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CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, May 2012
M.A., History of the United States, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, May 2007
B.A., Psychology, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, May 2003

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, Department of History, University of California, Berkeley, 2019-
Harrington Faculty Fellow, Department of History, University of Texas-Austin, 2018-2019
Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of California, Berkeley, 2014-2019
Postdoctoral Fellow in Law and Society, Newcomb College Institute, Tulane University, 2013-
2014
Assistant Professor, Departments of History and Gender, Women's and Sexuality Studies,
University of Iowa, 2012-2014

PUBLICATIONS

Books

They Were Her Property: White Women as Slave Owners in the American South (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2019)

Essays in Edited Collections

"[S]he could...spare one ample breast for the profit of her owner': White Mothers and Enslaved Wet Nurses' Invisible Labor in American Slave Markets," in *Motherhood, Childlessness and the Care of Children in Atlantic Slave Societies* eds. Camillia Cowling, Maria Helena Pereira Toledo Machado, Diana Paton, and Emily West (Routledge, 2020), 100-116.

"Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: White Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved People's Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century South," in *Sexuality and Slavery: Reclaiming Intimate Histories in the Americas* eds. Daina Ramey Berry and Leslie Harris (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2018), 109-123.

"Mistresses in the Making: White Girls, Mastery and the Practice of Slaveownership in the Nineteenth-Century South," in *Women's America, Volume 8: Refocusing the Past* Eds. Linda Kerber, Jane Sherron De Hart, Cornelia Hughes Dayton, and Judy Wu (Oxford University Press, 2015), 139-147.

Journal Article

"[S]he could...spare one ample breast for the profit of her owner': White Mothers and Enslaved Wet Nurses' Invisible Labor in American Slave Markets." *Slavery and Abolition* 38, No. 2 (April 2017): 337-355.

Book Reviews

Daina Ramey Berry, *The Price for Their Pound of Flesh: The Value of the Enslaved, from Womb to Grave, in the Building of a Nation* (Boston: Beacon Press, 2017), in *Journal of African-American History* 103, No. 3 (Summer 2018): 448-451.

Calvin Schermerhorn, *The Business of Slavery and the Rise of American Capitalism, 1815-1860* (New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 2015), in *Journal of Southern History* 82, No. 2 (May 2016): 411-412.

Web-Based Publications

"White Women and the Economy of Slavery." *Not Even Past*, February 1, 2019, <https://notevenpast.org/white-women-and-the-economy-of-slavery/>

"Police shootings: How many more must perish before we see justice?" *The Berkeley Blog*, July 27, 2017, <http://blogs.berkeley.edu/2017/07/27/stephanie-jones-rogers-police-exonerations-history-of-slavery/>

"Another Side to the Tubman Twenty," *The Berkeley Blog*, April 26, 2016, <http://blogs.berkeley.edu/2016/04/26/my-reservations-about-harriet-tubmans-image-on-the-new-20-bill/>

"A Thousand Words, Countless Silences and the Audacity of Black Love," *The Berkeley Blog*, March 31, 2016, <http://blogs.berkeley.edu/2016/03/31/a-thousand-words-countless-silences-and-the-audacity-of-black-love/>

"The Charleston Massacre: What is the Meaning of Black Life in America?" *The Berkeley Blog*, July 13, 2015, <http://blogs.berkeley.edu/2015/07/13/the-charleston-massacre-what-is-the-meaning-of-black-life-in-america/>

"Rachel Dolezal's 'Deception': What We Don't Want to Know about Racial Identity in America," *The Berkeley Blog*, June 29, 2015, <http://blogs.berkeley.edu/2015/06/29/rachel-dolezals-deception-what-we-dont-want-to-know-about-racial-identity-in-america/>

"If Only Trayvon Had Freedom Papers," *History News Network*, July 16, 2013, <https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/152622>

HONORS AND AWARDS

- The Society for Historians of the Early American Republic's 2020 Best Book Prize
- Los Angeles Times 2019 Book Prize in History
- Organization of American Historians Merle Curti Social History Award, 2020
- Division of Social Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award, College of Letters and Science, 2016-2017
- Organization of American Historians Lerner-Scott Dissertation Prize in U.S. Women's History, 2013

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- Ford Foundation Post-Doctoral Fellowship, 2017-2018
- National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers, 2017-2018
- Woodrow Wilson Foundation Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty, 2017
- American Association of University Women Post-Doctoral Fellowship, 2017-2018, *Declined*
- American Council for Learned Societies Fellowship, 2017-2018, *Alternate*
- Humanities Research Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 2017-2018
- Hellman Fellows Fund Award, 2016
- Regents' Junior Faculty Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 2015
- Institute of International Studies Manuscript Mini-Conference Grant, University of California, Berkeley, 2015
- Arts and Humanities Initiative Standard Grant, University of Iowa, 2013-2014
- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Old Gold Summer Fellowship, University of Iowa, 2013-2014

