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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. The University of Colorado - Boulder. History.
Degree received May 9th, 2019. Adviser, Dr. Paul Sutter.
Dissertation: "Disruption, Dispossession, and the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893."
Dissertation Committee: Dr. Paul Sutter, Dr. Peter H. Wood, Dr. Thomas Andrews, Dr. Honor Sachs, and Dr. Lori Peek, director of the CU Natural Hazards Center.
- M.A. The University of British Columbia. Geography.
Program completed August 2013, degree received November 2013.
Adviser, Dr. Graeme Wynn.
Thesis: "Imagining a Community-Oriented 'National Park Nature: Conflict, Management, and Conservation in the Proposed South Okanagan-Lower Similkameen National Park Reserve."
- B.A. Middlebury College. Geography (*cum laude*).
Degree received May 2011.
Adviser, Dr. Anne Knowles.
Thesis: "Collective Mind, Communal Heart: A Historical Geography of Congaree Swamp."
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ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Published and Forthcoming

- 2019 "Black autonomy, Red Cross recovery, and white backlash after the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893" in the *Journal of Southern History*. Forthcoming, November 2019.
- 2019 Book review in *Environmental History* on Christopher M. Church, *Paradise Destroyed: Catastrophe and citizenship in the French Caribbean*, (Lincoln: University of Nebraska, 2017). July 2019.
- 2015 "Maybe National Park: Consultation, Conservation, and Conflict in the Okanagan-Similkameen," *BC Studies*, Number 186, (Summer 2015): pp. 9 - 38.
* Winner of *BC Studies* Prize (see below)

Book Projects in Progress

Monograph, *Hurricane of the New South: Disruption, Dispossession, and the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893* (to be submitted to an editor in Fall 2020)

Edited Collection, *Black Americans in the Age of Emancipation*, Co-Editor with Dr. William Horne and Dr. Lucien Holness (to be submitted to an editor in Fall 2020)

Articles and Essays in Progress

A "Gallery Essay" for *Environmental History* on 1916 photograph of a Black rice worker in South Carolina using a *kayendo*, a West African tool for digging out rice ditches (to be submitted December 2019)

An article on the use of convict labor in Jim Crow-era Charleston County, South Carolina, for the purposes of drainage for state-directed environmental and racial management (to be submitted Summer 2020)

A biography of Capt. Edward Tennant, a Black Reconstruction-era militia leader in Edgefield County, South Carolina (to be published in *Black Americans in the Age of Emancipation*)

EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

- 2018 - 2019 Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship
- 2018 American Society of Environmental History - National Science Foundation Travel Grant to the 2018 ASEH conference
- 2016 *Inaugural *BC Studies* Prize for “Maybe National Park: Consultation, Conservation, and Conflict in the Okanagan-Similkameen,” chosen best article published in *BC Studies* in 2016
- 2014 Canadian Studies Network – RSN MA-level Major Research Paper Prize for "Imagining a Community-Oriented National Park Nature: Conflict, Management, and Conservation in the Proposed South Okanagan-Lower Similkameen National Park Reserve."
- 2013 Canadian Council on Ecological Areas Stan Rowe Home Place Graduate Award, \$1000 in research funds for MA thesis.
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INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND GRANTS

- 2018 Eaton Graduate Student Travel Grant provided by the Center for Humanities and Arts at CU Boulder. \$500 to attend the Southern Forum on Agricultural, Rural, and Environmental History.
- 2017 CU Boulder’s Summer Graduate School Fellowship. Nominated by the history department at CU, provided \$6000 during Summer 2017 to support dissertation research.
- 2017 CU Boulder Graduate School Travel Grant. \$300 to travel to the University of California - Los Angeles’ History Graduate Student Association’s conference.
- 2011 - 2013 Faculty of Graduate Studies Award the University of British Columbia, \$10,000.
- 2009 - 2011 Middlebury College’s Bonnie and John M. McCardell, Jr. Scholar.
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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND TALKS

Panels and Roundtables Organized

- 2019 The American Society for Environmental History. Organized and led a roundtable, “Learning from Disaster History: Global Perspectives.”

- 2018 The American Society of Environmental History. Organized the panel “Nature, Race, and Justice on the Edge of America” and presented “Hurricane of the New South: Disruption, Dispossession, and the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893.”

