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Academic Employment

2019– Assistant Professor of History, Texas A&M University at Galveston
2017–2019 Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Presidential History, Southern Methodist
University
2016–2017 Visiting Assistant Editor, *Journal of Southern History*, Rice University

Education

Ph.D., History, Rice University, 2017

*Dissertation Title: The Liberty to Take Fish: Cod Fisheries, American Diplomacy, and
Atlantic Environments, 1783–1877*

Advisor: W. Caleb McDaniel

M.A., History, Rice University, 2013

Fields of Study: 19th Century America, United States Foreign Relations, Atlantic World

B.A., History and Geography, University of Texas at Austin, 2011

*With Highest Honors, Thesis Title: “National Resolve and Brave Achievement:
Interalliance Politics and the 1980 Olympic Boycott”*

Publications

Book Projects

*The Liberty to Take Fish: Environment, State Making, and the Fisheries of the North
Atlantic, 1783–1877* (Manuscript submitted to Harvard University Press)

Co-editor with D. Andrew Johnson, *Atlantic Environments and the American South: An
Anthology* (University of Georgia Press, 2020)

Refereed Articles

“Transatlantic Diplomacy, North Atlantic Environments, and the Fisheries Dispute of
1852,” *Environmental History* 23, no. 4 (October 2018), 774–796.

“For Cod and Country: Cod Fishermen and the Atlantic Dimensions of Sectionalism in
Antebellum America,” *Journal of the Early Republic* 36, no. 3 (Fall 2016), 493–519.

Book Reviews

Eric Paul Roorda, ed., *The Ocean Reader: History, Culture, Politics*, in *Global Maritime History*, forthcoming

Robert Shenk and Sam Koktzoglou, eds., *The Greek Genocide in American Naval War Diaries: Naval Commanders Report and Protest Death Marches and Massacres in Turkey's Pontus Region, 1921–1922*, in *Genocide Studies and Prevention: An International Journal*, forthcoming

Jay Sexton, *A Nation Forged by Crisis: A New American History*, in *American Nineteenth Century History*, forthcoming

Christopher Childers, *The Webster-Hayne Debate: Defining Nationhood in the Early American Republic*, in *Journal of Southern History* 85, no. 3 (August 2019), 680–681.

Carmel Finley, [All the Boats on the Ocean: How Government Subsidies Led to Global Overfishing](#), in *Contingent Magazine* (May 1, 2019).

Peter O'Connor, *American Sectionalism in the British Mind, 1832–1863*, in *Journal of the Civil War Era* 9, no. 1 (March 2019), 154–156.

Matthew Karp, [This Vast Southern Empire: Slaveholders at the Helm of American Foreign Policy](#), in *Southern Spaces* (April 25, 2018).

Dane A. Morrison, *True Yankees: The South Seas and the Discovery of American Identity*, in *American Nineteenth Century History* 16, no. 2 (December 2015), 220–222.

Other Writing

[“Oak Cliff Eyes the Mayor’s Seat.”](#) *D Magazine* (May 3, 2019)

[“On Public Violence and a Population Divided.”](#) *Central Track* (July 6, 2018)

[“No White Man Left Behind.”](#) *Washington Post* (October 27, 2017)

Presentations

- 2019 “Fisheries and Environmental Administration along the Fringes of Empire: The United States and Great Britain in the North Atlantic,” *Global Environmental Borderlands in the Age of Empire*, SMU Taos, October 11-13
- 2019 “Naval Power and the Creation of the American Empire,” *Presidents at War: A Gilder Lehrman Teacher Seminar*, SMU, June 24
- 2019 “North Atlantic Cod Fishermen and the Case for Independence at the Paris Peace Negotiation,” *Omohundro Institute Annual Conference*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 13-16