PRESENTATIONS/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS

"Mistresses of the Market: White Women and the Nineteenth-Century Domestic Slave Trade." The 14th Annual Margaret Morrison Distinguished Lecture in Women's History, Carnegie Mellon University, March 26, 2020 (Postponed due to COVID-19)

“She had...a Womb Subjected to Bondage’: The Afro-Atlantic Origins of British Colonial Descent Law.” Empires and Atlantics Forum, University of Chicago, March 13, 2020. (Postponed due to COVID-19)

"Mistresses of the Market: White Women and the Nineteenth-Century Domestic Slave Trade." Harrison Lecture, Johns Hopkins University, February 25, 2020

“She had...a Womb Subjected to Bondage’: The Afro-Atlantic Origins of British Colonial Descent Law.” Stanford Center for Law and History, Stanford Law School, November 19, 2019

“She had...a Womb Subjected to Bondage’: The Afro-Atlantic Origins of British Colonial Descent Law.” Center for the Study of Law and Society, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, November 18, 2019

“‘That ‘oman took delight in sellin’ slaves’: White Women and the Slave Marketplace.” Rutgers University-Newark, March 19, 2018

“The (In)Visibility of Sexual Violence in the Archives of Slavery.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 5-8, 2018

“Women, American Slavery, and the Law.” American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, October 26-29, 2017

“Pioneers and New Scholarship on Women in the Pre–Civil War South: A Roundtable.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, April 5-9, 2017

“The (In)Visibility of Sexual Violence in the Archives of Slavery.” African American Intellectual History Society Annual Meeting, March 24-25, 2017

"Mistresses of the Market: White Women and the Nineteenth-Century Domestic Slave Trade." New Directions in Diversity Speaker Series, University of Illinois-Champaign, March 1-3, 2017

“‘These Negroes Are All the Property She Has’: White Slaveowning Women and the Pecuniary Destruction of Civil War.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 5-8, 2017

“Female Soul Drivers, Lady Flesh Stealers, and She-Merchants in the American Slave Trade.” National Civil Rights Museum, November 10, 2016

"Mistresses of the Market: White Women and the Nineteenth-Century Domestic Slave Trade." Region and Nation in American Histories of Race and Slavery, October 7, 2016
<https://vimeo.com/191854577 - t=1655s>

“‘Her title to said negroes is perfect & complete’: Slavery, Marriage, and Women’s Challenges to Coverture in the Nineteenth-Century South.” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Meeting, July 23, 2016

Workshop: “Black Milk: Maternal Bodies, Wet Nursing, and Black Women’s Invisible Labor in the Antebellum Slave Market.” Department of History, University of California, Santa Cruz, May 11, 2016

“Lady Flesh Stealers, Female Soul Drivers, and She-Merchants: White Women and the American Slave Market.” Center for Cultural Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz, May 11, 2016

“Black Milk: Maternal Bodies, Wet Nursing, and Black Women’s Invisible Labor in the Antebellum Slave Market.” University of Reading, Whiteknights Campus, April 19- 21, 2016

“Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: Free Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved People’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century South.” Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, November 12-15, 2015

“‘Her title to said negroes is perfect & complete’: Slavery, Marriage, and Women’s Challenges to Coverture in the Nineteenth-Century South.” American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, October 29 – November 1, 2015

“Mistresses of the Market: White Women and the Economy of Slavery in 19th Century America.” University of California, Berkeley, October 3, 2015

“The Fugitive Slave Clause: Rethinking Gender, Slavery, and the Constitution.” University of California, Berkeley, September 17, 2015 <https://youtu.be/IrjpBuphCAA>

“Lady Flesh Stealers, Female Soul Drivers, and She-Merchants: White Women and the American Slave Market.” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Meeting, July 16-19, 2015

“‘To buy what I had already a right to possess’: The Slave Market, Self-Purchase and Enslaved Women’s Quests for Freedom in the Antebellum South.” Western Association of Women Historians 47th Annual Conference, May 14-16, 2015

“Female Soul Drivers, Lady Flesh Stealers, and She-Merchants in the American Slave Trade.” Human Trafficking in Early America, University of Pennsylvania, April 23-25, 2015

“White Women and the New Orleans Slave Market.” To Be Sold: The American Slave Trade from Virginia to New Orleans, Williams Research Center, Historic New Orleans Collection, March 21, 2015 https://youtu.be/5oqFStLHR_I?t=6h35m

“Female Soul Drivers, Lady Flesh Stealers, and She-Merchants in the American Slave Trade.” Gendering the Early American Marketplace: Slavery, Sexuality, and the Trade, Center for Race and Gender, March 5, 2015

“The Mary Shelleys of American Slavery.” Slavery and American Capitalism: A Roundtable Discussion with Edward Baptist, University of California, Berkeley, February 5, 2015

