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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2017 – **Teaching Assistant Professor** for the School of Labor and Employment Relations and the Department of African American Studies, Pennsylvania State University, University Park
Teach resident and online sections of History of Work in America (formerly American Labor History, an upper-level writing intensive course, and an online Employment Relations course for LSER

Teach online and resident courses for the Department of African American Studies
- 2006 – 2017 **Lecturer** for the Department of Labor Studies and Employment Relations (LSER) and the Department of African and African American Studies (AAA S), University Park, Pennsylvania State University, University Park

Taught resident and online sections of American Labor History, an upper-level writing intensive course, and an online Employment Relations course for LSER

Acted as the Undergraduate Academic Officer for LSER majors and minors

Wrote an online course on Twentieth Century African American Life and History for AAA S. Created essays, quizzes with problem-solving questions, slide shows, graphics, and interactive maps for the course

Taught resident courses on Malcolm X; Martin Luther King, Jr.; Racism and Sexism; and Civil Rights and American Politics for AAA S
- 2002 – 2006 **Pre-doctoral lecturer**, Pennsylvania State University, Department of African and African American Studies
Taught courses on Twentieth Century African American Life and History; Malcolm X; Martin Luther King, Jr.; and Racism and Sexism

Taught resident and online sections of American Labor History for the Department of Labor Studies and Employment Relations
- Fall 2001 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania, Department of History, Economics, and Political Science, Lock Haven, Pennsylvania
Taught seminar courses on the History of American Slavery; World History since 1500
- 1999 – 2002 **Pre-doctoral lecturer**, Pennsylvania State University, Department of History
Taught courses on American History since 1877; Western Civilization since 1500; African American History

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EDUCATION

- 2006 **Ph.D.**, History, Pennsylvania State University
Dissertation: “Black East St. Louis: Politics and Economy in a Border City, 1860-1945,” is a study of Black East St. Louisan politics and social activism as an on-going quest to attain full rights of citizenship, equality, and power sharing in local governance. The key argument is that the black drive for power sharing through the creation of a black political machine ceased abruptly when factions of local real estate politician-businessmen unleashed the East St. Louis race riots of 1917, actually pogroms, to intensified segregation and to force black residents into political subservience
- 1992 **MA**, History, University of Maine at Orono
Thesis: “Civil Rights Activism in Maine from the 1940s to 1971: Black Mainers, Black and White Activists, and the Resistance against Racism,” explores the reasons for a civil rights movement in a state where the black population remained under one percent of the total population and where black Mainers suffered various forms of racial discrimination even though integration was widespread
- 1977 **MLS**, School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts
- 1976 **BS**, History and Sociology, Boston State College – University of Massachusetts, Boston

AWARDS

- 2009 The Illinois State Historical Society for the scholarly publication on a topic in Illinois history, *American Pogrom: The East St. Louis Race Riot and Black Politics*
- 2006 Pennsylvania State University, College of Liberal Arts Computer Technical Support award for writing an online course, Twentieth Century African American Life and History, for the Department of African and African American Studies
- 1999 – 2000 Ford Foundation Minority Dissertation Fellowship
- 1998 - 1999 King V. Hostick Award, The Illinois Historic Preservation Society and The Illinois State Historical Society

PUBLICATIONS, REVIEWING, AND VIDEO PRODUCTIONS

- 2019 Quoted in and wrote promotional blurb for journalist Cody McDevitt, *Banished from Johnstown: Racist Backlash in Pennsylvania*, forthcoming in February 2020

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- 2014 Reviewed manuscript, Stacey K. Close, *Black Hartford's Freedom Struggle, 1917-70*
- 2013 Reviewed manuscript, David F. Krugler, *Making America Safe for Democracy: African Americans' Fight against Mob Violence after World War I*, published as *1919, the Year of Racial Violence: How African Americans Fought Back* (2015)
- 2012 *An East St. Louis Anthology: Origins of a River City* (Edwardsville, IL: Institute for Urban Research, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville; St. Louis, MO: Virginia Publishing)
- 2011 Manuscript reviewer for the *Journal of American Studies* (Cambridge University Press)
- 2010 Essayist, "Limits to Black Political Empowerment: The Historical Significance of Pre-1950 East St. Louis as a Foreshadow to Post-2008 Black Political Dilemmas" in *The Making of an All-America City: East St. Louis at 150* (Edwardsville, IL: Institute for Urban Research, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville; St. Louis, MO: Virginia Publishing, 2010)
- 2008 Author of *American Pogrom: The East St. Louis Race Riot and Black Politics* (Ohio University Press, 2008)
- 2007 Author-contributor of fifteen entries to the online version of *Dictionary of American History*, dynamic reference edition (Thomson/Gale)
- 2006 Author-contributor of several entries to *Encyclopedia of African American History, 1896 – present* (Oxford University Press)
- Author-contributor of article to *Maine's Visible Black History: The First Chronicle of Its People*, H.H. Price and Gerald Talbot, eds. (Gardiner, ME: Tilbury House Publishers, 2006)
- Pre-revision publication reviewer of *American History in a Box* for Pearson Longman Publisher
- 2005 Manuscript reviewer of Gary Chaison, *Union in America*, for Sage Publications
- 2003 Interviewee-contributor on "Made in USA: The East St. Louis Story," PBS documentary, produced by KETC, St. Louis
- 1997 Author of "Civil Rights Activism in Maine, 1945-1971," *Maine History* 36, 3-4 (Winter-Spring 1997): 70 – 85
- 1992-2005 Book reviewer of history and social science titles for *Library Journal*, 1992-2005

CONFERENCES

- 2017 Keynote speaker, East St. Louis 1917 Commemoration Kickoff Conference: "The City that

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Survives: Commemorating the Past, Preparing for the Future," May 26-28, East St. Louis

- 2016 Organizer of Pennsylvania Labor History Conference, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
- 2015 Organizer of Pennsylvania Labor History Conference, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania
- 2012 Presented paper, "Anti-Black Mass Violence in Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth-Century United States (and in the African Diaspora), 'Race Riots' or 'Pogroms'?" Africans in the Americas and African Americans in Africa: The Shifting Boundaries of Citizenship in the 21st Century, Annual Conference, New York African Studies Association (NYASA), 37th Anniversary, February 24 – 25, 2012, Pennsylvania State University, hosted by the university's African and African American Studies Department et al.
- 2011 Keynote speaker, "Historical Legacies and Future Possibilities for East St. Louis," delivered on July 9, 2011, at the "East St. Louis Sesquicentennial Summer Celebration," East St. Louis Higher Education Center, East St. Louis, Illinois sponsored by the Institute for Urban Research at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and the East St. Louis Action Research Project of the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- Commentator for the Panel, "Revisiting 1919: New Perspectives on the World War One-Era Antiracial Riots," March 16-20, 2011, Houston, Texas, hosted by the Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting
- 2010 Presented paper, "Protesting and Reshaping Politics While Overcoming the Legacy of Fear of Racial Pogroms in 1930s East St Louis, Illinois," on the panel, "Racial Violence in the Roosevelt Era," at the convention, "The History of Black Economic Empowerment," September 29-October 3, Raleigh, North Carolina, hosted by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History
- 2009 Presented paper, "Unity and Division: Black and White Workers in East St. Louis, Illinois, 1870s-1940," on the panel, "At the Confluence: Race, Class, Turmoil, and Violence in St. Louis and East St. Louis, 1830s-1920s," at the conference, "Race, Labor and the City: Crises Old and New," May 28-31, Chicago, Illinois, sponsored by the Labor and Working-Class History Association and the Fund for Labor Culture and History
- 2008 Presented paper, "The East St. Louis Pogroms of 1917: A Tool That Placed Limits on African American Politics," on the panel, "From East St. Louis, Illinois to the Ports of the United Kingdom: On Global Fault Lines of Racial Violence since the 1910s," at the conference, "Rupture, Repression, and Uprising: Raced and Gendered Violence along the Color Line," April 3-5, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2006 Organizer of and Presenter on panel, "Democratizing the Industrial Suburb? Black Activism,

