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### **EDUCATION**

2004            Ph.D., History, University of Pennsylvania  
1993            M.A., Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin  
1989            B.A., Plan II/English, University of Texas at Austin

### **FACULTY POSITIONS**

2005-present    Assistant Professor, Marquette University, Department of History  
2004-05        Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Miami, Department of History  
2002-04        Lecturer, University of Pennsylvania, Department of History

### **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

-Regular Research Grant, Marquette University, 2010-11  
-Summer Faculty Fellowship, Marquette University, 2010-11  
-Regional Faculty Travel Grant, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2008-09  
-Summer Faculty Fellowships, Marquette University, 2007 and 2008  
-Library Resident Research Fellowship, American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia, PA, 2006-07  
-Mellon Postdoctoral Research Long-Term Fellow, Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, 2005-06  
-National Endowment for the Humanities Postdoctoral Fellow, John Carter Brown Library, Providence, RI, 2005-06 (declined)  
-Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Grant for Study Abroad, U.S. Department of Education, 1997  
-Field Grant, Research Institute for the Study of Man, New York, NY, 1997  
-Florence Terry Griswold Scholarship for summer research, The Pan-American Round Tables of Texas, 1993

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Books

-*Memories of Conquest: Becoming Mexicano in Colonial Guatemala*. University of North Carolina Press, forthcoming Spring 2012  
-*Indian Conquistadors: Indigenous Allies in the Conquest of Mesoamerica*, co-editor with Michel Oudijk. University of Oklahoma Press, 2007

#### Articles

-“Mexicanos and the Meanings of Ladino,” *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*, 7:1 (Spring 2006)  
-“El Náhuatl y la identidad mexicana en la Guatemala colonial,” *Mesoamerica* 40 (December 2000), p. 41-68.

### Book Chapters

- “A Case of Contested Identity: Domingo Pérez, Indigenous Immigrant in Ciudad Real, Chiapas,” in Erin O’Connor and Leo Garofalo, eds., *Gender and Race, Empire and Nation: A Documentary History on the Making of Latin America* (Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall, 2009)
- “Whose Conquest? Nahua, Zapoteca, and Mixteca Allies in the Conquest of Central America” and “Conclusion,” in Matthew and Oudijk, *Indian Conquistadors* (University of Oklahoma, 2007)
- “A Speculative History of Town-Specific Dress,” in Traci Ardren, ed., *Flowers for the Earth Lord: Guatemalan Textiles from the Permanent Collection* (Coral Gables, FL: Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami, 2006)

### Encyclopedia Entries/Essays

- “Conquest of Guatemala and Yucatan” in *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, ed. Ben Vinson
- “Ladino,” in *Facts on File*, “Colonial Latin America,” ed. Mark Burkholder
- “Nahuatl and Pipil Documents from Central America,” with Sergio Romero, in Michel Oudijk and María Casteñeda de la Paz, eds., *Supplement to the Handbook of Middle American Indians, Ethnohistorical Source: Indigenous Alphabetical Manuscripts*. In press, University of Texas Press

### Reviews

- Catálogo de los Fondos Americanos del Archivo de Protocolos de Sevilla*, for *Boletín de la AFEHC*, Spring 2010
- Gonzalo Lamana, *Domination Without Dominance: Inca-Spanish Encounters in Early Colonial Peru*, for H-Atlantic, December 2009
- David Carrasco and Scott Sessions, eds., *Cave, City, and Eagle’s Nest: An Interpretive Journey Through the Mapa de Cuauhtinchan No. 4*, in *Mesoamerica* 51 (2009), 178-80
- David Cahill and Blanca Tovías, eds., *New World, First Nations: Native Peoples of Mesoamerica and the Andes Under Colonial Rule*, in *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History* 9:3 (Winter 2008)
- Rebecca P. Brienen and Margaret A. Jackson, eds., *Invasion and Transformation: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Conquest of Mexico*, in *Journal of Latin American Studies* 40:4 (Nov 2008), 795-796
- Linda Curcio-Nagy, *The Great Festivals of Colonial Mexico City: Performing Power and Identity*, in *Journal of Social History* 39:1 (Fall 2005), 290-292
- Robert Jackson, *Race, Caste, and Status: Indians in Colonial Spanish America*, in *Mesoamerica* 44 (December 2002)

## **PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS**

### Invited Presentations

- “What Is the New Conquest History?” Roundtable participant, Ethnohistory annual meeting, Ottawa, Canada, October 13-17, 2010
- “Historiografía de las visiones autóctonas como reto metodológico.” Centro de Investigaciones Regionales de Mesoamérica (CIRMA), Antigua, Guatemala, June 7, 2007

Conference Presentations

- "A Speculative History of Town-Specific Dress," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 17-21, 2010
- "A Tale of Two Ciudad Viejas: History and Archaeology in Conquest-Era Central America," Midwest Mesoamericanist Meeting, Milwaukee, WI, March 19-20, 2010
- "Beyond a *lingua franca*: Some Aspects of Colonial Central American Nahuatl." American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting, New Orleans, LA, Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 2009
- "Más allá de la *lingua franca*: el uso del náhuatl en Centroamérica colonial," with Sergio Romero (Vanderbilt University). 53rd Internacional Congreso de Americanistas, Mexico City, Mexico, July 19-24, 2009
- "Indigenous Mesoamerican Conquistadors in Central America," with Jeb Card (Southern Illinois University at Carbondale). Society for American Archaeology 74th annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, April 22-26, 2009
- "Por ser valientes: una probanza indígena de la conquista de Centroamérica, siglo XVI." Encuentro internacional 'El mundo de los conquistadores,' Instituto de Investigaciones Históricas-Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México/Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City, June 4-6, 2008
- "Mexicans, Maya, and Conquest in the Longue Durée of Mesoamerican History." Latin American Studies Association annual meeting, Montreal, Canada, Sept. 5-8, 2007
- Commentator/Chair, "The Church in Latin America." American Catholic Historical Association Spring meeting, Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, March 29-31, 2007
- "La utilidad de ser tlaxcalteca—o de no serlo—en la Ciudad Vieja, Guatemala colonial." VIII Congreso Centroamericano de Historia, Antigua, Guatemala, July 10-14, 2006
- "Whose Conquest? Nahuas, Mixtecs, and Zapotecs in the Conquest of Central America." Newberry Library Colloquium, Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, Feb. 8, 2006
- "The Utility of Being Tlaxcalan (or not) in Colonial Guatemala." American Historical Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA, Jan. 5-8, 2006
- Panel Co-Organizer, "Indios Conquistadores: Negotiating Power and Collective Identity in Colonial Mexico and Guatemala," and presenter "Marching as a Group Apart: The Mexican Militias of Colonial Guatemala." Southern Historical Association annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, Nov. 6-9, 2002.
- "The Penance of a Saint: Franciscan Piety in Baroque Mesoamerica." American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting, Quebec City, Canada, Oct. 16-19, 2002.
- "Reading the Census: Mexican Neighborhoods and Identities in a Guatemalan Town, c. 1752." Latin American Cultures Program Graduate Symposium Series, University of Pennsylvania, Jan. 22, 2002.
- Panel Organizer, "Colonial Migrations: Population Movement and Ethnogenesis in Mesoamerica and Spanish North America," and presenter, "Tlaxcalan Migration and Mystique in Colonial Guatemala and Northern Mexico." Conference on Latin American History annual meeting, Chicago, IL, Jan. 6-9, 2000.
- "The Creation of 'Los Mexicanos' in Colonial Guatemala." American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting, Mashantucket, CT, Oct. 20-24, 1999.
- "Neither and Both: The Mexican 'Indian Conquistadors' of Colonial Guatemala." American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA, Dec. 9-12, 1998.
- "Language and Identity in Early Colonial Guatemala: The Role of Nahuatl." American Historical Association annual meeting, Seattle, WA, Jan. 8-11, 1998.
- "Idioma e identidad durante la época colonial: El caso de los mexicanos-conquistadores en Guatemala." Centro de Investigaciones Regionales de Mesoamérica, Antigua,

Guatemala, Aug. 20, 1997.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- Secretary/Chair, Central American Studies Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2010-2012
- Reviews editor, *Boletín de la Asociación para el Fomento de Estudios Históricos en Centroamérica*, <http://afehc-historia-centroamericana.org/index.php>, Sept. 2008-present
- Reviewer, Duke University Press (*Hispanic American Historical Review*; *LABOR: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas*; and *Ethnohistory*)
- Reviewer, Penn State University Press
- Co-founder and director, Midwest Working Group on Colonial Latin America (regional faculty from WI, IL, MI), 2006-present
- Co-organizer with Karen Graubart (University of Notre Dame), "Law and Religion in the Creation of Colonial Society," conference at The Kellogg Center, University of Notre Dame, May 1-2, 2009
- Consultant/Contributor, exhibit catalogue *Quauhquechollan: El Lienzo de la Conquista*, Universidad Francisco Marroquin, Guatemala City, Guatemala, 2007
- Invited Speaker, Center for the Humanities, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "One Hundred Years of Solitude in Wisconsin," Oct. 8, 2007
- Gallery Guide, "The Aztecs and the Making of Colonial Mexico," Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, Dec. 16, 2006
- Instructor, Teachers as Scholars Education Program, Newberry Library, Chicago, May 2006
- Instructor, Newberry Teacher's Consortium, Newberry Library, Chicago, May 2006
- Consultant/Contributor, "Flowers from the Earth Lord: Guatemalan Textiles from the Permanent Collection," Lowe Museum of Art, Miami, FL, Sept. 23-Nov. 26, 2006
- Invited Participant, Workshop on Constructing Difference in Colonial Latin America, Connecticut College, New London, CT, March 11-12, 2005
- Invited Participant, International Seminar on the History of the Atlantic World, "Indigenous Cultures, 1500-1825," Harvard University, Aug. 2-12, 2004 (declined)
- Graduate Assistant, Ethnohistory Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, 2000, 1995
- Ford Foundation Workshop "Colonial Dialogues," University of Pennsylvania, 1996-98
- NEH/Aston Magna Academy "Cultural Cross-Currents: Spain and Latin America, ca. 1550-1750," Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, July 1995
- Curator, "Religion and Society in Colonial Mexico: Selections from the Sydney S. Keil Collection," Special Collections, Van Pelt Library, University of Pennsylvania, Oct. 11, 1994-Jan. 9, 1995
- Copy Editor/Translator, *Central America Report/Inforpress Centroamericana*, Guatemala City, Guatemala, 1989
- Invited Participant, "Liberation Theology" Central American tour and student/faculty seminar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Austin, TX, 1989

### **SERVICE – Marquette U. and Milwaukee**

- Engineers Without Borders Marquette Chapter, trip to San Lucas Tolimán Hydroelectricity Project, Guatemala, May 2011
- Host, Visit of Executive Secretary of CONAMIGUA (Guatemala) governmental council on migrant affairs Heyddie Alejandra Gordillo Tovar, March 24, 2011
- Guest speaker, Sigma Lambda Beta Latino Fraternity Workshop, "African Culture in Latin America," February 8, 2011
- Graduate Committee, Dept. of History, 2010-11

- Open House for High Schoolers, April 2010
- Center for Teaching and Learning Online Teaching Reception, April 8, 2010
- Adviser, McNair Scholars Program, Summer 2009
- Graduate Committee, Department of History, 2009-10
- Executive Committee, Department of History, 2007-2009
- Campus interviews and advising process, IIE Fulbright awards, 2007 to present
- Public school presentations at MacDowell, Maryland Ave., and Golda Meir Schools, Milwaukee, WI
- School Governance Council, Golda Meir School, 2007-09
- Guest speaker, Global Brigades Meeting, Sept. 27, 2008
- Guest speaker, Latino Solidarity Day Conference, Sept. 27, 2008
- Guest speaker, "The Maya in Guatemala, Past and Present," Engineers Without Borders Student Chapter, Feb. 27, 2008
- Guest speaker, Sigma Lambda Beta Latino Fraternity workshop, "Latino, Hispanic, Chicano: How do I self-identify?", Feb. 20, 2008
- Graduate Professionalization Workshop, Feb. 11, 2008
- Moderator, "Wifredo Lam in North America" Panel Discussion, Haggerty Museum, Marquette University, Dec. 6, 2007
- Guest Speaker, Sigma Delta Pi Spanish Honor Society, Nov. 18, 2007
- Preview Advising, June 18, 2007
- Co-organizer, Marquette International Service Learning Trip to Guatemala, Sept. 2006-May 2007 (cancelled)
- Graduate History Workshop on Teaching, Oct. 24, 2006
- Guest speaker, "The Maya in Guatemala, Past and Present," Wisconsin Professional Partners Chapter of Engineers Without Borders, Sept. 13, 2006
- Faculty Participant, Shared Futures: Global Education and Social Responsibility (Global Core Project), April 2006-May 2007

## **REFERENCES**

- Dr. James Marten, Chair, Department of History, Marquette University  
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