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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2021- . Professor, Department of History, Northwestern U
March, 2019. Professeur Invité, SciencesPo, Paris.
Spring, 2015. Visiting Associate Professor, Department of History, Duke U
2001-2003. Interim Director, Program of African Studies, Northwestern U
1999-2021. Associate Professor, Department of History, Northwestern U
1996-1997. Director, African Studies Program, U of Georgia
1996-1999. Associate Professor, Department of History, U of Georgia
1990-1996. Assistant Professor, Department of History, U of Georgia

EDUCATION

1990. Ph.D. (History), UCLA
1983. M.A. (African Studies), UCLA
1980. B.A. (Philosophy), Lewis and Clark College, Portland, Oregon

PUBLICATIONS & CREATIVE WORKS (57)

Books (3) & Special Journal Issue (1)

2021. **The Names of the Python: Belonging in East Africa, 900 to 1930.** (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press). [*Africa and the Diaspora: History, Politics, Culture*, Neil Kodesh, Tejumola Olaniyan and James H. Sweet, Series Editors]
1998. **A Green Place, A Good Place: Agrarian Change, Gender, and Social Identity in the Great Lakes Region to the 15th century.** (Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 1998). [*The Social History of Africa Series*, Allen Isaacman and Jean Allman, Series Editors]. **CHOICE Outstanding Academic Title (1999).**

1997. **The Historical Reconstruction of Great Lakes Bantu Cultural Vocabulary: Etymologies and Distributions.** (Köln: Rüdiger Köppe Press).
1993. **The African Archaeological Review** (Cambridge University Press). [*Special Issue: Papers in Honour of Merrick Posnansky*, volume 11. [With Candace Goucher and David W. Phillipson]]

Special Features in Journals (3)

[Introduced & Edited]

2018. “Crafting Early African Histories with Jan Vansina,” **History in Africa** 45: 99-173.
2018. “Ethnic Formation with Other-Than-Human Beings,” (Lead editor, with Jennifer L. Johnson, Anthropology, Purdue U.), **History in Africa** 45: 307-443.
2001. “Representing the Bantu Expansions,” **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 34, 1: 1-87.

Articles and Review Essays (27)

2023. “Moving Histories: Bantu Language Expansions, Eclectic Economies, and Mobilities” (with R. Grollemund and J. Vansina), **Journal of African History**, accepted.
2022. “Vashambadzi, The Coast Walkers,” **Radical History Review** 144, forthcoming.
2018. “Crafting Early African Histories with Jan Vansina,” **History in Africa** 45: 99-112.
2018. “Ethnic Formation with Other-Than-Human Beings,” (Lead author, with Jennifer L. Johnson, Anthropology, Purdue U.), **History in Africa** 45: 307-345.
2018. “Ethnic Formation with Other-Than-Human Beings: Island Shrine Practice in Uganda’s Long Eighteenth Century,” **History in Africa** 45: 397-443.
2017. “Jan Vansina (1929-2017): A Founder Figure in the Study of Africa’s Past, Early and Recent,” **Azania: Archaeological Research in Africa** 52, 2: 267-70.
2013. “A Mask of Calm: Emotion and Founding the Kingdom of Bunyoro in the 16th Century,” **Comparative Studies in Society and History** 55, 3: 634-64.
2012. “Mixing, Moving, Making, Meaning: Possible Futures for the Distant Past,” **African Archaeological Review** 29, 2: 293-317.
2010. “The Vicissitudes of Language in Writing Precolonial African History,” **H-Net**, 1-11.
2009. “African Pasts for African Futures in a Time of Radical Environmental Change: Notes on History and Policy in Africa’s Reconstruction.” **Program of African Studies Working Papers** 17. 43pp.
2008. “Geography of Meaning, Topography of Struggle: in a Kinyarwanda Dictionary,” **African Studies Review** 51, 1: 119-125.
2006. “Conjuring the Modern in Africa: Durability and Rupture in Histories of Public Healing Between the Great Lakes of East Africa,” **American Historical Review**, 111, 5: 1403-1439.
2006. “Violence and Vulnerability in Eastern Africa Before 1800: A Research Conspectus,” **History Compass** 4, 5: 741-60. [Republished in the **Virtual Special Issue: Violence and History** 6, 4 (2008)]

2001. "Representing the Bantu Expansions: What's at Stake?" and "Comment on Ehret's 'Bantu Expansions'," **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 34, 1: 1-4; 56-61.
2001. "Knowing Africa, or What Africa Knows?" **African Studies Review** 44, 1: 97-112.
1999. "Myth's History or History's Myth: Christopher Wrigley and the history of *Obuganda*," **Azania: Archaeological Research in Africa** 34: 123-33.
1997. "Gendered Histories Between the Great Lakes: Varieties and Limits." **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 29, 3: 461-92.
1996. "Some Thoughts on the Ancient Historical Dimensions of the Current Conflicts in the Greater Kivu Region." **Uganda Journal** 43: 52-60.
1995. "A Narrative History of People and Forests Between the Great Lakes. ca. 1000 B.C. to ca. A.D. 1500." **Boston University African Studies Center Working Paper No. 194** (Boston: African Studies Center).
- 1994/1995. "Social Dimensions of Agricultural Change in the Great Lakes Region, 500 to 1000." **Azania: Archaeological Research in Africa** 29/30: 270-82.
1994. [With Andrew Reid] "The Emergence of Social Formations and Inequality in the Great Lakes Region." **Archaeological Review from Cambridge** 13, 1: 51-60.
1994. "Great Lakes Bantu: Classification and Settlement Chronology." **Sprache und Geschichte in Afrika** 15: 91-152.
1994. "The Contours of Vegetation Change and Human Agency in Eastern Africa's Great Lakes Region: ca. 2000 B.C. to ca. A.D. 1000." **History in Africa** 21: 269-302.
1993. "A Past Whose Time Has Come: Historical Context and History in the Great Lakes Region." **History & Theory** 32, 4: 32-56.
1993. "We Are What We Eat: Ancient Agriculture Between the Great Lakes." **Journal of African History** 34, 1: 1-31. [Reprinted in: Jeffrey Pilcher (ed.) **Food History: Critical and Primary Sources** (New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2014).]
1993. "Cattle Herds and Banana Gardens: the Historical Geography of the Western Great Lakes Region, 500-1500." **African Archaeological Review** 11: 39-72.
1991. "Treating an Interdisciplinary Allergy: Methodological Approaches to Pollen Studies for the Historian of Early Africa." **History in Africa** 18: 323-48.

