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Academic Positions

Department of History, UNC Greensboro: Assistant Professor, Atlantic World (2006-present)
Department of History, Duke University: Bass Instructor (spring 2006), Instructor (2004-5)
Department of History, North Carolina State University: Instructor (summer 2005)

Education

Ph.D. History, Duke University (2006)
MA History, Duke University (2002)
MA Sociology & Historical Studies, New School for Social Research (1988)
BA Sociology & Latin American Studies, Brandeis University (1979)

Major Research Grants, Fellowships, & Awards

ACLS/SSRC/NEH International and Area Studies Fellowship (2010)
Maurice Amado Research Grant, UCLA Center for Jewish Studies (2010)
J. William Fulbright Faculty Fellowship (Leiden University, the Netherlands; 2009)
NEH Summer Stipend (2008)
Harvard University Research Grant in Atlantic History (2007)
Catherine Prelinger Award, Coordinating Council for Women in History (2006)
AAUW American Fellowship (2005-6)
Albert J. Beveridge Research Grant, American Historical Association (2005)
Ida B. Wells Award, Coordinating Council for Women in History (2004)
SSRC International Dissertation Research Fellowship (the Netherlands; 2003-4)
J. William Fulbright Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (the Netherlands; 2003-4)

Residential Fellowships

Scaliger Institute, Special Collections Library, Leiden University, the Netherlands (spring 2010)
Royal Netherlands Institute for Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies (KITLV), Leiden University, the Netherlands (fall 2009)
John Hope Franklin Humanities Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies, Duke University (2005-6)

Languages

Papiamentu (Curaçao creole): Complete oral and written fluency
Spanish: Complete oral and written fluency; paleography training
Dutch: Advanced reading comprehension; paleography training
French: Elementary reading abilities
Portuguese: Elementary reading abilities

Research & Teaching Fields

Early modern Atlantic and Caribbean; European expansion, empires and coloniality; creolization; comparative slavery and slave societies; historical geography and cartography

Organizational Leadership

Executive Committee, Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (2004-present)
 Advisory Board, Atlantic World Research Network, UNC Greensboro (2008-present)
 Coordinator, Duke Univ. Center for International Studies (DUCIS) Working Groups (2004-5)
 Coordinator, DUCIS Atlantic Basin Working Group (2002-3)

Publications

Scholarly Monograph

Creolization and Contraband: Curaçao in the Early Modern Atlantic, 1634-1791.

Journal Guest Editor

Itinerario 30:3 (November 2006), Special Issue: Geographies of Empire.

Refereed Journal Articles

"Marronage, Manumission, and Maritime Trade in the Early Modern Caribbean." *Slavery and Abolition* 30: 3 (September 2009): 361-82.

"Contraband Trade and the Shaping of Colonial Societies." *Itinerario* 30:3 (Nov. 2006): 35-54.

"Trading Globally, Speaking Locally: Curaçao's Sephardim in the Making of a Caribbean Creole." *Jewish Culture and History* 7/1-2 (2004): 109-22. Also in David Cesarani and Gemma Romain, eds., *Jews and Port Cities, 1590-1990: Commerce, Community and Cosmopolitanism* (London: Vallentine Mitchell, 2006): 109-22.

"Rethinking Curaçao's Commercial History: Some Initial Notes on the Role of Black Seafarers and Jewish Merchants in the Early Modern Period." *Lanternu. Journal of the Central Historical Archives of the Netherlands Antilles*, #20 (September 2001): 5-21.

Refereed Book Chapters

"Waters of Faith, Currents of Freedom: Gender, Religion, and Ethnicity in Inter-imperial Trade Between Curaçao and Tierra Firme." In Nora Jaffary, ed., *Race, Religion, and Gender in the Colonization of the Americas* (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate; 2007): 151-64.

"Curaçao: ¿Entrepôt neerlandés o puerto caribeño?" In Johanna von Grafenstein, ed., *El Golfo Caribe y sus puertos, 1600-1850*. Volume I (Mexico City: Instituto Mora, 2006): 91-126.

Working Paper

"Sailing Suspicious Routes: Atlantic Diasporas and the Transgression of Boundaries in Caribbean Contraband Trade." Atlantic History Seminar, Harvard University. Working Paper #04CR004, 2004.

Conference Papers

"Inter-Colonial Networks and Revolutionary Foment." The Impact of the Haitian and French Revolutions on Curaçao. Royal Netherlands Institute for Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies (KITLV). Leiden, the Netherlands. June 2010.

"Fugitive Slaves and the Challenges of Imperial Jurisdiction in the Early Modern Caribbean." New Perspectives on Legal Pluralism in the Early Modern Atlantic. Newberry Library, Chicago. April 2010.

“Marronage and Manumission in a Maritime Economy.” *Atlantic Emancipations*. McNeil Center for Early American Studies. Philadelphia. April 2008.

“Imperial Rivalries, Marronage, and Freedom in the Circum-Caribbean, 1680-1790.” *Beyond Slavery in the Iberian Atlantic*. The University of Liverpool. Liverpool, UK. September 2007.

“Papiamentu and the Port.” Association of Caribbean Historians 39th Annual Conference. University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica. May 2007.

“Maritime Marronage in the Early Modern Caribbean.” *Race, Representation, and Citizenship in the Americas*. University of North Carolina Chapel Hill & Duke University. March 2007.

“In Order not to Arouse any Hostile Suspicions: Atlantic Diasporas and Regional Networks in Seventeenth Century Dutch Atlantic Trade.” *The Netherlandish Seventeenth Century*. Duke University, Durham, NC. March 2007.

“Towards a New Human Geography of the Early Modern Caribbean.” *Rethinking Boundaries: Transforming Methods and Approaches in Atlantic History*. New York University, New York, NY. February 2007.

“On the Margins or at the Center? Rethinking the Role of Women of African Descent in Caribbean Contraband Trade.” *Gender, Race, Ethnicity and Power in Maritime America*. Frank C. Munson Institute, Mystic Seaport, Mystic, CT. October, 2006.

"Missing Atlantic Diasporas on the 'Other Side' of a Dutch Colonial Map." *Frames: Imaging Indigeneity and Diaspora*. John Hope Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University. April 2006.

"Navigating Between Empire and Region." American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. January 2006.

“Slaves and Merchants: Creolization in the Early Modern Caribbean.” John Hope Franklin Center for Interdisciplinary and International Studies, Duke University. October 2005.

"The Development of a Trans-Imperial Region between Curaçao and Tierra Firme." *Atlantic History: Soundings*. Atlantic History Seminar. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. August 2005.

“Anchoring the Maritime Economy: Gender and Ethnicity in Caribbean Inter-imperial Trade.” *Sin Fronteras: Women's Histories, Global Conversations*. Berkshire Conference on the History of Women. Scripps College, Claremont, CA. June 2005.

“‘Cruising to the Most Advantageous Places.’ Afro-Curaçaoans in the Development of Caribbean Inter-Imperial Trade Networks.” *A Pan-Caribbean Perspective on the Atlantic World: New Directions in Scholarship*. York University, Toronto. October 2004.

"Common Voices: The Development of an Iberian Creole Language in the Dutch Caribbean." *Creating Identity and Empire in the Atlantic World, 1492-1888*. UNC Greensboro. September 2004.

"Trading Identities: Creolization and Commerce in the Eighteenth-Century Caribbean." *Across Frontiers, Beyond Borders: Transatlantic History 1400-2004*. UT Arlington. September 2004.

"Atlantic Studies: Views from the Colonies." *The Atlantic World and the Dutch*. Inaugural conference. National Library of the Netherlands, The Hague. April 2004.

"Sailing Suspicious Routes.' Atlantic Diasporas and the Transgression of Boundaries in Inter-Imperial Trade between Curaçao and Venezuela." *The Atlantic World in Motion*. Cambridge University, England. March 2004.

"The Phantom Walls of Charlestown, SC." 20th International Conference on the History of Cartography. Harvard University. June 2003.

"Trading Globally, Speaking Locally: Curaçao's Sephardim in the Making of a Caribbean Creole." *Port Jews: Jews and non-Jews in Cosmopolitan Maritime Trading Centres, 1650-1914*. Kaplan Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Cape Town, South Africa. January 2003.

"Curaçao: Dutch Entrepôt or Caribbean Port?" *El golfo-caribe y sus puertos, siglos XVIII y XIX*. Instituto Mora, Mexico City. June 2002.

Research Presentations

"Legislating Inter-Colonial Marronage in the Early Modern Caribbean." Triangle Legal History Seminar. National Humanities Center. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. February 2010.

"Illicit Inter-imperial Trade, Imperial Power, and Colonial Societies in the Early Modern Caribbean." Triad Early Modern Reading Group. Greensboro, NC. February 2010.

"Rethinking Legal Regimes and Imperial Jurisdiction in the Early Modern Atlantic." Atlantic Seminar. Leiden University, the Netherlands. December 2009.

"Seeking Freedom across the Water: Runaway Slaves and the Development of Colonial Caribbean Slave Societies." North Carolina Central University. Black History Month lecture. Durham, NC. February 2007.

"Laborers, Commodities, and Agents: The Triple Role of Afro-Curaçaoans in Inter-Imperial Trade." Triangle Early American History Seminar (TEAHS). National Humanities Center, NC. October 2005.

"Language and Belonging in the Diaspora." *Epistemologies of Belonging: Indigeneity and Diaspora*. John Hope Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University. Durham, NC. October 2005.

