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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D.

United States History
Oklahoma State University
Stillwater, OK
December 2014

M.A.

English Literature
Oklahoma State University
Stillwater, OK
2010

B.A.

History
St. Cloud State University
St. Cloud, MN
2008

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English
St. Cloud State University
St. Cloud, MN
2008

Recent EMPLOYMENT

Adjunct Professor, History Department

Minnesota State University, Mankato
2019-present

Adjunct Professor, Social Sciences Department

Southwest Minnesota State University
2015-present

Lecturer, History Department

Oklahoma State University
2015-present

Coordinator of Contingent Faculty Organizing

Inter Faculty Organization
January 2019-May 2019

Member Organizer, Inter Faculty Organization
Southwest Minnesota State University
January 2019-May 2019

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

Marcattilio-McCracken, Ry. “Cacogenic Cartographies: Space and Place in the Eugenic Family Study,” *Journal of the History of Biology* 50, no. 3 (August 2017): 497-524.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10739-016-9452-9>

Marcattilio-McCracken, Ry. “Anthropometry by Any Other Name: Beautiful Children, Homely Parents, and a Blueprint for ‘Marriage from the Standpoint of Art’,” *LATCH: The Literary Artifact in Theory, Culture, and History* vol. 6, December 2013.

Chapters in Edited Collections

Ry Marcattilio-McCracken, et. al. “Athletics,” in *The Modern Land-Grant University*, ed. Robert Sternberg (West Lafayette, ID: Purdue University Press, 2014).

Book Reviews/Other

Book review: *Puget Sound Whales for Sale: The Fight to End Orca Hunting* by Sandra Pollard, in the *Pacific Northwest Quarterly* 106, no. 2, Spring 2015.

Dual book review: *The Wired Northwest: The History of Electric Power, 1870s-1970s* by Paul W. Hirt and *Power for the People: A History of Seattle City Light* by David W. Wilma, Walt Crowley, and the HistoryLink Staff in the *Pacific Northwest Quarterly* 105, no. 4, Winter 2013.

“Lodge Corollary,” “Radio Free Europe,” and “Tariff of 1892,” in *Imperialism and Expansionism in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia*. Edited by Chris Magoc and David Bernstein. ABC-CLIO: Santa Barbara, CA, 2015.

“Mary Sears,” and “Anna Mae Hays” in *American Women at War: From the Home Front to the Battlefields*. Edited by Lisa Tendrich Frank. ABC-CLIO: Santa Barbara, CA, 2013.

Manuscripts Under Review

Journal article: “Where is our Third Man?: Edith Johnson, *The Daily Oklahoman*, and Forty Years of Oklahoma Eugenics” to the *Chronicles of Oklahoma*

Manuscripts in Preparation

Book: “The Incurribles: Eugenics and Sterilization in a Juvenile Girls’ Reformatory”

Journal article: “Social Welfare in Kansas, 1865-1916”

Journal article: “The Problem of the Unfit: The Kansas State Board of Control, 1908-1912”

Other Published Writing

“The Frozen Father of Modern Transhumanism,” *Motherboard*, October 14th, 2015.

<http://motherboard.vice.com/read/the-frozen-father-of-modern-transhumanism>

“My Love-Hate Relationship with TurnItIn,” *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, September 18th, 2015. <http://chronicle.com/article/My-Love-Hate-Relationship-With/232887>

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019	Southwest Minnesota State University Faculty Improvement Grant
2017-2018	Linda Hall Postdoctoral Fellow, Linda Hall Library, Kansas City, Missouri
2016	Breakthrough Generation Fellowship, finalist, The Breakthrough Institute, Oakland, CA
2014	Distinguished Graduate Dissertation Fellowship, Oklahoma State University
2014	Robberson Dissertation Fellowship, Oklahoma State University
2014	History Department Graduate Research Fellowship, Oklahoma State University
2014	Phi Alpha Theta Doctoral Research Fellowship, Oklahoma State University
2014	LeRoy H. Fischer Graduate Research Paper Award, Oklahoma State University
2011-2014	O.A. Hilton Memorial Scholarship, Oklahoma State University
2012; 2013	History Department Graduate Research Paper Award, First Place, Oklahoma State University
2010-2013	Oklahoma State University SRIP Fellowship, Oklahoma State University
2010	English Graduate Student Association Breakout Award, Oklahoma State University

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Papers Presented

2020

Submitted: “From Spanking Chairs to Straight Jackets: Medical Technologies and Carceral Power in Kansas at a Girls’ Industrial School”

Joint Atlantic Seminar for the History of Medicine, Harvard University, October 2020

2017

“Wayward Girls: *Psy* Discourses, Technologies of Power, and the History of Juvenile Delinquency and ID”

Symposium: Retelling the History of ID during the Eugenic Era: An Inclusive Approach with Current Implications, American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C., August 2017

“The Kallikaks of Kansas: Rural Degenerationism and Hereditarian Thinking, 1897-1919”
Midwest Junto for the History of Science, Bloomington, Indiana, March 2017

2016

“Letters from Beloit: Lost Voices in the History of American Eugenics”
American Association for the History of Medicine, Minneapolis, MN, May 2016

“Sociology and the Dogma of Human Inheritance”

Midwest Junto for the History of Science, Norman, Oklahoma, April 2016

2015

“Reinventing the Jukes: Heredity, Environment, and the Social Parasitism of James Marris”
Northern Great Plains History Conference, October 2015

“Geographies of Worth: Chronotope and the Eugenic Family Study”

Midwest Junto for the History of Science, Madison, WI, April 2015

2014

“Anthropometry by Any Other Name: Beautiful Children, Homely Parents, and a Blueprint for
‘Marriage from the Standpoint of Art’”

History of Science Society Conference, Chicago, IL, November 2014

“Biopolitics and Mental Health in Kansas: The State Industrial Girls’ School and Kathryn
O’Loughlin McCarthy, 1937-1938”

Politics of Protest: A Conference on Opposition in the U.S., Boston University, April 2014

“Science, Society, and State: Sterilization and Scientific Debate in Oklahoma and Kansas in the
Twentieth Century”

Subjectivity and the System: An Interdisciplinary Conference, Brown University, March 2014

2013

“‘These Hindering Forces’: Intellectual Foundations of Postwar Eugenics on the Southern
Plains”

History of Science Society Annual Conference, Boston, MA, October 2013

“Scions of Heredity: Social Darwinism and Scientific Thought in Oklahoma”

Phi Alpha Theta/OAPH Regional Conference, Stillwater, OK, February 2013

2012

“Fruit of the Family Tree: Science, Debate, and the Public Arena, 1914-1941”

Northern Great Plains History Conference, Fargo, ND, October 2012

2011

“America’s Eugenic Past: A Preliminary Look at Positive and Negative Eugenics in Oklahoma”

Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference, Boulder, CO, September 2011

2010

“Agency and Identity in the Contact Zone: The Travel Writer and the Native in the Writing of
J.M. Synge”

American Conference for Irish Studies, State College, PA, October 2010

“Traveling with Baggage: J.M. Synge’s *The Aran Islands* and James Frazer’s *The Golden Bough*”

Midwest American Conference for Irish Studies, Grand Rapids, MI, September 2010

“The Self and the Other in J.M Synge’s *The Aran Islands*”

Oklahoma State University Research Symposium and Research Scholar Conference, Stillwater, OK, February 2010

2009

“The Influence of Medicine and Religion on the Construction of Dystopian Literature”

English Graduate Student Association Colloquium, Stillwater, OK, February 2009

INVITED TALKS

American Eugenics

Gender and Women’s Studies Department

Laura Harrison, Minnesota State University, Mankato, January 29th, 2020

Intersections between American Eugenics and Feminist Technoscience

Gender and Women’s Studies Department

Laura Harrison, Minnesota State University, Mankato, October 30th, 2019

“The Incurrigibles”

Fellows Speaking Series

Ben Gross, Linda Hall Library, October 18th, 2017

“Creating Born Criminals”

Biology Seminar Series

Heiko Schoenfuss, Saint Cloud State University October 22nd, 2017

“Darwin’s Dark Legacy? The Therapeutic Impulse and American Eugenics”