Book Chapters (9)

2023. "Orality, Language and African Histories of Technology" (with A. Ogundiran), for D. Schäfer, et al. (eds.) **The New Cambridge History of Technology, Vol. 1** (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming), accepted.
2020. "Words, Things, and Meaning: Linguistics as a Tool for Historical Reconstruction," in R. Vossen and G. Dimmendaal (eds.) **Oxford Handbook of African Languages** (Oxford: Oxford University Press), 961-72.
2019. "Early African Pasts: Sources, Interpretations, and Meaning," in T. Spear, Editor-in-Chief. **The Oxford Encyclopedia of African Historiography: Methods and Sources, Vol. 1** (Oxford: Oxford University Press), 7-44. [On-line version published 2018: <http://africanhistory.oxfordre.com/>] **Winner, AHA Waldo G. Leland prize for best reference work published over the past five years.**

2017. "Oral Traditions." In A. Livingstone Smith, E. Cornelissen, O. Gosselain, and S. MacEachern (eds.) **Field Manual for Archaeology in Africa** (Tervuren, Belgium: Africa Museum), 253-56. Open-source on-line edition available at <http://www.africamuseum.be/research/publications/rmca/online/fmaa>
2016. "Pythons Worked: Constellating Communities of Practice with Conceptual Metaphor in Northern Lake Victoria, ca. 800-1200 CE," in A. Roddick and A. B. Stahl (eds.) **Knowledge in Motion: Constellations of Learning Across Time and Place** (Tucson: University of Arizona Press), 216-46.
2007. "Violence, Marginality, Scorn, and Honour: Language Evidence of Slavery to the 18th century," in H. Médard and S. Doyle (eds.) **Slavery in the Great Lakes Region** (Oxford: James Currey Publishers), 38-75.
2004. "Gendered Themes in Early African History: 2000 BCE to 1400 CE." T. Meade and M. Weisner-Hanks (eds.) **Companion to Gender History** (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers), 249-72. [Paperback edition released in 2006]
1999. "The (In)Visible Roots of Bunyoro-Kitara and Buganda in the Lakes Region: 800-1300." In S. K. McIntosh (ed.) **Beyond Chiefdoms: Pathways to Complexity in Africa** (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 136-50.
1996. "An Intellectual History of Power: Usable Pasts from the Great Lakes Region." In G. Pwiti and R. Soper (eds.) **Aspects of African Archaeology: Papers from the 10th Congress of the PanAfrican Association for Prehistory and Related Studies** (Harare: University of Zimbabwe Publications), 693-702.

Minor Publications (13)

2012. "Review of Christopher Ehret, *History and the Testimony of Language*," **Journal of Interdisciplinary History** 43, 3: 459-61.
2008. "The Art of Living Between the Great Lakes Before the States: History of the Interlacustrine Region, (1000 BCE to 1500 CE)," in J. Middleton and J. Miller, General Editors, **New Encyclopedia of Africa** (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons), 31-35.
2002. "Forging a Research Agenda at the Intersections of Africanist and Diasporic Scholarship," **PAS News and Events** 12, 2 (Winter), 2.
2000. "Review of Jean-Pierre Chrétien, *L'Afrique des Grands Lacs: Deux mille ans d'Histoire* (Paris: Aubier, 2000)," **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 33, 3 : 696-701.
2000. "Comment on Scott MacEachern, 'Genes, People, and History'," **Current Anthropology** 41, 3: 378-79.
1999. "Review of Colleen Kriger, *Pride of Men: Ironworking in 19th Century West Central Africa* (Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 1998)," **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 32, 2/3: 435-39.
1998. "Comment on David N. Beach, 'Cognitive Archaeology and Imaginary History at Great Zimbabwe'," **Current Anthropology** 39, 1: 65-66.
1997. "Interlacustrine Bantu Region, History." In J. Middleton (ed.) **The Encyclopedia of Africa South of the Sahara, Volume 2** (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons), 383-6.

1996. "Review of Joseph K. Adjaye (ed.) *Time in the Black Experience* (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press)," **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 29, 1: 168-73.
1993. "Review of David Newbury. *Kings and Clans: Ijwi Island and the Lake Kivu Rift, 1780-1840*. (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 1991)." **International Journal of African Historical Studies** 26, 3: 637-40.
1993. "Using the White Fathers Archive: An Update." **History in Africa** 20: 421-22.
1993. "Introduction to Africa: From Earliest Times to 1600." In D. Smith (ed.) **African History: Selected Course Outlines and Reading Lists from American Colleges and Universities** (New York: Markus Weiner), 76-87.
1986. "Review of J. Desmond Clark and Steven A. Brandt (eds.) *From Hunters to Farmers: The Causes and Consequences of Food Production in Africa* (Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press, 1984)." **UCLA Historical Journal** 7: 110-115.

Book reviews in: **African Archaeological Review, American Historical Review, The Historian, Journal of Interdisciplinary History, The History Teacher, Agricultural History, Journal of African History, International Journal of African Historical Studies, Africa Today, African Studies Review.**

Films (2)

- K.A. Stewart, D. L. Schoenbrun, and H. Wallach. 2006. **Art Seymour: Solo Performance**. (25 minutes). [**Jury Selection** at Idaho Panhandle International Film Festival, Sand Point, Idaho, August 22, 2006. **Winner:** Best Documentary; Best Cinematography; Best Editing; **Jury Selection** at Trail Dance Film Festival, Duncan, Oklahoma, January 26, 2007; **Jury Selection** at Newport Beach Film Festival, Newport Beach, California, April 29, 2007; **Jury Selection** at Seattle Film Festival, Fall 2007.]
- K.A. Stewart, D. L. Schoenbrun, and H. Wallach. 2011. **Controlling the Fire: The Value of the Bead in West Africa**. (29 minutes). **Selected** as a loop-screening installation in Exhibit "Beadwork Adorns the World," Museum of International Folk Art, Santa Fe, NM, April 22-February 2, 2019; **Jury Selection** at the Royal Anthropological Institute Biennial Ethnographic Film Festival, London, England, June 24, 2011; **Jury Selection** at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings, New Orleans, LA, November 19, 2010; **Jury Selection** at the Visual Anthropology Annual Meetings, Philadelphia, PA, December 2, 2009; **Curator's Selection** as continuous loop installation in "Beadwork Adorns the World," an exhibit at The Museum of International Folk Art, Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 22, 2018 to February 3, 2019; **Screened and discussed:** American Historical Association 133rd Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 5, 2013; Program of African Studies, Northwestern University, March 7, 2012; Center for West African Studies, University of Birmingham, November 7, 2011; African Studies Association Annual Meetings,

New Orleans, LA, November 20, 2009. **Used in courses at:** University of Wisconsin, Madison (African Diaspora History); The Johns Hopkins University (Anthropology of the Present); Old Dominion University (African History), Northwestern University (African History; Atlantic World), University of North Carolina-Charlotte (African History; Atlantic World).

