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History Department  
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**Professional Appointments**

Full Professor (tenured) of History, John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the CUNY Graduate Center, August 2016-present.

Chair, History Department, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, July 2021-present.

Gastprofessor (Visiting Professor), Department of North American Studies, Erfurt University, April-July 2021.

Faculty Personnel Committee, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, July 2014-present (elected At Large Member, Spring 2017; 2018-2019; elected Alternate Member, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, Fall 2016, 2017-2018).

History Major Coordinator, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, August 2017-July 2018.

Member, PSC-CUNY Research Grants History Review Panel, 2015-2016, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022.

Member, Faculty Panel, Provost Search Committee, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Spring 2018.

History Program Faculty Representative, Graduate Council, CUNY Graduate Center, March 2015-March 2019.

Fulbrightprofessor, Erfurt University, Germany, April 2014-July 2014.

Associate Professor (tenured), 19th Century U.S. History/American Criminal Justice, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, The City University of New York, August 2012-present.

Doctoral Faculty, Ph.D. program in History, City University of New York Graduate Center, May 2012-present.

Faculty Pre-Law Advisor, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, August 2010-June 2011.

History Minor Advisor and Assessment Coordinator, History Department, John Jay College of Criminal Justice,

January 2008-August 2013.

Member of Faculty Senate and College Council, John Jay College of Criminal Justice,  
July 2008-May 2009.

Associate Professor (tenure-track), 19th Century U.S. History/American Criminal Justice,  
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, The City University of New York,  
August 2007-August 2012.

Assistant Professor (tenure-track), 19<sup>th</sup> Century American History,  
Department of History, University of Western Ontario,  
London, Ontario, July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007.

Book Review Editor, H-Law,  
H-Net Discussion Network for the Scholars of the History of Law, October 2004-May 2011;  
October 2014-present.

*Commission and edit reviews of leading books in North American, European,  
and international legal and constitutional history; H-Law published 37 book reviews in 2007.*

Member, H-Net Publications Committee and  
H-Net Reviews Advisory Board, January 2007-December 2010.

*Serves as the governing body for  
book reviewing and the other publications operations of the 177 scholarly listservs that  
participate in H-Net.*

Planning Unit Coordinator,  
Culture, Text, Language division,  
The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington, September 2002-June 2005.  
*Coordinated curriculum development and managed curriculum staffing for the college's  
Humanities division, consisting of approximately 45 faculty members delivering 30% of  
the college's undergraduate seats.*

Faculty Member in American Social and Legal History,  
The Evergreen State College,  
Olympia, Washington, September 1999-June 2006.  
Converted to continuing (tenured) status, June 2004.

Lecturer, Department of History, University of Iowa, Summer 1999.

### **Research and Teaching Fields**

United States Social and Cultural History in a Transnational Context,  
Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries.

U.S. Western and Midwestern History.

U.S. Southern History.

U.S. Legal History.

The Social History of Global Catholicism.

Global History of Collective Violence.

### **Research Interests**

The Cultural and Social History of Collective Violence and Criminal Justice in the United States.

The Social History of Catholicism and North American Regions in Transnational Context.

Alaska in the History of U.S.-Russian Relations/Cultures.

The Cultural and Social History of Orchestral Performance in the United States.

### **Refereed Scholarly Books**

The Making of American Catholicism: Regional Culture and the Catholic Experience.  
New York University Press, 2021.

Global Lynching and Collective Violence, Volume One: Asia, Africa, and the Middle East  
(editor and contributor).  
University of Illinois Press, 2017.

Google Scholar lists 35 citations (books, articles, dissertations) of Global Lynching and Collective Violence as of 6/7/2018.

Global Lynching and Collective Violence, Volume One: The Americas and Europe  
(editor and contributor).  
University of Illinois Press, 2017.

Lynching beyond Dixie: American Mob Violence outside the South  
(editor and contributor).  
University of Illinois Press, 2013.

Google Scholar lists 79 citations (books, articles, dissertations) of Lynching beyond Dixie as of 6/7/2018.

The Roots of Rough Justice: Origins of American Lynching.  
University of Illinois Press, 2011.  
Paperback edition, 2014.

Google Scholar lists 104 citations (books, articles, dissertations) of The Roots of Rough Justice as of 6/7/2018.

Rough Justice: Lynching and American Society, 1874-1947.  
University of Illinois Press, 2004.  
Paperback edition, 2006.

Google Scholar lists 374 citations (books, articles, dissertations) of Rough Justice as of 6/7/2018.

### **Refereed Scholarly Book Manuscripts-in-Progress**

Between Russia and America: Alaska in the Histories of Russia and the United States.  
This book-length project uses Alaska as a prism into U.S.-Russian relations and the interaction of Russian and American cultures from the eighteenth century

through the current day.

### Symphonic Worlds: A Global History of Orchestral Cultures (with David Lin)

This book-length project *in progress* examines the social history of global orchestral performance in transnational context, interpreting the social bases of the performance and reception of symphony orchestras across the regions of Europe, the United States, Latin America, Asia, and Oceania, from the eighteenth through the twentieth centuries.

The project explores the role of cultural and national origin, colonialism, class, ethnicity, race, gender, and sexuality in the rise (and fall) of orchestral performance across global cultures.

### **Reference Works-in-Progress**

History of American Racial Violence: an Encyclopedia of Conflicts, Riots, and Revolution.  
ABC-CLIO, 2024 (editor)

Terrible Legacy: Encyclopedia of Lynching in America.  
ABC-CLIO, 2024 (editor).

### **Refereed Scholarly Articles and Book Chapters**

Daniel F. Littlefield, Jr. 's Seminole Burning and the Historiography of the Lynching of Native Americans.”  
Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era (2020), First View, 1-6.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1537781420000493>.

“The Making of a Midwestern Catholicism: Identities, Ethnicity, and Catholic Culture in Iowa City, 1840-1940.”  
The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 76, no. 3 (Summer 2017), 201-226.

“The Strange Career of New Orleans Catholicism: Race at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1905-2006.” Louisiana History, Vol. LVIII, no. 1 (Winter 2017), 59-92.

“At the Hands of Parties Unknown?: The State of the Field of Lynching Studies.”  
The Journal of American History, Vol. 101, no. 3 (December 2014), 832-846.

“Final Thoughts on the State of the Field of Lynching Scholarship.”  
The Journal of American History, Vol. 101, no. 3 (December 2014), 832-859-860.

“The Bitter Seed of Albion and Eire: Extralegal Violence and Law in the Early Modern British Isles and the Origins of American Lynching.”  
in Manfred Berg and Simon Wendt, eds.,  
Globalizing Lynching History: Vigilantism and Extralegal Punishment from an International Perspective (Palgrave Macmillan, 2011).

“The Lynching of Slaves: Race, Law, and the White Community in the Antebellum South,”  
in Louis Kyriakoudes, Michele Gillespie, Susanna Delfino, eds.,  
The Transformations of Southern Society, 1790-1860, 45-63.  
(University of Missouri Press, 2011).

“The Northern U.S and the Genesis of Racial Lynching: The Lynching of African-Americans in the Civil War Era.”

The Journal of American History, Vol. 97, no. 3 (December 2010), 621-635.

"The Origins of Postbellum Lynching: Collective Violence in Reconstruction Louisiana."  
Louisiana History, Vol. L, No. 2 (Spring 2009), 189-201.

"The 1857 Eastern Iowa Vigilante Movement:  
Law, Society, and Violence in the Antebellum Midwest."  
The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 64, no. 2 (Spring 2005), 139-166.

"Wisconsin's Last Decade of Lynching, 1881-1891:  
Law and Violence in the Postbellum Midwest."  
American Nineteenth Century History, Vol. 6, no. 3  
(September 2005), 227-239. Subsequently republished in  
William D. Carrigan, Lynching Reconsidered: New Perspectives in the  
Study of Mob Violence, Routledge Press, 2008.

"'Midnight Justice': Lynching and Law in the Pacific Northwest."  
Pacific Northwest Quarterly, Vol. 94, no. 2 (Spring 2003), 83-92.

"Lynching and Criminal Justice: The Midwest and West as  
American Regions, 1874-1947."  
Western Legal History, Vol. 14, no. 2 (Summer/Fall 2001), 103-122.

"Lynching and Criminal Justice in South Louisiana, 1878-1920."  
Louisiana History, Vol. XL, no. 2 (Spring 1999), 155-177.

"Insanity, Sexuality, and the Gallows in  
Late Nineteenth-Century Iowa: The Case of Chester Bellows."  
The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 57, no. 3 (Fall 1998), 321-336.

"Iowa's Last Lynching: The Charles City Mob of 1907  
and Iowa Progressivism."  
The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 53, no. 4 (Fall 1994), 305-328.

"The Ritual of Lynching: Extralegal Justice in Missouri, 1890-1942."  
Gateway Heritage, Vol. 13, no. 3 (Winter 1993), 22-33.

### **Short Scholarly Articles**

"100 Percent Americanism in the Concert Hall:  
the Minneapolis Symphony in the Great War."  
In Frank Jacob, Jeffrey Shaw and Timothy Demy, eds.:  
War and the Humanities: The Cultural Impact of the First World War  
(Paderborn: Schöningh, 2018).

"A Symphonic Midwest: The Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra  
and Regionalist Identity, 1903-1922." In Jon K. Lauck, ed.,  
The Midwestern Moment: Vol. 1: The Forgotten World of  
Early Twentieth-Century Midwestern Regionalism, 101-112.  
Hastings College Press, 2017.

"Homicide in the South." In James G. Thomas and Amy Louise Wood, eds.,

The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture, Vol. 22, Violence.  
University of North Carolina Press, 2011.

"Lynchings." In William A. Darity, Jr., ed., International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, 2nd Edition, 526-527.  
Macmillan Reference USA (Thomson Gale), 2008.

"Lynching." In Rudy Abramson and Jean Haskell, eds., Encyclopedia of Appalachia.  
University of Tennessee Press, 2006.

"Lynchings." In Robert S. McElvaine, ed., Encyclopedia of the Great Depression.  
Macmillan Reference USA, 2003.

### **Other Articles**

"Interconnected Histories of Race, Violence, and Policing in America."  
History News Network, June 7, 2020, <https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/175830>

"Donald Trump's Shameful Use of the 'Star-Spangled Banner' is, Alas,  
an American Tradition," History News Network  
May 29, 2018, <https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/169153>

"How Can We Stop Police from Killing Black People?" History News Network,  
October 9, 2016, <http://historynewsnetwork.org/article/164024>

### **Book Reviews**

Review of Ersula J. Ore, Lynching: Violence, Rhetoric, and American Identity.  
Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 2018.  
The Journal of African American History, Vol. 106, no. 3 (Summer 2022), 556-557.

Review of Elliot Gorn, Let the People See: The Story of Emmett Till  
(Oxford University Press, 2018). Rutgers Criminal Law and  
Criminal Justice Book Reviews, July 2020.

Review of Mattias Smangs, Doing Violence, Making Race: Lynching and  
White Racial Group Formation in the U.S. South, 1882-1930 (Routledge, 2018).  
Georgia Historical Quarterly, Vol. CIV, no. 1 (2020), 80-81.

