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EDUCATION: **Northwestern University**, Evanston, Illinois
Ph.D. in History and Religion, 2008; M.A. in History and Religion, 2003
Dissertation: *'A Pure Fellowship': The Danger and Necessity of Purity in White and African-American Mennonite Racial Exchange, 1935-1971*
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Eastern Mennonite College, Harrisonburg, Virginia
B.A. in English Literature, summa cum laude, 1987

RESEARCH INTERESTS: Religion and protest; African-American religion; Black freedom struggle; innocence in childhood; Anabaptists and race;

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS:

2022, **National Endowment for the Humanities**, Summer Stipend, "Storied into Being: Vincent Harding, A Biography"

2021, **National Endowment for the Humanities**, American Rescue Plan Grant, "Making the Humanities Public In Montana: Racial Justice, Death in a time of COVID, and Sustaining Native Scholarship," Principal Investigator, \$496,112

2020, **Humanities Institute**, University of Montana, Summer Stipend award

2018, **Humanities Institute**, University of Montana, Summer Stipend award

2017, **Humanities Institute**, University of Montana, Summer Stipend award

2014, selected for **National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute**, "Finding Mississippi in the National Civil Rights Narrative: Struggle, Institution Building, and Power at the Local Level," Jackson State University, Jackson, MS

2014, 2012, University of Montana nominee for **U.S. Professor of the Year**

2013, awarded **National Endowment for the Humanities**-sponsored grant to bring “Created Equal: America’s Civil Rights Struggle” to UM (in collaboration with Associate Professor Rob Saldin, Political Science)

2012, awarded **National Endowment For the Humanities**-sponsored Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History grant to bring the “Civil War 150” traveling exhibition to UM (in collaboration with Associate Professor Rob Saldin, Political Science)

2012, Finalist, New Directions in the Study of Prayer, **Social Science Research Council/Templeton Foundation**

2011, awarded **National Endowment For the Humanities**-sponsored American Library Association grant to bring the “Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War” traveling exhibition to UM (in collaboration with Assistant Professor Rob Saldin, Political Science)

2009, 2012 University Grant, **University of Montana** University Research and Creativity Committee

2008, Marion McFarland Taylor Prize for Best Paper on Religion, Environment, and Sustainability, **Midwest American Academy of Religion**, for the paper “‘Chickens, Crops, and Tractors’: Fresh Air Exchange Programs and the Making of a Mechanized Eden, 1950-1979.”

2007, First Place, John Horsch Mennonite History Essay Contest, Graduate School Category, **Mennonite Historical Committee**, for the paper “Looking Past Legality: Interracial Marriage and the Mennonite Church, 1930-1971”

2006, Presidential Fellowship, **Northwestern University**, one of six, two-year full fellowships annually awarded to graduate students, described by the graduate school as Northwestern’s most prestigious graduate honor

2006, **Louisville Institute** Dissertation Year Fellowship, a competitive national fellowship for the study of Christianity

2005, Internet Technologies Humanities Committee Dissertation Support Grant, **Northwestern University**

2005, **Northwestern University** History Department Graduate Travel Grant

2004, **Northwestern University** Graduate Research Grant

2004, Recipient of **Northwestern University** African American Studies Department Research Grant

1995, Finalist in **New York International Film Festival** for *FREE INDEED: Of White Privileges and How We Play the Game* (1995), screenplay co-author

TEACHING
AWARDS:

2020, MUS Teaching Scholar, **Montana University System's Board of Regents**

2017, Mortarboard Society, Last Lecturer, **University of Montana**

2017, Best University of Montana Professor, *Missoula Independent*

2017, Nancy Borgmann Diversity Award, **University of Montana**

2016, Distinguished Teaching Award, **University of Montana**

2013, Helen and Winston Cox Educational Excellence Award, College of Arts and Sciences, **University of Montana**

2012, Paul Lauren Undergraduate Research Faculty Mentor Award, Davidson Honors College, **University of Montana**

2006, Lacey Baldwin Smith Prize for Teaching Excellence, awarded annually by **Northwestern University's** History Department to the student instructor with the highest teaching evaluations

2005, Lacey Baldwin Smith Prize for Teaching Excellence, awarded annually by **Northwestern University's** History Department to the student teaching assistant with the highest teaching evaluations

2005, **Northwestern University** Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award, awarded annually to one student in the Humanities from all practicing student instructors, **Northwestern University**

BOOKS:

Been in the Struggle: Pursuing An Antiracist Spirituality (Herald Press, 2021), with Regina Shands Stoltzfus.

Religion and Social Protest Movements (Routledge, 2021).

Two Weeks Every Summer: Fresh Air Children and the Problem of Race in America (Cornell University Press, 2017).

Daily Demonstrators: The Civil Rights Movement in Mennonite Homes and Sanctuaries (Johns Hopkins Press, 2010).

The One Who Showed Mercy: An Invitation to Conversation on Loving God, Loving Neighbor (Mennonite Church USA, 2002), editor.

Set Free: A Journey Toward Solidarity Against Racism (Herald Press, 2001) (co-authored with Iris de León-Hartshorn and Regina Shands Stoltzfus).

Enter the River: Healing Steps from White Privilege to Racial Reconciliation (Herald Press, 1994).

CHAPTERS:

“The Religions of Black Resistance and White Rage: Interpenetrative Religious Practice in the 1963 Civil Rights Struggle in Danville, Virginia,” *The Religion of White Rage: Religious Fervor, White Workers and the Myth of Black Racial Progress*, edited by Stephen C. Finley, Biko Mandela Gray, and Lori Latrice Martin (Edinburgh University Press, 2020), 213-226.

“Hope’s Vagaries: How Ta-Nehisi Coates and Vincent Harding Convinced Me that Hope Is Not the Only Option,” in *Between the World of Ta-nehisi Coates and Christianity*, edited by Peter Dula and David Evans (Cascade: 2018), 84-98.

“Heroes Save Lives,” *Unsettling the Word: Biblical Experiments in Decolonization*, edited by Steve Heinrichs (Mennonite Church Canada: 2018), 59-61.

“‘Buttcheek to Buttcheek in the Pew’: Interracial Relationalism at a Mennonite Congregation, 1957-2010,” in *Christians and the Color Line: Race and Religion after Divided by Faith*, edited by Rusty Hawkins and Phillip Luke Sinitiere (Oxford University Press, 2013), 100-127.

