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Education

Columbia University. U.S. History Ph.D. October 2001. Dissertation: "The Return of the Forest: Urbanization and Reforestation in the Northeastern United States."

University of Oregon. U.S. History M.A. June 1995. Master's Thesis: "A Slough of Troubles: An Environmental and Social History of the Columbia Slough."

University of Michigan. Honors College. Honors Political Science B.A. May 1988.
U of M Club of Greater Philadelphia Academic Scholarship Award, 1984-88.

Albert-Ludwigs Universität. Freiburg, West Germany. Junior year abroad. 1986-87.

Middlebury College. Russian Language Summer School. Summer 1986.

Employment

Bryn Mawr College: Bryn Mawr, PA
Assistant Professor of Environmental Problems and Policy, 2006 to present. Teaching includes Environmental History, Problems, and Policy courses serving the Growth and Structure of Cities Program, the Environmental Studies Concentration, and the departments of Sociology and History.

Oberlin College: Oberlin, OH
Assistant Professor of U.S. Environmental History, 2001 to 2006. Courses included U.S. Environmental History, U.S. History Since 1945, Urban Environmental History, Water in American History, The Body in Environmental History.

University of Oregon: Eugene, OR
Visiting Instructor in U.S. Environmental History. Summer 1998, Summer 1999.

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

National Science Foundation Scholar Award, 2005-8.

Teaching and Learning Initiative Grant for Junior Faculty, 2007-8. Bryn Mawr College Teaching and Learning Initiative and the Provost's Office.

Mellon Tri-Co Seed Grant for the Barbara Miller Lane Symposium on the Built Environment, 2007-8. Bryn Mawr, Haverford, and Swarthmore Tri-College Faculty Forum.

Curriculum Development Grant, Summer 2007. Bryn Mawr Provost's Office.

American Council of Learned Societies/Andrew W. Mellon Junior Faculty Fellow, 2004-5.

Charles Warren Fellow, 2004-5. Harvard University's Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History. Seminar topic for 2004-5: The Culture and Politics of the Built Environment in North America.

OKUM Grant, 2004-5. Oberlin/Kalamazoo/University of Michigan faculty collaboration grant.

Grants-in-Aid, 2004, 2002. Oberlin College competitive research grants.

Mellon Information Literacy Grant, 2002. Five Colleges of Ohio curriculum development grant for improving the research component of the U.S. Environmental History survey.

First-Year Seminar Curriculum Development Grant, 2002. Oberlin College curriculum development grant for work on a new course, "The Body in Environmental History."

Alice Hamilton Prize of the American Society for Environmental History, 2000. Award for the best environmental history article published outside of the organization's own journal.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency "Science to Achieve Results" (STAR) Fellow, 1998-01.

Scholar in Residence, 1999. Pennsylvania State Archives.

Public Policy Fellow, 1998-99. Columbia University Public Policy Consortium.

Richard Hofstadter Fellow, 1995-99. Columbia University History Department.

Publications

Seeing The Trees: How Cities Brought Forests Back to the Northeastern United States. Monograph under contract with the University of Washington Press for the Weyerhaeuser Environmental Books Series, edited by William Cronon.

"**Dead Bodies in Harlem: Environmental History and the Geography of Death.**" In Andrew Isenberg, ed., *The Nature of Cities: Culture, Landscape and Urban Space* (Rochester, New York: University of Rochester Press: 2006), 62-76.

"**Postcards from the Edges of a Field.**" *Environmental History* 10:1 (January 2005), 96-97. Invited essay for the journal's tenth anniversary issue.

"**Does Nature Always Matter? Following Dirt Through History.**" *History and Theory*, 42 (December 2003), 75-81.

"**Reflections From Six Feet Under the Field: Dead Bodies in the Classroom.**" *Environmental History* 8:4 (October 2003), 618-627.

"**Troubled Waters in Ecotopia: Environmental Racism in Portland, Oregon.**" *Radical History Review*. Issue 74: Special Issue on Environmental Politics, Geography and the Left (Spring 1999), 65-95.

--Awarded the ASEH Alice Hamilton Award, 2000.

--Reprinted in Louis S. Warren, ed., *American Environmental History*, Blackwell Readers in American Social and Cultural History Series (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers Ltd, 2003).

Book Review. Review of Gilbert Osofsky's *Harlem: The Making of a Ghetto, Negro New York, 1890 -1930*, 2 ed. (1971; reprint, Chicago: Ivan R. Dee Publishers, 1996).

H-Net Reviews, 9/97. <http://www.h-net.msu.edu/reviews/index.cgi>

Also published in revised form as "**Harlem Benighted**," *City Limits* (January 1998), 33.

Works in Progress

Dead As Dirt: An Environmental History of the Dead Body. Book project supported by grants from the National Science Foundation, the American Council of Learned Societies, and the Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History at Harvard University.

"Living in Landscapes of Death: Corpses and Other Bodies in Environmental History."

Invited essay under contract for Andrew Isenberg, ed., *Oxford Handbook of Environmental History*, Oxford University Press, New York City, New York.

"What is a Tree, For Whom, and Why?: Forests in Environmental History." Invited essay under contract for Douglas Sackman, ed., *A Companion to Environmental History*, Wiley-Blackwell Press, Malden, Massachusetts.

"Fear, Danger, and Radical Environmental Thought: The MOVE crisis in Philadelphia."