Review of Brent M.S. Campney, Hostile Heartland: Racism, Repression,  
and Resistance in the Midwest (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2019).  
The Historian, Vol. 82, Iss. 2 (2020), 507-508.

Review of Steven Avella, The Catholic Church is Southwest Iowa (Liturgical Press, 2018).  
The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 78, no. 1 (Winter 2019), 106-108.

Review of Guy Lancaster, ed., Bullets and Fire: Lynching and Authority  
in Arkansas, 1840-1950 (University of Arkansas Press, 2018).  
Arkansas Historical Quarterly, Vol. 77, Iss. 2 (Summer 2018), 158-159.

Review of Marcia Hansen Kraus, George Szell's Reign:  
Behind the Scenes with the Cleveland Orchestra  
(University of Illinois Press, 2017). Middle West Review, Vol. 5, no. 2

(Spring 2019), 197-199.

Review of Stanley Nelson, Devils Walking: Klan Murders along the Mississippi in the 1960s (Louisiana State University Press, 2016).  
Louisiana History, Vol. 59, no. 2 (Spring 2018), 242-244.

Review of Donald G. Mathews, At the Altar of Lynching: Burning Sam Hose in the American South (Cambridge University Press, 2018).  
Church History Vol. 87, Iss. 2 (June 2018), 606-608.

Review of Tameka Bradley Hobbs, Democracy Abroad, Lynching at Home: Racial Violence in Florida (University of Florida Press, 2015).  
American Historical Review, Vol. 121, no. 4 (October 2016), 1309-1310.

Review of Elaine Frantz Parsons, Ku-Klux: The Birth of the Klan During Reconstruction. (University of North Carolina Press, 2015).  
North Carolina Historical Review, Vol. XCIII (July 2016), no. 3, 351-352.

Review of Thomas Badhe, The Life and Death of Gus Reed: A Story of Race and Justice in Illinois during the Civil War and Reconstruction (Ohio State University Press, 2014).  
Indiana Magazine of History (December 2015).

Review of Ashraf H.A. Rushdy, The End of American Lynching (Rutgers University Press, 2012) and Sandy Alexandre, The Properties of Violence: Claims to Ownership in Representations of Lynching (University Press of Mississippi, 2012).  
Journal of American Studies, Vol. 48, no. 3 (August 2014).

Review of Mark C. Dillon, The Montana Vigilantes, 1863-1870: Gold, Guns, and Gallows (Utah State University Press, 2013).  
Annals of Wyoming (Spring 2014), 28-29.

Review of Kidada Williams, They Left Great Marks on Me: African American Testimonies of Racial Violence from Emancipation to World War I (New York University Press, 2012).  
American Historical Review, Vol. 117, no. 4 (2012), 1231.

Review of Julie Buckner Armstrong, Mary Turner and the Memory of Lynching (University of Georgia Press, 2011).  
The Journal of American History, Vol. 99, no. 2 (2012), 629-630.

Review of Kimberly Harper, White Man's Heaven: The Lynching and Expulsion of Blacks in the Southern Ozarks, 1894-1909 (University of Arkansas Press, 2010).  
Missouri Historical Review, Vol. 106, no. 1 (October 2011).

Review of Khalil Gibran Muhammad, The Condemnation of Blackness: Race, Crime, and the Making of Modern Urban America (Harvard University Press, 2010).  
Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, Vol. 10, no. 4 (October 2011), 529-530.

Review of Christopher Waldrep, Jury Discrimination: The Supreme Court, Public Opinion, and a Grass Roots Fight for Racial Equality in Mississippi (University of Georgia Press, 2010).  
American Historical Review, Vol. 116, no. 2 (October 2011).

Review of R. Michael Wilson, Legal Executions in the Western Territories, 1847-1911 (McFarland Press, 2010). The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 70, no. 2 (Spring 2011), 169-171.

Review of Crystal N. Feimster, Southern Horrors: Women and the Politics of Rape and Lynching (Harvard University Press, 2009).  
Patterns of Prejudice, Vol. 45, no. 3 (July 2011), 267-268.

Review of Edwin T. Arnold, What Virtue There is in Fire: Cultural Memory and the Lynching of Sam Hose (University of Georgia Press, 2009).  
The Journal of Southern History, Vol. 76, no. 4 (November 2010), 1036-1037.

Review of Amy Wood, Lynching and Spectacle: Witnessing Racial Violence in America, 1890-1940 (University of North Carolina Press, 2009).  
The Journal of American History, Vol. 96, no. 4 (March 2010), 1200-1201.

Review of Robert J. Tórréz, Myth of the Hanging Tree: Stories of Crime and Punishment in Territorial New Mexico (University of New Mexico Press, 2008).  
New Mexico Historical Review, Vol. 84, no. 2 (Spring 2009), 294-295.

Review of Mark R. Ellis, Law and Order in Buffalo Bill's Country: Legal Culture and Community on the Great Plains, 1867-1910 (University of Nebraska Press, 2007).  
The Western Historical Quarterly, Vol. XL, no. 1 (Spring 2009), 104-105.

Review of Michael Trotti, The Body in the Reservoir: Murder and Sensationalism in the South (University of North Carolina Press, 2008).  
The American Historical Review, Vol. 113 (December 2008), 1558-1559.

Review of John F. Marszalek, A Black Congressman in the Age of Jim Crow: South Carolina's George Washington Murray (University Press of Florida, 2006).  
Louisiana History, Vol. XLIX, no. 2 (Spring 2008), 242-244.

Review of Michele K. Gillespie and Randal L. Hall, eds., Thomas Dixon and the Making of Modern America. (Louisiana State University Press, 2006). Louisiana History, Vol. XLVIII, no. 4 (Fall 2007), 470-472.

