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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Candidate, History, University of Virginia 2014-

Examination fields: Early American History 1584-1815, United States

History 1815-1877, Women’s and Gender History  
Advisor: Dr. Alan Taylor

M.A. History, University of Virginia 2016

B.A. History, English, Women’s Studies, St. Olaf College 2012  
*Magna cum laude*, Distinction in History

**FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS**

University of Virginia Arts & Sciences Dissertation Completion Fellowship 2019

Research Fellowship, Fred W. Smith National Library for the Study of George Washington 2019

Short-Term Fellowship, Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies 2019

Adam Smith Fellowship, Mercatus Center, George Mason University 2019

Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University 2019

Dumas Malone Graduate Research Fellowship, Office of Graduate and 2018

Postdoctoral Affairs, University of Virginia

Public Humanities Fellowship, South Atlantic Humanities Center, 2018  
Virginia Foundation for the Humanities

Red Hill Fellowship, Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation ($25,000) 2017

Short-Term Fellowship, Program in Early American Economy and Society, 2017  
Library Company of Philadelphia

Alfred D. Chandler Jr. Travel Fellowship, Harvard Business School 2017

Filson Fellowship, The Filson Historical Society 2017

Sydney & Frances Lewis Fellowship in Gender & Women’s Studies, 2017

Virginia Historical Society

CNA-UELAC Fellowship in Loyalist Studies, Colonial North 2017  
American Project, Harvard University

Exploratory Research Grant, Hagley Museum and Library 2017

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Summer Research Award, 2016-2017

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, University of Virginia

Summer Research and Conference Travel Funding, 2015-2019  
Corcoran Department of History, University of Virginia

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Print**  
“Catharine Flood McCall: *Feme Sole* Matriarch of Early National Virginia,” Forthcoming  
*Through Mama’s Eyes: Unique Perspectives on Southern Matriarchy*,   
Cheylon Woods and Kiwana McClung, eds.  
(University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press)

““To prevent the introduction of slaves or free mulattoes”: Citizens React to Forthcoming  
Early National Penitentiaries,”*Iperstoria* “Prison Issue,” Fall/Winter 2019

“‘kp\_ingitsimple’: Powerlifting, Feminism, and Social Media in the Forthcoming  
Millennial Gig Economy,” *Strong A(s) F(eminist): Power in Strength Sports*,   
Noelle Briden, Melissa M. Forbis, and Katie Rose Heitmanek, eds.

“*Feme sole*” entry, “Daily Life through History” series, *The World of* 2018 *Antebellum America: A Daily Life Encyclopedia*, ed. Alexandra Kindell,   
ABC-CLIO, LLC.

**Book Reviews**  
Review of *Republic of Taste: Art, Politics, and Everyday Life in Early America* 2018  
by Catherine E. Kelly, *Journal of History and Cultures*, Issue 8

**Digital**  
“From *Feme Sole* to *Feme Covert*: The Case of Anna Coles Payne Causten,” Forthcoming  
*The Dolley Madison Digital Edition*, ed. Holly C. Shulman, University of Virginia Press

“Selected collections relating to Canada,” manuscript guide for 2018  
*Colonial North American Project*, Harvard Library, http://colonialnorthamerica.library.harvard.edu/spotlight/cna/feature/canada

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Prisoners, Slaves, and Nails: The Virginia State Penitentiary's Nov. 2019  
Entrance into Richmond's Nail-making Industry” panel presentation,   
*The Southern Historical Association* annual conference, Louisville, KY  
(for panel: “Prince Henry, Catharine Flood McCall, and Elvira LaMotte: Tales of a  
Developing Capitalist Economy in the Midst of the Slave-Based, Urban South”)

“‘The Product of the Prisoners Labour’: Work and Unfreedom at the July 2019  
Virginia State Penitentiary, 1796-1830” panel presentation, *Society for Historians   
of the Early American Republic* annual conference, Cambridge, MA (organized our panel:   
“Prisoners, Policing, and Profit: Race and Labor in Early Carceral Institutions”)

“Rethinking the Southern Matriarch” roundtable participant, Jan. 2019  
*Modern Language Association* annual conference, Chicago, IL (with other authors of  
 edited collection, *Through Mama’s Eyes: Unique Perspectives on Southern Matriarchy*)

