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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2020- **Assistant Professor**, Department of History
University of Michigan – Ann Arbor
- 2018-2020 **LSA Collegiate Fellow**, Department of History
University of Michigan - Ann Arbor
- 2017-2018 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences and Chabraja
Center for Historical Studies
Northwestern University, Evanston IL

EDUCATION

- Aug 2017 **Northwestern University**, Evanston IL
PhD in History
Thesis Title: “Rites of Reproduction: Tradition, Political Ethics, Gender and
Generation among Nguni-speakers of Southern Africa, 8th-19th Century CE.”
Dissertation Advisor: David Schoenbrun
- 2011 **University of Houston**, Houston TX
MA in History
Thesis Title: “A History of Healers and Heterarchy: The Political Structure and
Culture of the Botatwe-Speaking Peoples of South Central Africa, CA. 1000-
BCE-20th Century.”
Thesis Advisor: Kairn Klieman
- 2009 **University of Houston**, Houston TX
BA in History and Psychology

AWARDS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019 **William T Ludolph, Jr. Junior Faculty Development Award**, Department of
History, University of Michigan
- 2016 **Ford Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellowship**, Honorable Mention
- 2014-2015 **Research-Year University Fellowship**, Northwestern University
- 2014 **Graduate Research Grant**, The Graduate School, Northwestern University
Morris Goodman Award, Program of African Studies, Northwestern University
- 2013 **Alseth Summer Language Grant**, Department of History, Northwestern
University
Summer Language Grant, The Graduate School, Northwestern University
EDGS Graduate Student Pre-Dissertation Research Award, EDGS/Buffett
Center, Northwestern University

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- 2012 **Hans E. Panofsky Pre-Dissertation Award**, Program of African Studies, Northwestern University
- 2012 **Hans E. Panofsky Pre-Dissertation Award**, Program of African Studies, Northwestern University
- 2011-2016 **Morris Goodman Award**, Program of African Studies, Northwestern University
- 2011-2016 **Graduate Fellowship**, The Graduate School, Northwestern University
- 2009-2011 **Murray Miller Fellowship**, Department of History, University of Houston
- 2009-2011 **Cullen/ Presidential Fellowship**, University of Houston
- 2009-2010 **Discretionary Grant from John and Rebecca Moores Endowment**, Department of English, University of Houston

PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 “The Politics of Chiefs and Commoners,” in *The Oxford Handbook of South African History*, D. Magaziner, Ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020.
- 2018 “Review of: *Tracing Language Movement in Africa*, ed. by Ericka A. Albaugh and Kathryn M. de Luna,” *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, 49:4 (2019), 697-8.
- 2017 “Intellectual History from Below - Doing Conceptual History in Africa. Edited by Axel Fleisch and Rhiannon Stephens,” *Journal of African History*, 58:3 (2017), 514-15.

Manuscript

‘Guard against the Cannibals’: Gender, Generation, and Political Identity in South Africa, c. 900-1830

In Press

“Slow Revolution in Southern Africa: Cattle and the Transformation of Political Economy among South African Nguni-speakers,” *Journal of African History*.

“Gendered Themes in Early African History,” in *A Companion to Global Gender History*, M Weisner-Hanks and T Meade (eds.), Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell.

Forthcoming

“A Political Ecological History of Food Production and Mobility among Late Iron Age Nguni-speakers of South Africa,” *Quaternary International*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

- 2020 ‘Cattle, Warfare, and the Making of Subject Masculinity in the 19th Century Zulu Kingdom.’ Paper presented at the Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies annual conference, February 2020.

