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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Geography, expected August 2019
Dissertation: "The Urban Alley: A Hidden Landscape of Social Change in Washington, DC"
Committee: William Cronon (chair), Sarah Moore, Anna Andrzejewski, Kris Olds, Richard Schein
Preliminary Exam Fields: Environmental History, Political Ecology, Urban Geography
PhD Minor: Vernacular Landscapes, Center for Culture, History, and Environment
- M.S. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Geography, 2014
Thesis: "Redefining Historical Significance: Toward New Possibilities for Preservation at Madison's Sugar Castle"
Committee: William Cronon (chair), Sarah Moore, Anna Andrzejewski
- B.A. Yale University, American Studies, Distinction in the Major, 2010
Thesis: "A Partnership for a Democratic Society: Frederick Law Olmsted, Andrew Cowan, and the Louisville Park System"
Advisor: Dolores Hayden

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2018 Pamela H. Simpson Presenter's Fellowship, Vernacular Architecture Forum (\$500)
- 2017 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement (DDRI) grant, National Science Foundation (\$12,000)
- 2017 Trewartha Graduate Conference Travel Award, UW-Madison Dept. of Geography (\$600)
- 2016 University Fellowship, UW-Madison (\$20,000)
- 2016 Student Research Travel Grant, UW-Madison Office of Diversity, Equity and Funding (\$600)
- 2016 Trewartha Graduate Research Award, UW-Madison Dept. of Geography (\$600)
- 2016 Center for Cultural, History, and Environment Research Grant, UW-Madison (\$2,000)
- 2015 American Society for Environmental History Travel Grant, National Science Foundation (\$500)
- 2015 Trewartha Graduate Conference Travel Award, UW-Madison Dept. of Geography (\$500)
- 2015 Vernacular Architecture Forum Ambassador Award (\$500)

- 2015 Center for Cultural, History, and Environment Travel Grant, UW-Madison (\$500)
- 2014 Honorable Mention, Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP), National Science Foundation
- 2014 Sally Kress Tompkins Fellowship, Society for Architectural Historians and Historic American Buildings Survey (\$10,000)
- 2014 Public Humanities Exchange, UW-Madison Center for Humanities (\$2,000)
- 2013 Trewartha Graduate Research Award, UW-Madison Dept. of Geography (\$500)
- 2013 Trewartha Graduate Conference Travel Award, UW-Madison Dept. of Geography (\$500)
- 2012 University Fellowship, UW-Madison (\$19,000)
- 2012 Vilas Welcome Award, UW-Madison (\$600)
- 2010 Norman Holmes Pearson Prize, Department of American Studies, Yale University (\$1,000)

TEACHING AWARDS & EXPERIENCE

Awards

- 2016-18 UW-Madison Teaching Academy Future Faculty Partner (recognized for teaching excellence and inducted into selective Teaching Academy for teaching enrichment)
- 2016 UW-Madison Campus-wide Innovation in Teaching Award
- 2016 UW-Madison College of Letters and Science Teaching Fellow (recognized for teaching excellence and selected to instruct college-wide TA training)
- 2015 UW-Madison Department of Geography Olmstead Award for Outstanding Teaching

Lecturer

- 2018 Introduction to the City, Geog/Urpl 305 (Spring)

Teaching Assistant

- 2016 Introduction to the City, Geog/Urpl 305, Sarah Moore (Spring)
- 2015 Introduction to the City, Geog/Urpl 305, Sarah Moore (Fall)
- 2015 Introduction to the City, Geog/Urpl 305, Sarah Moore (Spring)
- 2014 Introduction to Human Geography, Geog 101 Keith Woodward (Fall)
- 2014 Introduction to Human Geography, Geog 101 Keith Woodward (Spring)
- 2013 American Environmental History, Hist/Geog/Envst 460 William Cronon (Fall)
- 2013 Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth high school summer program

Engagement with Campus-Wide Teaching and Teacher Training Initiatives

- 2018 Gullickson Fellow with UW-Madison College of Letters and Science (develop resources and training for graduate student teaching assistants across the college)
- 2016-18 Participant in workshops and retreats as Future Faculty Partner in UW-Madison Teaching Academy

