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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History, University of Michigan, 2016

Dissertation: “Both the Honor and the Profit”: Anishinaabe Warriors, Soldiers, and Veterans from Pontiac’s War through the Civil War

Committee: Gregory Dowd and Michael Witgen (Co-Chairs), Susan Juster, Scott Lyons, and Tiya Miles

M.A. in History, University of Michigan, 2012

B.A. in History and English Language and Literature, with Distinction, University of Michigan, 2007

TEACHING AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

Central Michigan University

Aug. 2017- Assistant Professor, History Department

Miami University

Aug. 2016-May 2017 Visiting Assistant Professor, History Department

University of Michigan

May 2015-Sep. 2015 Research Assistant for Gary Krenz, Executive Director of the U-M Bicentennial

Sept. 2011-2016 Research Assistant for Professor Tiya Miles, Department of Afroamerican and African Studies and Department of American Culture

May 2011-Dec. 2014 Research Assistant for Professor Michael Witgen, American Indian History and History of the American West (part of the Michigan Education through Learning Objects project)

Sept. 2013-Dec. 2013 Grader, History of the American West

Sept. 2011-Dec. 2011 Graduate Student Instructor, A History of Witchcraft

July 2011-Dec. 2011 Mentor for Graduate Student Instructors, History Department

Sept. 2010-Apr. 2011 Graduate Student Instructor, United States History to 1865

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and Chapters

“‘The More Noise they Make’: Odawa and Ojibwe Encounters with American Missionaries in Northern Michigan, 1837-1871,” *The Michigan Historical Review* 38:2 (Fall 2012): 1-34.

Tiya Miles, Michelle Cassidy, Emily Macgillivray, et. al., “Mapping Slavery in Detroit,” in *Detroit: A People’s Atlas*, Linda Campbell, Andrew Newman, Sara Safranksy, and Timothy Stallmann, eds. (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, under contract).

Online Publications

- 2014 Contributor, *Mapping Slavery in Detroit* (Professor Tiya Miles),
<http://mappingdetroitsslavery.com/>
- Contributor, *The American Yawp* (an online and collaborative textbook),
<http://www.americanyawp.com/>
- 2012 Co-Creator, History and American Culture 367: American Indian History electronic syllabus for “flipped” classroom (Professor Michael Witgen),
<https://americanindianhistory.pbworks.com/>
- 2011 Co-Creator, History 373: History of the American West electronic syllabus for “flipped” classroom (Professor Michael Witgen),
<http://open.umich.edu/education/lisa/history373/fall2011>

Reviews

- Review of Catherine J. Denial, *Making Marriage: Husbands, Wives, and the American State in Dakota and Ojibwe Country* in *American Indian Quarterly* 40, no. 3 (Summer 2016), 288-291.
- Review of Donald B. Smith, *Mississauga Portraits: Ojibwe Voices from Nineteenth-Century Canada* in *Ethnohistory* 61 (Summer 2014), 580-582.
- Review of William E. Whittaker, *Frontier Forts of Iowa: Indians, Traders, and Soldiers, 1682-1862*, *The Middle Ground Journal*, Number 6, Spring 2013.

ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2016 Doris G. Quinn Foundation Fellowship
- 2015-2016 A. Bartlett Giamatti Graduate Student Fellowship, Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan
- 2015 Library Resident Research Fellowship, American Philosophical Society
- 2014-2015 Rackham Humanities Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan
- 2014 Rackham Humanities Research Candidacy Fellowship, University of Michigan
- 2013 Bentley Historical Library Summer Fellowship
- Rackham Graduate Research Grant, University of Michigan
- 2011 *Michigan Historical Review* Graduate Student Essay Competition Winner
- Rackham Graduate Research Grant, University of Michigan
- 2009-2010 Regents Fellowship, University of Michigan

CONFERENCE

- March 2018 Panel Chair and Presenter, “‘The Indian Company’: Nineteenth-Century Stereotypes and Anishinaabe Soldiers in the Union Army” (Panel: Civil War and Reconstruction I - Re-Visioning the Experience of War), Popular Culture Association National Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- July 2016 “Christian Warriors: Anishinaabe Religious and Political Networks in the Great Lakes Borderlands,” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT.

- Nov. 2015 “The Treaty of Fort Meigs and the Creation of the University of Michigan,” Native American Heritage Month event, West Quadrangle’s Multicultural Council, University of Michigan.
- Sept. 2015 “Mapping,” *Digital History*, panelist, University of Michigan.
- June 2015 “‘Our Dear Noble Country’: Anishinaabe Motivations for Enlisting in the Union Army,” Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
- Jan. 2015 “Veterans and Bureaucrats ‘Out in the Brush’: Anishinaabe Pension Claims in Postbellum Michigan,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY.
- May 2014 “‘I am an Indian and I fought through the War of Rebellion’: Anishinaabe Assertions of Identity in Civil War Pension Files,” Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
- Sept. 2013 “Assiginack’s Canoe and Anishinaabe Bibles: Ojibwe and Odawa Men and their Journeys on the Great Lakes from the War of 1812 through the Civil War,” American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- May 2013 “‘Both the Honor and the Profit’: Anishinaabe Encounters with Settler Colonialism from the War of 1812 through the Civil War,” Globalizing the Word: Transnationalism and the Making of Native American Literature, University of Michigan, Symposium.
- March 2013 “Slavery in Michigan.” Michigan in Perspective: The Local History Conference. Historical Society of Michigan; Livonia, MI. Presentation with Professor Tiya Miles, Emily Macgillivray, Paul Rodriguez, and Sarah Khan.
- Sept. 2011 “‘The More Noise they Make’: Odawa and Ojibwe Encounters with American Missionaries in Northern Michigan, 1837-1871.” *Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference*, University of Colorado at Boulder.

INVITED TALKS & WORKSHOPS

- Feb. 2018 “I am an Indian and I fought through the War of Rebellion: Anishinaabe Veterans after the Civil War,” Isabella County Historical Society, “Founder’s Day,” Mt. Pleasant, MI.
- Nov. 2017 “Company K of the First Michigan Sharpshooters,” Phi Alpha Theta, Central Michigan University.
- Oct. 2017 Workshop/Panel Member, “A Future in the Past: Preparing for the History Job Market,” History Department, Central Michigan University.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Central Michigan University

HST 323: History of Native Americans—Origins to Indian Country Today

HST 697: American Indian History (graduate colloquium)

Miami University, 2016-2017

HST 111: United States to 1877

HST 362: The Era of the American Revolution
HST 365: The American Civil War and Reconstruction
HST 450: American Indian History of the Great Lakes Region

ADVISING/GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES

Dissertations

Committee Member, Marcel Haas, History

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

July 2011-Dec. 2015, Reviewer for History Editorial Board, Multimedia Educational
May 2018- Resources for Learning and Online Teaching (MERLOT)

Jan. 2012-June 2013 Co-Student Coordinator and co-founder of the Native American and
Indigenous Studies Interdisciplinary Group, University of Michigan

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Central Michigan University

Fall 2018- Degrees, Admissions, Standards, and Honors Committee

Department

2018-2019 George M. Blackburn Lecture Organizer
2018-2019 Events Calendar Organizer
2017- Undergraduate Studies Committee

College of Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences

2017- Member of the Denison Endowed Visiting Scholar in Native American Studies Committee

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

2008-2009, Summer 2010 Editorial Assistant for Political Science, Communication, and American
History, Rowman & Littlefield Publishers

AFFILIATIONS

Native American and Indigenous Studies Association
American Society for Ethnohistory
American Historical Association
Society for Historians of the Early American Republic