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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2021-present Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Notre Dame
2021-present Concurrent Associate Professor, Gender Studies, University of Notre Dame
2016-2021 Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Notre Dame
2017-2021 Concurrent Assistant Professor, Gender Studies, University of Notre Dame
2015-2016 Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History, University of Notre Dame
2014-2015 Visiting Scholar, American Academy of Arts and Sciences

EDUCATION

2014 Ph.D., with Distinction, History, University of Chicago
2007 M.A., History, University of Chicago
2006 B.A., Phi Beta Kappa with High Honors, History, Swarthmore College

BOOKS

A Shoppers' Paradise: How the Ladies of Chicago Claimed Power and Pleasure in the New Downtown.
Cambridge: Harvard University Press, April 2019.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Charge It: Women, Credit, and the Making of Modern America, book manuscript in progress
“Riskier Business: Retail Credit and the Law of Necessaries in the Age of Mass Consumption,”
submitted to *Law and History Review*

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

“Tippling Ladies and the Making of Consumer Culture: Gender and Public Space in *Fin-de-Siècle*
Chicago,” *Journal of American History*, 101 (Dec. 2014): 751-777.
“The Central Business District in American Cities,” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of American Urban*
History, ed. Timothy Gilfoyle (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019): 169-179.

INVITED, NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

“Consumerism and Popular Culture—A Historiographical Survey,” in *Routledge History of the Twentieth*
Century, eds. Darren Dochuk and Jerald Podair (New York: Routledge, 2018): 315-324.
“Retail Evolution: Creating the American Shopping Landscape,” *Journal of Urban History*, 44 (Sept.
2018): 1032-1036.
“Disruptive Shopping: Women, Space, and Capitalism,” *The American Historian* (May 2017): 16-23.
“Teaching the *Journal of American History*: Tippling Ladies and the Making of Consumer Culture.”
Digital Teaching Package. June 2015. Available at <https://jah.oah.org/teaching-the-jah/201506/>.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Review of Laura J. Miller, *Building Nature's Market: The Business and Politics of Natural Foods, Enterprise and Society*, *Enterprise and Society*, 22 (March 2021): 299-301.
- Review of Maureen Flanagan, *Constructing the Patriarchal City: Gender and the Built Environments of London, Dublin, Toronto, and Chicago, 1870s into the 1940s*, *American Historical Review*, 124 (December 2019): 1858–1859.
- Review of Vanessa Meikle Schulman, *Work Sights: The Visual Culture of Industry in Nineteenth-Century America*, *Journal of American History*, 103 (March 2017): 1054-1055.
- Review of Louisa Iarocci, *Urban Department Store in American, 1850–1930*, *Business History Review*, 90 (June 2016): 357-360.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Finalist, Shapiro Book Prize for Best First Book in American History, Huntington Library, 2021
- American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Fellowship, for *Charge It: Women, Credit, and the Making of Modern America*, 2019-2020
- Alfred D. Chandler Jr. Travel Fellowship, Harvard Business School, 2020
- Fishel-Calhoun Article Prize, Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, for “Tippling Ladies,” awarded to the best article published in any journal in the last two years dealing with any aspect of U.S. history between 1865 and 1917, 2016
- John Reys Prize, Best Dissertation in American City and Regional Planning History, Society for American City and Regional Planning History, 2015
- Sole Nominee from the University of Chicago for the 2015 ProQuest Dissertation Prize for Best Dissertation in the Humanities, 2015
- Harry Barnard Dissertation-Year Fellowship in American History, University of Chicago, 2013-2014
- Matthew Levin Dissertation Fellowship in the History of American Business and Capitalism, University of Chicago, 2013-2014
- Residential Fellow, Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, University of Chicago, 2013-2014
- University of Chicago Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality Dissertation Fellowship, 2012-2013
- Graduate Scholar-in-Residence at the Newberry Library (declined), 2012-2013
- Von Holst Prize Lectureship, Department of History, University of Chicago, 2012
- Freehling Research Travel Grant, Department of History, University of Chicago, 2012
- Ruth Murray Prize for Best Graduate Essay in the Area of Women’s or Gender Studies, Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, University of Chicago, 2007
- Century Fellow, Department of History, University of Chicago, 2006-2011

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Chair and Presenter, “Roundtable: Revisiting ‘Is There an Urban History of Consumption?’” Urban History Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, October 28, 2023.
- “Mother, Wife, Consumer: Frictions of Womanhood and Consumer Capitalism,” Berkshire Conference of Women Historians,” Santa Clara, CA, July 1, 2023.
- Roundtable Organizer, “Risky Business: Women, Credit, and Finance in US History,” Organization of American Historians Conference, Los Angeles, CA, March 31, 2023.
- “Cash, Credit, and Coverture: Urban Retailers, Married Women, and the Changing Landscape of Financial Risk,” Organization of American Historians Conference, Los Angeles, CA, March 31, 2023.
- Chair, “Loss and the Legalities of Property Ownership: England and America,” American Society for Legal History Conference, Chicago, IL, November 11, 2022.

