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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Princeton University, 2000-present
Professor, Department of History, 2012-present
Associate Chair, Department of History, 2007-2009
Associate Professor, Department of History, 2006-2012
David L. Rike University Preceptor of History, 2003-2006
Assistant Professor, Department of History, 2000-2006

EDUCATION

2000 Ph.D., History, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.
Committee: Richard Polenber, Robert L. Harris, Jr., and Isabel V. Hull

1997 M.A., History, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

1994 B.A., History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
Honors Thesis in History: William E. Leuchtenburg, director
Honors Thesis in Creative Writing: William McFee, director

PUBLICATIONS

Books

One Nation Under God: How Corporate America Invented Christian America (Basic Books, 2015)

Fog of War: The Second World War and the Civil Rights Movement (Oxford University Press, 2012), co-edited with Stephen Tuck

Spaces of the Modern City: Imaginaries, Politics and Everyday Life (Princeton University Press, 2008), co-edited with Gyan Prakash

The New Suburban History (University of Chicago Press, 2006), co-edited with Thomas J. Sugrue

White Flight: Atlanta and the Making of Modern Conservatism (Princeton University Press, 2005)

(Winner: Southern History Association's Francis B. Simkins Award for the best first book in Southern history published in the previous two years)

(Winner: American Political Science Association's Prize for Best Book on Urban Politics)

(Winner: Georgia Historical Society's Bell Award for the best book on Georgia history)

Books in Progress

Polarizing America, co-written with Julian Zelizer (contracted to W.W. Norton)

Book Chapters

“Why Don't You Just Get an Actor?": The Advent of Television in the 1952 Campaign,” America at the Ballot Box: Elections and Political History, Gareth Davies and Julian E. Zelizer, eds. (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015): 167-183.

“Compassionate Conservatism: Religion in the Age of George W. Bush,” The Presidency of George. W. Bush: A First Historical Assessment, Julian E. Zelizer, ed. (Princeton University Press, 2010): 227-251.

“Beyond the Southern Cross: The National Origins of the Religious Right,” The Myth of Southern Exceptionalism, Matthew D. Lassiter and Joseph Crespino, eds. (Oxford University Press, 2009): 286-307.

“‘Going Colored’: The Struggle over Race and Residence in the Urban South,” “We Shall Independent Be”: African American Place-Making and the Struggle to Claim Space in the U.S., Leslie Alexander and Angel David Nieves, eds. (University of Colorado Press, 2008): 199-222.

“The Fight for ‘Freedom of Association’: Segregationist Rights and Resistance,” Massive Resistance: Southern Opposition to the Second Reconstruction, Clive Webb, ed. (Oxford University Press, 2005)

Articles and Essays

“The Bulldozer Revolution: Suburbs and Southern History since World War II,” with Matthew D. Lassiter, Journal of Southern History, Vol. 75, No. 3 (August 2009): 691-706.

“Housing Segregation,” Encyclopedia of American Urban History, David Goldfield, ed., (Sage Publications, 2006)

“The Politics of Race and Public Space: Desegregation, Privatization and the Tax Revolt in Atlanta,” Journal of Urban History Vol. 31, No. 5 (July 2005): 610-633.

“The Paradox of Massive Resistance: Political Conformity and Chaos in the Aftermath of *Brown v. Board of Education*,” Saint Louis University Law Journal, Vol. 48, No. 3 (Spring 2004): 1009-1035.

“Personal Rights, Public Wrongs: The Gaines Case and the Beginning of the End of Segregation,” Journal of Supreme Court History (1997, Vol. II): 113-130. (Winner of the 1998 Hughes-Gossett Prize)

Reprints of Published Work

“The Bulldozer Revolution: Suburbs and Southern History,” with Matthew D. Lassiter, in Major Problems in the History of the American South, Vol. II (Third Edition), David R. Goldfield et al., eds. (Houghton Mifflin, 2012)

“The Politics of Race and Public Space: Desegregation, Privatization and the Tax Revolt in Atlanta,” in Other Souths: Diversity and Difference in the U.S. South, Reconstruction to the Present, Pippa Holloway, ed. (University of Georgia Press, 2008): 381-407.

Book Reviews

“Lost Causes Not Yet Found,” Review of Glenda Gilmore, Defying Dixie: The Radical Roots of Civil Rights in The Nation (24 April 2008): 25-30.

