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## **Education:**

PhD in American History, University of Delaware  
May 2011

*Dissertation:* The Science of God's Creation: Popular Science and Christianity in the Early Republic.

*Research and Teaching Fields:* Early American History, American Religious History, Atlantic World, History of Science, Archives Management

*Minor Field:* Eighteenth Century British Cultural History

MA in American History with Museum Studies Certificate, University of Delaware  
May 2004

BA in History, University of Southern California  
May 2001

## **Teaching Experience:**

Southeast Missouri State University  
Assistant Professor (2012-Present)

Kirkwood Community College  
Adjunct Professor (2010- 2012)

University of Delaware  
Instructor (2005- 2009)  
Teaching Assistant (2002-2006)

Widener University  
Adjunct Professor (2007)

## **Publications:**

"Promoting the Book of Nature: Philadelphia's Role in Popularizing Science for Christian Citizens in the Early Republic" *Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies* 84. 1 (Winter 2017), Forthcoming

"Not That Kind of Scientist: Creating an Online BA Program in Social Science" (co-author, Adam Criblez) in *National Social Science Proceedings* 58, no. 2 (2015): 39-46.

“Both Useful and Entertaining: The Christian Almanac 1820-1840” in *The Book: The Newsletter of the Program in the History of the Book in American Culture*. November 2008.

“After the Old; yet as agreeable... to the Newest: British and American Almanacs in the Era of American Independence” in *Books Without Borders Volume 1: the Cross-National Dimension in Print Culture*. Mary Hammond and Robert Fraser, eds. (London: Palgrave MacMillan, 2008): 55-66.

### **Book Reviews:**

Review of M. E. Kann, *Taming Passion for the Public Good: Policing Sex in the Early Republic* (New York: New York University Press, 2013) for *Maryland Historical Magazine*, Forthcoming

Review of M. Pasquier, *Fathers on the Frontier: French Missionaries and the Roman Catholic Priesthood in the United States, 1789-1870* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2010) for *Maryland Historical Magazine*. Vol. 107, No. 3 (Fall 2012): 380-381.

### **Presentations:**

“Science and Devotion: The Book of Nature Among the Laity,” Missouri Regional Seminar on Early American History, Columbia, MO, April 2016.

“Not That Kind of Scientist: Creating an Online BA Program in Social Science” National Technology and Social Science Conference, Las Vegas, NV, April 2015.

“Natural Science and Rational Religion: British Discourse in American Context” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April 2014.

“Science as Devotional Practice in the Early Republic.” History Department Seminar, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO, November 2012.

“‘Heavens’ and ‘Firmament’: Popular Science and ‘Declaring the Glory of the Lord’ in Christian Periodicals in the Early Republic.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, January 2011.

“‘Apt emblem of our life:’ Christian Laity and the Natural Sciences in the Early Republic” Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Meeting, Springfield, IL, July 2009.

“Creation and the Natural World: The Popularization of Science During the Second Great Awakening, 1776-1840.” History of Science Society Annual Meeting, Pittsburg, PA, November 2008.

“The Science of God’s Creation: Popular Science and Christianity in the Early Republic.”  
Fellows Lunch Talk, American Antiquarian Society, May 2008.

“God's Book of Nature: Popular Science and Christianity in the Early Republic.”  
The McNeil Center for Early American Studies Brown Bag Series, University of Pennsylvania, November 2007.

“British and American Almanacs in the Era of American Independence”  
Colonial and Post-Colonial Lives of the Book Conference, University of London, November 2005.

“To Rule and Govern the Year by: Almanacs and Nationalism in the Early Republic”  
9<sup>th</sup> Annual Barnes Club Conference, Temple University, February 2004.

**Awards:**

GRFC Travel Grant, Southeast Missouri State University, 2013

University of Delaware Competitive Graduate Fellowship, 2008-2009

Filson Historical Society Fellowship, 2008

Katie B. and Hall J. Peterson Fellowship, American Antiquarian Society, 2008

William H. Williams Prize in Early American History, University of Delaware, 2007

E. Lyman Stewart Fellowship, University of Delaware, Spring 2007

University of Delaware Graduate Student Travel Award, 2005

Caesar A. Rodney Fellowship in Colonial History, Delaware Society of Colonial Wars and University of Delaware, 2004-2005

University of Southern California Student Senate Research Fund Award, 2001

National Archives and Records Administration Outstanding Achievement Certificate, 2000

**Related Experience:**

Vice President, Board of Directors (October 2013- Present)

Stars and Stripes Museum, Bloomfield, MO

As Chair of the Accessioning Committee, drafted new accession, deaccession and loan policies.