Invited essay for Brian Black and Michael Chiarappa, eds., *Nature's Entrepot: Philadelphia's Urban Sphere and its Environmental Thresholds*, under contract with the University of Pittsburgh Press for the Urban Environment Series, Martin Melosi and Joel Tarr, editors.

Selected Academic Presentations

Roundtable on the Environmental History of Philadelphia. Roundtable panel presentation and discussion. American Society for Environmental History Conference. March 15, 2008.

Panel Comment for the Temple University Conference, "Nature's History: Environmental History for the Twenty-First Century." Workshop conference participant for the forthcoming *Oxford Handbook of Environmental History*. September 28, 2007.

"Ashes to Toxic Ash: Toward an Environmental History of the Dead Body." Invited Talk. University of Michigan Science, Technology, and Society Program. March 28, 2005.

"Polluting Bodies: The Toxic Landscape of Corpse Disposal." Paper presentation. American Society for Environmental History Conference. March 19, 2005.

"Toxic Bodies: The Problem of People as Pollution." Guest Speaker, Harvard School of Public Health. February 15, 2005.

"Cremating the Modern, Modified Body." Paper presentation. American Society for Environmental History Conference. April 3, 2004.

"Dead Bodies in Harlem: Environmental History and the Geography of Death." Invited talk. Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies Conference. December 12, 2003.

"Toward A New 'Body' of Environmental History." Invited talk, State-of-the-Field Session on Environmental History. Organization of American Historians Conference. April 4, 2003.

"Leisured Landscapes and Working Woods: Recreating the New Hampshire Forests." Invited talk. Case Western Reserve History Department. November 1, 2002.

"The Return of the Forest: Urbanization and Reforestation in the Northeastern United States." Invited talk. Cincinnati Seminar on the City. October 10, 2002.

"Defining Property: State Power and Public Land in Early-20th-Century Maine." Paper presentation. American Society for Environmental History Conference. March 2002.

"Who Owns the Public Lots? Defining Public Land in Early-20th-Century Maine." Paper presentation. American Society for Legal History Conference. November 2001.

"Does Nature Always Matter? Political History and the Environmental Lens." Paper presentation. American Society for Environmental History Conference. March 2001.

"The Return of the Forest: Urbanization and Reforestation in the Northeastern United States." Poster presentation. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Conference. July 2000.

"Metropolitan Nature: Urban Leisure, Rural Work and the Return of the Forest." Paper presentation. American Society for Environmental History Conference. April 1999.

"Bringing Back the Trees: Urban Watershed Protection and Reforestation in the Northeastern United States." Paper presentation. American Historical Association Annual Meeting. January 1999.

"The Importance of Place: Bringing Environmental History into the Secondary School Classroom." Invited talk. Westchester Land Trust Teaching Workshop. March 1998.

"Changing Borders, Changing Centers: Toward a Landscape History of Harlem." Paper presentation. American Society for Environmental History Conference. March 1997.

"A Slough of Troubles: Environmental Racism at the Columbia Slough." Paper presentation. Environmental Cultures/Historical Perspectives Conference. April 1996.

Professional Service

To the Profession

American Society for Environmental History. Officer and Executive Committee Member. Elected to a four-year term in 2005.

Encyclopedia of American Environmental History. Member of the Board of Editors. Four-volume encyclopedia, Kathleen Brosnan, ed., under contract with Facts on File for publication in 2009.

Rachel Carson Prize Committee, American Society for Environmental History. Served on the committee awarding the prize for the best dissertation in Environmental History in 2003.

Grant Proposal Reviews. Grant proposal referee for the Wellcome Trust, and for the Canon National Parks Science Scholars Program.

Book Manuscript Reviews. Manuscript reviewer in environmental history and in teaching history to undergraduates for Oxford University Press, Houghton Mifflin, Prentice Hall, and Bedford/St. Martins.

Article Manuscript Reviews. Reviewer of article submissions in environmental history for *Pacific Northwest Quarterly* and the *Journal of Women's History*.

To Bryn Mawr College

Grant Development. Key Contributor in the development of a \$500,000 institutional proposal entitled "Strengthening the Humanities and Social Science Components of the Environmental Studies Concentration at Bryn Mawr College," currently pending at the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

Barbara Miller Lane Symposium on the Built Environment. Organized and led three-day symposium on the built environment, bringing leading scholars of the built environment to campus for student and faculty talks, meetings, and presentations. Spring 2008.

Undergraduate Admissions Committee. Elected to a three-year term in 2007.

Praxis Steering Committee. Appointed 2007. Worked with committee on developing alternative models of praxis and methods of integrating praxis components into the broader college curriculum.

Environmental Studies Steering Committee. Serving since 2006. Organized student events, field trips, senior outings; assisted in curriculum development and coordination, program outreach, and the expansion of the Environmental Studies Program in the humanities and social sciences.

To Oberlin College

Environmental Studies Program Committee Member. 2002 to 2006.

Compton Fellowship Committee. 2004 committee to select and advise Oberlin College candidates for the Compton Foundation Mentor Fellowship Program.

Environmental History Search Committee. 2003-4. Served on the committee to appoint a non-continuing U.S. Environmental Historian.

Professional Memberships

American Society for Environmental History. Member since 1996. Officer and Executive Committee Member since 2005.

American Historical Association. Member since 1996.

Organization of American Historians. Member since 1996.