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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Notre Dame (2011-present)
Concurrent Assistant Professor, Department of American Studies, University of Notre Dame
(2012-present)
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, Southern Connecticut State University
(2010-2011)

EDUCATION

Yale University. PhD in History, December 2010.
Yale University. MA in History, May 2005.
Barnard College, Columbia University. BA in American Studies, summa cum laude, Phi Beta
Kappa, May 1999.

SCHOLARSHIP

Book

American Imperial Pastoral: The Architecture of US Colonialism in the Philippines, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2017.

Article

“Land and Dispossession in the U.S. Colonial Philippines: Toward an Intra-Imperial History,” accepted by the *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*.

Book Reviews

State and Finance in the Philippines, 1898-1941: The Mismanagement of an American Colony, by Yoshiko Nagano. *Pacific Historical Review*, Fall 2017.

God's Arbiters: Americans and the Philippines, 1898-1902, by Susan K. Harris. SHGAPE (Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era), H-NET Reviews, January 2012.
URL: <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=33661>

Non-refereed Publications

“Henry Cabot Lodge, Sr.” in *Encyclopedia of United States-Latin American Relations*, ed. Thomas M. Leonard et al. (Thousand Oaks, CA: CQ Press, 2012).

“Home Rules: ‘Topside’ and Hospitality in the Early U.S. Colonial Regime,” *Baguio City Yearbook, Centennial Edition*, December 2009.

INVITED LECTURES

- “Cordillera Capital: Baguio and the Architecture of U.S. Colonialism in the Philippines,” presented at the Center for South Asian Studies, University of Michigan (January 2017)
- “American Imperial Pastoral: Daniel Burnham’s Baguio and U.S. Designs on the Philippines, 1898-1920,” presented at the American Studies Colloquium, University of Notre Dame (April 2013)
- “United States Imperialism in the Philippines,” guest lecture in Brian Chung’s American Studies course “Asian Americans and Mass Media,” University of Notre Dame (January 2012)
- “Pasture to Pastoral,” guest lecture in Annie Coleman’s American Studies course “American Wilderness,” University of Notre Dame (November 2011)

PAPERS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES

- “American Imperial Pastoral: Land and Labor in the U.S. Colonial Philippines,” Organization of American Historians Conference, New Orleans, LA (April 2017)
- “Turning Point 1916?” Roundtable discussion, American Historical Association Conference, Atlanta, GA (January 2016)
- “The Road to New Empire: The Benguet Road and U.S. Designs on the Philippines,” American Historical Association Conference, Washington, D.C. (January 2014)
- “Liberating Labor: Building the Road to New Empire in the U.S. Colonial Philippines,” Labor and Working-Class History Association Conference, New York, NY (June 2013)
- “Burnham’s Baguio and the Labor of New Empire,” Association for Asian American Studies Conference, Seattle, WA (April 2013)
- “Make Trade, Not War: Marketplaces and Market Relations in the U.S. Colonial Philippines,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, Hartford, CT (June 2012)
- “United States Designs on the Philippines: Burnham’s Baguio and the Grounds of New Empire,” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Houston, TX (March 2011)
- “Burnham’s Baguio and the Architecture an Anti-Colonial Empire,” Urban History Association Fifth Biennial Conference, Las Vegas, NV (October 2010)
- “New” Empire Goes Primitive: Roads Construction in the Early U.S. Colonial Philippines,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. (June 2009)
- “‘A Commercial Awakening:’ Marketplaces in the U.S. Colonial Philippines,” The History of Capitalism Conference, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (November 2008)
- “‘An Educator of the People:’ Roads Construction in the Early U.S. Colonial Philippines,” Pacific Coast Branch-American Historical Association Conference, Pasadena, CA (August 2008)
- “Home Rules: ‘Topside’ and Hospitality in the Early U.S. Colonial Regime,” First International Conference on Cordillera Studies, Baguio, Philippines (February 2008)

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

- Introduction to screening of *The Crowd* as part of “History on Film” series at the Browning Cinema, University of Notre Dame (February 2013)
- Introduction to screening of *There Will be Blood* at the Browning Cinema, University of Notre

Dame (December 2011)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Major Henkels Grant (\$20,000) from the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame, for organizing spring 2014 conference “American Empire: The State of the Field” with Dr. Jason Ruiz, 2013