Review of Cynthia Carr, A Heartland Lynching. A Haunted Town, and the Hidden History of White America. (New York: Crown Publishers, 2006). The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 66, no. 2 (Spring 2007), 214-215.

Review of Ken Gonzales-Day, Lynching in the West, 1850-1935 (Duke University Press, 2006). The Journal of American History, Vol. 94, no. 1 (September 2007), 574-575.



Review of Susan K. Lucke, The Bellevue War: Mandate of Justice or Murder by Mob (McMillen Publishing, 2002). The Annals of Iowa, Vol. 65, no. 1 (Winter 2006), 61-62.

Review of John Hammond Moore, Carnival of Blood: Duel, Lynching, and Murder in South Carolina, 1880-1920 (University of South Carolina Press, 2006). North Carolina Historical Review, Vol. LXXXIII, no. 4 (October 2006), 498.

Review of Christopher Waldrep, Lynching in America: A History in Documents (New York University Press, 2006). The American Journal of Legal History, Vol. XLVII, no. 4 (October 2005), 454-455.

Review of Patricia Bernstein, The First Waco Horror. (Texas A & M University Press, 2004). The Historian, Vol. 68 (Fall 2006).

Review of Gregory Mixon, The Atlanta Riot: Race, Class, and Violence in a New South City. (Southern Dissent Series, University Press of Florida, 2005). The American Historical Review, Vol. 111, no. 1 (February 2006), 208-209.

Review of William D. Carrigan, The Making of a Lynching Culture: Violence and Vigilantism in Central Texas, 1836-1916. (University of Illinois Press, 2004). The Journal of American History, Vol. 92, no. 3 (December 2005), 1022-1023.

Review of Diane Miller Sommerville, Rape and Race in the Nineteenth-Century South. (University of North Carolina Press, 2004). Journal of the History of Sexuality, Vol. 14, no. 4 (October 2005), 479-482.

Review of Frederick Allen, A Decent Orderly Lynching: The Montana Vigilantes. (University of Oklahoma Press, 2004). Western Legal History, Vol. 17, no. 1 (Winter/Spring 2004), 135-137.

Review of John D. Bessler, Legacy of Violence: Mobs and Execution in Minnesota. (University of Minnesota Press, 2003). The Michigan Historical Review, Vol. 30, no. 2 (Fall 2004), 211-212.

Review of Christopher Waldrep and Donald G. Nieman, eds., Local Matters: Race, Crime, and Justice in the Nineteenth-Century South. (University of Georgia Press, 2001).  
Posted on H-SOUTH (H-Net Discussion Network for Scholars of the History of the American South), September 2004, <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=310891095770250>.

Review of Stephen J. Leonard, Lynching in Colorado 1859-1919 (University Press of Colorado, 2002). Annals of Wyoming, Winter 2003.

Review of James Madison, [A Lynching in the Heartland: Race and Memory in America](#) (Palgrave, 2002).  
[The Annals of Iowa](#), Vol. 62, no. 1 (Winter 2003), 118-120.

Retropective Review of C. Vann Woodward, [The Strange Career of Jim Crow](#) (Commemorative Edition, Oxford University Press, 2002).  
Posted on H-SOUTH (H-Net Discussion Network for Scholars of the History of the American South), May 2003,  
<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=244101057184600>.

Review of Dominic J. Capeci, [The Lynching of Cleo Wright](#) (University of Kentucky Press, 1998).  
[American Journal of Legal History](#), 2000.

Review of Ann Gorzalka, [Wyoming's Territorial Sheriffs](#) (High Plains Press, 1998).  
[Annals of Wyoming](#), Spring 1999.

Review of Christopher Waldrep, [Roots of Disorder: Race and Criminal Justice in the American South, 1817-80](#) (University of Illinois Press, 1998).  
Posted on H-SHEAR (H-Net Discussion Network for the Scholars of the History of the Early American Republic), April 1999.

Review of Clare V. McKanna, Jr.,  
[Homicide, Race, and Justice in the American West, 1880-1920](#) (University of Arizona Press, 1997).  
[The Annals of Iowa](#), Vol. 57, no. 2 (Summer 1998), 174-175.

### **Invited Lectures and Talks**

“Lynching, Racial Violence, and Slavery in the United States.” Invited participant in the “Slavery, Democracy, and Racial Violence in the United States” workshop. Center for the Study of Slavery and Justice, Brown University, Providence, R.I.. April 27-28, 2023.

“Dean Dixon: An African American Maestro in Post-war West Germany.” Guest Lecture (zoom), Tuesday Talks series, Gotha Research Center, Gotha, Germany. June 29, 2021.

“Dean Dixon: An African American Maestro in Post-war West Germany.” Guest Lecture (zoom), Racism and Music course taught by Jessica Gienow-Hecht and Brandon Keith Brown, Free University, Berlin. June 16, 2021.

“African American Catholics and racism in the Catholic Church in New Orleans.” Guest lecture (zoom), North American Studies Colloquium, Erfurt University, May 5, 2021.

“Pogroms and Race Riots.” Guest speaker with Stephen Zipperstein, Stanford University (zoom). SRB Podcast, University of Pittsburgh’s Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies. October 30, 2020.

“History of Lynching and Racial Violence in the United States.”  
Washington University Brown School Open Classroom. October 27, 2020.

Keynote Speaker, Lynching in Maryland Conference (zoom). October 7, 2020.

Harvard Workshop on Lynching in Global Comparative Perspective.  
Presented paper in the forenamed Zoom workshop, July 2020.

“The Origins of American Lynching and the History of Capital Punishment in the U.S.,”  
*Politics of Crime and Punishment* course (Dr. Nicholas Rush Smith), PSC 31807,  
City College of New York, May 7, 2018.

“American Lynching in Global Contexts,”  
*Politics of Crime and Punishment* course (Dr. Nicholas Rush Smith), PSC 31807,  
City College of New York, December 8, 2014.

“American Lynching in Global Context,” Tübingen University, Germany, July 9, 2014.

“Global Lynching in Legal Contexts,” Erfurt University, Germany, June 25, 2014.

“American Lynching in Global Context,” Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany,  
May 15, 2014.

“American Lynching in Global Context,” Heidelberg University, Germany, May 8, 2014.

“Global Lynching in Legal Contexts,” Würzburg University, Germany, May 6, 2014.

“The Roots of Rough Justice and the Origins of American Lynching.”  
National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., June 1, 2011.

“Texas, the Southwest, and the Origins of Lynching in the United States.”  
Dr. Rondel Davidson History Endowed Lecture, University of Texas-Pan American,  
Edinburg, Texas, February 25, 2010.

### **Conference Presentations**

“Language, Church, Nation: The Politics of Multilingual Catholicism  
in the United States.” To deliver the comment on the forenamed session,  
American Catholic Historical Association Meeting, Philadelphia, January 7, 2023.

“The American Case: Lynching in Global Perspective.”  
Presented by zoom at the “Dealing with Violence – Resolving Conflicts in Africa,  
Latin America and the Caribbean” symposium.  
Main Leibniz University, Hannover, Germany, July 25, 2022.

“La Placita and the Evolution of Catholic Religiosity in Los Angeles.”  
Presented at the American Academy of Religion Meeting,  
San Antonio, Texas, November 22, 2021, as part of  
the Catholic Studies Unit session, “The Making and Un-Making  
of Catholic Cities and Towns.”

“Violence and Forced Labor in Nineteenth-Century Louisiana.”

Delivered the comment on the forenamed session  
at the Louisiana Historical Association’s Annual Meeting, Lafayette, La.,  
March 29, 2019.

“Wisconsin Marianism and Upper Midwestern Catholic Culture, 1858-2010.”

Presented at the Third Annual Midwestern History Conference,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 7, 2017.

“Transnational Responses to American Lynching.” Served as Chair/discussant on  
the forenamed panel at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the  
Organization of American Historians, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 7, 2017.

“Linking U.S. and Mexico Histories of Violence:

Extralegal Justice on Both Sides of the Border.” Served as chair of the  
forenamed panel at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association,  
Denver, Colorado, January 6, 2017.

“Resisting Rights: Vigilantism and the Contradictions of  
Democratic State Formation in Post Apartheid South Africa.”

Served as a discussant at the forenamed book conference, City College of New York, CUNY,  
October 28, 2016.

“The Strange Career of New Orleans Catholicism: Race and the Transformation  
of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in the Twentieth Century.”

Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion,  
Atlanta, Georgia, November 24, 2015.

“Christopher Waldrep: Scholarship, Teaching, and Professional Citizenship”

Panelist on the forenamed roundtable at the American Society for Legal History Meeting,  
Washington D.C., October 30, 2015.

“New Approaches to Racial Violence in North America.”

Delivered the comment on the forenamed panel at the 2015 Annual Meeting  
of the American Historical Association, New York City, January 3, 2015.

“Slavery, Indentured Servitude, and Race in the Nineteenth Century

U.S. Midwest and Ontario.” Chaired the forenamed panel at the  
Social Science History Association meeting, Toronto, Canada, November 6, 2014.

“Race and Violence in the Early Twentieth Century West.” Chaired and delivered  
the comment on the forenamed panel at the Fifty-Second Annual Conference of the  
Western History Association, Denver, Colorado, October 6, 2012.

“State of the Field: Lynching and Mob Violence.” Was a participant

on the forenamed panel at the Meeting of the Organization of American Historians,  
Houston, Texas, March 17, 2011.

“The Bitter Seed of Albion and Eire: Extralegal Violence and Law

in the Early Modern British Isles and the Origins of American Lynching.”  
Presented at the Toward an International History of Lynching conference,

Heidelberg Center for American Studies, University of Heidelberg,  
Heidelberg, Germany, June 4, 2010.

"Folk Violence in Southwest Louisiana."

Delivered the comment on the forenamed panel at the  
Louisiana Historical Association's Annual Meeting, Lafayette, La., March 27, 2009.

"Racial and Class Frontiers: Vigilantism and Criminal Justice  
in the Late Antebellum United States." Presented at  
the Forty-Ninth Annual Conference of the Western History Association,  
Denver, Colorado, October 7-10, 2009.

"Vigilantes, Criminal Justice, and Antebellum Cultural Conflict."  
Presented at the 2009 SHEAR (Society for Historians of the  
American Republic) Annual Conference, Springfield, Ill, July 16-19, 2009.

"Race, Spectacle and Crime in Louisiana."

Delivered the comment on the forenamed panel at the  
Louisiana Historical Association's Annual Meeting,  
Monroe, La., March 19, 2009.

"The Midwestern Making of Racial Lynching: The Lynching of African-Americans  
in the Civil War and Reconstruction. " Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting  
of the American Historical Association, New York City, January 3, 2009.

"Lynching, Law, and Sectional Identity in the Antebellum Border States."

Presented at the Filson Institute's Third Academic Conference,  
"Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis: Two Visions of America,"  
Louisville, Kentucky, October 25, 2008.

"The Origins of Postbellum Lynching: Collective Violence in Reconstruction Louisiana."

Presented at the Louisiana Historical Association's Annual Meeting,  
Alexandria, La., March 23, 2007.

"Law and Collective Violence on the Cotton Frontier."

