010 Anonymous Peer Reviewer for *City and Society*
 2007 Anonymous Peer Reviewer for *The Americas*
 2006 Member, Book Award Committee, Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American
 Studies Conference in Denver, CO.
 Spring, 2001 Member, Local Arrangements Committee, Rocky Mountain Council for Latin
 American Studies Conference in Tucson, AZ.
 Summer, 2001 Assistant Editor-Intern, *The Americas*, Washington, DC.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Member of the Conference on Latin American History
 Member of the American Historical Association
 Member of BRASA, Brazilian Studies Association
 Member of the Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies
 Member of the Ohio Academy of History