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Employment

George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Professor, 2011-current
Associate Professor, 2007-2011
Assistant Professor, 2003-2007

Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan

Assistant Professor, 2001-2003

Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey

Lecturer, 2000-2001

Education

Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey

Ph.D. in History, 2000. Director, John M. Murrin
M.A. in History, 1997

The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia

M.A. in History, 1996. Director, James Axtell

Rutgers College, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey

B.A. in History with Honors, 1993

Publications

Authored Books:

This Land is Their Land: The Wampanoag Indians, Plymouth Colony, and The Troubled History of Thanksgiving. New York: Bloomsbury, 2019.

Thundersticks: Firearms and the Violent Transformation of Native America. Cambridge, MA.: The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 2016.

Co-author with Julie A. Fisher. *Ninigret, the Niantic and Narragansett Sachem: Diplomacy, War, and the Balance of Power in Seventeenth-Century New England and Indian Country.* Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2014.

Red Brethren: The Brothertown and Stockbridge Indians and the Problem of Race in Early America. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2010.

Faith and Boundaries: Colonists, Christianity, and Community among the Wampanoag Indians of Martha's Vineyard, 1600-1871. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

Edited Books:

Co-editor, with Andrew Shankman and Ignacio Gallup-Diaz. *Anglicizing America: Empire, Revolution, Republic.* Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015.

Co-editor with Denver Brunsman. *The American Revolution Reader.* New York: Routledge, 2014.

Co-editor with Denver Brunsman, Douglas Greenberg, Stanley Katz, and John M. Murrin. *Colonial America: Essays in Politics and Social Development.* 6th ed. New York: Routledge, 2010.

Refereed Journal Articles:

“The Curse of God: An Idea and its Origins among the Indians of New York’s Revolutionary Frontier.” *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., 66 (2009): 495-534.

“‘Natural inhabitants, time out of Mind’: Sachem Rights and the Struggle for Wampanoag Land in Colonial New England.” *Northeast Anthropology* 70 (2005): 4-10.

“Indians, Missionaries, and Religious Translation: Creating Wampanoag Christianity in Seventeenth-Century Martha’s Vineyard.” *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., 62 (2005): 141-75. Reprinted in Peter Mancall and James Merrell, eds., *American Encounters: Natives and Newcomers from European Contact to Indian Removal, 1500-1850*, 2d ed. (New York: Routledge, 2006).

“‘We chuse to be bounded’: Indian Animal Husbandry in Colonial New England.” *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., 60 (2003): 511-48.

“The Impact of Indentured Servitude on Southern New England Indian Society and Culture, 1680-1810.” *New England Quarterly* 74 (2001): 622-66.

“Deposing the Sachem to Defend the Sachemship: Indian Land Sales and Political Structure on Martha’s Vineyard, 1680-1740.” *Explorations in Early American Culture* [now *Early American Studies*] 5 (2001): 9-44.

Book Chapters:

“Racial Walls: Race and the Emergence of American White Nationalism,” in Ignacio Gallup-Diaz, Andrew Shankman, and David J. Silverman, eds., *Anglicizing America: Empire, Revolution, Republic.* Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015. Pp. 181-204, 280-86.

“Purgatory: Interpreting Christian Missions and North American Indians.” In *Converging Worlds: Communities and Cultures in Colonial America*. Ed., Louise A. Breen. New York: Routledge, 2011. Pp. 320-43.

“To Become a Chosen People: The Missionary Work and Missionary Spirit of the Brothertown and Stockbridge Indians, 1775-1835.” In *Native Americans, Christian Missionaries, and the Reshaping of Early America’s Religious Landscape*. Eds., Joel W. Martin and Mark Nicholas. Chapel Hill: University North Carolina Press, 2010. Pp. 250-75.

“‘We Chief Men Say This’: Wampanoag Memory, English Authority, and the Contest Over Muttak’s Will.” In *Early Native Literacies in New England: A Documentary and Critical Anthology*. Eds., Kristina Bross and Hillary Wyss. Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2008. Pp. 164-73.

