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EDUCATION

Ph.D. 2006, **Boston University**; American and New England Studies

B.A. 1993, **University of California at Davis**; English, *magna cum laude* and History, *cum laude*

DISSERTATION TITLE

“D’Agostino Supermarkets, From Pushcart to Product: Family and Ethnicity as Cultural Currency”

Advisor: Marilyn Halter

Second Reader: Bruce Schulman

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Babson College, History and Society Division: Lecturer, 2011-21; 2009-10; 2006-08

Boston University, History Department: Visiting Professor, 2010-11; 2008-09

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Babson College, History and Society Division (2006-08; 2009-10; 2011-21)

Introductory Humanities Courses:

Foundations of Critical Inquiry: Justice and Inequality

Arts and Humanities/History and Society Foundation: Justice and Inequality

History and Society Foundation: Crises in Citizenship and Community

History and Society Foundation: Human Agency and Community in a Globalizing World

Intermediate History Courses:

The Modern American City

Cultures and Values: Immigrants, Race, and the American Promise

Golden Cities: The West and the Urban America

Advanced History Courses:

The History and Culture of American Business

The History of Boston

Babson Undergraduate Semester in San Francisco Program:

Golden Cities: The West and the Urban America

Visiting Professor, Boston University, History Department (2008-09; 2010-11)

Introductory Survey Courses:

U.S. History, 1865 to the Present

Intermediate Survey Courses:

Twentieth Century United States, 1945-1968

U.S. History, 1968 to the Present

Undergraduate Colloquiums:

Postwar America, 1945 to 1969

American Society, 1970 to the Present

The Birth of Modern America, 1880-1930

**Instructor and Assistant Program Director, Boston University/Boston Public Schools,
Teaching American History Project (2007-10)**

Designed and taught graduate seminars for Boston Public Schools teachers in the federally sponsored “Teaching American History” Program

Spring 2010

“‘And Justice for All?’ The Courts and American Civic History”

Spring 2009

Readings in Nineteenth Century American History

Spring 2008

“The Modern Metropolis” with Prof. Bruce Schulman

Spring 2007

“American Democracy in Historical Perspective” with Prof. Bruce Schulman

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

“Only in New York”: D’Agostino Supermarkets, From Pushcart to Product (Under Review, Fordham University Press)

Currently researching and developing book projects on the history of pushcarts in American cities, female advertising executives in the 1960s, and the history of women in American sports

Research assistant for Professor Regina Blaszczyk, Boston University History Department, for *Major Problems in American Business History* (2005) and *The Color Revolution: Innovations in 20th Century Fashion and Marketing* (2012)

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Participant, “Aspen Undergraduate Consortium,” Aspen Institute Business and Society Program and Boston University Questrom School of Business, Boston, MA (2019)

“The Global Apple: Korean Grocers as Myth and Symbol in 1980s New York,” New England American Studies Association, Lowell, MA (2018)

“Pedagogy of Place: Strategies for Putting the City on the Syllabus,” Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching and Learning, Bethesda, MD (2018)

“History as Autobiography,” Babson College Honors Seminar 1 (2018)

Faculty Reflection, Babson College Graduation Baccalaureate Service (2017)

“On Service and Teaching,” Agape Latte/Babson College Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week (2015)

“Urban Pastorals and American Dreams: Narratives of Business and Identity in New York’s Italian Community,” New England American Studies Association, Plymouth, MA (2011)

“A History of American Immigration,” Boston Public Schools/Teaching American History Project Professional Development Seminar, (2011)

Discussant, “Individuals Who Influenced the Business of Fashion,” Business History Conference-European Business Association Annual Meeting, Milan, Italy (2009)

“‘Only in New York’: Italian Immigration, Urban Culture, and the Currency of the Ethnic Merchant,” Massachusetts Historical Society—Immigration and Urban History Seminar Series, Boston, MA (2007)

“From Pushcart to Product: New York’s Immigrant Grocers and the Negotiation of Ethnicity,” American Studies Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA (2007)

“D’Agostino Supermarkets, From Pushcart to Product: Family, Ethnicity, and Vegetables as Cultural Currency,” The Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities/Boston University American Studies Graduate Student Conference, Boston, MA (1999)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Studies Association (2006-Present)

Business History Conference (2008-Present)

SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRIBUTIONS

Babson College:

2011-2021:

A&H/H&S Division First-Year Curriculum Review Committee

Babson College Honors Council

Committee to Choose Senior-Led Seminars

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Subcommittee, Framing the Future of Undergraduate Learning

Faculty Advisor, Babson College First Year Seminar

Faculty Advisor, Babson-Olin Catholic Association

Faculty Director, Babson Undergraduate Semester in San Francisco Program

Fall Undergraduate Awards Committee

Fellow, Framing the Future of Undergraduate Learning at Babson College Committee

First Year Seminar Diversity and Inclusion Committee

Interviewer for Weissman Scholars Program
Senator, Babson College Faculty Senate (Representing History & Society Division)
Senior Awards Committee
Wooten Prize for Excellence in Writing Committee

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Rallis Memorial Award, Boston University Humanities Foundation, April 2002

Earhart Fellowship, Institute for the Study of Economic Culture, Boston University, September 2001- May 2002

Museum Fellow, American Decorative Arts Department, Peabody-Essex Museum, Salem, MA, August 2000- July 2001