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Associate Professor of History

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ACADEMIC

POSITIONS:

Interim Director, School of Humanities

University of Southern Mississippi

Summer 2019-present

Associate Professor of History

University of Southern Mississippi

Fall 2018-present

Nina Bell Suggs Professor

Assistant Professor of History

University of Southern Mississippi

Spring 2016 – Spring 2018

Assistant Professor of History

University of Southern Mississippi

Fall 2012 – Spring 2016

Editorial Assistant, Book Reviews

Hispanic American Historical Review

2010 - 2011

Graduate Teaching Fellow, Department of History

University of Pittsburgh

Fall 2004 – Spring 2012

EDUCATION: Ph.D. in History (2012)

The University of Pittsburgh

Dissertation: From Haiti to Cuba and Back: Haitian Experiences of Migration,

Labor, and Return, 1900-1940

Certificate of Advanced Study on Latin America (2012)

The University of Pittsburgh

Center for Latin American Studies

Master of Arts in History (2006)

The University of Pittsburgh

Thesis: The American Occupation of Haiti and the Politics of Emigration, 1915-

1934

Bachelor of Arts in History and Spanish (2003)

The University of Texas at Austin

HONORS AND

AWARDS: Nina Bell Suggs Endowed Professorship for Junior Faculty

University of Southern Mississippi

2016

Teacher of the Year, University of Southern Mississippi

Mississippi Humanities Council

2015

Faculty Senate Junior Faculty Research Award for “exceptional research ability.”

University of Southern Mississippi

2015

Eduardo Lozano Long Memorial Dissertation Prize for best dissertation in Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh.

2013

Andrés Ramos Mattei-Neville Hall Article Prize for the best article in the field of Caribbean history in the period 2009-2011. (One of two awarded).

Association of Caribbean Historians

2012

Professor of the Month Award

Chi Omega, University of Southern Mississippi

2012

PUBLICATIONS:

Book: *Empire’s Guest Workers: Haitian Migrants in Cuba during the Age of U.S. Occupation* in the Afro-Latin America Series (Cambridge University Press, 2017).

Article: “Domestic Workers and Foreign Occupation: Haitian Servants, US Marines and Conflicts over Labor and Empire in Haiti, 1915-1934,” *International Labor and Working Class History* (forthcoming).

Article: “The Paramilitarism of Politics and Production in Early Republican Cuba,” *The Global South*: Special Issue: Men with Guns: Cultures of Paramilitarism and the Modern Americas 12:2 (Fall 2018): 64-89.

Article: (with Rebecca Tuuri) “Poultry and Pedagogy in Mississippi and Mexico: Bridging African American and Latin American History in the College Classroom.” *The History Teacher* 51:4 (August 2018): 639-659.

Article: “Los haitianos en las encrucijadas de creencia y represión en la Cuba Republicana.” *Batey: Revista Cubana de Antropología Sociocultural* 8:8 (2016) translated by Orlando Rivero Valdés. Published by La Universidad de Oriente in Contramaestre, Cuba.

Article: “’Haitian Habits’ or Occupation Policies?: Harris Lifschitz and the Unevenness of State-Building in Haiti, 1898-1921” *The Journal of Haitian Studies*: Special Issue: L’Occupation 1915-1934: Perspectives on Haiti and the U.S. at the Centennial 21:2 (Fall 2015): 121-151.

Research Note: “Sugar, Empire, and Revolution in Eastern Cuba: The Guantánamo Sugar Company Records in the Cuban Heritage Collection” *Caribbean Studies* 42:2 (July-December 2014): 219-33.

Article: “Inmigrantes haitianos y la industria cafetalera en Cuba, 1900-1940,” *Revista* D*el Caribe* 60 (2013) translated by Carlos Lloga and published by the *Casa del Caribe* in Santiago de Cuba.

Book Chapter: “Between Anti-Haitianism and Anti-Imperialism: Haitian and Cuban Political Collaborations in the Nineteenth and Twentieth centuries” in Carla Calargé, Raphael Dalleo, Luis Duno-Gottberg, and Clevis Headley (eds.) *Haiti and the Americas: Histories, Cultures, Imaginations.* (University Press of Mississippi, 2013), 54-73.

Review Essay: “Heterogeneity, Work and Mobilisation: Recent Works in Latin American Labour Studies” *Labour / Le travail*: *Journal of Canadian Labour Studies/ Revue d’Études Ouvrières Canadiennes* 69 (Spring 2012): 169-85.

Article: “Haitians’ Labor and Leisure on Cuban Sugar Plantations: The Limits of Company Control,” in *New West Indian Guide / Nieuwe West-Indische Gids* 85:1&2 (2011): 5-30.

Book Chapter: (with Alejandro de la Fuente) “Race and the Suffrage Controversy in Cuba, 1898-1901,” in Alfred W. McCoy and Francisco A. Scarano eds. *Colonial Crucible: Empire in the Making of the Modern American State* (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2009), 220-229.

**Digital Humanities and Online Publications:**

“The Sugar Curtain is Torn and Translucent: Haitians’ Daily Lives in Cuba” in *Beyond the Sugar Curtain: Tracing Cuba-US Connections since 1959* published by Brown University (https://www.brown.edu/research/projects/tracing-cuba-us-connections/news/2017/05/sugar-curtain-torn-and-translucent), 2017.

“The Haitians in Cuba: A Forgotten History?” in *Haiti: Then and Now* (http://www.haitithenandnowhtn.com/2015/03/the-haitians-in-cuba-forgotten-history.html), 2015.

“Haitian Migration to Cuba” in *Haiti: an Island Luminous* hosted by the Digital Library of the Caribbean, Florida International University and the University of Florida (http://islandluminous.fiu.edu), 2013.

**Book Reviews:**

Review of Jeffrey S. Kahn, *Islands of Sovereignty: Haitian Migration and the Borders of Empire* (The University of Chicago Press, 2019) in *International Migration Review* (2019).

Review of Robert C. McGreevey, *Borderline Citizens: The United States, Puerto Rico, and the Politics of Colonial Migration* (Cornell University Press, 2018) in *Labor: Studies In Working Class History* (forthcoming).

Review of Chantalle F. Verna, *Haiti and the Uses of America: Post-U.S. Occupation Promises* (Rutgers University Press, 2017) in *New West India Guide* 92.3-4 (2018).

Review of Phillip A. Howard, *Black Labor, White Sugar: Caribbean Braceros and Their Struggle for Power in the Cuban Sugar Industry* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2015) in *Hispanic American Historical Review* 97.1 (February 2017).

Review of Christina D. Abreu, *Rhythms of Race: Cuban Musicians and the Making of Latino New York City and Miami, 1940-1960* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2015) in *Florida Historical Quarterly* 94:4 (Spring 2016).

Review of Julia Gaffield, *Haitian Connections in the Atlantic World: Recognition after Revolution*. H-Diplo, H-Net Reviews. June, 2016. **URL:** <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=46206>

Review of Robert Whitney and Graciela Chailloux Laffita, *Subjects or Citizens: British Caribbean Workers in Cuba, 1900-*1960 (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2013) in *Ethnohistory* 63:1 (January 2016).

“Haitians, African-Americans, and the Politics of Freedom” review of Millery Polyné, *From Douglass to Duvalier: U.S. African Americans, Haiti, and Pan Americanism, 1870-1964* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2010) in *Anthurium: A Caribbean Studies Journal* 11:1 (May 2014).

Review of *Migrants and Migration in Modern North America: Cross-Border Lives, Labor Markets, and Politics* (Durham: Duke University Press, 2011) in *Hispanic American Historical Review* 93:1 (February 2013).

Review of Matthew Smith, *Red & Black in Haiti: Radicalism, Conflict, and Political Change, 1934-1957* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2009) in *Caribbean Studies* 38:2 (July-December 2010).

WORKS IN

PROGRESS: Book: *Joseph Jolibois Fils and the Politics of Democracy and Authoritarianism in Occupied Haiti and Interwar Latin America*. Currently working with previous editor at Cambridge University Press (Deborah Gershenowitz) to frame book proposal. Intended submission date: December 2019.

Article: “What can Caribbean Migration Studies Contribute to Global Migration Scholarship?” currently in the early drafting stages for late Spring submission to an International Migration Journal.

SELECTED

UNIVERSITY

SERVICE:

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of History

University of Southern Mississippi

Fall 2015 – Summer 2019

Co-director, Center for the Study of the Gulf South, Department of History

Fall 2013 – Spring 2019

Chair, Graduate Professionalism Committee, Department of History

Fall 2012 – Spring 2015

University Assessment Committee, University of Southern Mississippi

AY 2014-2015

Planning and Assessment Committee, Department of History

2014 - present

Planning Committee, Undergraduate Research Symposium

2013 – 2019

MANUSCRIPT

REVIEW: Journal article review for *Journal of Haitian Studies*, 2019, 2017

Journal article review for *Cuban Studies*, 2019

Journal article review *Comparative Studies in Society & History*, 2018

Book manuscript review for *Cambridge University Press*, 2017

Book manuscript review for *Routledge*, 2017

Journal article review for *Palgrave Communications*, 2017

Journal article review for *The History Teacher*, 2016

External Examiner for MPhil Thesis University of West Indies-Mona, 2016

Book manuscript review for University of Athabasca Press, 2013

LANGUAGE

SKILLS: Spanish: Full fluency in reading, writing, and speaking

French: Reading and speaking proficiency

Portuguese: Reading proficiency

Haitian Creole: Beginner-level reading and speaking

GRANTS AND

FELLOWSHIPS: Aubrey Keith Lucas and Ella Ginn Lucas Endowment for Faculty Excellence

University of Southern Mississippi

2017-2018

Nominee for University of Southern Mississippi

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend

2016 and 2017

New Faculty Startup Funds

University of Southern Mississippi

2012

Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship

University of Pittsburgh, School of Arts and Sciences

2008-2009

Carolyn Chambers Memorial Fellowship

University of Pittsburgh, Department of History

2007-2008

Arts and Sciences Summer Research Grant

University of Pittsburgh

Summer 2007

Center for Latin American Studies Graduate Research Grant

University of Pittsburgh

Summer 2007

Library Travel Research Grant

University of Florida - Gainesville

Summer 2006

Hays Summer Research Grant

University of Pittsburgh

Summer 2006

Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship (Portuguese)

2005 – 2006

PAPER PRESENTAIONS

AND LECTURES:

“Caribbean Migration to Cuba, 1902-1933: Panel Discussion” with Jorge Giovannetti and Andrea Queeley. Inivited by the Cuban Research Institute at Florida International Univeristy, March 29, 2019.

“Urban Laborers, Street Protests and the Authoritarian Mechanism in the US Occupation of Haiti,” at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association Conference, Phoenix, Arizona, November 10, 2018.

“Anti-Imperial Activism and Post-Colonial Intertwining: Haitian-Dominican Political Collaborations in the 1920s-1930s,” at the 29th Annual Haitian Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 3, 2017.

“Haitian Migrants in Cuba, or the Workings of US Empire in the Caribbean” invited lecture by the Forum on Migration and the Institute of Latin American Studies at Barnard College/ Columbia University, New York City, April 25, 2017.

“A Spiritist Challenge to the Scientific Principles of Governance during the U.S. Occupation of Haiti (1915-1934)” 64th Annual Conference of the Southeastern Conference of Latin American Studies, March 25, 2017.

“Moral Economies of Work, Food and Love in the Twentieth century Cuban Sugar Industry,” 41st Caribbean Studies Association Conference, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, June 7, 2016.

“The Paramilitarism of Politics and Production in Early Republican Cuba” at the Symposium “Men with Guns: Cultures of Paramilitarism in the Modern Americas,” The University of Arizona, November 12-13, 2015.

“Racial Assumptions and Archival Silences: A Re-examination of Haitian Migrants and Labor Unions in Republican Cuba” Tenth Conference on Cuban and Cuban-American Studies, Florida International University, February 26-28, 2015.

“Domestic Labor and Foreign Occupation: Haitian Housekeepers and U.S. Marines in Occupied Haiti, 1915-1934,” Latin American Studies Conference at the Southern Historical Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 15, 2014.

“Analyzing U.S. Imperialism from Below: Haitian Laborers on Cuban Sugar Plantations, 1898-1940” Phi Alpha Theta Spring Lecture Series, University of Southern Mississippi, February 26, 2014.

“Haitian Households, Migration Policies, and the Global Transition to Free Migration, 1900-1940” at the Conference on Latin American History, New Orleans, January 4, 2013.

“Haitian Migrants on Cuban Coffee Farms: Rethinking Labor and Race, 1900-1940” at the conference: Haiti Beyond Borders: Challenges and Progress Across the Diaspora, Haitian Studies Association, November 8-10, 2012.

“Between Anti-Haitianism and Anti-Imperialism: Haitian and Cuban Political Collaborations in the Nineteenth and Twentieth centuries” at the conference: Haiti Beyond Borders: Challenges and Progress Across the Diaspora, Haitian Studies Association, November 8-10, 2012.

“Haitian Migrants, Religious Communities, and Repression in Rural Cuba” at the Atlantic Geographies Institute: A 4-Day Institute for Doctoral Candidates and Recent PhDs, American Studies and the Department of History at the University of Miami, May 14-17, 2012.

“Haitian Urbanites and Trans-national Political Activism in Cuba” at the conference: Haiti and the Americas: Histories, Cultures, Imaginations. Florida Atlantic University (co-sponsored by Rice University), October 22, 2010.

"From the Marine Corps to the UN Mission: Assessing a Century of Development Plans in Haiti" on the Panel: "Haiti: An Agonized Nation: Which Way Forward?" Co-Sponsored by: Africana Studies Department, History Department, Center for Latin American Studies, African Studies Program, Global Studies Program. University of Pittsburgh. February 23, 2010.

Invited Panel Discussant: "Haiti and the Politics of Disasters" Workshopping Identity at Pitt (WIP), Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh. February 4, 2010

"Haitian Laborers and Coffee in Cuba: Coffee Production in a Transnational Space and the Myth of Haitian Exceptionalism" University of Pittsburgh, Department of History, Graduate Speaker Series. November 17, 2009.

"Life in a Haitian *Ville*: Return Migrants, Literary Projections, State Policy, and Urban Spaces in Haiti" at the conference: (des)articulaciones in/with Latin American and Caribbean Cultural Processes: Memory and Transgression, University of Pittsburgh, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, October 9, 2009.

“Raza, Nación, y Migración en Cuba y Haití, 1898-1934,” at the Seminario de Historia Regional de Centroamérica y el Caribe, Universidad de Costa Rica, May 2007.

“Racial Knowledge and Suffrage Controversies in Cuba, 1890s-1900s,” (with Alejandro de la Fuente) Transitions & Transformations in the U.S. Imperial State: The Search for a New Synthesis. Conference: University of Wisconsin-Madison, November 10, 2006.

“The Debates on Emigration Policy in Occupied Haiti, 1915-34,” From Local to Global in Latin America and the Caribbean: Where Have We Come from and Where are we Headed? Conference of the Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies, University of Calgary, Canada. September 29, 2006.

**MEDIA**

**APPEARANCES:**

Podcast Interview: “Matthew Casey, ‘Empire’s Guestworkers: Haitian Migrants in Cuba during the Age of US Occupation,” New Books in Caribbean Studies Podcast: New Books Network, July 11, 2018.

Television Interview: “USM Cuban Expert Reacts to New State Push to Lift Trade Embargo,” WDAM, Hattiesburg, June 30, 2016.

Radio Interview “President Obama in Cuba,” Mississippi Edition, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, March 23, 2016

Live Radio Interview: “Normalization of Diplomatic Relations with Cuba,” China Radio International, July 20, 2015.

Television Interview: “USM professor weighs in on Cuba,” WDAM, Hattiesburg, July 1, 2015.

Op-ed/ Blog post: “Which way forward for the U.S. and Cuba?”

*Southern Miss Now* blog, December 19, 2014

Reprinted in *The Hattiesburg Post,* December 29, 2014

Newspaper interview on the U.S. and Cuba for *The Oxford Eagle*, Oxford, MS, December 17, 2014.

Live telephone interview: “What comes next in our relationship with Cuba?” on *The 4 O’Clock Show*, WLOX Biloxi, December 17, 2014

Television Interview “USM history professor: ‘Time is right’ for new U.S.-Cuba relationship,” WDAM Hattiesburg, December 17, 2014