“The Church in New England Indian Community Life: A View from the Islands and Cape Cod.” In *Reinterpreting New England Indians and the Colonial Experience*. Eds., Colin G. Calloway and Neal Salisbury. Boston: Colonial Society of Massachusetts, 2003. Pp. 264-98.

“Losing the Language: The Decline of Algonquian Tongues and the Challenge of Indian Identity in Southeastern New England.” In *Papers of the 31st Annual Algonquian Conference*. Ed., John D. Nichols. Winnipeg: University of Manitoba Press, 2000. Pp. 346-66.

Book Reviews and Short Articles:

“Shot through with Contradictions: Reflections on Native America, Guns, and the Modern United States,” *The Panorama: Expansive Views from the Journal of the Early Republic*, July 2018.
<http://thepanorama.shear.org/2018/08/13/shot-through-with-contradictions-reflections-on-native-america-guns-and-the-modern-united-states/>

Book review of Jeffrey Glover, *Paper Sovereigns: Anglo-Native Treaties and the Law of Nations, 1604-1664*. *Early American Literature*, Vol. 52, No. 2 (2017): 502-506.

“Indians, Guns, and Empires,” *Aeon* (October 13, 2016).
<https://aeon.co/essays/how-did-the-introduction-of-guns-change-native-america>

“Hidden in Plain Sight,” a book review of Linford D. Fisher, J. Stanley Lemons, and Lucas Mason-Brown, eds., *Decoding Roger Williams: The Lost Essay of Rhode Island’s Founding Father*. *Reviews in American History*, Vol. 44, No. 2 (June 2016): 198-202.

Book review of Philip F. Gura, *The Life of William Apess, Pequot*. H-Net Reviews.
<https://networks.h-net.org/node/950/reviews/129049/silverman-gura-life-william-apes-pequot>

Book review of Roland Bohr, *Gifts from the Thunder Beings: Indigenous Archery and European Firearms in the Northern Plains and Central Subarctic, 1670-1870*. *Ethnohistory*, Vol. 63, No. 1 (January 2016): 189-90.

Book review of Jace Weaver, *The Red Atlantic: American Indigenes and the Making of the Modern World, 1000-1927*, *English Historical Review*, Vol. 130, No. 547 (Dec. 2015): 1540-42.

Book review of Katherine Howlett Hayes, *Slavery before Race: Europeans, Africans, and Indians at Long Island's Sylvester Manor Plantation, 1651–1884*, *American Historical Review*, Vol. 119, No. 4 (2014): 1251-1252.

Book review of Rebecca Anne Goetz, *The Baptism of Virginia: How Christianity Created Race*, *Journal of Southern History*, Vol. 80, No. 2 (May 2014): 445-46.

Book review of Joshua Piker, *The Four Deaths of Acorn Whister: Telling Stories in Colonial America*, *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., Vol. 71, No. 1 (Jan. 2014): 138-41.

“Indians at the Center of Colonial American History,” for the Newberry Library’s *American Indian Histories and Cultures*, digital manuscript collection, 2013.

Book review of John Strong, *The Unkechaug Indians of Eastern Long Island*, *Long Island History Journal*, Vol. 23, No. 2 (2013). Available at <https://lihj.cc.stonybrook.edu/2013/reviews/review-the-unkechaug-indians-of-eastern-long-island/>

Book review of Colin Calloway *The Indian History of an American Institution: Native Americans and Dartmouth*, *Historical New Hampshire*, Vol. 66, No. 2 (Winter 2013): 74-75.

Book review of Karim Tiro, *People of the Standing Stone: The Oneida Nation from the Revolution through the Era of Removal*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, Vol. 32, No. 4 (Winter 2012): 730-31.

“Native American Religions,” *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Atlantic History*. Ed., Trevor Burnard. New York: Oxford University Press, 2012.

Book review of Eric Jay Dolin, *Fur, Fortune, and Empire*. *Indiana Magazine of History*, Vol. 108, No. 2 (June 2012): 192.

“Praying Towns.” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of American Social History*. Ed., Lynn Dunmeil. New York: Oxford University Press, 2012.

