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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Princeton University, 1983
M.A. Princeton University, 1979
B.A. University of Michigan, 1976

WORK EXPERIENCE

University of North Carolina at Greensboro:
Professor, Department of History, 2005-
Associate Professor, Department of History, 1989-2005
Assistant Professor, Department of History, 1983-1989
Instructor, Department of History, 1982-83
Harvard Divinity School:
Visiting Lecturer, Department of History of Christianity,
1985-86
Princeton University:
Assistant in Instruction, Department of History, 1979-1980.

TEACHING FIELDS

Early Modern Europe
 Medieval Europe
 History of Christianity
 Women and Gender in European History
 History of Spain and its Empire

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

Related Lives: Confessors and Their Female Penitents, 1450-1750
 (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2005).

Colonial Saints: Discovering the Holy in the Americas, 1500-1800,
 Allan Greer and Jodi Bilinkoff, eds. (New York: Routledge, 2003).

The Avila of Saint Teresa: Religious Reform in a Sixteenth-Century City (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1989; paperback edition, 1992; updated edition, 2014; Spanish edition, Madrid: Editorial de Espiritualidad, 1993).

PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES AND ESSAYS

Teresa de Jesús y los libros: Lectora, escritora e inspiradora," in Teresa de Jesús: V Centenario de su nacimiento, Historia, literatura y pensamiento, Jesús García Rojo, ed. (Salamanca: Diputación de Salamanca, 2015): 31-50.

"Saints and Shrines (Spain)," in Lexikon of the Hispanic Baroque: Technologies of Transatlantic Cultural Transfer, Kenneth Mills and Evonne Levy, eds. (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2014): 301-304.

"First Friar, Problematic Founder: John of the Cross in His Earliest Biographies," in Reforming Reformation, Thomas F. Mayer, ed. (Aldershot, UK and Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing, 2012): 103-118.

"Teresa of Avila: Woman with a Mission," in A Linking of Heaven and Earth: Studies in Religious and Cultural History in Honor of Carlos M.N. Eire, Emily Michelson, Scott K. Taylor, and Mary Noll Venables, eds. (Aldershot, UK and Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing, 2012): 101-112.

"'A Christian and a Gentleman': Sanctity and Masculine Honor in Pedro de Ribadeneyra's Life of Francis Borgia," in Francisco de Borja y su tiempo: Política, religión y cultura, Enrique García Hernán and María del Pilar Ryan, eds. (Valencia and Rome: Albatros Ediciones-IHSI, 2011): 447-455.

"Confessors as Hagiographers in Early Modern Catholic Culture," in A New History of Penance, Abigail Firey, ed. (Leiden: Brill, 2008): 419-437.

"Soul Mates: Spiritual Friendship and Life-Writing in Early Modern Spain (and Beyond)," in Female Monasticism in Early Modern Europe: An Interdisciplinary View, Cordula van Wyhe, ed. (Aldershot, UK and Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing, 2008):143-153.

"Introduction" to Teresa of Avila, The Book of Her Life, Kieran Kavanaugh and Otilio Rodríguez, trans. (Indianapolis: Hackett Publishing, 2008):xi-xxxix.

"Touched by Teresa: Readers and Their Responses, 1588-1750," in The Heirs of St. Teresa of Avila: Defenders and Disseminators of the Founding Mother's Legacy, Christopher C. Wilson, ed. (Washington, DC: Institute for Carmelite Studies and Rome: Institutum Carmelitanum, 2006):107-122.

"Francisco Losa and Gregorio López: Spiritual Friendship and Identity Formation on the New Spain Frontier," in Colonial Saints: Discovering the Holy in the Americas, 1500-1800, Allan Greer and Jodi Bilinkoff, eds. (New York: Routledge, 2003): 115-128.

"Navigating the Waves (of Devotion): Toward a Gendered Analysis of Early Modern Catholicism," in Crossing Boundaries: Attending to Early Modern Women, Jane Donawerth and Adele Seeff, eds. (Newark, DE: University of Delaware Press, 2000):161-172.

"Confession, Gender, Life-Writing: Some Cases (mainly) from Spain," in Penitence in the Age of Reformations, Katharine Jackson Lualdi and Anne T. Thayer, eds. (Aldershot, UK and Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing, 2000):169-183.

"The Many 'Lives' of Pedro de Ribadeneyra," Renaissance Quarterly 52 (1999):180-196.

