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## EDUCATION

In-Progress     PhD, Pennsylvania State University

Fields: Nineteenth Century US History; Twentieth Century US History;  
Medieval History

Dissertation: “Agents of Empire: The U.S. Army, Native Americans, and the  
Civil War in the Making of the American West”

2017             M.A., History, Pennsylvania State University

Thesis: “The Grand Review of Union Armies and the  
Disappearance of the Classical Past”  
Advisor: Dr. William A. Blair

2015             B.A. (With Highest Distinction), History, University of Virginia

## PUBLICATIONS

### Articles (Refereed):

“‘Victory’s Long Review:’ The Grand Review of Union Armies and the Meaning of the  
Civil War,” *Civil War History* (forthcoming: March 2020)

“We Are the Forgotten Men: Indian War Veterans Fight for National Recognition,” under  
revision for the *Western Historical Quarterly*

### Articles (Nonrefereed)

“More Than A Widow: Libbie Custer Steps Out of George’s Shadow,” *Civil War Times*  
(forthcoming: March 2020)

### Essays (In Edited Volumes)

“One Widow’s Wars: The Civil War, Reconstruction, and the West in Elizabeth Bacon  
Custer’s Memoirs,” for inclusion in a companion volume to Gary W. Gallagher and  
Stephen Cushman, eds., *Civil War Writing: New Perspectives on Iconic Texts* (Baton Rouge:  
LSU Press, 2019) [forthcoming: 2020]

**Book Reviews:**

*Engineering Victory: The Union Siege of Vicksburg*, Justin S. Solonick, *American Nineteenth Century History*, 19 (2018): 209-210

*Charging up San Juan Hill: Theodore Roosevelt and the Making of Imperial America*, John R. Van Atta, *Western Historical Quarterly*, 50 (Summer 2019): 193–194

**Other Writing:**

“Men Go to Battle and the Dark Humor of the Civil War,” *Muster* (a blog from the *Journal of the Civil War Era*) (2017)

“Reflecting on the Civil War and Colorado’s Purple Mountain Majesties,” *The Denver Post* (June 30, 2017)

**GRANTS AND AWARDS**

External Fellowships:

- 2019-2020 U.S. Army Center of Military History Dissertation Fellowship (9 months)
- 2019 Wilbur R. Jacobs Fellow, Henry E. Huntington Library (1 month)
- 2019 Masterson Fellowship, Western Historical Collection, University of Oklahoma (1 month)

External Research Grants:

- 2019 William and Madeline Smith Travel Award, The Briscoe Center for American History, University of Texas, Austin
- 2018 Filson Historical Society Fellowship
- 2018 Clements Center-DeGolyer Library Research Travel Grant, Southern Methodist University
- 2018 Western History Association Graduate Student Prize (Unable to Accept)
- 2016 Virginia Center for Civil War Studies Research Grant

Internal Grants and Awards:

- 2019 Raymond E. Lombra and Roberta Lombra Outstanding Graduate Research Award, Penn State College of the Liberal Arts

## Zander

- 2017 Ann Richards Award for Best Research Paper (Pre-ABD), Penn State Department of History
- 2015-2020 Ted H. and Tracy Winfree McCourtney Family Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in American History, The Pennsylvania State University

## INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

- 2019 "Slave Empire in the Southwest," The Huntington Library (September 16)
- 2019 "The United States Army in Reconstruction," Foundry Series at The American Civil War Museum, Richmond, Virginia (July 18)
- 2019 "Frontier Soldiers," The Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College (June 15)
- 2018 "Two Invasions of the North: Gettysburg and the Canadian Frontier in 1863," The Gettysburg Foundation, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania (June 30)
- 2018 Dissertation Chapter Presentation, John L. Nau III Center for Civil War History, University of Virginia (February 21)
- 2017 Bavarian American International Summer Academy

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 "The Great Task Remaining: The Reconstruction Era Army in Texas," The Southern Historical Association, Louisville (November 9, 2019) [Panel organizer]
- 2019 "Agents of Empire: The Army and American Expansion in the Era of the Civil War and Reconstruction," Organization of American Historians, Philadelphia (April 4-6, 2019)
- 2018 "Bury Me Not on the Lone Prairie: Contemplating Reconstruction West of the Mississippi River," Society of Civil War Historians Bi-annual Conference, Pittsburgh (May 31-June 2)
- 2017 "Improvised Warfare: The United States, Canada, and the Sioux in a Civil War Borderland," Western History Association Annual Conference, San Diego (November 1-4)
- 2017 "The United States and the Sioux During the Civil War," Society for Military History Annual Conference, Jacksonville (March 30-April 2)

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2017-2019 Editorial Assistant to Judith Giesberg, *The Journal of the Civil War Era*.

Duties: Reviewed manuscript submissions, identified and coordinated peer reviewers, organized and filed correspondence

## **TEACHING**

### Instructor:

Summer 2019 The Civil War Era, 1848-1876 (survey course)

### Teaching Assistant:

Duties: Planned and organized discussion sections, graded student work, held regular office hours.

Spring 2017 America in the Long 1960's

Fall 2016 American Civilization To 1877

Spring 2016 American Civilization Since 1877

## **SERVICE**

2018- Chair, Graduate Student Connections Committee, Society of Civil War Historians

2018- Member, Outreach Committee, Society of Civil War Historians

2016-2018 Member, Graduate Student Connections Committee, Society of Civil War Historians

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

AHA (American Historical Association)

OAH (Organization of American Historians)

WHA (Western Historical Association)

SHA (Southern Historical Association)

SMH (Society for Military History)

SCWH (Society of Civil War Historians)