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## EDUCATION

PhD, History	University of Texas at Austin, 2007
MA with commendation, Classical Heritage	University of Bristol, 1997
BA with highest honors, Humanities	University of Texas at Austin, 1995

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### TEACHING

Assistant Professor, History; Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX	2008-Present
Visiting Assistant Professor, History, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX	2007-2008
Adjunct Instructor, History, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX	2004-2005; 2006-2007
Online Writing Lab E-Structor, Smarthinking, Washington, D.C.	2004
Teaching Assistant, History, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX	2003-2004
Instructor, Rhetoric and Composition, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX	2001-2003
Writing Consultant, Undergraduate Writing Center, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX	2001-2002

## PUBLICATIONS

### BOOK MANUSCRIPT

"A Home for Wednesday's Child: Natchez and the Making of the American Orphanage" (in submission).

### BOOK CHAPTERS

"Every Thing but a Parent's Love': The Family Life of Orphan Asylums in the Lower Mississippi Valley," in Craig Thompson Friend and Anya Jabour, eds., *Family Values in the Old South*, University Press of Florida (2010).

"Children of the Public: Poor and Orphaned Minors in the Southwest Borderlands," in James Marten, ed., *Children and Youth in a New Nation*, New York University Press (2009).

### ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES / ENTRIES

"Deborah Sampson," (700 words) in Hasia R. Diner, ed., *Women in American History: An Encyclopedia*, Facts on File (forthcoming).

"Children," (700 words) in Mark G. Spencer, ed., *Encyclopedia of the American Enlightenment*, Continuum (forthcoming).

"Women's Rights Movement: Intersections," (6000 words) in John R. McKivigan and Heather L. Kaufman, eds., *The Encyclopedia of American Reform Movements*, Facts on File (forthcoming).

## BOOK REVIEWS

- Stephan, Scott. *Redeeming the Southern Family: Evangelical Women and Domestic Devotion* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2008) for *The Journal of Southern History* 76/2 (2010): 440-42.
- Bruggeman, Seth C. *Here, George Washington Was Born: Memory, Material Culture, and the Public History of a National Monument* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2003) for *Southwest Journal of Cultures* (posted May 28, 2009).
- Cohen, Daniel A. *Pillars of Salt, Monuments of Grace: New England Crime Literature and the Origins of American Popular Culture, 1674-1860* (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2006) for *Itinerario* 31/2 (2007): 195-96.
- Green, Elna C. *This Business of Relief: Confronting Poverty in a Southern City, 1740-1940* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2003) for *The North Carolina Historical Review* 82/2 (2005): 282-83.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- "Fair Daughters of Charity: Women and the Ordering of Benevolence in the Early American Republic" in *Proceedings of the American Historical Association, 2004*, Bell & Howell (2004).

## ————— SELECT PRESENTATIONS —————

- Commentator for panel "Poor Whites and Poverty: Labor and Law in the Old South" for the *Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association*; Baltimore, MD (2011).
- Chair and commentator for panel "The Rod and the Reprimand: Discipline and Childhood in Early America" for the *Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR)*; Rochester, NY (2010).
- Co-organized panel "Representations of Rupture: Children and Fractured Families in American Culture" for the *Meeting of the Society for the History of Children and Youth*; Berkeley, California (2009). Presented paper entitled "The Power of Sympathy: Fundraising, Storytelling, and Early Child Welfare Reform."
- Organized panel "Child Welfare in Progressive-Era Southeast Texas" for *Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting*; Austin, TX (2009). Presented paper entitled "From Confederate Foundlings to Troubled Youths: The Evolution of the Bayland Orphans' Home for Boys."
- Organized panel "'The Common and Continual Mischiefs of the Spirit of Party': Politics and the Transformation of the Southern City" for the *Urban History Association Conference*; Houston, TX (2008). Presented paper entitled "Federalists, Republicans, and a Tale of Two Cities in Frontier Mississippi."
- Organized panel "New Directions in the Study of the American Apprentice" for the *Joint Conference of the Society of Early Americanists and the Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture*; Williamsburg, Virginia (2007). Presented paper entitled "Not 'Slavery': Black Apprentices in Mississippi and the Rise of a New Peculiar Institution."
- "Of Age: Using Microhistory to Explore Concepts of Childhood and the Experiences of Children in the Early American Republic" at *Approaching Evidence in Early America: The Perils and Promises of Interdisciplinarity*; McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (2005).
- "Like the Tender Twig: The Proper Cultivation of Destitute Children in Early Natchez, Mississippi." Presented *in absentia* at the *Anglo-American Conference of Historians*; Institute of Historical Research; London, UK (2004).

“Fair Daughters of Charity: Women and the Ordering of Benevolence in the Early American Republic” at the *American Historical Association National Meeting*; Washington, D.C. (2004).

“A Community of Parents: Public Responsibility for Dispossessed Children from the Early Nineteenth Century to the Present” at *Romanticism and Parenting Conference*; New York, New York (2003).

“The Persistence of Benevolence: A Look at Early Nineteenth-Century Charitable Societies for Poor and Orphaned Children and Their Descendent Agencies” at the *Meeting of the Society for the History of Children and Youth*; Baltimore, Maryland (2003).

## ———— GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND DISTINCTIONS ————

Faculty Research Grant, Sam Houston State University (2009). Awarded to support research for project entitled “A Comparative Analysis of Schools in Antebellum Natchez.”

Humanities Texas Mini-Grant, Humanities Texas (2009). Awarded to fund Sam Houston Symposium.

University Continuing Fellowship. University of Texas at Austin (2005-2006). Awarded by university to support writing of dissertation.

Gentry White Fellowship in Southern History. University of Texas at Austin (2004-2005). Awarded by department to support writing of dissertation.

Dora Bonham Dissertation Fellowship. University of Texas at Austin (2003). Awarded by department to conduct research on orphans and apprentices in Natchez, Mississippi.

Centennial Graduate Student Support Fund Grant, University of Texas at Austin (2003). Awarded by department to fund presentation of paper at *Romanticism and Parenting Conference*.

Liberal Arts Graduate Research Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin (2002). Awarded by the College of Liberal Arts to conduct research on orphan asylums in Natchez and New Orleans.

Interpreting the Texas Past Grant, Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife (2002). Awarded by state agency to co-write and co-produce a film interpreting Penn Farm Historical Site for Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife.

University of Texas at Austin Graduate Recruitment Grant (2001).

Rotary Foundation Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholar (1996-1997).

Phi Beta Kappa (1995).

Dedman Scholar (1991-1995)

## ———— COURSES ————

### GRADUATE

Colonial and Revolutionary America

Early National America

Topics in the History of Women

American Historiography

### UNDERGRADUATE

Family and Childhood in the Atlantic World, 1500-1800

History of Family and Childhood  
Conceptualizing History Education  
History of American Slavery  
Readings in History  
Early America to 1783  
America in Midpassage, 1783-1877  
Emergence of Modern America, 1877-1945  
Recent America, 1945 to the Present  
World History: Renaissance to Imperialism  
United States History to 1876  
United States History Since 1876

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**SERVICE**

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**PROFESSIONAL**

Member, Local Resources Committee for 2011 Meeting, Organization of American Historians (2009-present).  
Columnist, *Society for the History of Children and Youth Bulletin* (2005-present).  
List Editor, H-Education (2006-2009).  
Manuscript reviewer for *Intersections: Women's and Gender Studies in Review across Disciplines*; University of Texas at Austin (2006).

**UNIVERSITY**

Founder and co-organizer, Sam Houston Symposium (2008-present). A biennial event to bring together students, scholars, and community residents to share research and interests in history and the humanities.  
Co-organizer, Joan Coffey Symposium, Department of History, Sam Houston State University (2009).  
Member, Graduate Affairs Committee, Department of History, Sam Houston State University (2008-present).  
Member, College of Humanities and Social Sciences Women's Caucus, Sam Houston State University (2008-present).

**COMMUNITY**

Guest Presenter, The McFaddin-Ward House, Beaumont, Texas (2007). Delivered talk "Sweet Charity: How Women's Groups Saved the City."  
Guest Presenter, Colonial Dames of America, Beaumont, Texas (2007). Gave talk "From Daughters of Liberty to Civic Mothers: A Brief History of Women's Activism."  
Tutor and Newsletter Editor, Buckner Children's Village, Beaumont, Texas (2005-2006).  
Columnist, *Our Home, the Natchez Children's Home Newsletter*, Natchez, Mississippi (2003-present)