Papers, Roundtables, and Invited Talks

- 2020 The American Historical Association. Speaking on the roundtable “A Blueprint for Departmental Change: The History Teaching and Learning Project at the University of Colorado at Boulder.” Upcoming, January 2020.
- 2019 Invited Scholar in Residence in Disaster History, Drexel University, One Week Residency. Upcoming, Winter 2019 or Spring 2020.
- 2019 Labor and Working Class History Association. Presenting “Black Labor and Red Cross Recovery after the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893” on the panel “Labor Histories of Disaster.”
- 2019 The American Historical Association. Speaking on the roundtable “Preparing for the Professoriate: A Conversation on How to Realign Graduate Education with Careers in the Professoriate.”
- 2018 Invited speaker, with honorarium, at the Coastal Discovery Museum’s History Lecture Series on Hilton Head Island. Presenting “Hurricane of the New South: The rise of Jim Crow and the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893.”
- 2018 The Boston Environmental History Seminar at the Massachusetts Historical Society. Invited by the MHS to present “Ditched: Digging up Black history in the South Carolina Lowcountry.”
- 2018 The Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference at the University of Colorado Boulder’s History Department. Commenter on “Racializing Health Care in America.”
- 2018 The Southern Forum on Agricultural, Rural, and Environmental History. Presenting “Red Cross Recovery and Sea Island Independence on the Dawn of Jim Crow.”
- 2018 Invited speaker on the panel “Trump’s America: One Year Later,” hosted by the CU Boulder Center for Western Civilization, Thought & Policy, on CU’s campus.
- 2017 Workshop on the History of the Environment, Agriculture, Technology, and Science, at the University of Albany. “Whose Responsibility?: Sickness, Sea Island Relief, and New South Politics after the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893.”
- 2017 UCLA History Graduate Student Conference. “Hurricane of the New South: Memory and Remembrance of Environmental Crisis.”
- 2015 The West Network, at the Southwest Research Station. “Hurricane of the New South: The ‘war of the elements’ and the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893.”
- 2014 The Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference. “A New Era of Homesteading for a New Century: Modernity and connectivity on Ruth and Clark Woodis’ farm in eastern Colorado, 1913 - 1928.”
- 2013 The Green College Resident Speaker Series at the University of British Columbia. “A Tale of Two Parks: The cultural histories of wilderness of Congaree National Park and the proposed Okanagan - Similkameen National Park Reserve.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Queens University

- HIST 122, “Modern America” (VAP)
- HIST 289, “Race and Gender in Southern History” (VAP)
- QCP 410, General Education Senior Capstone Course (VAP, online)
- HIST 291, “Hurricane Histories” (VAP, upcoming Spring 2020)
- HIST 400, “The History of Climate Change & the Anthropocene” (VAP, upcoming Spring 2020)
- QLC 230, Gen. Ed. Learning Community on “Heroes & Villains” (VAP, upcoming Spring 2020)

University of Colorado at Boulder

- HIST 1015, “History of the United States to 1865” (Instructor, twice)
- HIST 1015, “History of the United States to 1865” (TA & Section Leader, four times)
- HIST 1025, “History of the United States since 1865” (TA & Section Leader, three times)
- HIST 2126, “Issues in Modern U.S. Politics & Foreign Relations” (TA)

University of British Columbia

- GEOG 423, “The Development of Environmental Thought,” (TA & Section Leader, twice)
- GEOG 211, “The State of the Earth” (TA)
- GEOG 310, “Environment and Sustainability” (TA)

CAREER HISTORY

- 2017 Research Assistant for Dr. Samantha Smalls, a post-doctoral fellow at CU-Boulder’s Department of History, for her article project on the Charleston jail.
- 2017 Editorial Assistant for the Ossabaw Island Foundation Board. Helped with manuscript preparation for *Coastal Nature/Coastal Culture: Environmental Histories of the Georgia Coast*, ed. Paul S. Sutter and Paul M. Pressly, (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2018).
- 2009 - 2011 Archival Assistant at the Vermont Folklife Center under the center’s archivist Andy Kolovos, and put together an online, digital archive of Quebecois and Franco-American folk songs. Fall 2009 - Spring 2011.

SERVICE

- 2019 Adviser for two senior MasterWorks projects in the Queens University of Charlotte History Department
- 2017 - 2018 Graduate Student Member of the History Teaching & Learning Project Working Group at CU-Boulder’s History Department under Dr. Natalie Mendoza as project lead.

- 2016 - 2018 Southern Historical Association Graduate Student Council Representative.
- 2015 - 2017 Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference Co-Chair.
- 2015 - 2016 Graduate Studies Council Representative for the History Department at CU Boulder.
- 2014 - 2015 President of the History Graduate Student Association at the University of Colorado - Boulder.
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SERVICE PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 *Environmental History Now*, a two-part series on the Lost Cause of the Lowcountry:
- Part 1: "The Environmental Roots of Jim Crow in Coastal South Carolina"
 - Part 2: "The white farmers is pregeded agence the poor colored people': Refuting the Lost Cause of the Lowcountry"
- 2017 Rabble.ca. "What's 'natural' about a natural disaster? Not much."
- 2014 - 2019 Contributing editor and founder of *Erstwhile*, at <http://www.erstwhileblog.wordpress.com/>. Selected posts:
- "Reckoning with and remaking southern landscapes of white supremacy." *Sept. 2018*.
 - "A Southerner in the West: Tracing sightlines between southern and western identity." *Nov. 2017*.
 - "Hurricanes, historians, and environmental injustice: De-naturalizing 'natural' disaster." *Sept. 2017*.
 - "An appeal for grace: The white historian's responsibility to radical empathy and refusing the 'invented past.'" *Feb. 2017*.
 - "Reasserting White Supremacy: South Carolina's Ben Tillman and the 2016 presidential election." *Nov. 2016*.
 - "Remembering the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893: Mermaids, culpability, and the postbellum Lowcountry." *Sept. 2016*.
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society for Environmental History
Southern Historical Association
Labor and Working Class History Association
Southern Labor Studies Association
American Historical Association