- 2017 Lead for redesign of “Geog/Urpl 305: Introduction to the City” to meet UW-Madison’s ethnic studies course requirements
- 2017 Instructor of online demonstration lesson for teacher-enrichment course, “The College Classroom: Teaching Inclusively”
- 2017 Facilitator for Department of Geography TA training
- 2017 Participant in Delta Program in Research, Teaching and Learning course: “College Classroom: How to Teach Inclusively for Educating a Diverse Nation”
- 2016 Instructor for UW-Madison College of Letters and Science teaching assistant training

Invited Guest Lecturer

- 2018 “Writing for a Public Audience,” Methods Seminar for Center for Culture, History, and Environment, UW-Madison
- 2017 “Cities and Nature,” Introduction to the City, UW-Madison
- 2017 “Racial Segregation in U.S. Cities,” The College Classroom: Teaching Inclusively, UW-Madison (online class)
- 2017 “Environmental Justice,” Introduction to Human Geography, UW-Madison
- 2017 “Human Geography in College,” Capitol City Charter School, AP Human Geography class, Washington, DC
- 2016 “Cities and Nature,” Introduction to the City, UW-Madison
- 2016 “American Cities,” American Councils, high school English class, Gharm, Tajikistan

Grader

- 2017 Introduction to the City
- 2016 Introduction to Human Geography
- 2015 Quantitative Methods/Geographic Analysis
- 2015 Introduction to Human Geography
- 2014 Introduction to the City
- 2013 Geography of Europe
- 2013 Introduction to Earth Systems
- 2013 Environmental Conservation

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

- 2018 “This is Ivy City’: An Iconic Building’s Impact on Gentrification and Neighborhood Identity,” *Buildings and Landscapes* 25(1) (forthcoming)
- 2017 With Garrett Dash Nelson. “Making stories significant: Possibilities and challenges at the intersection of digital methods and historic preservation” *Area*. doi:10.1111/area.12395

Online

- 2017 “Black Branding and Gentrification in Washington, D.C.” *Edge Effects*.
<http://edgeeffects.net/cappucino-city/>
- 2017 “The Itchy Ecology of Segregation: A Conversation with Dawn Biehler.” *Edge Effects*.
<http://edgeeffects.net/mosquito-segregation/>
- 2014 “Documenting DC: Understanding a City One Building at a Time.” *Edge Effects*.
<http://edgeeffects.net/documenting-dc/>
- 2014 “Sensing Hidden Stories: A Visit to Miners Memorial Heritage Park” in “Reflections on Extraction 1: Mining the Invisible.” *Edge Effects*. <http://edgeeffects.net/mining-the-invisible/>
- 2014 “Hecht’s Company Warehouse,” “Woodward & Lothrop Service Warehouse,” and “Alexander Crummell School.” *Historic American Buildings Survey*, Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Collection. <http://www.loc.gov/pictures/collection/hh/>

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 “Developing on Disorder: Alley Closures and Contestations over Public Space in Postwar Washington, D.C.”
Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Cleveland
- 2017 “Black Empowerment in the Alley: Leveraging Rats and Garbage for Civil Rights in Washington, D.C.”
American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Boston.
- 2017 “From Alley Slums to Courts: Clearing Racialized Space in Mid-Century Washington, D.C.”
Center for Culture, History and Environment Graduate Student Symposium, UW-Madison
- 2015 “Change and Disempowerment in Washington D.C.’s Ivy City: A Historical Look.”
American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Chicago
- 2015 “Sugar, Grain...Gone? A participatory landscape history project on Madison’s East Side.” with Garrett Dash Nelson.
International Historical Geography Conference, London
- 2015 “Memory as History: Making Meaning of Place in Madison, WI” and organized panel: “(Re)Building Public Memory.”
Vernacular Architecture Forum Conference, Chicago
- 2015 “The Hecht Company Warehouse: A Landmark of Environmental Change in Washington, D.C.’s Ivy City.”
American Society for Environmental History Conference, Washington, DC
- 2014 “Saving Madison’s Sugar Castle: Integrating Official History and Public Memory to Plan for the Future.”
Center for Culture, History and Environment Graduate Student Symposium, UW-Madison
- 2013 “Saving Madison’s Sugar Castle: Integrating Official History and Public Memory to Plan for the Future.”
Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference, University of Colorado-Boulder

