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Education

PhD, Medieval European History

Expected March 2024

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Thesis: "Just Nuns: Gender, Vocation, and Justice in Medieval Paris, 1200-1500"

Committee: Richard Kieckhefer (chair), Dyan Elliott, Tanya Stabler Miller

MPhil, Medieval European History

August 2015

Trinity College, University of Dublin, Ireland

Thesis: "The Role of Friendship in Interpreting Cistercian Caritas"

Advisor: Professor I.S. Robinson

Certificate, Latin/Greek Institute

August 2014

The Graduate Center, City University of New York, New York

Summa Cum Laude Graduate

BA, History

May 2012

St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN

Research and Teaching

Graduate Assistant for Northwestern's Medieval Colloquium Series

Fall 2022- Spring 2023

- Liaised with seven guest lecturers and the English department regarding speakers' travel arrangements, hotel reservations, reimbursements, etc.
- Publicized talks by means of posters and emails.
- Coordinated the graduate student lunches and lecture reception, and other day-of tasks.
- Initiated and organized a Medieval Studies "stakeholder meeting" for faculty and staff to discuss future programming for the colloquium and revise means of grad student involvement in the colloquium.

Graduate Assistant, Northwestern University Library

Winter 2023

- Collaborated with research librarian Geoff Morse to create modules and bibliographies that help history department instructors connect students to library resources.
- Designed flexible lesson plans for history department TAs to use when instructing students on how to conduct historical research using NU library resources.

Teaching Assistant, Northwestern University's History & Religious Studies Department 2018-2022

- Generated lesson plans and conducted weekly discussion sections for undergraduates.
- Coordinated closely with faculty regarding course materials, content, and grading.
- Graded all student exams, participation, and presentations.
- Mentored students during office hours and class time.

Teaching Assistant Courses at Northwestern University

2018-2022

HISTORY 201-2 The History of Modern Europe since 1750 (Fall, 2018)

HISTORY 330; GENDER 321 Medieval Sex (Winter, 2019)

HISTORY 250-1 Global History I: Early Modern World, 1500-1850 (Fall 2019, Fall 2022 as head TA)

HISTORY 250-2 Global History II: The Modern World, 1776-present (Fall 2023)

HISTORY 201-1 Europe in the Medieval and Early Modern World (Winter 2020)

RELIGION 220 Introduction to the Hebrew Bible (Fall 2021) (Zoom)

RELIGION 230 Introduction to Judaism (Winter 2021) (Zoom)

Copyediting Assistant for Dr. Dyan Elliott, Northwestern University

Summer 2019

- Copy-edited portions of the manuscript for Professor Dyan Elliot's *The Corrupter of Boys Sodomy, Scandal, and the Medieval Clergy* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2020).
- Reverse-engineered bibliographies from unformatted footnotes, including archival material.
- Manually formatted critical apparatuses (except indices).
- Proofread chapter texts.

Related Teaching and Mentoring Experience

Boundary Waters Wilderness Canoe Guide in Ely, MN *Seasonally, Full and Part Time, 2011-2022*

Northern Tier National High Adventure Base (Boy Scouts of America) (2011- 2022); Piragis Northwoods Company (2021); and Women's Wilderness Discovery (2021-2022).

- Solo-guided crews of diverse demographics, genders and ages on 4–12-day canoe trips in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) and Quetico, ranging from 40-150 miles.
- Taught summer survival and recreation skills to participants using the E.D.G.E. method (educate, demonstrate, guide enable), including:
 - Leave No Trace wilderness ethics, local ecology and history, navigation, weather safety, camp set up, cooking, paddling, portaging, etc.
- Responsible for crew safety, navigation, group cohesion and comfort.
- Summer 2013, with Northern Tier: Trained new trail staff in paddling and portaging, navigation et al., as well as wilderness ethics, interpersonal skills, supporting youth leadership, local history and ecology.

Boundary Waters Winter Camping Guide in Ely, MN *Seasonally, Full and Part Time, 2019 – 2022*

Northern Tier National High Adventure Base (Boy Scouts of America) (2019-2020) and Women's Wilderness Discovery (2021-2022)

- Solo-guided crews of diverse demographics, genders, and ages on 2-3 day winter camping treks in the BWCAW and Superior National Forest, traveling on foot, by skis, snowshoe, and dog sled.
- Taught winter survival and recreation skills to participants using the E.D.G.E. method (educate, demonstrate, guide enable), including:
 - Transport, use, and maintenance of winter camping tools such as awls, pole sleds, open air sleep systems, snowshoes, skis, ice fishing equipment, stoves, and other kitchen equipment.
 - Winter clothing procedures (using wicking, warmth, and wind layers); Snow shelters and snow kitchen construction; Leave No Trace principles.

Grants, Scholarships, Fellowships

Graduate Research Grant	2021
Awarded by The Graduate School at Northwestern University	
Mellon Fellowship	2017
Awarded by Northwestern University's Medieval Studies Cluster	
Northern Tier Seasonal Staff Scholarship	2015
Awarded by the Charles L. Sommers' Alumni Association	
Floyd L. Moreland Scholarship	2014
Awarded by the Latin and Greek Institute at CUNY Graduate Center	

Presentations, Talks, and Lectures

Presenter, The Chicago Seminar on Medieval Culture and Intellect	March 2023
Title: "An Abbess in the Supreme Court of France: Legal Entanglements of the Cistercian Nuns of Paris."	
Presenter, Vagantes Conference on Medieval Studies	March 2021
Title: "Cistercian or Parisian? Reconstructing a Religious Profile for Nuns of Saint-Antoine-des-Champs"	
Guest Lecturer, Northwestern University History Department	Winter 2020
Course: History 201-1: Europe in the Medieval and Early Modern World (Instructor: Dr. Lydia Barnett)	
Lecture title: "The Great European Witch Hunt: 1450-1700"	

Service

Graduate Student Committee with <i>Open Rivers: Water, Community and Place</i>	2023-2024
Contribute 20-30 hrs of editorial work for the journal and participate in workshops on public scholarship, copyediting, grant proposals, digital production, story maps, and audience.	
Mentor with Northwestern's "Graduates Mentoring Undergraduates" Program	2020-2021
Coached Northwestern undergraduate regarding their professionalization, coursework, work-life balance, career paths, graduate school opportunities, and other topics.	
Northwestern History Graduate Student Teaching Committee	2019-2021
Participant in a student-organized professionalization group that focused on improving pedagogy.	

Language Proficiencies

French: Proficiency exam at Northwestern University, passed December 2018
Latin: Toronto Latin Exam level I, passed October 2018