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## **FACULTY APPOINTMENTS**

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<b>University of Tennessee – Knoxville</b> , Assistant Professor of History	2020 – Present
<b>Winston-Salem State University</b> , Assistant Professor of History	2017 – 2020
<b>Muhlenberg College</b> , Consortium for Faculty Diversity Fellow (CFD)	2016-2017

## **EDUCATION**

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<b>Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana</b> Ph.D. in History - Latin America	2017
<b>Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana</b> M.A. in History - Colonial Latin America	2010
<b>Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island</b> B.A. in International Relations	2008
B.A. in Africana Studies	2008

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### Journal Articles

“Commerce, Conflict, and Contamination: Yellow Fever in Early-Independence Veracruz in the US Imaginary, 1821-1848.” *História, Ciências, Saúde – Manguinhos* 25, no. 3, July-September 2018, pp. 779-795

### Book Reviews

Pablo Miguel Sierra Silva, *Urban Slavery in Colonial Mexico: Puebla de los Ángeles, 1531-1706* Cambridge University Press, 2019 and Christoph Rosenmüller, *Corruption and Justice in Colonial Mexico, 1650-1755* Cambridge University Press, 2019 in *Early American Literature* 55.3

Norah Gharala, *Taxing Blackness: Free Afromexican Tribute in Bourbon New Spain*, University of Alabama Press, 2019 in *Hispanic American Historical Review (HAHR)* Forthcoming

Michael Matthews, *The Civilizing Machine: A Cultural History of Mexican Railroads 1876-1910*, University of Nebraska Press, 2014 and Robert F. Alegre, *Railroad Radicals in Cold War Mexico: Gender, Class, and Memory*, University of Nebraska Press, 2014, in *The Latin Americanist Journal* 59, Issue 4, December 2015, pp. 76-78

Russell Loshe, *Africans into Creoles: Slavery, Ethnicity, and Identity in Colonial Costa Rica*, University of New Mexico Press, 2014, in *PALARA Journal*, December 2015

Jerome C. Branche, *The Poetics and Politics of Diaspora: Transatlantic Musings*, Routledge, 2014 in *CLR James Journal* 21, Issue 1-2, Fall 2015, pp. 170-175

### Encyclopedia Entries

“United States Military Interventions in the Gulf of Mexico,” in *Encyclopedia of U.S. Military Interventions in Latin America*, ed. Alan McPherson, ABL-CLIO, 2013

### **AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS**

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Mellon Undergraduate Scholarship in the Humanities Faculty Learning Grant (WSSU)	2019-2022
Consortium for Faculty Diversity (CFD) Graduate Fellowship	2016
William R. Hogan Award for Excellence in Teaching, Tulane University	2015
Social Science Research Council, Dissertation Completion Grant	2015
J. E. Land Grant, School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University	2015
School of Liberal Arts Summer Merit Fellowship, Tulane University	2014
Fulbright - IIE, Alfonso Garcia-Robles Grant, Mexico	2013-2014
Ford Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship (Honorable Mention)	2013
Social Science Research Council, Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant	2013
School of Liberal Arts Summer Merit Fellowship, Tulane University	2013
Building Future Faculty, North Carolina State University	2012
Lurcy Grant, Department of History, Tulane University	2011
Stone Center for Latin American Studies Summer Field Research Grant, Tulane University	2011
Mellon Mays Graduate Initiative Program Predoctoral Research Development Grant	2011
Institute for Recruitment of Teachers (IRT), Phillips Andover Academy	Summer 2007
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF)	2006

### **INVITED LECTURES**

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“Life, Love and Labor of African Descendants in Late Colonial Veracruz: An Analysis of the 1791 Census” Tulane University Stone Center for Latin American Studies (New Orleans, LA) October 14, 2019

“Vida, amor y el trabajo de Afro-descendientes en el Veracruz colonial tardío: un análisis del censo 1791-1793” Los indígenas y Subalternos en la Historia – Instituto de Investigaciones Histórico Sociales (Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico) August 13, 2019

SSRC-Mellon Mays Graduate Initiatives Program Annual Graduate Student Summer Conference  
“Recent PhD Panel” Columbia University (New York, NY) June 19, 2019

“Brown University 2018 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Commencement Speaker”  
Brown University (Providence, RI) May 26, 2018

“Healthy Commerce, Environments, and Politics: Yellow Fever and Veracruz in Nineteenth

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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"Seeking Safe Haven and Citizenship: African American Migration to Mexico across the Gulf in the Early 19<sup>th</sup> Century" *American Historical Association: Conference on Latin American History* (New York, NY January 5, 2020)

"In Search of Freedom and Citizenship – African American Migration to Mexico across the Gulf in the Early Nineteenth Century" *Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)* (Charleston, SC) October 2-6, 2019

