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## EDUCATION

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

*PhD History*, 2013, *MA History*, 2010

Dissertation: Bound by Bondage: Slavery among Elites in Colonial Massachusetts and New York

Committee: Mary Beth Norton, Robert Travers, Duane Corpis

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

*AB cum laude History and Literature, language citation in French*, 2002

Courses in American, African American, African and French history and literature

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of South Carolina, Columbia, Columbia, SC

*Assistant Professor*, 2014-present, on leave 2014-2015

## PUBLICATIONS

“Elite Slave Networks in the Dutch Atlantic,” chapter ten in *Shifting the Compass: Pluricontinental Connections in Dutch Colonial and Postcolonial Literature*, eds. Jeroen Dewulf, Olf Praamstra and Michiel van Kempen. Newcastle, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2013.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Early America, Dutch and British Atlantic World, Comparative Native and African American Slavery, African and African American Diaspora

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Allen Nevins Prize, nominated	2014
Cornell University Provost Diversity Fellowship	2012-2013
Cornell University Sage Fellowship	2007, 2011
The Huntington Mayers Fellowship	2010
Cornell University Alger Fellowship	2010
The Gilder Lehrman Fellowship for research in New York repositories	2010
Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies Travel Grant for research in the Netherland Antilles (Curaçao)	2009
U.S. Department of Education Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Dutch	2008-2009
Cornell University Farr Fellowship for research in the Netherlands	2008
Harvard-Radcliffe Thesis Research Grant	2001
Harvard College Scholarship	2001-2002
Harvard Club Service Fellowship	1999
National Merit and Achievement Scholar	1998

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

“As if my Negro had Said it”: Honor, profit, and the rhetorical world of elite Dutch slaveholders	6/2015
OIEAHC-SEA 2015 Conference, Chicago, IL, <i>forthcoming</i>	
“Gender and the Caribbean Archive.” Panelist, Caribbean Studies Committee	1/2015
American Historical Association 2015 meeting, New York, NY	

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES** *(Cont.)*

- New Netherland Institute Emerging Scholars Roundtable. Invited Panelist 9/2014  
New Netherland Institute, Albany, NY
- “Do not forget to send the Negro”: Elite ties, enslaved lives in colonial  
Massachusetts and New York, 1660-1720  
University of California at Santa Barbara, History, sponsored by the 10/2013  
History Department, the English Department’s Early Modern Center  
and the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center
- Guest seminar, graduate historiography of slavery class 10/2013
- The First Sight of Land: The Caribbean origins of New Netherland’s elite  
Dutch family slaveholding networks  
University of California at Berkeley, Dutch Studies 11/2012
- “Burdened with Many Children”: The Hidden Interconnected World of  
Female Slaveholders and Slaves  
Liberty’s Daughters and Sons: Celebrating the Legacy of Mary Beth  
Norton, Ithaca, NY 9/2012
- “A mighty Smile of Heaven upon my Family”: Slavery and Gift Exchange  
among the Elite of Colonial Massachusetts  
Graduate Student Forum in Early American History: The Colonial  
Society of Massachusetts, Boston, MA 4/2012
- The Dutch Atlantic Slave Trade  
Yale University, DUTC 160: Dutch Culture & Society 4/2012
- Bequeathing Bondage: Slave Networks in the Dutch Atlantic  
University of California at Berkeley, Dutch Studies 11/2011
- Bequeathing Bondage: Slave Networks in the Dutch Atlantic  
2011 Berkeley Conference on Dutch Literature: Colonial and Post-  
Colonial Connections in Dutch Literature, Berkeley, CA 9/2011
- “A mighty Smile of Heaven upon my Family”: Slavery and Gift Exchange  
among the Elite of Colonial Massachusetts  
Crossing Divides: The 19th Annual Milton Plesur Graduate History  
Conference, Buffalo, NY 3/2010

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Instructor, Cornell University, HIST 1123/First-Year Writing Seminar “Older  
Posts: Social Networking in Early America” Spring 2011
- Teaching Assistant, Cornell University, HIST/AMST 2720, “The Atlantic  
World from Conquest to Revolution,” including a class lecture given  
March 3, titled, “The Caribbean” Spring 2010
- Teaching Assistant, Cornell University, HIST/AMST 1530, “Introduction to  
American History to 1865” Fall 2009

**EMPLOYMENT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- Founder/Coordinator, Cambridge Writers’ Group, Cambridge, MA 12/2004-8/2007
- PE Analyst, Africa International Financial Holdings, Cambridge, MA 7/2003-12/2004
- Research and Faculty Assistant, Harvard Department of African and African  
American Studies, Cambridge, MA 8/2002-7/2003

## LANGUAGES

English: Native language

French: Proficient in spoken, aural and written communication

Dutch: Proficient in spoken, aural and written communication. Achieved Level B1, Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, Profiel Maatschappelijke Taalvaardigheid (PMT)  
Completed Columbia Reading Dutch 17th-Century Texts workshop

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association for Netherlandic Studies

American Historical Association

American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies

Association for the Study of African American Life and History

Berkshire Conference of Women Historians

Coordinating Council for Women's History

New England Historical Association

New Netherland Institute

Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture, Associate

Organization of American Historians

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic

The Conference on Latin American Historians

The Southern Association for Women Historians

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Representative, Cornell Student Library Advisory Council, Ithaca, NY 2010-2011

Treasurer, Cornell University Graduate Historical Association, Ithaca, NY 2008-2010

## REFERENCES

Mary Beth Norton, PhD, History Department, Cornell University

Robert Travers, PhD, History Department, Cornell University

Rachel Weil, PhD, History Department, Cornell University

Duane Corpis, PhD, History Department, Cornell University

Jeroen Dewulf, PhD, Department of German, University of California Berkeley