"Trade, Port Jews, and the Development of Papiamentu." University of the Netherlands Antilles, Maritime Museum of Curaçao, and Curaçao Chamber of Commerce. Curaçao. February 2003.

"Behind Phantom Walls: The 1739 Engravings of Charlestown, South Carolina." TEAHS. National Humanities Center, NC. October 2002.

Invited Talks and Public Lectures

"Envisioning Empire: Accuracy on Early Modern Dutch Maps of the Caribbean." Scaliger Institute, Special Collections Library, Leiden University. July 2010. Invited lecture.

"Curaçao's Maroons in Venezuela." *Maroons: A Common Atlantic History? The Atlantic World and the Dutch Atlantic Day*. Tropenmuseum, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. April 2010. Invited talk.

"Dutch Port, Spanish Hinterland: How Inter-Colonial Networks Challenged Imperial Boundaries in the Early Modern Caribbean." Royal Netherlands Institute for Southeastern Asian and Caribbean Studies (KITLV). Leiden, the Netherlands. March 2010. Invited lecture.

"Curacao's Fugitive Slaves in the Making of an Atlantic World." National Institute for the Study of Slavery. Amsterdam, the Netherlands. January 2010. Invited public presentation.

"A Messy Trade in Chocolate." National Museum of the Netherlands Antilles in collaboration with University of the Netherlands Antilles. Curaçao. May 2008. Invited public presentation.

"Atlantic World Studies: Overviews and Opportunities." Inauguration of the Atlantic World Research Network. UNC Greensboro. March 2008.

"Memories and Silences in Dutch Atlantic History." The Atlantic World and the Dutch, Caribbean Workshop. Curaçao, July 2006. Invited lecture.

"What was she doing? What was she thinking?" Coordinating Council for Women in History Awards Luncheon. AHA Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. January 2005.

"The People of the Port. The Early Years of Willemstad." Ports Authority. Curaçao. February 2003.

"New Perspectives on Curaçao's Historical Role as an International Trade Center." National Archives of the Netherlands Antilles. Curaçao. May 2000.

"History and Identity." Curaçao Chamber of Commerce and Public Library. Curaçao. November 1999.

Workshop/Discussion Leader

"How Do We Think About Empire?" Dutch Atlantic Connections Working Group. Leiden University, the Netherlands. April 2010.

"Rethinking Inter-Imperial and Inter-Colonial Networks." Dutch Atlantic Connections Working Group. Leiden University, the Netherlands. March 2010.

"Nodal Points, Port Cities, and Littoral Societies in the Atlantic World." Dutch Atlantic Connections Working Group. Leiden University, the Netherlands. January 2010.

"Whither the Dutch Atlantic?" Dutch Atlantic Connections Working Group. Leiden University, the Netherlands. November 2009.

"Who Needs History in the Age of Globalization?" Lloyd International Honors College, University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Honors College Coffee. February 2007.

"Encountering Strangers and Boundaries of Belonging." Lunchtime Colloquium, Center for Critical Inquiry, UNCG. October 2006.

"Women on the Margins or at the Center?" AAUW Raleigh, NC chapter. December 2005.

"Archival Challenges in the Study of Early Modern Women." Triangle Working Group in Feminism and History. Durham, NC. February 2005.

Workshop/Discussion Participant

Maroons: A Common Atlantic History? The Atlantic World and the Dutch Atlantic Day. Tropenmuseum, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. April 2010.

Spatiality, the Atlantic World, and Religion. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL. February 2009.

Religion and the Atlantic World: Exploring the Case for Humanities GIS. Polis Center, Indiana University. September, 2008.

“Rethinking Power and Trade under the Dutch West India Company.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Washington, DC. January 2008.

“From Sociologist/Activist to History Professor.” Coordinating Council for Women in History roundtable discussion, Non-Traditional Stories: Women in the Historical Profession. American Historical Association annual meeting. Washington, DC. January 2008.

Conference Co-organizer

Atlantic Literacies. UNCG Atlantic World Research Network. October 2010. Program Committee.

Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (FEEGI) Biennial Conference. Duke University, February 2010. Organizing Committee.

Rethinking Empire and Identity. FEEGI Biennial Conference. Georgetown University, Washington, DC. February 2008. Program Committee.

Conference Panel Co-organizer

Creole Languages and the Enduring Legacy of Power in the Atlantic World. Atlantic World Literacies. University of North Carolina Greensboro. October 2010.

Webs of Empire. American Historical Association Annual Meeting. New York, January 2009.

Brokering Empire: Negotiating the Dutch Atlantic. American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Washington, DC. January 2008.

Colliding Geographies and the Dilemma of Imperial Authority. American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. January 2006.

Conference Panel Chair/Commentator

Allies and Enemies. Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (FEEGI) Biennial Conference. Duke University. Durham, NC. February 2010.

