

W. PAUL REEVE

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of History, 2002

University of Utah

M.A., Department of History, 1994

Brigham Young University

B.A., Department of History, 1992

Brigham Young University

EMPLOYMENT

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

Chair, History Department, 7/22 - Present

Simmons Chair of Mormon Studies, 9/17 – Present

Professor of History, 7/16 – Present

Director of Graduate Studies, 7/14 – 7/17; 7/20 – 7/21

Associate Professor of History, 7/09 – 7/16

Associate Chair, History Department, 7/08 – 7/11

Assistant Professor of History, 7/05 – 7/09

HIST 1700 American Civilization

HIST 4650 US West

HIST 4660/6660 Utah History

HIST 4795/6795 Mormonism and the American Experience

HIST 5100 Public History Internship

HIST 7500 Proseminar: U.S. History to 1877

HIST 7620 US West Colloquium

HIST 7860 19th/20th Century Research Seminar

HIST 7870 Seminar in the American West

SOUTHERN VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

Assistant Professor of History, 8/02 – 6/05

American Civilization I & II

History of the American West

History of Native American Peoples

Colonial America and the Revolution

Early Republic, 1787 - 1848

Western Civilization I

PUBLICATIONS

Books

This Abominable Slavery: Race, Religion and the Battle over Human Bondage in Antebellum Utah, coauthor with LaJean Carruth and Christopher Rich, forthcoming, Oxford University Press, 2024.

Let's Talk About Race and the Priesthood. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2023.

Religion of a Different Color: Race and the Mormon Struggle for Whiteness.

New York: Oxford University Press, 2015.

Between Pulpit and Pew: The Supernatural World in Mormon History and Folklore, co-editor with Michael Van Wagenen. Logan: Utah State University Press, 2011.

Mormonism: A Historical Encyclopedia, co-editor with Ardis E. Parshall, Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO, 2010.

Making Space on the Western Frontier: Mormons, Miners, and Southern Paiutes. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2006.

A Century of Enterprise: The History of Enterprise, Utah, 1896-1996. Enterprise, Utah: The City of Enterprise, 1996.

Articles

“‘I Dug the Graves’: Isaac Lewis Manning, Joseph Smith, and Racial Connections in Two Latter Day Saint Traditions,” *Journal of Mormon History*, 47, No. 1 (January 2021), 29-67, <https://doi.org/10.5406/jmormhist.47.1.0029> .

“Reconstruction, Religion, and the West: The Great Impeacher Meets the Mormons,” *Journal of Mormon History*, 46, No. 2 (April 2020), 5-45, <https://doi.org/10.5406/jmormhist.46.2.0005> .

“Century of Black Mormons: A Preliminary Interpretation of the Data,” *Current Research in Digital History*, vol. 2 (2019), <https://doi.org/10.31835/crdh.2019.03>

“Post New Mormon History: A Manifesto,” *Journal of Mormon History* 35 (Summer 2009): 223-225.

“‘Places that can be Easily Defended’: A Case Study in the Economics of Abandonment During Utah’s Black Hawk War,” *Utah Historical Quarterly* 75 (Summer 2007): 220-237.

“‘As Ugly as Evil’ and ‘As Wicked as Hell’: Gadianton Robbers and the Legend Process Among the Mormons,” *Journal of Mormon History* 27 (Fall 2001): 125-149.

“Cattle, Cotton, and Conflict: The Possession and Dispossession of Hebron, Utah,” *Utah Historical Quarterly* 67 (Spring 1999): 148-175.

“‘A Little Oasis in the Desert’: Community Building in Hurricane, Utah, 1860-1920,” *Utah Historical Quarterly* 62 (Summer 1994): 222-45.

Book Chapters

“Race and Latter-day Saint Art,” in *A Guide to Latter-day Saint Art*, ed. Mason Kamana Allred and Amanda K. Beardsley, forthcoming, New York: Oxford University Press, 2024.

“The Council of Fifty and the Search for Religious Liberty,” in *The Council of Fifty: What the Records Reveal about Mormon History*, ed. by Matthew J. Grow and R. Eric Smith, Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2017.

All “Mormon Elder-Berry’s” Children: Race, Whiteness, and the Attack on Mormon “Anglo-Saxon Triumphalism” in *Directions for Mormon Studies in the 21st Century*, ed. by Patrick Mason, University of Utah Press, 2016.

“The Mormon Church in Utah,” in *Oxford Handbook of Mormonism*, ed. by Terryl L. Givens and Philip L. Barlow, New York: Oxford University Press, 2015.

“Silver Reef and Southwestern Utah’s Shifting Mining Frontier,” in *From the Ground Up: The History of Mining in Utah*, ed. by Colleen Whitley, Logan: Utah State University Press, 2006.

“Daniel Boone,” *MacMillian’s Encyclopedia of the American West* (1997) 1: 171-2, with Fred Gowans.

Personal Essays/Scholar Practitioner

- “Commentary: Mormons know what it is like to be a Persecuted Minority—so pass a Hate Crime Law for Utah,” Op-ed with Patrick Mason, *Salt Lake Tribune*, 25 February 2018.
- “My View: Trumps Muslim Ban Looks Like Mormon Ban,” Op-ed, *Deseret News*, 28 January 2017.
- “My View: Black Lives Matter, Mormon Lives Matter,” Op-ed, *Deseret News*, 25 September 2016.
- “Race, The Priesthood, and Temples,” in *A Reason for Faith: Navigating LDS Doctrine and Church History*, ed. by Laura Harris Hales (Provo, Utah: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2016).
- “Let Them Eat Cake,” in *A Book of Mormons: Latter-day Saints on a Modern Day Zion*, I Speak for Myself Series, ed. by Emily W. Jensen and Tracy McKay-Lamb (Ashland, Oregon: White Cloud Press, 2015).
- “That the Glory of God Might Be Manifest,” *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought* 44 (Spring 2011): 219 – 225.

