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Born 2 October 1974, Chicago, Illinois. Citizen of the United States.

Employment

Assistant Professor of History, University of Colorado at Boulder, August 2005-
Andrew W. Mellon Research Fellow, The Medieval Institute, University of Notre Dame, 2004/05.
Assistant Professor of History, The George Washington University, 2003-2004.

AREA OF SPECIALIZATION: Medieval History

AREAS OF COMPETENCE: Late Antiquity, Early Modern Europe, Colonial Latin America, Gender
History, and Urban History

Education

Princeton University (1997-2003). M.A. (history), 1999. Ph.D. (history), 2003.
Brown University (1992-1996). A.B., *with honors* in ancient and medieval studies and history, 1996.

ACADEMIC EXCHANGES: Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris, 2000/01.
Mansfield College, Oxford University 1994/95.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: Latin, French, German

DISSERTATION: *Gender and Social Networks in Medieval France: The Convents of the County of
Champagne.*

Adviser: William Chester Jordan, Princeton University

Honors and Awards *(selected)*

Andrew W. Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Medieval Studies, Medieval Institute, University of
Notre Dame, IN, 2004/05.

Princeton University, Department of History Post-Enrollment Fellowship, 2002/03.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Interpretative Seminar in the Humanities Fellowship: "Power, Text,
and Community in Medieval Europe," The Huntington Library, Summer 2002.

Princeton University Graduate School Summer Stipend, 2002.

Princeton University, Department of History, summer research and travel grant, 2002.

Princeton University Graduate Fellowship, 1997-2002.

Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton University, Dissertation Award, 2001/02.

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Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni Travel Grant, 2001.
Princeton University, Graduate School Summer Stipend, 2001.
Bourse Chateaubriand Fellowship, 2000/01.
Partial affiliation at the Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France, 2000/01.
Brown University, Workman Driscoll Service Award, Department of Classics, 1996.
National Endowment for the Humanities Younger Scholars Award, 1991.

Publications

ARTICLES

“Cistercian Nuns and the Laity: Care and Example in Twelfth- and Thirteenth Century Northern France,” in *Lay and Religious*, ed. E. Jamroziak and J. Burton. Medieval Church Studies. (Turnhout, Brepols) forthcoming.

“Cleaning House in 1399: Disobedience and the Demise of Cistercian Convents in Northern France at the End of the Middle Ages,” in *Oboedientia. Zu Formen und Grenzen von Macht und Unterordnung im mittelalterlichen Religiosentum*, ed. Sébastien Barret and Gert Melville (Vita Regularis, Band 27) (LIT: Münster, 2005), pp. 423-444.

“Une autre voix d’Héloïse? La femme dans les *Epistolae duorum amantium*,” *La Vie de Champagne* (hors série) juin (2001): 22-25.

with William Chester Jordan, “La Cour Notre-Dame de Michery: A Response to Constance Berman,” *Journal of Medieval History* 27 (2001): 43-54.

BOOK REVIEWS

Eva Schlotheuber, *Klostereintritt und Bildung: Die Lebenswelt der Nonnen im späten Mittelalter. Mit einer Edition des ‚Konventstagebuche‘ einer Zisterzienserin von Heilig-Kreuz bei Braunschweig (1484-1507)* (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2004), (forthcoming).

Emilia Jamroziak, *Rievaulx: Abbey and its Social Context, 1132-1300: Memory, Locality, and Networks* (Medieval Church Studies, no. 8) (Turnhout, Belgium: Brepols, 2005), in *Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies* (forthcoming).

Beverly Mayne Kienzle, *Cistercians, Heresy and Crusade in Occitania, 1145-1229: Preaching in the Lord’s Vineyard* (Rochester, New York: York Medieval Press, Boydell and Brewer, 2001), in *The Catholic Historical Review* 90 (2004): 758-759.

Littere Baronum: The Earliest Cartulary of the Counts of Champagne. Ed. Theodore Evergates (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2003), in *Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies*, 79:4 (2004): 1069-1070.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Translations from the Latin of selected charters from thirteenth-century Champagne, in *Medieval Towns: A Reader*, ed. Maryanne Kowaleski (Peterborough: Broadview Press), forthcoming.

“Childhood and Adolescence,” (2000-word article) in *The Dictionary of the Middle Ages: Supplement I*, ed. William Chester Jordan (New York: Charles Scribners and Sons, 2004).

