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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History - University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, **August 1999**.
M.A. History - Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, **August 1985**.
B.A. History - Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida, **April 1984**.

EMPLOYMENT

University of Utah, American West Center, 1988-1989, 1994-2002, 2010-present.

- Director** (2012-present).
- Faculty Affiliate** (2010-2012).
- Director of Historical Research** (1999-2002).
- Historian** (1988-1989, 1994-1999).

University of Utah, Department of History, 1987-2000, 2010-Present.

- Associate Professor** (2010-Present).
- Adjunct Assistant Professor** (2000).
- Adjunct Instructor** (1995-1999).

Colorado State University, Department of History, 2002-2010.

- Associate Professor** (July 2008-2010).
- Assistant Professor** (2002-2008)

University of Minnesota, Departments of History and American Indian Studies, 2000-2001.

- Visiting Assistant Professor**.

Salt Lake Community College, History Program, 1994-1995.

- Instructor**.

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

An Environmental History of Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument. This book length manuscript is under consideration at the University of Oklahoma Press.

Ethnohistorical and Oral History Study of Navajo-Mormon Contacts and Conflicts Around Pipe Spring, Arizona from the 1850s to the 1870s. This project, contracted by the National Park Service, will document Navajo Mormon relations at Pipe Spring and surrounding areas utilizing oral history interviews with Navajo people.

Study of the Prehistoric and Historic Inscriptions Within Pipe Spring National Monument. This project, contracted by the National Park Service, will document over one hundred and fifty inscriptions found on the structures and natural features within the park, with a goal of tying them to people, events, and themes in the area's history.

An Administrative History of Zion National Park. This project, contracted by the National Park Service will produce a comprehensive administrative history of Utah's most visited National Park.

The Western History Association Oral History Project. I am the founder and director of this ongoing and multi-year project. It is a joint effort of the American West Center, the University of Utah Marriott Library, and the Western History Association. The project is recording the history of the organization from the perspectives of its founders and successive generations of members.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Ghost Dances and Identity: Prophetic Religion and American Indian Ethnogenesis in the Nineteenth Century, Berkeley: University of California Press, 2006.

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles and Chapters:

"Reimagining 'Wild Life' on the Northern Plains: Lessons from the Little Bighorn," in Leslie Miller and Louise Excell, eds., *Reimagining Western Landscapes*. Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press, forthcoming.

"The Great Basin," in Frederick Hoxie, ed., *Oxford Handbook of American Indian History*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2016, pp. 377-94.

"The Native West Before 1700," in Gordon Bakken ed., *The World of the American West*. New York: Routledge, 2011, pp. 50-81.

"Beyond the Academy: Making the New Western History Matter in Local Communities." *The Public Historian* 31 (November 2009): 85-89.

"The Newe (the People) and the Utah Superintendency," In: Dale L. Morgan, *Shoshonean Peoples and the Overland Trail: Frontiers of the Utah Superintendency of Indian Affairs, 1849-1869*, Richard L. Saunders, ed., Logan: Utah State University Press, 2007, pp. 33-55.

"Fort Hall and the Ghost Dance Movements." *Idaho Yesterdays* 47 (Fall/Winter 2006): 6-27, 72-73.

“Broken Promise: The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Unresolved Claim to the Great Camas Prairie,” *Idaho Issues Online* (Fall 2004):
http://www.boisestate.edu/history/idaho/issuesonline/fall2004_issues/1f_broken.html

“The Mormons and the Ghost Dance of 1890,” *South Dakota History* 16 (Fall 1986): 269-294.

Other Journal Articles:

“Identity, Sovereignty, and Idaho’s Native Peoples: The Shoshone-Bannock and Coeur d’Alene Experiences,” co-author Laura Woodworth-Ney, *The Blue Review* 4 (February 2014):
<http://thebluereview.org/identity-sovereignty-idahos-native-peoples/>

“The American West Center, University of Utah,” co-authors Leighton Quarles, Cassandra Clark, and Floyd A. O’Neil. *Journal of the West* 52 (Fall 2013): 91-94.

“Public Historians and the WHA: An Introduction,” *Western History Association Newsletter* (Fall 2012): 2-3.

“The Working Group on Evaluating Public History Scholarship,” published simultaneously in the *OAH Newsletter*, *NCPH Public History News*, and *AHA Perspectives*, September 2008.

Community Engaged Publications:

“Utah’s Journey Stories.” An Essay to Accompany the Utah Tour of the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Exhibition, *Journey Stories*. Salt Lake City: Utah Humanities Council, 2014.

Professional Reports:

Co-Author, “Tenure, Promotion, and the Publicly Engaged Academic Historian,” by the Working Group on Evaluating Public History Scholarship (Joint Committee of the American Historical Association, National Council on Public History, and the Organization of American Historians), 2010.

Encyclopedia Articles:

“Fort Bridger Treaty (1868),” *Treaties with American Indians: An Encyclopedia of Rights, Conflicts, and Sovereignty* ABC-Clio, 2008.

“Ghost Dance Religion,” *Encyclopedia of American Indian History* Vol. II, ABC-Clio, 2007, pp. 396-98.

“Wovoka (aka Jack Wilson), 1858(?)–1932,” *Encyclopedia of American Indian History* Vol. III, ABC-Clio, 2007, pp. 864-65.

Book Reviews:

The Size of the Risk: Histories of Multiple Use in the Great Basin, by Leisl Carr Childers. In *Western Historical Quarterly* 47 (Winter 2016): 505-06.

The Shoshoneans: The People of the Basin-Plateau, Expanded Edition, by Edward Dorn. In *Tribal College: Journal of American Indian Higher Education* 26 (Summer 2015): 49.

Exhibiting Patriotism: Creating and Contesting Interpretations of American Historic Sites, by Teresa Bergman. In *Western Historical Quarterly* 45 (Winter 2014): 473-74.

Clearing the Plains: Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life, by James Daschuk. In *Ethnohistory* 61 (Summer 2014): 582-83.

The Northern Cheyenne Exodus in History and Memory, by James N. Leiker and Ramon Powers. In *American Historical Review* (December 2012): 1597-98.

The Gods of Prophetstown: The Battle of Tippecanoe and the Holy War for the American Frontier, by Adam Jortner. In *The Journal of American History* 79 (December 2012): 899-900.

We Are an Indian Nation: A History of the Hualapai People, by Jeffrey P. Shepherd. In *Montana: The Magazine of Western History* (Autumn 2011): 74-75.

Review essay of *The Lakota Ghost Dance of 1890*, by Rani Henrik-Andersson, and *At Standing Rock and Wounded Knee: The Journals and Papers of Father Francis M. Craft*, edited by Thomas W. Foley. In *Ethnohistory* 57 (Spring 2010): 325-27.

Violence over the Land: Indians and Empires in the Early American West, by Ned Blackhawk. In *Western Historical Quarterly* 39 (Summer 2008): 209-10.

The Ghost Dance: Ethohistory and Revitalization, 2nd ed., by Alice Beck Kehoe. In *Plains Anthropologist* 52 (2007), 252-54.

A Danish Photographer of Idaho Indians: Benedicte Wrentsted, by Joanna Cohan Scherer. In *Journal of the West* 46 (Summer 2007): 78-79.

Hostiles?: The Lakota Ghost Dance and Buffalo Bill's Wild West, by Sam A. Maddra. In *Western Historical Quarterly* 38 (Autumn 2007): 187.

Preserving Western History, Andrew Gulliford, ed. In *New Mexico Historical Review* 81 (Fall 2006): 455-56.

Pedro Pino: Governor of Zuni Pueblo, 1830-1878, by E. Richard Hart. In *Western Historical Quarterly* 36 (Autumn 2005): 383-84.

The Buffalo Soldier Tragedy of 1877, by Paul H. Carlson. In *Military History of the West* 34(2004): 96-97.

Contested Empire: Peter Skene Ogden and the Snake River Expeditions, by John Phillip Reid. In *the Pacific Northwest Quarterly* (Spring 2004): 92.

Promised Lands: Promotion, Memory and the Creation of the American West, by David M. Wrobel. In *Nebraska History* (Winter 2003): 220.

Uncertain Encounters: Indians and Whites at Peace and War in Southern Oregon, 1820s-1860s, by Nathan Douthit. In *the Oregon Historical Quarterly* (Winter 2003): 602-04.

The Ecological Indian: Myth and History, by Sheppard Krech III. In *Nevada Historical Society Quarterly* (Fall 2003): 226-27.

Sagwitch: Shoshone Chieftain, Mormon Elder, 1822-1887, by Scott R. Christensen. In *The Journal of American History* (September 2002): 625-26.

Indian Reservations in the United States, by Klaus Frantz. In *Western Historical Quarterly* 31 (Autumn 2000): 380-81.

Review essay of *The Dream Seekers: Native American Visionary Traditions of the Great Plains*, by Lee Irwin; and *The Mythology of Native North America*, by David Leeming and Jake Page. In *The American Indian Quarterly* 22 (Fall 1998): 512-15.

Indian Self Rule: First-Hand Accounts of Indian-White Relations from Roosevelt to Reagan, edited by Kenneth R. Philp. In *Utah Historical Quarterly* 55 (Winter 1987): 95-96.

The Indians of Texas: An Annotated Research Bibliography, by Michael L. Tate. In *South Dakota History* 16 (Winter 1986): 400-401.

