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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania Ph.D., History (2003)
Fields: Colonial and Modern Latin America/Atlantic
World/ World History

Doctoral Thesis: "*Indios Ladinos: Indigenous Intermediaries and the Negotiation of
Local Rule in Colonial Oaxaca, 1660-1769*"
Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Nancy M. Farriss

New School for Social Research M.A. Candidate, Historical Studies (1995-1996, transferred
to UPenn fall of 1996)

Dartmouth College B.A., History (1989)

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

BOOK:

*The Art of Being In-Between: Native Intermediaries, Indian Identity, and Local Rule in Colonial
Oaxaca* (Duke University Press, 2008).

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS:

"Witnesses, Spatial Practices, and a Land Dispute in Colonial Oaxaca," *The Americas* 65:2,
October 2008: 161-192.

"The '*indios conquistadores*' of Oaxaca's Sierra Norte: From Indian Conquerors to Local
Indians," in Laura Matthew and Michel Oudijk, eds., *Indian Conquistadors: Indigenous
Allies in the Conquest of Mesoamerica* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2007), 227-253.

"Hablar para distintos públicos: testigos zapotecos y resistencia a la reforma parroquial en
Oaxaca en el siglo XVIII," *Historia Mexicana* no. 219, enero-marzo 2006: 833-893.

"The Renaissance of Oaxaca City's Historical Archives" co-authored with Mark Overmyer
Velázquez, in *Latin American Research Review* 37 (1) 2002: 186-198.

UNDER REVIEW:

“‘Costumbre,’ A Language of Negotiation in Eighteenth Century Oaxaca,” in Ethelia Ruiz Medrano and Susan Kellogg, editors, *Negotiation within Domination: Colonial New Spain’s Indian Pueblos Confront the Spanish State* (University of Colorado Press).

BOOK REVIEWS

Gonzalo Lazama, *Domination Without Dominance: Inca-Spanish Encounters in Early Colonial Peru*. Forthcoming in *American Historical Review*.

Fernando Núñez, Carlos Arvizu, and Ramón Abonce, *Space and Place in the Mexican Landscape: The Evolution of a Colonial City*. Forthcoming in *Ethnohistory*.

Brian P. Owensby, *Empire of Law and Indian Justice in Colonial Mexico*. Forthcoming in *Labor History*.

Ethelia Ruiz Medrano, *Reshaping New Spain: Government and Private Interests in the Colonial Bureaucracy, 1531-1550*. *Historia Mexicana* no.224, Abril-Junio 2007, 1427-1432.

Ann Laura Stoler, ed., *Haunted By Empire: Geographies of Intimacy in North American History*. *New Mexico Historical Review*. Volume 83, number 3, Summer 2008, 389-392.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Scholarship and Creativity Grant for the Advancement of the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Montana State University, FY 2005, FY 2006, FY 2008

Buy-Out for Enhancing Scholarship and Teaching (BEST) Award, Montana State University, Fall 2005

Letters and Science Research And Creativity Award, Montana State University, 2004-2005, 2007-2008

Letters and Science Research Enhancement Award, Montana State University, 2004-2005, 2005-2006, Fall 2006, Winter 2007

Chimicles Fellowship in the Teaching of Writing, University of Pennsylvania, 2002-03

Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 2001-02

University of Pennsylvania History Department Travel Grant, 2000

Fulbright Hays Dissertation Grant for Research Abroad, 1999-2000

University of Pennsylvania History Department Fellowship, 1996-2001

Writing Across the University Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 1998

Dissertation Workshop Grant, University of Pennsylvania, 1998

Mellon Foundation Summer Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania, 1997

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Emory University, Department of History, August 2009-present

- Assistant Professor of Latin American History
 - History/Latin American and Caribbean Studies 562r: Latin American History: New Paradigms, Old Trends (Fall 2009)
 - History 360: Colonial Latin America (Fall 2009)

Montana State University, Department of History and Philosophy, August 2003-May 2009