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Works in Progress

BOOKS

The Cistercian Convents of Champagne: The Social Context of a Thirteenth-Century Female Religious Movement.

ARTICLES

“Filles-Dieu, Cistercian Nuns and their Bishops: Techniques of Accommodation in Thirteenth-Century Northern France.”

“Roman Bones in French Parchments: Investigating A Third-Century Female Martyr among Cistercian Visitation Records.”

“The 1282 Paraclete Rent Book: Edition and Comparisons.”

Recent Presentation

“(De)constructing the Church of St. Urbain in Troyes: Violence, Gender, and Resistance in Thirteenth-Century France,” Thirty-third Annual Conference of the Western Society for French History, October 27-30, 2005.

“The Convents of the County of Champagne: Introductory Remarks” Symposium, The Medieval Institute, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, 23 April 2005.

“Lost between the Old Way and the New: Changing Attitudes Toward the Administration of the Poor and Sick in High Medieval France” Australian and New Zealand Association for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Fifth Biennial Conference: ‘Old Worlds, New Worlds’ 2-5 February 2005.

“Re-imagining an Urban Landscape in Thirteenth-Century Champagne: Topographical Descriptions in the Contracts and Testaments of Bar-sur-Aube” 39th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI. 08 May 2004.

“*A misery greater than all miseries*: Cistercian Nuns and the Care of Lepers in Thirteenth-Century Northern France” The Religious and the Laité, 1000-1300, Conference University of Leicester, UK. 03 August 2003.

“Making it Official: The Creation of Charters for the Nuns of Champagne, 1130-1300” International Medieval Congress, Leeds, UK. 12 July 2003.

“Foundation and Written Record: Comparing Six Nunneries in Medieval Champagne” Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton University, November 2001.

“Jully and Aristocratic Patronage in Champagne” International Medieval Congress, Leeds, UK. July, 2001.

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“The Meaning and Representation of Lady Philosophy on the Facade of Notre-Dame, Paris”
Modern Language Association, December, 1998.

Other Professional Activities/Service

Reader/Reviewer for the series *Disciplina monastica. Studies on Medieval Monastic Life/Etudes sur la vie monastique au Moyen Age*, Brepols Press, 2006.

Co-Organizer (with Carol Symes, UIUC) and Session Commentator: “Commodities and Consumption,” The Medieval Academy of America, April 2006.

Session Organizer, “Text and Urban Landscape: France” 41st International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2006.

Session Organizer, “Text and Urban Landscape I & II”
40th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2005; and 39th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI. May 2004.

Teaching

GRADUATE SEMINARS:

HIST 7551: Seminar Medieval History (*Topics include: Thirteenth-Century France; Medieval Diplomats: Charters, Law and the Written Word; Women, Work and Religion in the Middle Ages*)

UPPER DIVISION COURSES:

HIST 4521: Europe in the High Middle Ages (1000A.D.-1400A.D.) (*fall 2005*)

HIST 4123: Medieval England (taught as English Constitutional History)

HIST 4711: On the Fringes of Europe: Colonization, Conquest, and Crusade (950-1350)

HIST 3511: Seminar: Medieval Europe (*Saints, Sinners, Heretics, and Outcasts: Religion and Society in Medieval Europe-- spring 2006*)

LOWER DIVISION COURSES:

HIST 1010: Western Civilization 1: From Antiquity to the 16th Century (*spring 2006*)

HIST 2543: Medieval Societies (*fall 2005*)

Advising/ Graduate Committees:

Donald J. Hanle, PhD defense, Department of History, George Washington University, March 2004, second reader., “Near Miss: The Story of the Army Air Forces’ Guided Bomb Program in WWII.”

Related Experience

Participant, Archeological Excavation of the Abbey of Saint-Jean-des-Vignes (13th Century Abbey in Soissons, France). Directed by Professor Sheila Bonde (Brown University) and Professor

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Clark Maines (Wesleyan University): participant, summer, 1994; site supervisor, 1996; study season, 1998.

Academic Membership

The Medieval Academy of America
The American Historical Association
The French Historical Society
International Medieval Society -- Paris
American Association of University Women
The Hagiography Society

References

Peter Brown, Professor of History, Princeton University.
Theodore Evergates, Professor of History, McDaniel College.
William Chester Jordan, Professor of History, Princeton University.
Kenneth Mills, Professor of History, University of Toronto.