"Elite Widows and Religious Expression in Early Modern Spain: The View from Avila," in Widowhood in Medieval and Early Modern Europe, Sandra Cavallo and Lyndan Warner, eds. (London: Longman, 1999): 194-207.

"María de Santo Domingo," and "Teresa of Avila," Encyclopedia of Women in World Religions (New York: Macmillan, 1999) II:617-618; 967-968.

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"Teresa of Avila and Carmelite Reform," in Religious Orders of the Catholic Reformation: Essays in Honor of John C. Olin on his Seventy-fifth Birthday, Richard L. DeMolen, ed. (New York: Fordham University Press, 1994):165-186.

"Confessors, Penitents, and the Construction of Identities in Early Modern Avila," in Culture and Identity in Early Modern Europe: Essays in Honor of Natalie Zemon Davis, Barbara B. Diefendorf and Carla Hesse, eds. (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 1993):83-100. [reprinted in Spanish in Cuadernos Abulenses 29(2000):101-117.]

"A Spanish Prophetess and Her Patrons: The Case of María de Santo Domingo," Sixteenth Century Journal 23 (1992):17-30.

"Charisma and Controversy: The Case of María de Santo Domingo," Archivo Dominicano 10 (1989):55-66. Reprinted in Spanish Women in the Golden Age: Images and Realities, Magdalena S. Sánchez and Alain Saint-Saens, eds. (Westport, CT: Greenwood, 1996):23-35.

"The Social Meaning of Religious Reform: The Case of St. Teresa and Avila," Archive for Reformation History 79 (1988):340-357.

"The Holy Woman and the Urban Community in Sixteenth Century Avila," in Women and the Structure of Society: Selected Research from the Fifth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Barbara Harris and JoAnn McNamara, eds. (Durham: Duke University Press, 1984):74-80.

"St. Teresa of Avila and the Avila of St. Teresa," Carmelite Studies 3 (1984):53-68.

PUBLICATIONS: REVIEWS

Katrina B. Olds, Forging the Past: Invented Histories in Counter-Reformation Spain in Journal of Jesuit Studies 4 (2017):125-127.

Emma Anderson, The Death and Afterlife of the North American Martyrs in American Historical Review 119-5 (Dec 2014):1678-1679.

Rady Roldán-Figueroa, The Ascetic Spirituality of Juan de Avila (1499-1569) in Journal of Ecclesiastical History 64-1 (Jan 2013):173-175.

David J. Collins, Reforming Saints: Saints' Lives and Their Authors in Germany, 1470-1530 in Medievalia et Humanistica, New Series, 38(2012): 136-138.

Bárbara Mujica, Teresa of Avila, Lettered Woman in Hispanic Review 78-3 (Summer 2010):437-440.

James Casey, Family and Community in Early Modern Spain: The Citizens of Granada in American Historical Review 113-5 (Dec 2008):1601.

The Spanish Inquisition, 1478-1614: An Anthology of Sources, edited and translated by Lu Ann Homza in Catholic Historical Review 93-4 (Oct 2007):949-950.

Charlene Villaseñor Black, Creating the Cult of St. Joseph: Art and Gender in the Spanish Empire in Church History 76-1 (Mar 2007):188-190.

The Visionary Life of Madre Ana de San Agustín, critical edition and introduction by Elizabeth Teresa Howe in Catholic Historical Review 91-2 (Apr 2005):375.

Anne Jacobson Schutte, Aspiring Saints: Pretense of Holiness, Inquisition, and Gender in the Republic of Venice, 1618-1750 in Journal of Modern History 76-1 (Mar 2004):208-209.

Gillian T.W. Ahlgren, Teresa of Avila and the Politics of Sanctity in Catholic Historical Review 83-2 (Apr 1997):338-339.

Carlos M.N. Eire, From Madrid to Purgatory: The Art and Craft of Dying in Sixteenth-Century Spain in American Historical Review 102-1 (Feb 1997):132-133.

Patricia Ranft, Women and the Religious Life in Premodern Europe in History: Reviews of New Books 25-1 (Fall 1996):24-25.

Richard L. Kagan, Lucrecia's Dreams: Politics and Prophecy in Sixteenth-Century Spain in American Historical Review 97-1 (Feb 1992):220-221.

William Monter, Frontiers of Heresy: The Spanish Inquisition from the Basque Lands to Sicily in Hispanic American Historical Review 71-4 (Nov 1991):883.

Electa Arenal and Stacey Schlau, Untold Sisters: Hispanic Nuns in Their Own Works, in Catholic Historical Review 76-2 (Apr 1990):375-377.

Carla Rahn Phillips, Six Galleons for the King of Spain: Imperial Defense in the Early Seventeenth Century in Hispanic American Historical Review 68-1 (Feb 1988):112-113.

Victoria Lincoln, Teresa: A Woman, A Biography of Teresa of Avila in Catholic Historical Review 73-4 (Oct 1987):613-615.

Pablo María Garrido, El Hogar Espiritual de Santa Teresa in Catholic Historical Review 72-1 (Jan 1986):148-149.

Lyle N. McAlister, Spain and Portugal in the New World, 1492-1700 in Sixteenth Century Journal 17-3 (Fall 1986):388.

SCHOLARLY PAPERS

"Four Ways of Looking at John of the Cross, 1591-c.1730,"
Newberry Library Colloquium, Chicago, IL, 18 November 2018.

"From Holy Theft to Sacred Space: Two Spanish Cities Remember
John of the Cross," Sixteenth Century Studies Conference,
Milwaukee, WI, 26-29 October 2017.

"Walking with John of the Cross: Juan Evangelista Remembers and
Regrets," Annual Meeting, Renaissance Society of America, Boston,
31 March-2 April 2016.

"Teresa of Avila as Reader, Writer, and Inspirer of Books,"
Annual Meeting, Association for Spanish and Portuguese Historical
Studies, Johns Hopkins University, 19-22 March 2015;
International Conference, "Santa Teresa: Her Writings and
Writings About Her," Freie Universitat, Berlin, 22-24 October
2015. [Spanish version presented at the Universitat Autònoma,
Barcelona and Congreso Internacional Teresiano, Universidad
Pontificia, Salamanca, Spain, 20-24 October 2014.]

"John of the Cross (1542-91): The History, Mystery, and Memory of
a Spanish Saint," Miami University, Oxford, OH, 11 February 2014.

"Alonso de la Madre de Dios (1568-1636): A 'Prodigal Son'
Remembers John of the Cross," International Conference "Early
Modern Religious: Comparative Contexts," Newberry Library of
Chicago, 21-23 March 2013; Sixteenth Century Studies Conference,
San Juan, PR, 24-27 October 2013.

"First Friar, Problematic Founder: John of the Cross in His
Earliest Biographies," International Conference "Reforming
Reformation," Augustana College, Rock Island, IL, 17-19 October
2010; Annual Meeting, Association for Spanish and Portuguese
Historical Studies, University of Lisbon, 30 June-3 July 2011.

"'A Christian and a Gentleman': Sanctity and Masculine Honor in
Pedro de Ribadeneyra's Life of Francis Borgia," International
Conference, "Francisco de Borja y su tiempo," Valencia, Spain, 7-
10 April 2010; Conference, "Dominant Discourses, Guarded Voices:
Religion and Society in Spain and Its Empire, 14th-16th
Centuries," Wake Forest University, 21-22 October 2010.

"Missionary Lives: Narratives from Seventeenth-Century Spanish America and French Canada," Center for 21st Century Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, November 10, 2006; Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, Minneapolis, October 25-28, 2007.

"Touched by Teresa: Readers and Their Responses, 1588-1750," Symposium: "The Heirs of St. Teresa," Georgetown University, Washington, DC, October 16, 2004; Annual Meeting, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, University of Kentucky, April 6-9, 2006.

"Reading Habits: Women and Hagiographical Texts in Early Modern Catholic Culture," Annual Meeting, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, Universidad Complutense, Madrid, July 2-5, 2003.

"Soul Mates: Spiritual Friendship and Life-Writing in Early Modern Catholic Culture," Annual Meeting, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, University of Georgia, April 11-14, 2002; International Conference on Female Monasticism in Early Modern Europe, Wolfson College, Cambridge, UK, July 24-25, 2003; Appalachian State University, April 14, 2004.

"How to be a Counter-Reformation Hagiographer," Sixteenth Century Studies Conference," Denver, October 25-28, 2001.

"Whose Life is this Anyway? Confession and Collaboration in the Making of Early Modern Hagiography," Annual Meeting, Asociación de Escritoras de España y las Américas (1300-1800), Universidad del Claustro de Sor Juana, Mexico City, October 6, 2000; University of Arkansas, 1 March 2001.

