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Curriculum Vitae

McIntire School of Commerce

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Academic Employment

2023—Present Mellon Race, Place, Equity Post-Doctoral Fellow, McIntire School of Commerce (Finance), University of Virginia

2021—2023 Post-Doctoral Research Associate and Lecturer

Engagements Curriculum, College of Arts and Sciences,
University of Virginia

Education

2021 Ph.D. History, University of California, Berkeley

Dissertation: *The Infrastructures of Finance: The London Stock Exchange and the Politics of Market Structure in Modern Britain 1801-1914*, Chair: Thomas Laqueur

2016 M.A. History, University of California, Berkeley

2015 B.A. History, *summa cum laude*, Cornell University

Publications*Refereed Articles and Book Chapters*

2024 “Wiring Markets: Financial Markets and the Telegraph During the First Age of Globalization, 1870-1914” forthcoming in *Cambridge Handbook of Financial Infrastructure*

2022 “The Material Politics of Finance: The Ticker Tape and the London Stock Exchange, 1860s-1890s,” *Enterprise and Society* vol. 23 no. 3 (September 2022), 857-887.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/eso.2021.3>

Reviews

- 2022 *Automating Finance: Infrastructures, Engineers, and the Making of Electronic Markets* by Juan Pablo Pardo-Guerra, *Twentieth Century British History*
(forthcoming) review of *Serving a Wired World: London's Telecommunications Workers and the Making of an Information Capital*, by Katie Hindmarch-Watson, *Enterprise and Society*
- 2018 review of *Victorian Jesus: J.R. Seeley, Religion, and the Cultural Significance of Anonymity*, by Ian Hesketh, *Victorian Periodicals Review*, (Fall, 2018) vol. 51 no. 3, 408-410.
- 2017 review of *Subscribing to Faith? The Anglican Parish Magazine 1859-1929*, by Jane Platt, *Victorian Periodicals Review*, (Summer, 2017) vol. 50 no. 2, 434-437.
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Works in Progress

The Infrastructures of Finance: The London Stock Exchange and the Making of the Modern Financial Network 1801-1914, (book manuscript in progress, targeted for University of Chicago Press)

“The British Financialization of American Slavery: 1820s-1840s,” (article in preparation, targeted journal, *Past and Present*)

Fellowships and Awards

- 2023 National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend
- 2021 George Guttridge Prize (outstanding work in British or colonial American History) University of California, Berkeley
- 2018 Curran Fellow, *Research Society of Victorian Periodicals*
- 2016 Dissertation Research Fellow, *Institute of European Studies*, University of California, Berkeley
- 2015 Messenger Chalmers Prize, co-winner, (Best senior thesis in history) Cornell University
Lustig Prize (Best senior continuing the study of history) Cornell University
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Teaching

Instructor of Record Financial Lives: The Financial System and Social Difference (FL21/FL22)

Numerical Values: How We Make Meaning Out of Numbers
(SP22/SP23)

Teaching Assistant

Modern Money: A Global History; History of American
Capitalism; European Civilization: Renaissance to the Present;
Global History: 4000 B.C.E. to the Present; Early Modern Britain:
1485-1714; History of the Holocaust.

Invited Talks

- 2022 “The Infrastructure of Sanctions,” *Speaker Series in Response to Russian Invasion of Ukraine*, University of Virginia, March 2022
- 2021 “The Financial Infrastructures of Empire,” *Investor Amnesia*
CFA Certified Online Course, August 2021
- “The Technopolitics of Financial Infrastructure,” *Media, Telecommunications, and Empire*, Jefferson Scholars Foundation, University of Virginia, March 2021.
- 2019 “A Revolution of Minds? Towards a Cultural History of the Writing and Reception of Newman’s Tract 90,” *Research Seminar on Anglicanism since 1688*, Pusey House, University of Oxford, May 2019.

Conference Presentations

- 2023 “British Slaveholding After Abolition: The Baring Brothers in Cuba, 18402-1850s,” *North American Conference on British Studies*, Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD. November 2023
- “Unstandardized Settlement: Market Structure and the Limits to Arbitrage in the First Age of Financial Globalization,” *Business History Conference*, Annual Meeting, Detroit, MI. March 2023
- 2021 “The Politics of Arbitrage: Connecting and Disconnecting Global Markets, 1870s-1920s,” *Financial History Webinar Series* April 2021.
- 2020 “The Infrastructure of Finance: A Material History of Speed and the Financial System in the British Empire, 1845-1908,” *American Historical Association*, Annual Meeting, New York, NY, January 2020 (panel organizer).
- 2019 “Performing Financial Power: Precarious Labor, Information, and Power in the Nineteenth-Century Stock Exchange,” *North*

American Conference on British Studies, Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada, November 2019 (panel organizer).

“The Financialization of American Slavery and the Mundane Political Economy of Sovereign Debt,” *Finance Capital and the Ghosts of Empire*, Brighton, United Kingdom, April 2019.

2018 “Money Power: The European Financialization of American Slavery,” *Southern Historical Association*, Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, November 2018.

“The Archive of Finance: A Cultural History of the Stock Price Index in the Victorian Press,” *Pacific Coast Conference on British Studies*, Annual Meeting, Santa Barbara, CA, March 2018.

2017 “Specters of Capital: American Slavery and British Cultures of Finance,” *North American Conference on British Studies*, Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 2017.

2016 “When Theology Became News: John Henry Newman, the Politics of the Press and the Hampden Affair,” *Research Society for Victorian Periodicals*, Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO, September 2016

Service

2021— Referee, *Journal of Global History*

Referee, *Enterprise and Society*

2018 Selection Committee: Carol D. Soc Distinguished Graduate Student Mentoring Award, University of California, Berkeley,

2017-2018 History Department Representative, Graduate Student Senate, University of California, Berkeley