Book review of Matthew Dennis, *Seneca Possessed: Indians, Witchcraft, and Power in the Early American Republic*. *American Historical Review*. Vol. 116, No. 1 (Feb. 2011): 172-73.

“Native Americans.” *American Centuries: The Ideas, Issues, and Trends that Made U.S. History: The Nineteenth Century*. Ed., Melanie Gustafson. Boston: MTM Publishing, 2011. Pp. 233-42.

“Native Americans.” *American Centuries: The Ideas, Issues, and Trends that Made U.S. History: The Eighteenth Century*. Ed., Brendan McConville. Boston: MTM Publishing, 2011. Pp. 183-90.

Book review of Kathleen J. Bragdon, *Native People of Southern New England, 1650-1750*. *Ethnohistory*. Vol. 57, No. 3 (Spring 2010): 481-82.

Book review of Richard W. Porter, *Encounters of the Spirit: Native Americans and European Colonial Religion*. *Journal of American History*. Vol. 96, No. 2 (Sept. 2009): 512.

Book review of Cynthia Van Zandt, *Brothers among Nations: The Pursuit of Intercultural Alliances in Early America, 1580-1660*. *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., Vol. 66, No. 3 (July 2009): 653-57.

Book review of Amy Schutt, *Peoples of the River Valleys: The Odyssey of the Delaware Indians*. *Ethnohistory* 56 (Spring 2009): 321-23.

“Double Bind,” an essay review of Deborah A. Rosen, *American Indians and State Law: Sovereignty, Race, and Citizenship, 1790-1880*. *Reviews in American History*. Vol. 36 (2008): 329-33.

Book review of Tiya Miles and Sharon P. Holland, eds., *Crossing Waters, Crossing Worlds: The African Diaspora in Indian Country*. *Social History*. Vol. 32, No. 4 (2007): 482-83.

Book review of Seth Mallios, *The Deadly Politics of Giving: Exchange and Violence at Ajacan, Roanoke, and Jamestown*. *American Historical Review*. Vol. 112, No. 3 (June, 2007): 836-37.

Book review of Colin G. Calloway, *The Scratch of a Pen: 1763 and the Transformation of North America*. *H-Amindian* (May, 2007).
<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=301321185290189>

Book review of E. Jennifer Monaghan, *Learning to Read and Write in Colonial America*. *Papers of the Bibliographical Society of America*. Vol. 101, No. 1 (March, 2007): 95-96.

Book review of Steven W. Hackel, *Children of Coyote, Missionaries of Saint Francis: Indian-Spanish Relations in Colonial California, 1769-1850*. *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., Vol. 64, No. 1 (January, 2007): 194-98.

Book review of Thomas N. Ingersoll, *To Intermix with our White Brothers: Indian Mixed Bloods in the United States from Earliest Times to the Indian Removals*. *Journal of American History*. Vol. 93, No. 2 (September, 2006): 512-13.

Book review of Gerald F. Reid, *Kahnawà:ke: Factionalism, Traditionalism, and Nationalism in a Mohawk Community*. *American Ethnologist* (2006). Available online at:
http://www.aaanet.org/aes/bkreviews/result_details.cfm?bk_id=3799

“Native American Witchcraft.” In *Encyclopedia of Witchcraft: The Western Tradition*. Ed., Richard Golden. 4 vols. Santa Barbara, Cal.: ABC-CLIO, 2006. Vol. 3, pp. 803-806.

Book review of Jenny Hale Pulsipher, *Subjects unto the Same King: Indians, English, and the Contest for Authority in Colonial New England*. *American Indian Culture and Research Journal*. Vol. 29 (December, 2005): 159-62.

Book review of Kristina Bross, *Dry Bones and Indian Sermons: Praying Indians in Colonial America*. *American Historical Review*. Vol. 110 (2005): 1161.

Book review of Daniel K. Richter, *Facing East from Indian Country: A Native History of Early America*. *Pacific Historical Review*. Vol. 72 (2003): 150-52.

with John M. Murrin, "The Quest for America: Reflections on Distinctiveness, Pluralism, and Public Life." An Essay Review of Jon Butler, *Becoming America: The Revolution Before 1776*. *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*. Vol. 33 (2002): 235-46.