In Progress (3)

A Lexicon of Affect, Violence, Vulnerability, and Belonging in Great Lakes Bantu: Semantics and Distributions. Book manuscript in preparation.

2023. "Gender Time/Gendered Time : In one part of Africa." **Nordic Journal of African Studies**, accepted pending final revisions.

Africans Discovered Africa: Dislocation, Travel and Memory in Africa, 13th to the 15th centuries. A creative non-fiction story of three generations of family, from the Kalahari to the Niger River.

COURSES TAUGHT AND DEVELOPED

At Northwestern University

HIST 103-2 "Freshman Seminar: Health and Healing in African History."

HIST 103-2 "Freshman Seminar: Famines and Africans."

HIST 103-6 "Freshman Seminar: Get Out of Town: The Motives, Pleasures, and Challenges of Travel."

HIST 102-6 "Freshman Seminar: The Southwest: History and Meaning in an Arid Land." [Two iterations taught]

HIST 102-6 "Freshman Seminar: Environmental History of the Desert Southwest."

HIST 103-6 "Freshman Seminar: Violence and African History."

HIST 103-6 "First Year Seminar: Beyond Slavery and Colonialism in African History."

HUMANITIES 103 "Freshman Seminar: Black Freedom, African Justice, and the Good Society: Aspiration, Governance, and Representation in Atlantic Worlds."

HUMANITIES 211 "Black Freedom, African Justice, and the Good Society: Aspiration, Governance, and Representation in Atlantic Worlds." [co-taught with Prof. Sherwin Bryant and Prof. Yará Pérez-Marín]

HIST 255-1 "African Civilization and Culture to 1650."

HIST 255-1 "Technology, Environment, and Culture in African History to 1650." (New Preparation, Spring 2019)

HUMANITIES 302 "Violence and African History."

HIST 357 "East Africa to the 19th Century"

HIST 391-3 "African Consumers and African History." [Developed]

HIST 300CN "Violence and African History." [For School of Continuing Studies]

HIST 393 "Violence as a Category of Historical Analysis"

HIST 405-1 "Seminar in Historical Analysis, Methodology, and Theory: The Comparative Method and Early African History." [Various iterations taught]

HIST 405-1 "History and Ex-Colonial Places: A practicum in Comparative Yorùbá and Beyond."

HIST 450-1 “General Field Seminar: Africa.” [Various iterations taught]
 HIST 450-2 “Consumption and Violence in African History.”
 HIST 465-1 “Constituting the Archive: of Sources in African History” [Various iterations taught]
 HIST 492 “Reading Classics in African History.”
 HIST 499 “History and Language in Southeastern Africa Before 1600.”
 HIST 499 “Historicizing Anthropology: Reading Gender, Generation and the Social Construction of Kinship in Historical Perspective.”
 HIST 499 “History and Uganda’s Western Monarchies.”
 HIST 499 “Early African Histories.”
 HIST 499 “Early Histories of the Zimbabwe Plateau.”
 HIST 570-1/2 “First-Year Research Seminar in History.”
 HIST 582 “The Colonial Period in African History.”
 HIST 582 “African Monarchies.”
 HIST 582 “Historical Linguistics in the Great Lakes Region: Classification, Lexical Reconstruction, and Historical Ethnography.”
 HIST 587 “The Africa Seminar.” [Various iterations taught]

At University of Georgia

HIST 2501 “Africa to 1600.”
 HIST 300M “Junior Seminar in History: Philosophy of History, Methodologies, Historiographies.”
 HIST 4990 “Senior Seminar in History: East Africa from Earliest Times to the Present.”
 HIST 3511 “Central and East Africa to the 19th Century.”
 HIST 3512 “East Africa from the 19th Century to the Present.”
 HIST 4510/6510 “History of Famine and Food Systems in Africa: Earliest Times to the Present.”
 HIST 7900 “Introduction to the Theory and Practice of History: Case Studies from Africa.”
 HIST 8000 “Introduction to African Historiography.”
 HIST 8000 “The History of Pastoral Systems in Eastern Africa.”
 HIST 8000 “Africa and the Atlantic World: Regional Themes and Primary Sources.”
 HIST 8000 “Imperialism and Colonialism in Africa and the Middle East.” [Co-taught with Professor Eve Troutt Powell]

CONFERENCES, ROUNDTABLES, AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED
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- **“Écriture et enseignement de l’Afrique dans la longue durée : Quels rapports entre histoire contemporaine et histoire pré-XIX^e ?”** Roundtable leader, with Florence Bernault (SciencesPo); Peter Mark (Wesleyan); Helen Tilley (Northwestern); *Institute d’Études Politiques (SciencesPo)*, March 27, 2019.
- **“History Without Documents,”** Master Class in historical linguistics, archaeology, oral tradition, and comparative ethnography, *Institute d’Études Politiques*

- (SciencesPo), March 11, 2019. With Sandro Capo Chichi, doctoral candidate in linguistics, Paris 7.
- **Vansina Dialogues**, a stream of four Roundtables taking up the influence of Jan Vansina on the shape of African Studies. The 60th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Chicago, IL, November 16-19, 2017. Co-organized with Florence Bernault, (Sciences Po), Nancy Rose Hunt (U of Florida), Neil Kodesh (U of Wisconsin-Madison).
 - **Studying Meaning in African Worlds Without Literacy: Intellectual habits, concepts, and methods**, a seminar and workshop. [Co-organizer with Prof. Mark Hauser (Anthropology)], funded by **Program of African Studies**, Department of Anthropology, Department of History, Northwestern University, 2012-2013.
 - **Bridging Publishing Markets in African Studies: An International Workshop** 15-16 April 2011, funded by the **Mellon Foundation**.
 - **Social Health in the New Millennium**, [Co-Organized with Nancy Hunt, Julie Livingston, Robbie Aronowitz, and Susan Lindee] **University of Pennsylvania**, April 23-24, 2010.
 - **Body/AntiBody Workshop** [Co-Organized with Steven Feierman] Vacherie, LA, November 22-24, 2009.
 - **Historical Knowledge, Policy-Making, and Africa's Reconstruction** [Preceptor and Co-Organizer with Akbar Virmani] a Program on International Cooperation in Africa Institute, with funds from the **John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation**, 2002-2003.