“‘With an avowed intention to beat down all its competitors’: Unfree Labor and July 2018  
Market Competition in the Richmond, Virginia Nail-Making Industry, 1800-1815”   
panel presentation, *Society for Historians of the Early American Republic* annual   
conference, Cleveland, OH (organized our panel: “Metal, Machinery, and Manpower:   
Free and Coerced Labor in the Early Industrial South”)

“No Urban Development without Rural Slavery: Catharine Flood McCall and Oct. 2018  
*Feme Sole* Mastery in Early National Virginia” panel presentation,   
*McNeil Center Biennial Graduate Student Conference*,   
The McNeil Center for Early American Studies at the  
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

“Gender, Slavery, and Capitalism: *Feme Sole* Masters of Early National Virginia” July 2017  
panel presentation, *Society for the History of Women in the Americas* annual  
conference, Rothermere American Institute and The Oxford Research Centre   
in the Humanities, Oxford, England

**WORKSHOPS**

**Organizer**

Co-led “Engaging Controversial Topics: Teaching Inequality in Our Political Moment” 2019  
workshop for GSAS students (requirement for *Graduate Student Liaison* professional   
development program)

Co-led “Prose, Periodicals, and Pamphlets: Teaching with Primary Sources” workshop 2018  
for GSAS students (requirement for *Graduate Student Liaison* professional   
development program)

**Participant**

Brown Bag Speaker Series, *The McNeil Center for Early American Studies at the* 2018 *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA

Early Career Workshop, *Center for Women’s History, New-York Historical Society*, 2017-2018  
New York, NY (met eight times over course of one academic year)

“Race and Slavery” Graduate Student Research Seminar, 2017  
*Society for Historians of the Early American Republic* annual conference,   
Philadelphia, PA

Doctoral Colloquium, *Business History Conference* annual conference, Denver, CO 2017

History of Capitalism Summer Camp, *School of Industrial and Labor Relations,* 2016 *Cornell University* (workshop to train graduate students and junior faculty in   
quantitative methods and economic theory)

**INVITED SPEAKER**

Guest Lecturer, “African Slavery in America,” *Summer and Special Academic Programs*, July 2019University of Virginia (for visiting students from Shanghai and Nanjing universities)

Guest Lecturer, “Single Women and the Business of Slavery in Early National Virginia, May 2019  
1780-1830,” *UVA Benefactors Society Board* spring meeting,Charlottesville, VA

Guest Lecturer, “Graduate School 101: Being a Ph.D. Student at the University of Virginia,” April 2019  
*UVA* *College Foundation* spring meeting,Charlottesville, VA

Breakout session facilitator, “Bridging the Skills Gap: Dialogue with Employers Jan. 2019  
and Alumni,” *PhD Plus: Shaping the Future of Graduate Education* launch event,   
University of Virginia

Roundtable participant, “New Approaches to Teaching Early America,” Jan. 2019  
*Virginia Consortium of Early Americanists* annual meeting, Richmond, VA

Guest Lecturer, “Anne Henry Christian: Frontier Businesswoman, 1786-1790” presentation, Sept. 2017  
Patrick Henry Descendants annual reunion, Charlottesville, VA

**TEACHING**

**Instructor**

HIUS 2001: America to 1865, Summer 2019  
Corcoran Department of History, University of Virginia,  
11 students

**Teaching Assistant with Sections**

HIUS 3031: The Era of the American Revolution, Spring 2018  
Corcoran Department of History, University of Virginia,  
lectures by Dr. Alan Taylor, 35 students

HIEA 2031: Modern China, Fall 2016  
Corcoran Department of History, University of Virginia,   
lectures by Dr. Bradly Reed, 60 students

WGS 2100: Introduction to Gender and Sexuality Studies, Spring 2016 & Fall 2015  
Women, Gender, & Sexuality Program, University of Virginia,  
lectures by Dr. Corinne Field, 60 students

**Special Lectures**

“ ‘Leftover Women’: Gender Issues in Post-Mao China,” Nov. 2016  
presented to my sections in Dr. Bradly Reed’s undergraduate   
Modern China course, University of Virginia

“How to Read Historical Primary Documents,” Nov. 2015  
presented to Dr. Cori Field’s undergraduate Introduction to Gender  
and Sexuality Studies course, University of Virginia

**UVA Center for Teaching Excellence**

*Graduate Student Liaison* professional development program 2018--Selected to collaboratively design & deliver pedagogical &   
 professional development initiatives to GSAS students.

