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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of History — Department of Labor Relations, Law, and History
Cornell University, ILR School — 2020 to present

Postdoctoral Fellow — Schwartz Program, Historical Studies
New School University & New York Historical Society — 2019-2020

Postdoctoral Fellow — Global American Studies, Charles Warren Center for History
Lecturer — Department of African & African-American Studies
Harvard University — 2017-2019

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in History, 2017

New York University

Committee: Nikhil Pal Singh (chair), Marilyn B. Young, Monica Kim, Linda Gordon, Greg Grandin (NYU), and Robyn C. Spencer (CUNY)

Dissertation: "Soldiers of the American Dream: Midcentury War Work, Jim Crow, and Popular Movements Amidst Global Militarization"

Examination Fields: Post-1860 America ; U.S. and the World ; Transnational History
(high distinction, 2013)

B.A. (cum laude), 2003

New York University

Major: History (with honors), and Africana Studies

Advisor: Robin D.G. Kelley

PUBLICATIONS

- “AHR Conversation: Black Internationalism,” *American Historical Review* 125, no. 5 (December 2020) — forthcoming.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- *Soldiers of the American Dream: War Work, Jim Crow and Freedom Movements in the Shadow of U.S. Power* (tentative title) — book manuscript.
- “Places of Assemblage, Paths of Activism: Military Masculinities and Rainbow Coalitions in 1940s America” — article manuscript.
- “Nodes of Empire, Ports of Solidarity: Decolonization, Racial Capitalism, and the Global War-Work Mutiny of 1946” — article manuscript.

ESSAYS

- “On Foreign Policy: War from Above, Solidarity from Below,” in *We Own the Future*, eds. Michael Kazin, Peter Dreier and Kate Aronoff (New York: The New Press, 2020).

RESEARCH AWARDS AND HONORS

- Schwartz Postdoctoral Fellowship, New School University (2019-2020)
- Lecturer position, History & Literature, Harvard University [declined] (2019-2020)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship, Warren Center, Harvard University (2017-2019)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship, NYU College of Arts & Science [declined] (2017-2018)
- Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2016-2017)
- Penfield Fellowship for Studies in Diplomacy [declined] (2016-2017)
- Visiting Fellow, Global Research Institute, London UK (2015)
- Mellon Foundation Grant (2013)
- Henry M. MacCracken Fellow (2011-2016)

INVITED TALKS—SOLE PRESENTER, COMMENT OR CHAIR

- Invited talk, in conversation with Thomas Sugrue—“Civil Rights and Labor Struggles in World War II”—New York Historical Society, 2020.
- Commentator for panel, on “Political Economy and the African Diaspora”—*Organization of American Historians* meeting [cancelled]—2020.

- Chair and comment for panel, on “Gerald Ford and U.S. Foreign Policy”—*Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations* meeting—Arlington VA, 2019.
- Commentator for panel, on “Unions and Coalition-Building in Twentieth-Century North America”—*Labor and Working-Class History Association* meeting—Durham NC, 2019.
- Invited talk, in conversation with Stephen Wertheim—“Nodes of Empire, Ports of Solidarity”—Center for the U.S. and the Cold War, NYU—New York NY, 2018.
- Commentator for seminar, on “1919: Race, Riot and Revolution”—Faculty Seminar, Warren Center, Harvard University—Cambridge MA, 2018.
- Commentator for seminar, on “Political Economy in the Black Power Era”—Safra Center, Harvard University—Cambridge MA, 2018.
- Commentator for seminar, on the Russian military in World War II—History Department, NYU—New York NY, 2017.
- Chair and comment for panel, on “U.S. Foreign Policy, Global Human Rights and the 2016 Election”—School for International Training, International Honors Program—LGBT Community Center, New York NY, 2017.
- Chairperson for panel, on Black freedom movements—Global American Studies symposium, Harvard University—Cambridge MA, 2017.

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- *Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations* meeting, 2020: “Globalizing World War II.” (Panel.)
- *Organization of American Historians* meeting, Philadelphia PA, 2019: “Revisiting the Black Lives Activism of the Civil Rights 1940s.” (Panel chaired by Kevin Gaines).
- *African American Intellectual History Society* meeting, Ann Arbor MI, 2019: “Black Internationalism, Then and Now.” (Panel chaired by Earl Lewis.)
- *American Studies Association* meeting, Atlanta GA, 2018: “Internationalisms from Below: From World Wars, to Cold Wars, to Terror Wars.” (Panel chaired by Robert Vitalis).
- Warren Center, Harvard University, Cambridge MA, 2018: “Freedom Movements in the Shadow of U.S. Power.” (Panel chaired by Vincent Brown).
- *American Studies Association* meeting, Chicago IL, 2017: “Pan-African Networks and Popular Education: Black-Led Study and Solidarity Across Continents.” (Panel chaired by Penny Von Eschen).
- Warren Center, Harvard University, Cambridge MA, 2017: “Global American Studies.” (Panel chaired by Walter Johnson).
- *Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations* meeting, San Diego CA, 2016: “Court-Martial of Public Opinion: Soldiers’ Cases and Homefront Advocacy in the Global Cold War.” (Panel chaired by Mary Dudziak).

- *American Studies Association* meeting, Denver CO, 2016: "War at Home/not Home: Race and Gender in War and Anti-War." (Panel chaired by Dayo Gore).
- *American Historical Association* meeting, Atlanta GA, 2016: "Gender Troubling the Postwar: Military-Service Activism before McCarthy, Mattachine, and Montgomery." (Panel chaired by Judy Tzu-Chun Wu).
- *Labor And Working-Class History Association* meeting, Washington DC, 2015: "Policing the Greatest Generation: Military Crime and Punishment, from World War to Post-War." (Panel chaired by Jeanne Theoharis).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- "Introduction to Labor and Working-Class History" — Cornell, Labor History, 2021.
- "The Military- and Prison- Industrial Complex" — New School, History, 2020.
- "Gender and Geopolitics" — New School, History, 2019.
- "Intersectional and International Social Movements" — Harvard, Af-Am, 2019.
- "The Color Line and Freedom Movements in Geopolitics" — Harvard, Af-Am, 2017.
- "Race and War in America" — NYU, History, 2016.
- "Cultures and Contexts: Asian/Pacific/American Cultures" (TA) — NYU, SCA, 2014.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- African American Intellectual History Society
- American Historical Association
- American Studies Association
- Association for the Study of African American Life and History
- Labor And Working-Class History Association
- Organization of American Historians
- Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

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