Book review of Gloria L. Main, *Peoples of a Spacious Land: Families and Cultures in Colonial New England*. *New England Quarterly*. Vol. 75 (2002): 688-92.

"Thanksgiving." In *Encyclopedia Britannica*, new rev. ed. (2002).

"Wampanoag." In *Dictionary of American History*, 3d ed. Eds., Stanley I. Kutler, *et al.* New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2002. Vol. 4, pp. 368-369.

Introductions to Virginia DeJohn Anderson, "King Philip's Herds"; Jared Diamond, "Spacious Skies and Tilted Axes"; and Gregory Evans Dowd, "Renewing Sacred Power in the North." In *Colonial North America: Essays in Politics and Social Development*, 5th ed. Eds., Stanley N. Katz, John M. Murrin, and Douglas Greenberg. New York: McGraw Hill, 2001.

Honors

Kirkus Reviews gave *This Land is Their Land* its coveted starred review, Fall 2019.

Publisher's Weekly named *This Land is Their Land* a top ten book in history, Fall 2019.

WBUR Boston included *This Land is Their Land* in its "11 Books to Read from New England Authors this Fall."

<https://www.wbur.org/artery/2019/08/27/books-to-read-from-new-england-authors-this-fall>

Alfred E. Golz Memorial Lecture, Bowdoin College, February 2019.

Richard McCarthy Lecture, University of Southern Mississippi, February 2018.

Malcom Lester Lecturer, Davidson College, September 2017.

Herbert H. Lehman Prize for Distinguished Scholarship in New York History, New York Academy of History, 2012, for the article, "The Curse of God."

Honorable mention for *Red Brethren* as a finalist for the Erminie Wheeler-Voegelin Prize, American Society for Ethnohistory, Fall 2011.

Elected member of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Fall 2011.

Elected member of the American Antiquarian Society. Spring 2011.

Douglass Adair Memorial Award, for “Indians, Missionaries, and Religious Translation.” Given biennially to the best article to have appeared in the *William and Mary Quarterly* in a six-year span. 2008.

Selected as one of the profession’s “Top Young Historians” by the History News Network, Spring 2007.

Lester J. Cappon Award for “Indians, Missionaries, and Religious Translation.” Awarded to the best article of 2005 in the *William and Mary Quarterly*.

Elected member of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, 2004.

Colonial Society of Pennsylvania essay prize for “Deposing the Sachem to Defend the Sachemship: Indian Land Sales and Native Political Structure on Martha’s Vineyard, 1680-1740.” Spring 2001.

Outside Fellowships

Barra Sabbatical Fellowship, McNeil Center for Early American Studies. One year residential fellowship toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. 2014-15 academic year.

Buffalo Bill Historical Center Research Fellowship. Short-term residential research fellowship toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. Summer 2012.

Phillips Fund for Native American Research, American Philosophical Society. Grant toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. Summer 2012.

American Philosophical Society Library Fellowship. Grant for one month of research toward the book project, *Thundersticks*, Summer 2011.

Winterthur Museum and Library Research Fellowship. Grant for one month of research toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. Spring 2011.

National Endowment of the Humanities Residential Fellowship at the Library Company of Philadelphia. Funding for one semester of research toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. 2010-2011 academic year.

Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship at the Massachusetts Historical Society. Grant for one month of research toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. Summer 2010.

Eighteenth-Century Studies Fellow at the American Antiquarian Society. Grant for one month of research toward the book project, *Thundersticks*. Summer 2010.

American Council of Learned Societies Oscar Handlin Fellowship. Grant for the 2007-2008 academic year toward the book project, *Red Brethren*.

American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Fellow. Grant for one month of research at the American Antiquarian Society toward the book project, *Red Brethren*. Summer 2005.

New England Regional Fellowship Consortium. Grant for eight weeks of research at the Massachusetts Historical Society, Connecticut Historical Society, New England Historic Genealogical Society, Rhode Island Historical Society, and Mystic Seaport Museum, toward the book project, *Red Brethren*. Summer 2003.