“Outside the Lines: Civil Rights as a Way of Life,” Review of Douglas Flamming, Bound for Freedom: Black Los Angeles in Jim Crow America in Reviews in American History, Vol. 34, No. 4 (December 2006): 476-481.

Review of John P. Jackson Jr., Science for Segregation: Race, Law and the Case against *Brown v. Board of Education* in the Journal of American History, Vol. 93, No. 3 (December 2006): 950-951.

Review of Peter Lau, ed., From the Grassroots to the Supreme Court: *Brown v. Board of Education* and American Democracy in the Journal of Southern History, Vol. 72, No. 2 (May 2006): 514-516.

Review of Eric Avila, Popular Culture in the Age of White Flight: Fear and Fantasy in Suburban Los Angeles in American Historical Review, Vol. 111, No. 2 (April 2006): 526-527.

Reviews of Eric Arnesen, Brotherhoods of Color: Black Railroad Workers and the Struggle for Equality, and Bruce Nelson, Divided We Stand: American Workers and the Struggle for Black Equality in Social History, Vol. 27, No. 3 (October 2002): 370-371.

Op-Eds, Essays and Online Articles

“Christian America is an Invention,” *Salon.com*, 19 April 2015.

“How Corporate America Invented Christian America,” *Politico Magazine*, 16 April 2015.

“One Nation Under God?,” *Salon.com*, 4 April 2015.

“A Christian Nation? Since When?” *New York Times*, 15 March 2015.

“The Real Loser: Truth,” *New York Times*, 6 November 2012.

“For God So Loved the 1 Percent,” *New York Times*, 17 January 2012.

PRESENTATIONS

Interviews (selected)

“The Birth of Christian Libertarianism,” *Letters and Politics*, KPFA and Pacifica Radio Network, 14 April 2015.

“One Nation Under God ... But Since When?,” *To the Point with Warren Olney*, KCRW, 10 April 2015.

“How ‘One Nation’ Didn’t Become ‘Under God’ Until the ‘50s Religious Revival,” *Fresh Air with Terry Gross*, National Public Radio, 30 March 2015.

Invited Lectures and Events

Invited Lecture, “One Nation Under God: How Corporate America Invented Christian America,” Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York, 8 April 2015.

The Freedeman Lecture, “‘Freedom Under God’: Christian Libertarianism and the Revolt Against the New Deal,” Binghamton University, Binghamton, New York, 6 November 2014.

Invited Manuscript Review, “One Nation Under God: Corporations, Christianity and the Roots of the Religious Right,” Annual Fellowship Conference, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, 9-10 May 2013.

The Krieger Lecture in American Political Culture, “‘One Nation Under God: Corporate Interests, Christianity and the Rise of Religious Nationalism in America,” Department of American Studies, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, 25 April 2013.

Invited Lecture, “Freedom Under God’: Corporations and Christian Libertarianism against the New Deal,” Center for the Study of Work, Labor and Democracy, University of California, Santa Barbara, California, 18 January 2013.

J. Harvey Young Lecture, “One Nation Under God: Corporate Interests, Christianity and the Rise of Religious Nationalism in America,” Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, 17 February 2012.

William Jefferson Clinton Distinguished Lecturer, “White Flight,” Clinton School for Public Service, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, Arkansas, 10 March 2008.

Invited Roundtable (with Matthew Lassiter and Joseph Crespino), “New Approaches to Southern History,” Decatur Book Festival, Atlanta, Georgia, 1 September 2007.

Invited Presentation, “White Flight,” Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Virginia, 15 August 2007.

Invited Presentation, “Suburban Nation,” Program for Japanese Teachers of American History, Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 27 July 2007.

Invited Presentation (with Matthew Lassiter), “Color Lines: Race, Suburbs and Southern Politics,” Visiting Scholars Series, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, 19 April 2007.

Invited Presentation, Milbauer Seminar on the American South, Department of History, University of Florida, 12 April 2007.

Invited Keynote Lecture, “The Urban South and the Civil Rights Movement,” New Perspectives on the Black South Conference, Center for the Study of the American South, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 23 February 2007.

Invited Presentation, “The Politics of Race and Public Space: Desegregation, Privatization and the Tax Revolt in Atlanta,” Twentieth Century Politics and Society Workshop, Columbia University, 2 November 2006.

