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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Ph.D. American Studies, University of New Mexico (with distinction)

Dissertation Title: "None of Us Are Supposed to be Here:" Ethnicity, Nationality, and the Production of Cherokee Histories

B.A. Anthropology, San Francisco State University

B.A. English (Creative Writing), San Francisco State University

RELATED EXPERIENCE: TEACHING

April 2015 – 2017

Instructor, UCLA Extension, creating and teaching a series of online/hybrid courses in Cherokee Society and Government, in conjunction with the Tribal Learning Community Educational Exchange (TLCEE), an initiative of the Native Law and Policy Institute at UCLA Law School

August 2014 – present

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Pasadena City College, teaching American Indian subject courses in History and Anthropology departments, and the College One first-year seminar

January 2011 – December 2012

Visiting Professor, College of Liberal Arts, Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OK, developed new courses in Cherokee Society and Government

July 2006 – Oct. 2011

Assistant Professor, Native American Studies Department, University of California at Davis

June 2000 - February 2007

Lead Instructor, Cherokee Nation History Course, teaching a 40-hour course to tribal employees, community members, and diasporic tribal citizens across the United States, developing curriculum and additional teachers.

RELATED EXPERIENCE: GOVERNMENT, POLICY, AND ADMINISTRATIVE

August 2017 – present

Trainer, Falmouth Institute, conducting on-site trainings in tribal governance with tribes throughout the country, as well as sessions for the public conducted in selected cities. Subjects presented include Roberts Rules of Order, Tribal Constitutions and By-Laws, Developing Tribal Enrollment Processes, Conducting Tribal Elections, Roles and Responsibilities of Tribal Councils and Boards, and Facilitating Successful Meetings.

August 2007 – August 2015

Tribal Councilor, Cherokee Nation, elected to two terms, represented over 200,000 "At Large" Cherokee citizens who reside across the United States.. Developed policy and legislation, advocated for constituent concerns, oversaw an \$800 million budget, served as an advisory member on several tribal boards and corporations engaged in education and community development.

October 2001 – 2017

Member and President, Board of Directors of the Native Lands Institute, a research and policy analysis organization in Albuquerque, NM. Worked particularly on issues of religious rights for Native Americans, including protection of sacred sites. Represented the institute in regional coalitions, lobbied, developed and authored policy statements. Provided consultation and

research to tribal governments and non-profits on environmental, resource, and development issues.

June 2000 – February 2007

Director/Staff Development Officer, Cherokee Nation History Project, an initiative of the Organizational/Employee Development and Communications (OEDC) group of the Cherokee Nation. Developed interdisciplinary curriculum to teach tribal history to employees and community members, trained additional teachers, and taught classes. Oversaw program budget, managed database, made outreach to academic and museum partners throughout the country, handled logistics of siting community courses throughout the country.

RELATED EXPERIENCE: RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC

July 2013 – June 2014

Research and Special Projects, American Indian Studies Center, University of California, Los Angeles, research, grant writing, conference organizing, liaison to the American Indian community in southern California

January 2013 – June 2014

Senior Writer/Oral Interviewer, Center for Oral History Research, Charles Young Research Library, University of California, Los Angeles, developed oral history project of American Indians in southern California, both those who are indigenous to the area and those who have resettled here from other places. Recruited and conducted recorded interviews with about 25 participants, indexed the interviews in preparation for transcription.

July 2004 – June 2006

President's Postdoctoral Fellow with the University of California, affiliated with the Native American Studies Department at UC Davis. Conducted about 100 recorded interviews with Cherokee Nation citizens in southern California. Information and analysis was used to develop model of urban organizing of tribal citizenry in diaspora that was successfully implemented in cities across the United States.

RELATED EXPERIENCE: PEDAGOGICAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

June 2016

WestEd Training Conference, a three-day seminar on reading apprenticeship strategies and pedagogies.

June 2016

Community and Cultural Outreach, a series of annual workshops and technical training for community organization and non-profit development, sponsored by the Cherokee Nation and Northeastern State University. Also attended in 2015.

May 2016

College I Training, a 28-hour training conducted by Pasadena City College in preparation to teach courses for enhancing college success skills, both personal and academic, of first year students.

May 2016

Acceleration and Equity, a six-hour workshop on culturally responsive pedagogy, centering pedagogy in equity praxis, and principles of acceleration teaching and assessment.

April 2016

Planning the Total Course, a six-hour workshop on organizing course materials, and course design. Also addressed classroom management, assessment, learning styles, and instructional best practices.

