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EDUCATION

Duke University, Ph.D., History, 2013

Dissertation: "The Inadvertent Opposition: The São Paulo Political Class and the Demise of Brazil's Military Regime, 1968-1985." Advisor: John D. French.

Preliminary Fields: Colonial Latin America, Modern Latin America, Brazil, and Sexuality Studies

Vanderbilt University, M.A., Latin American Studies, 2006

Oral Roberts University, B.A., Theology, 2001

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015-2016 Postdoctoral Associate in Brazilian History and Latin American Studies, Univ. of Georgia
2013-2015 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, Duke Univ.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2014 "‘The Blood of the Youth Is Flowing’: The Political Class and Their Children Take on the Military in 1968." *Revista Brasileira de História* 67 (2014): 39-65.
http://www.anpuh.org/arquivo/download?ID_ARQUIVO=47597
- 2012 "The Audacity to Strong-Arm the General: Paulo Maluf and the 1978 São Paulo Gubernatorial Contest." *The Hispanic American Historical Review*. 92:3 (2012): 471-505.
LASA Brazil Section Article Prize, Honorable Mention.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- 2015 "‘I Want to Vote for President’: Popular Mobilization, the Political Class, and the Demise of the Military Regime." In *Actes de le colloque ‘La dictature brésilienne et son legs.’* Edited by James N. Green and Monica Schpun. Paris: Centre de Recherches sur le Brésil Colonial et Contemporain, Ehess, 2015. (Forthcoming)
- 2011 "‘The Funeral of Democracy’: The Moreira Alves Case, Elite Political Culture, and the Birth of Dictatorship in Brazil." In *Paulistânia eleitoral: ensaios, imagens, dados*. Edited by José D’Amico Bauab. São Paulo: TRE-SP, Imprensa Oficial, 2011. 285-300.

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2015 Review of *Memory’s Turn: Reckoning with Dictatorship in Brazil*, by Rebecca Atencio. *Bulletin of Spanish Studies*. (Forthcoming)
- 2015 Review of *A Global History of Sexuality: The Modern Era*, edited by Robert M. Buffington, Eithne Luibheid, and Donna J. Guy. H-histsex. <https://networks.h-net.org/node/6056/reviews/63137/pitts-buffington-and-luibh%C3%A9id-and-guy-global-history-sexuality-modern>
- 2014 Review of *The Politics of Sexuality in Latin America: A Reader on LGBT Rights*, edited by Javier Corrales and Mario Pecheny. H-histsex. <https://networks.h-net.org/node/6056/reviews/46424/pitts-corrales-and-pecheny-politics-sexuality-latin-america-reader>

NEWSPAPER, MAGAZINE, AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES

- 2015 “Our Lurch toward Conservatism.” Co-authored with Rafael E. Ioris. *O Estado de S. Paulo*. 13 April 2015. <http://www.estadao.com.br/noticias/geral,nossa-guinada-conservadora,1668933,0.htm>
- 2015 “Bigger than Ever? Not So Fast.” *North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA)*. 13 April 2015. <https://nacla.org/news/2015/04/13/bigger-ever-not-so-fast>. Reprinted in *Brasil Wire*, 13 April 2015. <http://www.brasilwire.com/bigger-than-ever-not-so-fast>.
- 2015 “Who’s Protesting in Brazil, and Why?” *North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA)*. 9 April 2015. <https://nacla.org/news/2015/04/09/who's-protesting-brazil-and-why>. Reprinted in *Alborada*. 9 May 2015.
- 2014 “To Praise, Forget, or Learn? Dictatorship of Yesterday, Injustices of Today.” *Brasil Post*. 30 March 2014. http://www.brasilpost.com.br/bryan-pitts/elogiar-esquecer-ou-aprender_b_5052660.html?utm_hp_ref=brazil
- 2014 “The Historian’s Story: Voices from the Past,” *Revista de História* 101 (Feb. 2014): 98. <http://www.revistadehistoria.com.br/secao/a-historia-do-historiador/bryan-pitts>
- 2012 “Paulo Maluf.” In *Brazil Today: An Encyclopedia of Life in the Republic*. Ed. John Crocitti. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood, 2012. 371-372.

INTERVIEWS AND MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 2015 Radio interview on 2015 Brazilian anti-government protests. “Latino Media Collective.” WPFW, Washington, D.C. 1 May 2015.

MAJOR FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

- 2015-2016 Postdoctoral Fellowship in Brazilian History and Latin American Studies, Univ. of Georgia
- 2015 Fulbright Scholars Postdoctoral Award, U.S. Dept. of State.
- 2012-2013 Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Fellowship for Undergraduate Instruction, Duke Univ.
- 2010 John Tolman Graduate Student Award, Brazilian Studies Association.
- 2009-2010 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Award, U.S. Dept. of Education.
- 2006-2010 James B. Duke Fellowship / Society of Duke Fellows, Duke Univ.
- 2006-2012 Full Graduate Fellowship, Duke Univ.
- 2004-2006 Full Graduate Research Assistantship, Vanderbilt Univ.

MINOR FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2009-2012 Summer Research Fellowship, Duke Univ. (Three fellowships)
- 2006-2010 Mellon Foundation Field Research Travel Grant, Centre for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Duke Univ. (Four grants)
- 2007 Pre-Dissertation International Research Travel Award, Graduate School, Duke Univ.
- 2006 Summer Exploratory Research Grant, Dept. of History, Duke Univ.
- 2006 Supplemental Thesis Research Grant, Graduate School, Vanderbilt Univ.
- 2006 FIPSE/CAPES Semester Exchange Fellowship, Vanderbilt Univ./Univ. of São Paulo.
- 2005 Summer Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Portuguese), Vanderbilt Univ.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2015 Invited lecture at M.A. Program in Legislative Affairs at Centro de Formação (Cefor) of the Chamber of Deputies, National Congress, Brasília, Brazil. “The Congress in the Streets: The Political Class and Popular Mobilization, 1968 and 1980.”