Presented at the Southern Historical Association's Seventy-second Annual Meeting,  
Birmingham, Ala., November 18, 2006.

"Violence, Race, Resistance, and Law in the  
Antebellum American South: the Lynchings of Slaves."

Presented at the American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch's  
Ninety-Seventh Annual Meeting, San Jose, California, August 6, 2004.

"A Lethal Transition: Regulator Movements, Law, and Extralegal Punishment  
in the Antebellum United States."

Presented at the British Association of American Studies (BAAS) Meeting,  
Manchester Metropolitan University, United Kingdom, April 16, 2004.

"Lynching, Law, and Region in the Postbellum United States."

Presented at the Lynching and Racial Violence in America:  
Histories and Legacies Conference,

Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, October 5, 2002.

"Scandal in the Progressive Era Northwest."  
Delivered the comment on the forenamed panel,  
55th Annual Pacific Northwest History Conference,  
Seattle, Washington, April 6, 2002.

"...the already scarlet record of Jefferson parish':  
Analysis of a Lynching Syndrome, 1892-1897."  
Presented at the Southern Historical Association's Sixty-Seventh Annual Meeting,  
New Orleans, La., November 17, 2001.

"'Midnight Justice' in the Pacific Northwest: Lynching and Law  
in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, 1882-1919."  
Presented at the American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch's  
Ninety-Fourth Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia, August 11, 2001.

"Race and Lynching in the American West in the Early Twentieth Century."  
Presented at the British Association of American Studies (BAAS) Meeting,  
Keele University, Newcastle-under-Lyme, United Kingdom, April 7, 2001.

"Lynching and Criminal Justice: The Midwest and West as  
American Regions, 1878-1920," in the session  
"Western Violence, Law, and Economic Development."  
Presented at and organized panel for the  
Thirty-Ninth Annual Conference of the Western History Association,  
Portland, Ore., October 6-9, 1999.

"'More Justice and Less Law': Lynching and Criminal Justice  
in the Early 20th-Century American West."  
Presented at the Twenty-second Anniversary Meeting  
of the Social Science History Association, Washington, D.C., October 17, 1997.

"The Case of Chester Bellows: Insanity, Sexuality, and the Gallows  
in Late Nineteenth Century Iowa."  
Presented at Iowa Heritage Expo1997, Des Moines, Ia., June 13, 1997.

"Lynching and Criminal Justice in North Louisiana, 1880-1910."  
Presented at the American Society for Legal History,  
1996 Annual Meeting, Richmond, Va., October 18, 1996.

"Criminal Justice and Lynching in South Louisiana, 1877-1910."  
Presented at the Twenty-first Anniversary Meeting  
of the Social Science History Association, New Orleans, La., October 11, 1996.

"Race, Criminal Justice, and Lynching in Iowa, 1900-1910."  
Presented at Iowa Heritage Expo1996, Des Moines, Ia., June 14, 1996.

"Racial Constructions of the West: Race, Lynching, and Criminal Justice  
in Wyoming, 1880-1920."  
Presented at Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Neb., March 9, 1996.

"Rural Crime, Social Control, and Criminal Justice in Iowa, 1880-1910."  
Presented at the Twentieth Anniversary Meeting  
of the Social Science History Association, Chicago, Ill., November 16, 1995.

"Iowa's Last Extralegal Execution: The 1907 Lynching of James Cullen  
in the Context of Progressive Era Iowa."  
Presented at Great Lakes History Conference, Grand Rapids, Mich.,  
October 1, 1994.

"New Southern Racial Conflict, Gender Identities, and the Workplace:  
Northeastern Georgia, 1890-94."  
Presented at Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Neb., March 1993.

### **Scholarly Consultation**

Referee of manuscripts for The Journal of American History, The Journal of Southern History, The Western Historical Quarterly, American Political Science Review, American Journal of Sociology, the National Science Foundation, PSC-CUNY History Research Award Panel, Cambridge University Press, Yale University Press, the University of Illinois Press, Northern Illinois University Press, New York University Press, the University of Virginia Press, Routledge Taylor and Francis Group, Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, University of British Columbia Press, University of Nebraska Press, University of New Mexico Press, Ohio State University Press, University of South Carolina Press, the University of Missouri Review Board, Bedford/St. Martin Press, American Nineteenth Century History, Journalism Studies, Patterns of Prejudice, Social Science History, Pacific Northwest Quarterly, Louisiana History, Middle West Review, The Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, and The Annals of Iowa.

Amicus historian to a brief to the U.S. Supreme Court in *CBOCS West, Inc., v. Hedrick G. Humphries* (2008). The brief sought to maintain the right of civil rights plaintiffs to bring retaliation claims for race discrimination under Sec. 1981, the modern version of the Civil Rights Act of 1866. The court affirmed the brief's position in its decision.

### **Public and Press Interviews and Citations of Research**

The Guardian, October 25, 2022, "When is a lynching a lynching?"

Albuquerque Journal, June 8, 2019, "Expert: Social media exposure fueling vigilante justice."

Vox, December 21, 2018, "After more than 200 attempts, the Senate has finally passed anti-lynching legislation."

Los Angeles Times, December 5, 2018. "Congress has tried more than 200 times to pass an anti-lynching law. This year it could fail again."

Michigan Radio, August 24, 2018, "The 1866 lynching of John Taylor shows Michigan's role in America's racist past."

Washington Post, July 5, 2018, "Why Congress failed nearly 200 times to make lynching a federal crime."

Voice of America, April 25, 2018, "Remembering Native American

Lynching Victims.”

Wisconsin Public Radio, April 24, 2018, “Twin Port Residents Travel to National Lynching Memorial.”

