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**Earned Degrees**

- University of Wisconsin-Madison, History, Ph.D., August 2011  
Dissertation: "Domesticating Foreign Affairs: The African-American Family, Korean War Orphans, and Cold War Civil Rights." Nan Enstad (chair), Brenda Gayle Plummer, Susan Johnson, Christina Greene, Charles Kim
- University of North Carolina-Greensboro, History, M.A., December 2001  
M.A. Thesis: "The Right of Every Woman: Antebellum North Carolina Women in Legislative and County Court Records." Loren Schweninger (chair), Lisa Tolbert, Colleen Kriger
- Appalachian State University, Sports Medicine, B.A., Magna cum laude, May 1995

**Educational Employment**

- University at Albany, State University of New York, Department of History: Assistant Professor, January 2016-present.
- University at Albany, State University of New York, Department of History: Visiting Assistant Professor, January-December 2015 (Recipient of Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Leave Program Award).
- University at Albany, State University of New York, Department of History: Assistant Professor, 2012-December 2014.
- University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Department of History: Visiting Assistant Professor, 2011-2012.
- University of Wisconsin-Madison, College of Letters and Science: Project Assistant for Teaching Assistant Training and Professional Development, 2010-2011.
- University of Wisconsin Press, Acquisitions Division: Project Assistant, 2007- 2009.
- University of Wisconsin Press, Marketing Division: Marketing Assistant, 2006-2007.
- University of Wisconsin Press, Acquisitions Division: Acquisitions Assistant, 2005.
- University of Wisconsin-Madison, Women's Studies Program: Teaching Assistant, 2006-2007.
- University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of History: Teaching Assistant, 2004-2005.
- Wisconsin Historical Society, American Journeys Project: Research Assistant, 2003.
- University of Wisconsin-Madison, "Smoke and Mirrors" Research Project: Research Assistant, 2001-2003.
- University of North Carolina-Greensboro, "Race and Slavery Petitions Project," Digital Library on American Slavery: Graduate Assistant, 1999-2001.

**Scholarly Activity**

Book Manuscript

*"The Most Secure Future Possible": African-American Families, U.S.-Korean Adoption, and Cold War Civil Rights* (Under contract, New York University Press)

Refereed Articles

"Ameriasian Children, Cold War Child Welfare Reform, and Pearl S. Buck's Transracial

and Transnational Adoption Activism.” (Forthcoming, *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, January 2019)

“Do You Want A Baby?:’ The Black Popular Press, Africa-American Families, and Adoption during the Era of Revolutions.” (In review, *Women, Gender, and Families of Color*)

#### Book Chapter

“African-American Non-Professionals and the Origins of Intercountry Adoption,” in Silke Hackensch, ed., *Designing Modern Families: International Perspectives on ‘Intercountry’ and Transracial Adoptions* (In review, The Ohio State University Press)

#### Web Publication

Contributor to *The American Yawp* online textbook, entry on “Ronald Reagan and American Foreign Policy”  
(<http://www.americanyawp.com/text/29-the-triumph-of-the-right/>)

#### Work in Progress

*Skin is Skin: Dudley Beauty Corporation, May Kay Cosmetics, and the Transnational Evolution of Black Beauty* (Book Manuscript)

“Dr. Dorothy Brown and the 1968 Fight for Abortion Rights in the Tennessee State Legislature” (Article Manuscript)

“A Child Needs a Family – Preferably His Own’: Black Families and Child Welfare Reform, 1954-1972” (Article Manuscript)

“The Barbara Zuber Story,” Vivien Ng, (Documentary historical consultant)

#### **Presentations**

“African Americans and the Evolution of Race Conscious Adoption Reform,” Society for the History of Children and Youth International Conference, Sydney, Australia, 26-28 June 2019.

“African-American Unmarried Fathers and the Expansion of WWII and Korean GI Adoptions,” Alliance for the Study of Adoption and Culture Conference, Oakland, CA, October 18-20, 2018.

“‘Coloured [sic] Americans and No Savages’: African-American Families and Intercountry Adoption in the 1950s and 1960s” Designing Modern Families Conference, Kassel, Germany, November 17-18, 2017.

