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EDUCATION

PhD, **History** *University of Utah*

2011-2017

Dissertation: "History, Inc.—Hubert Howe Bancroft's History Company and the Problem of Selling the Past"

MA, History *University of Nevada, Reno*

2009-2012

Thesis: "The Golden Age and the Age of Gold: Memory and the Alchemy of History in California, 1877-1888"

Master of Divinity *Vanderbilt University*

2006-2009

Emphasis: Historical Studies

AB, Wabash College

2002-2006

English, Religion

POSITIONS HELD

Postdoctoral Fellow

2020-2022

Yale Center for Medical Informatics, Yale School of Medicine

Lecturer

2018-2020

Department of History, Yale University

Project manager, research historian, and co-curator

2016-2018

Utah Drawn: An Exhibition of Rare Maps

Utah Division of State History

PUBLICATIONS

"At Home Buying Books: Inside the Experience of Subscribing to Books in the Nineteenth-century American West"

Submitted

"Fixing Genius: The Romantic Man of Letters in the University Era." In *How to Be a Historian: Scholarly Personae in Historical Studies, 1800-2000*, edited by Herman J. Paul. Manchester, England: Manchester University Press, 2019.

Summer 2019

"Continuity in Any Language: Memory, Ethnicity, and Acculturation in
California, 1877-1878," Southern California Quarterly, Vol. 96, No. 2.

Summer 2014

PUBLIC HISTORY

"Utah Drawn: An Exhibition of Rare Maps," *Utah Division of State History* (Co-curator, project manager, research historian, and primary author)

2016-2017

AWARDS

Phyllis Dain Library History Dissertation Award

2019

Library History Round Table of the American Library Association

Autry Public History Prize for "Utah Drawn: An Exhibition of Rare Maps"

2018

Western History Association

Best PhD Dissertation

2016-2017

Department of History, University of Utah

Western History Association Graduate Student Prize

2016

Western History Association

Distinction: Doctoral Exams

2013

Department of History, University of Utah

FINALIST: Distinguished Master's Thesis Award for Humanities, Social Sciences, Education, and Business

2012-2013

Western Association of Graduate Schools & University Microfilms International

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

William Reese Company Fellowship

2017-2018

Beinecke Library, Yale University

Annual Fund Scholarship

August 2016

California Rare Book School

Isaiah Thomas Stipend

June 2016

Research Travel Award	June 2016
Department of History, University of Utah	
Gunther Barth Fellowship	2013-2014
Bancroft Library, University of California, Berkeley	2013-2014
Sunct of Electury, Chirocoley of California, Schooley	
Floyd O`Neil Scholarship in Western American Studies	2012-2013
American West Center, University of Utah	
DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIPS	
Steffensen Cannon Fellowship Graduate School, University of Utah	2015–2017
Graduate School, University of Otan	
Doctoral Research Fellow	2014-2015
Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah	
DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS	
Dean May Fellow for the Study of the American West 2011-2013 Department of History, University of Utah	2011–2013
PROFESSIONAL TRAINING	
Books of the Far West, with an Emphasis on California	August 2016
California Rare Book School, California Historical Society, San Francisco, California	J
2016 Summer Seminar on the Book in American Culture: Subscription Publishing	June 2016
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts	, 4110 2010
PRESENTATIONS	
"How to Make the Most of a Postdoc"	October 2020
American Historical Association, Seattle, WA (moved online)	

Roundtable September 2019

The Funding of Higher Education: Different Objectives in Switzerland, the UK, and

"What is Research? Research Before, Alongside, and Outside the University" Education for What? The History of the Education and the Rise of the (American) Research University, Yale University, New Haven, CT	February 2019
"Loyalty/Disloyalty in Business," Business History Conference Luncheon 133rd Meeting of the American Historical Association, Chicago, IL	January 2019
"Fixing genius, or how the romantic man of letters got a job" Scientific persona and its incarnations—forms and functions of scientific and scholarly identity formation, Stockholm, Sweden	November 2018
"The Marketplace of Ideas: The Business of Knowing in Nineteenth-Century America" 132nd Meeting of the American Historical Association, Washington, DC	January 2018
"Proprietors and Publics of Pacific History: The Corporate Origins of Western North American History" Making the Humanities VI, University of Oxford, Somerville College, UK	September 2017
"Selling Patronage: Toward a History of Subscribing in Nineteenth-Century America" Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing, Victoria, BC	June 2017
"The Genius of History: Romantic Authorship and the Scholarly Persona of the Historian in the Victorian Era" The Persona of the Historian: Repertoires and Performances, 1800-2000, Institute for History, Leiden University, the Netherlands	January 2017
"Beyond States of Mind: Denaturalizing the Nation-State in Memory Studies." 131st Meeting of the American Historical Association, Denver, Colorado	January 2017
"Printing the Pacific: History, Memory, and Identity between Empires, 1800-1880" "Translation and Transmission in the Early Americas": The Fourth Early	June 2016
Americanist 'Summit', Washington, D.C. "Oral Histories as Data," a roundtable for the Data Journal Club Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence, University of Utah, Salt Lake City	February 2016

Roundtable: "Literary Industries: Hubert Howe Bancroft's History Company and the Privatization of the Historical Profession on the Pacific Coast."

November 2015

"Writers, Incorporated: The Scandal of Buying and Selling Authorship in Hubert Howe Bancroft's History Company"	July 2015
Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing, Montréal, Québec	
"Provincializing Pacific History: Hubert Howe Bancroft's History Company, the Historical Profession, and the Unmaking of the Pacific Coast"	January 2015
129th Meeting of the American Historical Association, New York City, New York	
"Being Hubert Howe Bancroft: Bancroft's History Company and the Scandal of Collaboration."	January 2015
129th Meeting of the American Historical Association, New York City, New York	
"'A strange and inexplicable mixture of truth and fiction': Hubert Howe Bancroft and the Power of Narrative in the Production of History and Memory"	October 2013
53rd Annual Conference of the Western History Association, Tucson, Arizona	
"Memory and its Generation(s) in California"	April 2013
CGU Graduate Student History Association Conference, Claremont, California	
"California Imagined: The Pacific Expositor in National Perspective," for the Seminar on Religion in the American West	October 2010
American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Yale University

HIST 019 / AMST 028	Book Collecting in History, esp. western Americana (First-year seminar)	SP20
HIST 155 / AMST 255	California Capitalism (Lecture)	SP19, SP20
HIST 141 / AMST 141	The American West (Lecture)	FA18, FA19
HIST 019 / AMST 028	History of the Book in the American West (First-year seminar)	SP19

Adjunct Instructor, Westminster College (Utah)

HIST 220 Survey of U.S. History F13

Teaching Assistant, University of Utah

HIST 3100	The Historian's Craft	F13, SP14
HIST 1700	Survey of US History	F11, SP12

Teaching Assistant, University of Nevada, Reno

The American Experience	SP11, SU11
The Modern World	F10
History of East Asia II	SP10
History of Mexico	F09
	The Modern World History of East Asia II

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of Dirty Deeds: Land, Violence, and the 1856 San Francisco Vigilance

Committee, by Nancy J. Taniguchi New Mexico Historical Quarterly

Review of *Life in a Corner: Cultural Episodes in Southeastern Utah*, by Robert S.

McPherson

New Mexico Historical Quarterly

Review of *The Essential West: Collected Essays*, by Elliott West.

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Forthcoming

Spring 2017

Summer 2013