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Education

Ph.D., University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2024.

Dissertation: "Incarcerated Nations: Confinement, Removal, and Policing on the Colorado River Indian Reservation."

Chair: William J. Bauer, Jr. Committee members: Susan Lee Johnson, Andrew Kirk, Todd Robinson, and Steve Sexton.

Exam Fields (passed with Honors): North American West, U.S. Since 1850, American Indian and Indigenous Studies, and Public History

M.A., University of Wyoming, 2002.

Thesis: "Sterilization and the American Indian Connection."

Chair: Brian Hosmer. Committee Members: Judy Antell and Ronald Schultz

Concentration: American Indian History

B.A., University of Texas at Austin, 1999.

Concentration: U.S. and American Indian History

Employment

Assistant Professor of History, Department of History, University of Alaska, Fairbanks,
2024 – current.

Research Assistant for Susan Lee Johnson, Department of History, University of Nevada,
Las Vegas, 2021-22.

Teaching Assistant, Department of History, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2019-23.

History Instructor, School of Math and Sciences, Laramie County Community College,
2010-2019.

Adjunct Instructor, Department of History, University of Wyoming, 2016-2017.

Adjunct Instructor, School of Math and Sciences, Laramie County Community College,
2005-2010

Substitute Teacher, Laramie County School District 1, 2008-2009.

Teaching Assistant, Department of History, University of Wyoming, 2000-2002.

Publications

“Of Service and Ceremonies: Capturing Laguna’s Tribal Stories,” *Studies in American Indian Literatures*, forthcoming.

“Desert Convergences: The Gila River Indian Community and Japanese Americans during World War II,” *Journal of Arizona History*, forthcoming.

Review of *Lawyer, Jailer, Ally, Foe: Complicity and Conscience in America's World War II Concentration Camps*, by Eric Muller, in *Journal of Arizona History*, forthcoming.

Review of *American Indian Tribal Government: A Critical Perspective*, by Stephen Wall, in *Wicazo Sa Review*, forthcoming.

Review of *Imposing Order without Law: American Expansion to the Eastern Sierra, 1850-1865*, by Michael J. Makley, in *California History* 101, no. 1 (2024): 66-68.

Review of *Making Love with the Land*, by Joshua Whitehead, in *H-Environment*, (May 2023), online.

Review of *Tributary Voices: Literary and Rhetorical Explorations of the Colorado River*, by Paul A. Formisano, in *The Western Historical Quarterly*, online.

Review of *Staging Indigeneity*, by Katrina Phillips, in *The Journal of Arizona History* 63, no. 2 (Summer 2022): 236-239.

Review of *American Indians and the Urban Experience*, edited by Susan Lobo and Kurt Peters, in *Journal of American Ethnic History* 21, no. 4 (2002): 171-72.

Honors and Awards

Phi Theta Kappa Distinguished Advisor Team Award, Laramie County Community College, 2019

Phi Theta Kappa Paragon Advisor Award, Laramie County Community College, 2019

Teaching Excellence Faculty Achievement Award, Laramie County Community College, 2012 and 2015

Sage Trio Faculty Recognition Award, Laramie County Community College, 2011

Milward L. Simpson Graduate Paper Award, University of Wyoming, 2009

Adjunct Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence, Laramie County Community College, 2007

Phi Alpha Theta, international history honor society, inducted 2000

Phi Beta Kappa Academic Society, inducted 1999

Summa Cum Laude graduate, University of Texas at Austin, 1999

Fellowships and Grants

President's UNLV Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2023-24

Gunther Barth Fellowship, Bancroft Library, 2023

Visiting Scholar Fellowship, Autry Museum, 2023

Arizona Historical Society Research Fellowship, Arizona Historical Society, 2023

Walter Rundell Award, Western History Association, 2022

Newberry Consortium in American Indian Studies Graduate Student Fellowship, Newberry Library, 2022

Charles Redd Center Research Award for Upper Division and Graduate Students, Brigham Young University, 2022

American Heritage Center Travel Grant Recipient, University of Wyoming, 2022

History Tribute Scholarship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2022

Harold and Judith Boyer History Fellowship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2021 and 2022

Summer Doctoral Research Fellowship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2021 and 2022

Elli H. Cooper & Laura Lee Ledbetter Endowment for Public History Award, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2021

Race and Ethnicity Fellowship, Arizona State University Library, 2020

T.A. Larson Gale McGee Graduate Student Fellowship, University of Wyoming, 2001

Teaching

Fields:

Indigenous History; North American Western History; Early U.S. History; Modern U.S. History; American Revolution; Holocaust

Courses Taught as the Instructor of Record:

History of the United States, 1877-1945, University of Alaska, Fairbanks

Introduction to Native American History, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Introduction to American Indian and Indigenous Studies, University of Nevada, Las

Vegas

U.S. History to 1865, Laramie County Community College and University of Alaska,

Fairbanks

U.S. History from 1865, Laramie County Community College

History of North American Indians, Laramie County Community College

Wyoming History, Laramie County Community College

Holocaust, Laramie County Community College

American Revolution, Laramie County Community College and University of Wyoming

American Encounters, University of Wyoming

Courses Taught as a Teaching Assistant:

Hitler and the Constitution, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Indigenous People, Constitutions and Sovereignty, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Revolutions & Constitutions: The US, the USSR, and the IRI, University of Nevada, Las

Vegas

Empires and Constitutions, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

History of North American Indians, University of Wyoming

Wyoming History, University of Wyoming

U.S. History to 1865, University of Wyoming

Presentations and Conferences

Scholarly Papers:

“We Live Again!”: The Restoration of the Chemehuevi Indian Reservation,” Western History Association, Los Angeles, October 25, 2023.