Phil Sheridan and His Army, by Paul Andrew Hutton. In *South Dakota History* 15 (Winter 1985): 344-345.

RESEARCH REPORTS (“GRAY LITERATURE”)

-Sole Author

“An Environmental History of Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument,” for the National Park Service, RM-CESU Cooperative Agreement Number H-1200090004, 357 pp., December 2015.

“Water and Big Sandy Rancheria: A History,” American West Center for Big Sandy Rancheria of Western Mono Indians, 111 pp., September 2015.

“Riparian Resources and the Fort Hall Indian Reservation,” for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 70 pp., July 2006

“Statehood and Indian Treaties: An Historical Review of Territorial and Statehood Legislation,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 115 pp., August 2000.

“Shoshone-Bannock Hunting: A Narrative History of Practices and Places,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 119 pp., February 1999.

“The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and the Fort Bridger Treaty: Their Off-Reservation Rights,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 191 pp., April 1997.

“The Fort Hall Irrigation Project, 1906-1990,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 82 pp., April 1995.

-Co-author

With Eric Hinderaker, Janel Cope, and Timothy Glenn, Cleve Davis, and John Alexander, “Historical Hunting, Fishing, and Gathering Activities of Shoshone-Bannock Peoples in Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 2 Vols., 785 pp., August 2011.

With Patricia C. Albers, “The Rivers and Fisheries of the Shoshone-Bannock Peoples: An Executive Summary,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 56 pp., September 2002.

With Patricia C. Albers and Jennifer A. Lowry, “The Rivers and Fisheries of the Shoshone-Bannock Peoples,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 493 pp., June 1998.

With Floyd A. O’Neil and Allison W. Freedman, “The Land Use Practices and Patterns of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, 1804-1870,” American West Center for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, 62 pp., September 1995.

With Janet Ellingson, “A History of the Relationship between the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and Mesa Verde National Park,” American West Center for the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, 89 pp., September 1989.

GRANTS / FUNDED RESEARCH

Externally-Funded Projects as PI:

- 2016-2018 “Conduct Research to Explore Meanings and Background Information Related to Prehistoric and Historic Inscriptions Within Pipe Spring National Monument,” American West Center for Pipe Spring National Monument, National Park Service/Colorado Plateau CESU, \$29,821.05.
- 2015-2018 “Administrative History of Zion National Park,” American West Center for Zion National Park, National Park Service/Colorado Plateau CESU, \$132,186.27.
- 2015-2016 “Dixie National Forest Grazing and Water Rights History,” American West Center for the Intermountain Region, United States Forest Service, \$22,656.
- 2014-2016 “Conduct Ethnohistorical Study and Interviews Regarding Navajo-Mormon Contacts and Conflicts of the 1850’s Through 1870’s,” American West Center for Pipe Spring National Monument, National Park Service/Colorado Plateau CESU, \$79, 837.
- 2014-2015 “Water Rights Study for Big Sandy Rancheria,” American West Center for Big Sandy Rancheria of Western Mono Indians, \$37,608.
- 2014-2015 “Fishlake National Forest Grazing and Water Rights History,” American West Center for the Intermountain Region, United States Forest Service, \$22,656.
- 2013-2014 “Manti-LaSal National Forest Grazing and Water Rights History,” American West Center for the Intermountain Region, United States Forest Service, \$22,000.
- 2013-2014 “An Oral History of the Great Salt Lake,” American West Center, Utah Humanities Council Oral History Grant. \$2,000.
- 2013 “Phase V: Utah American Indian Digital Archive,” American West Center for the Utah Department of Heritage and Arts, \$10,000.
- 2011-2012 “Cultural Impact Statement for the China Mountain Wind Energy Project,” American West Center for the URS Corporation, \$35,000.
- 2010-2015 “An Environmental History of Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument,” Public Lands History Center for the National Park Service/Rocky Mountain CESU, \$50,000.
- 2007 “Cultural Resource Assessment of Andrew Johnson National Historic Site, TN; Fort Donelson National Battlefield, TN; Pea Ridge National Military Park, AK; and Wilson's Creek National Battlefield, MO,” National Parks Conservation Association, Center for the State of the Parks, \$23,771.

2006 “Cultural Resource Assessment of Cabrillo National Monument, Channel Islands National Park, Redwood National and State Parks, and San Juan Island National Park,” National Parks Conservation Association, Center for the State of the Parks, \$17,500.

Externally-Funded Projects as Co-PI:

2009-2011 “Historical Study of Shoshone-Bannock Land Use and Resource Practices Outside of the State of Idaho,” American West Center for The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho.

2008-2010 “Historic Trail Archival Research and National Register Nomination Form Amendment, Zion National Park,” Center for Public History and Archaeology for the National Park Service/Colorado Plateau CESU, \$35,000.

Internally-Funded Projects as Co-PI:

2007 “Center for Public History and Archaeology,” AEP Integrated Research Project Proposal, Colorado State University, College of Liberal Arts, \$63,000.

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS / INVITED LECTURES / MEETINGS

“Regional Studies Centers at the Crossroads of the Global and the Local,” Roundtable Organizer and Panelist, National Humanities Conference, Salt Lake City, 12 November 2016.

“Serving Their Country: The Legacy of Native American Military Service in the United States,” Roundtable Organizer and Moderator, University of Utah Veterans Day Commemoration, Salt Lake City, 11 November 2016.

“The Role, Relevance and Future of Regional Studies and Regional Studies Centers in a Global Environment,” Roundtable Panelist, Western History Association Annual Meeting, St. Paul, Minnesota, 22 October 2016.

“A Century and Beyond: Putting History to Work in the National Parks,” Roundtable Moderator, Western History Association Annual Meeting, St. Paul, Minnesota, 22 October 2016.

“Historical Perspectives on the Public Lands Debate in the American West,” Plenary Organizer and Moderator, Utah State History Conference, West Valley City, 30 September 2016.

“What is the Role of History in Public Land and Water Policy Debates?” Seminar Co-Organizer and Participant, Utah State History Conference, Salt Lake City, 29 September 2016.

“The Treaty History of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes,” The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes 2016 Treaty Rights Seminar, Fort Hall, Idaho, 24 August 2016.

- “Water and the Unsustainable Landscape,” Roundtable Moderator and Participant, Creating Greater Salt Lake: History, Landscape, Urban Design, Utah Division of State History Symposium, Salt Lake City, 13 May 2016.
- “The Student Voice: The Path to Success in Higher Education,” Panel Moderator, American Indian Resource Center Utah Tribal Leaders Education Summit, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, 12 April 2016.
- “Putting Theory into Practice: Making Your Case for Tenure and Promotion,” Workshop Organizer and Presenter, National Council on Public History annual meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, 16 March 2016.
- “More than a Killing Field: Native Subsistence and Land Use Practices in the Little Bighorn Valley,” Annual Conference of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Las Vegas, Nevada, 5 November 2015.
- “‘Our Inland Sea’: Great Salt Lake and Utah’s Sense of Place,” Western History Association Conference, Portland, Oregon, 24 October 2015.
- “Rediscovering Utah’s Native Voices through the Utah American Indian Digital Archive,” Utah State History Conference, West Valley City, 2 October 2015.
- “Pulling Back the Curtain:’ How Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument Inhabits the Present,” National Council on Public History annual meeting, Nashville, Tennessee, 18 April 2015.
- “Student Success at the University of Utah,” Panel Moderator, American Indian Resource Center Utah Tribal Leaders Education Summit, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, 10 April 2015.
- “Quenching the Thirst: Water, Development, and Public History in the Urban West,” Panel Organizer and Participant, Western History Association Conference, Newport Beach, California, 16 October 2014.
- “Living on the Shores of an Inland Sea: Oral History and Great Salt Lake,” Utah State History Conference, Salt Lake City, 26 September 2014.
- “Reimagining Wild Life in the Northern Plains: Lessons from the Little Bighorn,” Reimagine Western Landscapes Symposium, Taft-Nicholson Environmental Humanities Education Center, Lakeview, Montana, 23 August 2014.
- “The Nature of Custer’s Last Stand: How the Environment Shaped the Battle of the Little Bighorn,” Utah Westerners, Salt Lake City, 15 July 2014.