“Mistresses in the Making: White Girls, Mastery, and the Practice of Slaveownership in the Nineteenth-Century South.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2–5, 2015

“Challenging Coverture Within and Beyond the Nineteenth-Century Southern Courtroom.” Legal History Workshop, University of California, Berkeley, November 20, 2014

“White Women and the Southern Markets in Slaves and Sex.” Women's History Panel, University of California, Berkeley, September 22, 2014

“Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: Free Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved Women’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century US South.” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, University of Toronto, May 22-25, 2014

“‘You Couldn’t Guess de Awfulness of It’: The Slave Market in Enslaved People’s Daily Lives.” Anna Julia Cooper Project Faculty Workshop, Newcomb College Institute, Tulane University, April 8, 2014

“Female Soul Drivers, Lady Flesh Stealers and other White Women in the American Slave Trade.” Newcomb Fridays, Newcomb College Institute, Tulane University, April 4, 2014

“‘These Negroes Are All the Property She Has’: White Slaveowning Women and the Pecuniary Destruction of Civil War.” War, Memory, and Gender: An Interdisciplinary Conference, University of South Alabama, March 27-29, 2014

“Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: Free Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved Women’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century US South.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2–5, 2014

"Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: White Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved People’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century South." Solidarity and Social Justice: Recasting Histories of Sex, Class and Race in America, Rutgers University, October 24-26, 2013

"Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: White Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved People’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century South." Newberry Library Seminar on Women and Gender, October 18, 2013

“‘These Negroes Are All the Property She Has’: White Slaveowning Women and the Pecuniary Destruction of Civil War.” "This Terrible War": 2013 Conference on the Civil War, Center for Civil War Research, University of Mississippi, October 3-5, 2013

“Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: Free Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved Women’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century US South.” Unleashing the Black Erotic: Gender and Sexuality-Passion, Power and Praxis, College of Charleston, September 18-21, 2013

“Rethinking Sexual Violence and the Marketplace of Slavery: White Women, the Slave Market and Enslaved People’s Sexualized Bodies in the Nineteenth-Century South.” Emerging Perspectives on Race and Gender in the Nineteenth-Century United States: A Workshop, The State University of Pennsylvania, March 16, 2013

“‘She thought she could find a better market’: White Women and the Re-Gendering of the Antebellum New Orleans Slave Market and Slave-Trading Community.” Boston Seminar on the History of Women and Gender, Massachusetts Historical Society, April 12, 2012

“‘Missus done her own bossing’: White Slaveowning Women and the Re-Gendering of Mastery, Violence and Power in the Post-Revolutionary South.” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Meeting, July 17, 2011

“Black Milk: Maternal Bodies, Wet Nursing, and the Value of Black Women’s Invisible Labor in the Antebellum Slave Market.” Berkshire Conference of Women’s Historians, June 12, 2011

“‘To buy what I had already a right to possess’: The Slave Market, Self-Purchase and Enslaved Women’s Quests for Freedom in the Antebellum South.” Toward an Intellectual History of Black Women Conference, Columbia University, Center for the Critical Analysis of Social Difference, April 30, 2011

“‘Missus done her own bossing’: Reconstructing White Slaveowning Women’s Narratives of Power and Reconsidering Mastery in the Post-Revolutionary South.” Narratives of Power Seminar Project, Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis, March 8, 2011

“Black Milk: White Women, Enslaved Wet Nurses, and Maternal Violence in the Antebellum Slave Market.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 7, 2011

COURSES TAUGHT

Graduate Seminar: Slavery and Servitude in the United States

Graduate Research Seminar: The History of Race, Gender, and Sexuality in America

Graduate Research Seminar: Research in American History

Undergraduate Seminar: Slavery and Servitude in the United States

Undergraduate Seminar: The History of African American Women from Slavery to Freedom

Undergraduate Research Seminar: The History of Race, Gender, and Sexuality in America

Undergraduate Lecture Course: Defiant Women: Gender, Power and Violence in American History

Undergraduate Lecture Course: The History of Women in the United States before 1900

Undergraduate Lecture Course: African-American History, 1619-1865

Undergraduate Lecture Course (Summer): Hip-Hop and History

DEPARTMENT/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Equity Advisor, Committee on Climate, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, Department of History, 2019-2020

Vice-Chair for Curriculum, Department of History, 2019-2020

Miller Scholars Faculty Selection Committee, June 2017

Prizes and Awards Committee, 2016-2017

Graduate Affairs Committee, 2016-2017, 2014-2015

Faculty Advisor, UC Berkeley History-Social Science Project, 2016-

African History Search Committee, Department of History, 2015-2016

Women, Gender, and Sexuality Conference Steering Committee, 2015

Graduate Admissions Screening Committee, 2014-2015

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

African American Intellectual History Society
American Historical Association
American Studies Association
Association of Black Women Historians
Organization of American Historians
Society for Historians of the Early American Republic
Southern Historical Association