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Education

- 2017 Ph.D., History | Princeton University (expected in May)
Dissertation: “Practicing Politics in the Revolutionary Atlantic World: Secrecy, Publicity, and the Making of Modern Democracy”
Committee: David A. Bell (advisor), Sean Wilentz, Linda Colley, Wendy Warren, Sophia Rosenfeld (University of Pennsylvania)
- 2013 M.A., History | Princeton University
General Examination Fields: France from 1650 to 1914 (Major); Colonial and Revolutionary America (Minor); Early Modern Print Media and Information Systems (Minor)
- 2009 B.A., High Honors in History | University of California, Berkeley
Thesis: “Reporting the Flight: Newspapers, the Flight to Varennes, and the Crisis of Representative Government”

Publications

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles:

- Revise & Resubmit* “Contesting the Concealment of the Constitutional Convention: Debating Secrecy in a Representative Republic, 1787-1788”
- Revise & Resubmit* “The *Comités des Recherches*: Political Secrecy and the Origins of Revolutionary Surveillance”

Book Reviews:

- 2016 “The American Republic and the French Revolution,” *Common-place.org*, Vol. 16, no. 3 (Spring 2016). <http://common-place.org/book/the-american-republic-and-the-french-revolution/>

Other:

- 2016 “The Enduring Suspicion of Secrets in American Politics,” *Time Magazine/History News Network* (November 7, 2016). <http://time.com/4560709/suspicion-secrets-american-politics/>

- 2016 “State Secrecy in the Age of Revolutions,” *Age of Revolutions Blog* (March 21, 2016). <https://ageofrevolutions.com/2016/03/21/state-secrecy-in-the-age-of-revolutions/>.
- 2014 “Publicity, Politics, and the Emergence of Representative Democracy,” *Perspectives on Europe*, Vol. 44, no. 1 (Spring, 2014): pp. 66-70.

Fellowships and Awards

- 2016-17 American Philosophical Society Friends of the APS Fellowship in Early American History Long-Term Pre-Doctoral Fellowship
- 2015-16 Laurance S. Rockefeller Graduate Prize Fellowship in the Princeton University Center for Human Values
- 2015-16 Fulbright Travel Fellowship, France (declined)
- 2015-16 Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars Fellowship Award (declined)
- 2016 Research Fellowship at the Fred W. Smith National Library for the Study of George Washington at Mount Vernon, 2015-2016
- 2015 Lapidus-Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Fellowship for Graduate Research in Early American and Transatlantic Print Culture
- 2015 Society of the Cincinnati Fellowship at the Massachusetts Historical Society
- 2015 Mellon Research Fellowship at the Virginia Historical Society
- 2015 Robert R. Palmer Research Travel Award, American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies
- 2014 American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Research Fellowship at the Library Company of Philadelphia and Historical Society of Pennsylvania
- 2013 Council for European Studies, Columbia University, Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2013 Princeton University Center for Human Values, Political Philosophy Graduate Research Grant (declined)
- 2012 Princeton Institute for International Studies, summer research grant
- 2012 Princeton University History Department, pre-dissertation research grant
- 2011-13 Davis Prize, Princeton University History Department

- 2009 High Distinction in general scholarship, University of California, Berkeley
- 2006 Kraft Scholarship, University of California, Berkeley

Teaching Experience and Training

- 2014-Present Writing Center Fellow, Writing Program (Princeton University)
Work with undergraduates and graduate students to improve writing in one-on-one sessions based around individual essays; participate in regular pedagogical trainings.
- Summer 2016 Graduate Mentor, Freshman Scholars Institute (Princeton University)
Designed and led weekly online classes to build critical thinking and writing skills among incoming first generation and low-income students; provided written and oral feedback on weekly writing assignments.
- Spring 2016 Guest Lecturer for History 364: France and its Empire, 1500-1815, taught by David A. Bell (Princeton University)
Wrote and delivered a guest lecture on the crisis of the 1780s in France.
- Spring 2016 Graduate Mentor, Mellon Mays Professional Network Conference and Graduate Application Bootcamps (Princeton University), April 14-15; 22
Worked with Mellon Mays fellowship alumni to advise on graduate school application drafts and facilitate group feedback on materials.
- Fall 2013 Teaching Assistant for History 373: Democracy and Slavery in the New Nation, taught by Prof. Sean Wilentz (Princeton University)
Designed and led weekly class discussions on primary and secondary source material related to American history from 1787 through 1850. Helped develop assignments and graded essays, exams, and participation of students.