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Racial Tensions, and the Struggle for Power and Equality in East St. Louis, Illinois”; Paper titled, “To Smash Decades of Black Political Activism: The East St. Louis Pogrom of July 1917,” at the Southern Historical Association Conference, November 18

2005 Presenter, “The East St. Louis Pogrom of July 1917 to Destroy Black Political Activism,” Association for the Study of African American Life and History Conference, October 7

SERVICE TO COMMUNITY AND UNIVERSITY

2019 Keynote speaker at January Center for Global Workers’ Rights-sponsored Film Series on Martin Luther King, Jr., civil rights movement, the labor movement, and the movie *Sorry to Bother You*

2018 Interviewed by journalist Cody McDevitt for his book on race, politics, and the working class in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, of the 1910s and 1920s. McDevitt sees parallels between East St. Louis, IL, and Johnstown

2017-2018 Interviewee and contributor to documentary filmmaker Denise Ward-Brown’s (deniseward.brown@mac.com) work, *Never Been a Time*, about the East St. Louis pogroms of 1917

2017- Contributor to Charting the American Bottom, <http://theamericanbottom.org/> and <http://markingandmeasuring.org/AmericanBottom.html>

2015-2016 Judge of high school student contestants in various categories, National History Day in Pennsylvania

2013-2017 Member, Liberal Arts Lecturers’ Committee, later named Teaching Faculty Advisory Committee

2013-2016 President, Pennsylvania Labor History Society

2011-2012 Liaison for the Pennsylvania State University Department of Labor Studies and Employment Relations to the Woody Guthrie Centennial Committee and its centennial anniversary Woody Guthrie concerts and conference, September 7 – 8, 2012

2011 Gave lecture on Martin Luther King, Jr., and economic justice for interested laypersons at the Village at Penn State, January 17, 2011

2010 Facilitated a workshop on professional development for undergraduate students at the Caribbean Student Association, Pennsylvania State University chapter, April 10

Taught six weeks seminar course, “Racism and Racism in America, from Colonial Times to

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Obama,” January and February, sponsored by State College, Pennsylvania, chapter of OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute), an educational and social organization for interested mature adult laypersons

2008 Guest speaker, “Historical What If’s: What Would Malcolm X Think about the 2008 Democratic Party Primaries,” interviewed on “Pennsylvania Inside Out,” WPSU (public television) and WPSX-FM (public radio), March 14, 2008, Pennsylvania State University

Guest speaker, “Demystifying Malcolm X’s Legacy: Direction for 21st Century Social Change,” February 21, 2008, Calvin H. Waller Lecture Series, Pennsylvania State University

2007 Judge of Students’ Presentations, The 2007 Achievement Conference: Life as We Climb: Empowering Others, Africana Research Center and the Alliance for Earth Sciences, Engineering, and Development in Africa, Undergraduate Research Symposium Presentation Review, February 10, 2007

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS MEMBERSHIP

American Historical Association for the Study of African American Life and History

Labor and Working-Class History Association

Organization of American Historians

Organization of American Historians, Ellis W. Hawley Prize Committee, 2007-2008 and 2009-2010

Pennsylvania Labor History Society

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Reference and Cataloging Librarian, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, 1992-1997

Reference Librarian (part-time), University of Maine at Orono, 1990-1991

Assistant Librarian, Maine Maritime Academy, Castine, Maine, 1983-1990

Technical Services Librarian, Massachusetts State Library, Statehouse, Boston, 1981-1983

Cataloging and Reference Librarian, Northeastern University, Boston, 1980-1981

Technical Services Librarian, Beverly Public Library, Beverly, Massachusetts, 1977-1980

REFERENCES

Available upon request