CURRENT RESEARCH

- This Abominable Slavery, Project Manager and General Editor, Digital History Database, www.ThisAbominableSlavery.org.
- Century of Black Mormons, Project Manager and General Editor, Digital History Database, <http://centuryofblackmormons.org>.
- Utah History*, textbook, co-editor with Brian Cannon, Jeff Nichols, and David Rich Lewis, Utah State University Press.

GRANTS

- American Academy of Religion, Regional Development Grant, Rocky Mountains-Great Plains Region, Century of Black Mormons, September 2018.
- National Endowment for the Humanities, Landmarks of American Culture and History, Manifest Destiny Reconsidered: The Utah Experience, 2016, 2018, with Bob Goldberg.
- Michael Shamo, Mathew Basso (co-PI), and Paul Reeve (co-PI), *Historical Grazing on the Ashley National Forest*, USDA Forest Service Agreement 10-CS-11046000-035, August 2012.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Johanna Brooks, *Mormonism and White Supremacy: American Religion and the Problem of Racial Innocence* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2020). *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought*, Book Review Roundtable, July 2020.
- Max Perry Mueller, *Race and the Making of the Mormon People* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2017). *Church History* 87 (September 2018): 918-920.
- Review Panel: *A House Full of Females*. Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, *A House Full of Females: Plural Marriage and Women's Rights in Early Mormonism, 1830-1870*, by Ann M. Little, W. Paul Reeve, Sarah Carter, Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, in *Mormon Studies Review* 5 (2018).
- Angela Pulley Hudson, *Real Native Genius: How an Ex-Slave and a White Mormon Became Famous Indians* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2015). *Journal of Mormon History* 44 (January 2018): 203-205.
- Stanley B. Kimball and Violet T. Kimball, *Villages on Wheels: A Social*

- History of the Gathering to Zion* (Draper, UT: Greg Kofford Books, 2011). *Great Plains Quarterly* 33 (Fall 2013): 256-257.
- David Bigler and Will Bagley, *The Mormon Rebellion: America's First Civil War, 1857-1858* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2011). *Journal of American History* 99 (June 2012): 305.
- Patrick Q. Mason, *The Mormon Menace: Violence and Anti-Mormonism in the Postbellum South* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011). *History: The Journal of the Historical Association* 97 (April 2012): 338-340.
- Brian Q. Cannon and Jessie L. Embry, *Utah in the Twentieth Century* (Logan: Utah State University Press, 2009). *Western Historical Quarterly* 41 (Winter 2010): 516-17.
- Jared Farmer, *On Zion's Mount: Mormons, Indians, and the American Landscape* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2008). *Ethnohistory* 56 (Summer 2009): 532-34.
- Michael L. Johnson, *Hunger for the Wild: America's Obsession with the Untamed West* (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2007). *The Historian*, 71 (Spring 2009): 116-117.
- Ned Blackhawk, *Violence over the Land: Indians and Empires in the Early American West* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2006). *American Historical Review*, 113 (February 2008): 190-91.
- Todd Kerstetter, *God's Country, Uncle Sam's Land: Faith and Conflict in the American West* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2006). *John Whitmer Historical Association Journal*, 27 (2007): 255-57.
- Dean L. May and Reid L. Neilson, eds., with Richard Lyman Bushman, Jan Shipps, and Thomas G. Alexander, *The Mormon History Association's Tanner Lectures: The First Twenty Years* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2006). *Journal of the West* 46 (Winter 2007): 105.
- Stephen L. Prince, *Gathering in Harmony: A Saga of Southern Utah Families, Their Roots, and Pioneering Heritage, and the Tale of Antone Prince, Sheriff of Washington County* (Arthur H. Clark Company, 2004). *Utah Historical Quarterly* 74 (Winter 2006): 86-87.
- Will Bagley, *Blood of the Prophets: Brigham Young and the Massacre at Mountain Meadows* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2002). Review essay with Ardis E. Parshall, *Mormon Historical Studies* 4 (Spring 2003): 149-157.
- Ronald O. Barney, *One Side by Himself: The Life and Times of Lewis Barney, 1808-1894* (Utah State University Press, 2001). *Montana: The Magazine of Western History* 52 (Winter 2002): 92-93.
- Forrest G. Robinson, ed., *The New Western History: The Territory Ahead* (University of Arizona Press, 1997). *Utah Historical Quarterly* 67 (Spring 1999): 182-183.
- Anna Jean Backus, *Mountain Meadows Witness* (Arthur H. Clark Company, 1996). *Journal of Mormon History* 23 (Spring 1997): 209-212.
- Lyman Hafen, *Roping the Wind* (Utah State University Press, 1995). *Utah Historical Quarterly* 63 (Fall 1995): 378-379.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- “Truth, Reconciliation, and Brigham Young versus Orson Pratt,” Truth and Reconciliation: A Conference of the BYU Slavery Project, Provo, Utah, 16 February 2024.
- “This Abominable Slavery: A Primary Source Database on Indigenous and African American Enslavement in Utah Territory,” Utah Council for the

