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EDUCATION

- 2004 Ph.D., History, State University of New York at Buffalo
Dissertation: "Courting Commerce: *Gibbons v. Ogden* and the Transformation of
Commerce Regulation in the Early Republic," Advisors: Richard E. Ellis (chair),
Michael H. Frisch, Donald M. Roper, Tamara Plakins Thornton
Academic Interests: American Constitutional and Legal History; American History to
1877; American History from 1877; Latin American History
- 1998 M.A., History, State University of New York at Buffalo
- 1994 B.A., History, Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama
B.S., Political Science-Sociology, Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama
Magna Cum Laude Graduate, Phi Beta Kappa
- 1993 Budapest University of Economic Sciences, Budapest, Hungary
Coursework in Central European History, Political Science, Economics, and Law

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- 2010-2012 Sam Houston State University, Houston Texas, Chinese Language Study
2011 Library Company of Philadelphia, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer
Seminar for College Teachers on "The Early Republic and the Problem of Governance"
- 2009-2010 Northeast Normal University, Changchun China, Chinese Language Study and Residence
2009 United International College, Zhuhai China, Teaching Liberal Arts in Chinese
Universities Workshop
- 2007 State University of New York at Albany, Institute for Constitutional Studies, Teaching
Workshop for College Instructors
- 2007 Sam Houston State University, Huntsville Texas, Writing Across the Disciplines Seminar
2003 Law and Society Association, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, Graduate Student Workshop
2002 Supreme Court Historical Society, Washington DC, Seminar on Teaching Federalism
2001 Supreme Court Historical Society, Washington DC, Teaching the Constitution Workshop

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2011-present Associate Professor, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville Texas
2005-2011 Assistant Professor, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville Texas
2009-2010 Visiting Fulbright Professor, Northeast Normal University, Changchun China
2003-2005 Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska at Kearney
1999-2001 Adjunct Instructor, State University of New York at Buffalo
1999 Adjunct Instructor, State University of New York College at Fredonia
1999 Adjunct Instructor, State University of New York College at Buffalo

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate:

American History to 1877
American History from 1877
Western Civilization to 1500
Western Civilization from 1500
Pre-Contact America
American Constitutional History to 1860
American Constitutional History from 1860
Atlantic World, 1400-1865
Early America to 1783
Revolutionary America, 1750-1800
America in Mid-Passage, 1783-1877
American Indian History
American Religious History
American Thought and Culture, 1620-1865
Historiography
Modern Middle Eastern History

Graduate:

Colonial and Revolutionary America
Revolutionary America, 1750-1800
Early National America, 1780-1860
American Constitutional and Legal History to 1865
American Constitutional and Legal History from 1865
American Constitutional History
American Historiography
American Thought and Culture
Turning Points in American History

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

2011	On-line Instructional Grant (Co-Participant), Sam Houston State University
2008, 2010, 2011	CHSS Excellence in Research Award, Sam Houston State University
2009	Excellent Foreign Expert Award, Northeast Normal University, Changchun China
2009-2010	Fulbright Teaching Fellowship, American History, Changchun China
2009	Major Grant for Media Projects (Co-Participant), Humanities Texas
2007	Library Research Grant, Princeton University
2006	Faculty Enhancement Grant, Sam Houston State University
2002	Dissertation Fellowship, State University of New York at Buffalo
2001, 2002	Larry J. Hackman Research Residency Award, New York State Archives
2001	Gilder Lehrman Dissertation Fellowship, Gilder Lehrman Institute
2001	Mark Diamond Research Grant, State University of New York at Buffalo
2001	Clements-DeGolyer Research Grant, Southern Methodist University
1999-2001	Lockwood Dissertation Fellowship, State University of New York at Buffalo
1996-2000	Full Tuition Scholarship, State University of New York at Buffalo
1994-1995	Young Scholars Fellowship, Birmingham Civil Rights Institute

CURRENT PROJECTS

- “Founders and Sages: Teaching the U.S. Constitution in Chinese Higher Education,” work-in-progress.
- “From Paternalist to Industrialist: The Complex Career of Thomas Gibbons,” work-in-progress.
- “Reinvisioning the Old China Trade,” work-in-progress.

BOOKS

- 2009 Gibbons v. Ogden, *Law, and Society in the Early Republic* (Athens: Ohio University Press).