“Feathering Forman: Reframing the Black Manifesto, 1965-1971,” in *Faith and Race in American Political Life*, edited by Robin Jacobson and Nancy Wadsworth (University of Virginia Press, 2011), 207-230.

“Whitening Conflicts: White Racial Identity Formation within Mennonite Central Committee, 1960-1985,” in *A Table of Sharing* (Cascadia Press, 2011), 215-238.

“Whites Should Examine White Privilege,” in *Racism* (Greenhaven Press, 2004), 140-145.

ACADEMIC
ARTICLES:

“Race and Power,” in *Making Peace with Conflict: Practical Skills for Conflict Transformation*, edited by Carolyn Schrock-Shenk and Lawrence Ressler (Herald Press, 1999), 139-145 (co-authored with Angel Ocasio).

“Civil Rights and Protest Movements,” *Encyclopedia of Religious Ethics*, ed. William Schweiker and Maria Antonaccio, Vol. III (Wiley: 2022).

“White Mennonite Peacemakers: Of Oxymorons, Grace, and Nearly Thirty Years of Talking About Whiteness,” *Conrad Grebel Review*, 35, number 3 (Fall 2017): 259-266.

“Telling A Fuller Story,” *Mennonite Life*, 71, Special Issue “Why 500 Years?” (June 2017): <https://ml.bethelks.edu/issue/vol-71-special-issue-why-500-years/article/telling-a-fuller-story/>.

“Managing Crisis and Conflict in the Religious Studies Classroom,” *Spotlight on Teaching, Religious Studies News* (May 2017): 5-9: <http://rsn.aarweb.org/node/443>.

“A Principled Pedagogy for Religious Educators,” *Religious Education*, (co-authored with David Evans), 12, number 1 (January 2017): <http://dx.doi.org.weblib.lib.umt.edu:8080/10.1080/00344087.2016.1256367>

“Mennonites,” *Oxford Bibliographies in Atlantic History*, (November 2016): www.oxfordbibliographies.com.

“The Problem of Kindness - Christian Fresh Air Missions and the Dynamics of Christian Whiteness,” *Journal of Childhood and Religion*, 6, number 3 (December 2015): <http://childhoodandreligion.com/issues/volume-6-2015/>.

“Striking at the Sacred: The Violence of Prayer, 1960-1969,” *Open Theology* 1 (2015): 126–133:
<http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/opth.2014.1.issue-1/issue-files/opth.2014.1.issue-1.xml> (DOI 10.1515/opth-2015-0002).

“A Prophet Pushed Out: Vincent Harding and the Mennonites,” *Mennonite Life* 69 (2015): <http://ml.bethelks.edu/issue/vol-69/article/a-prophet-pushed-out-vincent-harding-and-the-menno/>.

“Invoking Crisis: Performative Christian Prayer and the Civil Rights Movement,” *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 83, no. 2 (2015): 490-512.

“Conflicting Identities: White Racial Formation Among Mennonites, 1960-1985,” *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power* 19, no. 3 (2012): 268-284.

“Outlines, Early Mornings, and The Oatmeal Insight,” *UM Writes* (March 1, 2012), <http://umwritingcenter.wordpress.com/2012/03/01/27/>.

“A Pleasing Observation,” *Chronicle of Higher Education* (March 6, 2012), <http://chronicle.com/article/A-Pleasing-Observation/131074/>.

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“Daily Demonstrators: The Civil Rights Movement in Mennonite Homes and Sanctuaries,” *Mennonite Life* 65 (Summer 2011): http://www.bethelks.edu/mennonitelife/2011/daily_demonstrators.php.

“‘Chickens, Crops, and Tractors’: The Use of Machines as Sacred Resource in Mennonite Fresh Air Hosting Programs,” *The Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature & Culture* 4, no. 3 (Fall 2010): 153-181.

“Moving Beyond Charisma in Civil Rights Scholarship: Vincent Harding’s Sojourn With the Mennonites, 1958-1966,” *Mennonite Quarterly Review* 82, no. 2 (April 2008): 213-248.

“Laws of Attraction Vs. Sentiments of Separation,” *Mennonite Historical Bulletin* 68, no. 4 (2007): 2-9, 15.

“How I Became a Worse Teacher Who Was Also a Good Bit Better,” *Searle Center for Teaching Excellence Newsletter*, Spring 2006.

BOOK REVIEWS: *Black Montana: Settler Colonialism and the Erosion of the Racial Frontier, 1877-1930*, Anthony W. Wood (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2021) in *Montana: The Magazine of Western History* (forthcoming).

Disability Rights and Religious Liberty in Education: The Story Behind Zobrest v. Catalina Foothills School District, Bruce J. Dierenfield and David A. Gerber (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2020) in *The American Historical Review* (March 2022).

Free the Beaches: The Story of Ned Coll and the Battle for America's Most Exclusive Shoreline, Andrew W. Kahrl (New Haven: Yale University Press,

2018) in *Environmental History* (February 2020):
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God with Us: Lived Theology and the Freedom Struggle in Americus, Georgia, 1942-1976, Ansley L. Quiros (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2018) in *Journal of Southern History*, Vol. 86, no. 1 (February 2020): 224-225.

Facing Freedom: An African-American Community In Virginia from Reconstruction to Jim Crow, Daniel B. Thorp (Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2017) in *Virginia Magazine of History & Biography* Vol. 126, no. 4 (2018): 473-74.

Southern Mercy: Empire and American Civilization in Juvenile Reform, 1890-1944, Annette Louise Bickford (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2016) in *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth*, Vol. 11, no. 2 (Spring 2018): 267-69.

Richmond's Priests and Prophets: Race, Religion, and Social Change in the Civil Rights Era, Douglas E. Thompson (Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama Press, 2017) in *Reading Religion* (December 29, 2017):
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California Mennonites, Brian Froese (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press, 2015) in *Reading Religion* (May 19, 2016):
<http://readingreligion.org/books/california-mennonites>.

Latino Mennonites: Civil Rights, Faith, And Evangelical Culture, Felipe Hinojosa (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press, 2014) in *Journal of Mennonite Studies* 33 (2015): 313-315.

Mississippi Praying: Southern White Evangelicals and the Civil Rights Movement, 1945-1975, Carolyn Renée Dupont (New York: New York University Press, 2013) in *Journal of Mississippi History* (Fall 2013): 294-96.

The Constructed Mennonite: History, Memory, and the Second World War, Hans Werner (Winnipeg, Manitoba: University of Manitoba Press, 2013) in *Journal of American Ethnic History* 34, no. 2 (Winter, 2015): 116-118.

Jim Crow's Counterculture: The Blues and Black Southerners 1890-1945, R. A. Lawson (Baton Rouge, LA: Louisiana State University Press, 2010) in *Journal of Southern Religion* 15 (2013):
<http://jsr.fsu.edu/issues/vol15/shearer.html>.

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Freedom's Prophet: Bishop Richard Allen, the AME Church, and the Black Founding Fathers, Richard S. Newman (New York: New York University Press, 2008), in *Montana Professor* 20, no. 1 (Fall 2009): 27-29.

Fostering Student Success in the Campus Community, Gary L. Kramer, ed. (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2007), in *Teaching Theology and Religion*, 12, no. 3, July 2009, 287.

VIDEO SCRIPTS: *The Myth of Race*, Akron, PA: Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), 2000 (with Regina Shands Stoltzfus).

Free Indeed: Of White Privileges and How We Play the Game. Screenplay co-author. MCC, 1995. (Finalist in New York International Film Festival.)

CURRICULUM: *Journeys with God: Anabaptist History*. Lancaster, PA: Mennonite Secondary Education Council, 2004.

Leap, Twist, Spy, Listen: Doing Nonviolence. Elkhart, IN: Mennonite Church USA, 2001.

Racism and Wisdom Literature, Link High School Bible Study. Scottsdale, PA: Herald Press, 1998.

Living Without Violence. Newton, KS: Faith and Life, 1994.

Challenging Racism. Newton, KS: Faith and Life, 1993.

POPULAR
ESSAYS:

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“An Invitation to Our Watchers,” *Inside Higher Ed*, February 17, 2020, <https://www.insidehighered.com/views/2020/02/17/committee-chair-recent-martin-luther-king-jr-day-writing-contest-examines-debate>.

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<https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2020/01/20/martin-and-the-mennonites-lessons-from-kings-legacy-for-today/>.

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“Slices of Pie Tell Another UM Story,” *The Missoulian*, November 24, 2019

“State of the Race: A Short History of Mennonite Racial Statements,” 1940-1979, *Anabaptist Historians*, October 3, 2019, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2019/10/03/state-of-the-race-a-short-history-of-mennonite-racial-statements-1940-1979/>

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“Christmas Controversy: Community Mennonite, Interracial Marriage, and a Hope from a Half-Century Ago,” *Anabaptist Historians*, December 21, 2018, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2018/12/21/christmas-controversy-community-mennonite-interracial-marriage-and-a-hope-from-a-half-century-ago/>

“Fear and the Black Manifesto,” *Anabaptist Historians*, September 27, 2018, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2018/09/27/fear-and-the-black-manifesto/>

“A Ride Into The Wind,” *The Mennonite*, Vol. 21, No. 9, September 2018, 16-18.

“Diddy In A Buggy”: A Rapper, The Amish, and The Fresh Air Fund,” *Anabaptist Historians*, August 9, 2018, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2018/08/09/diddy-in-a-buggy-a-rapper-the-amish-and-the-fresh-air-fund/>

“Confronting the Confessional Catharsis: David A. Shank and the Legacy of ‘Race Criminals,’” *Anabaptist Historians*, April 19, 2018, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2018/04/19/confronting-the-confessional-catharsis-david-a-shank-and-the-legacy-of-race-criminals/>

“The Martin Luther King Who Haunted Me,” *ExtraNewsFeed*, January 28, 2018, <https://extranewsfeed.com/the-martin-luther-king-who-haunted-me-82bd21561640>

“Can Violence Build God’s Kingdom?” *Anabaptist Historians*, September 28, 2017, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2017/09/28/can-violence-build-gods-kingdom/>

“Seven Roadblocks that Get in the Way of Dismantling Racism in the Church and Society (and Strategies to Overcome Them),” *The Mennonite*, August 14, 2017, <https://themennonite.org/seven-roadblocks-get-way-dismantling-racism-church-society-strategies-overcome/>

“Fannie Swartzentruber, Ecclesial Gaslighting, and The Witness of Holy Disruption,” *Anabaptist Historians*, July 13, 2017, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2017/07/13/fannie-swartzentruber-ecclesial-gaslighting-and-the-witness-of-holy-disruption/>.

“The Fresh Air Fund’s Complicated Racial Record,” *Chicago Tribune*, June 19, 2017, https://www.chicagotribune.com%2Fnsns-the-fresh-air-funds-complicated-racial-record-78733-20170616-story.html&usg=AFQjCNFloIUSjeg9UE7VnOQR_ToV94DZaw.

“I Investigated the Fresh Air Fund’s Fraught Racial History, and They Didn’t Make It Easy,” *Timeline.com*, May 10, 2017, <https://timeline.com/fresh-air-fund-race-3eaa365a741b>.

“Money, Sex, and Power: The Black Manifesto and the Minority Ministries Council,” *Anabaptist Historians*, April 13, 2017, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2017/04/13/money-sex-and-power-the-black-manifesto-and-the-minority-ministries-council/>.

“Good Direction and Great Strength,” *The Mennonite*, April 5, 2017, <https://themennonite.org/lent-reflection-4/>.

“Watchlisted,” *Missoula Independent*, December 15, 2016, <http://missoulanews.bigskypress.com/missoula/what-to-do-when-they-come-looking-for-you/Content?oid=3284461>.

“On Being a Watch Listed Historian in the Age of Donald Trump,” *Anabaptist Historians*, December 8, 2016, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2016/12/08/on-being-a-watch-listed-historian-in-the-age-of-donald-trump/>.

“What is Behind the Turkey Pardoning Ritual?” *PBS NewsHour*, November 23, 2016, www.pbs.org/newshour/rundown/behind-turkey-pardoning-ritual/.

“The Deepest Dichotomy: How A Sixty-Five-Year-Old Essay on Racism Helped Me Learn A Lesson From Before I Was Born,” *Anabaptist Historians*, September 9, 2016, <https://anabaptisthistorians.org/2016/09/08/the-deepest-dichotomy-how-a-sixty-five-year-old-essay-on-racism-helped-me-learn-a-lesson-from-before-i-was-born/>.

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“Gifts Worth Remembering at Graduation,” *The Missoulian*, May 19, 2015.

“Why Ferguson Matters to Missoula,” *The Missoulian*, December 3, 2014.

“White Spiritual and Racial Formation: Three Conversions,” *The Mennonite*, December 2013.

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“Protest and the Power of Images: From Birmingham in 1963 to Davis in 2011, Those Who Repress Dissent Are Put on Public Display.” *The Missoulian*, Tuesday, November 29, 2011, 4.

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“Bag the Baggage: Ten Ways to Shuck the Weight of Short-Term Missions,” *With*, July/August 2002.

“When Doing Good Does Bad,” *With*, July/August 2002.

“White Spaces,” *The Other Side*, March & April 2002.

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“Racism Kicks Back, God Heals The Wounds,” *Purpose*, November 4, 2001.

“An Open Letter to Alex Chadwick of National Public Radio,” *The Mennonite*, September 25, 2001.

“Spitwads: A Re-Telling of Mark 8:22-26,” *With*, November/December 2001.

“Quieted by the Land,” *The Mennonite*, June 19, 2001.

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“Wall of History as Ritual and Remembering,” *Conciliation Quarterly*, Summer 1998.

“What’s in a name?” *The Mennonite*, April 14, 1998.

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“Where on the Damascus Road? Reflections for Urban Peacemaking,” *Urban Connections*, Fall 1997.

- “Public Schools: Learning with the Neighbors,” *Christian Living*, September 1997.
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- “Has Change Come?” *a Common Place*, May 1996.
- “Categorical Denial: Racism, Identity and the Possibility of Change,” *Christian Leader*, January 1996.
- “A Quiz on Racism,” *The Mennonite*, January 9, 1996.
- “Everyday Peacemaking,” *With*, December 1995.
- “Butter Sandwiches, Train Rides, and Affirmative Action,” *Gospel Herald*, October 31, 1995.
- “Beyond Easy: Building Racial Reconciliation,” *The Christian Ministry*, May-June, 1995.
- “Why is it so hard to talk about racism?” *Gospel Herald*, November 22, 1994.
- “Stopping the Hate,” *With*, July-August 1994.
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- “Racism and a Running White Boy,” *Builder*, January 1993.
- “A Gift of Grace in Red, White and Blue,” *Urban Connections*, Fall 1992.
- “Nobody Should Die: Children's Wishes in the City,” *Christian Living*, September 1992.
- “A Clumsy Juggler Finds Grace,” *Christian Living*, July 1992.
- “Race Relations: Three Paradigms,” *Conciliation Quarterly*, Spring 1992.
- “Christians Must Work Against Subtle Racism,” *Mennonite Weekly Review*, September 5, 1991.
- “Ripped Off,” *Intercom*, January 1991.

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“Avoiding Burnout: Keeping a Vision while Volunteering,” *Southern Perspectives*, Spring 1990.

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“Anger and Joy,” *Gospel Herald*, July 8, 1986.

“They See with New Eyes,” *WMSC Voice*, May 1986.

“To Sit in Silence,” *With*, November 1984.

INVITED LECTURES:

“Mennonite Innocence: Dealing with Violence and Guilt in a Peace Church,” Amsterdam Center, Religion and Peace and Justice Studies, **Vrije University of Amsterdam**, May 10, 2022 (with Regina Shands Stoltzfus)

“Been In the Struggle: Pursuing An Anti-racist Spirituality,” **St. Mary's College** (IN), April 27, 2022(with Regina Shands Stoltzfus)

“Dismantling Racism In Higher Education,” **Montana Technological University** (Butte), plenary address for faculty, August 17, 2021

“Trains, Dolls, and Demands on the Devil: The Precarious Position of Minority Rights,” University of Montana Alumni Association's **Community Lecture Series**, February 25, 2020

“Making Struggle Count: Lessons From the Civil Rights Movement,” **Montana State University Northern**, January 16, 2018

“How To Be A White Guy: A Last Lecture on Punching Nazis, Baking Pies, and How Not To Be A Douche Bag,” **Mortar Board National Honor Society**, University of Montana, September 28, 2017

“Fresh Air Children and the Problem of Race in America,” **Heyman Center for the Humanities**, Columbia University, April 28, 2017

“Fresh Air Children and the Problem of Race in America,” **University of Albany**, SUNY, April 26, 2017

“The Legacy of the Black Manifesto in the Mennonite Church,” Black, Brown, and Mennonite: Lessons from the Chicano, Puerto Rican, and Black Freedom Movements for the Mennonite Church, **Greencroft/Goshen College**, March 31, 2017

“The Limits of Censorship in an Age of Respectable Racism,” **Black Student Union/Student Involvement Network**, University of Montana, February 10, 2017.

“Sex, Seven Sass: The Negotiation of Racial Identity in Fresh Air Rural Hosting Programs, 1939-1979,” **Eastern Mennonite University**, January 20, 2016.

“Homing In: The Effects of WWI on Black Women and Men,” **Mansfield Library**, University of Montana, February 26, 2015.

“Why Ferguson Matters to Whitworth: The Importance of Black History to Us All,” **Whitworth College**, February 17, 2015

“Unlocking the Mystery of the Plain People: The Amish, Mennonites, and Hutterites in the Anabaptist Movement,” **UM/MSU Alumni Association**, Great Falls College, MT, January 22, 2015

“The White Church and the Murder of Black Men: A Critique of Christian Whiteness,” Religion and Politics in American Public Life lecture series, **Columbia University**, New York, NY, November 20, 2014

“The Wrong Question: Toward Racially Equipped Congregations,” **Unitarian Universalist Congregation**, Missoula, MT, April 14, 2014

“White State: Unpacking White Privilege in Montana,” Sustained Dialogue session, **Montana State University**, Bozeman, MT, January 28, 2014

“In a Place that it Shouldn’t Thrive: The Future of African-American Studies at UM,” Keynote lecture, **Black Studies Reunion**, University of Montana, Friday, September 20, 2013

“Prayer, Guns, and Civil Rights: How to Craft New Research Questions,” **University of Montana** Undergraduate Research Conference, Plenary address, April 13, 2012

“Prayer, Guns and the Civil Rights Movement: Disrupting the Grassroots/Elite Leadership Debate,” **Bluffton University**, Bluffton, OH, January 11, 2011

“Daily Demonstrators: The Civil Rights Movement in Mennonite Homes and Sanctuaries,” **Trinity Christian College**, Chicago, IL, February 15, 2010

“Daily Demonstrators: The Civil Rights Movement in Mennonite Homes and Sanctuaries,” **University of Montana Philosophy Forum**, March 3, 2009

“The Trails we Trod From Uncle Tom’s Cabin,” **University of Montana Alumni Association**, February 23, 2010

“A Racial History of Prayer,” **Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary**, Elkhart, IN, January 15, 2009

“Christianity and Race in America,” **St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church**, Wilmette, IL, January 4, 11, 2009

RESEARCH

PRESENTATIONS:

“Grass, Concrete, Color: Fresh Air Children and the Racialization of Place, 1939-1979,” (Dis)location: Race and Place In the Fresh Air Movement, Fostering on the Farm and Child Incarceration, **Society for the History of Children and Youth**, Rutgers University, Camden, NJ, June 22, 2017

“Dislocation, Relocation, Cultivation: Pedagogical Strategies for Reaching White Mennonites,” Mennonite Scholars and Friends, **American Academy of Religion**, San Antonio, TX, November 18, 2016

“White Mennonite Peacemakers: Of Oxymorons, Grace, and Nearly Thirty Years of Talking About Whiteness,” Mennonites and the Wages of Whiteness, **Global Mennonite Peacemaking Conference**, Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, June 11, 2016

“Vincent Harding’s Academic/Activist Union: The Mennonite Roots, 1960-1965,” Black Religious History section, **American Academy of Religion**, Atlanta, GA, November 22, 2015.

“Striking at the Sacred: The Violence of Prayer, 1961-1966,” North American Religions Section, **American Academy of Religion**, San Diego, CA, November 23, 2014

“Welcome to the University of Montana: Introduction to our scholars,” moderator, **Thinking Its Presence: Race and Creative Writing**, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, April 10, 2014

“Devotion Deliverance: Public Prayer As A Civil Rights Strategy,” Activism(s) in the Black Diaspora, **Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora**, Santo Domingo, DR, October 31, 2013

“Invoking Crisis: Performative Prayer and the Civil Rights Movement,” North American Religions Section, **American Academy of Religion**, Chicago, IL, November 18, 2012

“An Innocent Exchange: Rural Hosting Programs and Civil Rights, 1955-1968,” **Association for the Study of African-American Life and History**, Richmond, VA, October 8, 2011

“Prayer, Guns, and Civil Rights: Beyond the Grassroots-Elite Debate over Civil Rights Movement Leadership,” **Association for African American Historical Research and Preservation**, Seattle, WA, February 6, 2011

“More than Fresh Air: African-American Children’s Influence on Mennonite Religious Practice, 1950–1979,” Afro-American Religious History Section, **American Academy of Religion**, Atlanta, GA, October 31, 2010

“Whitening Conflicts: White Racial Identity Formation within Mennonite Central Committee, 1960-1985,” **A Table of Sharing: Mennonite Central Committee and the Expanding Networks of Mennonite Identity**, Akron, PA, June 2010

Chair and respondent to papers: Dr. Sheila H. Gillams (Medgar Evers College, CUNY) “From Crucifixion to Resurrection: The Activist Theology of Anna Arnold Hedgeman”; Dr. Barclay Key (Western Illinois University) “Faith and Race in 1968: Day of Reckoning in a Biracial Church”; Dr. Edward J. Robinson (Abilene Christian University) “Annie C. Tuggle: A Forgotten “Pillar” in African American Churches of Christ,” **Association for African American Historical Research and Preservation**, Seattle University, March 21, 2009

“Daily Demonstrators: African-American Fresh Air Children as Civil Rights Actors, 1950-1971,” **University of Chicago**, April 2008

“‘Chickens, Crops, and Tractors’: Fresh Air Exchange Programs and the Making of a Mechanized Eden, 1950-1979,” **Midwest American Academy of Religion**, Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois, April 2008

“Reinterpreting Religious Identity at the Border Between Activism and Withdrawal: Vincent Harding’s Sojourn with the Mennonites, 1958-1966,” **Boston College**, Boston, Massachusetts, March 2008

“The Mennonite Prayer Veil, Resistance, and a Different Kind of Freedom Struggle, 1935-1970,” **Goshen College**, Goshen, Indiana, October 2007

“From Streets and Sidewalks to Living Rooms and Lounges: Shifting the Civil Rights Gaze,” On the Whys, Hows and Wheretofores of Graduate School, **Northwestern University**, May 2007

“Beneath a Velvet Covering: How Women Resisted Mennonite Racial Segregation, 1940-1971,” **Midwest American Academy of Religion**, Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois, March 2007

“The Danger of Purity,” **Louisville Institute**, Lilly Endowment program for the study of American religion, National Winter Conference for Dissertation Year Fellowship winners, Louisville, Kentucky, January 2007

“From Purity to Pollutants: Interracial Marriage, Mennonites, and Petri Dishes,” **Northwestern University** Presidential Fellows Fall Retreat, Northbrook, Illinois, October 2006

“The Tottering Torah: Prayer as Community-controlling Narrative Among Reconstructionist Jews,” Narrative Matters: An Interdisciplinary Conference on the Storied Nature of Human Experience: Fact & Fiction, **Acadia University**, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada, May 2006

“The Beemer Surprise: An Ethical Ground for Otto’s Numinous,” Encountering The Other: A Conference on Religious Arguments for Tolerance and Hospitality, **Notre Dame University**, Notre Dame, Indiana, April 2006

“The Violence of Purity: Northeastern Mennonites and the Black Manifesto, 1969,” **Midwest American Academy of Religion**, Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois, April 2006

“Building Religious Identity Through Mission Activity: White Mennonite Involvement in ‘Fresh Air’ Rural Visitation Programs, 1949-1971,” Conference on the History of Religion, **Boston College**, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, March 2006

“Transformation of databases of documents, images, sound into an integrated body of documentation for work on Mennonite social movements,” Graduate Student Panel: Presentation of Digital Projects, Electronic Resources Forum, **Northwestern University**, September 2005

“Engagement in the Guise of Separation: How White Mennonites Engaged African Americans from 1940 to 1969,” Mellon Dissertation Forum, **Alice Berline Kaplan Center for the Humanities**, Northwestern University, May 2005

“Historians (and Other Scholars) Need Religion,” The **Midwestern Region of the American Academy of Religion**, DePaul University, Chicago, Ill., April 2004

“Prayers and Puppet Strings – Religious Ritual and Jewish Reconstructionist Responses to Prayer,” Chicago School of Ethnography: Past, Present, Future, **Northwestern University**, February 2004

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS
AND PANELS:

“Dismantling Racism in Nonprofits,” **Homeward** (MT), May 24, 2022

“Dismantling Racism in Public Health,” **Montana Public Health Training Center**, May 17, 2022

“The Role of the Anti-Racism Trainer,” Roots of Justice, May 17, 2022

“Dismantling Racism in Outdoor Education, Part 2,” **Adventure Cycling Board** (MT), April 29, 2022

“Antiracism Training in Medical Communities, Part 6,” **Vanderbilt University Medical Center** (TN), April 29, 2022

“Training for Trainers,” **Roots of Justice** (PA), April 23, 30, May 7, 2022

“Dismantling Racism in Libraries,” **Calvert Library** (MD) board, April 19, 2022

“Dismantling Racism in Health Care,” **Health Mothers Healthy Babies** (MT), April 19, 2022

“My Name is Pauli Murray,” **Roxy Theater** (Missoula), April 18, 2022

“Antiracism Training in Medical Communities, Part 5,” **Vanderbilt University Medical Center** (TN), March 18, 2022

“Dismantling Racism in Outdoor Education, Part 1,” **Adventure Cycling Board** (MT), March 9, 2022

“Dismantling Racism in Outdoor Education,” **Adventure Cycling Staff** (MT), March 8, 2022

“Making Struggle Count: Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement for today,” **Black Solidarity Summit, University of Montana**, February 19, 2022

“Been In the Struggle: Pursuing an Antiracism Spirituality,” **Embodied Philosophy** (CA), January 26, February 10, 17, 24, March 3, 2022

“Dismantling Racism,” **Thriving Together for Racial Justice**, Messiah University (PA), January 22, 2022

“Training For Trainers,” **Lewis and Clark Public Health Department** (MT), January 20, 2022

“Unpacking Systemic Racism,” **Americorps Volunteers** (MT), January 11, 2022

“Humanities and Racial Justice,” **UM Humanities Institute**,” November 8, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in Missoula Businesses and Government,” **Missoula Economic Partnership** (MT), November 5, 2021

“Antiracism Training in Medical Communities, Part 4,” **Vanderbilt University Medical Center** (TN), November 3, 2021

“Pursuing An Antiracist Spirituality: Stories from 30 Years in the Struggle,” **University of Montana’s DiverseU**, November 2, 2021

“Racial Harm,” **Mennonite Church USA archives**, October 26, 2021

“Black Montana,” **Montana Book Festival**, October 23, 2021

“Antiracism Training in Medical Communities, Part 3,” **Vanderbilt University Medical Center** (TN), October 13, 2021

“Toward an Anti-racist Spirituality,” **On Earth Peace** (IL), September 18, 2021

“Unpacking Systemic Racism,” **Americorps Volunteers** (MT), September 2, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in the Perinatal Substance Abuse Community,” **Perinatal Substance Abuse Coalition** (MT), August 26, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in Health Care Organizations,” **Partners in Home Care** (MT), August 24, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in Social Service Organizations, Part 3,” **Dreams for Change** (CA), August 17, 2021

“Seven Principles and Three First Steps in Dismantling Racism,” **Montana Technological University**, August 17, 2021 (2x)

“Dismantling Racism in Social Service Organizations, Part 2,” **Dreams for Change** (CA), August 10, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in Public Health Institutions,” **Montana Center for Public Health Training**, August 9, 2021

“Antiracism Training in Medical Communities, Part 2,” **Vanderbilt University Medical Center** (TN), June 29, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in Social Service Organizations, Part 1,” **Dreams for Change** (CA), June 29, 2021

“From Backlash to Buy-in,” **Worcester Library Board** (MD), June 17, 2021

“Antiracism Training in Medical Communities, Part 1,” **Vanderbilt University Medical Center** (TN), June 15, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in Public Libraries,” **Lancaster County Public Libraries** (PA), May 19, 2021

“Dismantling Racism in the Medical Community,” **Partnership Health Center** (MT), May 19, 2021

“Anti-Racism and Human Resources,” Montana Society of Human Resource Management, May 6, 2021 (ran 2x)

“Anti-Racism and Elementary School Pedagogy: Part 3,” **Homestead School** (NY), May 3, 2021

“How To Conduct an Anti-racism Audit,” **Maryland Public Library System**, April 16, 2021

“Anti-racism and Libraries,” **Lancaster County (PA) Library System**, April 14, 2021

“From Backlash to Buy-in,” **MD Public Library System**, March 12, 2021

“Anti-racism and Mission Work: Part 4,” **Mennonite Mission Network** (PA), March 11, 2021

“Political analysis, Organizing, and Movements,” **Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary** (IN), March 10, 2021

“Anti-racism and Mission Work: Part 3,” **Mennonite Mission Network** (PA), March 5, 2021

“Anti-racism and Library Leadership,” **Maryland State Library Executives**, March 5, 2021

“Faith Communities and Racial Justice,” **Peacebuilding Institute, Eastern Mennonite University** (VA), February 16, 18, 23, 25, and March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 2021

“The Current and Future State of Black History,” **Trinity Christian College** (Chicago), February 15, 2021

“Anti-Racism and Elementary School Pedagogy: Part 2,” **Homestead School** (NY), February 12, 2021

“Anti-racism and Mission Work: Part 2,” **Mennonite Mission Network** (PA), February 11, 2021

“Anti-racism and Architecture: Part 4,” **MMW Architects** (MT), February 8, 2021

“Anti-racism and Libraries: Part 1,” **Calvert Library** (MD), February 5, 2021

“Anti-racism and Architecture: Part 3,” **MMW Architects** (MT), February 1, 2021

“Anti-racism and Mission Work: Part 1,” **Mennonite Mission Network** (PA), January 21, 2021

“Anti-racism and Architecture: Part 2,” **MMW Architects** (MT), January 18, 2021

“Anti-Racism and Elementary School Pedagogy: Part 1,” **Homestead School** (NY), January 15, 2021

“Anti-racism and Architecture: Part 1,” **MMW Architects** (MT), January 11, 2021

“Race and Faith Formation,” **Holy Spirit Episcopal** (MT), December 9, 2020

“Teaching and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion,” **MUS Teaching Scholars**, December 7, 2020

“Cultural Inclusivity,” **Village of Hanover Park** (IL), November 10, 2020

“Dismantling Institutional Racism: Seven Principles and Three First Steps,” **Diverse U, University of Montana**, October 29, 2020

“Anti-Racism and the Publishing World: Part 2,” **Menno Media**, October 23, 2020

“Dismantling Racism in the Non-Profit World: Part 2,” **Home Resource Board** (MT), October 21, 2020

“Anti-racism and Elementary School Pedagogy,” **Sussex School** (MT), October 16, 2020

“Dismantling Racism in the Non-Profit World: Part 1,” **Home Resource Board** (MT), October 14, 2020

“Anti-Racism and Perinatal Substance Abuse,” **Perinatal Substance Abuse Network** (MT), October 8, 2020

“Racial Justice and the Humanities,” **UM’s Humanities Institute**, October 8, 2020

“Anti-Racism and the Publishing World: Part 1,” **Menno Media** (VA), September 28, 2020

“Dismantling Racism in the Non-Profit World,” **Home Resource Staff** (MT), September 23, 2020

“Anti-Racism and Community Organizing,” **Common Good Missoula** (MT), September 21, 2020

“Anti-Racism and the Medical Community,” **Montana Medical Association**, Board of Trustees,” September 19, 2020

“Anti-Racism and Philanthropy,” **Women’s Giving Circle** (MT), September 18, 2020

“Introduction to Anti-Racism,” **Portland Mennonite Church** (WA), September 13, 2020

“Church in Black and White,” **Anabaptist History**, September 12, 2020

“White Men Resisting Racism,” **Roots of Justice** (PA), August 27, 2020

“Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement for Today’s Racial Justice Struggles,” **Black Solidarity Summit**, University of Montana, February 16, 2020

“White Supremacy and US: History/Defeat,” **DiverseU**, University of Montana, November 7, 2019

“Racism and Anti-Racism in U.S. History,” **Montana Racial Equity Project Annual Conference**, Bozeman, MT, October 26, 2019, with Ibram X Kendi

“Climate Change and Racism,” presentation, **University of Montana**, September 23, 2019

“Anti-Racism Toolkit: An Approach to Equitable Care,” **Partnership Health Services**, Missoula, MT, June 20, 2018

“The Martin Luther King Who Haunted Me,” **U.S. Forest Service**, Fort Missoula, MT, January 18, 2018

“In the Spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,” **St. James Episcopal Church**, Dillon, MT, January 15, 2018

“Making Struggle Count: Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement for Today’s Social Justice Movement,” **University of Montana**, November 2, 2017

“Free Speech In the Era of the Alt-Right and Antifa,” **University of Montana**, November 2, 2017

“The Great White Way: A History of Racial Whiteness,” **Burros Club**, Butte, Montana, October 9, 2017

“When Monuments Fall: White Nationalism & Public Spaces,” **University of Montana**, September 13, 2017

“Academia, Research, and Free Speech in the Trump Era,” **University of Montana**, March 15, 2017

“What Would It take for Black Lives to Matter in Missoula,” **Emmaus House**, Missoula, Montana, February 28, 2017

“Ice Cubed: Understanding Racism,” **Mansfield Library Staff and Faculty**, University of Montana, November 29, 2016

“Skill Set: Equipping Ourselves to Resist Sexism,” DiverseU, **University of Montana**, November 3, 2017

“Why Black Lives Matter in Montana,” **Montana Human Rights Network**, Kalispell, MT, October 22, 2016

“An Intimate Demand: Strangeness, Respectability and Intimacy in the Works of Present Tense,” **Montana Museum of Modern Art**, October 21, 2016, panel member

“Race, Religion, and Civil Rights,” Diversity Panel, **College of Education Faculty**, University of Montana, August 25, 2016

“The Great White Way,” Administrative Staff, **College of Health Professions & Biomedical Sciences**, University of Montana, January 21, 2015

“Riot or Rebellion: Understanding the Civil Unrest of 2014-15,” Keynote lecture for DiverseU, **University of Montana**, November 3, 2015

“Race and Religion in Contemporary Society,” **Society of Friends**, Missoula, MT, October 11, 2015

“Christianity and Race,” **Emmaus House Student Ministry**, University of Montana, October 4, 2015

“Very White: Race in Montana,” **Flathead Reservation Human Rights Coalition, Inc.**, St. Ignatius, Montana, November 12, 2014

“The Sports Race,” **DiverseU**, University of Montana, November 5, 2014

“Activism and White Identity,” **Student Assault Resource Center** volunteers and staff, Missoula, Montana, April 22, 2014

“Movies and the ‘Magic Negro’: Race in Hollywood Films,” Black Student Union, **University of Montana**, February 19, 2014

“Movies and the ‘Magic Negro’: Race in Hollywood Films,” **Miles City Public Library**, Miles City, MT, January 21, 2014

“Racism Revealed,” **YWCA**, Missoula, MT, November 22, 2013

“White Privilege and Health Care,” **Curry Health Center**, University of Montana, November 19, 2013

“Ice Cubed: Understanding Racism,” **University of Montana Day of Dialogue Workshop**, November 6, 2013

“White Privilege in Advocacy Work,” SARC advocates, **University of Montana**, Tuesday, April 30, 2013

“The Great White Way: Being White in Montana,” **University of Montana Day of Dialogue Workshop**, October 25, 2012

“Marginal No More,” **Mennonite Church USA national conference**, Pittsburgh, PA, July 5, 6, 2011

“Wh***ger,” **University of Montana Day of Dialogue Workshop**, October 27, 2011

“Damascus Road: Anti-racism Training,” **Lancaster Mennonite Conference**, May 19-21, 2011

“The Magic Negro,” **University of Montana Day of Dialogue Workshop**, October 29, 2010

“Keeping Jacob on the Reservation,” **University of Montana Multicultural Alliance forum**, October 20, 2010

“Struggling for Civil Discourse in an Era of Incivility,” **University of Montana Day of Dialogue Plenary panel**, October 29, 2009

“The Sports Race,” **Day of Dialogue Workshop**, October 29, 2009

“Damascus Road Anti-Racism Process,” **Goshen College**, September 2009

“Damascus Road Anti-Racism Process,” **Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary**, May 2009

“Hip-Hop History: The Roots of an African-American Movement,” **Black Student Union, University of Montana**, March 18, 2009

“Doing Nonviolence: Leap, Twist, Spy Listen,” Public Lecture, **Missoula Society of Friends**, February 2009

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE:

2019-present, Professor, University of Montana
2013-2019, Associate Professor, University of Montana
2008-2013, Assistant Professor, University of Montana

HC 120 Introduction to Honors: Imagining the Future

AAST 141H Introduction to African-American Studies

HSTR 220 God: Past, Puzzle, Present

AAST 391 White Supremacy: History/Defeat

HSTA 343H African-American History Since 1865

HSTA 347 Voodoo, Muslim, Church: Black Religion

HSTA 415 The Black Radical Tradition

HSTA 417 Prayer and Civil Rights

HSTA 562 Problems in African-American Religious History

HSTA 595 U.S. Religious History

HSTA 595 Race, Religion, and Radicalism

2006, Instructor, **Northwestern University**, “Racing Through the Movies: Race in Twentieth-Century Film,” Freshman writing seminar.

2005, Teaching Assistant, **Northwestern University**, Introduction to the New Testament.

2005, Teaching Assistant, **Northwestern University**, Introduction to Christianity.

2004, Teaching Assistant, **Northwestern University**, Religion in the Human Experience.

2004, Teaching Assistant, **Northwestern University**, Religion in the Human Experience.

2004, Teaching Assistant, **Northwestern University**, Introduction to the New Testament.

1993-2001, **Mennonite Central Committee U.S. Racism Awareness Program Director, Akron, Pa.** Co-founded and led Damascus Road, a national anti-racism training program active among forty-five colleges, mission agencies, congregations, and church-wide conference bodies. Led more than 400 presentations in twenty-five states including sixty-three workshops of a day or more in length and hundreds of lectures, half-day workshops and classroom presentations.

TEACHING

PRESENTATIONS:

“Beyond the Trigger Warning,” Pedagogy Project Microtalk, **University of Montana**, September 13, 2017

“Cultivating Surprise: How to Draw the Best Work from Your Students,” New TA orientation, **University of Montana**, August 25, 2016

“Improving Your Syllabi,” **University of Montana Faculty Development Office**, August 28, 2017; August 25, 2016; August 27, 2015; August 21, 2014

“Inked Up: Strategies For Getting Published,” **University of Montana History Department Graduate Student workshop**, March 20, 2013

““Portfolio, Portfolio, where for art thou Portfolio?”: How to fall in love with developing a teaching portfolio for use on the job market,” **University of Montana History Department Graduate Student workshop**, October 6, 2011; February 27, 2013

“Job Talk: Getting past the jitters, wowing the crowd, and other strategies to prepare for conference interviews and on-campus visits,” **University of**

Montana History Department Graduate Student workshop, with Kyle Volk, November 17, 2011; solo, April 17, 2013

“Course Assessment,” **University of Montana History Department Graduate Student workshop**, May 5, 2011

“Teaching Methodology,” **University of Montana History Department Graduate Student workshop**, April 14, 2011

“Course Design,” **University of Montana History Department Graduate Student workshop**, March 3, 2011

“Teaching Naked vs. Digitally Adorned,” **University of Montana Pedagogy Project microtalk**, with Kathy Kuipers, October 1, 2010

“Teaching Writing through Effective Assignments & Feedback,” **Searle Center For Teaching Excellence**, Northwestern University, November 2007

“Chaotic Encounters: Using Chaos to Deepen Student Learning in the Religion Classroom,” **American Academy of Religion**, San Diego, California, November 2007

“Learning-Centered Use of Web-based Technology,” guest lecture, Teaching With Technology, **Northwestern University**, June 2007

“Religious Instruction: Graduate Students Reflect on the Pitfalls and Pleasures of Teaching Religion in a Secular University,” **Midwest American Academy of Religion**, Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois (presider and panelist), March 2007

ACADEMIC
SERVICE
UNIVERSITY OF
MONTANA:

2018-present, College of Humanities and Sciences, **Dean’s Faculty Advisory board**, member

2008-present, Coordinator and Founder, **Pedagogy Project**, a faculty-run and initiated institute to provide feedback and conversation on teaching

2017-present, **Library Committee**, member

2010-present, Executive Committee, **Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program**

2015-present, **UM Press**, editorial board

2015-2016, **Phi Kappa Phi**, oldest all-discipline honor society, UM chapter, president; past-president 2016-17

2014, College of Humanities and Sciences, **Dean's Ad-Hoc Committee on the Budget**, member

2014, **Woman Suffrage in Montana Centennial Committee**, Women and Gender Studies Program, member

2014-15, **Gen Ed committee**, member

2013-14, **Faculty Senate appointed committee on cross-listing courses**, chair

2012-15, **Faculty Professional Enhancement Program committee**, member

2012-15, **Women and Gender Studies executive committee**, member

2011, **Faculty and Staff Giving Campaign committee**, member

2011, **ECOS-appointed faculty sub-committee on cross-listing of courses**, member

2010-2013, member, **Global Leadership Initiative**, chair Fall 2012

2010, moderated three panel sessions at the **National Conference on Undergraduate Research**

2010, spring, **Writing Committee**, member

2009, **Susan Koch Library Research Scholarship Committee**, member

2008-2009, Curriculum Committee, **Group VI: Historical and Cultural Subcommittee**, member

2009-15, **Conference for Undergraduate Research**, judge

PUBLIC SERVICE: 2019-present, **MOLLI**, executive council
2013-2019, **Humanities Montana**, board of directors
2017-19, **Humanities Montana** chair

2016, **Humanities Montana** vice-chair

2016-present, **Black Religious History steering committee**, American Academy of Religion

2020-present, co-chair, **Black Religious History steering committee**, American Academy of Religion

MEMBERSHIPS IN
PROFESSIONAL
ASSOCIATIONS:

American Academy of Religion

American Historical Association