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SOCIAL MEDIA

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- @detroittoaccra
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WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2017 - present **Associate Professor of African History**
Wayne State University
Detroit, MI
- 2011 - 2017 **Assistant Professor of African History**
Wayne State University
Detroit, MI
- 2010 - 2011 **Visiting Assistant Professor of History and Political Science**
Goshen College
Goshen, IN
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EDUCATION

- 2007 - 2011 **Ph.D.**
Indiana University
African History, African Studies, Comparative Colonial History
- 2005 - 2007 **M.A.**
Indiana University
African History
- 2001 - 2005 **B.A.**
Denison University
International Studies and Philosophy
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BOOKS

- *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation* (Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press), 2016
 - 2017 Finalist - Herskovits Award, African Studies Association
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ARTICLES

- "One Man, No Chop": Licit Wealth, Good Citizens, and the Criminalization of Drivers in Postcolonial Ghana", *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, 46:3 (December 2013), 373-396.
- "Motor Transportation, Trade Unionism, and the Culture of Work in Colonial Ghana" (Special Issue: "Labor in Transport: Histories from the Global South [Africa, Asia, and Latin America] 1700 to 2000"), *International Review of Social History* 59 (2014), 185-209. Reprinted in *Labor in Transport: Histories from the Global South, c. 1750-1950*, Stefano Bellucci, Larissa Rosa Correa, Jan-George Deutsch, and Chitra Joshi, eds (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 2014.
- "Nifa Nifa": Technopolitics, Mobile Workers, and the ambivalence of Decline in Acheampong's Ghana", *African Economic History* 44 (2016): 181-201.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- (with Peter Cole) "Trade, Transport, and Services." *Handbook: Global History of Work*, Karin Hofmeester and Marcel van der Linden (eds) (De Gruyter: Berlin), 2018: 277-296.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

- "El Anatsui." In *Dictionary of African Biography*. Edited by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Emmanuel Akyeampong. New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.
- "Glover, Emmanuel Ablade." In *Dictionary of African Biography*. Edited by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Emmanuel Akyeampong. New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Casper Andersen, *British Engineers and Africa, 1875-1914*. *Journal of British Studies*, 51(4): October 2012, 1036-1037.
- Emily Lynn Osborn, *Our New Husbands Are Here: Households, Gender, and Politics in a West African State from the Slave Trade to Colonial Rule*. *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, 46(1): February 2013.
- Raymond Dumett, *Imperialism, Economic Development, and Social Change in West Africa*. *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, 47(3): 2014.
- Ato Quayson, *Oxford Street, Accra: City Life and the Itineraries of Transnationalism*. *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, 48(1): 2015.
- Clapperton Chakanetsa Mavhunga, *Transient Workspaces: Technologies of Everyday Innovation in Zimbabwe*. *ICON: Journal of the International Committee for the History of Technology*, forthcoming.
- Jonathan T. Reynolds, *Sovereignty and Struggle: Africa and Africans in the Era of the Cold War, 1945-1994*. *The Middle Ground Journal*, forthcoming.
- Matteo Rizzo, *Taken for a Ride: Grounding Neoliberalism, Precarious Labor, and Public Transport in an African Metropolis*. *Journal of Modern African Studies*, forthcoming.
- Marcus Filippello, *The Nature of the Path: Reading a West African Road*. *Journal of African History*, forthcoming.

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

- "Of Pirate Drivers and Honking Horns: Mobility, Authority, and Urban Planning in Late-Colonial Accra", under review with *Technology and Culture* (submitted January 2016).
- "Motor Transport" (2500 words), *Africa and the World: The Continent in Global History*, Omolade Adunbi (ed) (ABC-CLIO).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- "'Accra we Dey': Precarious Histories, Creative Place-Making, and Reimagined Futures in Urban Ghana", *DIY Urbanism in African Cities*, ed. Stephen Marr and Patience Mususa (under contract with Zed Books) (due March 1, 2018)
- "Informality, Urban Transport Infrastructure, and the Lessons of History in Accra, Ghana", for an edited collection of proceedings from the 2017 Second International Conference on African Urban Planning, ed. Carlos Nunes (due March 15, 2018)