BOOK CHAPTERS AND PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2009 “Contesting Commerce: *Gibbons v. Ogden*, Steam Power, and Social Change,” in *Journal of Supreme Court History* 34 (March), 55-73.
- 2008 “Frontier Framers: Constitution Making in Nineteenth Century Nebraska,” in *The History of Nebraska Law* (Athens: Ohio University Press), ed. Alan Gless, 11-27.
- 1997 “From Centerpiece to Center Stage: Kelly Ingram Park, Segregation, and Civil Rights in Birmingham, Alabama” in the *Southern Historian* 18 (Spring): 5-28.

NON-PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2011 “Encountering the Founders: Changing Historiographical Views of the Creation of the U.S. Constitution,” in *Journal of Nanjing University* 48 (July 2011): 32-42.
- 2010 “The Four Freedoms: Teaching Democracy at the Huntsville Prisoner of War Camp, 1942-1945,” *Democracy and Diversity in Walker County, Texas* (On-Line project sponsored by Humanities Texas), ed. Jeffrey Littlejohn, http://studythepast.com/democracy/pow_camp_home.htm.
- 2009 “The Great Depression, 1920-1940,” *Documenting American History* (Sam Houston State University), ed. Jeffrey Littlejohn, 71-81.
- 2008 “Gibbons v. Ogden,” *Milestone Documents in American History* (Schlager Group, 2008), ed. Paul Finkelman, 434-463.
- 2008 “Martin v. Hunter’s Lessee,” *Milestone Documents in American History* (Schlager Group, 2008), ed. Paul Finkelman, 512-539.

BOOK REVIEWS AND ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

- 2012 Book Review of Richard Campanella, *Lincoln in New Orleans: The 1828-1831 Flatboat Voyages and Their Place in History* in *Journal of Southern History*, forthcoming.
- 2012 Book Review of James R. Fichter, *So Great a Proffit: How the East Indies Trade Transformed Anglo-American Capitalism* on eh.net http://eh.net/book_reviews/so-great-proffit-how-east-indies-trade-transformed-anglo-american-capitalism (January)
- 2011 Book Review of Steven Wilf, *Law's Imagined Republic: Popular Politics and Criminal Justice in Revolutionary America* in *Journal of American History* 98 (June), 192-193.
- 2009 "The Birmingham Campaign," *Encyclopedia of African American History* (Oxford University Press), ed. Paul Finkelman, 186-187.
- 2005 *Encyclopedia of New York State* (Syracuse University Press), eds., Robert Mandel and Peter Eisenstadt, 641-643, 912-916. Entries authored:
Gibbons v. Ogden (1824)
Edward Livingston
Robert R. Livingston
- 2005 "Gibbons v. Ogden," *Encyclopedia of American Federalism* (Greenwood Press), eds. Ellis Katz, Joe Marbach, and Troy Smith, 742-744.
- 2003 "Shreveport Rate Case (1914)," *Dictionary of American History* (Charles Scribner's Sons), ed. Stanley Kutler, Vol. 7, 352.
- 2001 Book Review of David Ray Papke, *The Pullman Case: The Clash of Labor and Capital in Industrial America* in *American Journal of Legal History* 45 (July), 331-332.
- 2000 Book Review of Howard Ball, *The Bakke Case: Race, Education, and Affirmative Action* in *American Journal of Legal History* 44 (October), 501-502.
- 1998 Book Review of Harold M. Hyman, *The Reconstruction Justice of Salmon P Chase: In Re Turner and Texas v White* in *Journal of Legal History* 19 (October), 184-185.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

- 2012 "Building the Sinew of a Nation: The U.S. Constitution and Internal Improvement in the Early Republic," to be presented at the *Asian Association of World Historians Annual Congress*, Ewha Womans University, Seoul South Korea, April.
- 2011 "Encountering America: Teaching American History in Chinese Higher Education," presented at the *World History Association Annual Conference* (panel organizer), Capital Normal University, Beijing China, July.
- 2011 "Teaching Early American History in China," presented at the *Pre-Departure Orientation for American Fulbrighters*, Department of State, Washington DC, June.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- 2011 "Living and Working in China," presented at the *Pre-Departure Orientation for American Fulbrighters*, Chinese Embassy, Washington DC, June.
- 2011 "Founders and Sages: Teaching U.S. Constitutional History in Chinese Higher Education," presented at the *College of Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty Colloquium*, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville Texas, February.
- 2010 "Encountering the Worldview of the Founding Generation," presented at the *La Villita Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution*, College Station Texas, September.
- 2010 "The U.S. Constitution in World History," presented at the *Annual Symposium of the China World Modern History Society*, Johns Hopkins University-Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies, Nanjing China, June.
- 2010 "Changing Views of the U.S. Constitution," presented at the *History Department*, Peking University, Beijing China, June.
- 2010 "*Gibbons v. Ogden*, Commerce Regulation and Social Change in American Constitutional History," presented at the *International Symposium on Social Transactions in China and the West in Comparative Perspective*, Sichuan University, Chengdu China, June.
- 2010 "America's Living Constitution: Meeting the Challenges of Modernization," presented at the *Sichuan University-Fulbright Conference*, Sichuan University, Chengdu China, June.
- 2010 "Changing Views of the U.S. Constitution," presented at the *History Department*, Chung-Ang University, Seoul South Korea, June.
- 2010 "Understanding American Higher Education," presented at the *School of History and Culture*, Northeast Normal University, Changchun China, June.
- 2010 "*Gibbons v. Ogden*, Commerce Regulation and Social Change in American Constitutional History," presented at the *Law School*, Peking University, Beijing China, May.
- 2010 "The U.S. Supreme Court and the Origins of American Capitalism," presented at the *History Department*, Fudan University, Shanghai China, April.
- 2009 "U.S. Constitution: Origins and Development," presented at the *School of History and Culture*, Northeast Normal University, Changchun China, December.
- 2009 Panelist, "Reflections on Implementing Liberal Arts Education in Chinese Universities," at the *Liberal Arts Education in Chinese Universities Workshop*, United International University, Zhuhai China, November.
- 2009 "From Paternalist to Industrialist: The Complex Career of Thomas Gibbons," presented at the *Society for Historians of the Early American Republic Annual Meeting*, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, Springfield Illinois, July.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- 2009 Guest Lecturer, "Constitutional History of the United States," *Teaching American History Grant Program*, McNeese State University, Lake Charles Louisiana, June.
- 2009 Panel Chair, "Reshaping Identities in Antebellum New Orleans" at the *Louisiana Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Monroe Louisiana, March.
- 2008 "Soliloquies for a Slave Trader: The Civil War and New York City Politics in the Arguelles Affair," presented at the *Urban History Association Conference* (panel organizer), Houston Texas, November.
- 2008 "Advocate of Change: Samuel L. Southard and the Articulation of Capitalism in the Early Republic," presented at *University Library*, Princeton University, Princeton New Jersey, July.
- 2007 "Engineering Success: The Fulton-Livingston Steamboat Monopoly, Business Reputations, and the Articulation of Commercialism in the Early Republic," presented at the *Livingston-Fulton Steamboat Bicentennial Symposium*, Bard College, Annandale New York, June.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Sam Houston State University

- 2005-present Constitution Day Celebration Planning Committee (Chair, 2011-2012)
- 2008-present Manuscript Reader, Oxford University Press, Bedford/St. Martin Press
- 2010-present Member, Dean's Research and Scholarship Committee
- 2010-present Member, Distinguished Lecturer Series Committee
- 2010-present Member, Faculty Research Council
- 2010-present Member, History Department Graduate Affairs Committee
- 2011-Present Member, Graduate Program Self Study Committee
- 2011-present Member, University Curriculum Committee
- 2011-present Member, History Department Undergraduate Affairs Committee
- 2011-present Chair, History Department Curriculum Committee
- 2008-2009 Member, History Department Undergraduate Committee
- 2007-2008 Member, Faculty Research Support Committee
- 2007-2008 Senator, Faculty Senate (Academic Affairs Subcommittee)
- 2005-2007 Secretary, History Rhetoric Group

Fulbright Program

- 2010-2011 Grant Evaluator, Fulbright Classroom Teacher Exchange Program
- 2009-2010 Grant Evaluator, Fulbright Visiting Research Scholar Program
- 2009-2010 Manuscript Reader, Northeast Normal University Press

University of Nebraska at Kearney

- 2003-2005 Faculty Advisor, Undergraduate History Club

REFERENCES

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