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Education

University of Pennsylvania, PhD, 1998
Princeton University, BA, 1991, *summa cum laude*

Employment

History Department, Florida International University

- Associate Professor
- Assistant Professor

Jul. 2004—
Aug. 1998-Jun. 2004

Chimicles Fellow, Writing Across the University, University of Pennsylvania Aug. 1997-May 1998

Publications

- “‘Join with Heart and Soul and Voice’: Music, Harmony, and Politics in the Early American Republic,”
American Historical Review Vol. 119, No. 2 (October, 2014), 1083-1116.
- “Gender and Slavery,” in Mark Smith and Robert Paquette, eds., *Oxford Handbook of Slavery in the Americas* (London: Oxford University Press, 2010), 513-534
- “Making a Home in Public: Domesticity, Authority, and Family in the Old South’s Public Houses,” in Craig Friend and Anya Jabour, eds., *Southern Families* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2009).
- “‘The Management of Negroes,’” in J. William Harris, ed., *The Old South: New Studies of Society and Culture* (New York: Routledge, 2008), 170-194 [reprint of chapter 2 of *Masterful Women*]
- “Women on the Move: Travel, Taverns, and Gender in Antebellum America,” in Mark Cheatham, ed.,
Jacksonian and Antebellum Age: People and Perspectives (ABC-CLIO, 2008).
- Masterful Women: Slaveholding Widows in the American Southeast from the Revolution through the Civil War*. Gender and American Culture Series (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2004).
- “‘Old Miss Sho’ Was Good to Us . . . ‘Cause She Was Raisin’ Us to Wuk For Her’: Widowed Planters and Paternalism in the Old South,” in Winfred B. Moore, Kyle S. Sinisi, and David H. White, eds., *Warm Ashes: Issues in Southern History at the Dawn of the Twenty-First Century*. (Columbia: University of South Carolina, 2003), 47-68.
- “Broken Reeds and Competent Farmers: Slaveholding Widows in the Southeastern United States, 1790-1860,” *Journal of Women’s History* 13 (Summer 2001), 34-57.
- “‘The Strongest Ties that Bind Poor Mortals Together’: Slaveholding Widows and the Construction of Family in the Southeast, 1790-1860,” in Janet L. Coryell, Thomas H. Appleton, Jr., Anastasia Sims, and Sandra Gioia Treadway, eds., *Negotiating Boundaries of Southern Womanhood: Dealing with the Powers that Be*. (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 2000).
- “‘One Woman so Dangerous to Public Morals’: Gender and Power in the Eaton Affair,” *Journal of the Early Republic* 17 (Summer 1997), 237-275.

Work in Progress

At the Crossroads: Taverns, Keepers and the Making of the Early American Republic
Book manuscript (7 of 8 chapters drafted; revisions in progress)

Conference Papers (Refereed)

- “From the Middle Out’: The Political Capital of Tavern Keepers in the Era of Good Feelings,” Lebanon Valley College, May 27, 2017
- “The Other Gendered Labor in American Taverns: Commercial Domesticity and Female Tavern Workers,” Southern Association for Women Historians, Charleston, S.C., June 14, 2015
- “Material Comfort in Post-Revolutionary American Taverns: The Rise of Commercial Domesticity,” Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, Oxford, MS, February, 2014
- “The Politics of Harmony: Sound and Political Celebrations in the Early Republic,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, PA, July 17, 2011
- “Locating Politics in Early Nineteenth-Century Taverns,” Southern Historical Association, Charlotte, N.C., November 7, 2010
- “Musical Crossroads: Tavern Music in Jefferson's America,” Jefferson's Soundscapes, University of Virginia, April 2010
- “Gender and the Jacksonians,” Roundtable on Andrew Jackson, Organization of American Historians, Washington, D.C., April 10, 2010
- “Domestic Labor in the Public House: Gender and Work in Early Nineteenth-Century Taverns” Southern Association of Women's Historians, Columbia, S.C., June, 2009
- “See You at the Tavern: Women’s Participation in Associational, Political, and Musical Gatherings at Early Republican Taverns,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, PA, July 22, 2005
- “Masterful Women: Slaveholding Widows from the American Revolution through the Civil War,” Women of Distinction Series, FIU Women's Studies Program, Miami, FL, January 21, 2005
- “Patriotic Songs and Genteel Concerts: Music-making in Post-Revolutionary American Taverns,” Group for Early Modern Cultural Studies, Orlando, FL, November 19, 2004
- “[He] Knows More About How to Treat a White Lady than Any White Man in Virginia’: Slaveholding Widows and Slave Men in the American South,” American Historical Association, San Francisco, January 4, 2002
- “Till Death Us Do Part: Estate Sales as Public Rituals in the Slaveholding South,” Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, LA, November 19, 2001
- “Female Actors in the Plantation Economy: Slaveholding Women, Exchange, and Spatial Relations in the Southeast, 1790-1860,” The Past and Future of Early American Economic History: Needs and Opportunities, Program in Early American Economy and Society, Philadelphia, PA, April 21, 2001
- “A Belle Widow is So Uncertain’: Representations of Widowhood in Early Modern Anglo America and the Old South,” Global Currents in Southern History, Georgia Southern University, October 21, 2000
- “For Business and For Pleasure: Slaveholding Widows and Travel, 1790-1860,” Society for the History of the Early American Republic, Buffalo, NY, July 21, 2000
- “De Real Trouble Start for Us When Ole Marsa Died’: Slaveholding Widows and Slaves,” Southern Association of Women Historians, Richmond, VA, June 16, 2000
- “Lady Bountiful and the Rituals of Paternalism: Widows and Slaves in the Old South,” Citadel Conference on the South, Charleston, SC, April 7, 2000
- “Relational Approaches to Gender: A Comment on ‘Engendering History,’” Clio's Workshop: Europe and the Atlantic World, Florida International University, March 11, 2000
- “Situating Households, Expanding Spheres: Slaveholding Women, Commerce, and Law, 1790-1860,” Visible Women in Southern History II, Shreveport, LA, October 15, 1999
- “What is to Become of Us?’: Slaveholding Widows in the Civil War,” Southern Historical Association, Birmingham, AL, November 13, 1998
- “The Female World of Love and Exchange: Slaveholding Widows in the American Southeast, 1790-1860,” McNeil Center for Early American Studies, April 10, 1998
- “The Economic Lives of Slaveholding Widows: Gender, Exchange and Community in the Southeast, 1790-1860,” Organization of American Historians, Indianapolis, April 3, 1998

- “‘Fightin’, Fussin’, an’ Beatin’’: Widows, Slave Management, and Violence,” Works-in-Progress Series, Philadelphia Center for Early American Studies, Philadelphia, PA, September 22, 1997
- “‘The Strongest Ties that Bind Poor Mortals Together’: Slaveholding Widows and Family in the Old Southeast,” Southern Association of Women Historians, Charleston, SC, June 13, 1997
- “Fictive Masters: Slaveholding Widows, Gender, and Power in the American Southeast, 1790-1860,” St. George Tucker Society, Atlanta, GA, June 6, 1997
- “Partisan Men and Powerful Women: Gender Politics in the Eaton Affair,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Nashville, TE, July 19, 1996
- “‘A Great Responsibility’: Martha Jackson, Widowhood, and Slave Management,” Telling About the South, Graduate Student Conference, Charlottesville, VA, March 23, 1996