- 2015 Invited lecture at Instituto Federal de Brasília, Brasília, Brazil. “How Do We Know What We Know?: The Contribution of Historians to Scientific Methodology.”
- 2015 Conference paper at CLAH/AHA, New York. “Exotic Whiteness: History, Ethnography, and Gay Sexual Tourism in Reverse.” Co-authored with Alvaro Jarrin, Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, College of the Holy Cross.
- 2014 Invited paper at research conference “La dictature brésilienne et son legs,” EHESS, Paris. “‘I Want to Vote for President’: Politicians, Popular Mobilization, and the Presidential Succession of 1984-1985.” (Also presented at BRASA, London, 2014.)
- 2014 Invited paper at research conference “Brazil: From Dictatorship to Democracy,” Brown Univ., Providence, R.I. “‘We Cannot Think about Democracy the Way We Used to’: Opposition Politicians, the ABC Strikes, and the Conquest of Citizenship, 1978-1980.” (Also presented at CLAH/AHA, Chicago, 2012 and BRASA, Brasília, 2010.)
- 2014 Conference paper at CLAH/AHA, Washington D.C. “‘Hung, Hot, and Shameless in Bed’: Representations of African-Descended Men in Brazilian Gay Media.” (Also presented at LASA, Washington D.C., 2013 and BRASA, New Orleans, 2008.)
- 2012 Conference paper at LASA, San Francisco. “It *Is* Necessary to Live: The Anti-Candidacy of Ulysses Guimarães and the Daily Practice of Politics in Authoritarian Brazil.”
- 2012 Invited paper at research conference “Intimate Ethnographies of the Brazilian State,” Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N.Y. “Conceptualizing the Political Class Under Military Rule: The Growth of the MDB Interpreted through Elite Studies.”
- 2011 Conference paper at SECOLAS, Wilmington, N.C. “‘A Revolution Through the Ballot Box’: The 1974 Elections and the Revival of Opposition Politics in Brazil.”
- 2010 “‘The Funeral of Democracy’: The Moreira Alves Case, Elite Political Culture, and the Birth of Dictatorship in Brazil.” Southern Historical Association, Charlotte, N.C.
- 2009 Conference paper at LASA, Rio de Janeiro. “Explaining Electoral Success and Quantifying Fulfilment of Hope: A Review of Scholarly Analyses of the Lula Presidency, 2002-2009.”
- 2009 Invited presentation at Universidade Federal Rural do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. “*Elites de cor*, New and Old: Thales de Azevedo, Angela Figueiredo and the Social Ascent of Afro-Brazilians in Salvador, 1953 and 2002.”
- 2009 Discussant for panel “Revolutionary Lives: Biography and Representations of Militant Activists during and after the Brazilian Military Dictatorship.” CLAH/AHA, New York.

COURSES TAUGHT

- Latin American History to 1800. Univ. of Georgia (Fall 2015).
- Afro-Brazilian Culture and History. Duke Univ. (Fall 2014).
- Latin America Since Independence. Duke Univ. (Fall 2014).
- Global Brazil. Duke Univ. (Spring 2014).
- Introduction to Contemporary Latin America. Duke Univ. (Spring 2014, Spring 2011).
- Global History of Sexuality. Duke Univ. (Spring 2014, Fall 2011).
- Latin America: Colonialism and Its Consequences. Duke Univ. (Fall 2013).
- Dictatorship, Human Rights, and Memory in Latin America. Duke Univ. (Spring 2013).

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

- 2013 Co-organizer for research conference “Heroes or Hacks? Media Cultures, Politics, and Democracy in Latin America.” Duke Univ., Durham, N.C.
<http://sites.duke.edu/mediaconference/>

2008 Coordinator for research conference “Nurturing Hope, Deepening Democracy, and Combating Inequality: An Assessment of Lula's Presidency.” Duke Univ., Durham, N.C.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2015 Member of CLAH Vanderwood Prize Committee for best article in Latin American history not published in *The Hispanic American Historical Review* or *The Americas*.
2015 Peer reviewer for *Revista Estudos Históricos*.
2014-2015 Founder and Participant in Global Brazil Humanities Lab, Duke Univ.
2013-2015 Participant in Duke-Brazil Initiative, Duke Univ.
2013 Peer reviewer for *Brésil(s)*.

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Inadvertent Opposition: The São Paulo Political Class and the Demise of Brazil's Military Regime, 1968-1985.
Book manuscript.
“‘Hung, Hot, and Shameless in Bed’: Blackness, Desire, and Identity Politics in a Brazilian Gay Magazine, 1997-2008.” Article manuscript.
“Exotic Whiteness: Gay Brazilian Tourists and the Imagined Euro-American Other.” (Co-authored with Alvaro Jarrin, Dept. of Anthropology, College of the Holy Cross.) Research in progress.
“Redefining Equality in a Post-Neoliberal World: The Brazilian Supreme Court’s 2012 Decision on Race-Based Affirmative Action.” (Co-authored with John D. French, Dept. of History, Duke University.) Article Manuscript.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association (AHA)
Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA)
Conference on Latin American History (CLAH)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
Southeastern Conference of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS)
Southern Historical Association – Latin America Section (SHA)