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**Education**



|  |  |
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| Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 2017-Pres. |
| Ph.D. Student, History |  |
| *Advisor:* Dr. Seth Bruggeman |  |
| *Examination Fields:* Early America to 1865; Women, Gender, and Sexuality; |  |
| Atlantic World |  |
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| Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 2020 |
| Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education |  |
| Certificate in Online Education |  |
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| Millersville University, Millersville, Pennsylvania | 2017 |
| M.A. History |  |
| *Thesis:* “’Ruined as to our Estates: Eighteenth-Century Merchant-Class |  |
| Families’ Search for Security in an Atlantic World at War” |  |
| *Thesis Committee:* Dr. Clarence V. H. Maxwell (Chair), Dr. Robyn Lily Davis, |  |
| Dr. Dennis B. Downey |  |
|  |  |
| Millersville University, Millersville, Pennsylvania | 2015 |
| B.S.Ed. *magna cum laude* in Social Studies |  |
| *Thesis:* “Trampling of the Prostrate: The Utility and Rationalization of |  |
| Imperialist Ideologies in Colonial Africa and the Metropole” |  |
| *Thesis Advisor:* Dr. Onek C. Adyanga |  |

**Publications**



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| **Edited Collections** |  |
|  |  |
| Co-editor with Victoria Khiterer, *Holocaust Resistance in Europe and America: New* | 2017 |
| *Aspects and Dilemmas*, Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing. |  |
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| **Journal Articles & Related Contributions** |  |
|  |  |
| “’Ruined as to our Estates: Eighteenth-Century Merchant-Class Families’ Search for |  |
| Security in an Atlantic World at War.” *Bermuda Journal of Archaeology and* |  |
| *Maritime History* 22 (Forthcoming) |  |
|  |  |
| “The Southampton Slave Revolt of 1831: A Case Study in the Revolutionary Capacity of | 2016 |
| the Baptist Faith.” *Visions and Revisions: New Scholars and New Interpretations* 1, |  |
| Graduate Edition (2016): pp. 27-53. |  |
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| **Book Reviews** |  |
|  |  |
| Review of *The Boston Massacre: A Family History*, by Serena Zabin, *The Historian* 83. | 2021 |
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|  |  |
| Review of *Standing in Their Own Light: African American Patriots in the American* | 2018 |
| *Revolution*, by Judith L. Van Buskirk, *Strategic Visions* 17, no. 2 (2018): pp. 22-23. |  |
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| **Digital Projects** |  |
|  |  |
| “The Forgotten Flu: Philadelphia and the Spanish Flu Epidemic of 1918”, digital map | 2018 |
| supplement for *The Forgotten Flu* digital exhibition, created for the Philadelphia |  |
| Department of Public Health, <https://bit.ly/2IIsglU>. |  |
|  |  |
| "’Men of known Activity and Spirit’: Washington and the Tuckers of Bermuda”, digital | 2018 |
| exhibit for *Bermuda in the American Revolution: The Gunpowder Plot of 1775*, |  |
| <http://gunpowderplot1775.omeka.net/exhibits/show/exhibit>. |  |
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**Conference and Paper Presentations**



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| **Conference Presentations** |  |
|  |  |
| Panel Chair and Comment, *On Trend: Histories of Fashion*, 25th Annual James A. Barnes | 2020 |
| Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Hosted Virtually due to COVID-19), |  |
| 21 March. |  |
|  |  |
| Comment, *Long Neglected Historical Actors: The Experiences of Workers in the Middle* | 2019 |
| *East, Asia, and America*, 24th Annual James A. Barnes Conference, Philadelphia, |  |
| Pennsylvania, 22-23 March. |  |
|  |  |
| “’Thieves, Robbers, and such Pests of Society’: The Ambiguous Loyalties of Bermudian | 2018 |
| Elites, 1775-1784.” 2018 Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Convention, InterContinental |  |
| Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, 3-6 January. |  |
|  |  |
| “Security in a World at War: Merchant-Class Families in the Age of the American | 2017 |
| Revolution.” Made in Millersville: A Celebration of Student Scholarship and |  |
| Creativity, Millersville, Pennsylvania, 7 April. |  |
|  |  |
| “Merchants in Bermuda and Philadelphia during the American War for Independence.” | 2017 |
| Pennsylvania East Regional Conference, Phi Alpha Theta National Honor Society, |  |
| Rowan University, Glassboro, New Jersey, 1 April. |  |
|  |  |
| “Two Decades of Discord: The Shippen Family and the Socioeconomic Environment of | 2016 |
| Philadelphia, 1763 – 1783.” 4th Annual One-Day Conference on Pennsylvania in |  |
| the Age of Revolution, West Chester University, West Chester, Pennsylvania, |  |
| 13 October. |  |
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| “’In the time of tryal’: An Examination of Merchant-Class Families during the British | 2016 |
| Occupation of Philadelphia, 1777 – 1778.” Pennsylvania East Regional Conference, |  |
| Phi Alpha Theta National Honor Society, West Chester, Pennsylvania, 9 April. |  |
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| **Invited Talks, Colloquia, Workshops, and Collaborative Presentations** |  |
|  |  |
| “A 2020 Perspective on the 1918 Flu.” Co-presenter with Dr. Hilary Iris Lowe and | 2020 |
| Charlie Hersh. Interruption Public Talk Series hosted by Temple University |  |
| Libraries, Temple University, 27 October. |  |
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| “The Burk Mansion Project: Reflections on Open Pedagogy.” Co-presenter with Dr. Seth | 2019 |
| Bruggeman and Margery Sly. OpenCon Philly Satellite Conference, Temple |  |
| University, 1 November. |  |
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| “’Ruined as to our Estates: Eighteenth-Century Merchant-Class Families’ Search for | 2019 |
| Security in an Atlantic World at War.” Temple Early Atlantic Seminar. 1 October. |  |
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| “Uncertain Waters: Loyalty, Family, and Fortune during the Anglo-American | 2019 |
| Revolution,” *Trust Talks*, The Bermuda National Trust, Waterville, Paget, |  |
| Bermuda, 1 July. |  |
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| “The 1918 Spanish Flu Epidemic: Implications for Today.” Philadelphia Department | 2018 |
| of Public Health Training Session, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, |  |
| Division of Disease Control, DoubleTree Philadelphia Center City, Philadelphia, |  |
| Pennsylvania, 14 December. |  |
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| “The Forgotten Flu: The 100-Year Anniversary of the Spanish Flu in Philadelphia.” | 2018 |
| Co-presenter with Dr. Hilary Iris Lowe. Medical Reserve Corps Volunteer Training, |  |
| Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Division of Disease Control, |  |
| University of the Sciences, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1 December. |  |
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| “Preservation in Philadelphia: The Case of 1500 N. Broad.” Introduction to Public | 2018 |
| History Undergraduate Seminar, Center for Public History, Temple University, |  |
| Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 6 November. |  |
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| “The Politics of Sexual Violence during the American Revolution.” Graduate Research | 2018 |
| Seminar on Women, Gender, and Family in the Era of the American Revolution, |  |
| chaired by Craig Thompson Friend and Charlene Boyer Lewis, Fortieth Annual |  |
| Meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Cleveland, |  |
| Ohio, 19-22 July. |  |
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| “’Men of known Activity and Spirit’: West End Bermudians as American Patriots.” | 2017 |
| Patrons Event, in association with Bermuda National Trust. Chubb Gallery, |  |
| Hamilton, Bermuda, 18 July. |  |
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| “Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Faculty Strike, October, 2016: | 2017 |
| The View from Millersville.” Co-presenter with Lauren H. Cameron. Made in |  |
| Millersville: A Celebration of Student Scholarship and Creativity, Millersville, |  |
| Pennsylvania, 7 April. |  |
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| “Distress & Displacement: A Geographical Case Study of Revolutionary Pennsylvania.” | 2017 |
| Co-presenter with Lindsay Roschel. Made in Millersville: A Celebration of Student |  |
| Scholarship and Creativity, Millersville, Pennsylvania, 7 April. |  |
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| “Holocaust Resistance in Europe and America: New Aspects and Dilemmas.” | 2017 |
| Co-presenter with Dr. Victoria Khiterer. Made in Millersville: A Celebration of |  |
| Student Scholarship and Creativity, Millersville, Pennsylvania, 7 April. |  |
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| “Three Days in October: Faculty Strike Oral History Project, Millersville University.” | 2017 |
| Co-presenter with Katie M. Barrett, Elizabeth Nelson, and Lauren H. Cameron. |  |
| State System of Higher Education Library Cooperative Organization Annual |  |
| Conference, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 30 March. |  |
|  |  |
| “Families of the Revolution: A Comparison of Philadelphia & Lancaster, Pennsylvania.” | 2016 |
| Co-presenter with Lindsay Roschel. 85th Annual Meeting, Pennsylvania Historical |  |
| Association, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, 8 October. |  |

**Fellowships, Grants, and Awards**



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| A. Charles and S. Nevada Adams Graduate Research Fund, Temple University | 2020 |
| [Second Award from Adams Fund for dissertation research] |  |
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| A. Charles and S. Nevada Adams Graduate Research Fund, Temple University | 2020 |
| [First Award from Adams Fund for a Teaching in Higher Education certification] |  |
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| Allen F. Davis Endowed Fellowship in Public History, Temple University | 2018-2019 |
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| College of Liberal Arts Travel Grant, Temple University | 2018 |
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| Student Grant for Research and Creative Activity, Millersville University | 2017 |
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| Francis J. Bremer Award, Millersville University | 2017 |
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| Graduate Studies Student Research Grant, Millersville University | 2017 |
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| Noonan Endowment Award, Millersville University | 2016 |
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| Francis J. Bremer Award, Millersville University | 2016 |
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| Jack Loose Sons of the Revolution American History Research Award, Pennsylvania | 2016 |
| Society of the Sons of the Revolution, Lancaster County Chapter |  |
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| Graduate Studies Student Research Grant, Millersville University | 2016 |
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| Student Grant for Research and Creative Activity, Millersville University | 2016 |
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| Joseph E. Walker American History Scholarship, Millersville University | 2014 |

**Teaching Experience**



|  |  |
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| Instructor, Department of History, Temple University | 2019-Pres. |
| The Historian’s Craft, HIST 2001 (Fall 2020, Spring 2021) |  |
| The Politics of Identity, HIST 0832 (Fall 2019, Spring 2020) |  |
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| Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Temple University | 2017-2018 |
| United States History to 1877, Dr. Joseph Foster (Spring 2018) |  |
| Founding Philadelphia, Dr. Joseph Foster (Spring 2018) |  |
| United States History Since 1877, Dr. Hilary Iris Lowe (Fall 2017) |  |
| Global Connections, Dr. Christopher Golding (Fall 2017) |  |
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| Graduate Assistant, Department of History, Millersville University | 2015-2017 |
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| History Tutor, Millersville University | 2014-2017 |
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| Professional Development Intern, Conestoga Valley Middle School, Lancaster, | 2014-2015 |
| Pennsylvania |  |
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| **Workshops Facilitated** |  |
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| “Comprehensive Advice for Comprehensive Exams”, James A. Barnes History Graduate | 2018 |
| Student Organization, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 26 September. |  |

**Public History Experience**



|  |  |
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| Research Assistant to Dr. Seth Bruggeman and HIST 2152: Museum History, *Inequality* | 2019 |
| *in Bronze: Monumental Plantation Legacies*, Stenton House Museum, Temple |  |
| University Center for Public History, and the Pew Center for Arts & Heritage. |  |
|  |  |
| Digital Content Consultant, *Fashion History is Public History*, The Robert and Penny Fox | 2019 |
| Collection at Drexel University and Temple University Center for Public History |  |
|  |  |
| Data Analysis and Visualization Consultant, *The Philadelphia Historic House Museum* | 2018-2019 |
| *Database* (Working Title), Temple University Center for Public History |  |
|  |  |
| Project and Digital Content Manager, *1500 N. Broad Project,* Temple University | 2018-2019 |
| Center for Public History |  |
|  |  |
| Co-Curator and Digital Content Developer, *The Forgotten Flu:* *Philadelphia* | 2017-2018 |
| *and the Spanish Flu Epidemic of 1918*, Joint Project of the Philadelphia Department |  |
| of Public Health, Division of Disease Control and Temple University Center for |  |
| Public History, <https://phillyflu1918.wordpress.com/>. |  |
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| Research Consultant, Millersville University & LancasterHistory.org | 2017-2019 |
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| Intern, National Museum of Bermuda, Sandys Parish, Bermuda | 2016-2017 |
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| Oral History Interviewer, Millersville University Archives & Special Collections, | 2016-2017 |
| Millersville, Pennsylvania |  |
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| Archives Aide, Millersville University Archives & Special Collections, | 2014 |
| Millersville, Pennsylvania |  |
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| Museum and Archives Intern, Columbia Historic Preservation Society, | 2013 |
| Columbia, Pennsylvania |  |
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| Walking Tour Leader, Civil War Sesquicentennial, Columbia Historic Preservation | 2013 |
| Society, Columbia, Pennsylvania |  |

**Service**



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| Digital Content Chair, James A. Barnes Club History Graduate Student Organization, | 2019-2020 |
| Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |  |
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| Annual Conference Committee Member, James A. Barnes Club History Graduate | 2018-2019 |
| Student Organization, Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |  |
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| Corps Historian, Reading Buccaneers Drum & Bugle Corps, Reading, Pennsylvania | 2017-Pres. |
|  |  |
| President, Phi Alpha Theta, Alpha-Lambda-Eta Chapter, Millersville University | 2016-2017 |
|  |  |
| Manuscript Collections Transcriber, *Bermuda Journal of Archaeology & Maritime* | 2016-2019 |
| *History*, Sandys Parish, Bermuda |  |
| Transcriptions appearing in Forthcoming Volumes. |  |
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| Presentation Adjudicator, 38th Annual National History Day, Resurrection Middle | 2016 |
| School, Lancaster, Pennsylvania |  |
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| Conference Administrator, 34th Conference on the Holocaust and Genocide | 2016 |
| Millersville University |  |
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| Vice-President, Phi Alpha Theta, Alpha-Lambda-Eta Chapter, Millersville University | 2015-2016 |
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| Walker Center Fellowship for Civic and Community Leader Professional Development, | 2013 |
| Center for Civic and Community Engagement, Millersville University |  |

**Professional Affiliations**



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| American Historical Association |
| Organization of American Historians |
| National Council of Public History |
| Society for Historians of the Early American Republic |
| American Association for State and Local History |
| Pennsylvania Historical Association |
| Friends of the McNeil Center for Early American Studies |
| Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture |
| James A. Barnes History Graduate Student Organization |
| Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society |
| Gamma Theta Upsilon International Geographical Honor Society |
| Alpha Epsilon Lambda National Graduate and Professional School Honor Society |

**Foreign Languages**



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| Reading proficiency in **German** |