Conference Participation

- Chair and Commentator, Panel: Gender and Women in the Old South, Southern Historical Association, Dallas, TX, November 9-12, 2017
- Chair and Commentator, Panel: ‘Music and Power before the Civil War,’ Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, July 20-23, 2017
- Chair and Commentator, Panel, “Mistresses of Small Worlds: Female Slaveholding in the Early American South,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, New Haven, July 23, 2016
- Commentator, “Americans in Motion: Contested Meanings of Mobility,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Raleigh, N.C. July 17, 2015
- Chair, “Unequal Actors: Gender, Race, and Financial Networks in America,” Business History Conference, Miami, FL, June 26, 2015
- Commentator, “Women and Property in Early America,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, July 20, 2014
- Commentator, “‘Gone to Hell in a Hand Basket’: The Search for Stability in the Market Economy,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, St. Louis, July 20, 2013
- Chair and Commentator, “Broken Bodies/Broken Spirits: Coping with Crisis in the Early South,” Southern Historical Association, St. Louis, November 2, 2013
- Chair and Commentator, SHEAR Commentator, “Women in Early Louisiana,” Louisiana History Association, New Orleans, March 2, 2012
- Commentator, “Alcohol, Fashion, and Public Houses in the United States,” Tradewinds Conference, History Graduate Student Association, FIU, March 26, 2011
- Commentator, “Gender Rediscovery,” Women, Gender, and Sexuality Student Conference, FIU, November 15, 2010
- Commentator, “Cultural and Ideological Exchanges,” Department of History Graduate Student Association Conference, FIU, Miami, April 2, 2010
- Discussant, “Historical Patterns in Women's Position and Labor,” 9th Annual Women's Studies Student Conference, FIU, Miami, March 23, 2010
- Chair, “Periodization in Teaching U.S. History,” Social Science History Association, Miami, October 24, 2008
- Respondent, “Moving Beyond ‘Separate Spheres’ in Understanding Civil Society,” Workshop on “The Well-Regulated Society,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, July 21, 2008
- Chair, “Beyond the Risorgimento,” Nineteenth-Century Studies Conference, North Miami Beach, FL, April 4, 2008
- Commentator, “Travel, Cosmopolitanism, and Gender in the Early Republic,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Montreal, July 2006
- Chair, “Women and Property,” Southern Association for Women Historians, Baltimore, June 10, 2006

- Commentator, "Manumitters, Managers, and Mastery: Studying Gender in the Old South," Southern Historical Association, Atlanta, GA, November 4, 2005
- Commentator, "The State, Law, and Marriage," Southern Association for Women Historians, Athens, GA, June 5, 2
- Panelist, "Perspectives on the Post-Doctoral Experience: A Panel Discussion," Southern Historical Association, Baltimore, MD, November 7, 2002
- Commentator, "Tragic Poetry and the Internal Slave Trade," Atlantic World Forum, Miami, FL, October 25, 2001

Invited Talks

- "Tavern Keepers and Political Capital in the Era of Good Feelings," Center for Political History, Lebanon Valley College, May 27, 2017
- "Hailing Columbia: Music and Politics in the Founding Era," SMU Center for Presidential History, December 9, 2015
- "The Sound of Politics: Music and Political Celebrations in the Early United States," Works-in-Progress Colloquium, History Department, FIU, April 11, 2012
- "Beyond Whiskey: Business, Politics, and Family in American Taverns after the Revolution," History Department, Rice University, October 26, 2007
- "Gendering Households, Space, and Power in the New Nation: From the Plantation to the Tavern," History Department, Purdue University, January 30, 2006
- "Looking at Power Relations in the Old South: A Discussion of *Masterful Women*," African/New World Studies Program, FIU, November 17, 2004
- "Fictive Mastery: Slaveholding Widowhood and Gendered Power in the American Southeast, 1790-1861," History Department, Georgetown University, January 2000

Public Lectures

- "Antebellum American History Workshop," Miami-Dade Teachers Workshop, Teaching American History Summer Institute, Miami, FL June 16, 2010
- "Market Revolution and Westward Expansion," Miami-Dade Teachers Workshop, Teaching American History Summer Institute, Miami, FL, December 12, 2009
- "A Southern Perspective on Women and Economic Development," Global Studies Teacher Training Workshop on Women, Miami, FL, February, 2005
- "The Gender of Power: Presidential Widow Martha Washington," Miami Intelligence, Miami, FL, March 4, 2005
- "Masterful Women: Slaveholding Widows from the American Revolution through the Civil War," Women of Distinction Series, FIU Women's Studies Program, Miami, FL, Books & Books, January 21, 2005
- "Martha Washington and the early American Republic," for "The Gender of Power: 'Women Worthies' and the Political Center in Europe and the USA," City of Coral Gables Women's History Month, Coral Gables, FL March 16, 2004
- "Heroes and Villains in Southern Women's History: Coming to Grips with Power," Public Lecture for Women's History Month at Rice University, Houston, TX, March 29, 2001
- "Before Suffrage: Women and American Politics before the Nineteenth Amendment," League of Women Voters, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, March 18, 2000
- "Continuity and Change for American Women: A Talk for Women's History Month," Federal Correctional Institute, Miami, Florida, March 26, 1999

