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## **EDUCATION**

PhD, History, George Mason University, *expected 2022*

Dissertation: “‘With All Her Sad Disasters, What Do We See in This City?’: Reconstruction, Race, and the Politics of Disaster in Richmond, 1870-1918”

Major field: American History, passed with distinction

Minor fields: Public History; Digital Humanities

MA, History, George Mason University, 2016

MLIS, University of Pittsburgh, 2013

BA, History, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2012

BA, Political Science, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2012

## **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Digital Scholarship Consultant, Digital Scholarship Center, George Mason University Libraries, 2019-present

Library Associate, Thomas Balch Library, 2017-present

Graduate Research Assistant, Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media, George Mason University, 2015-2019

Digital History Fellow, Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media, George Mason University, 2014-2015

Adult Assistant Services, Wilkinsburg Public Library, 2013-2014

Collections Department Associate, Hillman Library, University of Pittsburgh's University Library System, 2012-2013

Intern, Library of Virginia, 2011-2012

Peer Advisor, Virginia Commonwealth University Department of History, 2011-2012

Tutor, Virginia Commonwealth University Campus Learning Center, 2010-2012

## **DIGITAL PROJECTS**

*Omeka Classic* and *Omeka S*, with Sheila A. Brennan, Sharon M. Leon, John Flatness, Jim Safley, Kim Nguyen, Megan R. Brett, and Ken Albers, Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media, George Mason University, 2015-2019 <omeka.org>

*Papers of the War Department*, with Sheila A. Brennan, Sharon M. Leon, Christopher Hamner, Jim Safley, Kim Nguyen, Megan R. Brett, and Jessica Dauterive, Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media, George Mason University, 2015-2019 <wardepartmentpapers.org>

*September 11 Digital Archive*, with Sheila A. Brennan, Sharon M. Leon, and Jim Safley, Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media, George Mason University, 2015-2017 <911digitalarchive.org>

### **WORKSHOP AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*The Networked Curator*, project associate and graduate research assistant, 2017

*Doing Digital History*, project associate and graduate research assistant, 2016

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Papers of the War Department: Updating the Digital Edition and Community Transcription Project,” Organization of American Historians, April 2019

“An Act of Charity: Teaching About Military Pensions in the Early Republic Using Online Primary Source Documents,” with Christopher Hamner and Megan R. Brett, National Council on History Education, March 2019

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Mellon Research Fellowship, Virginia Historical Society, 2018

Summer Research Fellowship, George Mason University, 2018

McKinnon-Morton Research Fellowship, George Mason University, 2017

Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Scholarship, George Mason University, 2015-present

CW Bright Pixel Prize for the Best History and New Media Project, 2015

Digital History Fellowship, George Mason University, 2014-2015

L Douglas Wilder School of Government & Public Affairs Outstanding Political Science Student, 2012

Scholarship recipient, Virginia Commonwealth University Global Education Office, 2010

### **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

Entries in the *Dictionary of Virginia Biography*: “Charles William Dickinson,” “Walter Carlton Elliott,” “Lora Effie Hotchkiss Ellyson,” “Elisabeth Randolph Shirley Enochs”

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Graduate Student Representative, Southern Association for Women Historians, 2018-present

Organization of American Historians