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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2020- Assistant Professor, Department of History, **Boston College**

EDUCATION

2020 Ph.D., History, **Princeton University**

Dissertation: "Schooling Suburbia: The Politics of School Finance in Postwar Long Island"

* *John Reys Prize for Best Dissertation, Society for American City and Regional Planning History*

Graduate Certificate, Department of African American Studies, **Princeton University**

2017 M.A., History, **Princeton University**, General Exams passed with distinction

2015 M.A., History, **Hunter College**

2010 M.S., Education, **City College of the City University of New York**

2008 B.A., Sociology, **University of Chicago**, awarded with Departmental Honors

PUBLICATIONS

Book Manuscript

Cracked Foundations: Debt and Inequality in Suburban America (under contract with University of Pennsylvania Press, Politics and Culture in Modern America series)

Works in Progress

"Mortgaging Out: FHA Credit Policy, Segregated Rental Housing, and the Remaking of Metropolitan America," journal article under review, co-authored with Brent Cebul.

"[Building Inequality: Redlining and FHA Rental Housing](#)," digital mapping project, with Brent Cebul and University of Pennsylvania Price Lab.

"Hidden Apartments: Informal Housing in Metropolitan New York," invited book chapter under review, for edited collection on post-1960s New York City, eds. Kim Phillips-Fein, Johanna Fernandez, and Mason B. Williams.

Journal Articles

2021 "[The Frail Bonds of Liberalism: Pensions, Schools, and the Unraveling of Fiscal Mutualism in Postwar New York](#)," *Capitalism: A Journal of History and Economics* 2, no. 2 (Summer 2021): 427-472, co-authored with Sean H. Vanatta.

2018 "[From Sword to Shield to Myth: Facing the Facts of De Facto School Segregation](#)," *Journal of Urban History* 44, no. 6 (November 2018): 1197-1226.

Public History

- 2017 [“Princeton’s Founding Trustees”](#) and [“Slavery and the 1820 Trustees,”](#)
Princeton & Slavery Project, November.

Reviews

- 2021 [Review](#) of John L. Rury, *Creating the Suburban School Advantage: Race, Localism, and Inequality in an American Metropolis*, in *History of Education Quarterly* 61, no. 1 (2021): 112-115.
- 2019 [Review](#) of Nicholas Dagen Bloom, *How States Shaped Postwar America: State Government and Urban Power*, in *Gotham Center for NYC History Blog*, November 12.
- 2019 [Review](#) of Kim Phillips-Fein, *Fear City: New York City’s Fiscal Crisis and the Rise of Austerity Politics*, in *The Metropole Blog*, May 15, with [response](#) from author.
- 2016 [Review](#) of Elizabeth Hinton, *From the War on Poverty to the War on Crime: The Making of Mass Incarceration in America*, in *Gotham Center for NYC History Blog*, September 8.

Essays

- 2020 [“The next covid-19 victim? Public pension funds,”](#) *Washington Post*, April 17, co-authored with Sean H. Vanatta.
- 2016 [“‘A Series of Blunders and Broken Promises’: IS 201 as a Turning Point,”](#)
Gotham Center for NYC History Blog, August 1, 2016.

AWARDS, GRANTS, & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 Co-winner, [John Reps Prize](#) for Best Dissertation
Society for American City and Regional Planning History
- 2019 Graduate Student Paper Prize
Society for American City and Regional Planning History
- 2019-2020 National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship
- 2018-2019 Woodrow Wilson Scholars Fellowship
Princeton School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University
- 2018 Larry J. Hackman Research Residency Grant
New York State Archives
- 2015 Paula Kaplowitz Enns Memorial Scholarship
Hunter College
- 2008-2010 New York City Teaching Fellow
New York City Department of Education

