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Education

MA, Loyola University Chicago, 2018.
Area of Study: Public History

BA, University of Northern Colorado, 2013.
Area of Study: History & German

Study Abroad Semester, Pädagogische Hochschule, 2013.
Area of Study: German

Professional Academic Experience

University Archivist, UNC Archives & Special Collections. (2023 - Present).

Archivist I, UNC Archives & Special Collections. (2018 - 2023).

Museum Operations Manager, Frances Willard House Museum. (2017 - 2018).

Graduate Archival Assistant, Women and Leadership Archives. (2016 - 2018).

Education & Visitor Programs Scheduling & Office Coordinator, Thomas Jefferson Foundation.
(2014 - 2016).

Visitor Feedback & Correspondence Intern, Thomas Jefferson Foundation. (2012).

Museum Docent, Windsor Museum. (2009 - 2011).

Museum Education Intern, Windsor Arts & Heritage Division. (2010).

RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP, AND CREATIVE WORKS

Publications

Juried

Journal Article

Published

Fenton, W., Schmidt, K., Johnson, K. (2019). Digital Paxton Collaborative Construction with Eighteenth-Century Manuscript Collections.

Non-juried

Blog Post

Published

Johnson, K., Pellissier, M., Schmidt, K. (2019). *The Digital Tavern: Conceptualizing Parallels between Textual Networks in the Age of Revolutions and the Digital Humanities Today*.

Encyclopedia

Published

Johnson, K. (2013). *Georges Washington de Lafayette*.

Artistic and Professional Performances & Exhibits

Non-juried

Johnson, K., "UNC History Highlights." (August 2021 - Present).

Okayasu, K., "Holocaust Memorial Observances," UNC Libraries Mari Michener Gallery Committee, Greeley, CO. (August 2023 - December 2023).

Okayasu, K., Trask, J., "The Jewish Experience in Comics," UNC Mari Michener Gallery Committee. (August 2023 - December 2023).

Johnson, K., Trask, J., Gurney Schultz, M., Monson, J., Uglean-Jackson, L., Rosenberg, M., "Retrospective: The Evolution of University Libraries." (August 2022 - May 2023).

Johnson, K., "Designing a Narrative: UNC's Little Theatre of the Rockies." (December 2020 - August 2021).

Johnson, K., "Not Just a Moment: UNC's History of Protest & Activism on Campus." (May 2019 - December 2019).

Johnson, K., "Sister Jean: The Nun of March Madness." (January 2018 - May 2019).

Johnson, K., "UNC in the Great War: Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of WWI." (August 2018 - December 2018).

Johnson, K., "Marie Curie and the Polish Women's Alliance of America." (August 2017 - December 2017).

Johnson, K., "Remembering Jean Hunt." (May 2017 - August 2017).

Professional Presentations

Invited

Non-juried

Okayasu, K., National Council on Public History Annual Meeting, "Undergraduate Curators: Sharing Latina/o History with Campus," NCPH and Utah Historical Society, Salt Lake City, UT. (April 10, 2024).

Not Invited

Non-juried

Johnson, K., William E. Hewit Educators Conference, "Digital Humanities & Hidden Empires in World History." (June 2022).

Johnson, K., William E. Hewit Educators Conference, "Digital Humanities & Marginalized Voices in World History." (June 2021).

Johnson, K., William E. Hewit Educators Conference, "Digital Humanities & Voting in America." (2020).

Johnson, K., William E. Hewit Educators Conference, "Digital Humanities & U.S. Immigration." (June 2019).

Johnson, K., Schmidt, K., International Conference of Thomas Paine Studies, "Digital Pedagogy and the Radical Networks of Thomas Paine's Common Sense." (October 12, 2018).

Johnson, K., Pellissier, M., National Council on Public History, "Crossing the Line: Facilitating Digital Access to Primary Sources." (April 21, 2018).

Johnson, K., Schmidt, K., Pellissier, M., Chicago Colloquium on Digital Humanities and Computer Science, "Explore Common Sense: A Digital Critical Edition." (November 19, 2017).

TEACHING

Non-Credit Instruction

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (September 13, 2023).

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (September 7, 2023).

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (October 11, 2022).

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (October 10, 2022).

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (February 27, 2022).

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (February 25, 2022).

Guest Lecture, LIB 180 Introduction to Historical Research. (March 1, 2021).

SERVICE

University Service

Committee Member, UNC Exhibitions Committee. (August 2023 - Present).

College Service

Task Force Member, Faculty Documents Steering Group. (September 2023 - Present).

Chairperson, UNC Libraries Mari Michener Gallery Committee. (January 2022 - Present).

Committee Member, UNC Libraries Social Media Committee. (August 2020 - Present).

Professional Service

Editorial Review Board Member, portal: Libraries and the Academy, Academic Journal. (2020 - Present).

Chairperson, National Council on Public History - Digital Directory Sub-committee. (April 2018 - Present).

Committee Member, National Council on Public History - Membership Committee. (April 2018 - Present).

AWARDS AND HONORS

Other

Society of American Archivists Conference Scholarship, Society of Rocky Mountain Archivists. (July 2020).

Graduate Assistantship, Women and Leadership Archives, Loyola University Chicago. (August 2016).

Summa Cum Laude honors, University of Northern Colorado. (2013).

College of Humanities & Social Science's Celebration of Student Scholarship Award, University of Northern Colorado. (2012).

Cultural Exchange Participant & Scholarship Award, Council on International Educational Exchange & Korean Foundation. (2012).

Research Day Research Excellence Award, Poster Presentation, University of Northern Colorado. (2012).

College of Humanities & Social Science's Distinguished Scholar, University of Northern Colorado. (2011).

Phi Alpha Theta, UNC Chapter President, University of Northern Colorado. (2011).

Phi Alpha Theta Induction, University of Northern Colorado. (2010).

Honors Program, University of Northern Colorado. (August 2009).

President's Leadership Program, University of Northern Colorado. (August 2009).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Council for Public History. (2018 - Present).

Partnership for Russian, Eurasian, and East European Folklore. (2019 - 2022).

Rocky Mountain Society of Archivists. (2019 - 2022).