"Francisco Losa and Gregorio López: Spiritual Friendship and Identity Formation on the New Spain Frontier," Annual Meeting, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, New York University, April 27, 2000; International Conference "Colonial Saints: Hagiography and the Cult of the Saints in the Americas, 1500-1800," University of Toronto, May 13, 2000.

"Widowhood and Religious Expression in Early Modern Spain: The View from Avila," Mediterranean Studies Association Conference, Lisbon and the Universidade do Porto, Portugal, May 29 and June 1, 1998; Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, Toronto, Canada, October 24, 1998.

"Navigating the Waves (of Devotion): Toward a Gendered Analysis of the Counter-Reformation," Plenary Address: "Attending to Early Modern Women: Crossing Boundaries," University of Maryland, November 6-8, 1997; Keynote Address: "Across Time and Space: Medieval and Early Modern Studies in a Global Context," Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC, November 6, 1998.

"Priests and Penitents in Early Modern Catholic Europe," New England Renaissance Conference, Boston College, March 22, 1997; University of Toronto, October 21, 1998; Christine de Pisan Lecture, Duke University, January 20, 2000.

"Daughters of the Church: Teresa of Avila and the Search for a Female Apostolate," First International Cañada Blanch Conference "Patterns of Reform: The Religious Orders in Spain from the Catholic Kings to Philip IV," University of Manchester (UK), December 19-20, 1996.

"Teresa de Jesús, su Avila y la formación de una misión apostólica," Congreso Internacional "Teresa de Jesús: Vida, Escritos y Pensamiento," Centro Internacional de Estudios Místicos, Avila, and Seminario de Historia Cultural, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, May 1 and 8, 1996.

"A Saint for a City: Mariana de Jesús and Madrid, 1565-1624," Thirtieth International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, May 4-7, 1995.

"The Many 'Lives' of Pedro de Ribadeneyra," Sixteenth Century Studies Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada, October 26-29, 1994.

"Establishing Authority: A Peasant Visionary and Her Audience in Early Sixteenth Century Spain," Western Michigan and Eastern Michigan Universities, March 15 and 17, 1994.

"Male Confessors and Female Penitents in Catholic Europe, 1450-1750," Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan and Western Michigan University, March 14 and 16, 1994.

"Self-Identity and Urban Identity in Early Modern Madrid: Mariana de Jesús (1565-1624)," Ninth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Vassar College, June 11-13, 1993.

"Woman with a Mission: Teresa of Avila and the Apostolic Model," Convegno Internazionale "Modelli di comportamento e modelli di santità," Università di Roma "La Sapienza," April 22-24, 1991.

"Holy Women and Their Confessors in Early Modern Avila,"
 "Dialogues with the Past: A Cultural History Symposium in Honor
 of Natalie Zemon Davis," Boston University, November 15-17, 1990.

"Ecstatic Text and Historical Context: Spanish Holy Woman María
 de Santo Domingo (1485-1524)," Bunting Institute Colloquium
 Series, Radcliffe College, April 11, 1990.

ACADEMIC HONORS

Audrey Lumsden-Kouvel and Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellow, The
 Newberry Library of Chicago, fall 2018.

Research Grant, Program for Cultural Cooperation between Spain's
 Ministry of Culture and United States Universities, 2009-2010.

Andrew W. Mellon Fellow, National Humanities Center, 1999-2000

American Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellow, American Association
 of University Women, 1999-2000

Visiting Scholar, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI,
 March 15-16, 1994

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Research Stipend,
 1992 (deferred to 1993)

Excellence Fund Faculty Summer Research Grant, University of
 North Carolina at Greensboro, 1992 (declined)

Fellow, Mary Ingraham Bunting Institute, Radcliffe College, 1989-
 1990

Research Council Grant, University of North Carolina at
 Greensboro, 1987

Research Associate and Visiting Lecturer in Women's Studies in
 Religion, Harvard Divinity School, 1985-1986

American Council of Learned Societies, travel grant, June 1985

Excellence Fund Faculty Summer Research Grant, University of
 North Carolina at Greensboro, 1984

Charlotte W. Newcombe Dissertation Fellowship, 1981-1982

Woodrow Wilson Foundation Women's Studies Dissertation Grant,
1981

