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EMPLOYMENT

- 2014- Associate Professor of History, Johns Hopkins University
- 2009- 2013 Associate Professor of History, Université de Montréal.
- 2007- 2011 J.W. McConnell Family Foundation Chair in American Studies, Université de Montréal.
- 2006 & 2007 Visiting Professor, Université de Paris VII-Denis Diderot.
- 2003-2009 Assistant Professor of History, Université de Montréal.
- 2002-2003 Mellon Postdoctoral Research Fellow, King's College, Cambridge University.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, Johns Hopkins University (2003); B.A., Columbia University (1994).

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

- 2013 Elected Member, American Antiquarian Society
- 2010-2016 Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians.
- 2010 Named to the History News Network's list: Top Young Historians.
- 2009-20010 Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers, The New York Public Library (Gilder Lehrman Fellow).
- 2008 Gilder Lehrman Fellowship, The New-York Historical Society.
- 2005 Program in Early American Economy and Society postdoctoral fellowship, Library Company of Philadelphia.
- 2001 Delmas Fellowship, The New-York Historical Society.
- 2001 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship, the Library Company of Philadelphia and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.
- 2001 Johns Hopkins Dean's Fellowship.
- 1998-2002 Fellowship for graduate study, The Johns Hopkins University.
- 1997-1998 Richard Hofstadter Fellowship, Columbia University.
- 1997-2001 Jacob Javits Fellowship, United States Department of Education.

GRANTS

- 2014-2018 Co-Investigator, Trans-Atlantic Graduate Program, SSHRC Partnership grant (\$2,498,100 CAD)
- 2011-2015 Co-Investigator, "Les contours de l'Atlantique français : savoirs, circulations et pouvoirs," Fonds de recherche sur la société et la culture,

- Québec, Soutien aux équipes de recherche.
- 2010-2013 Principal Investigator, “When the United States spoke French: Trans-Atlantic commerce, finance, and land speculation in the age of revolutions,” Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Standard Research Grants Program.
- 2006-2009 Co-Investigator, “French Atlantic Studies” (with a group of scholars from Université de Montréal and McGill University), The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.
- 2005-2008 Principal Investigator, “French Atlantic World and the Creation of the American Republic, 1789-1803,” Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Standard Research Grants Program.
- 2005-2008 Principal Investigator, “Les émigrés français aux États-Unis et la transformation politique, économique, et diplomatique de la jeune république américaine, 1789-1803,” Fonds de recherche sur la société et la culture, Québec, Établissement de nouveau professeurs-chercheurs.
- 2004-2005 Principal Investigator, “Entangling Alliances: Philadelphia’s International Revolutionary Networks and the Creation of Early American Political Culture,” Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and l’Université de Montréal, Petite subvention/ Start-up Research Grant. \$5,000 (CAD).

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS *When the United States Spoke French: Five Refugees who Shaped a Nation.* Penguin Press, 2014. Audio book edition, 2014.

In the Name of the Father: Washington’s Legacy, Slavery, and the Making of a Nation. Penguin Press, 2006.

Audio book edition: Tantor audio, 2006; Paperback edition: Penguin Books, 2007. Finalist, Washington Book Prize; “Starred Review,” Publisher’s Weekly.

BOOK UNDER CONTRACT *George Washington and the American Nation: A Brief History with Documents.* The Bedford Series in History and Culture. Under Contract with Bedford/ St. Martin’s Press.

JOURNAL ARTICLES “Atlantic Slavery, Atlantic Freedom: George Washington’s Library, Slavery, and Trans-Atlantic Abolitionist Networks,” *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., 68 (April, 2011), 247-286.

- Winner of the Percy G. Adams Prize, Southeastern American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, for the best article on an eighteenth-century subject.

“The Significance of the Trans-Appalachian Frontier in Atlantic History, c. 1754-1815,” *The American Historical Review*, 113:2 (June, 2008), 647-677.