Awards and Grants

- UGS Provost Award for Outstanding Graduate Program Director, FIU, 2017
- Faculty Research Award, College of Arts and Sciences, FIU, 2006
- Gilder-Lehrman Institute Fellowship at the Library of the New York Historical Society, 2006
- Isaac Comly Martindale Library Research Fellowship, American Philosophical Society, 2005
- Francis B. Simkins Prize, Southern Historical Association and Longwood University, 2005

- Best first book in the History of the American South
- Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Fellowship at the Library Company of Philadelphia, 2005
- Provost's Office and FIU Foundation Research Grant, FIU, 2002
- Short-Term Research Grant, Newberry Library, 2000 (declined)
- Mary Lily Research Grant, Center for Women's History and Culture, Duke, 2000
- Grant-in-Aid, College of Arts and Sciences, Florida International University, 2000
- Conference Prize, Visible Women in Southern History II, Shreveport, LA, October 15, 1999
- Best presentation by a professional scholar
- Grant-in-Aid, College of Arts and Sciences, Florida International University, 1999
- James Madison Prize, Society for the History of the Federal Government, 1998
- Best article in the history of the federal government
- Finalist, Lerner-Scott Dissertation Prize, Organization of American Historians, 1998
- Mellon Research Fellowship, Virginia Historical Society, 1996
- Women's Studies Research Grant, Duke University, 1996
- Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, Mellon Foundation and University of Pennsylvania, 1992-1997
- Phi Beta Kappa, 1991

Professional Development

- Provost's Hybrid Pilot Program, Spring 2018 cohort
- "Equity Matters: Developing Empathy" webinar, January 2017
- Team-Based Learning Training, Fall 2016
- Global Learning Workshop, Spring 2016
- Fourth Annual FIU Women Faculty Leadership Institute, May 2014
- Course Design Working Group, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, FIU, Summer 2013
- "A Brief Introduction to the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning," Craig Nelson, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, FIU, February 2013
- Learner-Centered Teaching Faculty Reading Group, Center for the Advancement of Teaching, FIU, Spring 2013
- "The Newspaper and the Culture of Print in the Early American Republic," American Antiquarian Society, History of the Book Summer Seminar, Worcester, MA, June 2008
- "The Early American Republic and the Problem of Governance," NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, Philadelphia, PA, June 2005

Review Essay

- "The Homefront in Black and White," *Reviews in American History* 30 (March 2002), 39-50.

Book Reviews

- Ellen Hartigan O'Connor, *The Ties That Buy: Women and Commerce in Revolutionary America*. (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2009), *Journal of Southern History*, 76 (August 2010), 696-697.
- Judith Giesberg, *Army at Home: Women and the Civil War on the Northern Home Front* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2009), *Northwest Ohio History*, 78 (Fall 2010) 1: 60-62.
- Rebecca J. Fraser, *Courtship and Love among the Enslaved in North Carolina* (University Press of Mississippi, 2007), *Slavery & Abolition Source*, 30 (September 2009), 3: 473-475.
- Anya Jabour, *Scarlett's Sisters: Young Women in the Old South* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2007) and Lorri Glover, *Southern Sons: Becoming Men in the New Nation* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2007), *Journal of Southern History* (August 2008) 3: 735-737.
- Ben Marsh, *Georgia's Frontier Women: Female Fortunes in a Southern Colony* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2007), *American Historical Review*, 113 (February 2008) 1: 170-171.

- Cynthia M. Kennedy, *Braided Relations, Entwined Lives: The Women of Charleston's Urban Slave Society*. Blacks in the Diaspora. (Bloomington and Indianapolis: Indiana University Press, 2005), *Journal of Southern History* 73 (November 2007), 881-882.
- Richard Follett, *The Sugar Masters: Planters and Slaves in Louisiana's Cane World, 1820-1860* (Louisiana State University Press, 2005), *Slavery and Abolition* (December 2006), 401-403.
- Stephanie M. H. Camp, *Closer to Freedom: Enslaved Women and Everyday Resistance in the Plantation South* (University of North Carolina Press, 2004), *American Historical Review* (February 2006), 173-174.
- Jonathan D. Wells, *The Origins of the Southern Middle Class, 1800-1861* (University of North Carolina Press, 2004), *Journal of American History*, 92 (October 2005), 602-603.
- Joshua D. Rothman, *Notorious in the Neighborhood: Sex and Families across the Color Line in Virginia, 1787-1861* (University of North Carolina Press, 2003), *American Historical Review*, 110 (October 2005), 1178-1179.
- Sally G. McMillen, *Southern Women: Black and White in the Old South*. Second Edition (Harlan Davidson, 2002), H-SAWH (November 2004).
- Daniel L. Schafer, *Anna Madgigine Jai Kingsley: African Princess, Florida Slave, Plantation Slaveowner*, *Journal of Southern History*, 70 (August 2004), 3: 662-663
- Sharla M. Fett, *Working Cures: Healing, Health, and Power on Southern Slave Plantations* (University of North Carolina Press, 2002), *Georgia Historical Quarterly* 87 (2003), 3: 462-463.
- Nancy F. Cott, *Public Vows: A History of Marriage and the Nation* (Harvard University Press, 2000), *Law and History Review* 21 (Summer 2003), 2: 419-420.
- Catherine Clinton, ed., *Fanny Kemble's Journals* (Harvard University Press, 2000), and Clinton, *Fanny Kemble's Civil Wars* (Oxford University Press, 2001), *Journal of Southern History* 68 (August 2002), 701-702.
- Donald R. Kennon, ed., *A Republic for the Ages: The United States Capitol and the Political Culture of the Early Republic*. Perspectives on the American Revolution (University Press of Virginia, 1999), *Journal of Southern History*, 67 (February 2001), 158.
- Cynthia Kierner, *Beyond the Household: Women's Place in the Early South, 1700-1835* (Ithaca, NY, and London: Cornell University Press, 1998), H-SHEAR (September 1999).
- Catherine Clinton and Michele Gillespie, eds., *The Devil's Lane: Race and Sex in the Early South* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1998), *Journal of the Early Republic*, 18 (Fall 1998), 554-556.

Professional Service

Editorial/Advisory

Advisory Board, "New Perspectives on Jacksonian America," Vanderbilt University Press, 2015—
Co-Editor, *History Compass*, North American Section, 2008-2011

Book Prize Committees

Frank L. and Harriet C. Owsley Book Prize Committee, 2011
Charles S. Sydnor Book Prize Committee, 2011 (declined)
Julia Cherry Spruill Prize Committee, 2010
Willie Lee Rose Prize for Women Historians of the South Committee, 2003

Professional Committees

Program Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2017 (for 2018 conference)
Nominating Committee, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, 2016-2019
Review Panel, NEH-Library Company of Philadelphia Post-Doctoral Applications, 2016
Committee on Women, Southern Historical Association, 2016-2017
Nominating Committee, Southern Association for Women Historians, 2016

Mentorship Committee, Southern Association for Women Historians, 2008
Program Committee, Southern Association for Women Historians, 2005
Review Panel, NEH-Library Company of Philadelphia Post-Doctoral Applications, 2005
NEH Review Panel, Division of Grants to Preserve and Create Access to Humanities Collections, Fall 2004
Membership Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2002-2003

External review for tenure, promotion, and/or retention

University of Colorado, Denver
Hobart & William Smith Colleges
Merrimack College
Ithaca College
East Carolina University
Indiana State University (promotion to full)

Book manuscript/proposal review

Oxford University Press
New York University Press
University of Illinois Press
Johns Hopkins University Press
University of North Carolina Press

Article manuscript review

American Historical Review
Journal of Southern History
Journal of the Early Republic
Massachusetts Historical Review
Pennsylvania History
Virginia Magazine of History and Biography
Western Journal of Black Studies
Winterthur Portfolio

Professional Affiliations

Southern Historical Association (life member)
Southern Association for Women Historians (life member)
American Historical Association
Organization of American Historians

University Service

Faculty Affiliations

Center for Women's and Gender Studies
African and African Diaspora Studies Program

Service to the Department

NEH Next Generation PhD Core Committee, *ex officio*, 2016-2017
Faculty Adviser, Department of History Graduate Student Association, August 2015—
Gateway Summer Institute, June 2016
Graduate Program Director, December 2014—
Advisory Committee, *ex officio*, December 2014—
Undergraduate Program Director, 2011-2014
Graduate Committee, 2009-2011, 2004-2005
Undergraduate Committee, 1999-2002
Chair, Early America Search Committee, 2011-2012

Chair, Search Committee, Instructor in Digital History, 2011-2012
Junior Faculty Works-in-Progress/Book Proposal Writing Group, 2011-2012
Search Committee, Modern U.S. History, 2009-2010
Ad-Hoc Committee on Differential Teaching, 2008-2009
Ad-Hoc Committee for Online Education, 2007-2008
Chair, Search Committee, Early America (1600-1850), 2007-2008
Chair, Personnel Committee, Fall 2008-Spring 2009; member, 2004-2005; 2009-2010
Search Committee, U.S. Foreign Policy, 2004-2005
Webmaster, 2002-2004, 2007
Coordinator, History Department Works-in-Progress Series, 2004
Advisory Committee, Junior Faculty Representative, 2003-2004
Search Committee, African-American History, 2002-2003
Search Committee, Black Presence in North America, 2001-2002
Co-Organizer, Junior Faculty Works-in-Progress Writing Group, 2000-2001
Search Committee, Caribbean History/African Diaspora, 1999-2000

Service to the College and University

Co-Chair, Faculty Bystander Intervention Program, Office for the Advancement of Women, Equity, and Diversity, August 2017—
Bystander Intervention Train-the-Trainer Workshop, February 2017
Strategies and Tactics for Recruiting to Improve Diversity and Excellence Committee, January 2017—
Strategic Enrollment Planning, Graduate Programs Workgroup, 2016-2017
Graduate Assessment Liaison for History Department, University Graduate School, 2015—
Undergraduate Assessment Liaison for History Department, Dean's Office, CAS, 2011-2014
College of Arts and Sciences Tenure & Promotion Committee, 2012-2014
Pilot Program on Improving Faculty Search Procedures, 2012
University Faculty Focus Group on Textbook Adoption, 2012
Junior Faculty Mentor, College of Arts and Sciences, 2011-2012
Dissertation Adviser Status Evaluation Committee, 2010-2012
Institutional Review Board, Humanities Representative, 2007-2012
Chair, Faculty Convocation Committee, 2008-2010; member, 2007-2008
Associate Dean's Advisory Committee, College of Arts & Sciences, 2000-2004
Budget Committee, College of Arts & Sciences, 2001-2002
New Information Technology and Liberal Education Symposium, Women's Studies Program Representative, Greenville, SC, May 2000
Co-Organizer, Interdisciplinary Reading Group (with participants from History, Political Science, and Philosophy), 1999-2000

Community Engagement

PACT Team Leader (People Acting for Community Together), September 2017—
Standing Up for Racial Justice, Coconut Grove, January 2017—
Solidarity Sundays host and participant, Fall 2016—
Anti-Racism Workshop Training, MCCJ/St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Fall 2016—
Strategic Plan Steering Committee and Research Sub-Committee, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 2016
National History Day Interview on Abraham Lincoln, 2014
Lay Delegate (elected) for the Diocese of Southeast Florida, General Convention of the Episcopal Church, 2008-2010
Vestry (elected), St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 2008-2010