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**Education**

**University of Oklahoma**, Ph.D. in United States History, May 2011.

Major field: The American West

Minor fields: US History Since 1865; European Women

**Oklahoma State University**, MA in United States History, December 2003.

**Southwestern Oklahoma State University**, BA *cum laude* in United States History and Political Science, May 2001.

**Employment**

**Southwestern Oklahoma State University**, Associate Professor, 2016 – Present.

Assistant Professor, 2011 – 2016.

*Granted Tenure*: Spring 2015

**Southwestern Oklahoma State University**, Instructor, 2010 – 2011.

**University of Oklahoma**, Graduate Assistant, University Libraries, 2005 – 2010.

**University of Oklahoma**, Graduate Assistant, Department of History, 2003 – 2008.

**Oklahoma State University**, Graduate Assistant, Department of History, 2001 – 2003.

**Scholarly Activity**

- Chair, “Roundtable – Professionalization Coaches and Other Options: Helping Students Access the Mentoring They Need,” Western Association of Women Historians, Denver, CO, May 12 – 14, 2016.
- “‘No Time to Quit’: Anti-Suffragists, Oklahoma, and The Ratification of the National Suffrage Amendment,” Western Association of Women Historians, Denver, CO, May 12 – 14, 2016.

- 'Imagine the Wife of a Ditch-Digger:' Anti-suffragists and Their Notions of the 'Good' Woman," Western History Association Conference, Portland, OR, October 21 – 24, 2015.
- Panel Organizer, "Crossing Thresholds, Creating Identities: Women in the American West," Western History Association Conference, Portland, OR, October 21 – 24, 2015.
- Guest Lecturer for Dr. Evette Meliza, Teachers Course for Social Sciences, 7 October 2015.
- Newspaper Interview, "Women's Voices Heard," *Weatherford Daily News*, 26 August 2015.
- "The Mothers of the Nation: The Transition of Republican Mothers to Voting Women," Western Association of Women Historians, Sacramento, CA, May 14 – 15, 2015.
- National Endowment of the Humanities Summer Institute, *A View from the East: The Federal Government and the American West*, Summer 2014.
- Book Review, *Outlaw Woman: A Memoir of the War Years, 1960 – 1975*, Published in *Chronicles of Oklahoma*, Winter 2014/2015.
- Book Review, *By All Accounts: General Stores and Community Life in Texas and Indian Territory*, Published in *Chronicles of Oklahoma*, Spring 2014.
- Book Review, *Winning the West for Women*, Published in *Montana: The Magazine of Western History*, Spring 2012.
- Book Review, *Muscogee Daughter*, Published in *Chronicles of Oklahoma*, June 2011.
- Book Review, *The Notorious Dr. Flippin*, Published in *Chronicles of Oklahoma*, December 2011.
- "'Their Duty as Citizens:' The Anti-Suffragist Fight to Remain Relevant," Western Association of Women Historians, Pomona, CA, May 2014.
- "A Cultural and Historic Perspective of the Massacre of the Washita," SWOSU-Sayre, March 2013.
- Guest Lecturer for Dr. Patti Loughlin, U.S. Women's History, University of Central Oklahoma, 28 March 2013.

- “A Cultural and Historic Perspective of the Massacre of the Washita,” SWOSU Continuing Ed, March 2012.
- ““The Dual Menace of Feminism and Socialism:’ Oklahoma Conservatism and Woman Suffrage,” Western Plains Genealogical Society, March 2011.
- ““The Dual Menace of Feminism and Socialism:’ Oklahoma Conservatism and Woman Suffrage,” Western History Association Conference, Lake Tahoe, NV, October 2010.
- “Equal Suffrage and Republican Motherhood,” Northern Great Plains History Conference, Mankato, MN, September 2011.
- *Antisuffragists and the Dilemma of the American West*, PhD Dissertation, University of Oklahoma, 2011.
- *The Role of Gender: The Political Biographies of Three Oklahoma Women*, M.A. Thesis, Oklahoma State University, 2003.

### **Courses Taught**

- United States History (Spring 2010 – present)
- America Since 1960 (Summer 2011; Fall 2012)
- Historical Research & Writing (Spring semesters)
- American Indians (Fall 2010; Fall 2011; Fall 2013)
- America in the 1960s (Fall 2011)
- Women in American History (Spring 2011; Fall 2012)
- History of Oklahoma (Spring semesters)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Century America (Fall 2013)
- Writing History (Fall 2014; Fall 2016)

### **Faculty Development**

- Audited 20<sup>th</sup> Century World History (Spring 2013)
- ELA Outstanding Professors’ Academy (Fall 2013 – Spring 2014)
- National Endowment of the Humanities Summer Institute, *A View from the East: The Federal Government and the American West*, Summer 2014.

### **Service and Organizations**

#### **National Organizations**

- Outreach Coordinator, The Coordinating Council for Women in History, 2015 – present.
- Digital Communications Coordination, Western Association of Women Historians, 2014 – present.

- Chair, Sara Jackson Award Committee, Western History Association, 2014.
- Member, Sara Jackson Award Committee, Western History Association, 2012, 2013.
- Member, Western History Association, 2007 – present.
- Member, American Historical Association, 2007 – present.
- Member, Western Association of Women Historians, 2013 – present.

### SWOSU

- Faculty Co-Sponsor, Phi Alpha Theta, 2012 – present.
- Faculty Co-Sponsor, History Club, 2010 – present.
- Member, Academic Appeals Committee, 2012 – present.
- Member, Academic Advisory Committee, 2012 – present.
- Member, SWOSU Masonic Distinguished Lecture Series Committee, 2013 – present.
- Member, Academic Enhancement Fees Committee, Department of Social Sciences, SWOSU, 2012.
- Judge, State History Day, 2014, 2015.
- Judge, District History Day, 2010 – Present.
- Judge, Phi Alpha Theta/Oklahoma Association of Professional Historians Conference, Spring 2011, 2012, 2015.

### Community Service

- Vice-President, Future of a Child, Inc. (Oklahoma City, OK)
- Volunteer, Mustang Creek Elementary School, 2012 – Present.
- Volunteer, Winds West Elementary School, 2007 – 2012.

### Awards

- Helen L. Bing Research Fellowship, Huntington Library, June 2008 – July 2009.
- Anne Hodges Morgan and H. Wayne Morgan Dissertation Fellowship, University of Oklahoma, 2007.
- A. K. and Ethel T. Christian Award, Outstanding Graduate Seminar Paper Award, Spring 2006.
- Leroy H. Fischer Scholarship, Outstanding Paper in Oklahoma History, Spring 2003.

### Professional References

- Albert L. Hurtado
  - o Professor Emeritus, University of Oklahoma  
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- Professor John Hayden
  - o Chair, Social Sciences Department  
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