- Winner of the Ray Allen Billington Award, Western Historical Association, for the best article on Western history.
- Reprinted in Pekka Hämäläinen and Benjamin Johnson, eds., *Major Problems in the History of North American Borderlands* (Houghton Mifflin, 2011).

“Beyond Slavery and Freedom: Autonomy, Agency, and Resistance in Early American Political Discourse.” *The Journal of American History* 89:4 (March, 2003), 1295-1330.

- Winner of the ABC-CLIO: America: History and Life Award, for scholarship in American history advancing new perspectives on accepted interpretations or previously unconsidered topics.

BOOK CHAPTERS “American History in the Shadow of Empire: A Plea for Marginality,” in *Historians across Borders: Writing American History in a Global Age*, ed. Nicolas Barreyre, Michael Heale, Stephen Tuck, and Cécile Vidal (University of California Press, 2014), 206-213.

“George Washington’s Farewell Address,” in Werner Sollors and Greil Marcus, eds., *History of American Culture*, Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2009.

EDITED JOURNAL FORUM Co-editor, with David Waldstreicher, Special Forum on the Republican Court, *Journal of the Early Republic*, forthcoming, Spring 2015.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLE “George Washington,” in Bill Marshall (ed.), *France and the Americas: Culture, Politics, History*. Santa Barbara, Cal.: ABC-Clio, 2005.

BOOK REVIEWS Jace Weaver, *The Red Atlantic: American Indigenes and the Making of the Modern World, 1000-1927*, (UNC Press, 2014), Roundtable for *Journal of American Studies*, forthcoming 2015.

Peter Dorsey, *Common Bondage: Slavery as Metaphor in Revolutionary America* (University of Tennessee Press, 2009), for *Journal of the Early Republic* 32 (Winter, 2012), 708-711.

Mark Hulliung, ed., *The American Liberal Tradition Reconsidered: The Contested Legacy of Louis Hartz* (University Press of Kansas, 2010), for *Reviews in American History*, 40 (June, 2012), 319-324.

Phillip Ziesche, *Cosmopolitan Patriots: Americans in Paris in the Age of Revolution* (University of Virginia Press, 2010), for *American Historical Review* 116 (Oct., 2011), 1083.

Willard Sterne Randall, *Ethan Allen: His Life and Times* (W.W. Norton, 2011), for *Slate*, Aug. 15, 2011.

Leo Damrosch, *Tocqueville’s Discovery of America* (Farrar, Straus, & Giroux,

2010), for *Slate*, April 18, 2010.

Shannon Lee Dawdy, *Building the Devil's Empire: French Colonial New Orleans* (University of Chicago Press, 2008), for *Atlantic Studies* 6 (Dec., 2009), 403-05.

Gary B. Nash and Graham Russell Gao Hodges, *Friends of Liberty: Thomas Jefferson, Thaddeus Kościuszko, and Agrippa Hull: A Tale of Three Patriots, Two Revolutions, and A Tragic Betrayal of Freedom in the New Nation* (Basic Books, 2008), for *Journal of American History* 96 (June, 2009).

John Craig Hammond, *Slavery, Freedom, and Expansion in the Early American West* (University of Virginia Press), for H-SHEAR, January, 2009.

Annette Gordon-Reed, *The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family* (W.W. Norton, 2008), for *Slate*, September 23, 2008.

Bradley G. Bond, ed., *French Colonial Louisiana And The Atlantic World* (Louisiana State University Press, 2005), in *American Historical Review* 112 (April, 2007).

Adam Rothman: *Slave Country: American Expansion and the Origins of the Deep South* (Harvard University Press, 2005), in *Social History* 32 (Feb., 2007), 116-17.

Pierre Gervais, *Les Origines de la Révolution Industrielle aux États-Unis* (Paris, 2004), in *Business History Review* 79:2 (2005), 365-367.

Morrison, Michael A., and Melinda S. Zook, eds. *Revolutionary Currents: Nation Building in the Transatlantic World*. (Lanham, Md., 2004), for H-Atlantic, October, 2004)

Several book reviews for "The Reader's Catalogue," a web site affiliated with the *New York Review of Books*. Winter 1999, and Summer 1998.

