

APPOINTMENTS

2015 – present: Associate Professor of History at Boston College
2011 - 2015: Assistant Professor of History at Boston College
2009-2011: Assistant Professor of History and Affiliate Assistant Professor of Romance Languages and Literature, University of Cincinnati

EDUCATION

2009: University of California, Berkeley: Ph.D. in History
2000: St. Antony's College, Oxford: M.Phil. Latin American Studies
1998: Brown University: B.A. Comparative Literature, *magna cum laude*

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

Funding:

2018, Spring: David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University: Central America Visiting Scholar
2013, 2014, and 2016: Boston College Undergraduate Research Fellowship (Research Assistantship)
2011-2012: Taft Annual Fellowship from the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center (declined)
2010: Taft Summer Fellowship from the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center
2008-2009: Mabelle McLeod Lewis Dissertation Fellowship
2008-2009: Mellon ACLS Dissertation Fellowship (declined)
2006-2007: Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, UC Berkeley
2004-2008: Graduate Diversity Fellowship at UC Berkeley
2003-2004: Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies awarded by the Woodrow Wilson Foundation
1998-2000: Marshall Scholarship awarded by the Marshall Commission

Awards and Honors:

2018: Awarded the D. Scott Palmer Best Edited Volume Prize by NECLAS – New England Council of Latin American Studies – for Imagining Histories of Colonial Latin America
2015: Awarded honorable mention by the NECLAS Marysa Navarro Best Book Prize committee for *Distance and Documents at the Spanish Empire's Periphery*
2008: Julia Ward Howe Book Award for *When the Ground Turns in Its Sleep*
2008: Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley
2003: Robie Macauley Prize for "A Correspondence"

PUBLICATIONS

Published Books:

- Imagining Histories of Colonial Latin America: Synoptic Methods and Practices, University of New Mexico Press, 2017. Co-edited with Karen Melvin.
- Distance and Documents at the Spanish Empire's Periphery, Stanford University Press, 2013. *A monograph examining the conception of distance in the Spanish empire.*
- When the Ground Turns in Its Sleep, Riverhead Books, 2007. *A novel focusing on events in the Guatemalan armed conflict. Based on oral history research conducted for the MPhil at St. Antony's College.*

Books in Progress:

- The Woman on the Windowsill: A Tale of Mystery in Several Parts. *A study of a criminal case from Guatemala in 1800.* Forthcoming with Yale University Press, 2020.

Chapters and Articles:

- "Distance, Bureaucracy, and Death: Archival Acts." In Archives and Information in the Early Modern World, ed. Liesbeth Corens, Kate Peters, and Alexandra Walsham, *Oxford University Press*, 2018.

- “Writing Style and Audience.” in *Imagining Histories of Colonial Latin America*, 2017.
- Peer-reviewed entry for the *Latin American History Oxford Research Encyclopedia*, December 2016.
- “Descripción del Reyno de Guatemala (1818) – A Presidential Primer.” *Mesoamerica* 54 (Summer 2012): 94-125.
- “The Mail in Time: Postal Routes and Conceptions of Distance in Colonial Guatemala.” *Colonial Latin America Review* 12.1 (Spring 2012): 77-99.
- “The Criminal Record.” *Virginia Quarterly Review* (January, 2009).
- “History into Fiction.” *Berkeley Review of Latin American Studies* (2008).
- “A Correspondence.” *Story Quarterly* 39 (2003).

Book Reviews:

- Berquist Soule, Emily. The Bishop’s Utopia: Envisioning Improvement in Colonial Peru. Volume 97:1 of the *Hispanic American Historical Review* (February 2017).
- Brayshay, Mark. Land Travel and Communications in Tudor and Stuart England: Achieving a Joined-up Realm. *Journal of Historical Geography* Volume 50 (October 2015): 119-120.
- Carey, David. I Ask for Justice: Maya Women, Dictators, and Crime in Guatemala, 1898-1944. *Journal of Latin American Studies* Volume 38, Issue 3 (August 2016).
- Guibovich Pérez, Pedro M. El edificio de letras: Jesuitas, educación y sociedad en el Perú colonial. *Journal of Jesuit Studies* 3.1 (2016): 146-148.
- Leavitt-Alcántara, Brianna. Alone at the Altar: Single Women and Devotion in Guatemala, 1670-1870. H-Latam, Spring 2018.
- Lovell, W. George, Christopher H. Lutz, Wendy Kramer, and William R. Swezey, “Strange Lands and Different Peoples”: Spaniards and Indians in Colonial Guatemala. *Bulletin of Latin American Research* Volume 35, Issue 2 (April 2016): 283–284.
- Martínez, Miguel. Front Lines: Soldiers’ Writing the Early Modern Hispanic World. *Journal of Modern History* Volume 90, Issue 4 (December 2018): 962-964.
- Matthew, Laura. Memories of Conquest: Becoming Mexicano in Colonial Guatemala. *Colonial Latin America Review* 23:2 (2014): 287-288.
- Patch, Robert. Indians and the Political Economy of Colonial Central America, 1670-1810. *The Americas: A Quarterly Review of Latin American History* v. 27, Issue 1 (January 2015): 157-159.
- Reeves, René. Ladinos with Ladinos, Indians with Indians. *Journal of Peasant Studies* Volume 34, No. 1 (January 2007).

PAPERS AND TALKS DELIVERED

- 2017, November: Invited talk, “Making Paper at the Margins,” at Lisbon University.
- 2017, September: Invited talk on “The Woman in the Window” at the Cornell University Latin American Studies Program: <https://lasp.einaudi.cornell.edu/lasp-lecture-recordings>
- 2017, May: *American Association for the History of Medicine* panel presentation: “Analysis, Evidence, and Passion: Discovering a Corpse in 1800.”
- 2017, May: Keynote speaker for the Paper Technologies conference: <http://papertechnologies.neogranadina.org>
- 2017, January: American Historical Association: “Destruction in the Archives”
- 2016, December: Invited talk, “Finding Windows in the Archive,” at the USC-Huntington Early Modern Studies Institute’s colloquium, “Paper in the Early Modern Atlantic World.”
- 2016, May: Latin American Studies Association: Presenter on “Latin American Archive Stories”
- 2016, March-April: Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies: “Sanctity, Scandal, and Urban Space”
- 2015, April: Invited talk at Wellesley College: “Distance and the Lives of Documents”
- 2014: New England Council of Latin American Studies: “Bodies and Water Lilies: A Criminal Case from Guatemala City in 1800”

- 2013: Conference on Latin American History: “A State of Violence: Bourbon Justice in Spanish American Cities”
- 2012: Latin American Studies Association: panel chair; “Dangers of the Confessional”
- 2012: March: Invited talk at Bates College: “Dangerous Distance: Social Crimes and Moral Failings in the Archbishop’s Guatemala”
- 2010: American Historical Association/ Conference on Latin American History: Participation in a roundtable on Central American independence
- 2009: American Historical Association: “Correo Clandestino”
- 2007: Association of American Geographers: “The Mail in Time”
- 2005: American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies: “Uses of Duration”