March 2016

Equity-Minded Assessment, an eight-hour workshop conducted by USC's Center for Urban Education for Pasadena City College academic senate and division faculty.

March 2016

Digital Toolbox II: Producing Instructional Content and Media, a six-hour workshop offered through UCLA Extension.

March 2016

Embedding Equity-Mindedness, an eight-hour workshop conducted by USC's Center for Urban Education for Pasadena City College faculty and staff.

October 2015

Digital Toolbox I: Introducing Digital Tools Into Your Course, a six-hour workshop offered through UCLA Extension.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am presently working with approximately 160 recorded interviews of 45-90 minutes each that I have collected from diasporic Cherokee Nation citizens in Houston, Albuquerque, Sacramento, and the greater Los Angeles areas. The interviews include oral histories of the families of the subjects, as well as information about their civic engagement with the urban Indian community as well as with their tribal government and community. I have used the information gathered in assisting tribal citizens to form regional community organizations and to establish programs at the tribal government to interact in more consistent and substantial ways with the tribal citizens in diaspora.

The interviews represent a very extensive qualitative data set that has already revealed significant ways in which diasporic tribal populations interact and persist beyond or outside of the recognized urban community institutions that have been addressed thus far in the academic literature. As such, they offer many possibilities for future publications and additional research.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

"The Trail of Tears," as part of the Landmarks of the American Mosaic series, ABC-CLIO/Greenwood Press, January 2014, a textbook for lower division college students and high school juniors and seniors

"The Cherokee Nation History Course, Volume One: Pre-Removal," in process

BOOK CHAPTERS

"Race, Culture, and Nation." In The Great Vanishing Act: Blood Quantum and the Future of Native Nations, Kathleen Ratteree, editor. Fulcrum Publishing, Inc. Golden, CO, 2017.

"Ruth Muskrat Bronson." In Activist Native American Women: the Twentieth Century American West, Clifford Trafzer, editor. Texas Tech University Press, Lubbock. Under contract and submitted.

"This Sovereignty Thing: Law, Nationality, Blood, and the Cherokee Resurgence." In Who Is An Indian? Race, Blood, and the Politics of Indigeneity in the Americas, Maximilian Forte, editor. University of Toronto Press, 2013

JOURNALS

"The American Indian Studies Center at UCLA" for the *Journal of the West*, Summer 2014

"Re-imagining the Hills of Tsa-La-Gi: Geography, Stratification and Resistance in Eastern Oklahoma," *Native Writers and Storytellers*, Spring, 1999

INTRODUCTIONS AND PREFACES

"Introduction" to Thomas Lee Ballenger's dissertation, The Development of Law and Legal Institutions Among the Cherokees, 2011, Tahlequah: Cherokee Nation Press, with distribution through the University of Oklahoma Press

"Preface" to Herman Peterson's The Trail of Tears, An Annotated Bibliography of Southeastern Indian Removal, 2011, The Scarecrow Press, Inc.

REVIEWS

Review of Circe Sturm's Becoming Indian, The Struggle over Cherokee Identity in the Twenty-first Century, *American Anthropologist*, Winter 2014

Review of Kristin Reuppel's Unearthing Indian Land, Living with the Legacies of Allotment, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, Summer 2012

Review of Andrew Denson's Demanding the Cherokee Nation, *Indigenous Nations Journal*, Spring 2008

ENCYCLOPEDIC ENTRIES

"Cherokees." In Wiley-Blackwell's Encyclopedia of Race and Ethnicity

"New Echota Historic Site: Early Cherokee Nationalism in the Nineteenth Century." In American Indian Places, Frances Kennedy, ed. Houghton Mifflin Co., New York

"Cherokee Indians." In World Book Encyclopedia, Nicholas V. Kilzer, editor

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES: ACADEMIC

"Cherokee Perspectives on Higher Education," panelist at the Cherokee Celebration and Commemoration: President James Ralph Scales and the Cherokee Heritage of Wake Forest University symposium, Winston-Salem, NC, November 2015.

"Knowing Who We Are: Theda Perdue's Influence on Tribal Public History," a presentation to the American Society for Ethnohistory's annual conference, Pasadena, CA, October, 2011.

"Building the Bridges: Projects of the At Large Cherokees as Economic Development," a presentation to the State of Sequoyah's annual conference, Northeastern State University, September, 2011.

"Constitutional Reform in the Midst of Crisis," a presentation to the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association's annual conference, Sacramento, CA, May 2011.

"The Second Trail of Tears: Twentieth Century Cherokee Displacement and Resurgence," a presentation to the American Society for Ethnohistory's annual conference, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, Oct. 2010.