- Assistant Professor of Latin American History
 - History/Religious Studies 201: Religion in Latin America (Spring 2009)
 - History 407: Colonial Latin America (Fall 2008)
 - History 413: Race in Latin America (Fall 2003, Fall 2007)
 - Independent Studies (History 470): “Dictatorship, Resistance, and Revolution in Latin America, 1945-2003,” Fall 2003; “The Spanish Conquest of America,” Spring 2005; “Women in Cuban History and Literature,” Summer 2005; “Independence in Latin America,” Fall 2006; “Gender and Dictatorship in the Southern Cone,” Spring 2007
 - History 110: Latin American History (Spring 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, Fall 2008)
 - History 410: Latin American Social History: Themes and Methods (Spring 2004)
 - History 425: Gender in Latin America (Fall 2004, Spring 2006, Fall 2007)
 - History 305: History of Mexico (Fall 2004, 2006)
 - History 540: Graduate Seminar in Historical Methods (Fall 2006, Fall 2007)
 - History 401: Undergraduate Seminar in Historical Methods (Spring 2007)

University of Pennsylvania, Department of History, 1996-2003

- Instructor, History 009.401: Writing About Being 'In-Between' in the Colonial Americas (intensive writing course comparing the role of cultural intermediaries in colonial societies in the Americas), 2002-2003
- Teaching Assistant
 - History 71: Modern Latin America (1999)
 - History 10: America and the World Columbus Made (1998)
 - History 2: Europe in a Wider World (1998)
 - History 373: America in the Sixties (1997)
 - History and Sociology of Science 25: Science, Magic, and Religion (1997)
- Writing Across the University Fellow (served as a teacher of writing in university-wide writing intensive program), 1998
- TA Trainer (participated in training workshops for new TA's), 1998
- Teaching Assistant Coordinator (organized TA training workshops), 1997-1998

New School for Social Research, 1995-1996

- New School-Manhattan Village Academy Partnership (I taught a semester-long history class for advanced high school students, and led a weekly teacher training seminar at Manhattan Village Academy Charter School)

School of American Ballet Counselor in Residence (New York, NY), 1995-1996

Montclair Kimberley Academy (Montclair, NJ): History Teacher, Coach, Advisor, 1991-1994

Other Professional Experience

- Research Assistant, University of Pennsylvania, 1996
- Network in Solidarity with the People of Guatemala (Washington, DC): National Staff Member, Financial and Fundraising Officer, 1989-1991

TEACHING FIELDS

Colonial and Modern Latin America

Mexico

Comparative Colonialism

The Atlantic World

World History (Certification, University of Pennsylvania History Department)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Historical Association
- Conference on Latin American History
- Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American Studies
- Latin American Studies Association
- Welte Institute for Oaxacan Studies
- American Society for Ethnohistory

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- indigenous history
- Oaxaca regional history
- ethnohistory and historical anthropology
- Spanish legal system
- cultural brokerage

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

“The Lienzo of Analco: Conquest Pictorial, Cartographic History, and Frontier Narrative” to be presented at the Conference on Latin American History and American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2010.

Discussant for Panel “Making Race in the ‘Island’ City: Freedom, Vassalage, and Trade in Colonial Latin America” at the Conference on Latin American History and American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2010.

“The Meanings and Uses of Indian Identity in Colonial Oaxaca” at the Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, June 11-14th, 2009

“Indigenous Interpreters: Regimes of Language in Colonial Oaxaca” presented at the Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Jan.2-5, 2009

Discussant for panel “Colonial Caciques and Native Leaders: Go-Betweens and Intermediaries in the New World” at the Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Jan.2-5, 2009

“The Lienzo of Analco: Conquest Pictorial, Cartographic History, and Frontier Narrative” presented at the American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, 11/12-11/16/2008

Chair of panel “Post-Conquest Migrations and Native Society in Colonial Mexico, 1570-1780”
at the American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, 11/12-11/16/2008

