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SUMMARY

Professional interests:

- Ethnohistorical: the Otomí indigenous group of Central Mexico and the Bajío.
- Environmental: the Mezquital Valley, “from sheep to sewage” (16th-21st centuries). Includes the development of maize and maguey cultivation, the impact of mining and domestic herbivores after 1521, and irrigation, before and after the introduction of Mexico City’s wastewater (*aguas negras*) via the Gran Canal de Desagüe in 1900.
- Religious/political: Portuguese-St. Thomas Christian relations in 16th-century India, imperial narratives of possession in both Iberian empires based on Indo-Portuguese traditions of Thomas, and the role of the latter in the Wars of Independence in the Spanish Americas.

Research: topics have included,

- New Christian (*converso/cristão novo*) trade and family networks in 17th-century Mexico.
- The rural insurgency during the Wars for Independence in New Spain, 1810-21.
- Thomas Christian relations with the religious Orders and the *Padroado* in Portuguese India, 1498-1650.
- Dissertation research on Otomís and the environmental history of the Mezquital Valley from the Classic period (AD 150-650) to the present.

EDUCATION

PhD, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of History	2018
<i>Yale University, New Haven, CT</i>	
Concentrations: modern and colonial Latin America; environmental history. 4.0 GPA.	
<i>Dissertation:</i> “Environmental, Social, and Political Change in the Otomí Heartland: A Hydraulic History of the Ixmiquilpan Valley (Hidalgo State, Mexico).”	
Master of Arts in Global, International, and Comparative History (MAGIC)	2010
<i>Georgetown University, Washington, DC</i>	
Concentrations: Latin America and Early Modern Europe, with an emphasis on Mexico, colonialism, and Atlantic history. 3.95 GPA.	
<i>Master’s Thesis:</i> “ <i>Rebeldes contra la santa fe?: Business, Religion, and Calculated Risk among Portuguese Conversos in New Spain during the Iberian Union, 1580-1649.</i> ” See the companion website:	
http://familytrees.genopro.com/642777/autosdefe1646-1649/default.htm .	
Bachelor of Arts in History	2008
<i>Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas</i>	
Concentrations: European and Latin American history with a minor in Spanish. 3.4 GPA. Dean’s list and 4.0 GPA, four semesters.	

PUBLICATIONS

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- “La unión hidrológica entre el Valle del Mezquital y la Cuenca de México en el largo plazo.” In *México contemporáneo: Aspectos económicos, políticos, y sociales*. Edited by José Galindo. Xalapa, Mexico: Universidad Veracruzana. 2019
- “Pepper, Padroado, and Prester John: Portuguese-Thomas Christian Relations and the Creation of an Imperial Patron Saint.” In *Goa: A Post-Colonial Society Between Cultures*. Edited by Rochelle Almeida. Goa, India: Goa 1556 Publications, 202-34. 2018
- “A Tale of Two Valleys: A History of the Hydrological Union of the Basin of Mexico and the Valle del Mezquital.” In *Mexico in Focus: Political, Environmental and Social Issues*. Edited by José Galindo. New York: Nova Science Publishers, 33-79. 2015
- “History of a Raindrop: Three Snapshots of the Basin of Mexico/ Historia de la Cuenca de México desde la perspectiva de una gota de lluvia.” *El Presente del Pasado*. Feb. 17, 2014
- A series of articles titled, “From India to New Spain with St. Thomas”; “Before the Portuguese Advent”; and “Pepper Producers, Cultural Malabars.” *El Presente del Pasado*. Sept. 13 – Nov.7, 2013

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- “Ecological Intervention, Migration and Otomí Life in the Northern Mezquital: The Paradox of Rurality in Modern Mexico.” *Latin American Studies Association*, San Juan, Puerto Rico. May 2015
- “Cómo crearon los otomíes el Estado de Hidalgo : Campesinos indígenas, élites liberales, y movimientos agrarios sociales, 1824-1869.” *XIV Reunión Internacional de Historiadores de México*, Katz Center, University of Chicago. Oct. 2014
- “Between Transhumance, Relocation, and Migration: Mezquital Otomí Population Movements over the *longue durée*.” *RMCLAS*, Tucson, Arizona. Mar. 2014
- “Effluent Capitalism and Otomí Communities: The Mexican Mezquital, 1890-1910.” *CIPLAL 1st International Conference*, Oaxaca, Mexico. Oct. 2013
- “Pepper, Padroado, and Prester John: Portuguese-St. Thomas Christian Relations and the Creation of an Imperial Saint, 1500-1653.” *Goa: A Postcolonial Society Between Cultures*, Yale University. Apr. 2013
- “The World Turned Upside Down? Reassessing the War for Independence in Mexico’s Mezquital Valley” *Ethnohistory Conference 2012*, Springfield, Missouri. Nov. 2012
- “A De-centered View of the Conquest: The Otomí Experience in Central Mexico.” *Center for Latin American and Iberian Studies*, Yale University. July 2012
- “Christian Hebrews and Chinese Indians: Racial Categorization and the Chinese and Crypto-Jewish Trade Diasporas in the Spanish Empire.” *Latin American History Graduate Student Conference*, Columbia University. Mar. 2010

TEACHING AND FELLOWSHIPS

Instructor , <i>Angelo State University</i>	2019
Adjunct , <i>Angelo State University</i> Courses taught: Mexico since Independence and US History to 1865.	Fall, 2015
Visiting Scholar , <i>Colegio de México</i>	2013-14
Senior Thesis Advisor , <i>Yale University</i>	2013
Seminar Fellow , History of Mexico since Independence, <i>Yale University</i> Co-taught with Prof. Gil Joseph.	Spring, 2013
Teaching Fellow , History of Brazil, <i>Yale University</i>	Fall, 2012
Teaching Assistant and Group Tutor , <i>Angelo State University</i> Tutoring and teaching for entry-level US history as Supplemental Instruction (SI) instructor.	2007-8
Summer Language Program , <i>Tecnológico de Monterrey, Campus Cihuahua</i>	2007

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Andrew W. Mellon Fund Dissertation Writing Scholarship	Fall, 2017
Fox International Fellowship, Yale-Colegio de México	2013-14
MacMillan Center International Dissertation Research Grants	2013-14
Yale Agrarian Studies Dissertation Research Grant	2013-14
Yale Agrarian Studies Pre-Dissertation Research Grant	2012 & 2013
Yale CLAIS (Center for Latin American and Iberian Studies) Travel Grant	2011, '12 & '13
MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Summer Research Grant	2012
Andrew W. Mellon Fund Pre-Dissertation Summer Research Grant	2012, 2013
Georgetown University Top-of-Class Master's Departmental Scholarship	Spring 2009, Fall 2009, & Spring 2010

OTHER SKILLS

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- Languages:
 - Spanish, fluent (conversation, reading, translation, and writing)
 - Portuguese (read, speak)
 - French (read)
 - Italian (read)
 - Medieval Latin (read, beginner level).
 - Database creation and management (Excel, SQL, and MS Access).
 - Proficiency in SVG, Photoshop, Inkscape, and mapping software, including ArcGIS.