Invited Lecture, “White Flight,” Princeton Club of Georgia Annual Dinner, 8 November 2005

Invited Lecture, “White Flight,” Emory University, Atlanta, 1 November 2005.

Invited Presentation, “Southern Politics and the Transformation of American Conservatism” Colloquium, Department of History, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 17 May 2005.

Invited Lecture, "All Deliberate Speed: The Persistence of Segregated Schools in the Fifty Years Since *Brown v. Board of Education*," Rothermere American Institute, University of Oxford, Oxford, England, 19 May 2004.

Invited Lecture, "All Deliberate Speed: The Persistence of Segregated Schools in the Fifty Years Since *Brown v. Board of Education*," Clare College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England, 17 May 2004.

Invited Presentation, "The History of Southern Suburbs" Colloquium, Department of History, University of Georgia, Athens, 9 April 2004.

Invited Lecture, "Jim Crow: Race, Rights and Reaction in Southern History," Annual Honors Lecture, Bergen Community College, Bergen, New Jersey, 3 April 2003.

Academic Conferences (selected)

Panel Chair and Comment, "Religion," The Histories of American Capitalism conference, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, 6-8 November 2014.

Panel Chair and Comment, "Landscapes of Inequality and Opportunity in the Cold War Sunbelt, 1945-1968," Urban History Association Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 9-12 October 2014.

Panel Chair and Comment, "Metropolitics in Atlanta," Urban History Association Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 9-12 October 2014.

"'Freedom Under God': Corporations, Christianity, and the Revolt Against the New Deal," Organization of American Historians, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, 11-14 April 2013.

"Separated by Church and State: The New York State Regents' Prayer and Religious Divisions," Religion in American Life Conference, King's College, London, England, 22-23 February 2013.

"'Freedom Under God': Corporations, Christianity, and the Revolt Against the New Deal," American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, 3-6 January 2013.

Panel Chair, "Billy Graham and the South," Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, Charlotte, North Carolina, 4-7 November 2010.

Panel Chair and Comment, "Metropolitan Fragments: New Histories of Desegregation," Urban History Association Biennial Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, 20-23 October 2010.

Roundtable Session, "State of the Field: School Desegregation and White Flight," Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, 27-30 March 2009, Seattle, Washington.

Roundtable Session, "White Southerners in the Age of Civil Rights," Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, 9-12 October 2008, New Orleans, Louisiana.

"... And Now They've Driven God Out: The Supreme Court, the South, and the School Prayer Decisions," Paper Presented at the "Beyond Brown" Conference, University of Sussex, Brighton, England, 22-24 March 2007.

"The African American Experience in Atlanta," Panel Comment for the American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, 4-7 January 2007.

"Race, Roads and Region," Panel Comment for the Urban History Association, Biennial Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona, 19-22 October 2006.

Response to Comments of Dennis Deslippe, Nancy MacLean, Bruce Schulman, and Robert O. Self, Book Panel on *White Flight* and Matthew D. Lassiter's *Silent Majority*, Policy History Conference, Charlottesville, Virginia, 3 June 2006.

"More Equal Than Others: Segregationists and the Struggle for Inequality," Paper Presented at the Mobilizing the Movement Conference, Rothermere American Institute, University of Oxford, Oxford, England, 7-8 April 2006.

"God at the Grassroots: The Sunbelt Origins of the Religious Right," Paper Presented at the End of Southern History Conference, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, 23-24 March 2006.

"Urban History and the New Political History," Panel Comment for the American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 5-8 January 2006.

"Race and Constitutionalism in Historical Perspective," Panel Comment for the Law and Society Association, Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2-5 June 2005.

"The Urban Seeds of Suburban Conservatism: Desegregation, Privatization and the Tax Revolt inside Atlanta," Paper Presented to the American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 8-11 January 2004.

"The Fight for 'Freedom of Association': Segregationist 'Rights' and Resistance in Atlanta, Georgia," Paper Presented to the Southern Historical Association, Annual Meeting, Houston, Texas, 6-9 November 2003.

“The Paradox of Massive Resistance: Political Conformity and Organizational Chaos in Georgia,” Paper Presented at the Annual Childress Lecture Conference, Saint Louis University Law School, St. Louis, Missouri, 9-10 October 2003.

“‘Integration for Everyone but the Rich, High and Fancy’: Court-Ordered Desegregation and the Class Divide,” Paper Presented at the Conference, “Law and the ‘Disappearance’ of Class in Twentieth-Century America,” University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 15-17 November 2002.