Oversaw and contributed to the redesign and installation of “Stars and Stripes through the Years” exhibits. Served on the Exhibits Committee and the Nominating Committee.

Curatorial Research Consultant (September 2008- August 2009)

Old Swedes Foundation- Wilmington, DE.

Inventoried and cataloged collections. Contributed to program and event planning and development for National Historic Trust site.

Project Archivist (June 2007- January 2008)

American Anti-Vivisection Society- Jenkintown, PA

Processed archives of organization; compiled descriptive finding-aid. Consultant for historical documentary, 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, and traveling exhibit.

Exhibit Curator (April 2005- September 2005)

New Castle Historical Society- New Castle, DE

Curator of exhibit: “Before We Were Historic: The Story of New Castle’s Preservation”  
Researched, designed, and installed exhibit. On display September 2005- December 2006.

Collection and Archive Intern (January 2003- January 2007)

New Castle Historical Society- New Castle, DE

Assisted in processing of archival collection; inventoried and organized object collections and storage space; contributed to exhibit research and installation, helped compose grant proposals.

Archival Assistant—Senator William V. Roth Jr. Collection (June 2003- February 2005)

Historical Society of Delaware- Wilmington, DE

Assisted in the processing of Senator William V. Roth Jr. congressional papers (1000 sq. feet); helped modify processing plan of action; contributed to finding-aid.

Intern (June- August, 1999, June- July, 2000)

National Archives and Records Administration- New York, NY

Instructed visitors in methods of genealogical research and use of federal records; used U.S. Government documents for local history research.

### **Service:**

Dissertation Committee Member (Fall 2014- Present)

“Evangelical Practices Among United States Air Force Airmen,” Erik A. Tisher  
(D.Min. Candidate), Denver Seminary- Littleton, CO

Malden Army Airfield Preservation Steering (MAAPS) Committee Member (Fall 2014- Present)

Malden Army Airfield- Malden, MO

Table Leader (June 2016)

College Board Advanced Placement US History Exam Reading- Louisville, KY

Exam Question Contributor (Fall 2012; Fall 2013; Summer 2015)

College Board Advanced Placement US History Exam

Exam Reader (June 2008; June 2010; June 2011; June 2012; June 2013; June 2014; June 2015)

College Board Advanced Placement US History Exam Reading- Louisville, KY

Project Judge (March 2013; March 2014, March 2015)

Southeast Missouri Regional History Day Competition- Cape Girardeau, MO

Invited Speaker (Fall 2014)

“The Destruction of the Tea (Boston Tea Party): December 1773,” Perryville High School History Fest- Perryville, MO

Invited Speaker (Fall 2014)

“Caring for Archival Collections” presentation to The Malden Army Airfield Preservation Steering (MAAPS) Committee- Malden, MO

Invited Discussant (Fall 2013)

“Formation of the Ipswich Connection, 1630-1640,” American History Fall Forum Dissertation Seminar, presented by Scott McDermott, PhD. Candidate, St. Louis University- St. Louis, MO

Missouri Book Award Committee (Spring 2013)

Missouri History Conference- Cape Girardeau, MO

Documentary Judge (April 2009)

Delaware History Day Competition- Stanton, DE

Project Judge (March 2007; March 2009)

Cecil County District History Day Competition- Rising Sun, MD

Comment (February 2008)

“American Catholics, the Cultural Authority of Science, and Evolutionary Origins Debates in the Interwar Public Sphere: Galileo Recidivus or as Far From That as They Could Get?” PhD DIPSOP presentation by Alex Pavuk, PhD Candidate, University of Delaware- Newark, DE.

Comment (December 2008)

“The O’Kelly Schism” PhD DIPSOP presentation by Elizabeth Georgian (Crosman), PhD Candidate, University of Delaware- Newark, DE.

Planning Committee Member (Spring 2005)

2005 Material Culture Symposium for Emerging Scholars- Winterthur, DE

Comment (May 2004)

“A ‘Most Accumulated Distress’: Black Saint Dominguan Refugees in Philadelphia”

PhD DIPSOP presentation by John Davies, PhD Candidate, University of Delaware-  
Newark, DE.

**Languages:**

Italian

Spanish

**Memberships:**

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic

American Society of Church History

Society of American Archivists

Midwest Archives Conference

American Alliance of Museums

Phi Alpha Theta

Golden Key National Honor Society