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Academic Employment

2018-present Assistant Professor, History Department, Northeastern Illinois University
2017-2018 Instructor, History Department, Duke University

Education

PhD History Department, Duke University, Durham, NC, 2017
Dissertation: "Waste Not: Criminalizing Wastefulness in Early Modern Germany"
MA History Department, Duke University, Durham, NC, 2013
Certificate Latin Summer Language Institute, University of Virginia, 2011
BA History and German Language & Literature, University of California, Los Angeles, 2006-2010,

Languages: German (advanced), Latin (intermediate), and French (intermediate)

Professional Affiliations: American Historical Association, Sixteenth Century Studies Association, Renaissance Society of America, Council for European Studies, Society for Disability Studies, Disability History Association

Teaching

Teaching Fields: Western Civilization; Early Modern Europe; History of Science; Science, Magic, & Religion; Gender Studies; U.S. & Global Disability History; Race, Crime, & Poverty in Modern Europe & U.S.

Courses Taught

The West to 1500; Early Modern Europe; Age of Reformation; Age of Enlightenment; Science, Magic, and Religion in History; Disability History; Comparative Disability History; The Historian's Craft; Capstone Michaelis Quintana "Puerto Rican Sign Language: A Creole Dialect or a Deafened Language?," Northeastern Illinois University, 2021

Research

Publications

- 2022 "'Moral Madness': Representations of Prodigality, Disability, and Competence in German History," in _____, ed., Linda Leskau, Tanja Nusser, and Katherine Sorrels (under contract with Camden House as of June 2020; volume out for peer review as of Sept 2021).
- 2020 Review of _____ by Claire Judde de Larivière, _____ 73.2 (2020): 669-671.
- 2019 "Denouncing the Spendthrift: Debating Social Identity in the Court of Law and Public Opinion," in _____, edited by Beth Plummer and Joel Harrington (Oxford, UK: Berghahn Publishers, 2019).

Translations

- 2016 With Hole Rößler: Joseph Furttenbach, _____ (ca. early 17th century)
Hybrid online and print publication of Furttenbach's seventeenth century text on early modern theater techniques, 2016. Featured at the international workshop, "Technologies of Spectacle: Knowledge Transfer in Early Modern Theater Cultures," University of Amsterdam, School for Cultural Analysis, November 14-15, 2015.

Presentations

Pedagogy

- 2021 New Faculty Orientation Lunch and Learns, Northeastern Illinois University, November 12, 2021.
- 2021 "Validating Learning Differences: Re-Thinking What it Means to Make 'Reasonable Accommodations' for Learning Disabilities," Faculty Institute: Advancing Student Success Through Culturally Responsive Pedagogies," Northeastern Illinois University, August 18, 2021.
- 2021 "Cultivating DEI Initiatives in Curricular Governance, Pedagogical Development and Beyond," Faculty Institute, Northeastern Illinois University, August 18, 2021.
- 2021 "Careers for Historians: Tracking the Tenure-Track," roundtable, Duke University, April 19, 2021.
- 2021 "Cafe Conversations: Addressing Whiteness in Academia," co-facilitator, Northeastern Illinois University, December 11, 2021.
- 2021 "Moving Toward Syllabi that Serve Our Students," co-facilitator of online workshop series, Northeastern Illinois University, August 19, 20, and December 3, 2021.
- 2020 "Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Remote Learning Tips," Teaching and Learning in the Age of Agency series, Northeastern Illinois University, July 21, 2020.
- 2019 "Language, History, and Representation," roundtable at Disability in the Disciplines Conference, Duke University, April 25-26, 2019.
- 2018 "Teaching Race, Gender, Sexuality, and Disability in Early Modernist Classrooms," roundtable at Sixteenth Century Society Conference, Albuquerque, NM, November 1-4, 2018.

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- 2021 "Visual Judgment in the Early Modern Period," roundtable at the Renaissance Society of America Conference, April 15, 2021 (conducted online due to COVID-19).
- 2019 "Debating Incompetence: Law and the Lived Experience of Disability in Early Modern Germany," Experiences of Dis/Ability from the Late Middle Ages to the Mid-Twentieth Century, Tampere, Finland, August 21-23, 2019.
- 2018 "Prodigal Sons, Prodigal Fathers: Litigating thY7f]a YcZK UHYZ bYgg]b'Gll HMYbA 7YbH fm Germany," Sixteenth Century Society Conference, Albuquerque, NM, November 1-4, 2018.

- 2018 "Irrational or Just Immoral? Spendthrifts in 19-20th Century Law and Medicine in Southern Germany," 25th International Conference of Europeanists, Chicago, IL, March 28-30, 2018.
- 2017 "Claiming Disability: Debating the Definition of Mental Disability in Civil Suits in Reformation Germany,"

2015 Planning Committee, “