PRESENTATIONS

- **“Gender Time/Gendered Time: In one part of Africa.”** Keynote address to the “Rethinking African Gender Histories Conference,” Gent University, Gent, Belgium, March 29-30, 2022.
- **“Orality, Language, and Technology History.”** (with Akin Ogundiran, Africana Studies, UNC-Charlotte). Powerpoint presentation made to “Conceptualising Technology,” MPIWG, Berlin, September 15-17, 2021.
- **“Combining Linguistics, Geographical and Historical Data to Track the Dispersal of Bantu Speaking Populations.”** (with Rebecca Grollemund, Linguistics, U of Missouri). Powerpoint presentation made to “Extracting the Past from the Present: An International and Interdisciplinary Conference on African Precolonial History,” Brussels, Belgium, March 1-5, 2021.
- **“Beyond Ethnicity? The Long Term, Belonging, and Politics in East Africa, 900 to 1900.”** Lecture at *Institute d’Études Politiques (Sciences Po), La Sorbonne*, March 4, 2019; African Studies Center, University of Wisconsin, Madison, November 13, 2019.

- “Jan Vansina and Crafting Early African Histories.”** Paper presented to the 60th Annual Meeting of the *African Studies Association*, Chicago, IL., November 16-18, 2017.
- “Pythons and Littoral Ethnic Formations in Uganda’s Earlier History: 900-1700.”** Paper presented to the 59th Annual Meeting of the *African Studies Association*, Washington D.C., December 1-4, 2016.
- “Beyond Words and Things: Conceptual Metaphor and Early African History,”** Presentation at the Workshop “New Directions in Historical Linguistics in Africa,” *Columbia University*, May 5-6, 2016.
- “The Charm of Justice as Fertility: The Clay-Headed Python, Legal Culture, and Monarchical Militarism in Buganda’s 17th century,”** Presentation made to a Workshop on “Big Stories and Close (Up) Research: Health and Science in the African World,” *University of Wisconsin-Madison*, April 15-16, 2016.
- “Conceiving Ancient Groups: Pythons, Canoes, and Shifting the Politics of a Great Lake’s Littoral Past, Lake Victoria, 800-1200 CE,”** Pre-circulated Paper given to the Faculty Work-in-Progress Workshop, *The Chabraja Center for Historical Studies, Northwestern University*, November 20, 2015. Comment by Jonathon Glassman.
- “Swallow Your Tale: Vigilant Pythons and Legitimate Violence in Buganda’s 17th century.”** Paper read to **Framing Violence**, a Workshop, History Department, *Duke University*, April 17-18, 2015.
- “Pythons Worked: Shifting Politics of the Past and Conceptual Metaphor in East Africa, ca. 800 to 1200 CE.”** Paper read to Department of History, *Duke University*, February 18, 2015.
- “Pythons Worked: Constellating Communities of Practice, Power, Conceptual Metaphor, and Making a Maritime World in Northern Victoria Nyanza, ca. 900 to 1100 CE.”** Paper prepared for **Learning and Doing: Power and Scale in Communities of Practice**, *Amerind Foundation Workshop*, Dagoon, AZ, October 15-18, 2014.
- “Python Practice: Conceptual Metaphor, Scale, and Power in Northwestern Lake Victoria: 900-1100 CE.”** Presentation made to the 79th Annual Meeting of the *Society of American Archaeology*, Austin, Texas, April 24-26, 2014.
- “Spirits Are Healers, Healers Are Pythons: Effigy, Icon, and Expanded Political Affiliation in Uganda, 900-1100 CE.”** Presentation to the Working Group **Conceptual Innovation and Major Transitions in Human History**, *Santa Fe Institute*, Santa Fe, January 6-9, 2014.
- “Making the ‘Invisible’ Visible in Plural Sites and Communities.”** Comment (on 10 papers), *Theoretical Archaeology Group*, Chicago, Illinois, May 9-11, 2013.
- “A Mask of Calm: Emotion and Founding the Kingdom of Bunyoro in the 16th century.”** Paper presented to Department of African Languages and Cultures, *University of Gent*, Belgium, March 15, 2013.
- “Are There Costs to ‘Internationalizing’ History?: The Intellectual and Geo-Politics of Research Agendas.”** Roundtable participant, *American Historical Association*, New Orleans, LA, January 4, 2013.

- “Industry, Individuation and Beads: Film, Websites, and Deep African Histories.”**
[With William Gblerkpor, University of Texas-Austin.] *American Historical Association*, New Orleans, LA, January 5, 2013.
- “A Mask of Calm: Emotion and Founding the Kingdom of Bunyoro in the 16th century.”** Inaugural paper presented to the **Undocumented Stories Workshop**, *Columbia University*, October 12, 2012.
- “A Mask of Calm: Emotion and Sovereignty in 16th century Bunyoro,”** Featured Paper, at the **African History and Anthropology Workshop: New Methods (and the Old) for Modern Africa**, *University of Michigan*, 13 and 14 April, 2012.
- “Controlling the Fire: The Value of the Bead in West Africa.”** Film screening and Discussion, **Program of African Studies**, *Northwestern University*, March 7, 2012, with Kearsley Stewart (Northwestern University), Harlan Wallach (Northwestern University), William Gblerkpor (University of Texas-Austin), Emily Osborn (University of Chicago), D. Soyini Madison (Northwestern University).
- “Remain Calm: Emotion and the Fictions of Sovereignty Between the Great Lakes.”** Paper presented to the 7th **Annual Northwestern-University of Wisconsin African History Workshop**, May 14, 2011; the African History and Politics Seminar, Department of International Development, *University of Oxford*, October 24, 2011; the Africa Research Forum, *University of Cambridge*, November 1, 2011.
- “Genes, Things, and Words: Mixing, Moving, Making, Meaning: Possible Futures for the Distant Past.”** Afterword to **Thinking Across the African Past: Archaeological, Linguistic, and Genetic Research on Pre-Colonial African History**, Conference held at *Rice University*, March 11-12, 2011.
- “Effective Affect: Emotional Moments of Sovereignty Between the Great Lakes.”** Precirculated paper presented at **Affect in Africa: A Workshop**, *Rice University*, October 8-9, 2010.
- “Healing+Violence=Sovereignty: Historical Contingencies of a Hard Equation.”** Paper presented at **Social Health in the New Millennium**, *University of Pennsylvania*, April 23-24, 2010.
- “Convergent Early Modernities? Violence, Affect, and Sovereignty between the Great Lakes to the 19th century.”** Paper Presented to the **Africa and the Early Modern Workshop**, March 6-7, 2009, *The Johns Hopkins University*.
- “Violence as a Constituent of a Central African Antiquity: Vengeance, Decorum, and the Shapes of Fighting Between the Great Lakes, ca. 500 BCE to ca. 500 CE.”** Paper read at **Program of African Studies**, *Northwestern University*, February 27, 2008 and, *in absentia*, **Department of Classics**, *Brown University*, March 8, 2008.
- “Violence and Public Healing: Legacy and Innovation in Practices of Social Formation Between the Great Lakes Before 1800.”** Paper presented to the **African History Group Seminar**, *Selwyn College, University of Cambridge*, May 9, 2007.