Lansing State Journal, April 20, 2018, “Putnam: Holt’s Deadman Hill holds memories of Ingham County’s Only Lynching.”

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, August 20, 2017, “The Next Page, ‘A crooked death’: lynchings are long over, but efforts continue to identify victims, including north of the Mason-Dixon Line, explains Alex Weidenhof.”

Atlanta Black Star, June 13, 2017, “Google, Bryan Stevenson Launch Website Uncovering Lynchings in America.”

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, December 18, 2016, “Historic error: Region’s only recorded ‘lynching’ did not occur.”

New York Times, February 19, 2015, “Lynching in America: A Grim History” (letter to the editor).

Washington Post, February 10, 2015, “Even More Black Persons Were Lynched in the U.S. Than Previously Thought.”

Baton Rouge Advocate, October 13, 2013, “1933 La. Lynching Receiving New Scrutiny.”

Media Matters (<http://mediamatters.org>), July 27, 2010, “Experts on History of Lynching Rebut Jeffrey Lord’s Sherrod Claim.”

Tikkun, November 2007, “Jena: A Missed Opportunity for Healing.”

Kansas City Star, January 9, 2007, “Ignorance as Ugly as a Mob's Noose.”

Assisted the Washington State Lieutenant Governor’s Office and the Washington State Legislature in the drafting of a resolution expressing regret for the 1884 lynching of Louie Sam in Kilgard, Canada. The resolution was adopted by the Washington State Senate, February 27, 2006, and by the Washington State House, March 1, 2006.

Winnipeg Free Press, November 27, 2005, “Only Lynching in Canada's History.”

KOMO 1000 News, Seattle, Wash., July 22, 2005, interview on Senate Lynching Apology.

Tacoma News-Tribune, July 22, 2005, “Researcher Find More Lynchings than U.S. New.”

Janesville (Wis.) Gazette, June 26, 2005, “Rock County Lynching Triggered Emotions that Differed Greatly.”



Shreveport (La.) Times, June 14, 2005, "Database Lists Lynchings in Caddo, Bossier."

White Plains (N.Y.) Journal-News, June 14, 2005, "Addressing Our Past" (editorial).

USA TODAY, June 13, 2005, "Senate Moves to Apologize for Injustice."

New Orleans Times-Picayune, June 13, 2005, "Senate Finally to Address Legacy of Lynching."

Senator Mary Landrieu (D-La.), Introduction to Senate Resolution 39, "Apologizing to Lynching Victims and their Descendants," June 13, 2005, Congressional Record-Senate, S6366-6370.  
*Sen. Landrieu cited my book Rough Justice and entered my confirmed list of Louisiana lynchings into the Congressional Record as she introduced the U.S. Senate Lynching Apology.*

Newsday, June 12, 2005, "An Apology for Old Form of Terror."

Bakersfield Californian, June 12, 2005, "Legacy of Shame: Author Says Kern Prominent in Story of Lawlessness."

New Orleans Gambit Weekly, January 14, 2003, "Ties that Bind."

**Courses in which Rough Justice has been assigned as required reading (partial listing)**

*History 607: Light in August and Southern History*, University of Mississippi, Prof. Ted Ownby, Spring 2009.

*History 7620: Graduate Reading Colloquium: History of the American West*, University of Utah, Prof. Paul Reeve, Fall 2008.

*Graduate Course on American Legal History*, University of Florida, Prof. Jeffrey Adler, 2008.

*Crime and Violence Undergraduate Senior Seminar*, Vanderbilt University, Prof. Brandi Brimmer, Spring 2009.

*AMSA3S03: Race and Violence in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*, University of East Anglia, Dr. Malcolm McLaughlin, Fall 2008.

**Senior Theses directed at John Jay College of Criminal Justice**

Courtnei Taylor, "Roman Military Awesome: Legions, Soldiers and Politics" (54 pages), Spring 2011.

**Courses Taught in the CUNY Graduate Center History Program**

*Hist. 84900 Seminar in American History I*, Fall 2018.

*Hist. 82500 Advanced Research Seminar*, Spring 2023.

**Reader on Ph.D. Proposal Committees in the  
CUNY Graduate Center History Program**

Anastasia Kirtiklis, *Medical Hygiene in Nineteenth Century America: 1840-1900*,  
December 9, 2022.

**Member of Oral Committees in the  
CUNY Graduate Center History Program**

Anastasia Kirtiklis, April 10, 2022.

**Courses Taught at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY—Electives**

*His 127 Microhistories: The Global History of Catholicism Since the Reformation.*  
Spring Semesters 2016 and 2017.

*History 323 History of Lynching and Collective Violence.*

Spring Semesters, 2011 and 2012; Fall 2012, 2014, 2016-2019, 2021-2022.

*History 350 (381) The Social History of Catholicism.*

Spring Semesters, 2010, 2013, 2022; Fall 2011, 2012.

*History 201 American Civilization: From Colonial Times through the Civil War.*

Fall and Spring Semesters, 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2010-2011, 2015-2016,  
2016-2017; Spring 2010; Fall 2017.

*History 202 American Civilization: From 1865 to the Present.*

Fall and Spring Semesters, 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2016-17; Spring 2016, 2018;  
Fall 2017, 2018, 2022.

*History 242 U.S. Foreign Policy in Latin America.*

Spring Semester, 2020.

*History 240: Historiography.*

Spring Semester 2018.

*History 425 Senior Research Seminar.*

Spring Semester 2022.

**Courses Taught at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY--Foundational**

*History 232 Contemporary History of Civilization.*

Fall and Spring Semesters, 2007-2008.

**M.A. Courses Taught as Fulbrightprofessor at Erfurt University, Germany**

*The History of Global Lynching and Collective Violence.*

Sommersemesters 2014, 2021.