- “Saline Stories: An Oral History of Great Salt Lake,” Friends of Great Salt Lake Issues Forum, Salt Lake City, Utah, 7 May 2014.
- “Do We Take a Stand?: Public Historians and the Debates that Define Today’s West – Historians and Wildland Fire in the American West,” Panel Organizer and Participant, Western History Association Conference, Tucson, Arizona, 12 October 2013.
- “Custer’s Last Stand . . . of Big Sagebrush: Environmental History and the Visitor Experience at Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument,” Western History Association Conference, Tucson, Arizona, 11 October 2013.
- “Remembering the Bear River Massacre,” Lecture commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Massacre, American Indian Resource Center, University of Utah, 29 January 2013.
- “Native Americans and the Rural West,” Session Moderator and Commentator, “The Rural West: Toward a Regional Approach to Common Issues,” Sponsored by the Rural West Initiative of Stanford University’s Bill Lane Center for the American West, Ogden, Utah, 14 October 2012.
- “Making Meaning Out of Place in the Twentieth Century,” Session Commentator, Western History Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, 6 October 2012.
- “The Past, Present, and Future of Public History in the Western History Association,” Roundtable Organizer and Panelist, Western History Association Annual Meeting, Oakland, California, 14 October 2011.
- “Public History, Native Americans, and Contested Narratives, Scholarship,” Session Chair and Commentator, National Council on Public History annual meeting, Pensacola, Florida, 7 April 2011.
- “Native History and Public History,” Presentation to the Indian Scholars Luncheon, Western History Association Conference, Denver, Colorado, 10 October 2009.
- “Technologies, Communication, and Representation in the Making of the Modern West,” Session Commentator, Western History Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, 8 October 2009.
- “Ghost Dances and Identity.” Invited Lecture, Utah Museum of Fine Arts as part of the Splendid Heritage Lecture Series, Salt Lake City, Utah, 16 September 2009.
- “Thinking Beyond Wounded Knee: The American Indian Ghost Dances as Expressions of Identity and Survival,” Invited Lecture, Estes Park Museum, Estes Park, Colorado, 19 April 2008.

- “Evaluating Public History Scholarship: A Progress Report from the Joint Committee,” Roundtable Panelist, National Council on Public History annual meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, 12 April 2008.
- “The Civilian Conservation Corps and Texas State Parks: Controversy, Conflict, and Complexities,” Session Chair and Moderator, National Council on Public History annual meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, 11 April 2008.
- “Tenure and the Public Historian,” Roundtable Panelist, Organization of American Historians annual meeting, New York City, 29 March 2008.
- “Thinking Beyond Wounded Knee: The American Indian Ghost Dances as Expressions of Identity and Survival,” Invited Lecture, Utah Westerners, Salt Lake City, Utah, 18 December 2007.
- “Thinking Beyond Wounded Knee: The American Indian Ghost Dances as Expressions of Identity and Survival,” Invited Lecture, *Colorado: A Closer Look, 2007-2008 Lecture Series*, Colorado Historical Society, Denver, Colorado, 20 November 2007.
- “Red Power” as part of “The Power Movements: Interracial, International, and Anti-Imperial,” presented with Dr. May Fu and Dr. Frederick Knight, Meyer Nathan Lecture, Phi Alpha Theta and CSU History Club, Fort Collins, Colorado, 25 October 2007.
- “History and the National Parks: The Role of Historians at the Land Grant University,” presented with Dr. Mark Fiege, Interactions of Society and the Environment Seminar Series, Colorado State University, Department of Journalism and Technical Communication, USGS Fort Collins Science Center, 18 October 2007.
- “Time, Space, and American Indian Identity,” Chair of session at Western History Association Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, October 2006.
- “The 1868 Fort Bridger Treaty: An Overview of the Historical Treaty Record,” Presentation to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes 2005 Treaty Rights Seminar, Pocatello, Idaho, 27 April 2005.
- “The Ghost Dances as an Expression of American Indian Identity,” Fort Collins Historical Society, 1 March 2005.
- “At the Crossroads of Religion and Identity: Fort Hall and the Ghost Dance Movements,” 1st Annual *Idaho Yesterdays* Lecture, Idaho State University, Pocatello, Idaho, 28 October 2004.
- “The Treaty History of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes,” Presentation to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes 2004 Treaty Rights Seminar, Pocatello, Idaho, 14 April 2004.

- “Federal Indian Policy and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes,” Presentation to the Business Council, Water Commission and employees of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho, 14 January 2004.
- “‘Chief Joseph Slept Here!’ The Selective Use and Exclusion of American Indian History to Promote Tourism in Yellowstone,” Western History Association Conference, Fort Worth, Texas, 9 October 2003.
- “American Indian Peoples and the Environment,” ASSET Empowerment Training Program for Tribal Leaders, Utah Division of Indian Affairs, Salt Lake City, Utah, 3 November 2001.
- “‘Dissertate, Damn You!’ Suffering Graduate Students under Floyd A. O’Neil,” Western History Association Conference, San Diego, California, 6 October 2001.
- “Taking Charge of Your Tribe’s History: The Collection and Uses of Tribal Archives,” The Northeastern Nevada Convocation of the Tribal Library Leadership Project, Great Basin College, Elko, Nevada, 29 September 2001.
- “Treaty Rights and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes,” Presentation to the Water Commission of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho, 13 July 2001.
- “‘The Voice from the West’: An Historical Reassessment of the Eastward Spread and Importance of the 1870 Ghost Dance,” Native American Studies Conference, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, 13 April 2000.
- “Ghost Dances and Ethnogenesis: Prophetic Religion and Bannock Ethnic Identity,” American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, Mashantucket, Connecticut, 23 October 1999.
- “‘Race Horse is Alive and Well’: The Equal Footing Doctrine and the Attack on Off-Reservation Treaty Rights,” Western History Association Conference, Portland, Oregon, 9 October 1999.
- “Ethnogenesis, Race, and Resistance: The Ghost Dance Movements at Fort Hall, Idaho,” D’Arcy McNickle Center for American Indian History, Newberry Library, Chicago, Illinois, 23 June 1999.
- “The Dawes Act and Executive Order Reservations,” Panel discussant with E. Richard Hart, Alvin Josephy, Jr., and Vine Deloria, Jr., Native American Studies Conference, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, 27 February 1998.
- “Band Chiefs and Head Chiefs: The Limits of Shoshonean Political Power,” Native American Studies Conference, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, 28 February 1998; Western History Association Conference, St. Paul, Minnesota, 18 October 1997.

“The Ghost Dance Movements at the Fort Hall Reservation: Social Change, Ethnic Identity, and Revitalization,” Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, 6 April 1991.

“The Mormons and the Ghost Dance of 1890,” Mormon History Association, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 1986; Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 1986.

CONFERENCE/SYMPOSIA ORGANIZED

“Western Lands, Western Voices: The American West Center at 50,” University of Utah, Salt Lake City, September 19-21, 2014. In celebration of the American West Center’s fiftieth anniversary, this conference explored the past, present, and future of publicly engaged scholarship in the humanities and social sciences. Eighty-five presenters representing over fifty universities, historical societies, museums, non-profits, and Native Nations took part. Total funds raised - \$46,200.

MEDIA COVERAGE

“The Southwest’s Stamp on 100 Years of the National Park Service, Part 4: Pipe Spring National Monument,” KNAU (Flagstaff, AZ) “Earth Notes,” first aired 22 June 2016.
<http://knau.org/post/earth-notes-southwest-s-stamp-100-years-national-park-service-part-4#stream/0>

“The Indian Claims Commission and the Western Shoshone Land Claim,” C-SPAN Lectures in American History, taped 7 April 2015, first aired 3 October 2015.
<http://www.c-span.org/video/?325045-1/lecture-indian-claims-commission>

“Utah’s transcontinental railroad end point questioned by some in Strasburg, Colorado,” KSL-TV, first aired 8 May 2015. <http://www.ksl.com/?sid=34570120&nid=148>

“Great Salt Lake,” C-SPAN Cities Tour, 8 June 2014.
[http://www.c-span.org/search/?searchtype=Videos&personid\[\]=75136&bioid\[\]=684527](http://www.c-span.org/search/?searchtype=Videos&personid[]=75136&bioid[]=684527)

“History Project Records Views of Great Salt Lake From Art to Industry,” *Salt Lake Tribune*, 19 May 2014. <http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/entertainment2/57947530-223/lake-salt-history-smoak.html.csp>

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

Outstanding Contribution to State History (American West Center) Utah Division of State History, 2014.

Fellow, Summer Seminar in Military History, USMA, West Point, New York, 2003.
Best Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Utah, Department of History, 1999-2000.
Steffensen Cannon Scholarship, University of Utah, 1992-1994.
Graduate Student Fellow, Smithsonian Institution, Washington DC, 1992.
Eccles Graduate Student Fellowship, University of Utah, Humanities Center, 1991-1992.
Outstanding Advanced Doctoral Student, University of Utah, Department of History, 1990-1991, 1991-1992.
Phillips Fund Grant for Native American Research, American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia, 1991.
University Research Fellowship, University of Utah, 1990-1991, 1991-92.
Kuehn Summer Research Grant, University of Wyoming, 1986.
Platt Cline Fellowship, Northern Arizona University, 1984-1985.

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate:

United States History (University of Utah, Salt Lake Community College)
United States History to 1876. (Colorado State University)
United States History since 1876. (University of Utah, Colorado State University)
American Indian History (University of Utah)
American Indian History: Pre-Contact to Era of Removal (University of Minnesota)
American Indians in the Age of Conquest (Colorado State University, University of Utah)
American Indians in Modern America (Colorado State University, University of Utah)
Identity and Sovereignty in Native America (Colorado State University)
The American West (University of Minnesota)
The American West to 1900 (Colorado State University)
American Environmental History (University of Minnesota, University of Utah)
The American Military Experience (Colorado State University)
The Practice of Public History (Colorado State University)
Senior Capstone Seminar - Colonialism and Culture Change in Native America (Colorado State University, University of Utah)
Careers in Public History (University of Utah)

Graduate:

The Practice of Public History (Colorado State University)
The American West: Readings Seminar (University of Minnesota)
Research Seminar in State and Local History (Colorado State University)
Research Seminar in the History of the American West (University of Utah)
Colloquium in American History: American Indian History (University of Utah)
Internship in Public History (University of Utah)
Careers in Public History (University of Utah)

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION

Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Services, (SITES) Museum on Main Street (MOMS) program – Rural American Exhibition. I am currently serving as a consultant in the development of the new MOMS exhibition that will begin touring the United States in 2019.

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING CONSULTATIONS / TAH GRANT PARTICIPATION

Granite Teaching American History Academy – Served as a presenter and executive historian (2011-2012) on this project with the Granite School District, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2010-2014.

National Council for History Education Colloquium: “The Socio-Political Aspects of War: A Nation Divided Part I” – Served as lead scholar for this three day seminar in Lafayette, Louisiana, March 17-19, 2010.

National Council for History Education Colloquium: “A Piece of the Pie: Leadership and Values in the Development of the American Economic System” – Served as lead scholar for this three day seminar in Muskegon, Michigan, February 25-27, 2010.

National Council for History Education Colloquium: “The Civil War and the Upper Plains Wars” – Served as lead scholar for this three-day seminar in Bozeman Montana. January 21-23, 2009.

National Council on History Education Colloquium: “Frontiers, Homesteaders, Native Americans and the Settling of the American West” – Served as lead scholar for this three-day seminar in Lafayette, Louisiana. April 30 – May 2, 2008.

Bimson Summer Seminar, Colorado State University, “Frontiers and Borderlands: Historic and Geographic Literacy” – Served as the lead scholar for a one day session on the environmental and spatial implications of the rise of Plains Indian cultures June 2007.

Jefferson County (Colorado) Teaching American History Grant – Served as lead historian working with 3rd Grade Teachers during this five-day institute in June. The seminar worked essentially as an intensive graduate course in American Indian history. June 2005.

Project Teach - Served as lead scholar in the Native American thread of Project Teach in 2004. This program brings the latest in scholarship to primary and secondary school teachers in order to improve the teaching of history in the public schools. The program consisted of all day seminars in February and April, an intensive week long summer session (June 7-11) and follow-up seminars in September and October, 2004.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT / OUTREACH

Sorenson Unity Center – The American West Center is a key partner in the West Side Storytelling Project, an effort to collect and preserve the oral histories of the residents of Salt Lake City’s diverse and often forgotten west side neighborhoods.

Utah Center for Architecture – The American West Center is working with the UCFA to expand and enhance the “Utah Architects Project,” a website devoted to documenting the lives and work of Utah architects.

Utah Humanities Council - "Journey Stories" Tour of Utah – As Consulting State Scholar, I assisted the UHC in the design and implementation of local Utah content to accompany the Smithsonian Institution's Traveling Exhibition Services (SITES) "Museum on Main Street" exhibit "Journey Stories," 2014-2015. The project entailed working with the staff of museums in Brigham City, Ephraim, Moab, Vernal, and West Valley City.

Utah Division of State History – I have worked closely with the Division and Director Brad Westwood to support a range of shared initiatives including the Utah American Indian Digital Archive and the annual Utah State History Conference.

Friends of Great Salt Lake – As a result of the Great Salt Lake Oral history project I developed a partnership with Friends that included support for the organization’s biannual Issue Forum in May of 2014.

Fort Collins Museum Indian Market – Served on planning committee and as an emcee for this two-day event combing Native American musicians and artists held in Old Town Fort Collins, May 17-18, 2008.

Estes Park Museum Focus Group – Evaluated the Native American components of the permanent exhibit as well as a temporary exhibit on Native peoples at the museum’s request as the staff prepares for a renovation of the exhibit, 2008.

Longmont Museum – Provided a written evaluation of the museum’s new permanent exhibit “Front Range Rising” as part of an award application to the American Association for State and Local History, 2008.

Native American Awareness Month - As part of my work with the Fort Collins Museum I served on the steering committee for the annual Native American Music Festival between 2003 and 2006. In addition, I served on the education sub-committee and helped arrange in-school programs with Native musicians and speakers. In the Fall of 2007, the Fort Collins Museum entered into a cooperative agreement with CSU’s Native American Student Services office and myself, on behalf of the history department, to sponsor on campus events. I arranged a lecture by the noted scholar of American Indian history and American Studies, Philip J. Deloria as part of the 2007 celebration of Native American

Awareness Month program. As part of that effort I submitted a successful grant application to the Lilla B. Morgan Memorial Fund. The program took place on November 15th, 2007.

