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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2024-present	Texas A&M University Assistant Professor
2021-2024	Texas State University Assistant Professor
2020-2021	Lecturer
2018-2020	Denison University, Visiting Assistant Professor of History
2017-2018	William & Mary Visiting Assistant Professor

EDUCATION

2017	PhD in History, Yale University Dissertation: <i>Child's Work: The Transformation of Childhood in Third Republic Paris</i> (John Merriman, advisor).
2014	MPhil, History, With Distinction, Yale University
2013	M.A, History, Yale University
2011	A.B., History, Phi Beta Kappa, <i>summa cum laude</i>, Princeton University

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK PROJECTS

“Love and Identity in Contemporary France,” in progress, two chapters drafted.

An Age to Work: Working-Class Childhood in Third Republic Paris (Oxford University Press, 2023).

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

“Censored Intimacies: The Rise and Fall of an AIDS Documentary,” *French Politics, Culture, and Society*, abstract accepted for special issue to be published in 2025.

“When the Republic Came for the Nuns: Laicization, Labor Laws, and Religious Orders,” *French Historical Studies* 42, 3 (August 2019): 423-451.

“‘A Sad and...Odious Industry’: The Problem of Child Begging in Late Nineteenth-Century Paris,” *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* 10, 2 (Spring 2017): 188-205.

EDITED COLLECTIONS

“Protecting Parisian Children and Youth,” *Routledge Handbook on the History of Paris since 1789*, chapter submitted.

“‘But the Child is Flighty, Playful, Curious’: Working-Class Boyhood and the Policing of Play,” *Historical Reflections/Réflexions Historiques* 45, 2 (Summer 2019): 7-27.

“War through the Eyes of the Child: Children Remember the German Occupation of Northern France, 1914-1918,” in Ludivine Broch and Allison Carrol, *France in an Era of Global War, 1914-1945: Occupation, Politics, Empire and Entanglements*, (Houndsmills, UK: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014): 13-30.

PUBLIC HISTORY

“Why We Need Girls’ Studies: Miranda Sachs,” *Girl Museum Blog*, posted February 19, 2024

“Vocational Schools at the 1900 Universal Exhibition,” *History of Education Society Blog*, posted March 21, 2022.

With Dr. Nimisha Barton. “Talking about Inclusive Teaching,” *French History Network Blog*, posted August 5, 2021.

“Historians in Lockdown: The Covid Diary of Dr. Miranda Sachs,” *French History Network Blog*, posted June 1, 2020.

“Why Fears over Generation Z are Overblown,” *The Washington Post*, September 25, 2019.

“An American in St Andrews: SSFH conference 2015,” *French History Network Blog*, posted July 20, 2015.

REVIEWS

“Review of *Feeling Memory: Remembering Wartime Childhoods in France* by Lindsey Dodd,” *Oral History Journal*, published online September 2023.

“Review of *The Birth Certificate: An American History* by Susan Pearson,” *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* 16, 2 (Winter 2023): 168-170.

“Review of “ ‘Histoires d'Enfance’: French Children in Troubled Times (Eighteenth to Twentieth Centuries),” *Nottingham French Studies*, vol. 59, no. 2, *Journal of Family History* 46, 1 (January 2021): 112-115.

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

2022 History Research Fund Grant, Texas State University

- 2021 Research Enhancement Program Grant, Texas State University
- 2020 History Research Fund Grant, Texas State University
- 2019 Ohio Five Funds for Digital Scholarship/Pedagogy
- 2018 Research Travel Award, Society for French Historical Studies
European Studies Travel Grant, College of William and Mary
- 2016 MacMillan Center International Dissertation Research Fellowship, Yale University
Prize Teaching Fellowship, Yale University
- 2015 Graduate Student Association, Conference Travel Grant, Yale University
- 2014-2015 George Lurcy Fellowship
Fulbright Scholar
Visiting Researcher, École Normale Supérieure, Paris
- 2014 Participant in Yale University/Baden-Württemberg Summer Language Exchange
- 2013 MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Yale University
Clara Levillain Prize, Yale University
- 2012 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship
- 2011 Laurence Hutton Prize for Top Graduating Senior in History, Princeton University
Walter Phelps Prize for Senior Thesis in European History, Princeton University
Thesis Prize from Center of Excellence in French Studies, Princeton University
- 2010 Davis Center Scholarship for Research on Senior Thesis, Princeton University