Phillips Fund for the Study of Ethnohistory, American Philosophical Society. Grant for research at the Hamilton College archives and the Wisconsin Historical Society, toward the book project, *Red Brethren*. Summers of 2003 and 2004.

Mellon Post-Dissertation Fellow at the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass. 2002. Year-long residential research fellowship, toward the book project, *Faith and Boundaries*.

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship. Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. 1999-2000. Year-long grant toward dissertation.

W. B. H. Dowse Fellowship. The Center for the Study of New England History. Grant for one month of research at the Massachusetts Historical Society. Fall 1998.

Invited Talks

“A Tale of Three Thanksgivings: Toward an Understanding of the Wampanoag National Day of Mourning.”

Newberry Library
Chicago, IL

November 2018

“A Tale of Three Thanksgivings: Toward an Understanding of the Wampanoag National Day of Mourning.”

Malcom Lester Lecture, **Davidson College**.
Davidson, NC

September 2017

Thundersticks book talks: **Library Company of Philadelphia** (January 2017); **Colonial Society of Massachusetts** (February 2017); **Virginia Festival of the Book** (March 2017); **University of Michigan War Studies Group** (April 2017); **Clements Library**, University of Michigan (April 2017); **Newberry Library**, Chicago (April 2017); **Montana Historical Society** (May 2017); **American Antiquarian Society** (October 2017); **University of Southern Mississippi** (February 2018); **Bowdoin College** (February 2019); **University of Pittsburgh**, Gun Violence and Its Histories Working Group (September 2019).

“Brother Onas? William Penn and Native America”

Association of Philadelphia Tour Guides.
Philadelphia, PA

March 2017 and 2018

“Trade and Power in Native America,” a roundtable discussion.

Autry Museum of the America West

Los Angeles, CA

January 2017

Annual talks at the **Aquinnah Cultural Center** of the Aquinnah Wampanoags. Recent talks have included “Historians and Native Communities: Working Together” and “The Wampanoags’ Thanksgiving”

“The Pacific Northwest Gun Frontier”

Sealaska

Juneau, Alaska

August 2015

“The Pacific Northwest Gun Frontier”

Sitka National Historical Park

Sitka, Alaska

August 2015

“Balancing the Scales: The Susquehannock-Maryland Gun Frontier”

Historic St. Mary’s City Speakers Series

St. Mary’s City, Maryland

May 2015

“A Vicious Commerce: The Slaves for Guns Trade in the Indian Southeast”

McNeil Center for Early American Studies

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

May 2015

“The Indian Arms Race of the Eastern Woodlands”

Atlantic Studies Seminar, New York University

New York, New York

April 2015

“Taking Religion Seriously,” Kaplan Memorial Lecture

Department of History, University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

March 2015

“Balancing the Scales: The Susquehannock-Maryland Gun Frontier”

Jefferson Patterson Park Speakers Series

St. Leonard, Maryland

September 2014

“Hell’s Gate: The Blackfoot Indians and the Firearms Trade”

Buffalo Bill Historical Center

Cody, Wyoming

June 2012

“Blasted: Pontiac’s War and the Collapse of the Indian Play-Off System”

David Library of the American Revolution

Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania

April 2012

“Red Brethren: The Brothertown and Stockbridge Indians and the Problem of Race in Early America”

Mohican History Conference

Stockbridge Munsee-Mohican Reservation, Wisconsin

October 2011

Comment on the paper “Consumer Credit and Consumers without Credit in Colonial North America”

**Economic History Seminar, Wharton School of Business/Department of History,
University of Pennsylvania**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

November 2010

“Indians, Firearms, and the Problem of Dependency in Colonial America”

McNeil Center for Early American Studies

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

October 2010

“Indians, Firearms, and the Problem of Dependency in Colonial America”

Washington Area Early American Seminar, University of Maryland

College Park, Maryland

September 2010

“Awakening: Indian Evangelicalism and the Emergence of Indian Racial Identity in the American Northeast, 1740-1810”

Religious Transformations in the Early Modern Americas, Washington University

St. Louis, Missouri

April 2009

“Using Indigenous Languages to Study American Indian Racial History”

Indigenous Languages and Historical Interpretation in the Atlantic World, 1500-1825

Harvard University International Seminar in the History of the Atlantic World

Cambridge, Mass.