"De Subditos del Rey a Ejidatarios Posrevolucionarios" Roundtable on New Works on Historical Studies of the Gulf Region in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries: Instituto de Investigaciones Histórico Sociales (Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico) August 12, 2019

"Mercantile Paradise or Metropolis of Pestilence: Veracruz, Tropical Disease and Environmental Engagement in the Long Nineteenth Century" *XIII Brown Conference in Latin American Studies at UNC-Charlotte* (Charlotte, NC) April 5-6, 2019

"Medical History and Environment – Challenges and Changes" Roundtable *Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies* (Oaxaca, Mexico) March 26-31, 2019

"Veracruz and the African Diaspora in the Late Eighteenth Century" *Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)* (Indianapolis, IN) October 4-7, 2018

"The Rhetoric and Reality of Race: Representations of African Descendants in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Mexican National Discourse" *American Historical Association* (Washington D.C.) January 3-6, 2018

"Negotiating Practices: Yellow Fever Research in Late-Nineteenth Century Veracruz" *American Association for the History of Medicine* (Nashville, TN) May 4-7, 2017

"Veracruz in Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century Mexican Public Health Initiatives" *American Historical Association* (Denver, Colorado) January 5-8, 2017

"Environments, Epidemics, and Eradication: International Yellow Fever Research Endeavors in the Port of Veracruz 1898-1920" *Public Health and Society in Latin America and the Caribbean* (University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Trinidad & Tobago), July 6-9, 2016

"An Epidemic of Trade: Disease and Commerce in Post-Independence Veracruz" *Casa de Oswaldo Cruz*, (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) July 1-4, 2015

"African Descendant Communities in Veracruz: The Third Root and Its Historic Development." *Afro-Latin American Research Association-ALARA* (Kingston, Jamaica) August 5-9, 2014

"Vendors, Crews and Views in Early Nineteenth-Century Veracruz (1821-1849)" *World History Association Conference* (San Jose, Costa Rica) July 16-18, 2014

"Buscando los arrieros: La académica y la cultura en Veracruz" *Fulbright Midterm Conference* (Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico) February 6-8, 2014

"Molding the Milieu in Veracruz: Trader Reactions to Governmental Control in Early Independence Mexico, 1821-56" *American Historical Association* (New Orleans, LA) January 3-6, 2013

"Rhetoric of Abolitionism and Freedom in the Age of Independence: Colombia, Mexico, and Venezuela" *Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies* (Santa Fe, NM) April 6-9, 2011

"From the Streets to the Ivory Tower: Re-Imagining Black Intellectual Space, Past(s) and Present(s)" *National Council for Black Studies* (Cincinnati, OH) March 16-19, 2011

"Identifying the Other: Indigenous American Constructions of European Identities" *Society of Early Americanists* (St. Augustine, FL) May 13-16, 2010

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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### Winston-Salem State University, Assistant Professor

African Presence in the Americas, African Presence in Mexico, African World Cultures, Atlantic World History, Cuba Study Abroad, Modern Latin American History, Senior Seminar, Urban History

### Muhlenberg College, Consortium for Faculty Diversity Doctoral Fellow:

Environmental History of Latin America, Modern History of Latin America, Afro-Latin American History

### Tulane University, Instructor:

Archiving Africa (Methods Section), Introduction to Latin American History

## **SERVICE and OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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### Professional Service

Alfred B. Thomas Book Awards Committee: (Chair) (SECOLAS)	2018-2021
Kimberly S. Hanger Article Award Committee: Southern Historical Association (LACS)	2020-2022
Institute for Recruitment of Teachers (IRT) Statement of Purpose and Application Advisor	Fall 2019
Institute for Recruitment of Teachers Faculty (IRT) Andover Academy	Summer 2018
International Editorial Board <i>Caminhos da educação: diálogos, culturas e diversidades</i> /UFPI (Brazil)	2019-Present

### Graduate Dissertation and Thesis Committees

#### Doctoral Dissertation Committee Member

"Pueblos de Negros, Pardos y Morenos de la Costa Central de Veracruz: Su actuación política XVIII-XIX"  
Roma Isabel Jimena Escudero Martínez *Universidad Veracruzana* Defended August 12, 2019

#### Masters Thesis Committee Member

"The Negation of Historic Exclusivity: Rewriting and Legitimizing Blackness through Neo-Slave Portraiture" Kyla I. Murray *Syracuse University* Defended April 26, 2019

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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Afro Latin American Research Association (ALARA)  
American Historical Association (AHA)  
Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)  
Conference on Latin American History (CLAH)  
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)  
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF)  
Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS)

## **LANGUAGES**

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Spanish: Proficient in Reading, Writing, and Conversation  
Portuguese: Intermediate in Reading, Writing, and Conversation  
French: Beginner in Reading, Writing, and Conversation