- "Histories of Transportation and Mobility in Africa", *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History*, ed. Kathryn de Luna (due March 5, 2018)
- "Trotro", *Global Encyclopedia of Informality* (due May 30, 2018)
- "Digital History in African Studies", a special section for *History in Africa* (editor) (proposal accepted 16/1/18)
 - "Accra Wala: Representing Mobility and Urban Life in Accra, Ghana" - paper for the special journal section
- *Accra Wala*, digital humanities site (with MATRIX Center for Digital Humanities at Michigan State University), in data collection
- *Planning Politics: City Life in 20th Century Accra*, book manuscript in progress
- *Mottonyms*: A digital video and photographic archive, which documents the popular slogans present on motor vehicles in Ghana, with accompanying short documentary film in which residents describe what the slogans mean to them. Under development in collaboration with Joseph Oduro-Frimpong, Nana Osei Kwadwo, and Bright Tetteh Ackwerh.
- "Precarious Histories: Entrepreneurialism, Insecurity, and Automobility in 20th Century Ghana", drafted and under revision for the *American Historical Review*
- "Piracy, Planning, and the Politics of Space: Using History to Understand Transport Plans in Accra, Ghana", drafting with Carolyn Loh for submission to *The Journal of Planning History*
- "Gender, Entrepreneurialism, and History in Ghana", drafting with Esenam Nyador for submission to *Signs*.
- "Sanitation, Segregation, and the Infrastructure of Colonialism in Accra, Ghana" drafting for submission to the *Journal of Urban History*.

UPCOMING PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- "Accra Wala: Representing Mobility and Urban Life in Accra, Ghana", ACC International Urban Conference, African Center for Cities, University of Cape Town, South Africa February 2018
- "A New Accra for a Better Ghana: New Urbanism, Precarity, and Youth in Ghana", ACC International Urban Conference, African Center for Cities, University of Cape Town, South Africa, February 2018
- "Accra We Dey: Precarious Histories, Creative Place-Making, and Reimagined Futures in Urban Ghana", University of Basel, Critical Urbanisms Research Colloquium, March 14-15, 2018.
- "Informality, Urban Transport Infrastructure, and the Lessons of History in Accra, Ghana: Historicizing Bus Rapid Transit", University of Virginia, African Urbanism Humanities Lab, April 4-5, 2018.

PAPERS PRESENTED

- "What is the 'new Accra'?", DIY Urbanism Workshop, Abuja, Nigeria, December 2017.
- "Roundtable: Practices and Politics of DIY Urbanism in African Cities", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2017.
- "Roundtable: Being in the Market - Celebrating the Work of Gracia Clark" (chair and co-convenor with Timothy Scarnecchia), African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2017.
- Discussant - "African Cities on the Move: Urban Mobilities as Everyday Meaningful Expressions", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2017.
- "Lightning Talk: Digital History and Public-Facing Work in the Classroom", Network Detroit, Wayne State University, October 2017.
- "Roundtable: Engaging Students in African History - New Pedagogical Approaches", Africa Network, St. Olaf College, September 2017.
- "Informality, Urban Transport Infrastructure, and the Lessons of History in Accra, Ghana: Historicizing Bus Rapid Transit", II International Conference on African Urban Planning, Lisbon, Portugal, September 2017.

- "A New Accra for a Better Ghana: New Urbanism, Precarity, and Youth in Ghana", European Conference on African Studies, Basel, Switzerland, June-July 2017.
- "Accra Wala: Mapping Roads, Mapping Histories, Mapping Partnerships", Global DH Conference, Michigan State University, March 2017.
- "Roundtable: Pedagogical Tools for African History: From High School to Graduate School", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, December 3, 2016.
- "Digital Research, Study Abroad, and African Studies", Network Detroit, September 30, 2016.
- "Accra: A Plan for the Town—Urban Politics, Planning, and Citizenship in Nkrumah's Ghana", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November 2015.
- "Automobility, Technopolitics, and African Histories of Technology-in-Use in Twentieth Century Ghana", Society for the History of Technology, Albuquerque, NM, October 2015.
- "Accra Mobile: Motor Transportation, Imagination, and New Media", HASTAC, East Lansing, MI, May 2015.
- "Of Mammy Trucks and Men: African Automobility and the Politics of Development in Colonial Ghana", Africanizing Technology Conference, Wesleyan University, March 2015.
- "'No Rest for the Trotro Driver': Ambivalence and Automobility in 21st Century Ghana", American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. December 2014.
- "'Nifa, Nifa': Technopolitics, Regionalism, and Authoritarianism in Acheampong's Ghana", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN. October 2014.
- "Precarious Histories: Automobility, Entrepreneurialism, and Insecurity in 20th Century Ghana", From Proletariat to Precariat: Changing Labor Relations in the Twentieth and Twenty-first Centuries, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. September 2014.
- "Of Pirate Drivers and Honking Horns: Mobility, Authority, and Urban Planning in Interwar Accra", Mobility and Authority in Africa, Rice University and Texas Southern University, Houston, TX. March 2014.
- "Motor Transport and the Politics of Everyday Life in the Era of Ghanaian Decolonization" Working on Globalization: Work and Transport in Global History after 1945, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany. October 2013.
- "Of Pirates and Honking Horns: Mobility, Authority, and Urban Planning in Interwar Accra", African Studies Seminar, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, October 2013.
- "Labor Unions, Entrepreneurs, and the Politics of Driving in Twentieth Century Ghana", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. December 2012.
- "Labor Unions, Entrepreneurs, and the Politics of Driving in Twentieth Century Ghana", North American Labor History Conference, Detroit, MI. October 2012.
- "Occupational Histories and Life on the Road in the Gold Coast/Ghana", Canadian Association of African Studies, Quebec City, Canada, May 2012
- "'No Respect': Status, Security, and the Ambivalence of Decline in the Life of Drivers, 1960s-1980s", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. November 2011
- "'Fear Not': Public Danger, Public Safety, and the Culture of Driving in Late-Colonial Ghana", ECAS 2011: The 4th European Conference on African Studies, Uppsala, Sweden, June 15-18, 2011
- "'Heaven's Gate, No Bribe': Development, Citizenship and Motor Transportation in Postcolonial Ghana", Sites of Citizenship Conference, King's College, London, June 10, 2011
- "Cocoa, Markets and Mammy Trucks: Indigenous Enterprise and the Emergence of Motor Transport in Colonial Ghana", American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, January 2011
- "Steering the Fortunes of the Ga Shifimo Kpee: Drivers, Nationalism and the Writing of History", African Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November 2010
- "Mobility, Trade and Autonomy: Indigenous Entrepreneurship and the Politics of Motor Transportation in Colonial Ghana", Conference in Honor of Terence Ranger, University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign), October 14-16, 2010.

INVITED LECTURES/TALKS

- “Digital Humanities: Public Humanities in New Media”, *NEH Next Generation Humanities PhD Project Workshop*, with Julie Klein and Nathan Kelber, Wayne State University, November 9, 2017.
- “Communicating with Broader Audiences”, *NEH Next Generation Humanities PhD Project Workshop*, with Jack Lessenberry, John Corvino, and Saeed Khan, Wayne State University, February 8, 2017.
- “A New Accra For a Better Ghana?”, *Ghana@60: Transitions Within Globalization*, Department of African American Studies, Wayne State University, February 7, 2017.
- “Accra Wala: Mapping Sensation Using Digital Technologies”, *Meltwater Entrepreneurial School of Technology*, Accra, Ghana, October 26, 2016.
- “Learning from Africa’s Technology Stories”, Presidential Roundtable, Society for the History of Technology, Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 10, 2015.
- “Precarity in the Postcolony?: The Risks of the Road and the History of Automobility in Ghana”, University of Florida, Baraza Lecture, September 11, 2015.
- “Modern Men: Gender, Mobility, and the Culture of Driving, 1930s-1960s”, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN. April 2014.

OTHER SCHOLARLY WRITING

- “Inequality and Automobility”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2015/05/08/inequality-and-automobility/>. May 8, 2015.
- “Innocence, Aspiration, and Global Automobility”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2015/05/14/innocence-aspiration-and-global-automobility/>. May 14, 2015.
- “Accra Mobile: Motor Transportation, Sensation, and New Media”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2015/07/05/accra-mobile-motor-transportation-sensation-and-new-media/>. July 5, 2015.
- “Two Accras?: Income Inequality and the Meaning of Development”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2015/07/19/two-accras-income-inequality-and-the-meaning-of-development/>. July 19, 2015.
- “Automobility, Technopolitics, and African Histories of Technology-in-Use in Twentieth Century Ghana”, *Technology’s Stories*. Society for the History of Technology. <http://www.technologystories.org>. October 5, 2015.
- “Dumsor Struggles: Light-off and Petrol Shortages in West Africa’s Newest Oil Capital”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2015/10/07/dumsor-struggles-light-off-and-petrol-shortages-in-west-africas-newest-oil-capital/>. October 7, 2015.
- “Daladala, ‘African’ Technologies, and the Political Culture of Modern Mobility”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2016/01/03/daladala-african-technologies-and-the-political-culture-of-modern-mobility/>. January 3, 2016.
- “Made in Ghana?: Defining ‘Local’ in the Age of Globalization”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2016/01/22/made-in-ghana-defining-local-in-the-age-of-globalization/>. January 22, 2016.
- “Death on the Road”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <http://ghanaonthego.com/2016/03/03/death-on-the-road/>. March 3, 2016.
- “Fear Women, Save Your Life”, *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. http://ghanaonthego.com/2016/03/08/fear_women_save_your_life/. March 8, 2016.

- "Remimagining Technology and Mobility", *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2016/03/30/reimagining-technology-and-mobility/>. March 30, 2016.
- "Driving Myself: Experiencing Space, Autonomy, and Mobility in the 'New Accra'", *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2016/07/11/driving-myself-experiencing-space-autonomy-and-mobility-in-the-new-accra/>. July 11, 2016.
- "Uber Accra: Global Solutions to Local Movement?", *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2016/07/12/uber-accra-global-solutions-to-local-movement/>. July 12, 2016.
- "Regional Transit, Infrastructure, Colonialism, and the Meaning of Auto/Mobility in Accra and Detroit", *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2016/07/30/regional-transit-infrastructure-colonialism-and-the-meaning-of-automobility-in-accra-and-detroit/>. July 30, 2016.
- "Interviewing Miss Taxi Ghana: Gender, Entrepreneurialism, and Social Media", *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2016/08/05/interviewing-miss-taxi-ghana-gender-entrepreneurialism-and-social-media/>. August 5, 2016.
- "City Life and Automobility in Twentieth Century Ghana", *Global Urban History*. <https://globalurbanhistory.com/2016/12/01/forward-ever-backward-never-cosmopolitanism-city-life-and-the-creation-of-a-mobile-society-in-twentieth-century-ghana/>. December 1, 2016.
- "Student Research and Study Abroad in Ghana". *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/01/07/student-research-and-study-abroad-in-ghana/>. January 7, 2017.
- "Populism, Discontent, and the Failure of Global Elite Imaginations." *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/01/14/populism-discontent-and-the-failure-of-global-elite-imaginings/>. January 14, 2017.
- "A New Accra for a Better Ghana?" *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/02/06/a-new-accra-for-a-better-ghana/>. February 6, 2017.
- "Accra Wala: Digital History, Community Partnerships, and Work in Progress". *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/02/20/accra-wala-digital-history-community-partnerships-and-work-in-progress/>. February 20, 2017.
- "Infrastructure, Labor, and Mobility". Interview with Ilana Gershon. *Platypus: The CASTAC Blog*. <http://blog.castac.org/2017/04/driving-postcolony/>. April 18, 2017.
- "Technology in Africa: A Review of Historiography and Recent Research." *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/06/10/technology-in-africa-a-review-of-historiography-and-recent-research/>. June 10, 2017.
- "Tourism, Colonialism, Monuments, and Memory." *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/09/13/tourism-colonialism-monuments-and-memory/>. September 13, 2017.
- "'The Crown' Goes to Ghana: Media Representation, Global Politics, and African Histories." *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2017/12/14/the-crown-goes-to-ghana-media-representation-global-politics-and-african-histories/>. December 14, 2017.
- "History Communication Syllabus." *Ghana on the Go: African Mobility in the Age of Motor Transportation*. <https://ghanaonthegeo.com/2018/01/04/history-communication-syllabus/>. January 4, 2018.

MEDIA AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- Contributor, @Thistrotrolife, Collaborative Instagram project with Nana Osei Kwadwo and Nii Odzenma.
- Organizer, "Tell Your Story" Oral History Event, Michigan Labor History Society's Labor Weekend, Detroit Historical Museum, October 21, 2017

- Organizer, "Religion and the Uprising: Interfaith Reflections on the Response to 1967" (with the Detroit Historical Society, The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, and Religious Studies at Wayne), May 13, 2017.
- Development Consultant and Grant-writer, Cathedral Choir School of Metropolitan Detroit and Cathedral Music Society, Detroit, MI, 2013-present
- Marketing consultant for Kashi "Teff Thins", February 17, 2016.
- Consultant for, "Waithood: The Passage to Adulthood in Ghana", *The Compass* (BBC World Service, November 1, 2015) <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p035w9bs>
- Interviewed as a panel expert on Boko Haram and the "Bring Back Our Girls" Campaign in Northern Nigeria, *Detroit Today*, "World 101," host: Stephen Henderson, WDET, April 22, 2015. <http://wdet.org/posts/2015/04/22/80273-world-101-boko-haram/>.
- Interviewed for and quoted in the article, "Ghana Taxis Display Religious Faith", by Ken Maguire, *Global Post*, May 30, 2010. <http://www.globalpost.com/dispatch/ghana/091216/ghana-taxis-religious-belief>.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- Online Course Design Fellowship, Wayne State University, summer 2016
- Humanities Center Fellowship for Working Group—"Digital Humanities" (with Lisa Maruca and Andrew Hnatow), Wayne State University, 2015-2016, 2016-2017.
- Research Enhancement Project (Humanities), Wayne State University, 2015-2016
- Humanities Center Faculty Fellowship, Wayne State University, summer 2015
- University Research Grant, Wayne State University, summer 2015
- Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies, Residency Fellow, University of Michigan, 2012-2013
- Humanities Center Faculty Fellowship, Wayne State University, summer 2012
- Humanities Center Fellowship for Working Group—"Politics Culture and the City" (with Tracy Neumann, Andrew Newman, and Krysta Ryzewski), Wayne State University, 2011-2012, 2012-2013
- Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Grant, 2008-2009
- Fulbright IIE Dissertation Grant, 2008-2009 (declined)

CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP ORGANIZING

- North American Labor History Conference, Conference Organizing Committee, 2016-present (previously also 2012-2014)
- African Studies Association Annual Meeting Theme Chair (Human Mobilities: Migration, Transportation, and Globalization), 2017-2018
- Network Detroit, Co-organizer, 2016-2017
- Midwest Conference on British Studies (Detroit), Local Arrangements Committee, 2015
- DIY Urbanism Workshop (Abuja, Nigeria), Organizing Committee, 2017 (funded by The Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher Education)
- Network Detroit, Organizer, 2017-2018
- DIY Urbanism Workshop (Detroit), Co-Organizer, 2018-2019

TEACHING

Undergraduate

Africa to 1800; Africa Since 1800; African Cities; Everyday Africa; African Democracy Project; Christianity in Africa; African States; African Slavery and the Slave Trade; Colonial Encounters; British Colonies; Ethnographic History; Oral History; Gender and Sexuality in Africa; Digital History Seminar; Intro to Digital History; History Communication; History of Development

Graduate

World History Seminar; African Cities; Everyday Africa; African Democracy Project; Christianity in Africa; African States; Ethnographic History; Oral History; Digital History; History of Development

Graduate Advising

Master's students: Kaitlin Cooper (World History); Yvonne Crenshaw (African History), Brandy Miracle (World History/African History)

PhD Exam Committees: Lillian Wilson Szlaga (modern US/gender/world)

Course Websites

www.digitalhistorywsu.wordpress.com

www.africancitiesaccra.wordpress.com

www.ghanaofthepeople.wordpress.com

www.neoliberalujamaa.wordpress.com

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

National and International Service

- Reviewer: Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, US Department of State (November 2015); National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend (November 2015)
- Referee (Journals): *International Journal of African Historical Studies*; *African Studies Review*; *Africa Today*; *International Labor and Working Class History*; *International Review of Social History*, *Africa Spectrum*
- Internal Program Reviewer: Department of African American Studies, Wayne State University, March 2018.
- Theme Chair: "Human Mobilities: Migration, Transportation, and Globalization", 2018 *African Studies Association Annual Meeting*.

Advisory Boards

- Curating East Africa: A Platform and Process for Location-based Storytelling in the Developing World, The Center for Public History + Digital Humanities, Cleveland State University (funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities)

University and Departmental Service

- I&E Effective Partnerships Sub-Committee (2017-2018)
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship Steering Committee (2017-2018)
- Internal Program Reviewer, Department of African American Studies (2017-2018)
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee, Academic Senate (2017-2018)
- Alternate Faculty Representation, Academic Affairs, Board of Governors (2016-2017)
- General Education Reform "Inquiries" Sub-Committee, chair (2016-2017)
- General Education Reform Steering Committee (2016-2017)
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee (Academic Senate), chair (2016-2017)
- DHatWayne Working Group, co-coordinator (2015-present)
- Politics and Culture in the City Working Group, co-coordinator (2012-2014)
- Academic Senate (2015-present)
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee, Academic Senate (2015-present)
- Fulbright Review Committee (2013)
- Faculty Liaison, Swimming and Diving (2015-present)
- Colloquium Committee, Co-Chair (2011-2014)
- History Department Budget Committee (2015-2016)
- History Department Executive Committee (2015-2016)
- Religious Studies Advisory Board (2015-present)
- Global Studies Advisory Board (2015-present)
- History Department Search Committee (Colonial North America) (2014)

- History Department Graduate Committee (2013-2014)
- History Department Salary Committee (2013-2014)
- History Department Website Committee (2012-2013)
- History Department Undergraduate Committee (2011-2013, 2015-2016)
- President-Elect, WSU Gamma Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa (2015)
- Phi Beta Kappa, New Member Review Committee (2015-present)

Professional Memberships

- African Studies Association
- American Historical Association
- Society for the History of Technology
- Ghana Studies Association
- Urban History Association