Yale University Dissertation Fellowship, 2008

Rodney G. Dennis Fellowship in the Study of Manuscripts, Houghton Library, Harvard University, 2007

Howard R. Lamar Center for the Study of Frontiers and Borders Dissertation Research Grant, Yale University, 2007

The MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies Dissertation Research Grant, Yale University, 2007

Yale University Fellowship, 2003-2007

SERVICE

Professional Service

Best Article Prize Committee, Society for Historians of the Gilded Age & Progressive Era (May 2017-present)

Program Committee, Society for Historians of the Gilded Age & Progressive Era (Jan. 2015-May 2017)

Manuscript reviewer for: *Pacific Historical Review*, *American Quarterly*, *Journal of Policy History*, *U.S. Catholic Historian*, and the *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*

Service to the Department of History, University of Notre Dame

Member, Inclusive Excellence Committee, 2017-2018

Member, South Asian History Search Committee, 2016-2017

Member, Space Reallocation Committee, 2016-2017

Graduate Studies Committee, 2015-2016

Member, Chinese History Search Committee, 2013-2014

Graduate Studies Committee, 2012-2013

Undergraduate Studies Committee, 2011-2012

STUDENT ADVISING

Graduate student committees while at University of Notre Dame

Francis Bonenfant, oral exam committee and co-director of dissertation, 2014-

Catalina Ospina, oral exam committee and co-director of dissertation, 2016-

Christopher Flanagan, dissertation committee, 2016-

Carla Villanueva, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2016-

Philip Beyer, dissertation committee, 2017-

Natalie Sargent, dissertation committee, 2017-

Anna Holdorf, dissertation committee, 2017-

Laura Weis, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2013-
Jillian Plummer, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2015-
Sejoo Kim, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2016-
Anna Fett, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2017-
Ian Van Dyke, oral exam committee, 2017
Felicia Moralez, dissertation committee, 2012-
Lindsey Passenger Wieck, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2012-2016
Philipp Gollner, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2013-2016
Ben Wetzel, oral exam and dissertation committees, 2013-2016
Craig Kinnear, dissertation committee, 2011-2016
Courtney Wiersema, dissertation committee, 2012-2015
Curtis Urban, oral exam committee, 2013
Michael Skaggs, oral exam committee, 2013

Senior theses supervised at University of Notre Dame

Anne Vieser (History Major), title to be determined (2017-18)
Janet Stengle (History Major), title to be determined (2017-18)
Rose Anderson (History Major), “Tom Pendergast and the Ten-Year Plan:
Construction and Corruption in 1930s Kansas City” (2017)
Sean Langan (History Major), “Carrying the Cross of Gold: William Jennings Bryan, the
1896 Presidential Election, and the Emergence of Concentrated Power” (2014)
Roberto Rivera (History Major), “Too Big to Segregate: Wall Street, Section 10, and the
New Deal’s Search for Market Perfection” (2013)
Kellen Mathers (History Major), “Barren Forests, Bankrupt Minds: The U.S. Chemical
Defoliation Campaign in Vietnam” (2012)

Senior thesis evaluated at University of Notre Dame

Outsider reader for “The Baseball War: The Federal League, Organized Baseball, and
the Battle for the National Pastime” (Spring 2017)
Outside reader for “‘Bringing the War Home:’ Witnessing, Remembering, and British
War Photography of the First World War” (Spring 2016)
Outside reader for “‘It was a great opportunity:’ American Involvement in World War I”
(Spring 2012)

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Notre Dame

“United States in the World in the Twentieth Century” (University seminar)
“Gilded Age and Progressive Era” (Major-level course)
“American Consumer Culture in the Twentieth Century” (Major-level course)
“Interwar U.S.A.” (Major-level course)
“History Workshop”
“U.S. Cultural History” (Departmental seminar)
“U.S. History, 1890-present” (course in American History Graduate Colloquium series)
“Empires and Colonies” (graduate course, co-taught with Dr. Paul Ocobock)

Yale University

“Wilderness and the North American Imagination,” American Studies seminar, Yale University (Spring 2007)

Various courses as a teaching fellow in Departments of History and American Studies, Yale University (2005-2010)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era