Chair and Commentator, “Making and Policing Masculinity in Public Space,” Organization of American Historians Conference, Boston, MA, April 2, 2022.

Invited Commentator, “Jesus and John Wayne,” Cushwa Seminar on the History of American Religion, University of Notre Dame, October 9, 2021.

Roundtable Organizer and Panelist, “Women and Gender in the New History of Capitalism,” Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, June 2020, cancelled due to Covid-19.

Invited Speaker, “A Shoppers’ Paradise: How the Ladies of Chicago Claimed Power and Pleasure in the New Downtown,” New York University, March 26, 2020, cancelled due to Covid-19.

Invited Speaker, “A Shoppers’ Paradise: How the Ladies of Chicago Claimed Power and Pleasure in the New Downtown,” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, January 31, 2020.

Invited Speaker, “A Shoppers’ Paradise: How the Ladies of Chicago Claimed Power and Pleasure in the New Downtown,” Driehaus Museum, Chicago, IL, August 7, 2019.

Roundtable Organizer and Panelist, “Teaching U.S. History in the Age of Trump: International Perspectives,” American Historical Association Conference, Jan. 6, 2019.

Roundtable Panelist, “Ideas Where You Find Them: Where Is Cultural History in the Resurgence of Intellectual History?” United States Intellectual History Conference, November 10, 2018.

Invited Presenter, “The Traffic of Women: Shopping Ladies and the Uses of the Streets,” Institute for Applied Economics and the Study of Business Enterprise, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, Oct. 19, 2017.

“From the Levee to the Ladies’ Half Mile: Purifying Chicago’s Retail District,” Society for American City and Regional Planning History Conference, Cleveland, OH, Oct. 29, 2017.

“Retail Capitalists and the Politics of Mobility in the Modern Consumer City,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders and Sexualities, Hofstra University, June 2, 2017.

Panel Organizer, “Racialized and Gendered Experiences with Consumer Capitalism,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders and Sexualities, Hofstra, June 2, 2017.

Invited Presenter, “Mashers, Prostitutes, and Shopping Ladies: Consumer Capitalism and the Purification of Downtown Chicago,” Newberry Seminar on the History of Capitalism, Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, Feb. 8, 2017.

“Mashers and Shopping Ladies: Gender and the Purification of Chicago’s Retail District,” Urban History Association Conference, Chicago, IL, Oct. 16, 2016.

Panel Organizer, “The Consuming Urban: Gender and Consumption in the Twentieth-Century American City,” Urban History Association Conference, Chicago, IL, Oct. 16, 2016.

“Conspicuous Consumption in the World’s Fair City,” Western History Association Conference, Portland, OR, Oct. 24, 2015.

“Sumptuary Laws and Consumer Rights,” Newberry Seminar on the History of Women, Gender, and Sexualities, Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, Sept. 25, 2015.

Panel Chair, “New York Versus Paris: The Fashion Wars,” Business History Conference, Miami, FL, June 27, 2015.

“The New Woman and Chicago’s High Hat Problem,” Business History Conference, Miami, FL, June 25, 2015

“For Business or Pleasure: Women Shoppers and the Uses of the Streets,” Vernacular Architecture Forum Conference, Chicago, IL, June 6, 2015

“Her Hat Will Not Down’: Sumptuary Laws and Consumer Rights in Turn-of-the-Century Chicago,” Boston Seminar on the History of Women and Gender, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, MA, Feb. 12, 2015.

“Sumptuary Laws and Consumer Rights in Turn-of-the-Century Chicago,” Histories of American Capitalism Conference, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, Nov. 8, 2014.

Panel Organizer, “Incorporating Women: Gendered Bodies and Urban Public Space,” Urban History Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, Oct. 10, 2014.
“Gender, Public Space, and the Making of the Consumer City,” Urban History Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, Oct. 10, 2014.
Invited Speaker, “Consumers’ Metropolis: The Loop in the Age of Daniel Burnham,” Nickerson Lecture Series, Driehaus Museum, Chicago, IL, March 20, 2014.
Invited Speaker, “The Traffic of Women: Chicago’s Congestion Crisis, Women Shoppers, and the Uses of the Streets,” Urban History Seminar, Chicago History Museum, Feb. 20, 2014.
“A Shoppers’ Paradise’: Gender, Public Space, and the Problem of Legitimacy on Chicago’s State Street,” American Historical Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, Jan. 5, 2013.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

“When Did America Decide That Women Do, In Fact, Be Shopping?” interview for *Jezebel*, August 14, 2019, available at <https://pictorial.jezebel.com/when-did-america-decide-that-women-do-in-fact-be-shop-1836886713>
“Going Downtown,” *Harvard University Press Blog*, June 28, 2019, available at https://harvardpress.typepad.com/hup_publicity/2019/06/going-downtown.html
“How Women Revolutionized Chicago’s Downtown,” *Marketplace Morning Report* (NPR), June 11, 2019.
“Local Authors: A Shoppers’ Paradise,” *Politically Speaking* (WNIT television), May 17, 2019.
“In ‘A Shoppers’ Paradise,’ the Story of How Women Shaped Chicago’s Loop,” *Chicago Tonight* (WTTW television), May 14, 2019.

