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Curriculum Vitae**

Department of History  
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**Teaching**

Assistant Professor of African History  
Department of History  
Queens College-CUNY  
September 2005

Adjunct Instructor  
Department of Ethnic Studies  
University of Oregon  
“Race, Identity and Trans-Nationalism in South Africa and the United States”  
Spring Quarter 2004

**Publications**

Book Manuscript (under preparation): *Poverty Knowledge in South Africa: From Liberal Reform to Radical Politics*

“Strength in Numbers: The Durban Student Wages Commission, Dockworkers and the Poverty Datum Line, 1971–1973,” *The Journal of Southern African Studies* 33(2) 2007

Review of Adam Ashforth, *Witchcraft, Violence and Democracy in South Africa* (Chicago: Chicago University Press, 2005) *The International Journal of African Historical Research*

“Taking Stock of the Transition,” review of Allister Sparks, *Beyond the Miracle: Inside the New South Africa* (Chicago: Chicago University Press, 2003) H-NET, March 2005

**Education**

University of Michigan, 1998-2004, Ph.D. awarded April 2005, Department: History

Dissertation Title: “Poverty Knowledge in South Africa: The Everyday Life of Social Science Expertise in the Twentieth Century”

Major fields: Precolonial Africa; Africa since 1880; the History of the Human Sciences; Science, Technology, and Knowledge in the Colonial World

Kenyon College, 1992-1996, B.A. with highest honors, received 1996, Major: History

### **Awards**

Professional Staff Congress, City University of New York, Research Award, July, 2006

National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, Science Studies Program, University of California at San Diego, 2004-2005 (*awarded and accepted*)

Society for the Humanities Postdoctoral Fellowship, Department of Science and Technology Studies, Cornell University, 2004-2005 (*awarded and declined*)

Rackham Humanities Dissertation Fellowship, 2003-2004

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington DC, Africanist Doctoral Research Fellowship, Summer 2003

International Dissertation Research Fellowship, Social Science Research Council, October 2002-May 2003

Fulbright Fellowship, International Institute of Education, November 2001-September 2002

Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, United States Department of Education, 1998-2001

Rackham Travel Grants, University of Michigan, 2003, 2000

Foreign Language and Area Studies Program Award, United States Department of Education, Summer 2001

Placement in International Institute workshop on International Expertise, University of Michigan, May 2001

International Institute Predissertation Research Award, University of Michigan, 2000

Africa Initiative Fellowship, Center for Afroamerican and African Studies, University of Michigan, 2000

Center for the Education of Women Award, University of Michigan, 2000

Advanced Studies Center Travel Grant, University of Michigan, 2000

Rackham Discretionary Funds, University of Michigan, 1998, 1999, 2000

Highest Honors for Senior Thesis, "Colonial Psychiatry in Africa," Kenyon College, 1996

Alan Goldsmith Prize for best work in History, Kenyon College, 1996

Prize for outstanding contribution to campus life, Office of International Education, Kenyon College, 1996

### **Academic Presentations**

"Black Social Workers in 1950s South Africa," The New York Area Historians of Africa Workshop, March, 2008

"The Demand for Numbers: Popular Struggles and Poverty Statistics in Postwar South Africa," The Africa History Group, University of Michigan, 2007

"Appropriating Boundaries: Social Movements and Poverty Research in South Africa" The Annual Meeting of the Society for the Social Studies of Science, Vancouver, BC, 2006 (Panel Chair)

"Exploiting the 'Science'/'Non-Science' Divide: Social Movements and Academic Research on Poverty in Twentieth-Century South Africa," The Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, San Francisco, 2006 (Panel Chair)

"Strength in Numbers? Poverty Research in Twentieth-Century South Africa," Greater New York Area Historians of Africa Workshop, Columbia University, 2006

Co-organized conference, "Knowing Society, Making Society," University of California at San Diego, 2005

"South Africa's 1930-32 Native Economic Commission and the Ambiguities of Testimony," Workshop on Struggling with the State in Colonial and Postcolonial Africa, University of Chicago, 2003

"Translating Workers' Demands into Minimum Needs: Student Wages Commissions and the Rebuilding of South Africa's Black Trade Unions, 1968-1979," The Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Boston, 2003 (Panel Chair)

“Poverty Statistics, Social Welfare Reform, and the Limits of Scientific Persuasion in Postwar South Africa,” The Annual Meeting of the Society for the Social Studies of Science, Atlanta, 2003

“Quantifying Poverty in 1940s South Africa: Edward Batson and the Rise of the Social Survey,” Workshop on South Africa in the 1940s, Queen’s University, Kingston, Canada, 2003

“The Poverty Question and the Social Sciences in Twentieth-Century South Africa” Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars, Washington D.C., 2003

“Meeting Demand: South Africa’s Commissions of Inquiry into Economic Life in the 1930s,” Africa Workshop, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2003

“Making Poverty Research Political: The Student Wages Commissions, the Durban Strikes, and the Resurgence of the Trade Union Movement, 1968-1979” Department of Historical Studies, University of Natal, Durban, 2003

“Seeing Cape Town’s Poor: Visual Referencing and Social Surveying in the 1940s” South African and Contemporary History Seminar, University of the Western Cape, 2002

“Keiskammahoek as a ‘Knowledge-frontier,’ 1952-2002,” Department of Anthropology, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, 2002

“The Poverty Question and the Social Sciences in Twentieth-Century South Africa,” Center for African Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2001

Organized and convened conference with other graduate students, “Reimagining South Africa and the Political Imagination of South Africans.” Secured funding from the South Africa Initiatives Office of the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies, the Rackham Graduate School, and the Departments of History and Anthropology. University of Michigan, 2001

“South African Social Surveying in Transnational Perspective,” The Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Nashville, 2000

“Edward Batson and South African Social Surveying in Imperial Perspective,” Empires, States and Political Imagination Student Seminar, University of Michigan, 2000

Guest Lecture on “Colonial Medicine in Africa,” Adrian College, 2000

“Between Memory and History in Subaltern Studies,” Central States Anthropology Conference, Chicago, 1999

“Nodal Imperialism: The Case of Dr. Ronald Howard, Nyasaland circa 1910,” The Africa Workshop, University of Michigan, 1999

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## **Employment**

Research Assistant, Professor Ann Stoler  
Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan, November 2000 – May 2000

Africa Workshop Graduate Student Coordinator, Center for Afroamerican and African Studies, University of Michigan, December 1999 – January 2001

Interviewer, The Ypsilanti Everyday Stress and Health Study, The Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, May 1999 – August 1999