“Carceral Foundations: Imprisonment on the Colorado River Indian Reservation,” Pacific Coast Branch-American Historical Association, Cal State Northridge, Los Angeles, August 10, 2023.

“Surveilling Sex: Policing the Intimate Lives of Indigenous Peoples on the Colorado River Indian Reservation,” Newberry Consortium in American Indian Studies Graduate Conference, Newberry Library, Chicago, February 11, 2023.

“The Indigenous Roots of Internment,” Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, Online, October 30, 2021.

“Shared Histories on Indigenous Lands,” Historians of the Twentieth-Century United States, Online, June 8, 2021. Another version presented at the Graduate and Professional Student Association, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, April 2, 2021.

“Parallels, Intersections, and Divergences: The Gila River Indian Community and Japanese Americans during World War II,” Newberry Consortium of American Indian Studies Graduate Student Conference, Online, February 4, 2021.

Community Presentations:

“Hollywood and History: The Middle Passage and La Amistad,” Black History Month, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 16, 2019.

“Reagan and the AIDS Crisis,” Student Activities Pride Month, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, October 13, 2018.

“Six Songs of Ellis,” Wyoming Humanities Scholar, University of Wyoming Department of Theater and Dance Production, Cheyenne, Sheridan, Torrington, and Casper, Wyoming, May 14-18, 2018.

“Denial: Distorting History and the Holocaust,” Student Activities, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, November 11, 2018.

“Birth of a Nation: The Media and Race Relations,” Black History Month, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 14, 2018.

“The Lakota: Reservations and Wounded Knee,” Student Activities, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, December 2, 2017.

“LGBTQ Historical Rights (or Lack Thereof),” Student Activities, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, October 17, 2017.

“The Boston Tea Party,” Learning is for Everyone Program, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, March 13, 2017.

“Loving v. Virginia,” Student Activities and Black History Month, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 9, 2017.

“Treaties and Land: Lakota History as a Pretext to #NoDAPL,” #NoDAPL community event, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, November 2, 2016.

“Red Cloud’s War,” Laramie County Historical Society, Laramie County Public Library, Cheyenne, Wyoming, April 10, 2016.

“African Americans in the Revolution,” African MAAFA Society, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 18, 2016.

“From Sit-Ins to Fish-Ins,” African MAAFA Society, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, October 10, 2015.

“Freedom Summer,” Black History Month, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 21, 2015.

“African Americans in the New World,” African MAAFA Society, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, April 13, 2014.

“Freedom Riders,” Created Equal: America’s Civil Rights Struggle, Laramie County Community College, Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 24, 2014.

“American Women in the American Revolution,” Daughters of the American Revolution, Laramie County Public Library, Cheyenne, Wyoming, July 20, 2013.

“Teaching Wyoming History,” Laramie Lyceum, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming, April 11, 2011.

Professional Service and Activities

Phi Alpha Theta volunteer, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2021 – 2022

Graduate & Professional Student Association Mentor, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2021

Online Teaching Essentials for Graduate Assistants, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2020

Phi Theta Kappa Advisor, Laramie County Community College, 2015 – 19

Internship Coordinator, Laramie County Community College in association with the Cheyenne Frontier Days Old West Museum, Wyoming Governors' Mansion, and Warren ICBM & Heritage Museum, 2010-19

Pathways Advising Team, Laramie County Community College, 2018

Pathways Student Experiences Team, Laramie County Community College, 2018

Food Pantry Committee, Laramie County Community College, 2018

Cultural Committee Member, Laramie County Community College, 2010 - 2016

Faculty Senate, School of Math and Sciences, Laramie County Community College, 2014

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Faculty Advising Committee, Laramie County Community College, 2014 – 15

College Council Faculty Senate Representative, Laramie County Community College, 2014 – 15

Math and Sciences Scholarship Team Member, Laramie County Community College, 2014

Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle, Grant Coordinator and Team Leader,
Laramie County Community College, 2013-14
Learning Commons Committee Chair, Laramie County Community College, 2012 – 13
Writing Center Volunteer, Laramie County Community College, 2013 – 14
National Endowment of the Humanities Landmark Participant: War of 1812, Toledo,
Ohio, 2012
National Endowment of the Humanities Landmark Participant: Revolution to Republic,
Philadelphia, 2011

Community Service

Nuwu Art Collective Volunteer, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2022-23
Youth Powwow for the Planet, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2022 and 2023
UNLV Public History Volunteer for "Payday on Block 16," Las Vegas, Nevada, 2022
The LGBTQ Center of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2021
Frontier Days' Old West Museum Volunteer, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2016 – 19
Cheyenne Day of Giving, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2016 – 19
Meals on Wheels, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2018 – 19
Family Promise, Box City for the Homeless, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2017 – 18
Friday Food Bags, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2017
Jonathan Daniels Society, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2007 – 09
Latino America Service Project in Peru, Cusco, Peru, 2007
Habitat for Humanity, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2006 and 2017
Laramie Soup Kitchen Volunteer, Laramie, Wyoming, 2002
Leukemia Society Volunteer, Team in Training, Austin, Texas, 1998 – 99
Emergency Medical Service in Texas, Leakey, Texas, 1998

Professional Organizations

Western History Association
Phi Alpha Theta
Organization of American Historians
American Society for Environmental History