COURSES TAUGHT

At the University of Notre Dame:

History of American Capitalism (graduate seminar), Fall 2017, Spring 2022
U.S. Women’s and Gender History (graduate seminar), Spring 2019, Spring 2021, Spring 2024
History of American Feminist Thought, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021
Consuming America, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2022, Spring 2024
U.S. Consumer Culture, Spring 2018
Men, Women and the American City, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2018
Chicago as an Urban History Laboratory, Fall 2021

At the University of Chicago:

Instructor, *American Feminist Thought*, Spring 2014
Instructor, *Cultures of Consumption in the United States*, Spring 2012
Co-Instructor, *Problems in the Study of Gender*, Winter 2012
Instructor, *Consuming Women: Gender, Consumption, Commodification in Historical Perspective*, Spring 2011
Instructor, *America in Western Civilization II*, Winter 2011

GRADUATE DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Benjamin (Jack) Young, “Suburbs of Zion: Evangelicals and the Making of the Metropolitan South, 1940–2000,” in progress.
Sean Raming, “Midwestern Defense Production: 1964–2006,” in progress.
Julie Mullican, “A History of Guardianships: Family, Law, and Property in the 20th Century,” in progress.
Grace Song, “Understanding the Sim of the Mugunghwa Beneath the Sun: Changing Perceptions

and Relations of Korea through the Context of the United States and East Asia,” in progress.

Lauren Hamblen, “‘Be a Missionary Every Day’: Missionary Citizenship and Evangelical Childhood, 1918-1973,” in progress.

Heather Lane, “Policing America: From Controlling Space to Patrolling Individuals, 1829-1914,” in progress.

Emily Smith, “‘How to Have a Baby’: Women and the Sacralization of Maternity in Post-WWII America,” 2023.

James Breen, “Capitalism and the Nativist Imagination: How Anti-Catholicism Shaped Economic Thought in the Gilded Age,” 2022.

Jessica Brockmole, “‘The Power that Makes the Sale’: Women and Automotive Advertising, 1910-1980,” 2022.

Emma Rothberg (at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), “Men on the March: Parading Culture, Civic Manhood, and the City during the Long Gilded Age,” 2022.

Sejoo Kim, “American Soil, Asian Wage: The Struggle for ‘Made-in-the-U.S.A.’ in the American Pacific,” 2021.

GRADUATE EXAMINATION COMMITTEES

Ella Hadacek, Women, Gender, and Sexuality in the Atlantic World, 2024

Benjamin (Jack) Young, Global Urban History, 2023

Grace Song, History of American Capitalism, 2021

Julie Mullican, U.S. Women’s and Gender History, 2021

Jessica Brockmole, U.S. Women’s and Gender History, 2019

Emily Smith, Twentieth Century United States History, 2019

Lauren Hamblen, U.S. Women’s and Gender History, 2019

James Breen, History of American Capitalism, 2018

Heather Lane, U.S. Women, Gender, and Sexuality, 2017

SENIOR HONORS THESES DIRECTED

Alexia Zolenski, “‘Captain of All These Men of Death’: Rhetoric, Reason, and Public Bathing in Detroit’s Progressive Era,” 2022.

Katherine Lenahan, “Four Years of Feminism: How RNC Co-Chair Mary Dent Crisp and the Equal Rights Amendment Influenced GOP Policy from 1976 to 1980,” 2020

Jade Martinez, “The Jane Collective: How Organizational Effectiveness in Chicago from 1968-1973 Increased Women’s Access to Safe Abortions,” 2019

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Chair’s Advisory Committee, 2021-2022

Graduate Placements Director, 2021-2022

Undergraduate Committee, 2020-2021

Military History Search Committee, 2018-2019

Executive Committee, 2017-2018

Graduate Committee, 2017-2018, 2016-2017

Placements Consultant, 2016-2017

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

Sheedy Honors Program, Faculty Advisor, 2022-present

Gender Studies Program, Steering Committee Member, 2020-2023

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Urban History*

Reviewer, *Journal of Women's History*, *American Historical Review*, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of Urban History*, *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*

Catherine Bauer Wurster Prize Committee for the Best Article in American City and Regional Planning History, Society for American City and Regional Planning History, 2019

Fishel-Calhoun Article Prize Committee, Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, 2018

Mohl Award Committee for Best Paper Submitted by a Graduate Student, Urban History Association Conference, 2016, 2018

Local Affairs Committee, Urban History Association Conference, Chicago, IL, 2016

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Coordinating Council for Women in History

Berkshire Conference of Women Historians

Urban History Association

Society for American City and Regional Planning History