“‘A Lot of Cheap Hypocrisy’: Private Schools, Public Respectability and the Wake of Massive Resistance,” Paper Presented at the Conference, “Massive Resistance: Southern Opposition to the Second Reconstruction,” University of Sussex, Brighton, England, 15-16 March 2002.

“The Myth of White ‘Community’: Massive Resistance in the Urban South,” Paper Presented to the American Historical Association, Annual Conference, San Francisco, California, 3-6 January 2002.

“‘A Lot of Cheap Hypocrisy’: Religious Schools and Desegregation in Atlanta,” Paper Presented to the History of Education Society, Annual Meeting, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, 18-21 October 2001.

Princeton University Presentations and Public Lectures (selected)

Lecture Series, “The Great Depression and the New Deal,” Program in Continuing Education, October 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2013.

Paper, “In God We Trust: Ceremonial Deism and the Rise of Religious Nationalism,” Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, 1 March 2013.

Paper, “‘The Soul of America’: The School Prayer Amendments and the Roots of the Religious Right,” Religion in the Americas Workshop, Department of Religion, 29 November 2012.

Paper, “‘Freedom Under God’: Christian Libertarians and the Rise of American Religious Nationalism,” Works in Progress Series, Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, 7 March 2012.

Presentation for “Race, American Politics and the Presidency of Barack Obama,” Symposium sponsored by the Center for African American Studies and the Woodrow Wilson School, 13 April 2010.

Comment for Jeannine Bell, “Hate Thy Neighbor: Violence and the Defense of White Neighborhoods,” Program in Law and Public Affairs, 22 February 2010.

Co-Organizer and Moderator, “The Future of American Conservatism” roundtable (featuring David Frum, Ross Douthat, Daniel Larison and Virginia Postrel), Stafford Little Lecture, 12 October 2009

Invited Lecturer, “Ways of Knowing” course, Freshman Scholars Initiative, 19 August 2009

Presentation for the “Master Lecturer” Series, McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning, Princeton University, 14 February 2007

Paper, “The Urban Seeds of Suburban Conservatism: Desegregation, Privatization and the Tax Revolt inside Atlanta,” Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, 16 October 2003.

Roundtable Panel, “Contested Terrain: Race, Class and the Law in Postwar Atlanta” (with Tomiko Brown-Nagin), Modern American Workshop, 8 April 2003.

Comment for Mary Dudziak, “Exporting American Dreams: Thurgood Marshall and the Constitution of Kenya,” Program in Law and Public Affairs, 25 November 2002.

Roundtable Panel, "The Sprawling Metropolis: Approaches to the Practice of Urban and Suburban History" (with Stephanie Dyer, Jeffrey Hardwick, and Russell Kazal), Modern America Workshop, 14 February 2001.

Comment for James Goodman, "In the Dark," Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, 7 February 2001.

Roundtable Panel, “The 2000 Election” (with Paul Starr and Adam Berensky), Wilson College, October 14 2000.

ORGANIZING

Workshop Co-Organizer, with Julian E. Zelizer, “American Political History Seminar,” Princeton University, 2007-present

Conference Co-Organizer, with Stephen G. N. Tuck, “Mobilizing the Movement: The Second World War and the Civil Rights Movement,” University of Oxford, 7-8 April 2006.

Papers by Anthony Badger, Liz Borgwardt, David Chappell, Gareth Davies, Mary Dudziak, Glenda Gilmore, Eddie Glaude, Desmond King, Kevin Kruse, Earl Lewis, Wilson Julius Moses, J. Mills Thornton, Marc Stears, Thomas Sugrue, Patricia Sullivan, Julian Zelizer

Conference Organizer, “City Limits: New Perspectives in the History of American Suburbs,” Princeton University, 20-21 February 2004.

Keynote Address by Thomas J. Sugrue; Papers by Sheryll Cashin, David M. P. Freund, Gerald Frug, Arnold Hirsch, Matthew D. Lassiter, Margaret O’Mara, Becky Nicolaides, Adam Rome, Robert O. Self, Peter Siskind, Andrew Wiese

TEACHING

Dissertations Directed

Leah Wright Rigueur (Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government), “The Loneliness of the Black Conservative: Black Republicans and the Grand Old Party, 1964-1980,” defended summer 2009.

