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EMPLOYMENT

2023-Present Assistant Professor, Department of History
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

EDUCATION

Northwestern University, 2014 – September 2021

- Evanston, Illinois
- PhD, History
- Supervisor: Deborah Cohen

University of Vermont, 2012 - 2014

- Burlington, Vermont
- MA, History

Wittenberg University, 2007 - 2010

- Springfield, Ohio
- BA, History

PUBLICATIONS

Article:

- “‘Dear Dr. K’: Sex, Subjectivity and Mobility in Alfred Kinsey’s British Correspondence, 1947-1958,” *Twentieth Century British History* 32, no. 1 (March 2021): 24–45, <https://doi.org/10.1093/tcbh/hwaa013>

In Progress:

- *Voluptuous Cruelty: Sex and Violence in Modern Britain* [manuscript]
- *How to Live: The British Advice Industry, 1800-1990* [research stage]
- Biography of Alex Comfort, author of *Joy of Sex* [research stage]

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

- Robert C. and Sandra Connor Endowed Faculty Fellowship, University of Arkansas, 2024-25
- UAHC Publishing Subvention Grant, Arkansas Humanities Center, 2023
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Chabreja Center for Historical Studies, Northwestern University, 2021-23
- TH Breen Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2020-21
- Finalist, Charlotte Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship in Women’s Studies, 2021
- Yale University Beinecke Library Graduate Student Fellowship, 2019
- Harry Ransom Center Dissertation Research Fellowship in the Humanities, 2018
- North American Conference on British Studies Dissertation Fellowship, 2017-18
- Sexualities Project at Northwestern Travel Grant, 2017
- Social Science Research Council Dissertation Development Fellowship, 2016

- Kinsey Institute John Money Fellowship for Scholars of Sexology, 2016
- Newberry Library Digital Collections for the Classroom, 2015
- University of Vermont Graduate Fellowship, 2012-14 [Note: Graduate fellows receive full tuition remission and a yearly living stipend of \$8,000]

AWARDS

- New Faculty Commendation for Teaching Commitment, University of Arkansas, 2024
- T.W. Heyck Prize for Outstanding Research in British History, Northwestern University, 2017
- Graduate Teaching Assistant of the Year, University of Vermont (runner up), 2013-14
- Martha and Bob Hartje Award in History, Wittenberg University, 2010

TEACHING

- Great Britain, 1707-1901, University of Arkansas (instructor)
- Graduate Reading Seminar on the British Empire, University of Arkansas (instructor)
- Graduate Reading Seminar in British History, University of Arkansas (instructor)
- Revolutionary Sex, University of Arkansas (course designer & instructor)
- British History, 1688-Present, University of Arkansas (instructor)
- World Civilization II, University of Arkansas (instructor)
- Tudor and Stuart Britain, Northwestern University (teaching assistant)
- European Civilization, Northwestern University (teaching assistant)
- The History of the Holocaust, Northwestern University (teaching assistant)
- European Civilization, Northwestern University (teaching assistant)
- Introduction to Modern Europe, University of Vermont (teaching assistant)

SERVICE

- Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, University of Arkansas, 2023-Present
- History Department Media & Communications Committee, University of Arkansas, 2023-Present
- Faculty Liaison to University of Arkansas chapter of Phi Alpha Theta (history honors society), 2023-Present
- Convener of the 'History of the Self' Graduate Conference, Northwestern University, Spring 2021
- Web Editor, North American Conference on British Studies (NACBS), 2013-23
- Planning Committee, Modern British Studies Conference, University of Birmingham, UK, 2019
- Teaching Manual Committee, History Department, Northwestern University, 2017
- Founding member of Teaching Committee, History Department, Northwestern University, 2016
- Founding member of History Department's Women's Group, Northwestern University, 2016
- Chair of Long Nineteenth Century Colloquium Series, Northwestern University, 2016-17
- Editor-in-chief, *History Review Journal*, University of Vermont, 2012-13

MEDIA

- ‘Sex, Scouts and Stutters Please–We’re British,’ *The Times*, January 22, 2021.
<https://t.co/JJYwwOzbUq?amp=1> (Based on Kinsey article in TCBH).
- History Consultant for the screenplay adaptation of the 1992 novella *The Governesses* by Anne Serre, under development by Joe Talbot (*The Last Black Man in San Francisco*, 2019) and Oliva Gatwood.

INVITED TALKS

Keele University History Research Seminar Series, "The Problem with Victorian Sex," 23 October 2024
University of Cambridge Modern Cultural History Seminar, "Kink and Drag: A Discussion," 15 May 2024
University of Cambridge Modern British History Seminar, "'We May as Well Die Clean': The 1857-8 Indian Rebellion and the Myth of Sexual Violence," 17 March 2020.
Birmingham Research Institute for History and Cultures, "'Dear Dr. K': Mobility, Sex and Selfhood in Alfred Kinsey's British Correspondence, 1948-1958," Birmingham, UK, 26 February 2019.
Sexuality & Gender Studies Colloquia, "How to Kill a Governess': The Fundamental Violence of Victorian Sexuality," University of Birmingham, UK, 13 March 2019.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"'Aren't I glad I'm anonymous': Sex, Self, and Society in Geoffrey Gorer's Postwar Surveys," North American Conference on British Studies, Denver, CO, 15-17 November 2024.
"'Aren't I glad I'm anonymous': Sex, Self, and Society in Geoffrey Gorer's Postwar Surveys," Southern Conference on British Studies, 25-26 October 2024.
"'Eccentric' Ives?: Contextualizing the Scrapbooks of George Cecil Ives, 1896-1949" North American Conference on British Studies, Vancouver, Canada, 15-17 November 2019.
Panelist, "Precarity and Early Career Researchers," Modern British Studies Conference, Birmingham, UK, June 2019.
"'Toys for Adults': British Kink Entrepreneurs and the Postwar Transnational Trade in Sexual Expertise, Commodities and Media," North American Conference on British Studies, Providence, RI, 25-28 October 2018.
"Mobility, Place and Selfhood in Alfred Kinsey's British Correspondence" North American Conference on British Studies, Denver, CO, 3-5 November 2017.
"Sex in the Anglo-World: Transnational Modes of Fantasy, Community, Sexual Identity, and Sexology in Twentieth Century North America, Britain and the Dominions." Modern British Studies Conference, Birmingham, UK, 5-7 July 2017.
"Anglo-sex? Transnational Modes of Community, Identity, and Modernity in Twentieth Century Britain and Beyond," BRIDGE (Birmingham-Illinois Partnership for Discovery, Engagement and Education) Modern British Studies Collaborative Workshop, Newberry Library, Chicago, 8-9 April 2016
"Lady, Menace, Victim or Sadist? The Victorian Governess in Nineteenth-Century Erotica," Northeast Conference on British Studies, University of Connecticut, Storrs CT, 4-6 October 2013

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2021-2023: Assistant Editor, [*Public Books*](#) Magazine

2012-2014: Archives Processor, Special Collections, *University of Vermont*, Vermont

2011-2012: Archival Assistant, *Wittenberg University*, Ohio

2010-2012: Research Coordinator, *Springfield Architecture Preservation Alliance*, Ohio