

## **Amy Murrell Taylor**

Amy Murrell Taylor has been an assistant professor of history at the University at Albany, SUNY, since 2001. In that position she teaches courses in the history of the United States, with an emphasis on local and regional history, gender, family, and the Civil War. She is also currently finishing a book entitled Divided Families in Civil War America, to be published in 2005 by the University of North Carolina Press.

Before arriving at the University at Albany, Taylor received her PhD in U.S. history from the University of Virginia, where she also served as the associate director of the Virginia Center for Digital History ([www.vcdh.virginia.edu](http://www.vcdh.virginia.edu)). This work involved overseeing and directing the production of “digital archives” of primary source materials relating to the Civil War, colonial Jamestown, and the segregated South. She is now working with the Center for Applied Historical Research to develop its website for public historians.

Her interest in public history has included work as a research assistant at Ashlawn-Highland, the home of President James Monroe in Charlottesville, Virginia, and the Federal Judicial History Office in Washington, D.C. She also served as a production and research assistant on the 2002 PBS film documentary, “The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow.”