March, 2009

“The Curse of God: Indian Conversations about Race on New York’s Revolutionary Frontier”

Johns Hopkins University Department of History Seminar

Baltimore, Maryland

October 2007

Invited participant in the symposium, **The New Indian Mission History**

Omaha, Nebraska

March 2007

Riverside, California

November 2006

“The Curse of God: Indian Conversations about Race on New York’s Revolutionary Frontier”

Washington Area Early American Seminar, University of Maryland

College Park, Maryland

November 2005

“Indians, Missionaries, and Religious Translation: Wampanoag Understandings of Christianity in Seventeenth-Century Martha’s Vineyard”

Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Colloquium

Williamsburg, Virginia

March 2004

“Indians, Missionaries, and Religious Translation: Wampanoag Understandings of Christianity in Seventeenth-Century Martha’s Vineyard”

New England Seminar in American History, American Antiquarian Society

Worcester, Massachusetts

November 2002

“Faith and Boundaries: Colonists, Christianity, and Community Among the Wampanoag Indians of

Martha’s Vineyard”

American Antiquarian Society Public Lecture

Worcester, Massachusetts

May 2002

“Defending the Sachemship: Indian Land Sales and Native Political Structure on Martha’s Vineyard, 1680-1740”

McNeil Center for Early American Studies Seminar

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

April 2000

Conference Presentations

Commentator for the panel “New Perspectives on Colonial North America”

American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting

State College, PA

October 2019

“Approaching the Mayflower: Tribal, Museum, and Academic Perspectives”

Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Annual Meeting

Los Angeles, CA

May 2018

“The Seminoles Resist Removal”

American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting

Nashville, TN

November 2016

“Out with a Bang: Indian Gun Ceremonialism in North America”

American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting

Las Vegas, NV

November 2015

“Racial Walls: Race and the Emergence of White American Nationalism”

Anglicization Reconsidered: A Celebration of the Career of John Murrin

Philadelphia, PA

April 2013

“Indians, Firearms, and the Problem of Dependency: The Case of the Northeast during the Seventeenth Century”

American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting

Pasadena, CA

October 2011

Commentator for the panel, “Violence and Memory”

Bloody Days: Massacres in History. A McNeil Center/UPENN Law School Conference

Philadelphia, PA

June 2011

Chair of the panel, “War and Rumor”

Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference

New Paltz, NY

June 2011

- “Indians are neither Whigs nor Tories’: The Brothertown Indians’ Challenge to American Notions of Race and History”
Society for Historians of the Early Republic Annual Meeting
 Rochester, NY July 2010
- “Indians, Firearms, and the Problem of Dependency in Colonial America”
Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting
 Washington, DC April 2010
- Commentator for the panel, “Indigenous Christianities”
Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference
 Boston, Mass. June 2008
- “All One Indian: Indian Ideas about Race in Colonial New England”
Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting
 New York City March 2008
- “To Become a Chosen People: The Missionary Work and Missionary Spirit of the Brothertown and Stockbridge Indians”
American Historical Association Annual Meeting
 Washington, D.C. January 2008
- “Christian Indian Brethren: Race and Religion in the Preaching of Samson Occom”
Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference
 Williamsburg, Virginia June 2007
- “Evolving Indian Notions of Race and Place: Brothertown and New Stockbridge Migrations”
American Studies Association Annual Meeting
 Washington, D.C. November 2005
- “Translation and the Content of Wampanoag Christianity”
Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting
 San Jose, California April 2005
- “Natural inhabitants, time out of Mind’: ‘Sachem Rights’ and the Art of Cultural Compromise in Colonial New England”
American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting
 Chicago, Illinois October 2004
- “Indian Conversations about Race on New York’s Revolutionary Frontier, 1760-1810”
Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference
 Northampton, Massachusetts June 2004
- “‘The Lord Tests the Righteous’: Keeping the Peace on Martha’s Vineyard, Nantucket, and Cape Cod during King Philip’s War”

Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference
Glasgow, Scotland July 2001

“The Church in New England Indian Community Life: A View from the Cape and Islands”
Reinterpreting New England Indian History and the Colonial Experience
Sturbridge, Massachusetts April 2001

“What if John Sassamon Had Lived? Native New England Without King Philip’s War”
What If? Counterfactualism in American History
Princeton, New Jersey March 2001

“‘The Lord Tests the Righteous’: Offshore Wampanoags and the Challenge of King Philip’s War”
American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting
London, Ontario October 2000

“The Costs of Debt: The Impact of Indentured Servitude on the Indians of Southeastern New England”
American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting
Mashantucket, Connecticut October 1999

“The Process and Impact of Native Language Loss among the Indians of Southeastern New England”
31st Annual Algonquian Conference.
West Lafayette, Indiana October 1999

“The Costs of Debt: The Impact of Indentured Servitude and on the Indians of Southeastern New England”
Colonial Society of Massachusetts
Boston, Massachusetts April 1999

Service to the Profession and Public

Referee for MacArthur Fellows Program, Summer 2019

McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Chair of Advisory Council
Spring 2019–current

American Antiquarian Society Native American and Indigenous Studies Advisory Board,
Summer 2019

American Philosophical Society Early American History Fellowship Selection Committee,
Spring 2019

Yale Indian Papers Project Advisory Board, 2018-

Primary Investigator, Roger Williams National Memorial Ethnographic Assessment, National Park Service, 2016-18.

McNeil Center for Early American Studies Fellowship Selection Committee, 2017-18.

Development Committee Chair, McNeil Center for Early American Studies, 2017-

Selection Committee for Hensch Post-doctoral Fellowship, American Antiquarian Society, 2017.

Selection Committee for American Philosophical Society Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Native American Studies, 2017.

Academic advisor to Plimoth Plantation for NEH Implementation Grant, 2015-2018.

Consultant on the permanent exhibit at the museum of the Martha's Vineyard Historical Society. 2016-17, Summer 2011, Winter 2010.

Historical liaison for Reconstruction, an initiative funded by the Pew Foundation to bring Philadelphia-area historians, ex-offenders, and at-risk-youth together to discuss the history of slavery, race, and American society, 2014-16.

Development Committee, McNeil Center for Early American Studies. Fall 2013-current.

Lecturer for the Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens Teacher's Institutes on George Washington and his era. Several talks annually since 2011 through the current time.

Co-organizer of the conference, *Anglicization Reconsidered: Celebrating the Career of John M. Murrin*. McNeil Center for Early American Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Spring 2013.

Consultant editor to the Newberry Library's *American Indian Histories and Cultures* digital manuscript collection. 2013.

Lecturer for the Smithsonian Institution's Teaching American History workshops held in Nebraska, Michigan, and New York state. 2009-2102.

Advisory Council, McNeil Center for Early American Studies, 2012-current.

Planning Committee, Omhundo Institute for Early American Society and Culture Annual Conference, 2012-13.

Grant referee for National Historical Publications and Records Commission, Fall 2012.

Reviewer of "From Homeland to New Land: The Mahicans and Their Neighbors, 1640-1840," for the Martin Van Buren historical site of the National Park Service. Fall 2011.

Consultant on the permanent exhibit at Cliveden, a National Trust Historical Site. Philadelphia, Penn., Fall 2010.

Referee for Massachusetts Humanities Council on a grant for a Wampanoag oral history exhibit at the Aquinnah Cultural Center. Fall 2009 and Spring 2010.

Referee for MacArthur Fellows Program, Summer 2009

Lecturer for the National Endowment for the Humanities Landmarks of American History and Culture program, "Crossroads of Empire: Cultural Exchange and Imperial Rivalry at Old Fort Niagara." Niagara, N.Y., Summer 2009

External dissertation reader for Edward E. Andrews, "Prodigal Sons: Indigenous Missionaries in the British Atlantic World, 1640-1780," Department of History, University of New Hampshire, Spring 2009

External referee for promotion review of faculty at Barnard College (Fall 2019), Mount Holyoke College (Fall 2017), Seton Hall University (Fall 2016), Harvard University (Spring 2015), Brown University (Fall 2014), Providence College (Fall 2013), Ohio State University (Fall 2013), University of Houston (Fall 2010), Cornell University (Fall 2008), Creighton University (Fall 2008), and St. Olaf College (Fall 2005).