Invited to co-facilitate session “Getting Started: Teaching the First Days Aug. 2018  
and Creating an Inclusive Environment” for annual *Teaching as a   
Graduate Student* workshop  
-Taught new TAs to create inclusive environment for their undergraduates.

*Tomorrow’s Professor Today* graduate student professional development program 2016-  
-Design courses, attend workshops, observe faculty, & prepare teaching materials   
 for job market. Invited to facilitate CTE’s “Foundations of Scholarly Teaching”   
 seminar in Fall 2017.

**DIGITAL SKILLS**

Created WordPress website with upload capabilities for the *Business History Conference* 2018  
Doctoral Colloquium (https://2018bhcdoctoralcolloquium.wordpress.com/)

Twitter account host for *Coordinating Council for Women in History* (@TheCCWH) 2017-2018  
and H-Slavery (@H\_Slavery\_HNet)

Attended *Digital Mitford Coding School*, Center for the Digital Text, 2016  
University of Pittsburgh-Greensburg (learned TEI XML coding, XPath software)

Rotunda Intern, *The Adams Papers Digital Edition*, University of Virginia Press, 2015  
Charlottesville, VA (created database of online cross-references in  
Adams family correspondence)

**MEDIA**

Interviewed for Hagley Museum and Library’s “Stories from the Stacks” podcast, March 30, 2018

episode entitled “The Lost History of Female Business Owners in the 19th Century”   
(https://www.hagley.org/lost-history-female-business-owners-19th-century)

Interviewed by Nuala McGovern on BBC World Service’s “Outside Source” Aug. 14, 2017  
radio show to offer historical take on Charlottesville’s “Unite the Right” rally   
and protest of Aug. 12, 2017  
(http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w172vgpyx52mnzv#play)

**SERVICE**

Judge, *Undergraduate Research Symposium*, Office of Undergraduate Research, 2019  
University of Virginia

-Volunteered to judge four undergraduate oral research presentations in the Humanities.

Graduate Student Representative, *College Foundation* (philanthropic arm of 2018-  
UVA College of Arts & Sciences)   
-Selected to represent research interests of all 1,300 UVA GSAS students to   
 alumni & donors. Help raise funds for benefit of graduate peers.

Graduate Student Liaison, Doctoral Colloquium*, Business History Conference*, 2018  
Baltimore, MD  
-Invited by Dr. Edward Balleisen (BHC President & Vice Provost at Duke University)   
 to serve as chief organizer & point person for 10 graduate participants at national conference.

University Representative, *Coordinating Council for Women in History* 2017-  
-Represent all UVA woman historians to national council. Organize local meetings &  
 colloquia about issues pertaining to women in academia.

Social Committee Member and History Department Representative, 2016-   
*Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Council*, University of Virginia  
-Implement social activities for all GSAS students. Communicate History graduate  
 students’ requests to GSASC.

President, *Graduate History Students Association*, Corcoran Department of History, 2015-2018   
University of Virginia  
-Organized & implemented social, professional, & pedagogical events & seminars  
 for my peers. Managed Twitter account (@UVA\_GHSA) to promote peers’  
 accomplishments.

**ADDITIONAL EMPLOYMENT AT UVA**

Assistant to Dr. Brian Balogh, History Department Working Group Fall 2017

-Organized public talks (history of Confederate monuments; history of the alt-right)  
 in response to events of Aug. 11 & 12 on Grounds and in Charlottesville, VA

Writing Tutor, *Writing Center*, University of Virginia 2016-2017

**EDITORIAL WORK**

Articles Editor, *Essays in History*, University of Virginia 2015-

Editorial Assistant, Macmillan Higher Education, New York, NY 2013-2014

Editorial Intern, Oxford University Press, New York, NY 2012

Publishing Institute, University of Denver (Certificate in Publishing) 2012

**MEMBERSHIPS**

Society for the Historians of the Early American Republic

Southern Historical Association

Business History Conference

Coordinating Council for Women in History

National Women’s Studies Association

Berkshire Conference of Women Historians

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians