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**Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae**

W.E.B. Du Bois Department  
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**EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. History, Columbia University (February 1994)  
Dissertation: *The Counterrevolution of Slavery: Class, Politics and Ideology in Antebellum South Carolina* (Nominated for the Bancroft Award)
- M. Phil. History, Columbia University (May 1988) Distinction
- M. A. History, State University of New York at Stony Brook (December 1985)  
Distinction
- B.A. History (Honors), Delhi University, India (August 1984)

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE**

- \*Assistant Professor (1994-2000) Associate Professor (2001- Present), W. E. B. DuBois Department of Afro-American Studies and Adjunct Assistant Professor and Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- \* Series Editor, "Race in the Atlantic World, 1700-1900" University of Georgia Press, 2006-Present
- \*Avery O. Craven Award Committee, Organization of American Historians 2004-2005
- \*Member, Southern Historical Association Committee on Minorities, 2004-2007
- \*Membership Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2005-2006
- \*Local Arrangements Committee, Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Boston, 2001
- \*MS Review: *Journal of Southern History*, *Civil War History*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, Columbia University Press

**RECENT HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- \*Faculty Fellowship, Charles Warren Center for American History, Harvard University, 2007-2008
- \*Elected Member, American Antiquarian Society, 2006-
- \*Distinguished Lecture Series, Organization of American Historians, 2003- Present
- \*Advisory Council, The Lincoln Prize at Gettysburg College, 2004- Present
- \*Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History Fellowship, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, New York Public Library, 2005-2006
- \*National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, 2004-2005

## SELECT PUBLICATIONS

### Books

\**The Counterrevolution of Slavery: Politics and Ideology in Antebellum South Carolina* (University of North Carolina Press, 2000)

Finalist, Avery O. Craven Award for Best Book on the Civil War Era, Organization of American Historians  
Finalist, George C. Rogers Award for Best Book on South Carolina history

\*Co-editor with Penny Von Eschen, *Contested Democracy: Freedom, Race and Power in American History* (Columbia University Press, 2007)

\*Co-editor with John H. Bracey, Jr., *African American Mosaic: A Documentary History from the African Slave Trade to the Twenty First Century* Vol. I & Vol. II (Prentice Hall, 2004)

\**Let My People Go: African Americans and the Movement to Abolish Slavery, 1775-1865* (Under contract with Harvard University Press)

### Articles

\*"Lynching: The History of an American Crime," *Mississippi Quarterly* (Forthcoming)

\*"To 'Cast Just Obliquy' on Our Oppressors: Black Radicalism in the Age of Revolution" *William and Mary Quarterly* Roundtable LXIV (January 2007): 149-160.

\*"An Alternative Tradition of Radicalism: African American Abolitionists and the Metaphor of Revolution, 1775-1865" in *Contested Democracy: Freedom, Race and Power in American History* (Columbia University Press, 2007): 9-31.

\*"His Truth Is Marching On: John Brown and the Fight for Racial Justice," *Civil War History* 52 (June 2006): 161-169.

\*"Coming of Age: The Historiography of Black Abolitionism," in Timothy Patrick McCarthy and John Stauffer eds., *Prophets of Protest: Reconsidering the History of American Abolitionism* (New York: New Press, 2006): 23-38.

\*"Black Abolitionism: The Assault on Southern Slavery and the Struggle for Racial Equality," in Ira Berlin and Leslie Harris eds., *Slavery in New York* (New York: New Press, 2005): 239-262.

\*"Eugene D. Genovese: The Mind of a Marxist Conservative," *Radical History Review* 88 (Winter 2004): 4-29.

\*"American Slavery Ten Years Later," *Journal of American Ethnic History* (Fall 2004): 105-109.

\*"History and Art in *Ready for Revolution*" in *The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education* (February 2004): 130-133.

\*"The Caning of Charles Sumner: Slavery, Race and Ideology in the Age of the Civil War," *Journal of the Early Republic* Vol. 23, No. 2 (Summer 2003): 233-262.

\*"Revolution or Counterrevolution? The Political Ideology of Secession in Antebellum South Carolina," *Civil War History* Vol. 46, No. 3 (September, 2000): 205-226.

\*"Judicial Nullification: The South Carolina Led Southern Movement to Reopen the African Slave Trade in the 1850s" in Maria Diedrich, Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Carl Pedersen eds., *Black Imagination and the Middle Passage* (Oxford University Press, 1999) 127-143.

\*"Louisa Susanna McCord: Spokeswoman of the Master Class in Antebellum South Carolina," in Susan Ostrov Weisser and Jennifer Fleischner eds., *Feminist Nightmares Women at Odds: Feminism and the Problem of Sisterhood* (New York University Press, 1994) 62-87.

### **Reviews**

Numerous reviews published in the *American Historical Review*, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of Southern History* and other scholarly journals.