Selection Committee, Mellon Post-Dissertation Fellowship, American Antiquarian Society, Fall-Winter 2005-2006.

Book manuscript referee for University of North Carolina Press, Harvard University Press, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Yale University Press, University of Pennsylvania Press, Cornell University Press, University of Nebraska Press, University of Massachusetts Press, Bedford/St. Martin's, Houghton-Mifflin, and ABC-Clio.

Article manuscript referee for *Journal of American History*, *American Historical Review*, *William and Mary Quarterly*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, *Ethnohistory*, *Early American Studies*, *American Indian Culture and Research Journal*, *Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society*, *Human Ecology*, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, *Northeast Anthropology*, and *Church History*.

Faculty presenter at "Encounters and Change: Natives and Colonists in Seventeenth Century Plymouth." A Plimoth Plantation workshop funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities Landmarks for Teachers Program. July and August of 2004.

Television appearances on NOVA (*Pocahontas Revealed*, 2007), History Channel (*Desperate Crossing: The Untold Story of the Mayflower*, 2006), *America's History in the Making* (a multimedia professional development course by Annenberg Media), and CNN (Wolf Blitzer Reports, on the Smithsonian Museum of the American Indian, 2003).

Pro Bono Historical Consultant to the Wampanoag Tribe of Aquinnah, 1999-2002.

Service to the Department and University

Dissertations directed: Justin Pope, “‘A Dangerous Spirit of Liberty’: Slave Rebellion, Conspiracy, and the First Great Awakening, 1729-1740” (2014); Richard Boles, “Divided Faiths: The Rise of Segregated Northern Churches, 1730-1850” (2013). Jeffery Louis Brodie, “A Revolution by Mail: A New Post Office for a New Nation” (2005).

M.A. theses directed: Jennifer Ashley Walters, “Fever and Ague: Disease and Life in the South Carolina Colony” (2011); Jennifer Hammond “‘Papists and Indians joyned together’: Anti-Catholicism and Fears of a Catholic-Indian Conspiracy in Seventeenth Century Maryland” (2008); Melissa Cioffi, “The Indian Slave Trade and the Development of Race in the Colonial Southeast” (2008); Julie Brennan, “English Sachems: Indian-English Relationships and the Recovery of the Pequot People, 1636-1679” (2006).

Director of Graduate Studies, 2018-present.

Chairman, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2008-2018.

Chairman of Director of Africana Studies Search Committee, 2018-19 academic year.

Member of Early Modern Europe Search Committee, 2017-18 academic year.

Lecture on “American Indian Women at the Center of Colonial American History,” delivered to the GW Multicultural Student Alliance, March 2013.

Chairman of the search committee for a historian of the American Revolution and Early Republic, 2011-2012 academic year.

Member of African-American History Search Committee, 2008-2009 academic year.

Member of Medieval History Search Committee, 2006-2007 academic year.

Chairman, History Events Committee, 2006-2007 academic year.

Author of the proposal for the Smith Center for the Study of the Early Republic at George Washington University, Spring 2006.

Public talks for Native American Heritage Month at Gelman Library and before African American Student Union, December 2006.

Senate Committee on Appointment, Salary, and Promotion, 2005-2006 academic year.

History Department graduate program steering committee, 2005-2006 academic year.

Manuscript Referee, Columbian Graduate School/UMI Distinguished Dissertation Award, 2005.

Columbian College Freshman Advising Seminar leader and freshman advisor, Fall 2004, with advising duties continuing through 2006.

History Department Graduate Admissions Committee, 2004.

Memberships

American Historical Association; Organization of American Historians; McNeil Center for Early American Studies; Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture; American Society for Ethnohistory