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

INVITED TALKS AND SEMINARS

- 2023 Discussion of *An Age to Work*, New Books Conversation Series, Texas State University, October 12, 2023.
“An Age to Work: Finding Childhood in the French Archives,” University of Houston, October 20, 2023.
Book Launch of *An Age to Work*, Modern French History Seminar, Institute for Historical Research, London, UK, May 22, 2023.
“Workshop on Course Design,” Reading, Researching, and Writing the French Empire, Zoom Workshop, April 18, 2023.
- 2020 “Introduction to the History of Childhood,” Guest Lecture for *The Child in Latin American Literature and Film*, Ohio Wesleyan University, August 27, 2020.
- 2019 “The Limits of Childhood: Immigration and Labor in Paris, 1870-1914,” Tuesday Lunch Series, Denison University, November 19, 2019.
Panelist, “Say it Loud,” Workshop and Panel for K-12 Educators on Teaching with Art, Denison Art Museum, November 4, 2019.
“The Limits of Childhood: Immigration in Third Republic France,” Children’s and Childhood History Studies Program, Ohio State University, March 7, 2019.

- “Contesting Childhood,” French History Writing Workshop, Ohio State University, January 18, 2019.
- 2018 “Child Labor in Photography,” Denison Art Museum, December 13, 2018.
- “Colonizing Childhood,” Guest Lecture for *A Collective Study of French Imperialism: The Cultural Tools and Consequences of Colonialism as Seen in Paris and Southern France*, Ohio Wesleyan Theory to Practice Course in Paris, France, May 29, 2018.
- 2017 “Introduction to Studying Childhood,” Modern American Reading Group, College of William and Mary, November 7, 2017.
- 2013 “Children in War,” Guest Lecture for *The Experience of War in the Twentieth Century*, Yale University, April 18, 2013.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 “Roundtable on ‘Past, Present, and Future of IVG in France,’” Western Society for French History, San Francisco, CA, November 15-17, 2024.
- “Whitewashing AIDS: Sexual Education during the Pandemic,” French Colonial Historical Society, Charlottesville, VA, May 23-May 25, 2024.
- 2023 “Sexual Education and Immigration in Contemporary France,” Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Santa Clara, CA, June 23-July 2, 2023.
- “Roundtable on New and Forthcoming Books in French History,” Society for French Historical Studies, Detroit, MI, March 16-19, 2023.
- 2022 “‘When the Homeland is in Danger’: Child Labor during World War I,” Imagining and Interpreting the French Republic: A Celebration in Honor of Philip G. Nord, Princeton, NJ, May 13-14, 2022.
- 2021 “She’s a Little Runaway: Delinquent Girls in Interwar Paris,” Children’s History Society UK, Virtual Conference through Manchester Metropolitan University, Manchester, UK, June 17-19, 2021.
- 2019 Organizer and Participant, “Roundtable in Honor of John Merriman”; Participant, “Roundtable on Childhood in French History,” Western Society for French History, Bozeman, MT, October 3-6, 2019.
- Commentator, “Promoting New Political Economies for a Republican France,” Society for French Historical Studies, Indianapolis, IN, April 3-5, 2019.
- 2018 “Vulnerable Delinquents: Childhood and Criminality in the Interwar Period,” Society for French Historical Studies, Pittsburgh, PA, March 8-10, 2018.
- 2017 “Blurred Spaces: The Girl Worker in Nineteenth-Century Paris,” Society for the History of Childhood and Youth, Camden, NJ, June 21-23, 2017.
- “Blurred Spaces: The Working Girl in Nineteenth-Century Paris,” Society for French Historical Studies, Washington, DC, April 20-22, 2017.