“A Practice Which Is Not Followed ...for White Children’: African Americans and Stories of Child Migration for Domestic and International Adoption” Social Science History Association Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, November 2-6, 2017.

“Before It Was ‘A Practice of Genocide’: Transracial Adoption and African Americans in the 1950s and 1960s” Alliance for the Study of Adoption and Culture Conference, Minneapolis, MN, October 27-29, 2016.

“Immigration Reform and the Politics of ‘Negro-Korean’ Adoptions” Immigrant America: New Immigration Histories from 1965-2015 Conference, Minneapolis, MN, October 23-24, 2015.

“African-American Women, Transnational Adoption, and the Political Dimensions of Early Cold War Maternalism” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Toronto, Canada, May 22-25, 2014.

“A Measure of Fitness: The African-American Family and Early U.S. - Korean Adoptions” Organization of American Historians Conference, New York, NY, March 2008.

- “Mothers of a New People” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Minneapolis, MN, June 2008.
- “‘No Future in Their Country’: The African-American Family and the International Adoption of ‘Negro-Korean’ Children” Anderson Library Research Forum, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis-St. Paul, November 2007.
- “Pearl S. Buck, Welcome House, and U.S. Interracial Adoption of American-Born Children of Asian Descent” Program in Gender and Women’s History Workshop, University of Wisconsin-Madison History Department, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2007.
- “Pearl S. Buck’s Vision of the Mixed-Race Child and International Adoption” National Women’s Studies Association Conference, St. Charles, Illinois, June 2007.
- “The Best, Brightest, and Most Beautiful: The Mixed-Race Child in the American Media, 1950-1970” 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Women’s Studies Conference, Madison, Wisconsin, April 2007.

### **Fellowships, Grants, and Awards**

- College of Arts and Sciences Conference Participation Support Program, University at Albany, September 2016
- Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Leave Program Award, University at Albany, January – December 2015.
- College of Arts and Sciences Conference Travel Fund Award, University at Albany, January 2014.
- Online Course Development Initiative, University at Albany, November 2013.
- College of Letters and Science Teaching Fellows Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2008.
- Distinguished Service as a Teaching Assistant Award, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2007.
- Blattberg Dissertation Fellowship, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2007.
- Honorable Mention, Hyde Dissertation Research Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2007.
- Marie Christine Kohler Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2007.
- Advanced Opportunity Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2007.
- Huggins-Quarles Award, Organization of American Historians, 2006.
- Clarke Chambers Travel Fellowship, Social Welfare History Archives, University of Minnesota, 2006.
- History Department Research Grant, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2006.
- Early Teaching Excellence Award, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2005.
- Vilas Travel Grant, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2005.
- Gerda Lerner Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2003.
- Advanced Opportunity Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2002.
- Rebecca Chambers Wright Scholarship, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, 1999-2001.
- University Chancellor’s Scholarship, Appalachian State University, 1991-1995.

### **Teaching**

#### University at Albany, Undergraduate

History 101: American Political and Social History II

History 290: History of Marriage and Family in the U.S.

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Curriculum Vitae

History 310: History of Women in the U.S.

History 312: U.S. Foreign Policy 1920 to the Present

History 390: History of the Body, Beauty, and Identity Politics

History 489Z: Senior Research Seminar

History 498: Honors' Independent Research/Writing

University at Albany, Graduate

History 603/639: Readings in Gender in American Culture and Society

History 609/629/640: Seminar in American History/Social and Economic History/Gender and Society

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Undergraduate

History 2312: U.S. History, 1877 to Present

History 4355: Arkansas History

History 4390: Politics of Marriage and Family in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century

**Graduate Examinations and Thesis Advisor**

Dissertation Committees

Robert L. Beach

Brian Keough

P.J. Kuno

Shannon Missick

Eric Morgenson

Minkyong Park

Sarah Patterson (Chair)

Satya Som

Kyle Stanton

Evan Sullivan

M.A. Examinations

Megan Aurelia (4/8/2014)

Megan Bailey (3/20/2015)

Carolyn Bennett (2/2015)

Sue Boland (5/8/2017)

Claire Burgon (5/16/2017)

Priscilla Court (Chair, 4/24/2018)

Brock Hammond (12/7/2017)

Patrick Niles (Chair, 2/4/2014)

Alicia Sansone (3/27/2018)

Shane Stuart (5/8/2015)

Elizabeth Sweeny (Women's Studies, 5/5/2017)

Arianna Wedin (10/13/2014)

Cassandra Jane Werking (12/16/2014)

**Service**

Department

Member, Researching New York Programming Committee, June-November 2017

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, January 2016-May 2017.

Mentor, Ossining High School ASCS 203 Social Science and Humanities Research Seminar,

2016-2017

Member, Search Committee, German History, 2016-2017.

Panelist, History Department Colloquium, "What Can Modern American Historians Say about This 'Historic' Election," October 26, 2016

Member, Alumni Relations Cluster, October-December 2014

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, August-December 2014.

Member, Researching New York Programming Committee, April-November 2014.

Presentation, History 500 Job Market Workshop, April 2014.

Presentation, Phi Alpha Theta Women's History Month Meeting, April 2014.

Member, Search Committee, Early U.S. History of Capitalism, 2013-2014.

Judge, William Reedy Prize, Spring 2013.

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, August 2012-May 2013.

Faculty Advisor, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, August 2012-May 2013.

### University

Member, United University Professionals Food Pantry Committee, January 2017-present.

Faculty Advisor, Her Campus Student Organization, January 2017-present.

"Talkback" Panelist, *Bloody, Bloody Andrew Jackson* Theatre Production, UAlbany Theatre Department, March 3, 2016

Mentor, Educational Opportunity Faculty Mentor Program, October 2013-May 2016.

Judge, Patricia Sticking Brown Research Award, Spring 2014.

Contributor, *American Playlist* Museum Writing Project, University Art Museum, February 2014.

Personal Achievement Liaisons (PALs), January – May 2013.

### Public Lectures

"The Origins and Evolution of the Laws and Policies of African-American Transracial and Transnational Adoption in the 1950s and 1960s," Albany Law School Scholars Workshop, May 3, 2017, Albany, NY.

"It Is No Right, But A Wrong': Albany and the Antecedents of Anti-Suffrage," 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Albany History Fair, Historic Cherry Hill, May 7, 2017, Albany, NY.

"How the Civil Rights Movement Transformed Women's Rights and Family Rights in the 1960s and 1970s," Presentation for Woodland Hill Montessori School, March 9, 2017, East Greenbush, NY.

Panelist, *No Child* Theater Production, Emma Willard School, February 27, 2016, Troy, New York.

Panelist, Retrospective on the Civil Rights Act of 1964, African American Cultural Center of the Capital Region, Inc., February 22, 2014, Albany, New York.

Introduction and Discussion Leader, Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle Film and Discussion Session, "The Loving Story," Schenectady County Historical Society, February 15, 2014, Schenectady, New York.

### **Community Service**

Member, Colonie Historical Society, March 2018-present.

Consultant, "Casting Her Ballot" Tour Script, Historic Cherry Hill, February-April 2017

Member, Woodland Hill Montessori School NY Suffrage Centennial Committee, January 2017-present.

**Other Professional and Institutional Service**

Member, Editorial Board for Formations: Adoption, Kinship, and Culture Book Series, The Ohio State University Press, September 2017-present.

Article Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Policy History*, 2018.

Article Manuscript Reviewer, *Frontiers: Journal of Women's Studies*, 2012.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock

UALR Book Discussion Facilitator, Little Rock School District Book Club,  
University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 15 November 2011.

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Co-Facilitator, Teaching Assistant Spring Training Workshop, College of Letters and Science,  
13 January 2010.

Student Representative, Korean History Search, Department of History, 2007-2008.

Presenter, Teaching Assistant Discussion Section Facilitator, Department of History, August  
2006.

Presenter, Equity and Diversity Resource Center Professional Development Diversity Training,  
October 2005.

Graduate Council Student Representative, Department of History, 2004-2006.

Presenter, Introduction to Graduate School, Department of History, August 2003.

Student Representative, Diversity Committee, Department of History, 2003.