

***CURRICULUM VITAE***  
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**Education:**

Graduate Advisor: Richard M. Morse (Yale and Stanford).

1978-1982 Stanford University, Ph.D. (Latin American and European Cultural History).

1976-1978 Yale University, M.A. (Latin American and Colonial African History), awarded History's Mary Cady Tew Prize, 1977 (transferred to Stanford 1978).

1972-1974 University of California at Berkeley, A.B. (History), with "Great Distinction in General Scholarship" and Phi Beta Kappa.

1970-1972 University of California at Santa Cruz (transferred to UC Berkeley 1972).

**Employment:**

2007-present Professor, Department of History, University of Florida.

1989-2007 Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Florida.

1987-1989 Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Florida.

1982-1987 Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Oregon.

**Administrative Positions:**

2010-present Academic Manager, Cooperative Agreement between the Centro de Pesquisa e Documentação de História Contemporânea do Brasil, Fundação Getúlio Vargas (CPDOC/FGV) and the Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida.

2004-2006 Graduate Coordinator [Director of Graduate Studies], Department of History, University of Florida.

1985-1987 Program Associate, Latin American Program, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C..

**Visiting Academic Positions:**

1997 Visiting Fulbright Lecturer, Programa de Pós-Graduação em Antropologia e Política Ciência, [Graduate Program in Anthropology and Political Science], Universidade Federal Fluminense, Niterói, Brazil.

1994 Visiting Professor of Brazilian Studies, Vakgroep Talen en Culturen van Latijns Amerika [Center for Latin American Studies], Royal University of Leiden, The Netherlands.

1986-1987 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C..

**Publications:**

**Books.**

1. *The Sacred Cause: The Abolitionist Movement, Afro-Brazilian Mobilization, and Imperial Politics in Rio de Janeiro*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2020. 361 pages.
2. [editor] *Emergent Brazil: Key Perspectives on a New Global Power*. Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2015. 322 pages.
3. *The Party of Order: The Conservatives, the State, and Slavery in the Brazilian Monarchy, 1831-1871*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2006. [See **Honors and Awards**, below] 460 pages.

4. *A Tropical Belle Epoque: Elite Culture and Society in Turn-of-the-Century Rio de Janeiro*. Cambridge Latin American Studies, 62. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1987. 384 pages. [Paperback edition published by Cambridge University Press, 2009; Brazilian edition published in 1993; Argentine edition published in 2013.]

#### **Chapters in Books (after 2010).**

1. "Introduction: An Attempt to Grasp the Moment." In *Emergent Brazil: Key Perspectives on a New Global Power*, ed. Jeffrey D. Needell. Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2015: 1-12.
2. "The State and Development under the Brazilian Monarchy: 1822-1889." In *The State and Nation Making in Latin America and Spain: Republics of the Possible*, eds. M. Centeno and A. Ferraro. New York: Cambridge Univ. Press, 2013: 79-99.
3. "Variaciones para um tema: Las vicisitudes del liberalismo durante la monarquía brasileña." In *Liberalismo y poder: Latinoamérica en el siglo XX*, eds. Iván Jaksic, and Eduardo Posada Carbó. Santiago: Fondo de Cultura Económica Chile, 2011: 245-77.
4. "Nabuco e a batalha parlamentar pela Abolição." [Nabuco and the Parliamentary Battle for Abolition]. In *Joaquim Nabuco e Wisconsin: centenário da conferência na universidade: ensaios comemorativos*, [Joaquim Nabuco and Wisconsin: Centenary of the Speech at the University: Commemorative Essays] ed. Severino Albuquerque. Rio de Janeiro: Editora Bem-te-vi, 2010: 293-311.
5. "Glória no crepúsculo: o ativismo de Nabuco, suas meditações e a escolha pela diplomacia." [Glory at Dusk: Nabuco's Activism, His Meditation, and the Choice for Diplomacy] In *Joaquim Nabuco em Yale: centenário das conferências na universidade: ensaios comemorativos*, [Joaquim Nabuco at Yale: Centenary of the Speeches at the University: Commemorative Essays] ed. K. David Jackson. Rio de Janeiro: Editora Bem-te-vi, 2010: 227-59.
6. "Comentários sobre os *papers* da sessão Indo além de Mclunhaíma: brasileiros, norte-americanos, e o espelho de Richard Morse." [Commentary on the Papers of the Session Beyond Mclunhaíma: Brazilians, Americans, and the Mirror of Richard Morse] In *Código Morse: ensaios sobre Richard Morse*, [Morse Code: Essays on Richard Morse] ed. Beatriz Domingues. Juiz da Fora: Editora Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, 2010: 141-50.

#### **Articles in Refereed Journals (after 2010):**

1. "O chamado às armas: o abolicionismo radical de Nabuco em 1885-1886." [The Call to Arms: Nabuco's Radical Abolitionism in 1885-1886] *Revista Brasileira de História*, 33:65 (July 2013): 291-312.
2. "Politics, Parliament, and the Penalty of the Lash: The Significance of the End of Flogging in 1886," *Almanack. Guarulhos*, n.04, 2º semestre de 2012: 91-100.
3. "The Foundations of Freyre's Work: Engagement and Disengagement in the Brazil of 1923-1933," *Portuguese Studies*, 27:1 (2011): 8-19.
4. "Percepções sobre raça no debates abolicionistas no Brasil (1870-1888)," [The Perception of Race in the Abolitionist Debates in Brazil (1870-1888)] *Escritos*, 4:4 (2010): 7-21.
5. "Brazilian Abolitionism, Its Historiography, and the Uses of Political History," *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 50:2 (May 2010): 231-61.

#### **Papers and Lectures Presented (since 2010):**

1. "The Defense of Privilege: Elite Response to Abolitionism in Imperial Brazil." Paper presented at Panel III. "The Privilege that Slavery Confers: Brazilian Planters and Imperial Government in the Shaping of a Slave Society." In a multi-session Workshop, "The Roots of Brazilian Conservatism: Power and Privilege in Imperial Brazil." Conference on Latin American History/American Historical Association Annual Meeting. New York City, January 2020.
2. "Afro-Brazilian Mobilization in Rio's Abolitionist Movement: The Historiography, the Issues, and New Findings and Interpretations," paper presented at the Race and Slavery Workshop in the Atlantic World to 1900, Yale University, March 2018
3. "The Role of Afro-Brazilian Mobilization in Rio's Abolitionist Movement," paper presented at the Conference on Latin American History/American Historical Association Annual Meeting. Washington, DC, January 2018.
4. "Brazil's Abolitionist Movement: The Narrative, Sources, and Historiography," paper presented at the Brazilian Seminar, Department of History, Johns Hopkins University, September, 2014.

5. "Brazil's Abolitionist Movement and Its Historiography," paper presented at The Brazilian History Research Workshop, University of California at Los Angeles, February 2014.
6. "The Brazilian Election of 1884," paper presented at "Contentious Elections and Democratization in the Americas during the Nineteenth Century." Rothermere American Institute, Oxford University and City University of New York. Oxford University, March 2012.
7. "The Remembered, the Forgotten, and the Historian's Challenge: An Introduction to Brazil's Abolitionist Movement and Its Historiography," paper presented at the Latin American History Workshop, University of Chicago, October 2011.
8. "The Brazilian Abolitionist Movement, 1879-1888: A Discussion of the Narrative, Contemporary Sources, and the Challenge of the Historiography." Department of History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 2011.
9. "The Call to Arms: Nabuco's Radicalized Abolitionism of 1885-1886," paper presented at "Joaquim Nabuco (1849-1910): Abolitionist, Intellectual, Statesman -- On the Centenary of His Death," Embassy of Brazil, London, and the Institute for the Study of the Americas, University of London, London, November 2010.
10. "Brazil's Abolitionist Movement: The Remembered, the Forgotten," paper presented at "American Counterpoint: New Approaches to Slavery and Abolition in Brazil." Gilder Lehrman Center's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference, Co-sponsored by the Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies, Yale University, October 2010.
11. "The State and Development under the Brazilian Monarchy: 1822-1889," second chapter draft for the book project "Paper Leviathans: State Building in Latin America and Spain, 1810-1930," eds. M. Centeno and A. Ferraro, presented at the project's second international workshop, Universidad de Salamanca, September 2010.
12. "Politics, Parliament, and the Penalty of the Lash," paper presented at the Conference Honoring Boris Fausto, "Rethinking Brazilian History," Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford University, May 2010.

#### **Honors and Awards (since 2000).**

1. Interview regarding *The Sacred Cause*, with Gabriel Paquette (Dean of the Clark Honors College, University of Oregon, and Research Professor of History at Johns Hopkins University). International, online *tertúlias* organized by Eduardo Posada Carbó, Director of the Latin American Centre at Oxford University's School of Area and Global Studies, for his Latin American Seminar Series. <https://www.geh.ox.ac.uk/events/tertulia-latin-american-history-seminar-abolitionism-and-politics-imperial-brazil>
2. Department of History, University of Florida, John K. Mahon Undergraduate Teaching Award, 2017-2018.
3. The House of Rui Barbosa Foundation, the Research Group on the Press and the Circulation of Ideas: The Role of Periodicals in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries, the Institute de France, and the Consulate of France in Rio de Janeiro. [Round Table with Antonio Herculano, Felipe Botelho Correa, Isabel Lustosa, and Maria Cristina Volpi Celebrating 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Jeffrey Needell's *A Tropical Belle Époque*.], at the International Seminar on the Press in the Belle Époque. Rio de Janeiro, 15-17 August 2017.
4. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Term Professorship, 2016-2019.
5. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Sabbatical Award, 2016-2017.
6. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Humanities Enhancement Award, summer 2015.
7. National Endowment for the Humanities, Fellowship, 2013-2014.
8. Department of History, University of Florida, Norman Wilensky Graduate Teaching Award, 2011-2012.
9. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Humanities Enhancement Award, summer 2012.
10. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Waldo W. Neikerk Term

- Professorship, 2011-2012.
11. United States Department of Education, Fulbright-Hays Foreign Research Abroad Program Award, summers 2009 and 2010 [deferred to 2011], Rio de Janeiro and Recife.
  12. Council for the International Exchange of Scholars, Fulbright Scholar Research Grant, 2009-10, Rio de Janeiro and Recife [declined.]
  13. Brazilian Studies Institute, University of São Paulo. *Almanack brasileiro* Round Table on *The Party of Order*. São Paulo, 5 June 2009. [Followed by publication of the various papers presented then (see item 15 in Papers and Lectures Presented section, above)].
  14. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Humanities Enhancement Award, summer 2009.
  15. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Sabbatical Award, fall 2009.
  16. Roberto Reis Book Award, Brazilian Studies Association, 2006-2007, for *The Party of Order* [See **Publications**, above], presented in New Orleans, March 2008.
  17. Warren Dean Memorial Prize, Conference on Latin American History, 2006 & 2007, for *The Party of Order* [See **Publications**, above], presented in Washington, D.C., January 2008.
  18. American Philosophical Society, Franklin Research Grant, summer 2007.
  19. Department of History, University of Florida, John K. Mahon Undergraduate Teaching Award, 2003-2004.
  20. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Sabbatical Award, fall 2002.
  21. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund Award, summer 2001.

#### **Professional Activity:**

##### **Meetings and Conferences (since 2000):**

1. Organizer, "The Abolitionist Movement in Brazil: New Perspectives," a Panel at the Conference of Latin American Historians/American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, January 2018.
2. Commentator, Rafael Bivar de Marquese, "Legacies of the Second Slavery: The Cotton and Coffee Economies of the United States and Brazil during Reconstruction, 1865-1904." Milbauer Conference, Department of History, University of Florida, February 2017.
3. Commentator, "Agrarian Science, Modernization, Social Engineering, and the Idea of Latin America: Transnational Perspectives from Brazil, Colombia, and the Caribbean," a panel at the Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, New York City, 2015.
4. Organizer, "Racial Perception and Representative Government: Politics and Racism in Nineteenth-Century Brazil" a panel at the American Historical Association/Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, New York City, 2009.
5. Commentator, "After the Meal: Comments on the Papers Comprising 'Further New World Soundings: Brazilians, North Americans, and Richard Morse's Mirror.'" BRASA 9<sup>th</sup> International Congress, New Orleans, March 2008.
6. Speaker, Panel Honoring Leslie Bethell's Contribution to Brazilian Studies, BRASA 9<sup>th</sup> International Congress, New Orleans, March 2008.
7. Organizer, "Afro-Brazilian Political Mobilization since Independence: New Paths and New Questions," a panel at the American Historical Association/Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 2008.
8. Commentator, "Constructing Race, Hierarchy, and Nation: Nineteenth-Century Brazil and Cuba," panel at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, January 2006.
9. Commentator, "New Perspectives on State and Society in the Brazilian Empire, 1822-89," a panel at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, January 2005.
10. Commentator, "From Public Celebrations to Political Lampoons: The Monarchy and Shifting Symbols of the Brazilian Nation," a panel at the Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, San Francisco, January 2002.
11. Speaker, Memorial Service for Richard M. Morse, Latin American Studies Association XXIII International Congress, Washington, September 2001.

12. Chair, “*Nuestro gran mundo* [Our Great World]: Elite Identities in the Argentine, 1860-1940,” a panel at the Latin American Studies Association XXIII International Congress, Washington, September 2001.
13. Commentator, “Pleasure and Popular Entertainment in Rio de Janeiro, 1880-1930,” a panel at the Latin American Studies Association XXIII International Congress, Washington, September 2001.
14. Organizer, “State-Making and Local Hierarchies: Monarchy, the State, and Provincial Politics in Brazil, 1808-1853,” a panel at the Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Chicago, January 2000.