"A Family of Families: Community and Identity of the Cherokee Nation's Diasporic Citizens," a presentation to the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association's annual conference, Tucson, AZ, May 2010

"Race and Identity in the Cherokee Nation," a presentation to the National Association for Ethnic Studies annual conference, San Diego, CA, April 2009.

"Domestic Expatriates: Manifesting Identity Among Diasporic Cherokees," a presentation to the American Indian History Symposium, California State University, Sacramento, CA, March 2009.

"The Cherokee Defense of Sovereignty," a presentation at Native American Culture Week, California State University, Sacramento, CA, April, 2008.

"Native Nationality and the Comparative Endeavor: Exploring Some Reasons for Tensions Between North and South," American Indian Culture Days, Native American Studies, University of California at Davis, April 2008.

"Cherokee Persistence, Adaptation, and Conflict in the Twentieth Century," panel discussant, American Society for Ethnohistory annual conference, Tulsa, OK, November 2007.

- "This Sovereignty Thing, Law, Nationality, Blood and the Cherokee Resurgence," a presentation to a symposium, Who Is An Indian? Race, Blood, DNA, and the Politics of Indigeneity in the Americas. Concordia University. Montreal, Quebec, Canada, August 2006.
- "Nationbuilding: From Theory to Praxis," a presentation to a colloquium sponsored by the Native American Studies Department, University of California at Davis, January, 2006
- "Identity, Ethnicity and Nationalism, Challenging the Perspectives of Cherokee History," a presentation to the Ethnic Studies Department's winter colloquium series, University of California at San Diego, January 26, 2005.
- "Proposals for Partnership," a presentation to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in conjunction with Western Carolina University and Wake Forest University, Cherokee, NC, November, 2004.
- "New Perspectives on Cherokee History," a colloquium sponsored by the Cherokee Studies Department, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC, November, 2004.
- "Comparative *Mestizajes* and Hybridities: the Discourse and Politics of Race and Place," a presentation to the American Studies Association annual conference, Atlanta, GA, November, 2004.
- "Communicating Effectively with Tribal Constituencies," a presentation to the Honoring Nations Project of the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University's tri-annual symposium, Cambridge, MA, September, 2004.
- "Empowering History: Praxis for Cherokee Nationality." Presentation to the Western Social Sciences Association annual conference in Reno, NV, April, 2001.
- "Re-imagining the Hills of Tsa-La-Gi: Geography, Stratification and Resistance in Eastern Oklahoma." Presentation to the Popular Culture Association's annual meeting, San Antonio, TX, March, 1997. Also presented at the Southwest Symposium, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, April, 1996.
- "Savaging the Sacred: The Commodification of Native American Religions." Presentation to the Southwest Symposium, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM April, 1995.
- "Protecting Native Religious Rights: The Grassroots Concern." Presentation to the Western Social Sciences Association annual conference, Albuquerque, NM, April, 1994.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS AND TRAININGS: GOVERNMENT AND POLICY

- "Roberts Rules of Order," several trainings for tribal administrators and officials, Albuquerque, NM, and Las Vegas, NV, 2017-2018.
- "Conducting Tribal Elections," a training for tribal administrators and officials, Las Vegas, NM, April 2018.
- "Facilitating Successful Meetings," a training for Pamunkey tribal administrators, officials, and community members, King William, VA, March 2018.
- "Developing Tribal Enrollment Processes," a training for tribal village administrators and elected officials, Kodiak, AK, March 2018.
- "Tribal Constitutions and By-Laws," a training for tribal administrators and officials, Las Vegas, NV, June, January 2018, and for Valdez Native Tribe village administrators and elected officials, Valdez, AK, Oct. 2018.
- "Tribal Sovereignty and Nation Building," a panel of tribal leaders for the Self-Determination and Tribal Sovereignty: The Lasting Impact of the Nixon Administration conference, presented by the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum, Yorba Linda, CA, April 2015.
- "The Legacy of Constitutional Government in the Cherokee Nation," a keynote address at the Claremont Colleges in preparation for the debate between the candidates for Cherokee Nation Principal Chief, Claremont, CA, March 2015.

- “The Cherokee Constitutional Process of 1999,” a presentation as part of a panel on *Engaging and Educating the Community – What Works?*, the University of Arizona’s Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management, and Policy’s symposium “Change in Indigenous Governance Systems: Constitutions and Other Arrangements,” Tucson, AZ, May, 2012 and August 2010.
- “The Urban Cherokee Population in Southern California,” a workshop for the American Indian/Alaska Native Cultural Awareness Training for Census 2010 workers, Northridge, CA, March 2009.
- “The Cherokee Nation History Course, Cultural Competency and Health Care Providers,” a presentation to the National Indian Women’s Health Resource Center symposium, Los Angeles, CA, July 2006.
- “Understanding Native American History,” a presentation to the Environmental Protection Agency training on Working with Tribal Governments, Raleigh, NC, October, 2004 and repeated in October 2007.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES: OTHER INSTITUTIONS

- “From Clan to Citizen,” a presentation at the Chumash Museum, Thousand Oaks, CA, May 2016.
- “Seven Vignettes: An Intuitive Cherokee Interpretation of the Meaning of the Trail of Tears,” keynote address to the Trail of Tears Association annual conference, Hopkinsville, KY, Oct. 2013; also presented to the Allen Public Library, Allen, TX, April 2014; also presented at Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OK, September 2014; also presented to the Cherokee Community of the Inland Empire at Sherman Indian Institute, Riverside, CA, January 2015.
- “Cherokee-British Relations in the Revolutionary War,” a presentation to the Gilcrease Museum, Tulsa, OK, September 2012.
- “Heroes and Villains: Cherokee Divisions and US Perfidy in the Removal Era,” keynote address to the 15th Annual Trail of Tears Association conference, Metropolis, IL, September 2010.
- “A Cherokee-Centered Interpretation of Our History and Artifacts,” a presentation to the docents of the Gilcrease Museum, Tulsa, OK, November 2009.
- “Overview of Cherokee Historic Eras and Processes,” a series of five presentations to the Cherokee Teacher Enrichment project, Tahlequah, OK, Sept. 2009-Apr. 2010, Sept. 2010-Apr. 2011, and Sept. 2011-Apr. 2012.
- “A Family of Families: Community and Identity of the Cherokee Nation’s Diasporic Citizens,” a presentation to the Goingsnake Association’s monthly meeting, Colcord, OK, June 2010; and to the Descendants of Nancy Ward’s Annual Meeting, Tahlequah, OK, Sept. 2011.
- “Understanding the Cherokee Diaspora,” a lecture to the Cherokee Humanities Course, Tahlequah, OK, October 2008.
- “Fullbloods and Mixed-Bloods: Challenging the Prevailing Binary in Cherokee History,” a keynote address to the Trail of Tears Association annual conference, Little Rock, AR, September 2008.
- “Fullbloods and Mixed-Bloods, Race and Class in Cherokee History,” a presentation to the Oklahoma Historical Society monthly meeting, Oklahoma City, OK, July 2008.
- “Heritage and Nation.” A presentation to the Rotarians monthly meeting, Grove, OK, July 2006.
- “The Legal Background for Cherokee Removal,” two presentations to the American Core Texts Consortium for the “Wiping Away the Tears” symposium, a National Endowment for the Humanities-sponsored symposium, Tahlequah, OK, July 20 and July 27, 2005.
- “The Expatriate Phenomenon: Oklahoma Statehood and Cherokee Displacement in the 1900s,” a presentation to the Oklahoma Historical Society’s annual meeting, Muskogee, OK, April, 2005.
- “Cherokee Identity and Nationality,” a presentation to the United Indian Methodist Church’s national gathering, Cookson, OK, July, 2003.

PROFESSIONAL AND MEDIA CONSULTING PROJECTS

Consultant to the Autry Museum, Los Angeles, CA on portions of their exhibit, *Empire and Liberty: the Civil War and the West* that addressed the impacts on southeastern tribes. Also sponsored a resolution of support from the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council for the exhibit, February 2015.

Consultant, National Park Service/National Trails Association video production *The Trail of Tears*, 2008-2009

Consultant to the Cherokee Nation's Cultural Tourism initiatives, 2008-2012

Consultant and instructor for an online project, *The Cherokee Nation History Course*, Andrew Sikora and Kimberlie Gilliland, producers, 2008-present

Consultant to the Autry Museum on an exhibit about Cherokee removal, Los Angeles, CA, September 2007

Consultant, Public Broadcasting System's *American Experience*, (Dustin Craig and Christina Ibarra, producers), on Native American identity Issues, August, 2005

Consultant, proposed television miniseries, *America's Lost Children*, Kimberlie Gilliland and Andrew Sikora, producers, April, 2005

Instructor, *Cherokee Nation History*, a five-set DVD series of lectures from the Cherokee Nation History Course, International Academy of Science and the Cherokee Nation

Consultant and on-camera interview, *Road to Removal*, Videoline Productions, Richard Wormser and Gilles Carter, producers, with funding from the Arkansas Humanities Council and the Oklahoma Humanities Council, April, 2005.

Consultant and on-camera interview, Rich-Heape Productions, Chip Richie and Steven Heape, producers, *The Trail of Tears*, October, 2004

CURRENT ORGANIZATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

2012 – present

Founding member and President of the Cherokee PINS Project: Education and Engagement for Sovereignty, a non-profit dedicated to tribal civic education and engagement by building community collaborations between diasporic tribal citizens and those within the tribal jurisdiction.

2008 – present

Member, Cherokee Scholars Association

2008 - present

Member, Native American and Indigenous Studies Association

PREVIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

2009

Member, National Association for Ethnic Studies

2008 - 2015

Advisory Board Member, Cherokee Nation Community Association

2007- 2011

Advisory Board Member, Cherokee Nation Foundation

2006 - 2016

Member, American Society for Ethnohistory

2004 – 2008

Member, American Studies Association, Mid-America and California chapters

1999 – 2015

Member of the Trail of Tears Association, Oklahoma Chapter, an organization devoted to research, publication, and preservation of the historic sites, trails, and story of the Trail of Tears.

1999 - 2003

Delegate to the Constitutional Convention of the Cherokee Nation

1997- 2002

Mentor in the Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers

AWARDS

- 2014 Recipient on behalf of UCLA's American Indian Studies Center of the University of California Office of the President (UCOP) grant of \$20,000 to support the Good Native Governance conference.
- 2004 - 2006 Recipient of the University of California President's Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2002 Recipient of Harvard University's "Honoring Nations" award, recognizing the achievements of the Cherokee Nation History Course in contributing to tribal self-governance.
- 1999 Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers award for Best Research Paper, "Imagining the Hills of Tsa-La-Gi: Geography, Stratification, and Resistance in Eastern Oklahoma."
- 1999 Recipient of the Native Scholar Highest Honors Certificate from the Native American Scholarship and Research Council of the University of New Mexico in recognition of a cumulative GPA above 3.89.
- 1997 - 2000 Recipient American Indian Graduate Center Fellowships
- 1996 Recipient of the Graduate Fellowship, awarded by the New Mexico state legislature
- 1996 Recipient of the Graduate Scholars Fellowship awarded by the New Mexico state legislature

ONLINE PROJECTS

The Cherokee Constitution. A four-part webinar presented by the Cherokee PINS Project in conjunction with STAR University offered in the winter and spring of 2018.

Cherokee Society and Government. A series of courses developing through UCLA Extension in conjunction with the Tribal Learning Community Educational Exchange (TLCEE), a center of the Native Nations Policy Institute at the UCLA School of Law offered from 2014-2017.

The Association for Core Texts and Courses, Lessons in Cherokee Courage and Cultural Renewal, Unit 4, *The Legal and Political Struggle Over Cherokee Removal*
<http://www.coretexts.org/old/cherokeelessons/unit4/index.htm>

COURSES TAUGHT

I have taught the following courses in the Native American Studies department at UC Davis (2006-2011):

"Introduction to Native American Studies"

"Native American Women"

"Race and Sex" (I updated and split this course and retitled it "Race, Culture, and Nation" and created a second course on "Gender in Native American Communities." They went on the books at UC Davis in AY 2011-2012.)

"Native American Ethnohistory 1770-1890"

"Sustainable Development in Indigenous Communities"

"Ethnohistory of the Southeastern Tribes" (graduate seminar that I created)

I teach the following courses at Pasadena City College:

“American Indian History” (History department)

“American Indian Cultures” (Anthropology department)

In addition, I have taught numerous classes in sociocultural and sociopolitical topics at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque as well as a Native American literature course at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM.

NEW COURSES

I developed the following courses as a Visiting Professor at Northeastern State University:

“Post-Removal Cherokee History” – taught in the spring of 2011

“Pre-Removal Cherokee History” – taught in the fall of 2011

“Cherokee Identity” – taught in the fall of 2011

“Women and Gender in Cherokee Society” – taught in the fall of 2011

“Cherokee Identity and Sovereignty” – taught in summer 2012

“Evaluating Contemporary Cherokee Issues” –taught in the fall of 2012

“Cherokee Community Organizations and Development” – taught in the fall of 2012

“Introduction to Cherokee Society and Government” – developed but not taught at NSU. (Taught through UCLA Extension as an online offering from 2014 through 2017)