INVITED TALKS & GUEST LECTURES

- 2021 Guest Lecture, “Informal Housing in Suburban America,”
This Land is Your Land: US Environmental History, Boston College, November 19
- 2021 Invited Talk (virtual), “Redlining and Its Legacies,”
AP US History, Townsend Harris High School, New York City, April 15
- 2021 Invited Talk (virtual), “The Bonded Schoolhouse: Debt and Educational Inequality,”
West Chester University, Transformative Education Speaker Series, March 9
- 2021 Guest Lecture (virtual), “Redlining and Its Legacies,”
Consumer Culture’s Past and the Future of the Planet, Boston College, February 23
- 2020 Guest Lecture (virtual), “Redlining and Its Legacies,”
This Land is Your Land: US Environmental History, Boston College, November 13
- 2019 Guest Lecture, “Suburban Dreams Deferred: Housing, Schooling, and Inequality,”
Unrest and Renewal in Urban America, Princeton University, December 10
- 2019 Fellowship Talk, “Borrowing to Build: The Politics of School Bonds in Levittown,”
Woodrow Wilson Scholars Fellowship, May 8
- 2017 Guest Lecture, “Vietnam: America in the War and the War in America,”
The United States, 1920-1974, Princeton University, November 30

SELECTED CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

- 2024 Discussant, “Roundtable: Space, Place, and the History of Capitalism,”
Business History Conference, Providence, RI, March 14-16
- 2023 Speaker, “Not Now: Modernism, Nativism, and Fascism in American Art and Culture,”
McMullen Museum, Boston College, November 3
- 2023 Discussant, “Roundtable: New Histories of School Finance,”
History of Education Society Conference (virtual), Atlanta, GA, November 3
- 2023 Discussant, “Roundtable: Cities and the History of Capitalism,”
Urban History Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, October 28
- 2023 Comment, Madeline Webster, “Recontextualization of the Washington Park Urban
Renewal Program,” Massachusetts Historical Society, March 23
- 2022 Panelist, “Environmental Racism Panel,” hosted by the Schiller Institute and UBGC
Environment and Sustainability Branch, Boston College, November 29
- 2022 Commentator for panel, “Thinking in Metropolitan Terms about Planning,”
SACRPH, National Conference on Planning History, New York, NY, October 20
- 2022 “Mortgaging Out: FHA Credit Policy and the Remaking of Metropolitan America,”
Economic History Forum, University of Pennsylvania, September 30

- 2022 Discussant, “Roundtable: New Histories of Affordable Housing,”
American Political History Conference, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, June 11
- 2022 “A Decent Home: The 1950s Suburban Boom on Long Island,” Massachusetts Historical
Society, Modern American Culture and Society Seminar, April 26
- 2022 “Bailout Bonds: The Fiscal Crisis in Roosevelt, New York,”
Organization of American Historians Conference, Boston, MA, April 1
- 2021 Discussant, “Informal Housing in Suburban America: A Roundtable Discussion,”
Urban History Association Conference (virtual), October 23
- 2021 “Government Without Representation: The Incorporation Divide on Long Island,”
Urban History Association Conference, Detroit, MI, October 21-24
**Canceled due to COVID-19*
- 2021 Discussant, “The Education Trap: Schools and the Remaking of Inequality in Boston,”
Massachusetts Historical Society (virtual), June 14
- 2020 “Borrowing to Build: The Politics of School Construction in Postwar Suburbia,”
History of Education Society Annual Conference (virtual), November 5
- 2020 Panelist, “Civil Rights and (In)Justice: Where We’ve Been, Where We Are, and Where
We’re Going,” BC Bellarmine Society and Pre-Law Association (virtual), June 25
- 2020 “Borrowing to Build: The School Bond Crisis in Suburban New York,”
Organization of American Historians Conference, Washington, DC, April 4
**Canceled due to COVID-19*
- 2020 Panelist, “Getting Your Work Out There: Tips on Publishing an Article,”
Graduate Affairs Workshop, Department of African American Studies,
Princeton University, February 18
- 2019 “The Frail Bonds of Liberalism: Pensions, Schools, and the Unraveling of
Fiscal Mutualism in Midcentury New York,” Economic History Seminar,
Columbia University, December 5
- 2019 “Stopping Robin Hood: The Opponents of School Finance Reform,”
Society for U.S. Intellectual History Conference, New York, NY, November 10
- 2019 “Suburban Slumlords: Racial Capitalism and Informal Housing in Roosevelt”
SACRPH National Conference on Planning History, Arlington, VA, November 2
- 2019 Comment, Destin Jenkins, “Pilfering and Sheltering: Making the South Safe for Racial
Capitalism,” Modern America Workshop, Princeton University, March 26
- 2018 “Mortgaging the District: The Politics of School Bonds in Levittown, New York,”
Urban History Association Conference, Columbia, SC, October 19
- 2018 “Industry Pays Its Way: Industrial Property, School Taxes, and Uneven Development,”
Modern America Workshop, Princeton University, October 1

- 2018 Participant, History of Capitalism Summer Camp
Cornell University, July 9-20
- 2018 “Bailout Bonds: The Fiscal Crisis in Roosevelt, New York, 1974-1975,”
part of panel, “Whose City? Histories of Urban Governance and Democratic
Participation in the U.S. After 1968,” Princeton University, March 26
- 2018 Comment, Walter Johnson, “The Rise and Demise of the Most Radical
City in the United States: A History of the Civil War in St. Louis,”
Modern America Workshop, Princeton University, February 8
- 2016 Comment, Heather Ann Thompson, “Uncovering a Past that was Meant
to Remain Hidden: The Perils and Possibilities of Writing Recent History,”
Modern America Workshop, Princeton University, October 27
- 2016 “From Sword to Shield to Myth: Facing the Facts of De Facto School Segregation,”
Urban History Association Conference, Chicago, October 15

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 2020 Interview, “[Glass Teaches History Through a Real-World Lens](#),” *The Heights*, Nov. 15
- 2019 Interview, “[Member of the Week: Michael Glass](#),” *The Metropole Blog*, Jan. 29

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Boston College

Undergraduate Courses

- HIST 1844 American Capitalism and Its Critics (core)
HIST 2441 U.S. Political History since 1968 (survey)
HIST 2824 Metropolitan America: Cities and Suburbs in the Twentieth Century (survey)
HIST 3481 The Segregated Metropolis (research methods)
HIST 4440 Housing America (seminar)
HIST 4*** America in the 1990s (seminar)
HIST 5467 Freedom in U.S. History (senior colloquium)

Graduate Courses

- HIST 7802 U.S. History since 1877
HIST 7799 Race and Inequality in Modern America

M.A. Examination Committee

- 2022 Austin Crann, “U.S. History since 1877” (major field)
2022 Matthew Kern, “Metropolitan America” (minor field)

Undergraduate Honors Theses Directed

- 2022 Emily Browder, “Commuter is King: Urban Development in Post-World War II Chicago”
2022 Anna Calabro, “The Worst Governed City: Machine-Era Public Works in Philadelphia”
2022 Oliver Dilger, “Americans on the Playground: Seesaws and Civics, 1885-1930” (second reader)

Princeton University

2017 Assistant in Instruction, “The United States, 1920-1974,” Prof. Kevin M. Kruse

South Woods State Prison (Bridgeton, NJ)

2016 Adjunct Instructor, “U.S. History, 1877-Present,” Raritan Valley Community College (Princeton University’s Prison Teaching Initiative)

New York City Department of Education

2011-2015 10th Grade United States History and Global History, Bronx Lab School

2009-2011 9th-10th Grade United States History, Bronx Guild High School

2008-2009 7th Grade Special Education, M.S. 337X, The School for Inquiry and Social Justice

PROFESSIONAL & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Manuscript Reviewer

History of Education Quarterly, Journal of Educational Administration and History, Journal of Policy History

Boston College

2023- Director of the Undergraduate Honors Program

2023 History Department Self-Study Committee

2022 Reader, McCarthy Prize for Scholar of the College Senior Thesis

2021-2024 History Department Lecture Committee

2021-2022 Search Committee, African American History

To the Profession

2023 Board of Directors Nominating Committee, Urban History Association

2023 John Reys Prize Committee, Society for American City and Regional Planning History

2019-2021 Associate Editor, *Gotham Center for New York City History Blog*

2017-2020 Member, History of Education Writing Group (New York, NY)

Princeton University

2019-2020 Junior Paper Writing Coach, Department of African American Studies

2017-2018 Co-organizer, Modern America Workshop, Department of History

2017-2018 Co-organizer, “Land, Property, and Power in the Modern Metropolis”
Part of *Princeton-Mellon Initiative in Architecture, Urbanism, and the Humanities*

Research Experience

2017-2018 Research Assistant for Professor Tera Hunter, Princeton University

2015-2017 Researcher and Writer, Princeton & Slavery Project

Bronx Lab School

2013-2015 Boys Varsity Soccer Coach, Evander Childs High School Campus

2014-2015 Chapter Delegate, United Federation of Teachers

AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Society for American City and Regional Planning History

Urban History Association

REFERENCES

Kevin M. Kruse, Princeton University (Dissertation Chair)
Professor of History
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