### **RECENT CONFERENCES AND TALKS**

\*Commentator, Roundtable on "Reopening the African Slave Trade in Antebellum America," Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early Republic, Worcester, Mass., July 2007

\*Roundtable, "The Suppression of the Atlantic Slave Trade: A Bicentennial Reexamination, 1807-2007. Part 4: Abolition and African American History: W.E.B. Du Bois's Research," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Atlanta, January 2007

\*Chair and Commentator, Panel on "Race, Place, and National Identity: Rethinking Cooper's Revolutionary Memory and Thoreau's Revolutionary Vision," Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early Republic, Montreal, Canada, July 2006

\*"Imagining Race, Nation and Empire: Colonization Discourse and the African American Response," Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, Washington, D.C., April 2006

\*"An Alternative Tradition of Radicalism: African American Abolitionists and the Metaphor of Revolution, 1775-1865," "Contested Democracy: Freedom, Race and Power in American History," A Conference in Honor of Eric Foner, Columbia University, October 2005  
Civil War Institute, Pennsylvania State University, State College, March, 2005  
American Antiquarian Society Lecture Series, Clark University, Worcester, December, 2004

\*"Secession as Counterrevolution: Proslavery Thought and the Coming of the Civil War," Turning Points In History Lecture Series, OAH Distinguished Lecture, Utah Valley State College, Salt Lake City, April 2005

\*"The Archival Tradition in Black Abolitionist Historiography," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Seattle, January, 2005

\*Commentator, Panel on "Secession Revisited," Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, Memphis, November, 2004

\*Chair and Commentator, Panel on "African American Struggles for Rights at Home and Abroad," Annual Meeting of the Association of African American Life and History, Pittsburgh, October, 2004

\*"The Globalization of African American History," Conference on Globalization Studies: Histories, Cultures, Societies, and International Cooperation, University of Florence, Italy, May 2004

\*"An Alternative Tradition of Radicalism: Black Abolitionist Ideology, 1775-1865," Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, Boston, March, 2004

\*Respondent to Keynote Address, "The U.S. South, Modern American Empire, and Post Colonial Studies," by Professor John Mathews, Boston University, Southern Intellectual History Circle, Charleston, February, 2004

\*"History and Art in *Ready for Revolution*," Africa New World Studies Institute, Florida International University, Miami, African American Research Center, Broward County Public Library, Miami, November, 2003

\*"John C. Calhoun and Sectional Politics," Conference on Yale, New Haven and American Slavery, Yale University, September 2002

\*"Eugene D. Genovese: An Appreciation and A Critique" Roundtable sponsored by the *Radical History Review*, Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, San Francisco, January 2002

\*"Secession as Counterrevolution: Slavery and the Ideology of Southern Nationalism," Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance and Abolition, Yale University, November 2001

\*"Slavery, Antislavery, and the Problem of Synthesis in Nineteenth Century American History," Stanford University, May 2001

\*"Redefining Democracy: African American Abolitionists in the Age of the Civil War" Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, Los Angeles, April 2001.

\*"Allies for Emancipation?: Lincoln and Black Abolitionists" Fourth Annual Symposium of the Abraham Lincoln Institute of the Mid-Atlantic, Smithsonian Institution's Museum of American History, Washington, D.C., March 2001

\*Respondent to Keynote Address by Professor Donald G. Mathews, Annual Meeting of the Southern Intellectual History Circle, Indiana University, Bloomington, February, 2001

\*Chair, Roundtable on "Eric Foner and the Practice of Historical Narrative," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Boston, January 2001

\*Chair, Panel on "The Secessionist Impulse in South Carolina," The Citadel Conference on the South, Charleston, April, 2000

\*"The Problem of Slavery and Democracy in Antebellum South Carolina," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Chicago, January 2000  
W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for Afro-American Research, Harvard University, February, 2000

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

### Graduate Seminars

Abolition and Antislavery

African Americans and the Movements to Abolish Slavery, 1775-1865

Slavery

Research Seminar on Slavery

History of the South From the Colonial Period to 1900

The Politics of Slavery and the Coming of the Civil War (Emphasis on Sectional Politics, North and South)

The Politics of Slavery and Secession (Emphasis on Southern Politics)

The Civil War and Reconstruction

### Undergraduate Lectures and Seminars

Contemporary Civilization in the West

Introduction to African American History, From the Slave Trade to 1900

Introduction to African American History, 1619-1860

History of the South

The Coming of the Civil War

The Civil War and Reconstruction

The Radical Tradition in American History

Slavery and Antislavery (Honors Seminar)

Abolition and Antislavery (Honors Seminar)

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians  
Association for the Study of African American Life and History  
Southern Historical Association  
Society for Historians of the Early Republic  
Southern Historians in New England  
Southern Intellectual History Circle