Biology Seminar Series

Heiko Schoenfuss, Saint Cloud State University, October 26th, 2015

CAMPUS TALKS

“Let’s Put a Little Math In It: In Support of Range Voting”

GPSGA Election Meeting

Jeff Simpson, Oklahoma State University, March 16th, 2011

TEACHING

Minnesota State University, Mankato, Mankato, Minnesota

HIST 19: Survey of American History, 1877-Present (Fall 2019)

University of Missouri-Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri

ANCH 317: History of Science, Technology, and Society (with Brian Frehner) (Fall 2017)

Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall, Minnesota

HIST 222: Modern America: U.S. History Part II, 1865-Present (Fall 2015-present) (online as of Fall 2017-present)

Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma

HIST 1103: Survey of American History, Precolonial-Present (Online, Spring 2015-present)

HIST 1623: Western Civilization after 1500 (Online, Spring 2017-present)

HIST 2333: American Thought and Culture (Online, Spring 2015-present)

HIST 3333: History of the Second World War (Online, Spring 2017)

HIST 3023: Ancient Greece (Correspondence course, Spring 2017)

HIST 3033: Ancient Rome (Correspondence course, Spring 2017)

HIST 3663: Robber Barons and Reformers, 1877-1919 (Online, Spring 2015-present)

ENGL 1113: Composition I (Fall 2009)

ENGL 1213: Composition II (Spring 2009, Spring 2010)

Community College of Rhode Island, Warwick, Rhode Island

ENGL 1010: Composition I (Fall 2013; Spring 2014)

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Stillwater, Oklahoma

OLLI SP2013: Darwin's *Origin of Species*: History of a Man and an Idea (Spring 2013)

OLLI SP2010: Narratives in Magical Realism: Gabriel Garcia Marquez' *One Hundred Years of Solitude* (Spring 2010)

Additional Course Preparations

HIST 200: Introduction to Environmental History

HIST 200: Race in America

HIST 300: History of Biology, 1735 to present

HIST 400: American Science and the Cold War

HIST 500: Fuzzy Data, Scientific Uncertainty, and Modern Dread: A History of Probability and Risk

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Oklahoma State University

Rebecca Damron, Professor of English and Linguistics

Research Assistant under grant from National Science Foundation, "Critical Thinking Enhancement through Paired English Composition and Engineering Courses," (Summer 2009, Spring 2010)

SERVICE

Disciplinary Service

Journal of the History of Biology reviewer (Fall 2019)

H-Sci-Med-Tech book reviews list
H-USA book reviews list
NeoAmericanist book reviews list

Departmental Service

Phi Alpha Theta National History Honors Society, Nu Chapter, President (2012-2013)
English Graduate Student Association Faculty of the Year Committee (2009-2010)

University Service

Statewide Contingent Appointments Committee, Inter-Faculty Organization, Chair (2019-20)
Co-chair, MNSU Contingent Appointment Committee (Fall 2019-present)
Minnesota State University, Mankato Faculty Association Executive Committee (Fall 2019)
IFO Coordinator of Organizing, Education, and Engagement Search Committee (Summer 2019)
Inter-Faculty Organization Board of Directors (Fall 2018-present)
Southwest Minnesota State University Faculty Association Exec Committee, (Spring 2017-present)
Statewide Contingent Appointments Committee, Inter-Faculty Organization, Member (2016-present)
Co-chair, SMSU Contingent Appointment Committee (Spring 2016-present)
Research Symposium/Research Scholar Conference Judge (2012)
Department Rep to Graduate and Professional Student Government Association (2010- 2012)
Graduate and Professional Student Government Association, Parliamentarian (2011-2012)
University Library Advisory Committee (2011-2012)
University Student Technology Fee Committee (2011-2012)
Freshman Research Scholars Colloquium, Judge (2011)

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Spanish: reading, good; speaking, basic

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association for the History of Medicine (2016-Present)
History of Science Society (2011-Present)
Society for the History of Technology (2011-Present)
American Historical Association (2009-Present)
National Association of Professional Graduate Students (2008-2014)
Phi Alpha Theta National History Honors Society (2007-2014)

REFERENCES

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Teaching Reference
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