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### ***Current Appointment***

Liberal Arts Professor of Latin American History and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Pennsylvania State University, 2022-present.

\*Faculty Affiliate in Latin American Studies, 2016-present.

Associate Head, Department of History, The Pennsylvania State University, 2023-present.

### ***Past Appointments***

Professor, Latin American History and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Pennsylvania State University, 2016-2022.

Associate Professor, Latin American History, University of Arizona, Tucson AZ, 2004-2016. (Promoted to Professor April 2016.)

\*Faculty Affiliate, Department of Gender and Women's Studies, 2004-2016.

\*Faculty Affiliate, Center for Latin American Studies, 2004-2016.

\*Faculty Affiliate, Center for Insect Sciences, 2012-2016.

\*Faculty Affiliate at the Institute for LGBTQ Studies, 2015-2016.

Associate Professor, Latin American History, University of Miami, Miami, FL, 2003-2004.

\*Faculty Affiliate in Latin American Studies, 1997-2004.

Assistant Professor, Latin American History, University of Miami, Miami, FL, 1997-2003.

### ***Education***

University of Arizona, Ph.D. in History, December 1997.

University of Chicago, Joint A.M. in Public Policy and Latin American Studies, June 1989.

University of Chicago: A.B. in Latin American Studies, June 1986.

### ***Peer Reviewed Books***

Martha Few, Zeb Tortorici, and Adam Warren, *Baptism through Incision: The Postmortem Cesarean Operation in the Spanish Empire*, "Latin American Originals" series (Penn State University Press, 2020).

\*Winner, 2021 Teaching Edition Award by the Society for the Study of Early Modern Women and Gender (SSEMWG).

Martha Few, *For All of Humanity: Mesoamerican and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala* (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2015; paperback edition 2015).

\*Honorable Mention, 2016 Bandelier/Lavrin Book Prize, by the Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies (RMCLAS).

Martha Few and Zeb Tortorici, eds., *Centering Animals in Latin American History* (Duke University Press, 2013).

Martha Few, *Women Who Live Evil Lives: Gender, Religion, and the Politics of Power in Colonial Guatemala* (Austin, TX: University of Texas Press, 2002; paperback edition 2002).

\*Chapter 5, "Female Sorcery, Material Life, and Urban Community Formation" excerpted and reprinted in volume 2, "The Politics of Public and Private Religion," in Pamela Klassen, Shari Golberg, and Danielle Lefebvre, eds. *Women and Religion: Critical Concepts in Religious Studies*, Routledge Major Works Series (New York: Routledge, 2009), 239-266.

### ***Editorial Leadership***

Senior Editor, *Hispanic American Historical Review* (HAHR), 2017-2022 (5-year term).

\*Lead editor 2017-2018 and 2020-2021.

*Consejo Científico* Board Member, *Itinerarios* (published by the Institute of Iberian and Ibero-American Studies of the University of Warsaw, Poland), 2024-present:  
<https://itinerarios.uw.edu.pl/>

Book Series Editor (with Kevin Gosner and Ryan Kashanipour), "Routledge Research in New Colonial Histories of Latin America," Routledge Press, 2018-present.

Editorial Committee Member, Pennsylvania State University Press, 2019-2021; 2023-present.

Advisory Board Member, for The University of Nebraska Press, "Bodies and Ecologies: Histories of Health, Environment, and Medicine in Latin America and the Caribbean" series, 2022-present.

Book Review Editor, *Mesoamérica* (published in Guatemala), 2014-2017:  
<https://www.mesoamericarevista.org/index.html>

Editorial Board Member, *Ethnohistory* (3-year term), 2009-2012.

### ***Scholarly Books and Monographs Forthcoming***

Martha Few, *Insects and the Making of the New World*, under contract and forthcoming from the University of Texas Press.

Martha Few, Zeb Tortorici, and Adam Warren, *A Global History of the Cesarean Operation*, in process. Jointly and equally authored by the three of us.

Martha Few, *Hysteria before Hysteria: Colonialism, Disability, and Disordered Nerves in New Spain* (working title), in process.

### ***Grants, Fellowships, and Awards***

Audrey Lumsden-Kouvel Long-Term Fellowship, Newberry Library, Chicago, 2021-2022 (\$5000/ mo. for 6 months).

Humanities Institute (HI) Residential Fellowship, Penn State University, spring semester 2022 (Teaching release).

The Center for Global Studies (CGS) Research Award Summer 2022, Penn State University, (\$4,000).

Franklin Research Grant, American Philosophical Society, summer 2021 (\$5,000).

American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Collaborative Research Fellowship, 2017-2019 (\$175,000 for salary replacement; \$21,000 for travel to archives).

Co-PI, Cacao and Chocolate Network, Strategic Networks and Initiatives Program (SNIP), Penn State: Collaboration Grant (2017- present). [College of Liberal Arts Representative; Primary Investigator: Mark Gultinan, Department of Plant Sciences, Penn State University].

John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, Interdisciplinary Cluster Fellowship, Summer 2016.

Advisory Board Member, NEH Digital Innovation Grant, for project “Creating and Publishing an Online Finding Aid for the Archivo General de Centroamérica (General Archive of Central America).” *Project Director*: Professor Rosemary Joyce, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley, 2015-16.

Student-Faculty Interaction Grant, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, November 2015.

University of Arizona, Provost's Author Support Program, 2015.

Student-Faculty Interaction Grant, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, March 2014.

Harvard University, Visiting Scholar, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American

Studies, January to June 2009.

Research Professorship, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute, University of Arizona, 2008-2009.

Newberry Library, Short Term Fellowship for Individual Research, summer 2006.

Huntington Library, Andrew W. Mellon and Evelyn S. Nation Foundation Fellowships, spring 2006.

John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, Ruth and Lincoln Ekstrom Fellowship, fall 2005.

Group in Early Modern Studies/Newberry Library Consortium Travel Grant, University of Arizona, summer 2005.

Instructional Advancement Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Miami, 2003-2004.

General Research Support Award, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Miami, summer 2002.

Rockefeller Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, Newberry Library, Chicago IL, September 1999 to May 2000.

Max Orovitz Award in Arts and Humanities for Summer Research, University of Miami, College of Arts and Sciences, summer 1998 and summer 1999.

Harvard University, Fellow, International Seminar on the History of the Atlantic World: Cultural Encounters in Atlantic Societies 1500-1800, August 10-21, 1998.

John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, Ruth and Lincoln Ekstrom Fellowship, fall 1995.

### ***Peer Reviewed Journal Articles and Book Chapters***

Martha Few, "Gender, Colonialism, and Disability in the Aftermath of Natural Disasters: Medicalized Trauma and the 1773 Guatemala Earthquake," in Heather Vrana and David Carey, Jr., *New Histories of Disability in Latin America*. Accepted and forthcoming from Johns Hopkins University Press.

Christopher Valesey and Martha Few, "Mesoamerica in the Colonial Period (circa 1492-circa 1800)," in Volume 1: Biodiversity, for the series "El Antropoceno como Crisis Múltiples. Perspectivas desde América Latina / The Anthropocene and Multiple Crises," ed. Regina Horta Duarte, et. al., Centro Maria Sibylla Merian de Estudios Latinoamericanos Avanzados (CALAS), 2024,

<http://calas.lat/en/research/anthropocene-multiple-crisis-perspectives-latin-america/handbooks>

- Martha Few, "Insects, Illness, and other Biological Contestations," in Jeannie Whayne, ed., *The Oxford Handbook of Agricultural History* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2024), 93-112.
- Martha Few, "The Curing World of María García, an Indigenous Healer in Colonial Guatemala," in Pablo Gómez and Diego Armus, eds., *The Gray Zones of Medicine: Towards a History of Healing and Healers in Colonial and Modern Latin America* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 2021), 26-39.
- Martha Few, "Epidemics, Indigenous Communities, and Public Health in the COVID-19 Era: Views from Smallpox Inoculation Campaigns in Colonial Guatemala," *Journal of Global History*, Special Issue: Pandemics that Changed the World. Historical Reflections on COVID-19, Volume 15, Issue 3 (November, 2020), 380-393.
- Martha Few, "The Lives and Deaths of Caged Birds: Transatlantic Voyages of Wild Creatures from the Americas to Spain, 1740s-1790s" in *Ethnohistory*, special issue "Birds and Feathers in the Ancient and Colonial Mesoamerican World," 67:1 (July 2020), 481-501.
- Martha Few, "'Speaking with the Fire': The Inquisition Confronts Mesoamerican Divination to Treat Child Illness in Sixteenth-Century Guatemala," in the special issue "Medicine and the Inquisition, Twenty Years After: Novel Approaches and New Research," *Early Science and Medicine* 23 (2018) 159-176.  
\*Reprinted in Maria Pia Donato, *Medicine and the Inquisition in the Early Modern World* (Brill Academic Press, 2019), 159-176.
- Martha Few "Killing Locusts in Colonial Guatemala," in *Centering Animals in Latin American History*, ed. Martha Few and Zeb Tortorici, (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2013), 62-92.
- Zeb Tortorici and Martha Few, "Introduction: Writing Animals into Latin American History," in *Centering Animals in Latin American History*, ed. Martha Few and Zeb Tortorici, (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2013), 1-27.
- Martha Few, "Medical Humanitarianism and Smallpox Inoculation in Eighteenth-Century Guatemala," *Historical Social Research/Historische Sozialforschung*, 37:3 (Summer 2012), 303-317.
- Martha Few, "Circulating Smallpox Knowledge: Guatemalan Doctors, Maya Indians, and Designing Spain's Smallpox Vaccination Expedition, 1780-1806," special issue "Circulation and Locality in Early Modern Science," *British Journal for the History of Science* 43:4 (December 2010), 519-537.

Martha Few, "Atlantic World Monsters: Monstrous Births and the Politics of Pregnancy in Colonial Guatemala." In Lisa Vollendorf and Dana Kostroun, eds., *Women, Religion and the Atlantic World (1600-1800)*. UCLA-Clark Memorial Library Series. (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2009), 205-222.

Martha Few, "Medical *Mestizaje* and the Politics of Pregnancy in Colonial Guatemala, 1660-1730." In Daniela Bleichmar, et. al., eds., *Science in the Spanish and Portuguese Empires* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2008), 132-146.

Martha Few, "'That Monster of Nature': Gender, Sexuality, and the Medicalization of a 'Hermaphrodite' in Late Colonial Guatemala," special issue "Sexual Encounters/Sexual Collisions: Alternative Sexualities in Colonial Mesoamerica," *Ethnohistory* 54:1 (Winter 2007), 159-176.

\*Reprinted in Stephen Hunt, ed., *Indigenous Religions* (London: Ashgate Publishing, 2010), Chapter 19, 159-176.

Martha Few, "'El daño que padece el bien común': Casta revendedoras y los conflictos por la venta de carne en Guatemala Colonial, 1650-1730," ("The Damage Done to the Common Good': Female Itinerant Beef Sellers and Conflicts Over Meat Sales in Colonial Guatemala") *Mesoamérica* 49 (2007), 1-24.

Martha Few, "'Our Lord Entered His Body': Miraculous Healing and Children's Bodies in Colonial New Spain." In Susan Schroeder and Stafford Poole, eds., *Religion in New Spain: Varieties of Colonial Religious Experience* (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2007), 114-124.

Martha Few, "Indian Autopsy and Epidemic Disease in Early Colonial Mexico." In Rebecca Brienen and Margaret Jackson, eds., *Invasion and Transformation: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Conquest of Mexico*. Mesoamerica Worlds Series. (Boulder: University Press of Colorado, 2007), 153-165.

Martha Few, "The 'Problem' of Indigenous Clothing in Guatemala at the Turn of the Nineteenth Century." In Traci Ardren, ed., *Flowers for the Earth Lord: Guatemalan Textiles from the Permanent Collection of the Lowe Art Museum* (Miami: University of Miami Press and Lowe Art Museum, 2006), 141-150.

Martha Few "Chocolate, Sex, and Disorderly Women in Seventeenth- and Eighteenth-Century Guatemala," *Ethnohistory* 52:4 (fall 2005), 673-687.

\*Anthologized in translation in "El sexo, el chocolate, y las mujeres de vida desordenado," ("Sex, Chocolate and Disorderly Women"), special issue "Chocolate III: Ritual, Arte, y Memoria: (Chocolate III: Ritual, Art, and Memory), *Artes de México* (Arts of Mexico) 110 (Mexico City, 2013), 24-33.

\*Anthologized in "Chocolate, Sex and Disorderly Women in Colonial Guatemala," in Greg Grandin, Deborah Levenson, and Elizabeth Oglesby, eds.,

*The Guatemala Reader: History, Culture, Politics* (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2011), 86-93.

B. J. Barickman and Martha Few, “Ana Paulinha de Queirós, Joaquina da Costa, and Their Neighbors: Free Women of Color as Household Heads in Rural Bahia (Brazil), 1835.” In David Barry Gaspar and Darlene Clarke Hine, eds., *Beyond Bondage: Free Women of Color in the Americas* (Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 2004), 169-201.

Martha Few, “Invasion and Conquest in Mexico,” in Margaret A. Jackson and Rebecca Brienen, eds., *Visions of Empire: Picturing the Conquest in Colonial Mexico*. Catalogue for the Lowe Art Museum Exhibition “Visions of Empire: Picturing the Conquest of Colonial Mexico.” (Miami: University of Miami Press and Jay I. Kislak Foundation, 2003), 19-27.

Martha Few, “On Her Deathbed, María de Candelaria Accuses Michaela de Molina of Casting Spells (Guatemala, 1696),” in Richard Boyer and Geoffrey Spurling, eds., *Colonial Lives: Documents of Latin American History (1550-1850)* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000), 166-177.

Martha Few, “‘No es la palabra de Dios’: Acusaciones de enfermedad y las políticas culturales de poder en la Guatemala colonial, 1650-1720,” (“‘It Is Not the Word of God’: Illness Accusations and the Cultural Politics of Power in Colonial Guatemala, 1650-1750”), *Mesoamérica* 20:38 (December 1999), 33-54.

Martha Few, “Women, Religion, and Power: Gender and Resistance in Daily Life in Late Seventeenth-Century Guatemala,” special issue on Gender in Mesoamerica, *Ethnohistory* 42:4 (fall 1995), 627-637.

### ***Book Reviews, Published and Forthcoming***

*American Historical Review* (2), *The Americas* (2), *Bulletin of the Comediantes*, *Bulletin for the History of Medicine* (4), *Bulletin of Spanish Studies*, *Colonial Latin American Review* (1, forthcoming); *A Contracorriente*, *Ethnohistory* (5), *Estudios Interdisciplinarios de América Latina y el Caribe*, *Hispanic American Historical Review* (3 and 1 forthcoming), *Hispanic Review*, *Isis: Journal of the History of Science Society* (1), *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*, *Journal of Latin American Studies* (3), *Journal of Women’s History*, *Mesoamérica*, *New Mexico Historical Review*, *ReVista: Harvard Review of Latin America* (1 forthcoming), and *The Western Historical Quarterly*. Complete citations available upon request.

### ***Invited Keynote Speaker***

“The Curing World of María García, a Maya Healer in Eighteenth-Century Guatemala.” Hispanic Heritage Celebration Kickoff, Hollins University, September 23, 2024.

“Baptism Through Incision: The Postmortem Cesarean Operation for Fetal Baptism in the Spanish Empire,” “Women's History Month Kickoff,” Hood College, Fredrick, MD, March 2, 2020.

“Battling Locust Swarms in Colonial New Spain,” First Annual Greer Lecture on Latin American History, Virginia Commonwealth University, November 20, 2019.

“Battling Locust Swarms in Colonial New Spain,” keynote at the Mid Atlantic Council for Latin American Studies (MACLAS), Muhlenberg College March 10, 2018.

“‘This Marvelous Fluid’: Smallpox, Cowpox and Human-Animal Experiments in Late Colonial Guatemala,” keynote address, Queen's University Belfast Medical Humanities Postgraduate Training Day: Belfast, Northern Ireland, December 3, 2015.

“The Fetus as Colonial Subject: Gender, Reproduction, and Medicine in the Eighteenth-Century Spanish Atlantic,” keynote at the annual meetings of the Society for the Social History of Medicine, Durham University, Durham, United Kingdom, July 8-11, 2010.

### ***Invited Talks, Roundtables, and Research/Teaching Workshops***

Featured Speaker for the Cultures of the Americas (COTA) Seminar, for Dr. Christina Ramos's book *Bedlam in the New World: A Mexican Madhouse in the Age of Enlightenment*, Gilcrease Museum and Helmerich Center for American Research and the History Department, University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK, March 6-7, 2025.

“Maya, Catholic, and Colonial Representations of the Unborn in Mesoamerica During the Long Eighteenth Century,” History of Science and Medicine Program, Yale University, December 3, 2024.

“Postmortem Cesarean Operations for Fetal Baptism in Colonial Latin America,” research workshop for Alex Hidalgo’s class “The Historian’s Craft,” History Department, Texas Christian University, October 23, 2023.

“Chocolate as Ingredient in Colonial Mexican Recipes,” for research workshop “Cooking and Spanish Colonial Treasures from UTSA Special Collections,” John Peace Library, University of Texas San Antonio, November 9, 2023.

“Drug? Food? Aphrodisiac? Making Sense of Chocolate in the Early Modern Atlantic World,” invited talk for Penn State Chocolate Short Course, Department of Food Sciences, Penn State, June 19, 2023: (<https://web.cvent.com/event/a6a0fea1-e462-4fb7-8910-11bcf5e40d78/summary>)

“Postmortem Cesarean Operations for Fetal Baptism in Colonial Latin America,” Roundtable on “Early Modern Care” Consortium on Early Modern and Medieval Studies (CEMMS), Penn State University, October 22, 2023.



- “Gender, Colonialism, and Disability in the Aftermath of Natural Disasters: Medicalized Trauma and the 1773 Guatemala Earthquake,” pre-circulated article-length ms. for workshop “New Histories of Disability in Latin America,” Center for Black, Brown, and Queer Studies (BBQ), Johns Hopkins University, June 2022.
- “Epidemics, Maya Communities, and Public Health in the Covid-19 Era: Views from Colonial Guatemala,” invite talk for series “Spanish Flus: Pandemic Disease in the Iberian World from the Middle Ages through the Present,” Department of Spanish and Portuguese Languages and the King Juan Carlos I of Spain Center, New York University, March 28, 2022. Talk recorded and archived here: <https://wp.nyu.edu/spanishflus/epidemics-maya-communities-and-public-health-in-the-covid-19-era-views-from-colonial-guatemala/>
- “Indigenous Cultural Frameworks, Local Colonialisms, and the Postmortem Cesarean Operation in the Spanish Empire,” Humanities Institute Fellows Talk, Penn State University, April 15, 2022.
- “Baptism Through Incision: The Postmortem Cesarean Operation for Fetal Baptism in the Spanish Empire,” invited talk for series “Women, Gender, and Sexuality in World History,” Furman University, February 24, 2022.
- “Indigenous Cultural Frameworks, Local Colonialisms, and the Postmortem Cesarean Operation in the Spanish Empire,” pre-circulated article-length ms. for Fellows Workshop, Newberry Library Fellow’s Seminar, Chicago IL, December 14, 2021.
- “Contagious Connections” Roundtable. Omohundro Institute, December 3, 2021 with 5 other scholars discussing the role of inequities in sustenance, environment, and labor among groups of different race and station in shaping the stories historical actors and historians tell about the relationship between disease and contagion.
- “Cochineal Insects Travel the World,” invited talk, Newberry Library Colloquium, Chicago IL, November 10, 2021.
- “The Curing World of María García, an Indigenous Healer in Colonial Guatemala” pre-circulated paper for workshop “The Gray Zones of Medicine(s): Towards a History of Healing and Healers in Colonial and Modern Latin America,” Department of Medical History and Bioethics, University of Wisconsin–Madison, September 15, 2018.
- “Battling Locust Swarms in Colonial New Spain,” invited talk given to the History Department, Washington University Saint Louis, April 4, 2018.
- “Locust Swarms, Insect Extermination Campaigns, and the Politics of Indigenous Knowledge in Colonial Mesoamerica,” invited talk given at the symposium

- “Indigenous Knowledge and the Making of Colonial Latin America,” USC-Huntington Early Modern Studies Institute, Getty Center, Los Angeles CA, December 8-10, 2017.
- “Who Let the Dogs Out?: Rabies Outbreaks, Dog-Killing Campaigns, and Material Cultures of Animal Death in Colonial Guatemala City,” Penn State Latin American Studies Symposium and 2017 TePaske Seminar “Early Urban Transatlanticism,” April 13-14, 2017.
- “The Materiality of the Archive: Cochineal Insects,” Animals in the Archives Symposium, University of Pennsylvania, October 28, 2016.
- “On Cesarean Operations and Fetal Baptism: An Eighteenth-Century Guatemalan Treatise in Historical Perspective,” joint presentation at the John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, with Nina M. Scott, Zeb Tortorici, and Adam Warren, July 11, 2016.
- “Chocolate, Sex, and Disorderly Women in Colonial Guatemala,” Randolph Macon College, Women's and Gender Studies Lecture Series, Thursday March 3, 2016.
- “For All of Humanity: Mesoamerican and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala,” undergraduate workshop in David Carey, Jr.'s “Medicine in Latin American History” course, Loyola University Maryland, March 8, 2016.
- “For All of Humanity: Mesoamerican and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala,” Department of History, Penn State University, February 15, 2016.
- “The Lives (and Deaths) of Caged Birds: Wild Animals and their Transatlantic Circulation from the Americas to Spain, 1760s-1820s,” University of California, Los Angeles, Atlantic History Seminar, Wednesday January 20, 2016.
- “Mesoamerican Medical Cultures and Colonial Public Health Campaigns Against Typhus in Eighteenth-Century Central America,” Epidemics Group, Geography, and Latin American Studies Joint Seminar at Queen's University Belfast, December 4, 2015.
- “Chocolate, Sex, and Disorderly Women in Colonial Guatemala,” undergraduate workshop, Department of Spanish, Queen's University Belfast, December 2, 2015.
- “Mesoamerican Medical Cultures and Colonial Public Health Campaigns Against Typhus in Eighteenth-Century Central America,” Health Policy and Management Seminar, Mel & Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health, University of Arizona, October 28, 2015.

- “Human-Animal Shapeshifting in Enlightenment Central America,” talk given at the Atlantic History Symposium, University of California, Los Angeles, April 24-25, 2014.
- “Killing Locusts in Colonial Guatemala,” University of Washington, Comparative History of Ideas Program/Department of History/Critical Animal Studies Working Group, January 2014.
- “Animals, Human Reproduction, and Shapeshifting Sorcery in Colonial Guatemala,” University of Washington, “Archives and Animalicity” Workshop. Pre-circulated paper for the University of Washington, Comparative History of Ideas Program/Department of History/Critical Animal Studies Working Group, January 2014.
- “Centering Animals in Latin American History,” University of Arizona, School of Geography and Development, October 2013.
- “Typhus and the Ritual Landscapes of Maya Medicine in Colonial Guatemala,” Queen’s University, Belfast, Northern Ireland, pre-circulated article-length paper for the Colloquium “Paths of Medical (Un)Orthodoxy? Colonial Latin America and its World,” November 8-11, 2013.
- “Colonial Fetuses: Gender, Religion, and Medicine in Enlightenment Central America,” San Francisco Theological Seminary, “Bodies in Space and Time” workshop of the Muilenburg-Koenig History of Religion Seminar, February 24-25, 2012.
- “All of Humanity: Colonial Medicine, Indigenous Healing, and Public Health in Enlightenment Central America,” University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, History Department, January 27, 2012.
- “Circulating Smallpox Knowledge: Guatemalan Doctors, Maya Indians, and Designing Spain’s Royal Vaccination Expedition, 1780-1804,” Harvard University, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, February 2009.
- “Indigenous Maya Barbers and Postmortem Cesarean Operations in Colonial Guatemala, 1780-1804,” Wellcome Trust/University College London, “Artisans and Medicine Workshop,” May 2008.
- “Circulating Smallpox Knowledge: José Flores, Maya Indians, and Designing the *Real Expedición Marítima de la Vacuna*, 1780-1806,” UCLA/Clark Library Symposium: “Circulation and Locality in Early Modern Science,” October 2007.
- “Saving the Indians”: Historicizing Discourses of Human Rights in the Anti-Smallpox Campaigns in Colonial Guatemala, 1680-1780,” Central Michigan University, symposium “Genocide and Violence in Latin American History,” August 2007.

- “‘That Marvelous Sexual System’: Race, Sexuality, and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala.” for the symposium *Ethnopornography: Sexuality and Anthropological Knowing*, Duke University, March 2007.
- “Colonial Medicine and the Politics of Race and Sexuality in Enlightenment Guatemala,” Faculty Colloquium Series, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, to be presented in January 2007.
- “The ‘Problem’ of Indian Clothing in Guatemala, 1780-1810,” University of Miami, Lowe Art Museum and Center for Latin American Studies, November 2006.
- “Cesarean Operations and the Politics of Pregnancy in Colonial Guatemala, 1780-1804,” Duke University, History Department, October 2006.
- “Colonial Medicine and the Politics of Race and Sexuality in Enlightenment Guatemala,” USC-Huntington Library Early Modern Studies Institute symposium on “The Science of Race in the Long Eighteenth Century,” Los Angeles, 28-29 April 2006.
- “Cesarean Operations and the Politics of Pregnancy in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” Anthropology Department Lecture Series, University of Arizona, April 12, 2006.
- “Atlantic World Monsters: Monstrous Births and the Politics of Pregnancy in Colonial Guatemala,” John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, November 2, 2005.
- “‘So Money Would Come’: Economic Sorcery and Gendered Narratives of Material Life in Colonial Guatemala,” Central Connecticut State University, October 31, 2005.
- “Atlantic World Monsters: Monstrous Births and the Politics of Pregnancy in Colonial Guatemala,” UCLA/Clark Library Symposium “Women, Religion and the Atlantic World (1600-1800),” Los Angeles CA, April 2005.
- “‘So Money Would Come’: Gender, Sorcery, and Economic Life in 17th Century Guatemala,” Arizona State University, Center for Latin American Studies, Colloquium on Latin American Women’s History, March 2005.
- “‘That Monster of Nature’: Gender, Sexuality, and the Medicalization of a ‘Hermaphrodite’ in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” New Directions in Latin American History: A Conference Celebrating New Research on Latin America, Center for Latin American Studies and Department of History, University of Miami, April 2004.
- Presentations at Canisius College, Department of History and Center for Women’s Studies, Buffalo, NY, March 24-26, 2004:
- \*“Chocolate, Sex, and Disorderly Women in Colonial Guatemala” (March 24)
  - \*Undergraduate workshop on *Women Who Live Evil Lives*. (March 25)

“The Marvelous and the Hysterical Body: Gender and the Medicalization of a Stigmatic Nun in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” History Department, Vanderbilt University, October 2003.

“The Marvelous and the Hysterical Body: Gender and the Medicalization of a Stigmatic Nun in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” paper presented at the History Department, University of Arizona, September 2003.

“Indian Autopsy and Epidemic Disease in Early Colonial Mexico,” for the symposium “Invasion and Transformation: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Images of the Conquest of Mexico,” Center for Latin American Studies, University of Miami, March 2003.

“‘Our Lord Entered His Body’: Miraculous Healing and Children's Bodies in Colonial New Spain,” invited paper, Scholes Conference on Colonial Latin American History, Tulane University, 30-31 March 2001.

“‘Women Who Live Evil Lives’: Gender, Religion and the Politics of Power in Colonial Guatemala,” invited talk presented at Cornell University, History Department, November 2000.

Rockefeller Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow Public Lecture and Methodology Workshops, The Newberry Library, Center for Renaissance Studies, March 3, 2000:

\*“Bewitching the President: Gender, Race, and Power in Late-Seventeenth-Century Guatemala.”

\*“Identifying Women's Material and Cultural Networks Through Inquisition Records.”

Two invited talks, Pennsylvania State University, Department of History and Center for Latin American Studies, February 18-20, 2000:

\*“Chocolate, Sex, and Disorderly Women in Seventeenth-Century Colonial Guatemala” (Feb. 18)

\*“Female Sorcery, the Local Economy, and Urban Community Formation in Colonial Guatemala.” (Feb. 19)

Rockefeller Foundation Postdoctoral Fellows Seminar, “Illness, Healing, and the Supernatural World in Colonial Guatemala,” Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, November 8, 1999.

### **Public History, On-Camera Interviews, and Podcasts**

On camera interview, “Dy(e)ing for Art: Insects in the Colonial Americas,” A Conversation with Sarah K. Rich, Professor of Art History and Director of the Center for Virtual/Material Studies at Penn State University, and Andrew R. Deans, Professor of Entomology and Director of the Frost Entomological

Museum, Penn State, October 2023: <https://youtu.be/TO-ZiTr5--g?si=NHkB-E43GPGRA0ce>

“Containing Evil Women,” a podcast interview with Dr. Beatriz Argueta on gender, race, and the Inquisition in colonial Guatemala as part of her podcast series in support of the Sawyer Seminar at Penn State University, “Transmission, Containment, Transformation: A Sawyer Seminar Podcast,” conducted April 12, 2022. Link to podcast episode, and the series, here <https://earlymoderncities.podbean.com/>

Interview for *Baptism Through Incision: The Postmortem Cesarean Operation in the Spanish Empire*, for the “New Books Network Podcast” series (under the auspices of Amherst University Press). Interview conducted August 2021: <https://newbooksnetwork.com/baptism-through-incision>

Interview for “The Global History Podcast” hosted by Chase Caldwell Smith (UCLA), for their themed series “Global Histories of Health, Medicine, and Disease in the Early Modern World.” Interview conducted December 7, 2020; interview not yet posted.