POSITIONS & APPOINTMENTS

- 2018 Gullickson Fellow with UW–Madison College of Letters and Science (I develop resources and training for graduate student teaching assistants across campus)
- 2017 Managing Editor, *Edge Effects* (www.edgeeffects.net), a digital magazine of environmental humanities. *Edge Effects* is the primary publication of the UW-Madison Center for Culture, History, and Environment (CHE) (I manage an 8-member editorial board; recruit and help develop public-facing environmental scholarship; and supervise publication of two posts/week, including essays, podcasts, and exhibits, reaching 200-10,000+ readers/post)
- 2017 Project Assistant for William Cronon (digitize research materials)
- 2017 Project Assistant for Sarah Moore (redesigned Geography 305: Introduction to the City to fulfill university ethnic studies requirement)

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

- 2015-18 Managing Editor (2017-2018) and editorial board member (2015-2016) of *Edge Effects*, a digital magazine of environmental humanities. *Edge Effects* is the primary publication of the UW-Madison Center for Culture, History, and Environment (CHE) www.edgeeffects.net
- 2017 Interviewed for *Washington Post*, “Are alleys the new frontier for D.C.’s housing market?” December 14, 2017
- 2015 “The History of Dogs in our Neighborhood.” *Westmorland Courier*. March 2015 (publication in Madison, WI neighborhood newspaper drawn from graduate seminar research)
- 2014-15 *Goodman to Garver* public history project. Public Humanities Exchange, UW-Madison Center for Humanities. www.goodmantogarver.com (created, with Garrett Dash Nelson, online participatory mapping public history project)
- 2014 Volunteer historian for Lamp House city historic district nomination, Madison, WI (worked with local historians and city planners to complete documentation of a historical district in downtown Madison, WI)

CARTOGRAPHY EXPERIENCE & AWARDS

- 2016 Freelance cartographer, *The Roots of Urban Renaissance: Gentrification and the Struggle Over Harlem*, by Brian Goldstein (created, with Garrett Dash Nelson, two illustrative maps)
- 2016 Freelance cartographer, legislative campaign of UW-Madison Teaching Assistants Association (TAA) (created of two maps of Wisconsin senate and assembly districts)
- 2014-15 *Goodman to Garver* public history project www.goodmantogarver.com (created, with Garrett Dash Nelson, online participatory mapping public history project)
- 2013 Barbara Bartz Petchenik Memorial Graduate Award in Cartographic Design, UW-Madison (award for static map “Where to Play? Urban Youth Access to Public Parks, 2012”) (\$100)

- 2013 National Geographic Award in Mapping, Honorable Mention (award for static map “Where to Play? Urban Youth Access to Public Parks, 2012”)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

UW-Madison Department of Geography Graduate Student Representative:

- 2017 Hiring Committee for Department of Geography Graduate Program Director
2017 Graduate Student representative to faculty for Human Geography hire
2017 Graduate Student Archivist (compile and organize records of graduate student resources)
2015-16 Graduate Studies Committee (consulted on graduate student concerns and degree requirements)
2015-16 Women in Geography (organized monthly programming for meetings of female graduate students and faculty)
2014-15 Undergraduate Affairs Committee (consulted on undergraduate program enrichment)
2013-15 Women in Geography Mentoring Program (founded and organized program for graduate women to mentor undergraduate women)
2014 Diversity Task Force (organized meetings and co-authored report and recommendations)
2013-14 Graduate Student Mentoring Program (organized graduate student mentoring of incoming graduate students)

UW-Madison Center for Culture, History, and Environment Graduate Associate Representative:

- 2016-17 Graduate Student Professional Development (organized monthly workshops)
2012-13 Graduate Student Symposium co-organizer

AFFILIATIONS

- 2012-18 Center for Culture History and Environment (CHE), UW-Madison
2018 American Association of Geographers
2018 Vernacular Architecture Forum
2017 Urban History Association
2017 Society for American and Regional Planning History
2015 American Society of Environmental Historians