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- 2019 “Social Animal, Political Beast: Cattle, Masculinity, and Hierarchical Authority in the 19th century Zulu Kingdom.” Paper presented at the Conference of the South African Historical Society, June 2019
- “‘Guard against the Cannibals’: Tradition and the Politics of Temporality in Southeast Africa, 9th to 19th century.” Pre-circulated paper presented to the Workshop on Time and Temporality in the African Past, Columbia University, April 2019.
- “Slow Revolution in Southern Africa: Cattle and the Transformation of Political Economy among South African Nguni-speakers.” Pre-circulated paper presented to the Anthropology and History Workshop, University of Michigan, February 2019.
- 2018 “Social Animal, Political Beast: Cattle, Masculinity and Household Political Ideology in the Making of the Zulu Kingdom.” Pre-circulated paper presented to the African History and Anthropology Workshop, University of Michigan, November 2018.
- 2017 “Girls Doing What They Like: Gender and Marriage in Colonial South Africa.” Paper presented at African Studies Association. Chicago, IL. December 2017.
- “Dominion of Youths: Martial Masculinity, Political Economic Transformation and the Rise of the Zulu Kingdom ca. 1300-1900,” pre-circulated paper presented to Northwestern, U Wisconsin-Madison, and U Chicago, African History Workshop; September 23, 2017, Northwestern University.
- 2016 “A Tale of Three Cities: Popular Politics in the Borderlands of Southern Africa,” Invited Lecture, Yale Summer Institute, New Haven, CT; June 8, 2016.
- “Gender and Institutions of Marriage and Initiation.” PowerPoint Presentation, Historical Linguistics and African History Workshop. Columbia University; May 5-6, 2016.
- “Social Animal, Political Beast: Pre-colonial political economic concepts of cattle-keeping among Nguni-speakers of South Africa.” African Studies Association. Washington, DC.
- “Reconstructing Gender through Comparative Historical Linguistics: A South African Case Study.” Nordic Africa Days. Nordic Africa Institute. Uppsala, Sweden.
- “Beyond Patriarchy: Women's Power and Marginality among South African Nguni-speakers, 8th-19th century CE.” Nordic Africa Days. Nordica Africa Institute. Uppsala, Sweden.

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- 2014 “Patriarchy, Patronage and Pastoralism: Gender and Dominant Ideology in the Making of Southern African Political Economies, ca. 1st-17th Century CE.” Engendering Change: 4th Annual Graduate Student Conference. Gender and Sexuality Studies, Northwestern University.
- 2013 Societies, States, and Development Graduate Student Conference. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University. Conference Organizer.
- NU-UW-UofC African History Workshop. University of Wisconsin-Madison. Workshop Participant.
- Studying Meaning in African Worlds without Literacy Reading Group and Workshop. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University. Reading Group and Workshop Participant.
- “Social Animal, Political Beast: Gender, Cattle-Keeping and Political Economy among South African Nguni-speakers, ca. 1000-1900 CE.” Hans E. Panofsky Award Recipient Presentation. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University.
- “The Trade-State(-Marriage) Question: Social Organization and Centralization in Shona-Speaking Zimbabwe, ca. 700-1000 CE.” Hans E. Panofsky Award Recipient Presentation. Program of African Studies, Northwestern University.
- 2012 NU-UW-UofC African History Workshop. Northwestern University. Workshop Participant
- “Constituting the African Past: The Use of Material Culture and Historical Linguistics in Precolonial African History.” University of Illinois-Chicago Spring Graduate Student Conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2011 “Concepts of Authority and Well-Being among the Botatwe-Speaking People of Zambia.” Houston Area Phi Alpha Theta History Consortium.
- 2010 “History of the Atlantic Slave Trade in Nigeria, Cameroon, and Gabon.” The de Menil Collection, Houston, TX. PowerPoint Presentation.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2019 Department of History, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor
HIST 357: Women and Gender in African History (Cross-listed, Women’s Studies)

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2017-18 Department of History, Northwestern University
HIST 300: Women and Gender in African History (Cross-listed, Gender and Sexuality Studies)
HIST 103: African History: Myths, Lies and Stereotypes

RESEARCH AND FIELD EXPERIENCE

2019 Linguistic Research. South Africa.
2014-2015 Dissertation Field Research. South Africa.
2013 Pre-Dissertation Summer Research. Cape Town and Pretoria, South Africa.
Archaeological Field School. Kajászó, Hungary.
2012 Pre-Dissertation Summer Research. Harare, Zimbabwe.
2010 MA Thesis Field Research. Livingstone and Monze, Zambia, Katima Mulilo, Namibia.
Public History Internship. The Menil Collection. Houston, TX.

SERVICE

University of Michigan
2018-2019 African History and Heritage Initiative, African Studies Center. Committee Member.

Northwestern University
2017-2018 Ayers College of Commerce and Industry. Faculty Fellow.