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EDUCATION

PhD History, University of Sussex

2014-2018

- Viva held on 4/7/2018; passed with minor amendments
- Thesis title: "Race, Environmentalism and Politics in the Amazon, 1950-88"
- Supervisors: Professor Anne Somerville and Doctor Michael Hu
- Viva Examiners: Professor Sumira Pandey (Oxford) and Doctor William Porto (Warwick)

My research uses the lens of critical race theory to investigate how politicians in the Brazilian Amazon developed ideologies of race and environmentalism in the mid to late twentieth century. My PhD thesis analysed the speeches of Amazonian state legislators and the race and environmental laws they promulgated between 1950 and 1988. My future research and book project will build on the foundations of my PhD to elucidate how politicians in the Amazon negotiated with international journalists to promote their legislative agendas with radical consequences for local understandings of race and the environment.

MA International Education and Development, University of Sussex

2013-2014

- Merit
- Dissertation title: "Education at the margins: informal schooling in Amazon cities"
- Key modules included: Education leadership, Quantitative methods and Race theory

BA (Hons) History and Modern Languages, University College, Dublin

2009-2013

- First class (76%)
- Completed a study abroad year at the University of Paris
- Final year dissertation: "Urban Schooling in Inter-War France, 1920-1925"
- Received undergraduate student mentoring award

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Tutor, University of Sussex,

October-December 2017

- Taught lecture based course, "An Introduction to Latin America" with a class size of 70 students
- Involved in writing materials and the assessment of the work
- Provided one-to-one student support as well as creating an online learning site

Associate Tutor, University of Sussex,

January-March 2016

- Designed and taught Masters seminar-based course, "Environmental History in the Amazon: Special Topics"
- Mentored and provided guidance to students completing their Masters dissertations with titles "Frontier Politics in Brazil and Colombia" and "River Schools and Development"

Summer School Teacher, University of Paris,

June-August 2012

- Designed and held seminars on module: “French for Academic Purposes”
- Provided pastoral support for undergraduate international exchange students
- Marked assessments and provided feedback to all students

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Visiting Field Researcher, University of Central Brazil

June-July 2015

- Collected archival material (3000 plus data points) in the Brazilian Amazon
- Designed and conducted oral history project “Race and Political Memory”
- Collaborated with environmental scientists to survey the rise and fall of a river basin
- Collated and analysed interviews as part of the global interview database

Research Assistant, University College, Dublin

June-August 2009

- Analysed interview data on research project: “Memories of Troubled Schooling”
- Prepared interview questionnaires for Smith Research Group
- Managed interviewee liaison (30 interview subjects)

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Postgraduate Representative, History Department, University of Sussex,

October 2016-June 2018

- Attended student experience committee once a term
- Proactively communicated with peers to ensure their feedback was passed to the committee whilst maintaining individual peer confidentiality
- Updated social media pages with relevant information including available training opportunities
- Disseminated information from committee to all peers in a clear and timely manner

Co-Workshop Organiser: Rethinking Latin America, University College Dublin,

February 2017

- This workshop brought together senior faculty and graduate students for a two-day event following the pre-circulation and peer review of papers
- Managed a £5000 budget and coordinated 100 conference participants
- Invited and briefed external speakers on topics to be covered

Outreach Assistant, University of Sussex,

June-September 2014

- Delivered over 20 outreach activities for more than 350 students from non-traditional backgrounds in local colleges
- Raised awareness and understanding of Higher Education amongst target groups
- Participated in campus activities including giving presentations and providing tours

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Historical Content Assistant, Oxford International Encyclopaedia

September 2011-Present

- Responsible for researching and writing historical content for encyclopaedia
- Content creation for both printed and online resources to critical deadlines
- Ensuring that resources follow encyclopaedia editorial guidelines
- Meeting with subject experts to ensure content accuracy

PRIZES, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

Piedmontine Fellowship: Teaching New Research via Inter-Disciplinary Courses, 2018

Postgraduate Essay Prize, Alternate, Association of Latin American Studies, 2017

Lopez Research Award for International External Research, 2016

PUBLICATIONS

Brown, Jordan, 'Building cities in the Brazilian Amazon,' in Journal of Latin American Scholarship, 1, 1 (2018), pp.15-34.

Brown, Jordan, Review of T.W. Smith, 'Environmental history in the Amazon,' in Scholarly Frontiers Journal, 1, 1 (2017), pp.5-6.

Brown, Jordan, 'Urban sport in the Brazilian Amazon, 1958-70,' in Proceedings of the Inter-American Society for Sport History, 11 (2017), pp.612-7.

Somerville, Anne, & Jordan Brown, 'New metrics for envisioning urban schooling in the Amazon,' in J. Smith (ed.), New Perspectives on the Amazon (Evanston: Northwestern University Press, 2016), pp.158-78.

Brown, Jordan, 'River schools: Manaus, 1962-75,' in Anne Somerville (ed.), Amazon Schools on the Margins (Brighton: University of Sussex Press, 2015), pp21-34.

CONFERENCES

13-16 April, 2018: Urban Scholars Association, Annual Convention, New York

- Paper: Cities and Global Belonging in the Brazilian Amazon

6-10 January, 2018: Pan-American Historical Association, Latin American History

- Panel Organizer: Cities of Nations in Latin America, 1930-75
- Paper: National Stadiums Across Latin America, 1930-75

22-25 May, 2017: Inter American Society for Sport History, Annual Convention, Cali

- Paper: Urban Sport in the Brazilian Amazon, 1958-70

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Congress of Latin American Historians

British Association for Historians of the Americas

Global Oral History Researchers Association

References Available on Request