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Degrees:

Ph.D. Yale University, American Studies Program, 1995  
M. Phil Yale University, American Studies Program, 1990

M.A. Yale University, American Studies Program, 1998  
A.B. Bryn Mawr College, The Growth and Structure of Cities Program, 1986

Employment history:

1996-Present University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Associate Professor,  
Department of History

1995 -1996 Georgetown University, Professorial Lecturer, Department of History  
Spring 1992 Yale University, Instructor, American Studies Program  
Spring 1991 Wesleyan University, Instructor, Department of History  
Professional papers presented:

2009 "The Lost Cuisine: The Politics of Domestic Life in the Post-Civil War South" Society for the History of Authorship, Reading, and Publishing, Toronto, Canada

2009 "The Land of Pumpkin Pies': The Political Culture of Nostalgia in New England, 1820-1860" Far Western Popular Culture Conference, Las Vegas NV

2006 "The Lost Cuisine: Preserving Culinary Traditions in the Post-Civil War South" American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Oakland, CA

2005 "Sustaining Nourishment: Images and Artifacts of Nineteenth-Century Domestic Economy" American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC

1999 "Labors of Love: Hair Jewelry, Mourning Practices and the Sentimental Market in Nineteenth-Century America" Far Western Popular Culture Association, Las Vegas

1997 "Imagining Gender Roles: 1790-1860" Commenter, Organization of American Historians Conference, San Francisco

1996 "Parlor Productions: A Sentimental Education about the Market in Godey's Lady's Book, 1830-1860" Social Science History Conference, New Orleans

1993 "Cupid's Manufactory: From Sentiment to Profit, the Transformation of the Valentine Industry in 19th-Century America," Social Science History Conference, Baltimore, Maryland

1993 "A Tempest in a Teapot: Reading Literary Spin-off Products and the Origins of the Sentimental Market," Early Modern Culture Workshop, Norman, Oklahoma

1993 "My Wife and the Market Street Phantom: Sentimental Education about the Market in Women's Magazines, 1830-1880," University of Delaware

Publications:

"Ministers Behaving Badly: The Pastoral Relationship in Nineteenth-Century America" *Reviews in American History* 33.2 (2005) 184-190.

*Market Sentiments: Middle-Class Market Culture in 19th-Century America* (Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Books, 2004).

"Charitable Calculations: Fancywork, Charity, and the Culture of the Sentimental Market, 1830-1880" in Burton J. Bledstein and Robert Johnston, eds., *Explorations in the History of the American Middle Class* (New York: Routledge, 2001): 73-85.

"Sentimental Heresies: Rethinking The Feminization of American Culture" Intellectual History Newsletter  
Volume 15, (Fall 1993):23-31.

Research in progress:

Book Manuscript:

"Democratic Tastes: The Politics of a National Cuisine in Nineteenth-Century America"

Journal Articles:

"Sustaining Nourishment: Images and Artifacts of Nineteenth-Century Domestic Economy"

"The Lost Cuisine: Preserving Culinary Tradition in the Post-Civil War South,"

"The Land of Pumpkin Pie: Re-examining the Development of a National Cuisine"

Committee Board Assignments:

2009-2010 Curriculum Committee, Department of History, Chair

2009-2010 Curriculum Committee, College of Liberal Arts

2007-2008 Graduate College Executive Committee

2007-2008 Ad-hoc Committee on Graduate Faculty Status

2005-2008 Graduate Council, Graduate College

2005-2008 Graduate Funding Committee, Graduate College, Chair 2007-2008

2005-2008 Graduate Coordinator, Department of History

2003-2008 Graduate Committee, Department of History, Chair 2005-2008

2005-2008 Awards Committee, Department of History

2005-2007 UNLV Libraries' Award for Undergraduate Research Committee

2003-2004 Search Committee Chair, Position in U. S. Cultural History, Department of History

1999-2001 Course and Curriculum Committee, College of Liberal Arts, UNLV

1998-1999 Ad-hoc Committee on Teaching Evaluation, Chair, Department of History

1997-1998 Search Committee, Position in U.S. Cultural History, Department of History

1996-2005 Curriculum Committee, Department of History, UNLV, Chair 2003-2005

1996-1998 Library Committee, Women's Studies Program, UNLV

1997-1998 By-Laws Committee, College of Liberal Arts, UNLV

1996-1998 Cultural Studies Committee

Summary of other assigned institutional duties:

2008-2011 Editorial Board Member, University of Nevada Press

1999-2002 Halcyon Editorial Board

1996-1998 Faculty Mentor, Women's Studies Club