- “Thinking About Violence in East African History Before 1800 CE.”** Invited paper presented to the **Institute of Archaeology, University College London**, April 19, 2007.
- “Violence, Honor and Scorn: Language Evidence for Slavery, Enslavement, and Standing in Eastern Africa to the 19th century.”** Paper presented to a Joint Session of the 48th Annual Meeting of the *African Studies Association*/39th Annual Meeting of the *Middle East Studies Association*, Washington, D.C., November 17-22, 2005.
- “Mande Expansions: Language, Environment, and Archaeology.”** Paper presented to the 47th Annual Meeting of the *African Studies Association*, New Orleans, November 11-14, 2004.
- “Conjuring Africa’s Deep Past in a Postcolonial Predicament: Healing Between the Great Lakes.”** Paper presented to the African Studies Workshop, *University of Chicago*, April 20, 2004.
- “Black Rice II: African Perspectives on Rice in the Atlantic World.”** Comment, 46th Annual Meeting of the *African Studies Association*, Boston, October 30-November 2, 2003.
- “African Pasts for African Futures in a Time of Radical Environmental Change: Notes on History and Policy in Africa’s Reconstruction.”** Keynote Address, Program on International Cooperation with Africa, **Program of African Studies, Northwestern University**, November 21, 2002.
- “15 Years of African Studies at the University of Georgia.”** Invited presentation, African Studies Institute, *University of Georgia*, March 15, 2002.
- “Is Precolonial Africa Dead? Health and Healing in Central Africa, 500 CE to the Present”** Invited lecture, African Studies Program and Latin American and Iberian Studies Program, *University of Wisconsin, Madison*, April 20, 2001.
- “Towards a Spoken Life of Things: Genetic Classifications of Mande Languages and the History of the Middle Niger Delta, 3000 BCE to 1000 CE.”** Invited Lecture, African Studies Center, *University of Wisconsin, Madison*, April 18, 2001.
- “Telling a Whole Story: Ancient African History and Contemporary Africa.”** Keynote Address, the **James S. Coleman African Studies Center Graduate Conference in African Studies, UCLA**, April 15, 2000.
- “Making Africa’s Ancient Cultural History Between the Great Lakes.”** Invited lecture, **Center for International and Area Studies/Council on African Studies, Yale University**, April 7, 1999.
- “The Power of Ancient African History: Contemporary Historical Practice and Writing a Social History of Health and Healing Between the Great Lakes.”** Invited paper presented to the Department of History, *Northwestern University*, March 1, 1999.
- “African Ownership of Technological Knowledge.”** Panel Comment for the Annual Meeting of the **Society for the History of Technology**, Baltimore, Maryland, October 15-18, 1998.
- “Historical Linguistics for African History Research.”** Invited workshop, **Institute of African Studies, Emory University**, Atlanta, Georgia, April 13, 1998.

- “African Ironwork and the Territory of Technology”**. Invited workshop for the Department of History and Sociology of Science, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 3, 1997.
- “Some Thoughts on the Ancient Historical Dimensions to Current Conflicts in the Greater Kivu Region”**. Invited paper presented to **The Uganda Society**, Kampala, UGANDA, December 12, 1996.
- “Historical Linguistics and African History.”** Invited workshop for the **Institute of African Studies**, *Emory University*, Atlanta, Georgia, November 28, 1995.
- “Visiting the Land of the Dead and Living to Tell About It.”** (with Renee Tantala). Paper presented to the 38th Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, Orlando, Florida, November 3-6, 1995.
- “The Power of ‘Power’: Usable Pasts from the Great Lakes Region.”** Paper presented to the **10th Congress of the Pan African Association for Prehistory and Related Studies**, Harare, ZIMBABWE, June 18-23, 1995.
- “Social Dimensions of Agricultural Change in the Great Lakes Region, 500 to 1000”**. Paper presented to the **International Conference on the Growth of Farming Communities in Africa from the Equator Southwards**, Newnham College, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge, ENGLAND, July 4-8, 1994.
- “People and Forests Between the Great Lakes: Social and Ecological Change, 1000 B.C. to A.D. 1000”**. Paper presented to the 36th Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, Boston, MA, December 4-7, 1993.
- “Contexts and Contents of the State in the Lakes Region, Past and Present”**. Paper presented to the 91st Annual Meeting of the **American Anthropological Association**, San Francisco, CA, December 2-6, 1992. [Prof. Susan K. McIntosh, Rice University, Chair].
- “A Past Whose Time Has Come: Histories and Historical Context Between Eastern Africa’s Great Lakes”**. Paper presented to the **Center for African Studies**, *University of Florida*, Gainesville, FL, March 19, 1992. [Prof. Peter Schmidt, U of Florida, Chair].
- “Hearing, Seeing, and Mapping the ‘Silent Millennium’: The Historical Geography of Western Uganda During the First Thousand Years A.D.”**. Paper presented to the 34th Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, St. Louis, MO, November 23-26, 1991. [Prof. David Schoenbrun, U of Georgia, Chair].

CONFERENCE PAPERS, LECTURES, COMMENT

- “Combining Linguistics, Geographical and Historical Data to Track the Dispersal of Bantu-Speaking Populations,”** with R. Grollemund, Linguistics, U of Missouri) Powerpoint presentation and discussion, “Extracting the Past from the Present: International and Interdisciplinary Conference on African Precolonial History, Bruxelles, March 15, 2021. [Virtual]
- “Les plantes des Grandes Lacs, évidences de connexions indirectes,”** Discussant, The Routes of Medieval Africa, 11th to 17th centuries, Closing conference,