- 2016 “Students of Today, Workers of Tomorrow: Vocational Schools at the Paris Universal Exhibition of 1900,” History of Education Society, Providence, RI, November 3-6, 2016.
- “Worker or Victim?: The Child Beggar in Third Republic Paris,” Horrible Histories?: Children’s Lives in Historical Contexts, King’s College, London, UK, June 16-18, 2016.
- “The School for “les arts du Livre”: Training for Book-Making in Nineteenth-Century France,” Harvard-Yale Conference in Book History, New Haven, CT, April 29, 2016.
- 2015 “*Voleurs, Vagabonds, and Communities of Children Who Wouldn’t Work*,” The Western Society for French History, Chicago, IL, November 5-7, 2015.
- “Forming Tomorrow’s Printers: Apprenticeship and Vocational Training in Third Republic Paris, 1871-1914,” The Society for the Study of French History, St. Andrews, Scotland, June 28-30, 2015.
- “Giving Voices to the *Petites Mains*: In Search of the Perspective of the Child Labourer in Third Republic Paris,” Challenges in the History of Childhood Conference, Queen Mary University, London, UK, January 16, 2015.
- 2014 “Schooling the Next Generation of Workers: Vocational Schools in Third Republic Paris,” Childhood: Between Material Culture and Cultural Representation, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, May 23-24, 2014.
- 2013 “Children in the German Occupation of Northern France,” A Century Later: New Approaches to French History, Oxford, UK June 21-22, 2013.
- 2012 “War Through the Eyes of the Child: A Study of Children’s Accounts of the German Invasion of Northern France in 1914,” History in the Making Conference, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, March 10, 2012.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introductory Lectures	<i>War and Society in Twentieth-Century Europe</i> <i>Modern Europe/History of Europe since 1715</i> <i>French History: Monet to Mbappé</i>
Upper-Level Courses	<i>Europe, 1815-1919</i> <i>Europe, 1919 to the present</i> <i>France and the Modern World</i> <i>The Great War</i> <i>Immigration in European History</i> <i>Making and Selling in Early Modern Europe</i> <i>The Global Teenager</i> <i>Mass Politics in Modern Europe</i> <i>Senior Seminar on World War II</i>
First-Year Writing Workshop	<i>Childhood and Youth in Modern Times</i>

Graduate Courses *European Sexualities*
Introduction to International Studies Research Methods

Teaching Fellow *Eastern Europe since 1914*, Professor Timothy Snyder
Revolutionary France, 1789-1871, Professor John Merriman
France since 1871, Professor John Merriman
Europe in the Age of Total War, Professor Jay Winter

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

TEXAS STATE

2023-present Committee Member, Hannah Olsen, PhD Student, Department of Romance and
Classical Studies, Michigan State University

2021-2022 Chair, Brie Woody, MA Thesis on United Nations' interventions in Sierra Leone and
Liberia

DENISON

2019 Faculty Advisor, International Studies Senior Research Student
Project Advisor, Two Early Experience Summer Research Students
Supervisor, Undergraduate Research Assistant

WILLIAM & MARY

2018 Supervisor, Student Research Project on Working-Class Memoirs

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

2023-2024 Volunteer, Hernandez Elementary School, San Marcos, TX

2019-2020 Volunteer, Homework Help Center, Martin Luther King Jr. Library, Columbus, OH

2014-2015 Tutor, Centre Social Tanger, Paris, France

2011-2012 Tutor, New Haven Reads, New Haven, CT

2007-2011 Outreach Student Assistant, Cotsen Children's Library, Princeton, NJ

2007-2011 Coordinator of and participant, TEACH tutoring program, Rescue Mission of
Trenton, NJ

SERVICE

PROFESSIONAL

2024-present Editorial Board, *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth*

2023 Manuscript Reviewer, McGill-Queen's University Press

2022-2024 Chair, Mentorship Committee, Western Society for French History

- 2022-present Reviewer, *French Historical Studies*
- 2021-2023 Governing Council, Western Society for French History
- 2021 Prize Committee, Millstone Research Fellowship, Western Society for French History
- 2021-present Reviewer, *Contemporary European History*

TEXAS STATE

- 2023-2024 Chair, Social Media and Outreach Committee
- 2022-2024 Member, Social Media and Outreach Committee
- 2022-2023 Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Medieval European History
- 2022 Commentator, International Film Festival & Symposium on “Consent”
- 2021-2023 Interviewer, Fulbright Scholarship Campus Committee
- 2021-2024 Member, Senior Seminar Committee
- 2021 Scholarship Committee, Center for Diversity and Gender Studies
- 2020 Member, Departmental Library Committee

DENISON

- 2019 Interviewer, Fulbright Scholarship Campus Committee Evaluation Panel

WILLIAM & MARY

- 2017-2018 Affiliate Faculty Member, European Studies Program

YALE

- 2015-2017 Graduate Affiliate Program Co-Coordinator, Davenport College
- 2013-2014 Student Coordinator, Modern European History Colloquium
Student Coordinator, Modern Britain History Colloquium
- 2012-2017 Graduate Affiliate, Davenport College
- 2012-2013 Co-president, Andrews Society (History Graduate Students’ Association)
- 2011-2013 Founder and co-convener, Autour de la France Workshop

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association
Children’s History Society.
Society for French Historical Studies
Society for the History of Childhood and Youth
Western Society for French History

LANGUAGES

French (advanced reading and speaking)

German (intermediate reading and speaking)