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**EDUCATION:**

Ph.D., American History, 2012-Present  
The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

M.A., American History, 2012  
The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

B.A., History, 2006  
The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

**RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

U.S. SOUTH: 19 Century and Civil War; Capitalism, Smuggling, Illicit Trade; Culture and Identity; Agriculture, Environment, Foodways; Honor, Violence, Conflict, and Resistance; Atlantic World

**PUBLICATIONS:**

**Articles**

"At Home on the Mountain: Appalachia in Lillian Smith's Life and Work," *Appalachian Journal* (Spring/Summer 2010)

**Book Reviews**

*Uncommonly Savage: Civil War and Remembrance in Spain and the United States* by Paul D. Escott (University Press of Florida, 2014) for *Journal of American Studies* (forthcoming)

*Bloody Bill Longley: The Mythology of a Gunfighter* by Rick Miller (University of North Texas Press, 2011) for *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 116:1 (July 2012)

*Civil War Humor* by Cameron C. Nickels (University Press of Mississippi, 2010) for *Civil War History* (Spring 2012)

*Eli the Good* by Silas House (Candlewick Press, 2009) for *Appalachian Journal* 38:4 (2011)

*Randy Wayne White's Ultimate Tarpon Book: The Birth of Big Game Fishing* by Randy Wayne White and Carlene Fredericka Brennen, eds (University Press of Florida, 2010) for *The Florida Historical Quarterly* (Summer 2011)

[\*On Slavery's Border: Missouri's Small Slaveholding Households, 1815-1865\* by Diane Mutti-Burke](#) (University of Georgia Press, 2010) for *Essays in History* (2011)

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION:**

### **Organization**

"Rethinking Creation and Destruction in the Civil War South," First Annual Symposium of the Southern Roundtable, TRR Cobb House, Athens, GA, March 2014.

### **Participation**

Panelist: "Southern Space in Cuban Place: An International Failure," Southern Historical Association, Atlanta, November 2014.

Panelist: "Borders, Blockades, and Black Markets: The Political as Personal in the Confederate South," Society of Civil War Historians, Baltimore, June 2014.

Panelist: "Inside the Blockade: Smuggling and Economic Chaos in the Confederate South," Southern Roundtable Forum, TRR Cobb House, Athens, GA, March 2014.

Panelist: "*Cuban Libres*: Friendship, Finance, and Failure for a 'Confederate' Family in Cuba," Global Gulf Conference, Tulane University, February 2013.

Panelist: "Canines in the Cotton: Wagging Tales in the Antebellum South," Southern Studies Conference, Auburn University at Montgomery, February 2013.

Moderator: "Blogging Roundtable with Victoria Bynum, Gregg Andrews, and James C. Cobb," UnCivil Wars Conference, University of Georgia, October 2010.

Moderator: "Unlikely Victims" Panel, at UnCivil Wars Conference, University of Georgia, October 2010.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE:**

### **Editorial Positions**

Contributing Editor, *The Civil War Monitor* <http://civilwarmonitor.com/>

Editor, *The Front Line* <http://civilwarmonitor.com/front-line>

Book Review Editor, *Bowtied and Fried* <http://southernroundtable.wordpress.com/>

Associate Editor, *Southern Historian* 33 (Spring 2012)

### **Involvement**

Founding Chair, The Southern Roundtable <http://www.southernroundtable.uga.edu>

President, History Graduate Student Association, UGA History Department, 2013-14

Mentor and Committee Member, First-Year at UGA History Graduate Mentor Program

Research Assistant to Dr. Michael Montgomery, Spring, 2011

### **Affiliations**

Southern Historical Association

Society of Civil War Historians

Society of Appalachian Historians

The Southern Roundtable at the University of Georgia

**GRANTS and AWARDS:**

MARBL Short-Term Fellowship, Emory University (2015)

UGA Franklin College-University of Liverpool Doctoral Student Short-Term International Research Fellowship, Franklin College, UGA (2015)

Future Faculty Program, Center for Teaching and Learning, UGA (2014)

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award, Graduate School, UGA (2014)

Graduate Research Fellowship, Willson Center for the Humanities, UGA (2014)

Gregory Graduate Travel Award, History Department, UGA (2013, 2014)

Gregory Graduate Research Award, History Department, UGA (2012, 2013, 2014)

Frances S. Summersell Research Fellowship, Center for the Study of the American South, University of Alabama (2012)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Guest Lecturer: " 'They Sendin' Me to Vietnam:' The Conflicts Over the Conflict, Foreign and Domestic" for Matt Hulbert—Fall 2013  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Guest Lecturer: "Death and Freedom: Antietam and the Changing Face of the Civil War," for Dr. Dan Rood—Fall 2012  
HIST 4072 US Civil War

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Brian Drake—Fall 2014  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Shane Hamilton—Spring 2014  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Jim Cobb—Fall 2013  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Brian Drake—Spring 2013  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Shane Hamilton—Fall 2012  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Michael Winship—Spring and Summer 2012  
HIST 2111 US History Prior to 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Shane Hamilton—Fall 2011  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Montgomery Wolf—Spring 2011  
HIST 2111 US History Prior to 1865

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Dr. Jim Cobb—Fall 2010  
HIST 2112 US History Post 1865