**B.A. Courses as Fulbrightprofessor at Erfurt University, Germany—Upper Division**

*The United States since 1865.*

Sommersemesters 2014, 2021.

**Reader on Ph.D. Proposal Committees at the University of Western Ontario**

Liam Van Beek, History Department, "Vietnam Veteran's Memorial," January 22, 2007.

Rollen Lee, History Department, "Comics and Cold War U.S. Youth Culture,"  
January 23, 2007.

**Courses Taught at the University of Western Ontario--Upper Division**

*Hist. 393E American Social and Cultural History, 1607-2006.*

Full-year course, 2006-2007.

**Courses Taught at the University of Western Ontario--Lower Division**

*Hist. 027E History of North America* (taught the U.S. history third of the course).

Co-taught with Luz Maria Hernandez-Saenz and Robert Wardhaugh.

Full-year course, 2006-2007.

*Hist. 234E The United States: Colonial Period to the Present*

(taught the Early America, 1600-1815, third of the course).

Co-taught with Craig Simpson and Aldona Sendzikas.

Full-year course, 2006-2007.

**Senior Theses Directed at the Evergreen State College**

Joshua Salzman, "The Politics of Conciliation and Suppression:

Progressive Era Governor Ernest Lister and His Dealings  
with Organized Labor 1913-1919."

(The Evergreen State College, Spring 2000).

**Courses Taught at the Evergreen State College--Upper Division**

*Slavery in Africa and the Americas.*

Co-taught with Babacar M'Baye.

Spring 2005.

*Documenting the Northwest* (Pacific Northwest History).

Co-taught with Sam Schrager.

Spring 2004.

*Postbellum* (American History and Literature, 1865-1920).

Co-taught with Babacar M'Baye.

Winter 2004.

*The American City since 1945*

(Recent American Urban History and Literature).

Co-taught with Babacar M'Baye and Greg Mullins

Fall 2003.

*Antebellum* (American History and Literature, 1800-1865).

Spring 2002.

**Courses Taught at the Evergreen State College--Lower Division**

*Jefferson's American West*

(Environmental, Social, and Natural Histories of the American West.)

Co-taught with Frederica Bowcutt.

Spring 2006.

*American Frontiers: Critical Histories*

(U.S. Southern and Western History Surveys; Introduction to Native American and African-American Studies).  
Co-taught with Kristina Ackley and Zoltan Grossman.  
Fall and Winter 2005-2006.

*Old and New Worlds: The Making of the Western Tradition*  
(American History and Literature to 1865 and Western Civilization Surveys.)  
Co-taught with David Marr and Andrew Reece.  
Fall and Winter, 2004-2005.

*The Folk: Power of an Image*  
(Introduction to American, African, and Russian Cultures and Histories.)  
Co-taught with Babacar M'Baye and Patricia Krafcik.  
Fall and Winter, 2003-2004.

*Children's Literature and Lives*  
(Children's History and U.S. Cultural and Social History Surveys.)  
Co-taught with Stacey Davis and Thad Curtz.  
Fall and Winter, 2002-2003.

*Individuals vs. Societies*  
(Introduction to American and Japanese History and Literature.)  
Co-taught with Harumi Moruzzi.  
Fall and Winter, 2001-2002.

*American Community*  
(American History, Literature, and Philosophy Surveys.)  
Co-taught with David Marr and Sam Schrager.  
Fall, Winter, and Spring, 1999-2000.

### **Service**

Faculty Advisor, Catholic Student Group,  
The Evergreen State College (Spring 2000-Spring 2006).

### **Education**

Ph.D. in History, University of Iowa, May 1998.  
Ph.D. dissertation (directed by Allen Steinberg), "Lynching and Criminal Justice in Regional Context: Iowa, Wyoming, and Louisiana, 1878-1946."

M.A. in History, University of Iowa, May 1993.

B.A. (summa cum laude) in History,  
Washington University, St. Louis, May 1991.  
Senior thesis (directed by Rowland Berthoff),  
"The Ritual of Lynching:  
Extra-Legal Justice in Missouri, 1890-1942."

Studied in School of English and American Studies,  
University of East Anglia, Norwich, England,  
October 1989-June 1990.

### **Grants and Fellowships**

Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism Research Travel Grant (\$1000), 2018.

State Historical Society of Iowa (SHSI) Research Grant (\$1,000), 2014-2015.

Fulbright Award to Germany (Euro 12000=\$16264.44), Professor, Senior Lecturer, University of Erfurt, Summer 2013.

2013 Faculty Mid-Career Research Award (two courses of release time), Office for the Advancement of Research, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

State Historical Society of Iowa (SHSI) Research Grant (\$1,000), 2008-2009.

PSC-CUNY 38 Research Award (\$3990.00), 2008-2009.

Fulbright Award to Germany (Euro 6300=\$9211.77), Professor, Senior Lecturer, University of Erfurt, Summer 2008 (declined).

Sponsored Research Summer Grant (\$4,000), Provost's Office, The Evergreen State College, Summer 2005.

State Historical Society of Iowa (SHSI) Research Grant (\$1,000), 2002-2003.

Sponsored Research Summer Grant (\$6,000), Provost's Office, The Evergreen State College, Summer 2001.

State Historical Society of Iowa (SHSI) Research Grant (\$1,000), 1996-97.

### **Honors**

Charles Gates Award, Washington State Historical Society, for best article to appear in the Pacific Northwest Quarterly in 2003.

J. Walter Goldstein Prize for best senior thesis in History, Department of History, Washington University, St. Louis, Spring 1991.

Phi Beta Kappa, Washington University, St. Louis, Spring 1991.