- Social Studies Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, 11 November 2023.
- “Split into Two Nations of Christians: The Religious Implications of Slavery among the Latter-day Saints,” Mormon History Association Conference, Rochester, New York, June 2023.
- “After the Massacre at Mountain Meadows: New Books, New Interpretations,” Session Commentator, Mormon History Association Conference, Rochester, New York, June 2023.
- “Thinking Inside and Outside the Archive: Collections, Databases, and Stories,” Panelist on Century of Black Mormons, Mormon History Association Conference, Rochester, New York, June 2023.
- “We Found the Right Church but Found the Wrong People”: A History of Integrated and Segregated Worship Among the Latter-day Saints,” J. Reuben Clark Law Society Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2023.
- “‘Why Gather the People Together in this Place?’: Race, Temples, and Impossibilities,” Joseph Smith Papers Conference, September 9, 2022.
- “Orson Pratt vs. Brigham Young: Justifying a Racial Priesthood Restriction in the 1850s,” Mormon History Association Conference, Logan Utah, June 2022.
- “Perspectives on Human Wellness: Public Health, History, Education, Policy and Practice,” Plenary Panelist, Utah State Historical Society, Digital Conference, September 21, 2021.
- “Living African American Mormon History,” Session Chair, Mormon History Association Conference, Park City, Utah, June 11, 2021.
- “‘I Felt that he had Negro Blood in Him’: Nelson Holder Ritchie, DNA, and Latter-day Saint Racial Passages,” Western History Association Conference, Digital, 17 October 2020.
- “‘I Dug the Graves’: Isaac Lewis Manning, Joseph Smith, and Racial Connections in Two Latter Day Saint Traditions,” Joseph Smith Papers, Digital Conference, 18 September 2020.
- “Understanding Utah Territory’s Act in Relation to Service,” Utah State Historical Society, Digital Conference, August 2020.
- State of the Field Discussion: Race and Mormon History, Mormon History Association, Digital Conference, June 2020.
- “An Act in Relation to Service,” Utah Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society Conference, Sandy, Utah, 28 September 2019.
- A Spiritual Home: Building Bridges for Sexual and Gender Minorities in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Conference Sponsor, 27-28 September 2019.
- “Reconstruction, Religion, and the West: The Great Impeacher Meets the Mormons,” Mormon History Association, Presidential Address, Salt Lake City, Utah, 8 June 2019.
- “A Century of Black Mormons: Early Insights from the Data,” Keynote Address, Practicing History Conference, History Department, University of Utah, 21 March 2019.
- “Century of Black Mormons: A Preliminary Interpretation of the Data,” Current Research in Digital History, 2019, Conference, George Mason University, 9 March 2019.
- “Not to make any Special Effort to Convert Them”: Dampening Mormon Missionary Zeal among People of Black African Descent,” American Society of Church History Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 3 January 2019.
- “‘To Save this Fallen Race’: Debating Racial Salvation at the 1852 Utah Territorial Legislature,” Western History Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas, 18 October 2018.
- “The Latter-day Saint Racial Story in Context: Explanation is not Justification,” 40 Years: Commemorating the 1978 Priesthood and Temple Revelation, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 12 October 2018.

“Mormonism, Race, Priesthood, and the Temple: The Road to 1978 and Beyond” Panelist, Utah State University, Logan, Utah, 20 September 2018.

“Rethinking Pioneer Day,” Opening Plenary, Sunstone Symposium, Salt Lake City, Utah, 26 July 2018.

“The Long-Promised Day Forty Years Later: Lessons from the Archives on Race, Priesthood, and Temples,” Black, White, and Mormon II, 30 June 2018.

Black, White, and Mormon II: A Conference on Race in the LDS Church since the 1978 Revelation, Conference Co-Organizer, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 29 – 30, 2018.

“To Save this Fallen Race’: Debating Indian Indenture at the 1852 Utah Territorial Legislature,” Mormon History Association Conference, Boise, Idaho, 9 June 2018.

“Charlottesville: Racism Reawakened,” University College and Black Student Union, Panel Discussion, UVU Ethics Awareness Week, 27 September 2017.

“Memorialization of Circleville Massacre,” Roundtable, Mormon History Association Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, 2 June 2017.

“Mormons, Immigration, and Whiteness,” Multicultural Mormonism, 2017 UVU Mormon Studies Conference, 30 March 2017.

“Juanita Brooks, the Ute Prophet, and World’s Fair Women,” Session Chair and Commentator, Western History Association Conference, St. Paul, Minnesota, October 2016.

“Letting our Differences Make a Difference: Dialogue’s Role in Mormon Diversity,” Panel Member, Spirit of Dialogue 50 Years, Utah Valley University, September 2016.

“A Law written in the Heart of our Race’: Polygamy and the Degeneration of Whiteness,” Polygamy Debates, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 28 – 29 July 2016.

“Teaching Mormon History: Pedagogy Workshop,” Panelist, Mormon History Association Conference, Snowbird, Utah, 11 June 2016.

“The Council of Fifty Minutes: An Initial Scholarly Appraisal,” Panelist, Mormon History Association Conference, Snowbird, Utah, 10 June 2016.

“Priesthood, Policy, and Practice in Africa and Latin America,” Session Chair and Commentator, Mormon History Association Conference, Snowbird, Utah, 10 June 2016.

“From Not White Enough to Too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Utah African American Experience Tour, Mormon History Association Conference, Snowbird, Utah, 9 June 2016.