- 2019 “The United States Fisheries Commission and the Transformation of Fishery Politics,” Southern Forum on Agricultural, Rural, and Environmental History (SFARE) Annual Meeting, Wichita Falls, Texas, April 26-27
- 2018 “Naval Power and the Course of Empire in Nineteenth Century America,” Presidents at War: A Gilder Lehrman Teacher Seminar, SMU, June 25
- 2016 “Fishing for American Manhood: How Gender Shaped Fishery Politics in Nineteenth Century America,” Humanities and Social Science Speaker Series, Rice University, Houston, Texas, April 15-16
- 2016 “Fishy Foreign Relations: How the Environment Dictated Diplomacy in the North Atlantic,” Graduate Student Writing Workshop at American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, March 30-April 3
- 2015 “Diplomatic Fisheries: Fishermen, North Atlantic Diplomacy, and the Creation of the Convention of 1818,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Meeting, Arlington, Virginia, June 25-27
- 2015 “Diplomacy in the North Atlantic: Fishermen, Fisheries, and the American Nation-Building Project,” American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., March 18-22 *Panel Organizer*
- 2014 “For Cod and Country: The New England Fishermen’s Image in American Politics and Diplomacy, 1791-1871,” Houston Area Seminar in History (HASH), Houston, Texas, December 2
- 2014 “‘The Very Nurseries of Our Navy’: Fishermen and Fisheries in American Politics and Diplomacy,” Northeast-Atlantic Canada Environmental History Forum, Prince Edward Island, Canada, August 1-2
- 2014 “Codfish and Warships: Fishery Disputes in Anglo-American Relations 1783-1871,” As Others See Us: The British Perspective on Nineteenth Century American History, a special conference of the Association of British American Nineteenth Century Historians (BrANCH), Houston, Texas, April 3-6
- 2014 “Natural Enemies: Understanding Diplomatic Disputes as Environmental Crises in the Nineteenth Century Atlantic,” Graduate Student Writing Workshop at American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, March 12-16
- 2013 “Environmental Crises and Diplomatic Disputes in the Northwest Atlantic,” University of Texas at Arlington International Graduate Student Symposium on Transatlantic History, Arlington, Texas, October 25-26
- 2013 “The Not-So-Special Relationship: The United States, Great Britain, and the Fisheries Dispute of 1852,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Meeting, Arlington, Virginia, June 20-22
- 2013 “The African Squadron: Honor, Commerce, and Proslavery Foreign Policy in Late Antebellum America,” Louisiana State University Graduate Student History Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 22-23

Digital Scholarship

Contributor, *Teaching United States History*, <http://www.teachingushistory.com/>
Contributor, *The American Yawp: A Free and Online, Collaboratively Built American History Textbook*, <http://www.americanyawp.com/>
Research Assistant, *Dick Dowling and Sabine Pass in History and Memory*. An Omeka exhibit hosted at the Woodson Research Center, Fondren Library, Rice University, <http://exhibits.library.rice.edu/exhibits/show/dick-dowling>

Awards and Fellowships

2016 Barbara Field Kennedy Prize in American History, History Department, Rice University
2016 90 Second Thesis Competition Best in Humanities Award, Rice University
2015-2016 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, The Center for Energy and Environmental Research in the Human Sciences (CENHS), Rice University
2015 Graduate Conference Funding, Humanities Research Center, Rice University
2015 Robert A. and Barbara Divine Graduate Student Travel Grant, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
2015 Research Travel Grant, History Department, Rice University
2015 American Society for Environmental History Travel Grant funded by the National Science Foundation
2014 History Department Summer Research Grant, Rice University
2011-2016 Graduate Student Fellowship, History Department Rice University
2009 Phi Beta Kappa

Professional/Academic Service and Development

2020 Member, University Strategic Plan Subcommittee for Growing and Supporting our World-Class Faculty, Texas A&M Galveston
2020 Member, Liberal Studies Department Strategic Planning Committee, Texas A&M Galveston
2020 Co-Advisor, Network of Maritime Professionals, Texas A&M Galveston
2016 Conference Organizer, "Atlantic Environments and the American South," hosted at Rice University, Houston, Texas February 5-6
<http://atlanticenvironmentsandtheamericansouth.blogs.rice.edu/>
2015-2016 Digital Media Manager, The Center for Energy and Environmental Research in the Human Sciences (CENHS), Rice University
2015 Participant, The Frank C. Munson Institute of American Maritime Studies, Mystic Seaport, June 22-July 31
2012-2013 Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Southern History*

Teaching and Pedagogical Training

2020 Instructor, HIST 242: "U.S. Maritime History," TAMUG
2019 Instructor, HIST 232: "History of American Seapower," (two sections), TAMUG
2019 Instructor, HIST 3310: "Cotton, Cokes, and Carbon: Commodities and the History of American Foreign Relations," SMU
2016 Instructor, HIST 117: "Early America," Rice University
2015 Teaching Assistant, FWIS 122: "Leaders and Leadership," Dr. John M. Cornwell

- 2015 Participant, First Year Writing Intensive Seminar (FWIS) New Instructor and Teaching Assistant Seminar, Center for Written, Oral, and Visual Communication, Rice University
- 2013 Participant, Pedagogy Seminar, History Department, Rice University
- 2013 Teaching Assistant, History 386: “Carter, Reagan, and the End of the Cold War,” and History 464: “Cold War U.S. Foreign Policy,” Dr. Allen Matusow, Rice University

Foreign Language

Spanish (reading proficient, speaking limited proficiency)

Professional Affiliations

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
Society for Historians of the Early American Republic
American Society for Environmental History