“Native Cosmopolitans: Indigenous Travel Narratives in Colonial Oaxaca” presented at
University of New Mexico Latin American and Iberian Studies Institute Colonial Studies
Colloquium, 3/23-3/24/2007

“Race and Legal Culture: A Tale of Three Interpreters in Colonial Oaxaca” presented at the
Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American Studies Annual Meeting, 1/24-1/27/2007

Chair of panel “New Spain, New Perspectives” at the Rocky Mountain Council on Latin
American Studies Annual Meeting 1/24-1/27/2007

“Concluding Remarks” presented at Natural and Unnatural Geographies: A Graduate Student-
Faculty Workshop, 4th Annual Michael P. Malone Conference 1/17-1/21/2007

“‘We Went to Spain’: Primordial Titles, Legal Agents, and ‘Peripheral Vision’ in Colonial
Oaxaca” presented at the XII Conference of Mexican, United States, and Canadian
Historians of Mexico 10/4-10/8/2006

“How the ‘indios conquistadores’ of the Sierra Norte became ‘Tlaxcalans’” presented at the
American Historical Association Annual Meeting and Conference on Latin American
History 1/5-1/8/2006

“Struggles Over Space and Power: ‘The Monster With Four Heads’ and Parish Reform in
Eighteenth Century Oaxaca” presented at Spaces of Struggle: Power and the
Transformation of Nature, 3rd Annual Michael P. Malone Conference 9/28-10/2/2005

“Colonial Entanglements: The Base of the Monstrance, the Cacique, and Political-Sacred
Competition in Seventeenth Century Oaxaca” presented at the Rocky Mountain Council
on Latin American Studies Annual Meeting 3/30-4/2/2005

“The Velvet Cape and the Base of the Monstrance: The Symbolic Repertoire of Indios Ladinos
in Seventeenth-Century Oaxaca” presented at the American Historical Association
Annual Meeting 1/6-1/9/2005

“Performing for Two Audiences: Indigenous Intermediaries and the Negotiation of Political
Legitimacy in Colonial Oaxaca” presented at the Society for Spanish and Portuguese
Studies Annual Meeting 4/1-4/4/2004

“Resisting Local ‘Imperialism’: ‘*Costumbre*’ as Rhetorical Strategy in the Sierra Norte of
Oaxaca, 1700-1769” presented at the Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American
Studies Annual Meeting 3/10-3/14/2004

“Ethnohistory and Law” presented at “New Directions in Latin American Ethnohistory”
Roundtable Discussion at the Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American Studies
Annual Meeting 3/10-3/14/2004

Panel Chair, “Class in the Atlantic World” at the Michael P. Malone Memorial Conference,
“Class and Class Struggles in North America and the Atlantic World 1500-1820” 9/19/03

Invited Discussant for Zheng Yangwen, "The Social Life of Opium in China, 1483-1999" at the
University of Pennsylvania Economic History Forum 1/24/03

"The *indios conquistadores* of Villa Alta, Oaxaca: From Indian Conquerors to Local Indians"
presented at the Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting 11/8/2002

“Concluding Remarks: The Material and the Social” presented at "Material Worlds:
Consumption, Circulation and Meaning in Colonial Societies" Symposium 9/21/2002

"In Defense of '*Costumbre*': Negotiating Regional Autonomy in the Rincón Zapoteco" presented
at the Princeton Latin American History Workshop 3/7/2002

"New Frameworks for Understanding Space and Power in Colonial Mexico" presented at the
University of Pennsylvania Humanities Forum Symposium "Time, Space; Memory and
Place" 3/2/2002

Invited Discussant for Webb Keane, "Knowledge, Self-Knowledge, and the Idea of Freedom in
Anthropology" at the University of Pennsylvania Ethnohistory Workshop 1/24/2002

"*Indios Ladinos*: Justice and Community Formation in Colonial Oaxaca" presented at the
American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting 11/28/2001

"*Indios Ladinos*: Constructing Political Culture and Negotiating Local Rule in Colonial Oaxaca"
presented at the University of Pennsylvania Latin American Cultures Program Graduate
Student Symposium 10/9/2002

"*Indios Ladinos: mediadores culturales y negociadores del poder en Villa Alta, Oaxaca 1650-
1750*" presented at Francisco Burgoa Library Research Symposium, Oaxaca City
2/15/2000

Invited Participant: Ford Foundation Colonial Dialogues Seminar, University of Pennsylvania
1996-1999

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer/referee: *The University of Arizona Press*

Reviewer/referee: *The Latin American Indian Literatures Journal*

Reviewer/referee: City University of New York Research Foundation

Reviewer/referee: Endangered Archives Programme, Asia, Africa, and Pacific Collections,
The British Library

Panel organizer: "Things Matter: Material Culture, Power, and Social Life in Colonial Latin
America" for the Annual Meeting of the Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American
Studies 3/30-4/2/2005

Panel organizer: "In Defense of Local Autonomy: Indigenous Rhetorical Strategies in New Spain
and Peru" for the Annual Meeting of the Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American
Studies 3/10-3/14/2004

Co-organizer of international, interdisciplinary symposium: "Material Worlds: Consumption,
Circulation, and Meaning in Colonial Societies" 9/19-21/2002, held at the University of
Pennsylvania.

Panel co-organizer: "*Indios conquistadores*: Negotiating Power and Collective Identity in
Colonial Mexico and Guatemala" for the Latin American and Caribbean Section (LACS)
of the Southern Historical Association 11/8/2002

SERVICE AT EMORY UNIVERSITY

Undergraduate Studies Committee, 2009-

SERVICE AT MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Chair, Women's Studies Committee, 2008-2009

Co-Organizer of Fall 2007 Speaker Series: "Borderlands: Migration, Ethnic Identity, and the
Changing Face of Community"

Latin American and Latino Studies Minor Committee (co-founder), 2007-present

Women's Studies Committee, 2003-present

Ad-hoc Parental Leave Committee, 2005-present

Promotion and Tenure Committee, Department of History and Philosophy, 2007-present

Graduate Studies Committee, 2006-2007

Malone Conference Coordinating Committee, 2006-2007

Phi Alpha Theta Faculty Advisor, 2006-present

Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Spanish, Department of Modern Languages, Spring 2004

Recruitment of prospective students for Department of History and Philosophy, March 2005

Awards Committee, Department of History and Philosophy, 2005

Travel Committee, Department of History and Philosophy, 2004-2005

PUBLIC SERVICE

Co-Organizer, "Borderlands" Speaker Series, Fall 2007

"Bridges Between Latin American and North American History." Presentation for Teaching American History Conference, Big Sky, Montana 9/21-23/2006

"Suffering for Beauty," sponsored by Montana State University's Women's Center. Presentation on Latin America for Women's History Month 3/9/2005

Invited Moderator, "Great Decisions," Session on U.S. Policy in Latin America, Bozeman Public Library 10/14/2004

"Update on Mexico: Migration, Neoliberalism, and Armed Resistance in Mexico's Indian South" presented at the Farsighted Lecture Series, Bozeman Public Library 11/19/2003

Organizer: Public History Project in San Juan Yaée and Santiago Yagallo, Villa Alta, Oaxaca (transcription of documents pertinent to village history, establishment of community archive) 4/2000-present

HONORS AND AWARDS

Mexican History Prize, Conference on Latin American History, 2010 nominee

Montana State University College of Letters and Science Faculty Award for Meritorious Research or Creativity, 2009

Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize, Honorable Mention for Best Graduate Paper Presented at the Latin American and Caribbean Section of the Southern Historical Association Annual Conference, 2002

"Distinction" on Comprehensive Exams, 1999

Graduate Student Association Teaching Award, University of Pennsylvania, 1999 nominee.