Lunch and Three Things, History Department Conference, University of Utah, 31 March 2016.

Black, White, and Mormon: A Conference on the Evolving Status of Black Saints within the Mormon Fold, Conference Co-Organizer, Salt Lake City, Utah, 8 – 9 October 2015.

Religion and Race: Evaluating *Religion of a Different Color: Race and the Mormon Struggle for Whiteness*, panel, Utah State Historical Society Conference, West Valley City, Utah, 2 October 2015.

The “Mormon Stepback into Barbarism”: Physiognomy, Polyeroticity, and the Degraded Mormon Body,” Mormon History Association Conference, Provo, Utah, June 2015.

“A Year of Decision: The LDS Church Grapples with Civil Rights and Its Practice of Black Priesthood Denial,” Session Chair and Commentator, Mormon History Association Conference, Provo, Utah, June 2015.

Practicing History Conference, History Department, University of Utah, Session III Moderator, 26 March 2015.

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- “Publishing as Public History—A Roundtable,” Western Lands, Western Voices, The American West Center at Fifty, 1964 – 2014, Salt Lake City, September 2014.
- “If there never was a prophet or Apostle of Jesus Christ spoke it before . . .’: Brigham Young, Race, and the 1852 Territorial Legislature,” Mormon History Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas, June 2014.
- “Black/Native/Mormon: Lives at the Crossroads of Race and Faith,” Session Commentator, Organization of American Historians Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, April 2014.
- “Atheists and Mormons Panel Discussion: Exposing Myths, Dispelling Stereotypes,” Moderator, American Atheists Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 2014.
- “From Not White to Too White: The Historical Evolution of a ‘Mormon Race,’” Western History Association Conference, Tucson, Arizona, October 2013.
- “From Not White to Too White: The Historical Evolution of a ‘Mormon Race,’” Mormon History Association Conference, Layton, Utah, June 2013.
- “Painted and Disguised as Indians: Race and the Mormon-Indian Body at the Mountain Meadows Massacre,” History Department Conference, University of Utah, April 2013.
- “Roundtable: Writing Utah: The State, the Academy, Public History, and the Press,” Western History Association Conference, Denver, Colorado, October 2012.
- “Race, Marriage, and ‘Negro Blood in My Veins’: Scipio A. Kenner and the Mormon Struggle for Whiteness,” Mormon History Association Conference, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, June 2012.
- “Religion of a Different Color: Race and the Mormon Struggle for Whiteness,” History Department Conference, University of Utah, April 2012.
- “From Cotton to Cosmopolitan: Local, National, and Global Transformations in Utah’s Dixie,” Opening Plenary Session, Mormon History Association Conference, St. George, Utah, May 2011.
- “Conflict and Community: Mormons and Non-Mormons in Territorial Utah,” Commentator, Western History Association Conference, Tahoe, Nevada, October 2010.
- “‘To Blot Out the Territory’: Congressman James M. Ashley’s 1869 Attempt to Eliminate Utah and Reconstruct the West,” Utah and the Union Symposium, Salt Lake City, Utah, September 2010.
- “Reconstruction, beyond Black and White,” Session Chair, American Historical Association Conference, San Diego, California, January 2010.
- “Red, White, and Mormon: Race and the Making of a Mormon-Indian Body,” Western History Association Conference, Denver, Colorado, October 2009.
- “Red, White, and Mormon: Race and the Making of a Mormon-Indian Body,” Mormon History Association Conference, Springfield, Illinois, May 2009.
- “Reconstructing the West: James M. Ashley’s Answer to the Mormon Question,” Western History Association Conference, Oklahoma City, October 2007.
- “Reconstructing Utah: James M. Ashley’s Answer to the Mormon Question,” Mormon History Association Conference, Salt Lake City, May 2007.
- “Two Snowy Satellites of Utah’s Capitol: A Comparison of Brigham City and St. George in the 1870s,” Commentator, Mormon History Association Conference, Casper Wyoming, May 2006.
- “UFOs, Raising the Dead, and Demonic Possession: Continued Mormon Encounters with the Paranormal,” Commentator, Mormon History Association Conference, Casper, Wyoming, May 2006.

- “‘Dead and Dying in the Sagebrush’: Episodes of Inter-cultural Death on the Southern-Utah Frontier,” Mormon History Association Conference, Provo, Utah, May 2004.
- “Re-mapping Mormons, Miners, and Southern Paiutes on the 19th-Century Western Frontier,” Western History Association Conference, Colorado Springs, October 2002.
- “‘By All Means Give Nevada a Slice’: Americanization and the Remapping of Mormons and Southern Paiutes, 1866-1873,” Mormon History Association Conference, Tucson, Arizona, May 2002.
- “Shifting Power and Building Borders: Americanization and the Re-Mapping of the Mormon and Paiute Worlds on the Nineteenth-Century Western Frontier,” Expanding the Interdisciplinary Conversation, Conference, October 2001, University of Utah, Salt Lake City.
- “‘To Hold in Check Outside Influences’: Making Space for Mormons, Miners, and Paiutes on the Southwest Mormon Frontier,” Mormon History Association Conference, Cedar City, Utah, May 2001.
- “‘Overcome in Society of the Wicked’: Defining and Defending Communal Boundaries on the Nineteenth-Century Mormon Frontier,” Western Humanities Alliance Conference, The Pious and the Profane: Religion and Public Culture, Seattle, Washington, October 2000.
- “The Economics of Abandonment During Utah’s Black Hawk War,” Utah State Historical Society Conference, Salt Lake City, August 2000.
- “‘The Devil was Determined to Kill the Babies’: Matters of Communal Health in a Nineteenth-Century Mormon Town,” Communal Studies Association Conference, St. George, Utah, September 1999.
- “‘As Ugly as Evil’ and ‘As Wicked as Hell’: Gadianton Robbers and the Legend Process Among the Mormons,” Folklore Society of Utah Conference, Salt Lake City, March 1999.
- “Cattle, Cotton, and Conflict: The Possession and Dispossession of Hebron, Utah,” Utah State Historical Society Conference, Salt Lake City, August 1998.
- “Hurricane, Utah Community Building, 1906-1920: A People’s View,” Mormon History Association Conference, Park City, Utah, April 1994.