Sarah Milov (Assistant Professor of History, University of Virginia), “Little Tobacco: How Tobacco Growers Became a Lobby, 1920-1980,” defended summer 2013.

Dov Weinryb Grohsgal (Instructor, Writing Program, Princeton University), “Southern Strategies: The Nixon White House and the Politics of School Desegregation,” defended summer 2013 (co-directed with Sean Wilentz)

Tikia Hamilton (2009-2010 cohort), “Making a Model System: Race, Education and Politics in the Nation’s Capital before *Brown*,” anticipated defense in spring 2015.

William J. Schultz, (2010-2011 cohort), “Garden of the Gods: Militarization and Religion in Colorado Springs, 1940-2010,” anticipated defense in spring 2016.

Richard A. Anderson (2011-2012 cohort), untitled dissertation project on urban renewal in Chicago, anticipated defense in summer 2016.

Olivier Burtin (2011-2012 cohort), untitled dissertation project on the American Legion in the postwar era, anticipated defense in summer 2016 (co-directed with Julian Zelizer).

Katherine M. Keirns (2011-2012 cohort), untitled dissertation project on U.S. Army and environmentalism, anticipated defense in summer 2016.

Joel Suarez (2012-2013 cohort), untitled dissertation project, anticipated defense in summer 2017

Courses Taught

“U.S. History Since 1920” (undergraduate lecture)

“U.S. History, 1920-1974” (undergraduate lecture)

“U.S. History, 1974-present” (undergraduate lecture)

“Approaches to American History” (undergraduate seminar)

“The Religious Right in Modern America” (freshman seminar)

“Suburban Nation: The Rise and Sprawl of Modern American Suburbs”
(undergraduate seminar)

- “Race, Racism and the Second World War: America and Japan” (undergraduate research seminar)
- “The Vietnam Wars: Vietnam, France and America, 1920-1975” (undergraduate research seminar)
- “Religion and Politics” (undergraduate research seminar)
- “Race, Racism and Politics in America, 1877-2000” (graduate seminar)
- “U.S. History Since 1920” (graduate seminar)
- “American Political History” (graduate seminar)

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, and HONORS

- 2014, Freedeman Lecturer, Binghamton University
- 2013, Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians
- 2013, Krieger Lecturer, Cornell University
- 2012, J. Harvey Young Lecturer, Emory University
- 2008, William Jefferson Clinton Distinguished Lecturer, University of Arkansas
- 2007, Francis B. Simkins Award, Southern Historical Association (for best first book in southern history published in either 2005 or 2006)
- 2007, Honored as one of “America’s Young Innovators in the Arts and Science,” *Smithsonian Magazine*
- 2007, Best Book in Urban Politics, American Political Science Association
- 2007, Malcolm and Muriel Barrow Bell Award for Best Book in Georgia History, Georgia Historical Society
- 2006, Honored as a “Top Young Historian,” History News Network
- 2006-2008, Behrman Fellowship in the Humanities, Princeton University
- 2003-2006, David L. Rike University Preceptorship in History, Princeton University
- 2002, Spencer Foundation, Research Grant
- 1999-2000, Andrew Mellon Dissertation Fellowship.
- 1998, Ihlder Fellowship, Cornell University.
- 1998, Hughes-Gossett Prize, Supreme Court Historical Society.
- 1998, John S. Knight Prize for Freshman Writing Seminars, Cornell University.
- 1998, Industrial and Labor Relations Fellowship, Cornell University.
- 1997, Andrew Mellon Fellowship.
- 1994-1995, Henry Sage Fellowship, Cornell University.
- 1993, Phi Beta Kappa.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Program Committee, Organization of American Historians, 2014-2015
Grant Application Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities, 2014
Editorial Committee, James Madison Library in American Politics, 2012-present
Board of Directors, Urban History Association, 2008-2011
Merle Curti Prize Committee, Organization of American Historians, 2010
Program Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2008
Manuscript Referee for Bedford/St. Martin's Press, University of Chicago Press,
University of Georgia Press, University of North Carolina Press,
University of Oxford Press, University of Virginia Press, Princeton
University Press
Articles Referee for Journal of American History, Journal of Southern History,
Journal of Urban History
Book Reviewer for American Historical Review, Journal of American History,
Reviews in American History, Journal of Southern History, Social
History, American Journal of Legal History
Member of the American Historical Association, the Organization of American
Historians, the Southern Historical Association and the Urban History
Association