- POPULAR MEDIA
- "Welfare State, or Collapse?" Op-ed, *The Washington Post*, July 3, 2011.
 - "Bush's Dangerous Liaisons," Op-ed, *The New York Times*, October 28, 2007 and the *International Herald Tribune*, October 29, 2007.
 - "Spinning the Revolution," Op-ed, *The New York Times*, July 4, 2006
 - "Hurting Neighborhoods Won't Help City," Op-ed, *Baltimore Sun*, March 20, 2002.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2014 Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Conference, Philadelphia, July 19.
- Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference, Halifax, NS, June 14.
- Colligan Lecture, Miami University, Hamilton Campus, May 5.
- "Early Modern France and the Americas: Connected Histories," A

- Symposium to mark the Creation of the New England Pole of the Institut des Amériques at Boston College, May 2.
- Society of French Historical Studies, Montreal, QC, April 25.
- Organization of American Historians, Annual conference, Atlanta, GA, April 11.
- “The Republics of Benjamin Rush,” Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA, March 22.
- 2013 Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, St. Louis, MO, July 20.
- Society of French Historical Studies, Cambridge, Mass., April 6.
- Department of History, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, March 1.
- Department Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, February 11.
- 2012 Co-Keynote Address, “The Long Struggle for the Ohio Valley,” The Filson Historical Society Conference, Louisville, Ky., October 26.
- Early American Republic Seminar, City University of New York (CUNY EARS), New York, NY, October 18.
- “Foreign Confidence: International Investment in North America, 1700 to 1860,” Annual Conference, Program in Early American Economy and Society, Philadelphia, Pa., October 12.
- OAH Distinguished Lecture, Bowditch Institute and Salem State University, Salem, Mass., September 7.
- Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Annual Conference, Baltimore, July 20.
- American Seminar, Oxford University, England, May 15.
- Department of History, Carleton University, Ottawa, March 27.
- 2011 University of Delaware “Teaching American History,” NEH-funded program for elementary and high school history teachers, November 18 and 19.
- Department of History, Rice University, Houston, Texas, September 12.
- Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Annual Conference, Philadelphia, July 15.
- “Slavery and the American Founders,” Day-long seminar at the NEH Summer Institute for School Teachers on Abolitionism and the Underground Railroad, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY, June 26.
- “Warring for America,” Conference sponsored by the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, the Huntington Library, and the Library of Congress, March 31.
- Society for French Historical Studies Annual Conference, Charleston, SC, February 12.
- 2010 Rocky Mountain Area Early American Seminar, Salt Lake City, Utah,

- October 28.
The Annual Preyer Lecture, Queen's University of Charlotte, North Carolina, October 5.
Department of History, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, October 4.
Department of History, University of Tel Aviv, Israel, April 22.
Department of History, University of Haifa, Israel, April 21.
French Department, University of Pennsylvania, March 26.
The Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers, The New York Public Library, March 17.
Toronto Centre for the Book, University of Toronto, January 29.
- 2009 USC-Huntington Early American Seminar, Pasadena, California, December 5.
Annual meeting of the Institut de l'histoire de l'Amérique française, October 16.
- 2008 Department of History, The University of British Columbia, Vancouver, November 20.
The Atlantic Seminar, New York University, October 28.
Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 18.
Centre d'études en relations internationales de l'Université de Montréal (CÉRIUM), Montréal, June 30.
The Remnant Trust, Louisville, Kentucky, April 17-19.
Organization of American Historians, New York, March 29.
Department of History, University of Windsor, Windsor Ontario, March 3 and 4.
CÉRIUM, Université de Montréal, January 18.
- 2007 Institut Charles V, Université de Paris VIII-Denis Diderot, Paris, June 15.
The Library Company of Philadelphia, May 18.
The Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Maryland, May.
St. Laurence Valley-Lake Champlain Seminar, SUNY-Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, New York, March 12.
The Seminar, Department of History, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, March 2.
History of Material Texts Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, February 12.
"Nouvelles perspectives sur l'espace Atlantique au dix-huitième siècle," journée d'études sponsored by l'Université Paris-VIII, Groupe de recherche sur l'histoire intellectuelle, Paris, January 12
- 2006 "Des colonies aux républiques dans un monde atlantique : L'Amérique du