COMMUNITY ENGAGED PRESENTATIONS

- Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, Saints in Unity, Black History Month Devotional, Plano, Texas, 25 February 2024.
- Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, Ottawa LDS Stake, Ottawa, Ontario, Zoom presentation, 17 February 2024.
- Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, Lehi Cold Spring Ranch LDS Stake and Lehi Holbrook Farms LDS Stake, Lehi, Utah, 17 November 2023.
- Book of the Year, BYU History Department, Panel Discussion, *Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, Provo, Utah, 2 November 2023.
- Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, Sunday School Summer Series, London, England, Zoom presentation, 2 July 2024.
- Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, Atlanta, Georgia LDS Stake, Atlanta, Georgia, 5 March 2023.
- “Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Seattle, Washington, Silverdale LDS Stake, Online Conference, 12 March 2022.
- “Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Bristol, England, Bristol LDS Ward, digital talk, 21 November 2021.
- “Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” Sons of the Utah Pioneers, Brigham Young Chapter, Orem, Utah, 18 November 2021.
- “Understanding Utah Territory’s Act in Relation to Service,” Utah Council for the Social Studies Conference, South Jordan, Utah, 9 October 2021.
- “Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Arizona State University LDS

Institute, digital talk, 10 June 2021.

“Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” Sons of the Utah Pioneers, South Jordan Chapter, digital talk, 24 March 2021.

“Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” Moonstone, Port Townsend, Washington, 13 November 2021.

“Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” LDS Seminaries and Institutes, West Coast Region, digital talk, 10 March 2021.

“Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Maidstone, England, Maidstone Stake, digital conference, 6 March 2021.

“Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” LDS Magazine Leadership Meeting, Brown Bag, 3 February 2021.

“Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Bainbridge Island, Washington, LDS fireside, 14 November 2020.

“Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” LDS Church Communications Department, Brown Bag, 10 November 2020.

“Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” LDS Church History Museum workshop, 2 November 2020.

“Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Stanford LDS Institute, digital talk, 30 October 2020.

“Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” London, England, Hyde Park Stake, Online Conference, 25 October 2020.

“Rethinking the Latter-day Saint Racial Story,” Atlanta, Georgia, Atlanta LDS Stake, digital talk, 20 September 2020.

“Century of Black Mormons: A Public History Partnership,” with Anna Neatrou, Digital Matters, University of Utah, 4 December 2018.

“Century of Black Mormons,” Sons of the Utah Pioneers, South Jordan Chapter, South Jordan, Utah, 12 November 2018.

“Century of Black Mormons,” College of Humanities, Alta Club, Salt Lake City, Utah, 24 September 2018; Cottonwood Heights, 11 November 2018.

“By All Means Give Nevada a Slice: The 1866 Utah-Nevada Border Shift and the Way Washington County Worked,” Washington County Works Lecture Series, Smithsonian Exhibition, The Way We Worked, St. George, 23 September 2017.

“Rethinking Jacksonian Democracy,” Utah Council for the Social Studies, Salt Lake City, 16 October 2016.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to Too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” BYU Religious Education Friday Faculty Forum, Provo, Utah, 9 September 2016.

“Black, White, and the Law: Why Understanding Race Matters,” Panelist, Utah Valley University Black Student Union, Orem, Utah, 2 September 2016.

“Reconstructing Utah History,” Teacher Training, Mana Academy, West Valley City, 15 April 2016.

“Rethinking Revelation and the Mormon Racial Story,” Think Again, Salt Lake City, Utah, 1 April 2016.

Book Talk, “Black, White, and Mormon: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Arlington Texas Stake Genesis Group, Arlington, Texas, 21 February 2016.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to Too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Miller-Eccles Study Group Texas, Dallas, Texas, 19 and 20 February 2016.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to Too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Utah Valley University, LDS Institute, Orem, Utah, 5 February 2016.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to Too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Bay Area Mormon Studies Council, Berkeley LDS Institute, 31 January 2016.

“What does a History Professor Do?” Career Day, Glendale Middle School, West Valley City, Utah, 29 November 2015.

“Utah and the Cold War,” Utah Council for the Social Studies, Salt Lake City, 7 November 2015.

Conversations on Race and Community Relations, Provo Police, Provo, Utah, 4 November 2015.

Book Talk, *Religion of a Different Color*, Seattle Washington, 24 and 25 October 2015.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Miller-Eccles Study Group, Fullerton and Flintridge California, 11 and 12 September 2015.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” FAIR Conference, Provo, Utah, 7 August 2015.

Book Talk, “From Not White Enough to too White: The Historical Evolution of a ‘Mormon Race,’” Sunstone Symposium, Salt Lake City, 31 July 2015.

Book Talk, *Religion of a Different Color*, LDS Church Public Affairs Department, Salt Lake City, Utah, 28 May 2015.

Book Talk, *Religion of a Different Color*, LDS Church History Department, Salt Lake City, Utah, 15 April 2015.

Book Talk, *Religion of a Different Color*, Mueller Park LDS 4th Ward Empty Nesters, Bountiful, Utah, 13 April 2015.

“Race and Mormonism in the 19th Century,” Podcast, Neal A. Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship, BYU, Part I and II, 24 and 26 March 2015.

“What does a History Professor Do?” Career Objectives Class, Glendale Middle School, West Valley City, Utah, 2 March 2015.

Book Talk, *Religion of a Different Color*, King’s English Bookstore, Salt Lake City, Utah, 19 February 2015.

“Blacks in the LDS Church,” Panel Discussion, Black History Month, BYU, Provo, Utah, 12 February 2015.

Book Talk, *Religion of a Different Color*, Benchmark Books, Salt Lake City, 11 February 2015.

“Slavery, Servitude, and Sex: A Fresh Look at the 1852 Utah Legislative Session,” Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District, 6 November 2014

“John C. Fremont and Pre-Mormon Migration and Exploration of Utah, 1841-1846,” Joint Social Studies Conference, Utah State Office of Education, 11 October 2014.

“Utah and the Civil War” and “Utah and the Cold War,” Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District,” June 20 and 27, 2013.

“Utah Industrialization,” Parts I and II, Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District,” June 2012.

“Utah Immigration and Colonization,” Parts I and II, Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District,” June 2012.

Fieldtrip Guide, Donner Party/Hastings Cutoff, Iosepa, Camp Floyd, Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District,” June 2012.

“Utah’s Right Turn: Politics in 20th Century Utah,” Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District,” October 2012.

“Migration, Colonization, and Immigration,” Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District, January 2012.

“Mountain Meadows Massacre: Teaching Controversial Topics,” Utah Council for the Social Studies, October 2011.

“Progressive Era Utah,” Teaching American History Grant, Granite School District, March 2010.

“Always the Right Place: A Historical Overview of Immigration to Utah,” Beyond Borders, Utah Council for the Social Studies, November 2010.

“Polygamy and the Struggle for Statehood,” Teaching American History Grant,

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- Granite School District, October 2009.
- “Black, White, and Mormon,” Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, Nibley Park Chapter, March 2008.
- “Massacre at Mountain Meadows: A Scholarly Discussion,” Co-organizer, September 2008.
- “Mormon Environmentalism,” Panel Moderator, American West Center and Mormon History Association, March 2008.
- “Red, White, and Mormon: Race and the Making of a Mormon Indian Body,” Tanner Humanities Center Work in Progress Talk, February 2008.
- “The Utah War: Teaching Controversial Subjects,” Mountain West Center for Regional Studies, Bennion Teacher’s Workshop, Utah State University, 2007.
- “Power, Place, and Prejudice,” Sons of the Utah Pioneers, February 2007.
- “Times They Are A Changin’: The U. S. Progressive Era,” Utah Council for the Social Studies, History Seminar, February 2006.
- “‘What Makes the Red Man Red?’: Hollywood and the Making of a Native American Identity,” SVU New Student Orientation Colloquium, August 2004, January 2005.
- “From Monarchy to Democracy: The Presidencies of Washington, Jefferson, and Jackson,” SVU Women’s Society Luncheon, February 4, 2004.
- “Did Brigham Young Incite the Mountain Meadows Massacre?” SVU Homecoming Lyceum, October 18, 2003.
- “Mormons, Miners, and Paiutes: Constructing Space on the Nineteenth-Century Western Frontier,” History Graduate Student Association, Works in Progress Series, February 2001.

INVITED LECTURES

- “Century of Black Mormons as Quantitative History,” Keynote, Mormonism in Africa and the African Diaspora, University of Virginia Mormon Studies, October 14, 2023.
- Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood, Honors Forum, Southern Virginia University, October 13, 2023.
- “Riding Herd with Juanita Brooks: A view of Latter-day Saint History from the Ragged Edge,” Juanita Brooks Conference, Utah Tech University, March 2023.
- “Century of Black Mormons: Lessons from the Archives,” University of California, Santa Barbara, February 2, 2022.
- “The Americanization of Utah, 1890-1920,” Annual State Judicial Conference, Digital, 24 September 2020, at the invitation of Utah Supreme Court Justice John A. Pearce.
- “Race and Latter-day Saint History: Toward a Social Justice Response,” David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Book of the Semester, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 7 November 2018.
- “Rethinking Cotton Mission Isolation,” Sons of Utah Pioneers, National Conference, Hurricane, Utah, September 2016.
- “From Not White Enough to Too White: Rethinking the Mormon Racial Story,” Charles Redd Center for Western Studies Lecture Series, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 27 January 2016.
- “Red, White, and Mormon: Race and the Making of a Mormon-Indian Body,” Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California, 10 September 2015.
- “Teaching About Mormonism at a Secular University,” First Unitarian Church of Salt Lake City, Summer Forum, 22 June 2014.
- “All ‘Mormon Elder-Berry’s’ Children: Race, Whiteness, and the Attack on

Mormon ‘Anglo-Saxon Triumphalism,’” *Beyond the Mormon Moment: Directions for Mormon Studies in the New Century*, A Conference in Honor of the Career of Armand Mauss, Claremont Graduate University, March 2013.

“Left to Rot on the Hillside: Intercultural Death on the Western Frontier,” Zion Canyon Field Institute’s Fern and J. L. Crawford Lecture Series, March, 2013.

“Black, White, and Mormon: Race and the Mormon Struggle for Whiteness,” Critchlow Lecture, Weber State University, 15 October 2012.

“Power, Place, and Prejudice,” Tanner Lecture, Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts, & Letters, April 2010.

“Mormons, Miners, and Southern Paiutes,” Springville Historical Society Lecture Series, April 2009.

“Power, Place, and Prejudice,” Utah Valley Historical Society Lecture Series, October 2008.

Making Space on the Western Frontier, St. George Book Festival, September 2008.

“Blotting Utah from the Map,” National Association of State Retirement Agencies, August 2008.

“Pre-History of Utah,” Utah Tour Guide Association, August 2008.

“Blotting Utah from the Map: Congressman James M. Ashley’s 1869 Attempt to Eliminate Utah and Reconstruct the West,” LDS Archives Lecture Series, December 2007.

“‘Left to Rot on the Hillside’: Inter-cultural Death on the Western Frontier,” Utah Westerners, October 2007.

“Religious Pluralism in 1880s Utah,” Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 125th Anniversary Celebration, October 2007.

“Utah’s Dixie: A View From Across the Cultural Divide,” 24th Annual Juanita Brooks Lecture, Sponsored by the Val Browning Library at Dixie State College and the Obert C. Tanner Foundation, March 2007.

“‘Left to Rot on the Hillside’: Intercultural Death on the Southern-Utah Frontier,” Phi Alpha Theta Conference, keynote address, 2006.

FELLOWSHIPS

Faculty Fellowship, University of Utah, Fall Semester 2021.

James Clayton Fellowship, History Department, University of Utah, 2018-2020.

Post-Tenure Research Assignment, College of Humanities, Spring Semester 2018.

Faculty Fellowship, University of Utah, Spring Semester 2012.

Sabbatical, College of Humanities, Fall Semester 2011.

Virgil C. Aldrich Research Fellowship, Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah, 2011, declined.

Virgil C. Aldrich Research Fellowship, Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah, Fall 2007.

Mayers Fellowship, The Huntington Library, San Marino, CA, 2007.

AWARDS

Book of the Year, BYU History Department, *Let’s Talk About Race and Priesthood*, 2023-24.

Greg Kofford Best Historical Article, John Whitmer Historical Association, 2022, for “‘I Dug the Graves’: Isaac Lewis Manning, Joseph Smith, and Racial Connections in Two Latter Day Saint Traditions,” *Journal of Mormon History* 47, no. 1 (2021): 29-67.

Best *Journal of Mormon History* article, Mormon History Association, 2022, for “‘I Dug the Graves’: Isaac Lewis Manning, Joseph Smith, and Racial Connections in two Latter Day Saint Traditions,” *Journal of Mormon*

History 47, no. 1 (2021): 29-67.

Ardis E. Parshall Best Public History Award, Mormon History Association, *Century of Black Mormons*, June 2022.

Fellow of the Utah State Historical Society, Board of State History, Utah Division of State History, 2021.

Elijah Able Service Award, Sons and Daughters of the United States Middle Passage, *Century of Black Mormons*, May 2021.

University Teacher of the Year, Utah Council for the Social Studies, 2016.

Francis Armstrong Madsen Best History Book Award, Utah Division of State History, *Religion of a Different Color*, September 2016.

Smith-Pettit Best Book Award, John Whitmer Historical Association, *Religion of a Different Color*, September 2016.

Best Book Award, Mormon History Association, *Religion of a Different Color*, June 2016.

Virgil Award, History Graduate Student Association, University of Utah, 2015-2016; 2012-2013; 2006-2007.

Early Career Teaching Award, The Center for Teaching & Learning Excellence, University of Utah, April 2011.

Ramona W. Cannon Award for Teaching Excellence in the Humanities, University of Utah, April 2011.

Smith-Pettit Best First Book Award, *Making Space on the Western Frontier*, Mormon History Association, May 2008.

J. Talmage Jones Award of Excellence, “‘Places That Can Be Easily Defended’: A Case Study in the Economics of Abandonment during Utah’s Black Hawk War,” Mormon History Association, May 2008.

Professor of the Year, Southern Virginia University Student Association, 2005.

William Grover and Winifred Foster Reese Award, best dissertation in the field of Mormon History, 2002, Joseph Fielding Smith Institute for Latter-day Saint History, Brigham Young University, May 2003.

Best Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Utah, Department of History, May 2002.

Juanita Brooks Award, Best Graduate Paper, “‘To Hold in Check Outside Influences’: Making Space for Mormons, Miners, and Paiutes on the Southwest Mormon Frontier,” Mormon History Association, May 2001.

Nick Yengich Memorial Editors’ Choice Award, “Cattle, Cotton, and Conflict: The Possession and Dispossession of Hebron, Utah,” selected as the *Utah Historical Quarterly’s* editors’ choice for 1999.