Fort Collins Museum Book Club – In addition to arranging for the visit of Dr. Deloria to campus, as part of Native American Awareness Month I also organized and led a book club for community members through the Fort Collins Museum. The club met for weekly throughout November and discussed Deloria’s book *Playing Indian*, 2007

The Web and the West: Comparing Two Frontiers – I served as a discussant on a panel examining “Infrastructure and the Impact of Leaving Communities Underserved.” The event was co-sponsored by the Center of the American West at the University of Colorado, Boulder, and the Silicon Flatirons Telecommunications Project. The program took place on March 21st 2007.

Technical Advisory Group - Soapstone/Red Mountain Open Space Project - This group advised the City of Fort Collins and Larimer County in the preparation of a management plan for the Soapstone and Red Mountain areas north of Fort Collins. These areas contain a wealth of natural and cultural resources and will be opened to the public in 2009. The management plan was finalized late in 2007. 2006-2007.

Water Tables: A Benefit Banquet for the Colorado State University Libraries’ Water Resources Archive – I served as a table host for this event and discussed “Tribal Sovereignty and Water Rights in the American West,” 2006.

Native American Music Festival - As part of my work with the Fort Collins Museum I served on the steering committee for the annual Native American Music Festival. In addition I served on the education sub-committee and helped arrange in-school programs with Native musicians and speakers. In the all of 2007 I am arranging for the visit of a Lakota (Sioux) traditional flute player and dancer to campus, as well as a lecture by the noted scholar of American Indian history and American Studies, Philip J. Deloria, 2003-2006.

Fort Collins Museum Advisory Council - I served as CSU’s representative to this community-based committee that advised the museum’s director and staff on the museum’s programs and its role in the community. In this capacity I have promoted a closer relationship between our Public History Program and the museum as well as promoted museum functions to the campus community. The council met at least once a month and members serve as hosts at museum events, 2002-2008.

DEPARTMENTAL / COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University Committees

University of Utah Press, Faculty Advisory Committee, 2012-present.

University of Utah, Veteran's Day Commemoration Committee, 2012-present.
University of Utah, Sustainability Action Plan, Research Working Group, 2016.
University of Utah, Academic Senate, 2011-2014.
Colorado State University, Historic Buildings Review Board, 2002-2010.

College Committees

University of Utah, College of Humanities, College Executive Committee, 2012-present.
University of Utah, College of Humanities, Environmental Humanities Steering Committee, 2010-present.

Department Committees

University of Utah

Search Committee, Pacific Islands History, 2016-2017.
Teaching Committee, 2012-2013.
Ad-Hoc RTF Committee, 2012-2013, 2013-2014.
Graduate Studies Committee, 2011-2012.
Wilson Lecture Committee, 2011-2012.

Colorado State University

Executive Committee, 2003-2004, 2005-2006, 2007-2008, Graduate Studies Committee, 2003-2006, 2007-2009, Department Library Liaison, 2005-2010, Department Web Liaison, 2005-2010, Russian History Search Committee, 2006-2007, Faculty Research Seminar Coordinator, 2004-2005, Undergraduate Outcomes Assessment, 2003-2004, Undergraduate Studies Committee, 2002.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Membership in Professional Organizations:

American Society for Environmental History
American Society for Ethnohistory
National Council on Public History
Native American and Indigenous Studies Association
Organization of American Historians.
Western History Association.

Offices in Professional Organizations:

National Council on Public History

Local Arrangements Committee Chair, 2021 Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2017-2021.

Nominating Committee (elected position), 2015-2017.

Program Committee Chair 2016 Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, 2014-2016.

Program Committee Member 2011 Annual Meeting, Pensacola, Florida, 2010-2011.

Board of Directors (elected position), 2007-2010.

Organization of American Historians

Committee on Committees, 2011-2013.

Committee Chair, 2012-2013.

Working Group on Evaluating Public History Scholarship (Joint Committee of the National Council on Public History, Organization of American Historians, and the American Historical Association), 2007-2010.

Committee on Public History, 2006-2010.

Committee Chair, 2008-2009.

Western History Association

Program Committee, 2018 Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, 2017-2018.

Committee on Public History, 2012-present.

Founding Committee Chair, 2012-present.

Program Committee, 2016 Annual Meeting, St. Paul, Minnesota, 2015-2016.

Board of Editors, *Western Historical Quarterly*, 2011-2013.

Program Committee, 2011 Annual Meeting, Oakland, California, 2010-2011.

American Indian Student Scholarship Committee, 2009-2011. Committee Chair, 2011.

Local Arrangements Committee, 2008 Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2007-2008.

Other

Editorial Advisory Board, Rural West Initiative, Bill Lane Center for the American West, Stanford University, 2011-2014.

Manuscript Refereeing:

American Indian Quarterly

Ethnohistory

Language, Culture, and History

Montana: The Magazine of Western History

Pacific Northwest Quarterly

The Public Historian

University of Oklahoma Press

Utah Historical Quarterly

Western Historical Quarterly