Trading on the Far Waters: Global Communities of Commerce. Annual Graduate Student Conference. Department of History, UNCG, May 2009.

Conflict on the Margins. Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (FEEGI) Biennial Conference. Georgetown University, Washington, DC. February 2008.

Diasporic Cultural Connections. Association for the Study of African American Life and History Annual Conference. Charlotte, NC, October 2007.

Paper Commentator

Marjoleine Kars, "Rebellion, Civil War, and Revolution in Dutch Berbice, 1763-1764." Triangle Early American History Seminar (TEAHS). National Humanities Center, NC. May 2009.

Teaching Awards & Fellowships

Mellon Research Fellowship for College Teachers, UNC Chapel Hill/Duke Consortium for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (2008)
Bass Instructorship, Duke University (2006)

Pedagogical Training

Curriculum Enhancement with Research and Writing Skills Workshop. UNCG, June 2009.
Master Advisor Workshop. UNCG, fall 2007.
Two week intensive pedagogy course with Paolo Freire. Boston University, summer 1985.

Courses Taught

UNCG (2006-present; all new offerings of my own design)

Atlantic World Colloquium (Graduate Seminar; taught annually)
The Atlantic Slave Trade (Graduate Seminar; taught biennially)
The Atlantic World (new Senior Honors Seminar in History; taught biennially)
The Transatlantic Slave Trade (Senior Seminar in Historical Research and Writing; taught biennially)
Map it Out (Freshman Seminar; taught biennially)
Globalization, 1400-1750 (Part of new Topics in World History curriculum; taught biennially)
The Caribbean: Conquest to Plantations (Undergraduate; taught biennially)
Pirates of the Caribbean: The Real Story (Undergraduate; taught annually)

Duke University (2004-06)

Europe & the Atlantic World
Comparative Slavery
The Caribbean, 1492-1703

North Carolina State University (summer 2005)

Europe, 1300-1815

Teaching Presentations

“European Expansion and the Creation of an Atlantic World.” Building Bridges, Guilford County Schools Teacher Training Workshop, Greensboro, NC. November 2008. Invited talk.

“America Unbound: Bringing an Atlantic Perspective to the Graduate History Curriculum.” California World History Association Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA. November 2008.

“Teaching the Atlantic World: Challenges and Opportunities.” Atlantic World Research Network Lunchtime Colloquium. UNC Greensboro. September, 2008.

Invited Classroom Lectures

“Iberian Empires in the Americas.” History of European Expansion Leiden University, November 2009.

“The Structure of Colonial Societies.” History of European Expansion Leiden Univ., November 2009.

“The Transatlantic Slave Trade.” Riverside High School. Durham, NC. March 2005.

“The History of Slavery in Curaçao.” International School of Curaçao. March 2000.

Participation in Interdisciplinary and Atlantic World Initiatives

International Research Network on Empire and Law. Peace Palace, The Hague (2010-present)
Caribbean Studies in an Era of Globalization. UNC/Duke Consortium Working Group (2009-present)
Kreyòl Texts and Contexts. UNC/Duke Consortium Working Group (2008-09)
Dutch Atlantic Connections. University of Leiden, the Netherlands (2008-present)
Atlantic Space and Place. Florida State University & Indiana University Polis Center (2008-present)
Atlantic World Research Network. UNC Greensboro (2008-present)
Center for Critical Inquiry. UNC Greensboro (2006-present)
Afro-Latin America Working Group. UNC-CH/Duke LA & Caribbean Consortium (2005-present)
The Atlantic World and the Dutch. The Netherlands (2004-present)
Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (2003-present)
Triangle Early American History Seminar. National Humanities Center (2002-present)
Race, Space, and Place in the Atlantic World. African & Af-Am Studies Program, Duke Univ. (2005-7)
Epistemologies of Belonging: Indigeneity & Diaspora. J. H. Franklin Institute, Duke Univ. (2005-6)
Triangle Area Working Group on Feminism and History (2004-6)
Atlantic Basin Working Group. Center for International Studies, Duke University (2000-3)

University Committees (UNCG)

Committee on Latin American and Caribbean Studies (2009-present)
Richard S. Wells Lecture Committee, Department of History (2006-present)
Graduate Committee, Department of History (2007-2009)
Harriet Elliot Lecture Series Committee (2008)
Search Committee, Golden Age Literature & Culture, Department of Romance Languages (2007-8)

Non-Academic Experience

Founder and Director, Words (text production company; Curaçao, 1989-2000)
Program Director, Sentro di Dama (women's center; Curaçao, 1988-89)
Researcher, writer, and advocate, ECO-Andes (human rights organization; New York, 1983-87)
Director of Socio-Economic Research, Centro de Desarrollo Agropecuario (Ayacucho, Peru; 1980-82)
Researcher and writer, CUSO (international development agency; Lima, Peru; 1979-83)