Graduate Travel Award, 2000-2001

Steffensen-Cannon Scholarship, 2000-2001, 2001-2002

Floyd A. O’Neil Scholarship, 1999

Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society

Phi Alpha Theta International Honor Society in History, Alpha-Rho Chapter

SERVICE

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

Department Chair, 2022-Present

Task Force for Repatriation and Data Stewardship, 2023-Present

US and the World Search Committee Chair, 2020-2021

Mormon Studies Initiative, Committee Chair, 2019-Present

RPT Chair, 2019-2020

College RPT Committee, 2019-2020

Director of Graduate Studies, 2014-2017, 2020-2021

Tanner Humanities Center Review Committee, 2016

Roadmap Committee, History Department, 2015-2016

Religious Studies Steering Committee, 2009-2019

Ramona W. Cannon Award Committee, 2011-2016

Series Editor, with Bob Goldberg, “Perspectives on the Mormon Experience,”

University of Utah Press, 2013-2018
Teaching Committee Chair, 2013-2014
Teaching Committee, 2012-2013
U. S. West Search Committee, 2012-2013
Mormon Studies Fellowship Committee, 2009-2019
University of Utah Press, Faculty Advisory Council, 2008-2012
Associate Chair, History Department, 2008-2011
Undergraduate Committee Chair, 2008-2011
Curriculum Committee Chair, 2008-2011
Executive Committee, 2008-2011; 2014-2017; 2018-2019; 2020-2021
Strategic Planning Committee, 2008-2011, 2014-2017
College of Humanities Curriculum Committee, 2008-2011
Native American History Search Committee, 2008-2009
Graduate Committee, 2007-2008, 2019-2020
Internship Coordinator, 2005-2014
Phi Alpha Theta Advisor, 2006-2007
Undergraduate Committee, 2005-2007
American West Center, Internal Review Team, 2005-2006

BRIGHAM YOUNG RACIAL RECONCILIATION MINISTRY

Advisory Board, 2023-Present

SEMA HADITHI FOUNDATION

Advisory Board, 2019-Present

Salt Lake County Community Remembrance Project, 2019-2022

UTAH STATE FLAG REDESIGN COMMISSION

History subcommittee, 2021-2022

Design Review subcommittee, 2021-2022

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY ARRINGTON LECTURE BOARD

Board Member, 11-2022-Present

UTAH STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Peoples of Utah, Steering Committee, 2021-2022

Utah Historical Quarterly, Board of Editors, 2006-2019

JOURNAL OF MORMON HISTORY

Editorial Board, 2023-Present

MORMON STUDIES REVIEW

Editorial Advisory Board, 2018-2021

MORMON HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Nominating Committee Chair, 2021

Nominating Committee, 2020

Past President, 2019-2020

President, 2018-2019

President Elect, 2017-2018

Board Member, Liaison Committee Chair, 2007-2010

Program Committee, 2001; 2008; 2011

Membership Chair, 1994-1996

WESTERN HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Local Arrangements Committee, Salt Lake City Conference, 2006-2008

EXTERNAL PROGRAM REVIEWS

Weber State University, History Department, External Review, 2017
BYU-Idaho, History Department, External Review Board, 2016
Southern Virginia University, History Major, External Review, 2009

MANUSCRIPT REFEREE

Journal of American Folklore, 2023
Critical Research on Religion, 2021
Utah Historical Quarterly, 2020
Religion and American Culture: A Journal of Interpretation, 2020, 2022
Journal of American Ethnic History, 2020
Journal of Arizona History, 2020
Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University, 2022
Oxford University Press, book proposal, 2013, 2015, 2021
Oxford University Press, book manuscript, 2018, 2022
University of Utah Press, book manuscript, 2017
Journal of Religious History, 2017
American Jewish History, 2017
Journal of the American Academy of Religion, 2016
Open Theology, 2016
Routledge Press, book proposal, 2015
University of Illinois Press, book manuscript, 2014
University of Nebraska Press, book proposal, 2014
Journal of Mormon History, 2013, 2016, 2019, 2021
Journal of American History, 2011
Civil War History, 2009
Utah State University Press, book manuscript, 2008
Western Historical Quarterly, 2008

MUSEUM OF UTAH ART & HISTORY

Local Advisory Council, 2005 – 2007

SOUTHERN VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

Faculty Representative, Student Association Executive Council, 2004-2005
Curriculum Committee, 2003-2004
New Student Orientation Committee, 2002-2003
Academic Exceptions Committee, 2002-2003
Study Abroad Committee, 2002-2003

MEDIA CONSULTANT

Time
BBC
CBS This Morning
Idaho Public Television
Associated Press
Religion News Service
Washington Post
Christian Science Monitor
New York Times
Philadelphia Inquirer
ThinkProgress
Dagens Nyheter
Agence France-Presse
Salt Lake Tribune
Deseret News
Denver Post

Ogden Standard Examiner
Daily Universe
City Journals
Salon.com
PBS (Religion and Ethics NewsWeekly)
CNN
History Channel
Today Show
Northwestern News 21
KSL Radio (Doug Wright Show)
KSL TV
KUED
KUTV
FOX 13 News
Radio West (KUER)
Utah Public Radio, Access Utah
Trib Talk

Podcasts

Church History Matters Podcast, 2023
Mormon Land Podcast, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2023
Gospel Tangents Podcast, 2018, 2023
With a Stone Rolling Podcast, 2023
The Best Books Podcast, 2023
Business Elevated Podcast, 2022
Saints Unscripted, 2022
So You Want to Talk About Mormonism Podcast, 2021
The Foyer Podcast, 2021
All In Podcast, 2021
Listen, Learn, and Love Podcast, 2020
Faith Matters Podcast, 2020
Latter-day Landscapes Podcast, 2019
LDS Perspectives Podcast, 2017
Year of Polygamy Podcast, 2017
Maxwell Institute Podcast, 2015