- Globafrica, *Institut des mondes africaines, Université Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne*, March 6, 2019.
- “Word, Thing, and Meaning in Africa’s Earlier History.”** Comments offered to the first of four Roundtables, “Vansina Dialogues: Crafting Earlier African Pasts,” celebrating the scholarship of Jan Vansina; 60th Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, Chicago, IL, November 16-19, 2017.
- “Reading the Luzira Head: Analogy, Conceptual Metaphor and the Continuity of Life in the Northern Lake Victoria region, 900-1200.”** Paper presented to the Workshop on **Studying Meaning in African Worlds Without Literacy**, Program of African Studies, March 8-9, 2013; The 9th Annual Meeting of the **NU-UW African History Workshop**, Madison, WI, May 3-4, 2013.
- “Controlling the Fire: The Value of the Bead in West Africa.”** Introductory remarks at film screening, **Center for West African Studies, University of Birmingham**, Birmingham, ENGLAND, November 7, 2011.
- “Controlling the Fire: Individuation, Investment and Industry in West Africa.”** Introductory remarks at film screening, 52nd Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, New Orleans, LA, November 19-22, 2009.
- “Sovereignty, Violence, Horns, and Humiliation: Bwera and the Northern Lakeland ca. 900 to 1500 CE.”** Paper presented at the Biennial **Body-Antibody Workshop**, Vacherie, LA, November 22-24, 2009 and at the **Bodies and Landscapes in Motion Workshop**, *National Humanities Center*, Research Triangle Park, NC, December 2, 2009.
- “Violence, Marginality, Scorn, and Honor: Language Evidence for Slavery and Enslavement in the Great Lakes Region to the 19th century.”** Workshop paper presented to the **Alice Berline Kaplan Center for the Humanities**, *Northwestern University*, December 5, 2005.
- “Approaching Histories of Violence Between the Great Lakes: Fragments and Notions.”** Paper presented to the 2nd Annual **Northwestern-University of Wisconsin African History Workshop**, *U of Wisconsin-Madison*, April 8, 2006.
- “Violence, Vulnerability, and Scorn: Language Evidence for a History of Slavery and Enslavement in the Great Lakes Region from Early Times to the 18th century.”** Paper presented to the 2nd Biennial **Workshop of the Body/Antibody Collective**, Jean Lafitte, Louisiana, November 14-16, 2004.
- “Big African History’s Relation to the Present: Healing Between the Great Lakes.”** Paper presented to the 1st Annual **Workshop of the Body/Antibody Collective**, Hamilton, Massachusetts, November 2-3, 2003.
- “Royals and Rebels: Gender and History in the Great Lakes Region, 1700-1850.”** Lecture, **Program of African Studies, Northwestern University**, October 20, 1999.
- “New Moon Ceremonies: Gendered Royalty, Kubándwa Mediums, and Changes in the Territory of Politics: The Great Lakes Region between the 16th and 19th centuries.”** Paper presented to the 41st Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, Chicago, Illinois, October 29-November 1, 1998.

- “Gendered Histories Between the Great Lakes: Varieties and Limits”**. Paper presented to the 37th Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, Toronto, CANADA, November 3-6, 1994.
- “Recognizing Frontiers in Economic Specialization: Bananas, Cattle, and Historical Linguistics, 800-1500”**. Paper presented to the 11th Biennial Conference of the **Society of Africanist Archaeologists**, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, March 26-29, 1992. [Prof. Merrick Posnansky, UCLA, Chair].
- “Lexical Evidence for the History of Bananas and Cattle in the Great Lakes Region: A.D. 500 to A.D. 1000”**. Lecture presented to the Staff Seminar, Linguistics Section, *The Royal Museum of Central Africa*, Tervuren, BELGIUM, November 22, 1991. [Prof. Claire Grégoire, Free University of Brussels, Chair].
- “The Interdisciplinary Method in African History: Lessons from the Great Lakes Region”**. Lecture presented to the Joint Seminar on African Studies, *Free University of Brussels*, Brussels, BELGIUM, November 20, 1991. [Prof. Pierre de Maret, Free University of Brussels, Chair].
- “The History of Crops and Animals in the Great Lakes Region: ca. 1000 B.C. to ca. A.D. 1000”**. Lecture presented to the Seminar in African Studies, *University of Cologne*, Cologne, GERMANY, November 18, 1991. [Prof. Bernd Heine, U of Cologne, Chair].
- “From a History of Words and Things to a History of People: Food and Society in the Lakes Region, ca. 500 B.C. to ca. A.D. 500”**. Paper presented to the Department of History Research Seminar, *University of Dar es Salaam*, Dar es Salaam, TANZANIA, October 10, 1991. [Prof. Abdul Sheriff, U of Dar es Salaam, Chair].
- “Economy and Environmental Change in Southern Uganda: ca. 700 B.C. to ca. A.D. 1000”**. Paper presented to the 32nd Annual Meeting of the **African Studies Association**, Atlanta, GA, November 2-5, 1989. [Prof. Edward Steinhart, Texas Tech U, Chair].

AWARDS and GRANTS

Postdoctoral

- **Controlling the Fire: The Value of the Bead in West Africa**, *Jury Selection* at the Royal Anthropological Institute Biennial Ethnographic Film Festival, June 24, 2011, London. *Curator’s Selection* as continuous loop installation in “Beadwork Adorns the World,” an exhibit at The Museum of International Folk Art, Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 22, 2018 to February 3, 2019. Kearsley Stewart, David Schoenbrun, & Harlan Wallach, Executive Producers.
- NEH Fellow, **National Humanities Center**, 2009-2010.
- 3 Soaring Eagle Awards for Best Documentary; Best Cinematography; Best Editing for **Art Seymour: Solo Performance** at Idaho’s First International Film Festival, Sand Point, Idaho, 22 August 2006.

- **Committee on Interdisciplinary Research in the Arts [CIRA]**, 2005-2006, for “A Bead In Time: Beauty and Wealth Across the Modern Era.” Jointly with Kearsley Stewart (Anthropology) and Harlan Wallach (Academic Technologies).
- Senior Fellow, **Alice Berline Kaplan Center for the Humanities**, Northwestern University, 2005-2006.
- George Kennan Fellow, **National Humanities Center**, 2005-2006 (Declined).
- Alumnus Member, **Phi Beta Kappa Society**, Gamma of Oregon, 2003.
- Preceptor, “Historical Knowledge, Policy-Making, and Africa’s Reconstruction,” a Program on International Cooperation in Africa Institute, with funds from the **John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation**, Fall 2002.
- **CHOICE Outstanding Academic Title**, 1999 (For **A Green Place, A Good Place**).
- **Junior Faculty Research Grant**, U of Georgia Research Foundation, 1995.
- **American Council of Learned Societies** Travel Grant, 1994.
- **University of Georgia Research Foundation** Travel Grant, 1994.
- **Faculty Research Grant, Humanities Center**, U of Georgia, 1991-1992.
- **Sarah H. Moss Fellowship for Overseas Research**, U of Georgia, 1991-1992.

Predoctoral

- **Fulbright (I.I.E.) Doctoral Dissertation Grant**, Tanzania, 1987 (extended).
- **Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship**, Belgium, Uganda, Rwanda, and Burundi, 1987-1988.
- **N.D.E.A. Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship** for study of Kiswahili, UCLA, 1984-1985.
- **N.D.E.A. Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship** for the study of Yorùbá, UCLA, Summer, 1982.
- **N.D.E.A. Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship** for the study of Kiswahili, UCLA, 1981-1982.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2019. Two weeks research, Royal Geographical Society, London; Church Missionary Society Archive, Birmingham.
- 2017. Two weeks research, Archivio Padri Bianchi, Rome.
- 2015. Three weeks research, British Museum, SOAS Library and Wellcome Library, London; Weston Library, Oxford.
- 2011. Three weeks research, Royal Geographical Society, London; Rhodes House, Oxford; Royal Commonwealth Society Archive, Cambridge; Church Missionary Society Archive, Birmingham.
- 2009. Two weeks research, Africana Collection, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda.

