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Education

PhD. **University of California, Berkeley**, History, May 2004.

M.A. **University of California, Berkeley**, History, December 1999.

A.B. **University of California, Berkeley**, History with High Honors (*Summa Cum Laude*), minor in Geography, and membership in Phi Beta Kappa, May 1997.

Academic Employment

Kent State University

Assistant Professor, Department of History, August 2006-present.

Civil War History

Associate Editor, April 2010-present

University of California, Berkeley

Lecturer, Department of History, August 2004-August 2006

Graduate Student Instructor, Department of History, January 1999-May 2004 (8 terms teaching experience altogether)

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Spring 2001

Publications

“Washington is a Long Way Off’: The Round Valley War and the Limits of Federal Power on a California Indian Reservation,” co-authored with Khal Schneider: being revised for resubmission to the *Pacific Historical Review*

Class and Race in the Frontier Army: Military Life in the West, 1870-1890 (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2009)

“Soldiers in the American West,” in *Making of the American West: People and Perspectives*, Perspectives on American Social History, Benjamin Heber Johnson ed., Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, 2007, pp. 93-116.

Courses Taught

Lecture Courses:

History of the United States, 1607-1865
History of the United States 1865-present
The Civil War and Reconstruction
War and Society in the United States, 1607-1865
War and Society in the United States, 1865-present
The Repeopling of America, 1607-present/Migrations to America, 1607-present/American Immigration History, 1607-present
The Historian's Craft

Undergraduate and Graduate Readings Seminars:

Gilded Age America
Nineteenth Century America
The Lens of War: American History through the Study of the Military

Senior Thesis and Graduate Research Seminars:

Gilded Age America
The Nineteenth-Century West
The Twentieth-Century West
America to 1900

Conference Papers/Professional Presentations

"Why *Class and the Race in the Frontier Army* should matter to historians—and to you": presented at the South Dakota Humanities Council's "Festival of the Book," Deadwood, South Dakota, October 3, 2009.

"War and Society in the United States," chair and commentator for panel session at the Ohio Academy of History Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH, March 2007.

"Soldiers, Servants, or Slaves?: Enlisted Men and Work in the Frontier Army, 1865-1890.": presented at the Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., April, 2006.

"Nineteenth-Century California as Military Frontier": presented at "The Bancroft Library at 100" Centennial Celebration, Berkeley, California, February 2006.

Kevin Adams

Guest Lecturer, "The Overland Trail." Presented August 9, 2005 to the Sacramento City Unified School District's 5th grade teachers under the auspices of a Teaching American History Grant, Sacramento, California.

Guest Lecturer, "Abraham Lincoln, America's Racial Dilemma, and the Power of Politics." Presented July 1, 2005 to the Oakland Unified School District's 5th, 8th, and 11th grade U.S. History teachers under the auspices of a Teaching American History Grant, Berkeley, California.

"Pat has a small chance of showing his blood out in the wilderness": Class and Ethnicity in the Ideas and Institutions of the Frontier Army, 1865-1890": presented at the Western Historical Association annual meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2004.

"The Ethnic Divide in the Frontier Army: Fact or Fiction?": presented at the Society of Military History's annual conference, Madison, Wisconsin, April 2002.

Guest Lecturer, "The Overland Trail and Gold Rush California." History 122AC: Antebellum America, Department of History, University of California, Berkeley, April 2000.

"Common People with whom I shall have no relation": Class and Leisure Culture within the Frontier Army": presented at Southern California Graduate Student Conference, University of California, Riverside, May 1999.

Panelist, "Neighbors: The Historical Relationships of Canada, Mexico, and the United States," a symposium hosted by the Department of History and the Canadians Studies Program, University of California, Berkeley, November 1998.

Book Reviews

Review of Christine Dee, ed., *Ohio's War: The Civil War in Documents in Northwest Ohio History*, vol. 76, no. 1 (2008): 44-46.

Review of Lois J. Lambert, *Ninety-First Ohio Volunteer Infantry: With the Civil War Letters of Lt. Col. Benjamin Franklin Coates and an Annotated Roster of the Men of Company C in Ohio Valley History*, vol. 7, no. 1 (2007): 74-75.

Work as Referee

University of Nebraska Press
Western Historical Quarterly

Fellowships and Grants:

Summer Mellon Research Grant, Summer 1999
Matthew Ridgeway Summer Research Grant, U.S. Army Military History Institute, Summer 2002
U.C. Berkeley Normative Time Block Grant, Fall 2002
U.C. Berkeley Department of History, grants awarded: Fall 1999, Spring 2001, Fall 2001; Departmental fellowships awarded: Spring 2002, Spring 2004
Kent State University Under \$500 Travel Grant, Spring 2008
Kent State University Over \$500 Travel Grant, Fall 2008

Graduate Advising

Masters Theses Directed

Adam Hodge, Kent State University, 2009: "Vectors of Colonialism: The Smallpox Epidemic of 1780-82 and Northern Great Plains Indian Life."

Robert Sidwell, Kent State University, 2009: "Maintaining Order in the Midst of Chaos: Robert E. Lee's Usage of His Personal Staff."

Nichole George, Kent State University, 2008: "The Massacre and Memorial of March 5, 1770: Collective Memory, Patriotic Oratory, and the Creation of an American Holiday."

Masters Theses Currently Directing

Michele Curran

Masters Thesis Committees

Jeff Spangler, Kent State University (General Studies), 2007.

Andrew Tremel, Kent State University, 2008.

William Wurl, Kent State University, 2009.

Jason Csehi, Kent State University, 2009.

Dissertations Directed

John Walker, Kent State University, 2009 (co-director).

Doctoral Dissertation Committees

Barbara Wittman, University of Akron (History), 2008.

PhD Comprehensive Exams

Leon Perkowski (2010)
Gregory Jones (2009)
Miriam Kahn (2009)
Timothy Wintour (2009)
Jennifer Huck (2009)
Tom Weyant (2008)
Bryan Kvet (2008)

Individual Investigations

Summer 2007: Lisa Vargas (Liberal Studies)
Fall 2007: Bryan Kvet
Fall 2008: Timothy Wintour
Fall 2009: Leon Perkowski

Service

Kent State University

Chair, Curriculum Committee, August 2007-August 2009
Curriculum Committee, August 2009-Present
Undergraduate Program Committee, August 2006-August 2009
Graduate Program Committee, August 2009-Present
Faculty Advisory Committee, August 2007-August 2009
Ad Hoc Handbook Revision Committee, 2008
Ad Hoc Department Operating Manual Committee, Fall 2009-Present
Coordinator, Preparing Future History Faculty, August 2007-Present
History of Science in Modern Europe Search Committee, 2008-9
Nineteenth-Century U.S. Search Committee, KSU-Stark, 2009-2010

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University Research Council, Research and Graduate Studies Screening
Committee, 2006, 2007

University Committee, FYCCI (First Year College of Communication and
Information Project), 2009-Present

Professional Affiliations:

Member, American Historical Association, Western History Association,
Organization of American Historians