Conference Presentations and Academic Talks

- 2017 “Trying the King in the Name of the People: the *Appel au Peuple* and Political Representation,” at the Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference (Washington, DC, April 20-22)
- 2017 “The Politics of Publicity: Constructing Representative Governments in 1789,” at the Consortium for the Revolutionary Era Annual Conference (Charleston, SC, February 23-26)
- 2017 “Defining Representative Politics: The King’s Trial and the *Appel au Peuple*,” at the Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Workshop (Princeton University, February 10-11)

- 2016 “Diplomacy in a Representative Republic: Contesting Government Secrecy in Early America,” at the Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture Annual Conference (Worcester, MA, June 23-26)
- 2016 “The Culture of *Dévoilement* and the Origins of Revolutionary Surveillance in France,” at the Modern Europe Workshop (Princeton University, April 5)
- 2016 “Building a House of Glass: *Publicité*, Vigilance, and Popular Politics in 1789,” at the Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference (Nashville, TN, March 3-5)
- 2016 “Secrecy, Publicity, and Representative Politics: 1789 in the United States and France,” at the University Center for Human Values Graduate Prize Fellows Seminar (Princeton, NJ, February 23)
- 2016 “The Politics of Secrecy in the Early Republic, 1789-1796,” at the Washington Early America Seminar (Mount Vernon, VA, February 5)
- 2016 “Recent Reconsiderations of the French Revolution and Its Neighbors,” at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA, January 7-9)
- 2015 “The Politics of Secrecy in 1789: Transparency and Surveillance in Revolutionary France,” at the Western Society for French History Annual Conference (Chicago, IL, November 5-7)
- 2015 “Behind the “Veil of Secrecy”: The Framing and Ratification of the American Constitution,” at the Modern America Workshop (Princeton University, October 22)
- 2015 “The Politics of Secrecy in the Early Republic: The Jay Treaty and Calls for Transparent Government,” at the McNeil Center Bustle & Stir Graduate Student Conference (Philadelphia, October 8-10)
- 2015 “Building a House of Glass: The Politics of *Publicité* and the Problem of Secrecy in Revolutionary France,” at the Early Modern History Workshop (Princeton University, September 30)
- 2015 “Political Secrecy and the Federal Constitution,” at The City University of New York’s Early American Republic Seminar Graduate Student Conference (New York, NY, May 1)
- 2015 “Secrecy in French and British Political Discourse on the Eve of Revolution,” at the Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Workshop (Princeton University, January 8-9)
- 2014 “Imagining a More Accountable Royal Administration: Calls for *Publicité* in *Ancien Régime* France, 1750-1789,” at the Western Society for French History Annual Conference (San Antonio, TX, November 13-15)

- 2014 “Establishing Representative Legitimacy: The Rhetoric and Practice of Transparency in Revolutionary France,” at the Council for European Studies Annual Conference (Washington, DC, March 14-16)
- 2014 “The Rhetoric and Practice of *Publicité* in the Early French Revolution,” at the Early Modern History Workshop (Princeton University, February 12)
- 2014 “Establishing Representative Legitimacy: The Rhetoric and Practice of *Publicité* in Revolutionary France,” at the Harvard-Princeton Early Modern Workshop (Harvard University, January 9-10)
- 2013 “The Mechanics of Political Representation in the French and American Revolutionary Periods” at the Oxford-Princeton Workshop on Subjects, Citizens, and Global History since 1700 (Princeton University, Sept. 20-22)
- 2013 “To Libel the Nation: The Press and the National Assembly’s Struggle for Popular Legitimacy, 1789-1791” at the Modern Europe Workshop (Princeton University, February 26)

Professional Activities and Service

- 2013-16 Tutor and mentor for Generation One at Princeton Community House
- 2014-16 Graduate Affiliate, Program in European Cultural Studies at Princeton University
- 2013-14 Graduate co-chair, Modern Europe Workshop at Princeton University
- 2013-14 Graduate co-chair, Early Modern History Workshop at Princeton University
- 2013-14 Professional Development Officer (elected), Graduate History Association, Princeton University

Research and Public History Experience

- 2014 Research assistant to Professor Wendy Warren (Princeton University)
Assisted in developing a digital database of slaves in seventeenth and eighteenth century New England, to accompany Wendy Warren’s book on slavery in New England.
- 2014-16 Undergraduate Library information desk manager (Firestone Library, Princeton University)
Managed the reference information desk, assisting undergraduates in identifying research topics and resources for their course work and research papers.
- 2007-09 Research assistant to Professor Carla Hesse (Department of History, University of California, Berkeley)

Collected, organized, and analyzed eighteenth-century French judicial records and bibliographic information to support research for Carla Hesse's forthcoming book on Revolutionary justice.

Language Skills

French (fluent reading, writing, speaking)

German (basic reading knowledge)

Spanish (basic reading knowledge)

Professional Affiliations

American Historical Association

American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies

The Society for French Historical Studies

Western Society for French History

Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture