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## Education

- 2006 Ph.D., History, Indiana University  
Dissertation: “Officer. Nurse. Woman. :” Defining Gender in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps during the Vietnam War (Michael McGerr, Joanne Meyerowitz, Steve Stowe, John Bodnar)
- 2001 M.A., History, Indiana University
- 1999 B.A., History and English, Marshall University  
*summa cum laude*, University Honors, Women of Marshall Award

## Academic Positions

- 2015 – present LCpl. Benjamin W. Schmidt Professor of War, Conflict, and Society in Twentieth-Century America, Texas Christian University (Professor of History, 2019-present)
- 2012 – 2015 Associate Professor of History, High Point University
- 2011 – 2012 Fellow, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
- 2006 – 2012 Assistant Professor of History, Bridgewater College

## Publications

### **Books**

- ♦ “Drafting Women,” in progress.
- ♦ *The Girls Next Door: Bringing the Home Front to the Front Lines* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2019).
  - ♦ Tonous and Warda Johns Family Book Award, American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch (2020)
  - ♦ Captain Richard Lukaszewicz Memorial Book Award, U.S. Military History Group (2020)
- ♦ *Officer, Nurse, Woman: The Army Nurse Corps in the Vietnam War, War/Society/Culture* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2010; paperback 2011).
  - ♦ Lavinia L. Dock Book Award, American Association for the History of Nursing (2010)
  - ♦ *American Journal of Nursing* Books of the Year Award in History and Public Policy (2010)
  - ♦ Finalist, Army Historical Foundation Distinguished Writing Award (2010)

### **Edited Collections**

- ♦ *Managing Sex in the U.S. Military: Gender, Identity, and Behavior*, co-edited with Beth Bailey, Alesha Doan, and Shannon Portillo (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2022).
- ♦ *The Routledge History of Gender, War, and the U.S. Military* (New York: Routledge, 2017).

### **Articles and Essays**

- ♦ “Compelled to Serve: Drafting American Women in World War II,” in “Conscription in the Global Twentieth Century,” ed. Amy Rutenberg, in process.
- ♦ “Inclusion and Exclusion in American Military History,” in *Oxford Handbook of American Military History*, edited by Samuel Watson, under contract with Oxford University Press, submitted, expected 2024.
- ♦ “Gender,” in *The All-Volunteer Force: Fifty Years of History, Impacts, Challenges, and Implications*, ed. William A. Taylor (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2023), 101-21.
- ♦ “Grand Narratives and Gendered Wars and Societies,” *War and Society* 42, no. 1 (February 2023): 82-89.
- ♦ “A Girl in Every Port? The U.S. Military and Prostitution in the Twentieth Century,” in *The Military and the Market*, edited by Jennifer Middlestadt and Mark Wilson (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2022), 87-104.

**Articles and Essays (continued)**

- ♦ “She Who Has Borne the Battle: Vietnam Veterans of America’s Women’s Project,” in *Service Denied: Marginalized Veterans in Modern American History*, edited by John Kinder and Jason Higgins (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2022), 143-58.
- ♦ “Reproduction in Combat Boots,” in *Managing Sex in the U.S. Military: Gender, Identity, and Behavior*, co-edited by Beth Bailey, Alesha Doan, Shannon Portillo, and Kara Dixon Vuic (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2022), 119-40.
- ♦ “Gender and the Military,” in *At War: Militarism and U.S. Culture in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century and Beyond*, eds. Ed Martini and David Kieran (New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 2018), 195-216.
- ♦ “Mobilizing Marriage and Motherhood: Military Families and Family Planning since World War II,” in *Integrating the U.S. Military: African Americans, Women, and Gays since World War II*, eds. Heather M. Stur and Douglas Bristol (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2017), 167-97.
- ♦ “American Women and World War II,” in *The Routledge Handbook of U.S. Diplomatic and Military History, 1865 to the Present*, eds. Christos Frentzos and Antonio Thompson (Oxford: Routledge, 2013), 150-57.
- ♦ “Wartime Nursing and Power,” in *The Routledge Handbook on the Global History of Nursing*, eds. Patricia D’Antonio, Julie Fairman, Jean Whelan (Oxford: Routledge, 2013), 22-34.
- ♦ “Where the Boys Are: Militarization, Sexuality, and Red Cross Donut Dollies,” in *Gender and Conflict since 1914: Historical and Interdisciplinary Perspectives*, ed. Ana Carden-Coyne, Gender and History Series (Houndmills, UK: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012), 138-53.
- ♦ “‘I’m afraid we’re going to have to just change our ways:’ Marriage, Motherhood, and Pregnancy in the Army Nurse Corps during the Vietnam War,” *Signs* 32, no. 4 (Summer 2007): 997-1022.
- ♦ “‘Officer. Nurse. Woman.:’ Army Nurse Corps Recruitment for the Vietnam War,” *Nursing History Review* 14 (2006): 111-59.

**Reviews**

- ♦ Amanda Boczar, *An American Brothel: Sex and Diplomacy during the Vietnam War* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2022) [H-Diplo Roundtable](#), January 16, 2023.
- ♦ Introduction, [H-Diplo Roundtable](#) XXIII-35 on Tanya Roth, *Her Cold War: Women in the U.S. Military, 1945-1980*, April 25, 2022.
- ♦ Andrew Byers, *The Sexual Economy of War: Discipline and Desire in the U.S. Army*, *American Historical Review*, 125, no. 4 (October 2020): 1435-36.
- ♦ Elizabeth Cobbs, *The Hello Girls: America’s First Women Soldiers*, *Journal of American Studies* 54, no. 2 (May 2020): 436-37.
- ♦ Verity McInnis, *Women of Empire: Nineteenth-Century Army Officers’ Wives in India and the U.S. West*, *Great Plains Quarterly* 39, no. 2 (Spring 2019): 213.
- ♦ Lynn Dumenil, *The Second Line of Defense: American Women and World War I*, [H-SHGAPE](#) (December 2018).
- ♦ “Women and the Air Conditioned Soldiers,” review of Ken Burns and Lynn Novick, *The Vietnam War*, *Diplomatic History* 42, no. 3 (June 2018): 385-89.
- ♦ Christine Hallett, *Veiled Warriors: Allied Nurses of the First World War*, Patricia D’Antonio, *American Nursing: A History of Knowledge, Authority, and the Meaning of Work*, Charissa Threat, *Nursing Civil Rights: Gender and Race in the Army Nurse Corps*, Libra Hilde, *Worth a Dozen Men: Women and Nursing in the Civil War South*, Laurie Stoff, *More Than Binding Men’s Wounds: Russia’s Sisters of Mercy and the Great War*, in *Journal of Women’s History* 29, no. 2 (Summer 2017): 173-81.
- ♦ “Sex and Saigon: Gendered Perspectives on the Vietnam War,” in *The Journal of American-East Asian Relations*, [H-Diplo Article Review Forum](#) 622 (June 21, 2016).

**Reviews (continued)**

- ♦ Karen Hagemann and Sonya Michel, eds., *Gender and the Long Postwar: The United States and the Two Germanys, 1945-1989*, in *Journal of Military History* 79, no. 2 (April 2015): 540-41.
- ♦ James J. Cooke, *American Girls, Beer, and Glenn Miller: GI Morale in World War II*, in *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 111, no. 4 (Autumn 2013): 626-28.
- ♦ Heather Marie Stur, *Beyond Combat: Women and Gender in the Vietnam War Era*, [H-Diplo roundtable](#), XV, no. 7 (October 2013).
- ♦ Barton C. Hacker and Margaret Vining, eds., *A Companion to Women's Military History*, in *Journal of Military History* 77, no. 2 (April 2013): 682-83.
- ♦ Meredith H. Lair, *Armed with Abundance: Consumerism and Soldiering in the Vietnam War*, in *Reviews in American History* 41, no. 1 (March 2013): 140-44.
- ♦ Libra R. Hilde, *Worth a Dozen Men: Women and Nursing in the Civil War South*, in *Journal of American History* 99, no. 3 (December 2012): 927-28.
- ♦ Tova Goodman, *Vietnam Nurses with Dana Delany*, in *Nursing History Review* 20 (January 2012): 216-18.
- ♦ David S. Patterson, *The Search for Negotiated Peace: Women's Activism and Citizen Diplomacy in World War I*, in *First World War Studies* 2, no. 2 (October 2011): 249-50.
- ♦ Evelyn M. Monahan and Rosemary Neidel-Greenlee, *A Few Good Women: America's Military Women from World War I to the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan*, in *Journal of American History* 97, no. 3 (December 2010): 885-86.
- ♦ Judith Bellafaire and Mercedes Herrera Graf, *Women Doctors in War*, in *American Historical Review* 115, no. 4 (October 2010): 1163-64.
- ♦ Meghan K. Winchell, *Good Girls, Good Food, Good Fun: The Story of USO Hostesses during World War II*, in *Reviews in American History* 38, no. 1 (March 2010): 127-32.
- ♦ Susan Gelfand Malka, *Daring to Care: American Nursing and Second-Wave Feminism*, in *Bulletin of the History of Medicine* 83, no. 1 (Spring 2009): 234-35.
- ♦ J. Robert Lilly, *Taken by Force: Rape and American GIs in Europe during World War II*, in *Minerva Journal of Women and War* n.s.3, no. 1 (Spring 2009): 103-04.
- ♦ Bettyann Holtzmann Kevles, *Almost Heaven: The Story of Women in Space*, in *Canadian Journal of History* 42, no. 3 (Winter 2007): 603-05.
- ♦ Sarah W. Tracy, *Alcoholism in America from Reconstruction to Prohibition*, in *Nursing History Review* 15 (2007): 180-82.
- ♦ Nina Silber, *Daughters of the Union: Northern Women Fight the Civil War*, in *Journal of Military History* 70, no. 4 (October 2006): 1139-40.
- ♦ Emily Yellin, *Our Mothers' War: American Women at Home and at the Front during World War II*, [H-War](#) (February 2005).

**Other Publications**

- ♦ "[The Iraq War's Legacies for Women in Combat](#)," *Process: A Blog for American History*, May 30, 2023.
- ♦ "[The Better Roe: The Case of \*Struck v. Secretary of Defense\*](#)," *Perspectives on History* 60, no. 5 (September 2022): 20-22.
- ♦ "[The Last Word: Thinking About the 'Cost of War'](#)," *Passport: The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Review* 52, no. 3 (January 2022): 52-53.
- ♦ "[A Faulty Court Precedent on Selective Service Leaves the Last Legal Sex Discrimination in Place](#)," *History News Network*, July 4, 2021.
- ♦ "[Registering Women for the Draft Wouldn't be a Big Departure from the Past](#)," *Washington Post*, April 14, 2021.

**Other Publications (continued)**

- ♦ “Entertainment,” *The American Soldier in World War II*, edited by Edward J.K. Gitre, Virginia Tech University, 2021.
- ♦ Contributor, *Dixie’s Great War: World War I and the American South*, eds. John M. Giggie and Andrew J. Huebner (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2020).
- ♦ “From Doughnut Girls to Den Mothers and Cheerleaders,” (excerpt from *The Girls Next Door*), ForeignPolicy.com, March 9, 2019.
- ♦ “Last Word in Debate on Drafting Women?” *Dallas Morning News*, March 10, 2019.
- ♦ “Women may soon have to register for the draft. It’s long overdue,” *Washington Post*, March 4, 2019.
- ♦ “Women and the Draft, and What it Means to be an American,” commentary, *Austin American Statesman*, February 26, 2019.
- ♦ “The living symbol of all the freckled-face gals,” foreword to Peter Witt, *Think We’ll Forget? The Red Cross, WWII, and One Woman’s Lifelong Fight for Social Justice* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2018).
- ♦ “Honoring American Women of War,” *Raleigh News & Observer*, May 22, 2014.
- ♦ “Army Nurse Corps” and “Recreation” in *Encyclopedia of Military Science*, ed. G. Kurt Piehler (SAGE, 2013).
- ♦ “Prostitution and the U.S. Military,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, May 9, 2012.
- ♦ “U.S. Army Nurse Corps in World War I;” “U.S. Army Nurse Corps in World War II;” “Medical Specialist Corps, World War II;” and “United States Homefront during World War II” in *Women and War: A Historical Encyclopedia from Antiquity to the Present*, ed. Bernard A. Cook (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC CLIO, 2006).

**Professional Service**

2023 – present Department of the Army Historical Advisory Subcommittee, appointee

2021 – present Editorial Board, *Home Front Studies*

2014 – present Series Co-editor (with Richard Fogarty), “Studies in War, Society, and the Military,” University of Nebraska Press

Books published: Michael J. Devine, *The Korean War Remembered: Contested Memories of an Unended Conflict* (2023), Elizabeth Stice, *Empire between the Lines: Imperial Culture in British and French Trench Newspapers of the Great War* (2023), Beth Bailey, Alesha E. Doan, Shannon Portillo, and Kara Dixon Vuic, eds., *Managing Sex in the U.S. Military: Gender, Identity, and Behavior* (2022), Deborah Bauer, *Marianne is Watching: Intelligence, Counterintelligence, and the Origins of the French Surveillance State* (2021), G. Kurt Piehler, *A Religious History of the American GI in World War II* (2021), Andrew T. Jarboe, *Indian Soldiers in World War I: Race and Representation in an Imperial War* (2021), Lauren K. Thompson, *Friendly Enemies: Soldier Fraternization throughout the American Civil War* (2020), Shannon Bontrager, *Death at the Edges of Empire: Fallen Soldiers, Cultural Memory, and the Making of an American Nation, 1863–1921* (2020), Kellie Wilson-Buford, *Policing Sex and Marriage in the American Military: The Court-Martial and the Construction of Gender and Sexual Deviance, 1950–2000* (2018), Kenneth M. Swope, *On the Trail of the Yellow Tiger: War, Trauma, and Social Dislocation in Southwest China during the Ming-Qing Transition* (2018), Harry Franqui-Rivera, *Soldiers of the Nation: Military Service and Modern Puerto Rico, 1868–1952* (2018), Kimberly J. Lamay Licursi, *Remembering World War I in America* (2018), Chris Dubbs, *American Journalists in the Great War: Rewriting the Rules of Reporting* (2017), Ian C. Hope, *A Scientific Way of War: Antebellum Military Science, West Point, and the Origins of American Military Thought* (2015), Chris Dubbs, *America’s U-Boats: Terror Trophies of World War I* (2014)

2022 – present Scholarly Advisor, Red Door Films, “Coming Home: The Women Air Force Service Pilots of World War II”

2021 – present Scholarly Advisory Board, Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History

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### **Professional Service (continued)**

- 2020 – present Historical Advisor, National World War II Museum (Our War, Too and Liberation Pavilion exhibits)
- 2019 – present Tenure and Promotion Reviews for University of Rhode Island, University of New Hampshire, Virginia Tech University, Texas Tech University
- 2015 – present Advisory Board for the Vietnam Women’s Memorial to Eastern National
- 2016 – present Advisory Board, The American Soldier in World War II project, Virginia Tech University
- 2006 – present Article and Manuscript Referee, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of Women’s History*, *Journal of Military History*, *Modern American History*, *War & Society*, *Journal of American-East Asian Relations*, *Law and History Review*, *Nursing History Review*, *Indiana Magazine of History*, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History, Routledge, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, University of North Carolina Press, Rutgers University Press, Texas A&M University Press, University of North Texas Press, Minnesota Historical Society Press, University of Alabama Press
- 2019 – 2023 Trustee, Society for Military History
- 2022 Associate Director, National World War II Museum-Society for Military History Summer Seminar in Military History
- 2022 Chair, Society for Military History ad hoc committee, The Future of the Conference
- 2021 – 2024 Tonous & Warda Johns Family Book Award Committee, Pacific Coast Branch-American Historical Association, Chair: 2023-2024
- 2021 Local Host, We Are Veterans Too (NEH workshop for women veterans)
- 2019 – 2023 Society for Military History Summer Seminar in Military History ad hoc committee
- 2018 Lead Scholar for the National World War II Museum Summer Teacher Institute
- 2018 – 2021 Chair, Allan R. Millett Dissertation Research Fellowship Award Selection Committee
- 2017 – 2018 Consultant, With Good Reason radio program on the Vietnam War
- 2017 – 2018 Chair, Society for Military History 2018 Program Committee
- 2016 – 2017 Society for Military History Teaching Committee
- 2015 – 2017 Society for Military History 2016 and 2017 Program Committees
- 2016 Consultant (on-camera), Partisan Pictures documentary “USO-For the Troops”
- 2016 Consultant (on-camera), TLC’s *Who Do You Think You Are* television series
- 2013 – 2014 Board of Directors, Vietnam Women’s Memorial Foundation
- 2014 Organizer, *Gender and Conflict* workshop at High Point University
- 2014 Organizer, “Making the World Safe for Democracy? Diversity in the First World War” Faculty Cultural Enrichment Series Symposium at High Point University (funded by a Faculty Cultural Enrichment grant and a Society for Military History grant)
- 2009 – 2013 Advisory Board, *Encyclopedia of Military Science* (SAGE)
- 2013 Fellowship Proposal Reviewer, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
- 2009 – 2012 Book Review Editor, *Minerva Journal of Women and War*
- 2009 Organizer, Virginia Phi Alpha Theta Conference
- 2009 Grant Proposal Reviewer, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
- 2004 – 2009 Book Review Editor, H-Minerva (Women in War and Women in the Military)
- 2004 Creator, Kara Dixon Vuic Oral History Collection, Vietnam Center & Archive, Texas Tech Univ.
- 2001 – 2002 Editorial Assistant, *American Historical Review*

### **Awards and Fellowships**

- 2023 Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor, TCU AddRan College of Liberal Arts

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### **Awards and Fellowships (continued)**

2021	Cokie Roberts Fellowship for Women's History, National Archives Foundation
2021	National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend
2020	John K. Hulston Scholarship, Harry S. Truman Library and Museum
2020	Schlesinger Library Research Grant, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University
2020	Roosevelt Institute Research Grant, Franklin Delano Roosevelt Library
2020	AddRan College of Liberal Arts Faculty Distinguished Lecturer, TCU
2020	AddRan Faculty Summer Research Grant, TCU
2020	Fellow, U.S. Army War College National Security Seminar, cancelled because of Covid-19
2019	Grant Submission Incentive Grant, AddRan College of Liberal Arts, TCU
2019, 17, 16	Nominee, Jean Giles-Sims Wise Woman Award, TCU
2012 – 2013	Ridgeway Research Grant, Military History Institute, Army Heritage and Education Center
2012 – 2013	Research Travel Grant, Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library Foundation
2012 – 2013	Loewenstein-Wiener Fellowship, American Jewish Archives
2012	Grant-in-Aid, Rockefeller Archive Center
2012	Minigrant, New Jersey Historical Commission
2011 – 2012	Fellow, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
2006 – 2012	Faculty Research Fund Awards, Bridgewater College
2010	Schlesinger Library Research Support Grant, Harvard University
2010	Clark Chambers Travel Fellowship, University of Minnesota
2008	Mednick Fellowship, Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges
2007	Albert J. Beveridge Grant, American Historical Association
2005 – 2006	Dissertation Fellowship, U.S. Army Center of Military History
2005	Hill Fellowship, Indiana University
2005	Donald F. Carmony Grant-in-Aid Award, Indiana University
2004	Donald F. Carmony Dissertation Fellowship, Indiana University
2003, 2004	University Graduate School Doctoral Student Grants-in-Aid of Research, Indiana University
2003	Graduate and Professional Student Organization Research Award, Indiana University

### **Invited Talks**

- ♦ “Crossing Divides: Connecting Veterans, Teachers and Students through Oral History,” NEH Summer Institute, June 2023 (scheduled)
- ♦ Faculty Presenter and Practicum Facilitator, “American Soldiers in American Wars: History and Memory,” NEH Choices Program, Brown University, July 2023 (scheduled)
- ♦ “Women’s Postwar Roles at Home, in the Workplace and the Military” National World War II Museum 16th International Conference on World War II, December 7, 2023 (scheduled)
- ♦ “The Girls Next Door: How Serving Coffee and Donuts in World War I Led to Women Gaining the Right to Vote,” *Our American Stories* podcast, May 12, 2023
- ♦ “Historical Perspectives on the All-Volunteer Force,” Military and Society: The All-Volunteer Force Turns 50, Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, May 5, 2023
- ♦ “Their Full Measure: American Service in World War I,” Gilder Lehrman Veterans Legacy Sessions, April 29, 2023
- ♦ “Women, Military Service, and *US v. Virginia* Panel,” Virginia Military Institute, April 4, 2023
- ♦ “The Iraq War: A 20 Year Retrospective,” National Infantry Museum Foundation and the Hallock Endowment for Military History at Columbus State University, March 10-11, 2023

**Invited Talks (continued)**

- ♦ “[Special Episode on the Military and the Market](#),” Who Makes Cents? A History of Capitalism Podcast, March 7, 2023
- ♦ “Why Vietnam Still Matters” roundtable, Center for War and Society Speaker Series, San Diego State University, November 11, 2022
- ♦ “Compelled to Serve? Women, Military Service, and the Draft in 20<sup>th</sup> Century America,” Rothenberg Seminar, High Point University, October 29, 2022
- ♦ “What You’re Fighting For: American Women in World War II,” National Humanities Center, Humanities in Class Webinar, November 8, 2022
- ♦ “A Tumultuous Marriage: The Military and the Market,” [A Better Peace podcast](#), October 4, 2022
- ♦ [Vietnam Scholars Series](#), New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Museum, April 26, 2022
- ♦ “Women and the Emotional Costs of the Vietnam War”, Vietnam War Conference, Chapman University, April 1, 2022.
- ♦ [Military Historians Are People Too](#) podcast hosted by Bill Allison and Brian K. Feltman, Season 1, Episode 19, March 29, 2022
- ♦ War and Remembrance: Interventionist Wars in Art and Popular Memory, Georgetown University Department of Government, October 9, 2021
- ♦ The Girls Next Door, West Virginia Book Festival, October 23, 2021
- ♦ “Women and the American Way of War,” [Lawyers, Guns, and Money podcast](#) hosted by Erik Loomis, June 15, 2021
- ♦ “The Gander and the Goose: Women and Selective Service Registration,” [A Better Peace podcast](#) hosted by Jacqueline Whitt, April 20, 2021
- ♦ “Operation Nightingale: Recruiting Nurses for the Vietnam War,” Historical and Current Perspectives on Global Nursing Conference, April 23, 2021
- ♦ “The Bright Adventure of Army Nursing in the Vietnam War,” Gilder Lehrman Institute Teacher Workshop, October 24, 2020
- ♦ “Two Authors Under the Same Roof (On Writing),” [The War Room podcast](#) hosted by Michael Neiberg, September 22, 2020
- ♦ “Emmy Lou and the Doughboys: Gender and Wholesome Fun in the Great War,” National Council for History Education [webinar](#), September 21, 2020
- ♦ “The Greatest Mother in the World: American Women in the Great War,” Mrs. Wilson’s Knitting Circle, National World War I Museum and Memorial [webinar](#), July 27, 2020
- ♦ Virginia Festival of the Book, March 18, 2020 (cancelled due to covid-19)
- ♦ “Here’s What You’re Fighting For: Women in World War II,” Regis University, March 12, 2020
- ♦ “Fun in the Foxhole: Bringing Home to the Front Lines of War,” Florida State University, February 27, 2020
- ♦ “What the Boys Want: Entertaining Wartime Soldiers from World War I to the War in Afghanistan,” AddRan Distinguished Faculty Lecture Series, TCU, February 20, 2020
- ♦ “All Sides Weekend: Bob Hope and the USO,” [WOSU Radio](#), January 31, 2020
- ♦ “Donuts and Dancing: Entertaining America’s Wartime Military,” Virginia Tech University, November 14, 2019
- ♦ *The Girls Next Door* book discussion, University of Kansas, October 30, 2019
- ♦ “Good Girls from Home: Entertaining the American Military at War,” University of Wisconsin, October 25, 2019

**Invited Talks (continued)**

- ♦ “Military History: What is it Good For?” Texas A&M University, October 7, 2019
- ♦ “GI Joe’s Best Girl – Sex and Victory in World War II,” Strategic Broadening Seminar for the U.S. Army, The McConnell Center, University of Louisville, August 30, 2019
- ♦ “Girls Next Door”—Women as Emotional Laborers on the Front Lines, [A Better Peace Podcast](#) hosted by Jacqueline Whitt, August 16, 2019
- ♦ *The Girls Next Door* book talk, Franklin Delano Roosevelt Library, June 15, 2019, on [CSPAN](#)
- ♦ Historian aboard the National World War II Museum’s 75th Anniversary of D-Day Cruise, May-June 2019
- ♦ “The Greatest Mother in the World: American Women in the Great War,” keynote address, The Ninth Triennial Association of Seventh-day Adventist Historians Conference, Southwestern Adventist University, May 16, 2019
- ♦ “What’s a Girl Like You Doing in a Place Like This,” Charles Hill Moffat lecture, Marshall University, April 12, 2019
- ♦ Women Couldn’t Fight (But Went to War Anyway), [KERA’s Think](#), February 7, 2019
- ♦ *The Girls Next Door* Book Talk, Politics and Prose, Washington, DC, February 10, 2019
- ♦ *The Girls Next Door* Book Talk, National Archives, Washington, DC, February 11, 2019
- ♦ “Love from Emmy Lou: An American Woman in the Great War,” Women’s Club of Fort Worth, January 29, 2019
- ♦ “Love from Emmy Lou: An American Woman in the Great War,” TCU library, November 8, 2018
- ♦ “A New Kind of Woman is Following the Army: American Women in the Great War,” 1918: Crucible of War Symposium, National World War I Museum and Memorial, Kansas City, Missouri, November 2, 2018, on [C-SPAN3](#)
- ♦ “Oh Boy, That’s the Girl! Women and the Great War,” Angelo State University, October 23, 2018
- ♦ “The Bright Adventure of Army Nursing in the Vietnam War,” Army Nurse Corps Association Convention, October 13, 2018
- ♦ “Pigtails and Combat Boots: American Women in the Vietnam War,” “Remembering ’68: The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Tet Offensive” Central Texas Military History Symposium, Texas A&M University Central, October 5, 2018
- ♦ “Home on the Front Lines,” University Advancement Retreat, Texas Christian University, August 14, 2018
- ♦ “What Does Marilyn Monroe Have to Do with Military History?” University of North Texas, March 20, 2018
- ♦ “Cocoa for the Doughboys: American Women and World War I,” Tarrant County College, November 8, 2017
- ♦ “Fort Worth Women in the Great War,” Fort Worth Public Library, September 16, 2017
- ♦ “Elmo, Jon Stewart, and the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders: Entertaining the All-Volunteer Military,” Dallas Area Society of Historians, April 28, 2017
- ♦ “Miss Cheesecake and the Democratic Army: Women and Military Entertainment in the Twentieth Century,” Wichita State University, April 20, 2017
- ♦ “Emmy Lou and the Doughboys: Gender and Wholesome Fun in the Great War,” Wichita State University, April 21, 2017
- ♦ Women in War and Peace Panel, Chapman University, March 7, 2017
- ♦ “A Small Part in This Great Conflict: Entertaining American Doughboys in the Great War,” TCU Phi Alpha Theta History Lecture Series, February 8, 2017
- ♦ “Home Away from Home: American Women and Military Entertainment,” New History at Old Red History Conference, Dallas, Texas, September 17, 2016



**Invited Talks (continued)**

- ♦ “Besieged, Surrounded, and Overwhelmed: Marilyn Monroe and the Military in the Korean War,” History Honors Banquet, Texas Christian University, April 18, 2016
- ♦ “A New Protocol: Nursing the Army in the Vietnam War,” Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, March 12, 2016
- ♦ “What’s Marilyn Monroe Got to Do with Military History?” Endowed Chairs and Professorships Dinner, Texas Christian University, February 25, 2016
- ♦ “Soul Sisters from Home: Race and Entertainment in the American Military,” Anna Julia Cooper Center on Gender, Race, and Politics in the South, Wake Forest University, May 5, 2015
- ♦ “Fun at the Front: American Women in World War II,” World War II Lecture Series, USS *Silversides* Submarine Museum, Muskegon, Michigan, March 16, 2015
- ♦ “She’s the Veteran,” YWCA Front Porch Conversations, High Point, North Carolina, November 20, 2014
- ♦ “Women, War, and Peace,” World War I and Contemporary Policy on War and Peace, Canadian War Museum, September 27, 2014
- ♦ Commentator: “Provocations: Women, Religion and Humanitarian Intervention,” National Defense University Joint Special Operations symposium, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, May 30, 2014
- ♦ “Look, But Don’t Touch: American Women as Military Entertainment,” Duke University/University of North Carolina “Gender, War, and Culture Series,” January 24, 2014
- ♦ “A Small Part in This Great Conflict: An American Woman in World War I,” Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library, Staunton, Virginia, March 22, 2013
- ♦ “Military and Social Change” and “Teaching Military and Society” panels, Workshop on the Military and Society in the United States, Center for Force and Diplomacy, Temple University, March 1-2, 2013
- ♦ “Look, but Don’t Touch: American Women as Military Entertainment,” Teaching American History Workshop, University of Virginia, March 28, 2012
- ♦ “Domesticity, Morality, and Wholesome Fun: Canteening for the Troops on the Western Front,” Research in Progress Seminar, Florida State University, January 12, 2012
- ♦ “Women and Entertainment during World War II,” Institute on World War II and the Human Experience, Florida State University, January 13, 2012
- ♦ “Women and the Vietnam War,” Vietnam Center and Archive, Texas Tech University, October 13, 2011
- ♦ Book Talks about *Officer, Nurse, Woman* given at the University of Virginia Center for Nursing Historical Inquiry, (December 7, 2010), Baltimore WYPR Midday with Dan Rodricks Show (November 11, 2010), University of Pennsylvania Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing (May 12, 2010), Walter Reed Army Medical Center (May 6, 2010), James Madison University Visiting Scholars Program (April 28, 2010), Virginia Festival of the Book (March 19, 2010), Smithsonian National Museum of American History (March 9, 2010)
- ♦ “Gender, the Army, and Nursing in the Vietnam War,” Berry College, October 2, 2008
- ♦ “Officers, Nurses, and Women: Army Nurses in the Vietnam War,” Marshall University, September 12, 2008
- ♦ “‘Officer. Nurse. Woman.:’ Defining Gender in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps in the Vietnam War,” Center of Military History, August 17, 2006
- ♦ “‘Officer. Nurse. Woman.:’ Recruiting American Military Nurses in the Vietnam War,” Indiana University, Medicine and War Lecture Series, March 5, 2004

**Conference Presentations**

- ♦ Panel on George Herring, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, June 2023 (scheduled)
- ♦ Chair, “Gender and Sexual Norms in Military and Militarized Spaces in the Twentieth Century,” Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, June 2023 (scheduled)
- ♦ “Excluded or Exempt? Gender and Citizen-Soldiers in the Post-Vietnam War Era,” Organization of American Historians, March 30, 2023
- ♦ “Revisiting Motherhood and the Military” Roundtable, Society for Military History, March 25, 2023
- ♦ Chair, “Masculinity and Its Discontents: The Effect of Masculine Identities on Service Culture in Elite Units,” Society for Military History, March 25, 2023
- ♦ Chair and commentator, “New Approaches to the Political History of the U.S. Military” Panel, American Political History Conference, June 11, 2022
- ♦ “Marginalized in Memory: A Conversation on Veterans History” Roundtable, Society for Military History, April 29, 2022
- ♦ Chair and Commentator, “Service to the State” Panel, Society for Military History, April 30, 2022
- ♦ “Regulating Sex in the U.S. Military” Roundtable, Society for Military History, April 30, 2022
- ♦ Chair, “The Elusive Home Front and Its Place in Military History” Roundtable, Society for Military History, April 30, 2022
- ♦ “Conscription and Gender in the Post-Vietnam War Era,” Vietnam War Conference: 1972: The War Between North and South Vietnam, April 1, 2022
- ♦ “Conscripting Citizens: Women and Selective Service Registration,” American Historical Association, February 23, 2022
- ♦ “The Valences of Motivating Soldiers in the World Wars” Roundtable, Historians of the Twentieth Century United States, June 10, 2021
- ♦ “Law, War, and Gender in the Short 20<sup>th</sup> Century” Roundtable, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, June 17, 2021
- ♦ Chair, “From Informal Labor to Formal Policy: Women and Policymaking in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century U.S. Military,” Society for Military History, May 22, 2021
- ♦ “The Women’s Project: Gender Equality and the Vietnam Veterans of America,” Society for Military History, May 1, 2020 (cancelled due to covid-19)
- ♦ Chair, “From Informal Labor to Formal Policy: Women and Policymaking in the Twentieth Century U.S. Military,” Society for Military History, May 2, 2020 (cancelled due to covid-19)
- ♦ Chair, “Managing Sex in the U.S. Military,” Organization of American Historians, April 5, 2020 (cancelled due to covid-19)
- ♦ “She Who Has Borne the Battle: Vietnam Veterans of America’s Women’s Project,” Veterans: Enduring, Surviving, and Remembering War Conference, Naval War College, September 13, 2019
- ♦ “Living in the Cauldron of the World Wars” Roundtable, Society for Military History, May 11, 2019
- ♦ Chair, “In a Conquered Land: American Soldiers and European Civilians in World War II,” Society for Military History, May 11, 2019
- ♦ Chair, “Ungentlemanly Warfare: Reassessing Wartime Gender Identity in the Modern Era,” Society for Military History, May 12, 2019
- ♦ “State of the Field: War and Society” roundtable, Organization of American Historians, April 2019
- ♦ “Big Bird in Camouflage: Entertaining Military Families in the Modern Military,” Organization of American Historians, April 14, 2018

**Conference Presentations (continued)**

- ♦ “Sesame Street, Scantly Clad Women, and American Gender Change in the U.S. Military,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, June 24, 2017
- ♦ Moderator, “Gender and Conflict: A New Journal, New Questions,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders and Sexualities, June 3, 2017
- ♦ Moderator, “Gee! I Wish I Were a Man: A Roundtable on Gender and Conflict” Presidential Panel, Society for Military History, April 1, 2017
- ♦ “Big Bird and the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders: Entertaining the Military in the Twenty-First Century,” Society for Military History, March 31, 2017
- ♦ Chair, “Women, Identity, and War in the Twentieth Century,” American Historical Association, January 5, 2017
- ♦ Commentator, ““Calling All Vets”: Veteran Concerns and Identity Construction in Media and Popular Culture,” Waging Peace Conference, University of Southern Mississippi, September 9, 2016
- ♦ “Dancing for Democracy: Gender and Entertainment in the Cold War American Military,” Society for Military History, April 10, 2016
- ♦ Chair, “American Military Physical Culture and the Great War,” Society for Military History, April 15, 2016
- ♦ Roundtable: “Ares and Eros: War, Emotion, and Sexuality in American History,” Organization of American Historians, April 7, 2016
- ♦ “Entertaining the Color Line: Race and American Military Entertainment in World War II,” Gender, War, and Memory in the Anglo-American World, University of Mississippi, October 2, 2015
- ♦ “A New Kind of Woman is Following the Army: Women’s Work with the AEF,” American Historical Association, January 4, 2015 (paper read in absentia)
- ♦ “Women and Morale in the Trenches: American Recreation in the First World War,” Perspectives on the Great War, Queen Mary, University of London, August 2, 2014
- ♦ Roundtable: “Confronting Social Change: Gender, Sexuality, and the U.S. Military,” Organization of American Historians, April 12, 2014
- ♦ “Women at Far-Away Outposts: Entertaining the Military in World War II,” Organization of American Historians, April 10, 2014
- ♦ Chair, Presidential Panel “Transformational History: Gender, Militaries, and Wars,” Society for Military History, April 5, 2014
- ♦ “Take Your Prettiest Dresses and Go: Femininity, Masculinity, and American Military Entertainment in World War II,” Lessons of War: Gender History and the Second World War, Lancaster University, September 12, 2013
- ♦ “In the Club and on the Stage: Women as Entertainment in World War II,” Society for Military History, March 16, 2013
- ♦ “Abortion and the Army in the era of *Roe v Wade*,” American Historical Association, January 7, 2012
- ♦ “The Difference between Savagery and Civilization: Recreation Programs and the Construction of Wartime Gender Roles,” American Studies Association, October 21, 2011
- ♦ “The Right Kind of Women: Regulating Sexuality through Recreation in the First World War,” Society for Military History, June 10, 2011
- ♦ “Domesticity, Morality, and Wholesome Fun: American Women and the YMCA’s World War I Canteen Program,” Organization of American Historians, March 20, 2011
- ♦ Chair, Presidential Panel “Causes Won and Lost: Women’s Wartime and Peacetime Contributions and Women’s Rights,” Society for Military History, May 21, 2010

**Conference Presentations (continued)**

- ♦ “A Small Part in this Great Conflict: American Women and the YMCA’s World War I Canteen Program,” Unarmed on the Battlefield, Trinity College Centre for War Studies, April 15, 2010
- ♦ “Gender, Domesticity, and Wholesome Fun: The YMCA and World War I Recreation,” Virginia Humanities Conference, March 25, 2010
- ♦ “Where the Boys Are: Red Cross Donut Dollies in the Vietnam War,” Organization of American Historians, March 28, 2009
- ♦ “Red Cross Donut Dollies in the Vietnam War,” American Studies Association, October 17, 2008 “The Bright Adventure of Army Nursing: Recruiting Nurses for the Vietnam War,” Women at War Women’s History Month, Sarah Lawrence College, March 3, 2007
- ♦ “All Soldiers Should Kiss an Army Nurse: Male Army Nurses and Changing Gender Roles in the Vietnam War,” American Association for the History of Nursing, September 24, 2005
- ♦ “Nurses Against Misrepresentation: Vietnam War Nurses and Postwar Memory,” Arts and Sciences Lecture Series, Columbus State Community College, May 17, 2005
- ♦ “‘The Truth Will Make You Weep:’ Conflicting Representations of Vietnam War Nurses,” Film and History, November 13, 2004
- ♦ “‘Officer, Nurse, Woman:’ Shifting Definitions of Gender and American Military Nurses in the Vietnam War,” American Association for the History of Nursing, October 2, 2004
- ♦ “‘Officer. Nurse. Woman.:’ Military Nurse Recruitment in the Vietnam War,” Arts and Sciences Lecture Series, Columbus State Community College, May 17, 2004
- ♦ “Songs of Zion, in Black and White: Lined-Out Singing of African Americans and Old Regular Baptists,” African Diaspora Graduate Symposium, Indiana University, December 1, 2001
- ♦ “‘Officer. Nurse. Woman.:’ Recruitment of American Military Nurses for the Vietnam War,” Women’s and Gender History Graduate Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, March 24, 2001
- ♦ “Maintaining War: Representations of American Women in Vietnam War Films,” History of Military and Society, Ohio State University, November 5, 1999

**Courses Taught**

Graduate

- ♦ War and Society Research Seminar
- ♦ War, Conflict, and Society Reading Seminar
- ♦ The United States in the World Wars Reading Seminar
- ♦ Cold War Reading Seminar
- ♦ Race and Gender in the World Wars
- ♦ Military History Reading Seminar
- ♦ The Vietnam War Reading Seminar
- ♦ 20<sup>th</sup>-Century U.S. History Reading Seminar

Undergraduate Upper-Level

- ♦ War and Society (as a research seminar and as a course focused on TCU during wartime)
- ♦ U.S. History, 1941 to 1975
- ♦ War and Gender in American History
- ♦ War and Memory in American Culture
- ♦ America’s Vietnam War
- ♦ American Empire
- ♦ History Major Seminar
- ♦ U.S. Women’s History (also an Honors section)
- ♦ American Thought and Culture
- ♦ 20<sup>th</sup>-Century U.S. Social History
- ♦ Seminar in the Theory and Practice of History
- ♦ African American History

**Courses Taught (continued)**

Undergraduate Surveys

- ♦ American Aspirations, 1914 to present
- ♦ Honors American Aspirations, 1914 to present
- ♦ United States History, 1877 to present
- ♦ United States History to 1877
- ♦ World History, 1500 to present

**University Service**

*Texas Christian University*

- 2016 – present Faculty advisor, Student Veterans Alliance
- 2016 – present Organizer, LCpl. Benjamin W. Schmidt annual Symposium on War, Conflict, and Society
- 2017 – present Advisor and Committee Member, Honors College Theses
- 2021 – present Graduate Council, Addran College of Liberal Arts
- 2022 – 2023 Chair, Search Committee, Department of History (Assistant/Associate Professor of 20<sup>th</sup> Century US History)
- 2022 – 2023 Pate Chair Committee, Department of History
- 2021-22, 22-23 Department of History Graduate Committee
- 2021 – 2022 AddRan College of Liberal Arts Workload Policy Committee
- 2021 – 2022 Chair, College Advisory Committee, AddRan College of Liberal Arts
- 2021-22, 18-19 Advisory Committee, Department of History
- 2016-17
- 2019 – 2022 College Advisory Committee, AddRan College of Liberal Arts
- 2021 Schmidt Dissertation Fellowship Committee
- 2020 AddRan Distinguished Lecture Award selection committee
- 2019 – present Honors Thesis Advisor, Committee Member
- 2019 – 2020 Chair, Search Committee, AddRan College of Liberal Arts Dean
- 2018 – 2019 Search Committee, Department of History (pre-1860 African-American or Black Atlantic history)
- 2019 Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws, Department of History
- 2019 AddRan College of Liberal Arts Back to Class Speaker
- 2019 Leadership Summit speaker, Endowment Panel
- 2018 Speaker, Advancement Retreat
- 2018 – 2019 Women’s and Gender Studies Tenure and Promotion materials ad hoc committee
- 2018 – 2022 Member, Veterans Task Force
- 2015 – present Women’s and Gender Studies Program Core Member
- 2015 – 2017 AddRan College of Liberal Arts Veterans Success Program
- 2016 Reflections on the Vietnam War steering committee

*High Point University*

- 2014 – 2015 University Research committee
- 2012 – 2015 Women’s and Gender Studies Program committee
- 2013 – 2015 Honors Program committee
- 2013 – 2015 Quality Enhancement Plan committee
- 2014 – 2015 Class of 2018 Class Counselor
- 2014 – 2015 New Faculty Mentor

**University Service (continued)**

*Bridgewater College*

- 2009 – 2011 Faculty Director, Marshall Undergraduate Scholars Program, George C. Marshall Library
- 2007 – 2011 Faculty Advisor, Phi Alpha Theta International Honor Society in History
- 2010 – 2011 Empowered Women Mentor
- 2006 – 2011 Flory Fellows Honors Program committee
- 2006 – 2011 Library committee
- 2008 – 2011 Faculty Supervisor, Secondary Education Social Studies Student Teachers
- 2010 – 2011 Faculty Advisor, Wright Residence Hall
- 2007 – 2011 Diversity committee
- 2007 – 2011 Bridgewater College Civil War Institute committee
- 2007 – 2011 Faculty Advisor, STAND (Anti-Genocide coalition)
- 2007 General Education Assessment committee
- 2007, 08, 11 Search committees: History and Political Science Department, Grants Officer, Library Director, and Math Department

**Professional Memberships**

- ♦ Society for Military History
- ♦ Organization of American Historians
- ♦ American Historical Association
- ♦ Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
- ♦ Berkshire Conference of Women Historians
- ♦ American Studies Association
- ♦ Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society