2008. Three weeks research, Africana Collection, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda.
2007. Three weeks field work, digital video and audio acquisition in Accra and Krobo, Ghana, 21 April-7 May 2007 for **Controlling the Fire**. Co-Producers: Kearsley Stewart (Anthropology, Northwestern), David Schoenbrun (History, Northwestern), and Harlan Wallach (Academic Technologies, Northwestern). Directed by Harlan Wallach.
2005. One-week field work and shoot in the studio of Mr. Art Seymour, Master Chevron Bead-Maker, Stagecoach, Nevada, 19-24 May 2005 for **Art Seymour: Solo Performance**, a documentary digital video project co-produced with Kearsley Stewart (Anthropology) and Harlan Wallach (Academic Technologies); Directed by Harlan Wallach.
2004. Six weeks field work in Cairo, Murano, London, Brussels, and Amsterdam visiting museum holdings, conducting follow-up interviews, and shooting footage and stills for **Controlling the Fire**.
- 2003-2004. Six weeks field work in Odumase, Kumasi, and Accra, Ghana and Murano, Italy; visiting archaeological sites, museum, and archival holdings, conducting ethnographic research and shooting documentary film footage for **Controlling the Fire**, Research and object acquisition Co-Directed with Kearsley Stewart (Anthropology).
2002. One month at Makerere Institute of Social Research, Kampala, Uganda, collecting historically informed policy initiatives on managing environmental change.
- 1996-1997. Ten months in the Kingdom of Bunyoro, Uganda. Completed **A Green Place** book manuscript for Heinemann. Assisted Doctoral Research of Kearsley Stewart on Adolescent Sexual Behavior and HIV. Included tenure as Visiting Senior Research Associate, Makerere Institute of Social Research.
1995. Two months field work in the Okavango Delta region of Botswana. Visited archaeological sites on the National Register with a chronological reach over the last 2000 years. Conducted informal interviews inside the Okavango Delta for preliminary dialect geography of its Bantu languages. Initiated collaborative work with Dr. Andrew Reid, Archaeology Unit, U of Botswana, Drs. Herman Batibo and Joseph Tsonope, Department of African Languages and Literature, U of Botswana.
1994. One month of archival work at the Royal Museum of Central Africa, Linguistics Section, Tervuren, Belgium. Checked distributions of word roots proposed for Great Lakes Bantu.
1991. Eight months archival work in London, Brussels, Dar es Salaam, Rome, and Cologne. Collected comparative ethnographic materials for Great Lakes land tenure systems, kinship systems, and gendered divisions of labor. Supplemented linguistic collections from Great Lakes Bantu languages for comparative historical purposes. Visiting Researcher at the Africa Museum, Tervuren, Belgium, the Department of History, U of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania (in 1991), and the Center for African Studies, U of Florida (in 1992).

1987-1988. Twenty-two months of field work in the Great Lakes region of eastern Africa including Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, and Zaire. Elicited vocabulary from 52 Great Lakes Bantu languages for comparative historical study. Supplemented by archival and ethnographic data collection. Research Associate, Department of History, U of Dar es Salaam (in 1987) and with the Makerere Institute of Social Research, Makerere U (in 1988).

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

External Examiner, **Makerere University**, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Doctoral Program (2020).

Chair, Selection Committee for the **James Henry Breasted Prize**, AHA (2016-2018).

Member, Editorial Advisory Board, **Journal of African History** (2007-).

Member, Editorial Advisory Board, the **International Journal of African Historical Studies** (1998-).

Member, Selection Committee, **International Dissertation Research Fellowship, Social Science Research Council**, 2004-2007 (extended).

Facilitator, **International Dissertation Research Fellowship Workshop, Social Science Research Council-American Council of Learned Societies**, Austin, TX, 2002.

External Reviewer: **MacArthur Foundation Fellowship**, 2012, 2015.

Proposal Reviewer: **National Scientific Research Foundation** (Belgium), 1996, 2006; **Social Science Research Council**, 2000, 2001, 2002; **Free University of Brussels**, 2000; **Flanders Scientific Research Council**, 2015; **MacArthur Foundation**, 2004; **National Humanities Center**, 2009, 2011, 2012; **Leverhulme Trust**, 2011; **European Research Council**, 2009, 2018; **American Council of Learned Societies** (Ryskamp and Burkhardt Fellowships), 2010 (Declined); **National Endowment for the Humanities**, 2012 (Declined), 2014 (Declined).

Founding Member, **Black Diasporas Consortium/Diasporic Racisms Project**; UCLA, Rutgers University, University of Texas at Austin, and Northwestern University; funded by the Rockefeller Foundation, 2002-2004.

Founded (with Michael A. Gomez) Ph.D. programs in African History and the History of the African Diaspora, University of Georgia, 1998.

Article Manuscripts Reviewed for: **American Historical Review**; **American Anthropologist**; **Comparative Studies in South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East**; **Journal of African History**; **International Journal of Asian Studies**; **Afrique et Histoire**; **Afrique: Archéologie & Arts**; **African Economic History**; **Azania: Archaeological Research in Africa**; **Journal of Eastern African Studies**; **Gender & History**; **African Studies Review**; **Journal of the History of Sexuality**; **Forest & Conservation History**; **International Journal of African Historical Studies**; **South African Humanities Journal**; **William & Mary Quarterly**.

Book Manuscripts Reviewed for: Oxford University Press; Cambridge University Press; Duke University Press; Heinemann Publishers' **Social History of Africa** series; Indiana University Press; Ohio University Press **New African Histories** Series; University of Virginia Press; University of Wisconsin Press, University of

Illinois Press, Marshall Cavendish Publishers; Holt, Rinehart, Winston; Hackett Publishers.

Promotion (P) and/or Tenure (T) Reviews for: Columbia University (T); Swarthmore College (P/T); Duke University (T); University of Florida (P); Bowdoin College (P); Carnegie Mellon University (P); University of Houston (P/T); Johns Hopkins University (P); Mount Holyoke College (P/T), UCLA (P); Linguistics Section, Africa Museum, Tervuren, Belgium and Belgian National Science Foundation (P/T); Pomona College (P/T; P); U of North Texas (P/T); Susquehanna University (P/T).

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

- Member, **African Diaspora Search Committee**, History Department, University of Georgia, 1992.
- Member, **Chair Search Committee, Department of History**, University of Georgia, 1993.
- Member, **Modern Middle East Search Committee**, History Department, University of Georgia, 1994.
- Member, **African Diaspora Search Committee**, History Department and Institute for African American Studies, University of Georgia, 1995.
- Member, **Personnel Committee**, University of Georgia, 1993-1995.
- Member, **Graduate Affairs Committee**, University of Georgia, 1996-1997.
- Member, **Steering Committee for African Studies Program**, University of Georgia, 1991-1996.
- Member, **Ad Hoc Promotion and Tenure Committee**, Northwestern University.
- Member, **Latin America Search Committee**, History Department, Northwestern University, 2000.
- Freshman Advisor**, Northwestern U., 1999, 2000.
- International Studies Residential College Fellow**, 1999-2003.
- Member, **Planning Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2000-2001, 2006-2007.
- Professional Development Officer**, History Department, Northwestern U. 2000-2001; 2007-2008.
- Chair, **Minority Recruitment Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2002-2003, 2004-2005.
- Member, **Undergraduate Curriculum Liaison Committee**, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences and Program of African Studies, Northwestern U., 2001-2003.
- Member, **Herskovits Undergraduate Research Committee**, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, Northwestern U., 2001.
- Member, **African Diaspora Search Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2001.
- Member, **African American Studies (History) Search Committee (open rank)**, African American Studies Department, Northwestern U., 2001.

Member, **Program of African Studies Director Search Committee (open rank)**, Northwestern U., 2001.

Chair, **African Literature Search Committee**, Program of African Studies, Northwestern U., 2002.

Member, **History of Islam in West Africa Search Committee (open rank)**, History Department and Religion Department, Northwestern U., 2002.

Member, **Archaeology Search Committee (open rank)**, Anthropology Department, Northwestern University, 2002.

Member, **Modern British History Search Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2006-2007.

Member, **West and West-Central Africa Search Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2003-2004.

Member, **African American History to 1920 Search Committee** (to Associate Professor), History Department, Northwestern U., 2015-2016.

Member, **Graduate Affairs Subcommittee, Program Review**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2001-2002.

Chair, **Wilks Prize Committee**, History Department, Northwestern University, 2002-2003; 2010-2011.

Chair, **Committee for the Program of African Studies**, Northwestern U., 2001-2003.
Member, 1999-2001, 2007-2008, 2008-2009.

Chair, **Departmental Colloquia Committee**, 2004-2005.

Member, **Departmental Prizes Committee**, 2007, 2011.

Member, **Graduate Affairs Committee**, History Department, 2000-2001, 2004-2005, 2006-2007.

Member, **Associate Director Search Committee**, Program of African Studies, Northwestern U., 2004-2005.

Member, **Program Review Sub-Committee, Slavic Languages and Literatures**, 2004-2005.

Member, **Program of African Studies Graduate Studies Working Group**, 2005.

Member, **Program of African Studies Faculty Advisory Committee**. 2005.

WCAS Director of Undergraduate Studies, Program of African Studies, 2007-2008.

Member, **Graduate Student Prizes Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2010-2011.

Member, **Sub-Saharan Africa Search Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2010-2011; 2012-2013.

Chair, **Ad Hoc Promotion and Tenure Committee**, Northwestern U., 2010-2011.

Member, Advisory Council, **Chabraja Center for Historical Studies**, Northwestern U., 2012-2015.

Member, Executive Committee, **Program of African Studies**, Northwestern U., 2015-2016.

Member, Programming Committee, **Program of African Studies**, Northwestern U., 2015-2016.

Member, **History Honors Committee**, Duke U., 2015.

Member, **African American History before 1920 Search Committee**, History Department, Northwestern U., 2015-2016.
Member, **Environmental Humanities Postdoc Search Committee**, Kaplan Humanities Center, Northwestern U., 2017.
Member, **Graduate Research Grant Selection Committee**, The Graduate School, Northwestern U., 2017-2018.
Department Representative, **Faculty Senate**, Northwestern U., 2017-2020; 2020-2023.

DOCTORAL STUDENTS SUPERVISED

Neil Kodesh. PhD. 2004, Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
Rhiannon Stephens. PhD. 2007, Associate Professor of History, Columbia University.
Jeremy Berndt. PhD. 2008, Foreign Service, Department of State, Washington, D.C.
Kate de Luna. PhD. 2008, Associate Professor of History, Georgetown University.
Alphonse Omondi Otieno. PhD. 2008.
Pamela Khanakwa. PhD. 2011, Senior Lecturer, Department of History, Archaeology, and Organizational Studies, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda.
Yaari Felber Seligman. PhD 2014. Assistant Professor, City College of New York.
Raevin Jimenez. PhD 2017. Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Michigan.
Rachel Taylor. PhD 2018. Postdoctoral Research Associate. Leverhulme Fellow and Principal Investigator, "Seamstresses in Lubumbashi," Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship; Center for African Studies and School of History, Oxford University, 2021-2024.
William Fitzsimons, PhD. 2020. Historian, 67th Cyber Operations Wing, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.
Marcos Abreu Leitaõ de Almeida, Ph.D. 2020. ACLS Emerging Voices Fellowship, Center for Social Solutions, University of Michigan, 2021-2022; Winner, Harold Perkin Prize for best Dissertation submitted to the History Department, Northwestern University.
Christopher Muhoozi. Dissertator & Lecturer, Department of History, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda.
Moritz Nagel, ABD.
Esther Ginestet, 4th year (co-advisor, with Prof. J. Glassman, Northwestern & Prof. F. Bernault, SciencesPo). MA SciencesPo, Paris.
Rebecca Rwakabukoza, 2nd year. Co-organizer, *Wulira!* Podcast (Kampala, Uganda).

DOCTORAL STUDENTS CLOSELY MENTORED

Jan Shetler. PhD. University of Florida, 1996. Professor of History, Goshen College.
Holly Hanson. PhD. University of Florida, 1997. Professor of History Emerita, Mt. Holyoke College.
Edda Fields-Black. PhD. University of Pennsylvania, 2001. Associate Professor of History, Carnegie Mellon University.

Greg Mann. PhD. Northwestern University, 2001. Professor of History, Columbia University.

Zachary Wright. PhD. Northwestern University, 2010. Associate Professor in Residence, NU-Qatar.

Andreana Prichard. PhD. Northwestern University, 2011. Associate Professor of History, Boren Honors College in the University of Oklahoma.

Emily J. Callaci. PhD. Northwestern University, 2012. Associate Professor of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Birgit Ricquier, PhD. Free University of Brussels, 2013, Anthropological Linguistics. Research Associate, Linguistics Section, Africa Museum, Tervuren, Belgium.

Nathaniel Mathews, PhD. Northwestern University, 2016, Assistant Professor, Africana Studies, SUNY-Binghamton.

Caitlin Cooke Monroe, Dissertator, Northwestern University. 2018-2019 Fulbright-IIE Doctoral Research Fellow, Uganda.