Interview for podcast “Bodies of Water: Gender, Health and Healing in the Atlantic World,” hosted by Kaitlin Simpson (University of Tennessee), on my book *For All of Humanity: Mesoamerican and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala*. Interview conducted in November 2020. Podcasters discuss my book *For All of Humanity* in episode 3, and conduct an interview with me in episode 5; both can be streamed here: <https://addmenandstir.wixsite.com/podcast/episodes>

Interview with Reina Gattuso, Contributing Writer at *Atlas Obscura*, for an article “The Chocolate Brewing Witches of Colonial Latin America.” Jan 28, 2020, URL: <https://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/were-there-witchhunts-in-south-america>

Martha Few, “Early Modern Insects and Indigenous Mesoamerica,” *Sixteenth Century Journal: The Journal of Early Modern Studies*, invited article, special issue “50th Anniversary Issue,” L:1 (Fall 2019), 156-162.

Interview for *New Books Network Podcast* series (under the auspices of Amherst University Press) on Science, Technology and Society and Latin American Studies, for my book *For All of Humanity: Mesoamerican and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala* (conducted June 2018). URL <https://newbooksnetwork.com/martha-few-for-all-humanity-mesoamerican-and-colonial-medicine-in-enlightenment-guatemala-u-arizona-press-2015/>

On camera interview for documentary on the 100th Anniversary of the *Hispanic American Historical Review*, Duke University Press, March 2018.

Radio interview for program “Women Hold Up Half the Sky,” KALX 90.7 Berkeley, for book *Women Who Live Evil Lives*, March 2003.

“Illness Accusations and the Cultural Politics of Power in Colonial Santiago de Guatemala, 1650-1720,” Working Paper 98-10, International Seminar on the History of the Atlantic World, Harvard University, August 1998.

***Conference Papers, Class Lectures, Panel Organization, and Comments***

Panel Chair and Discussant, “Shared Spaces: Animals, Humans, and the Interspecies Use of Built Worlds,” at the annual meetings of the American Society for Environmental History, Pittsburgh PA, April 2025.

Panel Discussant, “Health and Medicine in Latin America’s Cold War,” at the annual meetings of the American Historical Association, New York, NY, January 5, 2025.

“‘Calling the Rains’: Weather Magic as Indigenous Agricultural Knowledge in Highland Maya Communities in Eighteenth-Century Guatemala” History of Science Society Annual Meetings, Mérida, Mexico, November 5, 2024.

“Postmortem Cesarean Operations for Fetal Baptism in Eighteenth-Century Maya Communities,” for Roundtable “Early Modern Care,” Committee on Early Modern Studies, Penn State University, March 7, 2023.

Guest teaching in Prof. Chris Heaney’s graduate seminar “Colonial Latin American History,” Department of History, Penn State, November 2, 2021.

Guest teaching in Prof. Rocio Gómez's undergraduate course “The History of Mexico,” Department of History, Virginia Commonwealth University, November, 2019.

Chair and Discussant for panel “Gender and Sexuality in the Nahua World,” American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting, September 2019.

Chair and Discussant for three inter-related panels, “Exploring Colonial Roots/ Routes in North America and Latin America”, Parts I, II, and III; American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting, September 2019.

Chair and Discussant for panel "What Everyone Needs to Know about Central America in an Age of Deportation: Views from the Northern Triangle," the American Historical Association (co-sponsored by the Committee for Latin American History), Chicago, IL, January, 5, 2019.

“How to Publish in the *Hispanic American Historical Review*,” Committee on Latin History, American Historical Association, January 2019 annual meetings in Chicago, IL.

Commentator and Discussion Facilitator, Southwest Workshop on Colonial Latin American History, Utah Valley University, Heber, Utah, October 2018.

Guest Teaching in Prof. Alex Hidalgo's graduate course "Seminar in Latin American History: Nature and Society in the Iberian World," Department of History, Texas Christian University, March 21, 2018.

Guest Teaching in Prof. Jyoti Balachandran's graduate seminar, "Early Modern Global History," History Department, Penn State University, February 14, 2018.

Commentator and Discussion Facilitator, Southwest Workshop on Colonial Latin American History, University of California San Diego, October 2017, for pre-circulated paper by Zeb Tortorici, "Abortion, Infanticide, and Miscarriage in New Spain."

"Embodiment, Sexuality, and 'Hermaphrodites' in a Colonial Archive: Juana Aguilar on Trial, Audiencia of Guatemala 1800-1804." Committee on Latin American History, American Historical Association annual meeting, Denver CO, January 2017.

Chair and Commentator for panel "Fetish and Fantasy in Colonial Latin America," American Historical Association annual meeting, Denver CO, January 2017.

Chair and Commentator for panel "Race, Colonialism, and the Ethnohistory of Sex," American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting, Nashville TN, November 2016.

"Rabies Outbreaks and Dog-Killing Campaigns in Colonial Central America, 1680-1802." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Environmental History, Seattle, WA, April 2016.

Roundtable co-organizer and participant, "Medical Ethnohistory: New Research from Mesoamerica to the Arctic." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Las Vegas, NV, November 2015.

"Mesoamerican and Colonial Medical Treatments for Epidemic Coughs in Maya Children in Highland Guatemala, 1790s-1820s." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Las Vegas, NV, November 2015.

"The Lives (and Deaths) of Caged Birds: Wild Animals and their Transatlantic Circulation, 1760s-1820s." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Las Vegas, NV, November 2015.

"Rabies Outbreaks, Dog-Killing Campaigns, and the Politics of Animal Death in Eighteenth-Century Guatemala." Presented at the April 2015 annual meetings of the Rocky Mountain Conference on Latin American Studies, Tucson, AZ.



Commentator for the panel “Latin American Archive Stories,” April 2015 annual meetings of the Rocky Mountain Conference on Latin American Studies, Tucson, AZ.

Chair for the panel “Raiders, Indians, and Spaniards: Cross-Cultural Encounters in the Seventeenth Century,” April 2015 annual meetings of the Rocky Mountain Conference on Latin American Studies, Tucson, AZ.

“Colonial Medicine and Hysteria: Trauma and the Santa Marta Earthquake in Santiago de Guatemala, 1773-1774,” January 2015, Committee in Latin American History at the American Historical Association, New York, NY.

“Signs of Life: Mesoamerican and Colonial Medicine in Enlightenment Guatemala,” January 2015 annual meeting Committee in Latin American History at the American Historical Association, New York, NY.

Commentator for the panel “Intra-Species and Intra-Human Relationships in Native America,” annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, October 2014.

Commentator for the panel “Mixed Systems for Multiple Audiences: Textual and Visual Communication in Colonial Mexico,” annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, October 2014.

Commentator and Discussion Facilitator, Southwest Workshop on Colonial Latin American History, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ, October 2014, for pre-circulated papers by Fiona Clark, "Corresponding Merits: Epistolary Witness and the Dynamics of Medicine in Eighteenth-Century Mexico," and Matthew Crawford, "Empire and the Politics of Knowledge in the Eighteenth-Century Spanish Atlantic World."

“Human Reproduction, Animals, and Shape-Shifting Sorcery in Colonial Guatemala,” January 2013 annual meetings of the American Historical Association (cross-listed with the Committee in Latin American History), New Orleans, LA.

Commentator for panel “Revolutions in the History of Medicine: Smallpox Eradication in Latin America and the Circum-Caribbean,” annual meeting of the Conference on Latin American History at the American Historical Association, January 2013.

“In Memory of Neil L. Whitehead: Thinking About Chocolate, Hermaphrodites, and Locusts.” Homenaje for Neil L. Whitehead, October 2012 annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Springfield, MO.

Commentator for panel “Natives and the Law: Indigenous Justice and Punishment in Highland Guatemala,” October 2012 annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory,

- Commentator for panel “Witchcraft and the Practice of Medicine in Colonial Mexico,” October 2012 annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Springfield, MO.
- “Medical Humanitarianism and Smallpox Inoculation Campaigns in Eighteenth-Century Guatemala,” January 2012 annual meeting of the American Historical Association (cross-listed with the Committee in Latin American History), Chicago, IL.
- “The Sacred Cave Map of Santa Eulalia: Epidemics and Maya Ritual Culture in Late Colonial Guatemala,” October 2011 annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Pasadena, CA.
- “Killing Locusts in Colonial Guatemala,” January 2011 annual meeting of the American Historical Association (cross-listed with Committee in Latin American History), Boston, MA.
- “The Fetus as Colonial Subject: Gender, Reproduction, and Medicine in the Eighteenth-Century Spanish Atlantic,” presented at the conference “Forming Nations, Reforming Empires: Atlantic Polities in the Long Eighteenth Century,” New York University, February 2010.
- “Fetus as Colonial Subject: Gender, Reproduction, and Medicine in the Eighteenth-Century Spanish Atlantic,” presented at the conference “Women in the Ibero-American Atlantic 1500-1800,” College of Charleston, February 2010.
- “‘The Devil’s Knife’: Mesoamerican Practices of Medicinal Bloodletting in Colonial Guatemala,” annual meetings of the American Society for Ethnohistory, New Orleans, September 2009.
- “Cesarean Operations and the Politics of Pregnancy in Colonial Guatemala, 1780-1804,” presented at the American Association of the History of Medicine annual meetings, Montreal, Quebec, May 2007.
- “‘Like the Excesses Found Among Egyptians’: Colonial Medicine and the Politics of Race and Sexuality in Enlightenment Guatemala,” presented at the annual meetings of the American Historical Association, Atlanta GA, January 2007.
- Panel Co-organizer and Commentator, “Animals, Colonialism, and the Atlantic World” presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Ethnohistory, October 2006.
- “Nature, Sexual Desire, and Colonial Medicine in Eighteenth-Century Guatemala,”

- paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Ethnohistory, November 2005.
- “‘That Monster of Nature’: Gender, Sexuality, and the Medicalization of a ‘Hermaphrodite’ in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” presented at the annual meetings of the Cultural Studies Association, Tucson, AZ, April 2005.
- “‘That Monster of Nature’: Gender, Sexuality, and the Medicalization of a ‘Hermaphrodite’ in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” presented at the Gulf Coast Consortium of Latin American Colonialists, Tulane University, February 2005.
- “Atlantic World Monsters and Changing Conceptions of Deformity in Monstrous Birth Accounts in Early Colonial Guatemala,” presented at the Committee on Latin American History at the annual meetings of the American Historical Association, Seattle WA January 2005.
- “‘That Monster of Nature’: Gender, Sexuality, and the Medicalization of a ‘Hermaphrodite’ in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” presented at the annual meetings of the American Association for the History of Medicine, May 2004.
- “‘That Monster of Nature’: Gender, Sexuality, and the Medicalization of a ‘Hermaphrodite’ in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” presented at the annual meetings of the American Historical Association (cross-listed with the Committee on Latin American History), January 2004.
- “The Marvelous and the Hysterical Body: Gender and the Medicalization of a Stigmatic Nun in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” presented at the conference “Anglo-American Medical Relations: Historical Insights,” Wellcome Trust/University College London, June 2003.
- “Indian Autopsy and Epidemic Disease in Early Colonial Mexico” presented at the annual meetings of the Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies, March 2003.
- Round Table Participant, “Central American Women's History,” Central American Studies Committee, Committee on Latin American History, American Historical Association, San Francisco, CA, January 2002.
- “The Marvelous and the Hysterical Body: Gender and the Medicalization of a Stigmatic Nun in Late-Colonial Guatemala,” American Society for Ethnohistory, Quebec City, Quebec, October 2002.
- Chair and Commentator, “Historical Perspectives on Maya Identity,” American Society for Ethnohistory, Tucson AZ, 17-21 October 2001.
- Round Table Participant, “Maya Activism and the Challenge to Academic Paradigms in

History and Anthropology,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies, Tucson, AZ, 1-3 March 2001.

### ***Teaching and Course Development***

Main teaching areas: colonial and modern Latin America; gender and women’s studies; Mesoamerican and Andean ethnohistory; history of medicine and science; history of epidemics; history of chocolate; history witchcraft, history of animals; comparative colonialism; historiography.

Colonial Kaqchikel Maya Workshop (informal; on-going): organized an ongoing, weekly workshop on the paleography and translation of colonial Kaqchikel Maya sources, held over zoom, with participants at Penn State and from other universities, May 2022 to present.

New Undergraduate Courses Proposed at Penn State since 2017 (selected):

\*“Chocolate Worlds,” an interdomain undergraduate course with Siela Maximova (Plant Sciences) and Amara Solari (Anthropology). Approved spring 2019.

\*“History of Disease and Epidemiology,” an interdomain undergraduate course with Michael Troyan (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology). Approved spring 2019.

\*“History of Epidemics,” approved December 2020.

\*“History of the Book” with Kate Baldanza (History) and Clara Drummond (Special Collections), spring 2022, approved December 2022.

Courses Offered:

Undergraduate: Chocolate Worlds; Colonial Latin America; Colonial Mexico; History of Central America; Witches and Witchcraft in the Early Modern World, Chocolate Worlds, Travel Writing in Latin America; Gender in Latin American History; The History of the Maya; Race and Class in Latin America, Historical Methods, "1492: Rethinking Discovery and Conquest in the New World," The History of the University of Arizona; History of Smallpox; History of Epidemics; History of Medicine to the Enlightenment; History of Animals; Witches and Witchcraft: Penn State in the Archives.

Graduate: Colonial Latin American History; Colonial Mexico; Medicine and Healing in the Atlantic World; Medicine and Science in Latin American History; Ethnohistory; Gender, Race and Class in Latin American History; Modern Mexico; The History of Crime in Latin America; Comparative Colonial Medicine; Comparative Women's and Gender History; Critical Animal Histories; Historiography.

***Graduate Advising at Penn State Since 2016 (full list available upon request):***

***Ph.D. Dissertation Advisor and Chair, Penn State:***

Ana Hidrovo Lupero (co-advisor with Christopher Heaney), Latin America and WGSS dual Ph.D. degree, 2021-present, “From Exploration to Exploitation: Medicine, Science, and Plants in Ecuador, 1860-1925.”

Patricia Lillo, Latin American History and WGSS dual Ph.D. degree (2023-present).

Cesar Ovando (co-advisor with Matthew Restall), Latin American History (2024-present).

Alexandria Herrera: ABD, Latin American History and WGSS dual Ph.D. degree, “Female Prostitution in Guatemala City and the Transnational Surveillance of Venereal Diseases, 1880-1950s.” (2018-2024). Tenure track Assistant Professor, University of South Carolina, International Studies and History, 2024-present.

Kate Godfrey, (co-advisor/co-chair with Matthew Restall): “Matrilineality and Empire: Indigenous Kinship Networks and Gendered Mobility in Early Modern Colombia” (2016-2022). Tenure track Assistant Professor, Fraser Valley University (Canada), Colonial Latin American history, 2024-present.

Scott Doebler, (co-advisor/co-chair with Matthew Restall): “Arboreal Apogees: Maya, Spanish, and English Ecologies in Lowland Yucatán and Guatemala, 1517-1717” (2016-2022). Visiting Assistant Professor, Pomona College, Department of History (2 yr. pos.), 2023-present.

Christopher Valesey, (co-advisor/co-chair with Matthew Restall): “‘Managing the Herd’: Nahuas, Animals, and Colonialism in Sixteenth-Century New Spain” (2016-2019). Assistant Professor, Ball State University, 2016-present.

***MA Advisor/Co-Advisor, Penn State***

Austen Walker, Latin American History and WGSS dual degree, 2022-present.

Travis Meyer (co-advisor with Matthew Restall), Latin America, 2022-present.

Alexandria Herrera, Dual Title Program in Latin American History and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (2018-2020).

Kenneth J. West, (co-advisor with Christopher Heaney) Latin America, (2019-2021).

***PhD Dissertation Committee Member, Penn State:***

Norma Watson, History and African American Studies Dual PhD Program (2022-present).

Frankie Urrutia-Smith, Early Modern Global and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (2022-present).

Xiangyi Liu, Early Modern Global (2021-present).

Micaela Wiehe, Colonial Latin America (2020-present).

Sami Davis, Colonial Latin America (2020-2024).

Megan McDonie, colonial Latin America, Mexico and Guatemala, history of science:  
"Explosive Encounters: Volcanoes, Science, and Culture in Colonial Guatemala  
and Mexico," (2016-2020).

***PhD Committee Member for Comprehensive Exams, Penn State:***

Norma Watson, History and African American Studies Dual PhD Program (2022- 2023).

Frankie Urrutia-Smith, Early Modern Global (2022-2023).

Holli Turner, Art History (2021-2022).

Xiangyi Liu, Early Modern Global (2020-21).

Scott Doebler (co-advisor with Matthew Restall): colonial Latin America (2018- 2019).

Megan Kessler, 19th century United States (2017-2019).

Kate Godfrey (co-advisor with Matthew Restall), colonial Latin America (2017-2018).

Kira Homo, Early Modern Europe/Global (2017-2018).

***MA Committee Member, Penn State:***

Norma Watson, dual degree Latin America and African American Studies (2021- 2022).

Frankie Urrutia-Smith, Early Modern Global (2021-2022).

Scott Doebler, colonial Latin America (2017-2018)

Megan Kessler, 19th century United States (2017-2018)

***University of Arizona (2004-2016) and University of Miami (1997-2004) PhD and MA  
advising details available upon request.***

**Service and Outreach**

To the Profession, National/International (2005-present)

- Reviewer, Mellon/ American Council for Learned Societies (ACLS) Dissertation Innovation Fellowship, 2024; 2025.
- External Evaluator, Tenure/Promotion Review for Associate and Full Professors: 2011; 2012 (2); 2014 (2); 2015; 2016 (2); 2017 (3); 2019 (2); 2020 (3); 2021 (2); 2022 (2); 2023 (1); 2024 (4 to date).

- Reviewer, American Philosophical Society, Franklin Research Grants, 2023; 2024.
- Reviewer, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation: New Directions Fellowship, Penn State University Applicants, October 2023.
- Program Committee Co-Chair, Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexualities August 2018-June 2020, for triennial "Big Berks" meeting at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland in. *All conference planning work completed, but then cancelled in April 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic.*
- Program Committee Co-Chair, Southwest Seminar on Colonial Latin American History, 2020; 2022. <https://thesouthwestseminar.org/2020-meeting/>
- President (elected), The Southwest Seminar: Consortium on Colonial Latin America, (2016-2020). <http://thesouthwestseminar.org/>  
<https://thesouthwestseminar.org/2020-meeting/>
- Berkshire Conference on Women Historians Site/Planning Visit for 2020 "Big Berks" meeting, Johns Hopkins University, December 2-3, 2018.
- Executive Planning Committee, American Society for Ethnohistory annual meeting held at Penn State in fall 2019.
- Public Outreach talk, Missouri Eastern Correctional Center (MECC), The Washington University Prison Education Project, Pacific, Missouri, April 4, 2018: "Battling Locusts in Colonial Guatemala."
- Book Manuscript and Proposal Evaluator: Duke University Press, Routledge, University of Texas Press, Oxford University Press, University of Nebraska Press, Houghton-Mifflin, University Press of Colorado, University of Oklahoma Press.
- Referee for academic journals: *Journal of the Social History of Medicine, Ethnohistory, Bulletin of the History of Medicine, Radical History Review, Society and Animals Journal, The Americas, Mesoamérica, Colonial Latin American Historical Review, Hispanic American Historical Review, Journal of Latin American Studies.*
- Bandelier-Lavrin Book Prize Committee member, for best book published in colonial Latin American History for 2016, Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies, Spring 2017.
- External Consultant/Program Reviewer for the University of California, Los Angeles, Latin American Studies Interdepartmental Degree Program at the February 2016.
- Co-Founder and Coordinating Committee Member, The Southwest Seminar: Consortium on Colonial Latin America, <http://thesouthwestseminar.org/> (2014-present).
- Public Outreach Talk, "Central American Migration in Historical Perspective," for the "Documented Border" talk series, Special Collections, University of Arizona Library, November 5, 2014.
- Chair, Heizer Prize Committee for best journal article in the field of ethnohistory, American Society for Ethnohistory, 2015.
- Bolton-Johnson Prize Committee for monograph published in Latin American and Caribbean history in 2011, Committee on Latin American History, American Historical Association, 2012.
- American Historical Association, Committee on Research Grant Awards, U.S./Western Hemisphere (three year term, 2006-2008; Chair, 2006-7).

- Centro de Investigaciones Regionales de Mesoamérica (CIRMA), Antigua Guatemala. Board member for international student exchange program, 2005-2013.
- "*Limpieza de Sangre: Race, Religion and Purity of Blood in Colonial Mexico*," invited talk given as part of the series "Páginas de la Historia de México: Excerpts from the Morales de Escárcega Collection," Special Collections, University of Arizona Library, October 2008.
- American Historical Association, Committee on Latin American History: Chair (Elected), Colonial Studies Committee, 2003-2005; Secretary (Elected), 2002-2003.
- Newberry Library, Grant Evaluator, 2004.
- McGann Book Prize, Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies, 2005.

### **Service, Pennsylvania State University (2016 to the present)**

#### University and College of Liberal Arts Service and Committees, Penn State University

- Faculty Coach Midcareer Faculty Advancement Program (MFAP), College of Liberal Arts, Penn State University, (2023-present).
- Faculty Teaching Workshop, Palmer Museum of Art, Penn State, May 23, 2024.
- Summer Targeted Teaching Transformation (T3) Program, Schreyer Institute for Teaching Excellence, Penn State, summer 2024.
- Panel Speaker, The Catto-LeCount Fellows Program for Equity and Inclusion, on "The Function and form of the statement of Purpose in Graduate School Applications," Richards Civil War Era Center, Penn State University, March 23, 2024.
- Panel Speaker, Leading Advocacy and Action for a Diverse Leadership at PSU (LEAADS@PSU), "Practicing Work and Life Balance for Greater Self-Health and Job Satisfaction", December 8, 2023.
- We Are Alumni Week presentation (remote due to pandemic), College of Liberal Arts, Penn State, "Chocolate 101: The History, Science and Art of Chocolate," held virtually (due to COVID-19) on June 16, 2021; 1,000+ alumni attended.
- Faculty Partner, Penn State University Men's Baseball Team (D-1), 2018-2019.
- Search Committee Member, College of Liberal Arts Search for Head of Latinx Studies, 2016-17.
- Latin American Studies Standing Committee Member, 2016-present.
- Steering Committee Member, Committee for Early Modern Studies (CEMS), 2016-2017.
- Manuscript Reviews: Duke University Press, University of Texas Press, Oxford University Press; Penn State University Press, University of London Press.
- Article Reviews, 2018-19: *Arcadia: Explorations in Environmental History* (<http://www.environmentandsociety.org/arcadia>)

#### Department of History, Penn State University

- Associate Head, Department of History, (2023-present).
- Chair, Search Committee, Oliver McCourtney Endowed Professorship, Global South, 2024-2025.
- Chair, History Department Policy Committee, 2024-2025.
- Member, Promotion to Full Professor Committee, 2024-2025.



- Panel Speaker/Workshop, History Department Professionalization Workshop on “The Teaching Statement in Academic Job Application Dossiers,” October 2023.
- Participant, Practice Job Talks and Feedback for Individual Graduate Students on the Market, History Department Professionalization Workshop, Penn State University, 2023-24 (3).
- Co-Chair, Search Committee for the Oliver McCourtney Professor of History, endowed chair in the history of the Global South, 2019-2020.
- Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee, and Fourth and Second Year Reviews, 2019-2020.
- Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee, and Fourth and Second Year Reviews, 2016-2017.
- Member, Promotion to Full Committee, 2016-2017; 2019-2020.
- Faculty Mentor for History Department faculty member Professor Zach Morgan, 2016-2017.
- Workshop facilitator, “How to Write a Teaching Philosophy for the History Job Market,” HIST 602B: Graduate Seminar on the history profession, September 2023.

### **Service, University of Arizona (2004-2016)**

#### University Committees, University of Arizona

- Advisory Board Member, Medicine in the Social Sciences and Humanities Initiative, UA Honors College, 2014-2016.
- Human Rights Initiative: Faculty Coordinator, Center for Latin American Studies, fall 2012-spring 2014.
- Enhanced Review Committee, Office of the Provost, University of Arizona, fall 2012.
- Arizona Assurance Scholar Program Mentor, for one to two first year students from the state of Arizona from low-income families who are the first in their family to attend college, University of Arizona, 2009-2010; 2011-2012 (2 students); 2012-13; 2013-14.
- Center for Latin American Studies, Academic Advisory Board Member, 2011-2014.
- Women’s Studies Advisory Council (WOSAC) Board Member (elected), 2010-2011.
- Group in Early Modern Studies, Steering Committee Member, 2006-2009.
- Tinker Grant Evaluator, Center for Latin American Studies, spring 2008.
- Grant Evaluator, Group in Early Modern Studies, 2006-2007
- Graduate Council, Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2012-2015.
- Fulbright Grant Workshop Presenter, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute, “How to Apply for the Fulbright,” spring 2015.
- Dean's Audit Committee, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Summer 2012; Summer 2013.
- Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute (SBSRI), Advisory Board Member, 2010-2012.

#### Departmental Service at the University of Arizona

- Director of Graduate Studies (DGS), 2011-2014 for graduate program with ca 90 MA and PhD students.
- Author, History Department Accelerated MA Program, 2011-2014. As DGS, I developed and implemented the History Department's Accelerated MA Program,

- the proposal stage in 2011 to the matriculation of its first class of MA students fall semester 2014.
- Undergraduate Committee member, 2015-2016.
  - Annual Peer Review Committee, 2015.
  - Faculty Mentor for History Department Assistant Professor: Katie Hemphill, 2014-2016; Erika Pérez, 2012-2013.
  - Third Year Review committee member, fall 2014.
  - Organizer, open house that promoted the History Department's new Accelerated MA program. Speakers included history professors, graduate students, SBS and Honor's College Advisors, and the officers of the history honor's society, Phi Alpha Theta. October 2013.
  - Equity Award (Departmental) of the American Historical Association, January 2012. As Director of Graduate Studies, I applied for this recognition on behalf of the History Department (co-authored with Department Head Kevin Gosner). The AHA's Equity Awards recognize and publicize institutions that have achieved excellence in recruiting and retaining underrepresented racial and ethnic groups into the historical profession.
  - Faculty Advisor for student organization Nahuatl Language Project, University of Arizona (NLPUA), 2013-2016.
  - Faculty advisor for student organization History Graduate Student Association (HGA), 2012-2014.
  - Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2009-2010.
  - Curriculum Committee, 2009-2010.
  - Formulated and submitted working paper for Strategic Hiring Initiative in “Translational Medicine,” fall 2009.
  - History 301 Committee. Designed and piloted gateway methods class for history majors in collaboration with a history department colleague and a library faculty member, 2004-2006. This course is now a formal requirement.
  - Department Web Page Liaison, 2007-2008.
  - Chair, History Department Speaker Series, 2004-2005; spring 2008.
  - Search Committee Member, Medieval Europe, 2006-2007.
  - Chair, Third-year Review Committee, 2006-2007.
  - Undergraduate Research Paper Award Evaluator, History Department, spring 2007.
  - Graduate Committee, 2004-2005.
  - Chair, Committee for Curriculum Reform for History Majors, 2004-2005.
  - Summer 2005: Used research funds to employ two history graduate students in Guatemalan archives as research assistants and provided mentoring with Spanish language archival materials.
  - Chair, Search Committee for History Department Computer Analyst, spring 2005.
  - Key Personnel Distribution Committee, fall 2004.
  - Portuguese Language Exam Evaluator for History Graduate Students, 2004-2005.

**Service, University of Miami (1997-2004)**

University Committees, University of Miami

- Center for Latin American Studies, Executive Board Member, 2003-2004.
- Freshman Advisor, Latin American Studies, 1997-2003.

- Coordinator, Mesoamerica Interdisciplinary Research Group, Center for Latin American Studies, 2001-2004.
- Chair for speaker series "New Research on the Maya, Center for Latin American Studies, 2002-2004.

Departmental Service, University of Miami

- Director of Graduate Studies (DGS), Department of History, 2003-2004.
- Search Committee Member, Caribbean History, 2003-2004.
- Search Committee Member, History Department Chair, 2002-2003.
- Organized and led research trip for two history department graduate students and one undergraduate honors student to the Archivo General de Indias in Seville, Spain, May 2003. Provided mentoring for researching with Spanish language archival materials.
- Graduate Committee, 2002-2004.
- Undergraduate Advising for History Majors:
  - Junior Advisor, 2002-2003.
  - Senior Advisor, 2003-2004.