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Education

Claremont Graduate University (CGU)
Ph.D., U.S. History, August 2005
Dissertation: "Inventing American Girlhood: Gender and Citizenship in
the 20th-Century Camp Fire Girls"
Qualifying exams completed in U.S. social history, women's history, and
history of the American West
M.A., U.S. History, May 1999
University of California, Los Angeles
B.A., History, Magna cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, December 1994

Current Position

Associate Professor, Department of History, University of the Pacific, 2010 – present

Publications: Books

Peace, Global Responsibility, and Girlhood in the United States: 1945-1960. Book under contract
with Rutgers University Press, 2016.
Inventing American Girlhood: Race, Nation, and the Camp Fire Girls, 1910-1975. Book under
contract with University of Nebraska Press, 2017.
Editor (with Colleen Vasconcellos), *Girlhood: A Global History*. New Brunswick: Rutgers
University Press, 2010. (Paperback edition, 2012).

Publications: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters and Articles

"A 'Very Innocent Time': Oral History Narratives, Nostalgia and Girls' Safety in the 1950s
and 1960s." *Oral History Review* (February 2015): ohv001.
"Native American and White Camp Fire Girls Enact Modern Girlhood, 1910-1939,"
American Quarterly, 66, no. 2 (June 2014): 333-360.
"'Sensible Safety Rules': Class, Race, and Girls' Sexual Vulnerability in the US Print
Media, 1950-1970." In *Adolescent Girls' Sexualities and the Media*, eds. Vera Lopez
and Yasmina Katsulis. New York: Peter Lang, 2013.
"The Personal is Historical: Oral History and Undergraduate Research Papers,"
MountainRise 7, no. 1 (winter 2012).
"Introduction" (coauthored with Colleen Vasconcellos). *Girlhood: A Global History*,
eds. Jennifer Helgren and Colleen Vasconcellos. New Brunswick: Rutgers
University Press, 2010. (Paperback edition, 2012).
"'Homemaker Can Include the World': Internationalism and the Post World War II Camp
Fire Girls." *Girlhood: A Global History*, eds. Jennifer Helgren and Colleen
Vasconcellos, New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 2010. (Paper 2012).

“Gender and Generational Identity: Camp Fire Girls and Cultural Production in the Interwar Years.” In *Essays on Women’s Artistic and Cultural Contributions, 1919-1931*, eds. Paula Birnbaum and Anna Novakov. Lewiston: Edwin Mellen Press, 2009.

Publications: Book Reviews and Encyclopedia Entries

Review of *Women’s University Fiction, 1880-1945*, by Anna Bogen. *Alberta Journal of Educational Research* (forthcoming).

“Camp Fire Girls.” In *The Social History of the American Family*. Lawrence Ganong, Marilyn Coleman, and J. Geoffrey Golson, eds. Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Sage Publications, 2014, p. 158-160.

Review of *The Global History of Childhood Reader*, edited by Heidi Morrison. *Journal for the History of Childhood and Youth* 7, no. 1 (Winter 2014).

“Coverture Laws.” *Multicultural America: A Multimedia Encyclopedia*. Carlos Eliseo Cortes and J. Geoffrey Golson, eds. Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Sage Publications, 2013.

Review of *Raising Racists: The Socialization of White Children in the Jim Crow South*, by Kristina DuRocher. *North Carolina Historical Review* (April 2012): 226.

Review of *Reading Appalachia from Left to Right: Conservatives and the 1974 Kanawha County Textbook Controversy*, by Carol Mason. *Women’s Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 40 (August 2011): 709-712.

In-Brief Review of *The Home Fronts of Iowa, 1939-1945*, by Lisa Ossian. *Women’s Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 39 (November 2010): 814-816.

“Girls, Inc.” *Encyclopedia of Women in Today’s World*. Mary Zeiss Stange and Dr. Carol K. Oyster, eds. Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Sage Publications, 2011.

“Title IX.” *Encyclopedia of Women in Today’s World*.

Review of *Growing Girls: The Natural Origins of Girls’ Organizations in America*, by Susan A. Miller. *H-Childhood, H-Net Reviews* (November 2008): <<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=22819>>.

“Camp Fire Girls.” *Girl Culture: An Encyclopedia*. Claudia Mitchell and Jacqueline Reid-Walsh, eds. Westport: Greenwood Press, 2007.

Review of *Abigail Adams: A Writing Life*, by Edith B. Gelles. *Women’s Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 33 (March 2004): 237-39.

Review of *To Have and To Hold: Marriage, the Baby Boom, and Social Change*, by Jessica Weiss. *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 100 (Winter 2002): 110-12.

Review of *Voices of Women Historians: The Personal, the Political, the Professional*, edited by Eileen Boris and Nupur Chaudhuri. *Women’s Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 30 (August 2001): 567-70.

Scholarly Presentations

“Girlhood, Pen-Pal Relationships, and Reconciliation after World War II,” The Society for the History of Children and Youth, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, June 24-7, 2015.

“‘Play Foreign Shopper’: Girls’ Consumption and Internationalism after World War II,” The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Lexington, Kentucky, June 2014.

“What Kind of World Do You Want?” American Youth, the UN, and Anti-Racism in the Early Cold War,” Berkshire Conference on Women’s History, Toronto, May 2014.

“Youth, Gender and Post World War II Reconciliations, 1945-1959,” Children and War: Past and Present Conference, University of Salzburg, Austria, July 2013.

“Youth, Pen Pals, and Peace, 1945-1959,” Annual Conference of the Organization of American Historians, San Francisco, 2013.

- “Peace, Global Responsibility, and Girlhood in the United States, 1945-1960,” Annual Meeting of the Western Association of Women Historians, Berkeley, May 2012.
- “Girls, Memory, and Stranger Danger in the 1950s,” National Women’s Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, November 2011.
- “Re-Imagining the Enemy: Youth and Gender in the Reconstitution of Peace, 1945-1959,” Berkshire Conference on Women’s History, Amherst, June 2011.
- “Freshmen Level Courses and Post-Racial Ideologies,” at the National Association of Ethnic Studies Annual Conference, Claremont Graduate University, April 2011.
- “The Personal is Historical: Oral History and Undergraduate Research Papers,” for the Celebrating Teaching and Learning Symposium at the University of the Pacific, February 2011.
- “Girlhood and Public Violence in Post World War II America,” at the Western Association of Women Historians Annual Meeting, May 2010.
- “Gender, Generation, and Modernity: Camp Fire Girls’ Writings during the Interwar Years” at the Women’s Cultural Production Symposium, St. Mary’s College and University of San Francisco, October 2007.
- “National Youth Culture and Identity in the Camp Fire Girls, 1910-1940” at the American Historical Association Conference, January 2007.
- “Girls Enact the ‘Indian Maiden’: The Camp Fire Girls, 1910-1940” at the American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch Conference, August 2006.
- “‘All Prejudices Seem to Disappear’: Diversity and Inclusion in the Early 20th-Century Camp Fire Girls” at the Society for the History of Children and Youth Biannual Conference, August 2005.
- “Girlhood and Global Conversations: International Tolerance in the Postwar Camp Fire Girls” at the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, June 2005.
- “The Camp Fire Girls and the Militarization of American Girlhood” at the Midwest Popular Culture Association and Midwest American Culture Association Annual Conference, October 2004.
- “Understanding Girls’ Historical Experiences: An Exploration of Sources” at Students and Teachers Working Together Conference of the Pacific Southwest Women’s Studies Association, April 2004.
- “‘The Gathering of the Girls’: The Camp Fire Girls and the Formation of Early Twentieth-Century Girls’ Culture” at Thinking Gender: The Thirteenth Annual Graduate Student Research Conference of the University of California, Los Angeles, Center for the Study of Women and the University of Southern California Center for Feminist Research, March 2003.
- “Gender Constructs and Native American Imagery in Early Twentieth-Century Children’s Organizations” at the Thirty-third Annual Conference of the Western Association of Women Historians, April 2002.
- “Early Twentieth-Century Camp Fire Girls and the Creation of a ‘Beautiful and Useful Womanhood’” at the Interdisciplinary Children’s History Conference, CGU, February 2002.
- “The Whitman Mission: Zone of Encounter and Inter-cultural Tension in the Pacific Northwest” at Examining the Collision of Cultures in an Age of Multiculturalism: The Whitman Tragedy, 1847-1997, Conference at Whitman College, November 1997.

Invited Talks

- Invited Discussant, “Half the Sky” for Panhellenic’s Circle of Sisterhood, University of the Pacific, Nov. 18, 2014.
- Peace, Global Responsibility, and Girlhood in the United States, 1945-1960*, History

Colloquium, University of the Pacific, Fall 2013.
“What We Have Learned,” Closing Comments, Women as History Makers in California, University of the Pacific, March 24, 2012.
“Girlhood: A Global History,” Guest Lecture, Visions of Girlhood Seminar, Claremont Graduate University, March 11, 2010.
“Girlhood, Race, and the Camp Fire Indian Maiden,” Invited talk for the Gender Studies Program, Brown Bag Series, University of the Pacific, October 23, 2009.
Presentation with Beverly Palmer, “The Lucretia Mott Correspondence” at the CGU History Department’s Thursday Forum, Fall 2000.

Workshops and Panel Discussions

UCLA Teaching Women’s History Annual Workshop
National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity, Faculty Success Program, 2013
Co-chaired workshop session on gender and public history for the UCLA Teaching Women’s History Workshop with Jenny Thigpen, Los Angeles, February 2012.
Roundtable participant, “Pedagogy Repossessed: The Perils of (Not) Teaching about Racism and Sexism,” Gender and Ethnic Studies, April 2011.
Participated in the Seminar on Developing Diversity Curricula and Pedagogy sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Diversity Curriculum Committee, 2011.
Co-chaired workshop session on transnational women’s history for the UCLA Teaching Women’s History Workshop with Carole Srole, Los Angeles, February 2009.

Panels Chaired and Moderated

Moderator and Chair, Teaching Public History to Graduate and Undergraduate Students, Western Association of Women Historians, Sacramento, May 14-16, 2015.
Moderator and Chair, National Biennial Conference of Phi Alpha Theta, Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 2014.
Moderator and Chair, Northern California Regional Conference of Phi Alpha Theta, “History Takes the Stage,” California State University, Sacramento, April 2013.
Moderator and Chair, En-Gendering Childhood and Adolescence Panel at the Gender, Race and Space Conference, Gender Studies Program, University of the Pacific, Sep. 2010.
Moderator and Chair, Northern California Regional Conference of Phi Alpha Theta, “Gender and Shaping of Public Policy,” California State University, Stanislaus, April 2009.
Moderator and Chair, History and Political Science Panel at the Gender and Science Conference, Gender Studies Program, University of the Pacific, Stockton, March 2008.
Chair, “Girls and Girlhood in Global History Roundtable” at the American Historical Association Conference, Washington D.C., January 2008.

Honors and Awards

-Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, 1994 to present
-Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 2000 to present

External Grants and Awards

-Eisenhower Presidential Library Abilene Travel Grant, 2015.
-Sophia Smith Collections, Travel-to-Collections Grant, Smith College, for 2013-2014.
-Schlesinger Library Dissertation Support Grant, Harvard University, 2003-04
-Rodney G. Dennis Fellowship in the Study of Manuscripts, Houghton Library, Harvard University, 2003-04
-Helen Newton Murray, Alpha Delta Pi Foundation Scholarship, 1996

Internal Grants and Awards

- College of the Pacific, Pacific Fund Grant, "Teaching Public History, Western Association of Women Historians Roundtable," May 2015
- Scholarly/Artistic Activities Grant (SAAG) for *Cultural Exchange Research at the Eisenhower and Truman Presidential Libraries*
- College of the Pacific, Pacific Fund Grant, "Manilatown and China Town Tour," 2013
- Thomas J. Long Foundation Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, University of the Pacific, 2011
- Writing in the Disciplines Assessment Stipend Winner, 2011
- College of the Pacific, Pacific Fund Grant, "San Francisco China Town and Chinese Historical Society Tour," 2010
- Online Course Development Grant, University of the Pacific, 2009
- Thomas J. Long Foundation Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, University of the Pacific, 2008
- College of the Pacific, Pacific Fund Grant, "Angel Island Tour," 2008
- Claremont Graduate University Dissertation Grant, 2004-05
- Claremont Graduate School Tuition Fellowship, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998

Past Teaching Experience

- Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of the Pacific, 2006 – 2010
- Lecturer, Women's Studies Department, San Francisco State University, 2006
- Lecturer, Department of History, California State University at East Bay, 2005 – 2006
- Instructor, Department of History, College of Marin, 2006
- Lecturer, American Studies Department and Liberal Studies Department, California State University at Fullerton (CSUF), 2000 – 2005
- Instructor, Department of History, Mount San Antonio College, 2000 – 2001

Courses Taught

History

- U.S. History Survey (Native America to Civil War; Civil War to the present; and Native America to present)
- U.S. History Survey Online (Native America to Civil War)
- Women in United States History
- American Immigration History
- U.S. Since 1945
- Women in Time and Place (traces the historical roots of current women's issues)
- California History
- Introduction to Public History and Museum Studies
- The Capstone (Pacific Senior History Seminar)

Gender Studies

- Introduction to Gender Studies

General Education

- Pacific Seminar I
- Pacific Seminar II, Raising Good Citizens

American Studies (CSUF)

- The Cold War in American Culture
- Women in American Society
- Childhood and Family in American Culture

Liberal Studies (CSUF)

- Senior Seminar on Gender Issues
- Senior Seminar on Cultural Diversity

Independent Studies

Gender Studies and Higher Ed (3 units): Katie Ziegenhirt (fall 2014)
Gender and the American Revolution (4 units): Megan Piper (spring 2014)
World War II and Public Memory (3-units): John Sayer (2011)

Internships Supervised

Women's History Internship with Women's Resource Center: Christiana Oatman (2012)
Remembering the Real Ambassadors Oral History Project, Brubeck Institute: Ignacio Sanchez-Alonso
San Joaquin County Historical Society and Museum: Samantha Martinez (spring 2014)

Honor's Research Projects Supervised

Elizabeth Youngberg (History), "American Women in Paris 1870-1910: How Money, Status, and Gender Influenced their Lives in the City of Lights," 2011.
Nahila Ahsan (English and Ethnic Studies), "The "Hindoo" Invasion of the Early 20th Century." Her paper won the award for best student research paper at the Pacific Undergraduate Research and Creativity Conference, 2009, University of the Pacific.

Guest Lectures

"Doing Oral History," Historical Imagination, University of the Pacific, fall 2013 and 2014.
Guest Discussant on Reading Monographs in HIST93, Chair's Seminar, University of the Pacific, fall 2012, and fall 2014.
"Gender and Youth Organizations in Historical Perspective," Guest Lecture in GEND 011, Introduction to Gender Studies, spring 2013.
"Women's Rights," Guest Lecture in GEND 011, Introduction to Gender Studies, Spring 2012.
"Understanding Sexism," Multicultural Affairs Social Justice Development Course, Fall 2011, Spring 2012.
Guest Discussant on History Exams and Library Research in HIST93, Chair's Seminar, University of the Pacific, fall 2011.
"Gender and Youth Organizations in Historical Perspective," Guest Lecture in GEND 011, Introduction to Gender Studies, March 24, 2011.
"Developing a thesis from your sources," Guest Lecture in HIST93, Chair's Seminar, University of the Pacific, November 9, 2010.
"Developing a thesis from your sources," Guest Lecture in HIST93, Chair's Seminar, University of the Pacific, November 10, 2009.
Presentations on Book Review Writing for the McNair Scholar Program, CGU, Summer 2003, Summer 2004.
Presentations on Book Review and Literature Review Writing for Teacher Education, CGU, Spring 2003.

Other Professional Experience

-Research and Document Editing Assistant, Lucretia Mott Papers, Pomona College, 1999 – 2001
-Writing Consultant at the CGU Writing Center, 1999 – 2004
Assisted graduate students with all stages of the writing process
Planned and directed workshops on dissertation and thesis writing, book review writing, and critical thinking
Provided web-content on writing dissertation proposals, historiography, *curriculum vitas*, and cover letters
Mentored international graduate students in the CGU Global Communication class

- Oral History, CGU, the creation, preservation, and use of oral history as primary source
- Digital History, completed CGU course in multimedia approaches in the classroom and in historical research and presentation

College and University Service

- General Education Committee, PACS2 Representative, 2013-present
- College of the Pacific Council, 2013-2016
- Phi Beta Kappa, Historian, 2015-present
 - Printed Initiation Program Coordinator, 2011-present
 - Initiation Usher, 2010, 2011
- Gender Studies Advisory Board, University of the Pacific, 2006 – present
 - Conference Committee for Gender, Race, and Physical Culture Student Research Conference, 2014 - 2015
 - Conference Committee for Gender and War student research conference, 2011 - 2012
 - Paper Submissions Subcommittee, for the Gender, Race and Space Conference, summer 2010
 - Organized student workers for the Gender and Performing Arts Festival, spring 2009
- Pacific Seminar 2 Faculty Convener, 2013-2015
- College of the Pacific, Faculty Marshal, 2013, 2014, 2015
- Promotion Review Committee for Caroline Schroeder, 2015
- Harold S. Jacoby Citizen Leader Award Committee, 2015
- Committee to Review the Long Foundation Fellowship Applications, 2015
- Discussion leader on Academic Success for New Member Institute for Greek Life, Mar. 2015
- Promotion Review Committee for Gesine Gerhard, 2014
- Sacramento Working Group, initial discussion group to explore an academically-grounded experiential learning opportunities in California's state capital, fall 2014
- Committee on Courses and Standards, College of the Pacific, 2010 – 2013
 - Continuing service as alternate as needed for quorum, 2013-present
- Organized with Jeff Hole and Caroline Cox the visit of Regina Mason, fall 2012
- Pacific Seminar 1 Planning Committee, Gender Studies Representative, 2011-2012
- Co-Organizer with Bill Swagerty, Edie Sparks, and Corrie Martin for the Women History-Makers in California symposium, 2011-2012
- University Joint Administration Faculty Commencement Speaker Committee, University Committee, 2010-2012
- Organized with Arturo Ocampo a panel of speakers from the Binational Center for the Development of Oaxacan Indigenous Communities, Sept. 2010
- Pacific Seminar I Faculty Meeting Convener for fall 2009
- Pacific Seminar Faculty Meeting Participant, fall 2006, fall 2007, fall 2008
- Helped organize and participated in an Interdisciplinary Junior Faculty Scholarship Group where new faculty work together to improve their writing and publish, 2006 – 2012
- Curriculum review, revised women's history course, College of Marin, 2006
- Conference organizer – Interdisciplinary Children's History Conference, CGU, 2002
- Editorial review board member for the *Welebeathan*, the CSUF and Phi Alpha Theta student journal in history, 2001

Department Service

- History Department Assessment Subcommittee, 2014-present
- World History Search Committee, 2012-2013
- Phi Alpha Theta
 - adviser for University of the Pacific chapter, fall 2011 – present

- co-adviser for University of the Pacific chapter, spring 2011
- Phi Alpha Theta conference attendee in support of Pacific students, 2010
- Helped organize practice session for students presenting at Phi Alpha Theta Conference and attended conference, spring 2009
- Program Review, 2011-2014
- Writing in the Disciplines Assessment Committee on the Capstone Learning Outcomes, 2011
- Developed new minor in Public History and Museum Studies, 2010
- Developed new course (HIST80: Introduction to Public History and Museum Studies)
- Revision of major curriculum, 2009
- Hiring committee for Latin American historian, history department, 2006 – 2007

Outreach “Beyond Our Gates” / Public Intellectual and Volunteer Work

- Volunteer for San Ramon Valley Unified School District, Walt Disney School, 2012- present.
- Volunteer Coach, Under 7 Boys & Under 6 Boys, San Ramon Soccer, 2013, 2015.
- Delivered a presentation, “Sharing Stories, Sharing History,” on oral history to Stockton’s P.E.O. (Philanthropic Education Organization), October 2012.
- Panel discussant, “Shared Perspectives on *All the King’s Men*,” the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library Big Read, September 2011.
- Conferred with Delta student (Francine Smith) on Great Depression project, April 2011.
- “Society and Culture in the 1930s and 1940s,” Invited presentation for the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library Big Read, May 2008.

Professional Service

- Western Association of Women Historians Liaison to the Coordinating Council for Women in History, 2011-present
- Western Association of Women Historians, Program Production Coordinator, 2012-2014
- Peer reviewer for *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth*
- Peer reviewer for *Diplomatic History*
- Peer reviewer for *Girlhood Studies*, a journal dedicated to the critical discussion of girlhood from a variety of disciplinary perspectives, 2009-2014.
- Peer reviewer for McGraw Hill US History textbooks, 2013, 2009
- Peer reviewer for Routledge Press (books and a textbook)
- Peer reviewer for openbookpublishers.com
- Paper critic for the Northern California Regional Conference of Phi Alpha Theta, 2009, 2014
- Academic Advisory Board Member for *Annual Editions: Gender* for McGraw Hill, 2009

Advising

- Advised 7 history majors and 5 exploratory students, 2014-2015
- M.A. Thesis Project Committee Member for Katie Ziegenhirt (Ed.), 2014-2015
- Advised 6 history majors and 1 social science major, 2013-2014
- M.A. Thesis committee for Ashley Nuckels Cuevas, Communications, University of the Pacific, 2013 (never completed)
- Advising, Summer Freshman Orientation, 2013, 12 advisees
- Advised John Langdon, Research Assistant, on the oral history component of the “Remembering the Real Ambassadors Oral History Project,” 2012
- Advised 7 history majors and 1 social science major, 2012-2013
- Summer Freshman Orientation, 2012, 13 advisees
- Advised 8 history majors and 2 social science major, 2011-2012
- Summer Freshman Orientation, 2011, 9 advisees
- Advised 2 history majors and 1 social science major, 2010-2011

- Read papers and consulted with senior history capstone students, fall 2007, fall 2008, fall 2010
- Commenter on senior capstone papers, 2008, 2010

Professional Memberships

- American Historical Association
- Coordinating Council on Women in History
- Organization of American Historians
- Society for the History of Children and Youth
- Western Association of Women Historians
- Southern California Women's History Reading Group