#### **Journals:**

1. Member, Editorial Council, *Review of the General Archive of the City of Rio de Janeiro*, since 2013.
2. Member, Conselho Consultativo, *Acervo: Revista do Arquivo Nacional* [Advisory Council, *Collection: Review of the National Archive*] (Rio de Janeiro), since 2004.
3. Member, Advisory Board, *Luso-Brazilian Review*, 2000-2014.
4. Member, Advisory Board, *História, Cultura, Ciência: Manguinhos* (Rio de Janeiro), 1998-2005.
5. Book Review Editor, *Hispanic American Historical Review*, 1988-1990.

#### **Service, Award, and Prize Committees and Panels:**

1. Member, the Conference on Latin American History's Robertson Prize Committee, 2014-15.
2. Member, Advisory Council, Brazilian Society for the Study of the Nineteenth Century. Since 2013.
3. Founding Member, Brazilian Society for the Study of the Nineteenth Century. 2013.
4. Member, National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowships, Latin American Panel, 2010.
5. Chair, Brazilian Studies Association, Roberto Reis Prize Committee, 2010.
6. Member, Conference on Latin American History, Warren Dean Prize Committee, 2009.
7. Member, the Conference on Latin American History's Robertson Prize Committee, 1993-1994.
8. Member, the Conference on Latin American History's Projects and Publications Committee, 1991-1993.
9. Secretary, Brazilian Studies Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 1987 and 1988.

#### **University:**

1. Member, Search Committee, Director of the Center for Latin American Studies, 2018-2019.
2. Member, Selection Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund, Fall 2015.
3. Member, Search Committee, Director of the Center for Latin American Studies, 2008-2009.
4. Member, University Libraries Committee, 2007-2009.
5. Member, Graduate Council, Graduate School, University of Florida, 2006-2009.
6. Member, Search Committee, Head of the Latin American Collection, University Libraries, 1992.

#### **Center for Latin American Studies:**

1. Chair, Steering Committee, “Emergent Brazil” (Annual Center Conference, with the collaboration of CPDOC, the Centro de Pesquisa e Documentação de História Contemporânea do Brasil, Fundação Getúlio Vargas [Center for the Research and Documentation of Brazil's Contemporary History], Rio de Janeiro), 2013.
2. Chair, Portuguese Task Force, 2007-2008.
3. Member (elected), Faculty Advisory Council, 2005-2007.
4. Member, Amazon Conference Planning Workshop, fall 1997.
5. Coordinator for History, 1992.
6. Member, Executive Council, 1992-1993.

#### **Department of History:**

1. Member, Untenured Faculty Committee, 2021.
2. Member, Hiring Committee, 2020.
3. Chair, Committee on the Department and the University of Florida's Online Courses, 2018-2019.
4. Chair, Hiring Committee, 2015-2016.

5. Chair, Full Professors Committee, 2010-2011.
6. Member, Executive Committee, 2004-2006 (*ex officio* as Graduate Coordinator).
7. Member, Graduate Committee, 1988-1989, 1989-1990, 1992-1993, 1993-1994, 1994-1995, 1995-1996, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 (2004-2006 *ex officio* as Graduate Coordinator), 2010-2011.
8. Member, Policy and Personnel Committee, 1988-1989, 1996, 1998-1999, 2003-2004 (2004-2006 *ex officio* as Graduate Coordinator), 2012-2013, 2014-2015, 2017-2018, 2018-2019.
9. Author, Department of History's Criteria for Teaching Improvement Program (TIP), 1993-1994.
10. Chair, Teaching Improvement Program (TIP) Committee, 1993-1994.
11. Author, Department of History Graduate Program Reform (1992).

#### **Courses Taught:**

Introduction to Latin American History.  
 History of Latin America to 1750.  
 History of Latin America, 1750-1880.  
 History of Latin America, 1880 to the Present.  
 History of Mexico.  
 Imperial Brazil.  
 History of the Caribbean and Central America.  
 History of Brazil to 1750.  
 History of Brazil after 1750.  
 History of Amazonia.  
 Honors Seminar on Latin American History.  
 Junior Colloquium on Latin American History.  
 History Practicum.  
 Senior Research Seminar.  
 Graduate Seminar on Comparative Slavery.  
 Graduate Seminar on Latin American Intellectual History.  
 Graduate Seminar on Ideology and Society in Nineteenth-Century Latin America.  
 Graduate Seminar on Brazilian Historiography.  
 Graduate Seminar on Historical Methodology.  
 Graduate Seminar on Social and Political Thought in Brazil.

#### **Graduate Committees**

Doctoral Chair, 5  
 Doctoral Member, 22  
 Master's Chair, 19  
 Master's Member, 29

#### **Professional Associations:**

American Historical Association  
 Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA)  
 Conference on Latin American History  
 Latin American Studies Association