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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of History, Washington State University Vancouver, August 2018–present

EDUCATION

Yale University

Ph.D., Latin American History, May 2018

Dissertation: “Vehicle of Progress: The Santiago Metro, Technopolitics, and State Formation in Chile, 1965–1989”

Winner of the Arthur and Mary Wright Prize for outstanding dissertation in the field of history outside the United States or Europe

Committee: Gilbert M. Joseph (chair), Stuart Schwartz, Joanna Radin, and Peter Winn (Tufts University)

M.A., M.Phil., Latin American History, 2014

University of California, Berkeley

M.A., Latin American History, 2012

Reed College

B.A., English, 2008, Phi Beta Kappa

PUBLICATIONS

Books in Progress

Visions of Progress: The Santiago Metro and the Struggle for a Sustainable City. Book proposal in progress, to be submitted in 2019 to Duke University Press, Yale University Press, and the University of California Press.

Itineraries of Expertise: Science, Technology, and the Environment in Latin America’s Long Cold War, co-editor with Timothy W. Lorek. Under review at the University of Pittsburgh Press.

Peer-Reviewed Chapters in Progress

“Rethinking Basic Infrastructure: Urban Development and Metro-Building in Latin America, 1960s-1980s,” in *Transforming Cities: Urbanization and International Development Policies in the Global South in the Twentieth Century*, edited by Marc Frey, Sönke Kunkel, and Nancy Kwak. Book manuscript to be submitted in 2019 to the University of Pennsylvania Press.

“Planning the Santiago Metro in Cold War Chile,” in *Itineraries of Expertise: Science, Technology, and the Environment in Latin America’s Long Cold War*. Under review at the University of Pittsburgh Press.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

2017. “Beyond Resistance: New Works on Urban Popular Politics in Latin America’s Informal Cities.” *Journal of Urban History*, vol. 43, no. 6, 960–967.

2014. “Moving the Masses: Toward a History of Public Transport in Postwar Latin America.” *Mobility in History: Yearbook of the International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility*, 89–95.

2011. “Francis Viólich and the Rise and Fall of Urban Developmental Planning in Chile, 1956–1969.” *Revista de Historia Iberoamericana*, vol. 4, no. 2, 10–39.

Book Review

Forthcoming, 2019. Roundtable review of *Science and Environment in Chile: The Politics of Expert Advice in a Neoliberal Democracy*, by Javiera Barandiarán (The MIT Press). In *H-Environment*.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

National Awards

- 2016–2017 P.E.O. Scholar Award
- 2014–2015 Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship

University Awards

- 2017–2018 University Dissertation Fellowship; George W. Darr Fellow
- 2015–2016 Ralph H. Gabriel Fellow
- 2014–2015 MacMillan Center International Dissertation Research Award
- 2014 Smith Richardson Foundation Award for International History and Security
- 2012–13, 2014–15 Danforth Fellow
- 2013–2014 Overbrook History Fellow
- 2013 Research and Travel Award in International History and Security
- 2013 MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Research Grant
- 2013 Tinker Field Research Grant
- 2011 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellow in Portuguese
- 2011 Tinker Foundation Summer Research Award (UC Berkeley)
- 2010–2012 Morrison Fellowship in the History of the Americas (UC Berkeley)
- 2006–2008 Reed College Commendation for Academic Excellence

TEACHING

Washington State University Vancouver, Department of History

- Introduction to Latin American History – Spring 2019
- The City in History – Spring 2019
- Twentieth-Century Latin America – Fall 2018
- Roots of Contemporary Issues – Fall 2018

Yale University, Department of History

- Latin American Cities in the Twentieth Century – Fall 2016

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 “The Santiago Metro and the Logic of the Market: Labor, Productivity, and the Transition to Democracy in Chile.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Barcelona, Spain.
- 2018 “For a More Just City: The Santiago Metro in Allende’s Chile.” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA), Washington, D.C.
- 2017 “Command and Control: The Santiago Metro, Authoritarian Nationalism, and Urban Development in Chile, 1973–1980.” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA), Denver, Colorado.
- 2016 “Subway Struggles and the State: Urban Development in Santiago, Chile, 1964–1970.”

- International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), New York City.
- 2015 “Engine of Change: The Santiago Metro and Allende’s Chile.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2014 “Futures in Transit: Cold War Chile and the Contested Origins of the Santiago Metro.” Seventh Biennial Conference of the Urban History Association (UHA), Philadelphia.
- 2013 “Creating a *Cultura de Tránsito*: State, Society, and Urban Mobility in Santiago, Chile, 1973–1982.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Washington, D.C.
- 2012 “Vehicles of Progress: Latin American Subway Systems and Political Culture.” Sixth Biennial Conference of the Urban History Association (UHA), New York City.
- 2012 “How Representative? Testimonial, Individual Consciousness, and the Case of *Child of the Dark*.” Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association Annual Meeting (PCB-AHA), San Diego, California.
- 2012 “‘Bravely Trying to Educate Them’: The Exchange of Urban Development Expertise between California and Chile, 1956–1969.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), San Francisco, California.

OTHER CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

- 2019 Panel Commentator. “New Battlegrounds: Conflicts on the Peripheries of War.” Western Association of Women Historians (WAWH) Conference, Portland, Oregon.
- 2018 Panel Commentator: “Negotiation and Development in Latin America: Science, Medicine, and Technology in the Western Hemisphere.” Annual Meeting of the History of Science Society (HSS), Seattle, Washington.

INVITED TALKS

- 2018 “Rethinking Basic Infrastructure: Urban Development and Metro-Building in Latin America, 1960s–1980s,” at the international workshop Transforming Cities: Urbanization and International Development Policies in the Global South in the Twentieth Century. Free University of Berlin, Germany.
- 2017 “Dreams of a Rational City: Developing the Santiago Metro in Democracy and Dictatorship, Chile 1965–1990.” History Department, Willamette University.
- 2015 “‘En busca del tiempo perdido’: La cuestión social del transporte colectivo y el metro de Santiago a mediados del siglo XX.” Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, University of Chile.
- 2015 “Para construir un metro: Relaciones Chile-Francia, nacionalismo económico y el financiamiento de un ferrocarril subterráneo en Santiago, 1965–1970.” History Institute, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile.
- 2015 “El Metro como empresa del Estado: Lecciones de la historia.” International Meeting of Metro, Railway, and Public Transportation Workers, Santiago, Chile.

- 2014 “Engineers Abroad: French Subway-Building in Cold War Chile.” International Security Studies Brady-Johnson Colloquium in Grand Strategy and International History, Yale University.
- 2014 “Inequality in Chile: Deep Roots and Current Challenges.” Yale School of Management.
- 2013 “El progreso autoritario: El Metro de Santiago y la transición al neoliberalismo, 1975–1978.” History Institute, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile.
- 2013 “El Metro, las micros, y los conflictos sociales del transporte en Santiago, 1975–1978. ¿Hacia una ciudad racional?” Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, University of Chile.

PUBLIC HISTORY & OUTREACH

- 2017 History in the News roundtable participant, Willamette Heritage Center, Salem, Oregon.
- 2015 “Inequality Underground: Chile Prepares to Privatize Metro,” *Al Jazeera America*.
- 2015 “Memory, Identity, and Heritage of Metro Workers.” Continuing education class for Metro workers. Santiago, Chile.
- 2012 Graduate Student Mentor. Designed an intensive summer research experience for an undergraduate advisee at UC Berkeley. Research project: “Vehicles of Progress: Urban Transportation in Santiago, Chile, 1975–1982.”

SERVICE

- 2018–19 Co-organizer, with Sue Peabody, of the Gender and Colonialism Humanities Symposium (\$15,000 internal WSU funding).
- 2018–19 Member of the Awards Committee, Washington State University, Department of History
- 2018–19 Faculty co-advisor of the History Club, Washington State University Vancouver.
- 2016 Organizer, with Gilbert M. Joseph and Timothy W. Lorek, of an international conference at Yale: “Traveling Technocrats: Experts and Expertise in Latin America’s Long Cold War.” Won and administered grants totaling \$30,000.
- 2013 Member of conference planning committee for the Society for American City and Regional Planning History (SACRPH)

AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association (AHA)
 Conference on Latin American History (CLAH)
 Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish. Proficient in Portuguese and French.