- Nord et les Caraïbes à l'époque révolutionnaire," conference sponsored by l'Université Paris VII-Institut Charles V, Paris, December 8.
- Annual meeting of the Society for the Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), Chair of panel, "Regional Cultures, International Perceptions: European Travelers in North America, 1780s - 1850s," Montreal, July 23.
- Réfugiés blancs et noirs de Saint-Domingue aux États-Unis, 1791-1840, Table Ronde, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, June 8.
- l'Association Pour l'Étude de la Colonisation Européenne 1750-1850 (APECE), La Sorbonne, Paris, May 13.
- l'Institut d'Études Anglophones, Charles V, Paris, May 5.
- American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Penn., January 7.
- 2005 McNeil Center Friday Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Penn., November 11.
- "Ottoman and Atlantic Empires in the Early Modern World," conference sponsored by The Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, the Huntington Library, the United States Consulate in Istanbul, and Bogaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey, October 19-21.
- Department of History, University of Delaware, Newark, Del., September 27.
- Early American Seminar, Columbia University, New York, September 20.
- "Diasporas, Migration, and Identities," The British Group in Early American History, Clare College, Cambridge University, September 9-11.
- 2004 History Seminar, Department of History, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, October 4.
- Annual meeting of the Society for the History of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), Providence, RI, July 20.
- American Seminar, Cambridge University, England, May 31.
- Harvard University Seminar on the History of the Atlantic World – "The Atlantic World in Motion," special meeting in Cambridge Eng., March.
- Department of History, University of Hawaii-Manoa, Honolulu Hawaii, March 4.
- Southern Intellectual History Circle, Annual Meeting, Charleston, South Carolina, February.
- 2003 Sixth Middelburg Conference of European Historians of the United States, Middelburg, The Netherlands, April.
- American Studies Seminar, University of Reading, England, January 22.
- Groupe d'études sur l'histoire des Amériques, Montréal, Canada, March 12.
- 2002 American Seminar, Cambridge University, England, November 24.
- Annual meeting of the British American Nineteenth Century Historians

- Association (BrANCH), Carlisle, England, October.
- Georgia State University, Department of History, Atlanta, Georgia, March 21.
- Université de Montréal, Department of History, Montréal, Canada, February 22.
- 2001 History Seminar, Department of History, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, November 26.
- Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 22.
- “Spaces and Places Conference,” McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September.
- Annual conference of the Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture, Glasgow, Scotland, July.
- 2000 McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 15.
- 1999 Conference commemorating the death of George Washington, David Library, Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania, December.
- Annual meeting of the Society for the History of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), Lexington, KY, July.
- 1997 American Seminar, Johns Hopkins Department of History, Baltimore, Maryland, May.

**CONFERENCES
ORGANIZED OR CO-
ORGANIZED**

- Co-organizer, The Québec Act of 1774: Transnational Contexts, Meanings, and Legacies, with Ollivier Hubert, Conference sponsored by the Omohundro Institute of Early American History, Montreal, QC, October 4-5, 2013
- Co-organizer, Les résistances à l’esclavage dans le Monde atlantique, Conference sponsored by the Groupe d’histoire de l’Atlantique français, Montréal, QC, May 3-4, 2013.
- Co-convener, with Eric Hinderaker, University of Utah, “The Long Struggle for the Ohio Valley, 1750-1815,” Filson Institute for the Advanced Study of the Ohio Valley and the Upper South, Louisville, KY, October 26-27, 2012.
- Co-Organizer, with A.L. Cayton, Miami University of Ohio, “The ‘Problem’ of Land in American History, c. 1700-1850,” Conference Sponsored by the McConnell Family Foundation Chair in American Studies, April 20-21, 2011.
- Co-Organizer, with Carolyn Fick, Concordia University, “Haïti dans le monde atlantique / Haiti in the Atlantic World,” Conference sponsored by the French Atlantic History Group, Montreal, QC, September 27 to 29, 2007.
- Co-organizer, with Thomas Wien, Université de Montréal, “The French Atlantic World: An Overview of the Field / Le monde atlantique francophone : état des lieux,” Conference sponsored by the French

Atlantic History Group, Montreal, QC, September 28, 2006.

**PUBLIC OR MEDIA
PRESENTATIONS**

Book interviews with: The Leonard Lopate Show, WNYC, New York; Maryland Morning with Sheilah Kast, WYPR, Baltimore; Medium Large with Mélanie Bourgeois, Radio-Canada, Montreal; Home Run with Sue Smith; Baltimore Sun, 2014.

Interviews with André Pratte, La Presse, 2013.

24 heures en 60 minutes, RDI (Radio Canada) television interview, December 14, 2012.

Émission Catherine Perrin, Radio interview, December 6, 2012.

Interview with Le Monde – Culture et idées, November 15, 2012.

Various interviews via telephone and in studio, LCN/ TVA Television, Montréal QC, 2008-2011.

Interview (in French) with Denis Miron, “Passeport Matin,” Radio Ville-Marie, October 17, 2011.

Interview (in English) with Howard Green, Business News Network, Television, October 13, 2011.

Interview (in French) with René Homier-Roy, “C’est bien meilleur le matin,” Radio Première Chaîne, Radio-Canada, October 12, 2011.

Interview (in French) on KYK Radio (Québec), March 22, 2010

Interview (in French) with René Homier-Roy, “C’est bien meilleur le matin,” Radio Canada Première Chaîne, February 12, 2009.

Interview (in French) on “Vous êtes ici,” Radio Canada Première Chaîne, January 13, 2009.

Interview (in French) with Christiane Charette, Radio Première Chaîne, Radio-Canada, May 26, 2008.

Interview (in English) on “Home Run,” with Bernard Saint-Laurent, CBC Radio, April 28, 2008.

Fraunces Tavern Museum, New York, March 27.

Presentation at the Québec Ministry of Foreign Relations, Québec, QC, February 29, 2008.

Interview (in English) on WDRC Radio, Hartford Conn., May 7, 2006.

Conversations with Kathlenn Dunn, Wisconsin Public Radio, July 4, 2006.

Voice of America, “Hip Hop Connection,” July 2006.

Politics & Prose Bookstore, Washington, D.C., July 1, 2006.

**PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE**

Advisory Board, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, 2014-2017 (elected position).

Nominating Committee, American Historical Association, 2013-2016 (elected position).

Editorial Board, Journal of the Early Republic

Adjudication Committee, Insight Development Grants, Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2011, 2012, 2014.

Nominating Committee, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), 2010-2013.

Program Committee, SHEAR Annual Conference, 2011.

Co-organizer of two conferences sponsored by the French Atlantic History Group: September 2006 (The French Atlantic: State of the Field, with Thomas Wien); and September 2007 (Haiti in the Atlantic World, with Carolyn Fick).

Member of the Local Arrangements and Program Committees, SHEAR Annual Conference, 2006.

Chair, Bullen Prize Committee, Canadian Historical Association, 2005.

Manuscripts reviewed for: Oxford University Press; University of Pennsylvania Press; Cornell University Press; University of Alabama Press; *American Historical Review*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, *The William and Mary Quarterly*, *Journal of Southern History*; *Studies in Eighteenth-Century Culture*; *Atlantic History*; *African Journal of History and Culture*.

Tenure file reviewed for: University of Haifa.

CONSULTING Historical consultant for Ubisoft, “Assassin’s Creed III.” 2010-2012.

**PROFESSIONAL
AFFILIATIONS**

Organization of American Historians.

The American Historical Association.

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic.

Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture.