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### **Academic Employment**

University of Idaho, Department of History Assistant Professor of Environmental History	2024-current
University of New Mexico, School of Architecture & Planning Post Doctoral Fellow, <i>Bandelier National Monument Project Historian</i>	2023-2024
Boston University, College of Arts and Sciences Writing Program, Instructor	2021

### **Education**

PhD, Boston University, American Studies Dissertation: “Aerial Enclosures: From Commons to Conflict in the American West”	2023
MA, Boston University, American Studies Cultural Landscapes, Visual Culture	2018
EdM, Harvard Graduate School of Education	2017
BA, Montana State University, Hispanic Studies	2012
BA, Montana State University, History	2012

### **Publications**

*Ancient Sites in Modern Times: Bandelier National Monument in the Twenty First Century*  
(Washington D.C., National Park Service, 2025)

“From Ground to Sky: Arid Visions and the Making of the Southwest,” *Environmental History*,  
Vol. 29 no. 4 (Oct. 2024)

“Sonoran Soundscapes: Military Airspace and Public Lands” *Perspectives on History*, Feb. 2,  
2023, <https://www.historians.org/research-and-publications/perspectives-on-history/february-2023/sonoran-soundscapes-military-airspace-and-public-lands>

“Loving and Losing: Finding a Way to Say Goodbye” *Ampersand: An American Studies Journal* 1, no. 3 (summer 2022).

“Youth Research in Community Settings: Inspiring Social Engagement through Critical Pedagogy, Collaboration, and Arts-Based Research” *Teacher’s College Record* 123, no. 11 (2021).

“Whose Heritage? U.S. History Textbooks, American Exceptionalism, and Hispanophobia” in *Contested Commemoration in U.S. History: Diverging Public Interpretations* (Routledge, 2019).

“The Life of Air: A Meditation on Studying the Unseen” *Environmental History Now* (Dec. 2018), <https://envhistnow.com/2018/12/19/the-life-of-air/>.

Kreikemeier, A. & James, C., “Commenting Across Difference: Youth in an Intercultural Virtual Exchange Program.” *Digital Culture & Education* 10 (2018): 49-66.

Dawes Duraisingh, Liz, James, Carrie, Tishman, Shari, Blair, Susie, Kane, Emi, Kreikemeier, Alyssa and Sheya, Sarah. “Out of Eden Learn: An Innovative Model for Promoting Crosscultural Inquiry and Exchange.” Project Zero, May 2016. <https://pz.harvard.edu/resources/out-of-eden-learn-white-paper>.

### **Awards, Fellowships, and Grants**

Global Decolonization Fellow, Boston University, Pardee School of Global Studies	2022
Kluge Center Fellow, Library of Congress	2022
American Historical Association and NASA Fellow in Aerospace History	2021–2022
David Hall Award for Outstanding Dissertation Work, Boston University	2021
Edwin S. and Ruth M. White Prize, Boston University Center for the Humanities	2021
National Humanities Without Walls Pre-Doctoral Diversity Workshop Fellow	2021
J. Donald Hughes Graduate Research Fellowship, American Society for Environmental History	2021
Fellow, Women’s International Study Center, Santa Fe, NM	2021
Charles Redd Fellowship Award in Western American History	2019
Los Angeles Westerners Fellowship, Autry Museum of the American West	2019
Orlando Ridout V Fieldwork Fellowship, Vernacular Architecture Forum	2018

### **Paper Presentations**

Settler Colonialism and Unruly Responses to Agricultural Practices. Opening Plenary Roundtable, Agricultural History Society Annual Meeting. Las Cruces, NM.

“Subversive Skies: The Distribution of Radioactivity at Los Alamos.” The American Society for Environmental History Conference, Denver, CO. 2024.

“Accidental Geography: Military Overflights and the Tohono O’odham Nation.” Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum Seminar on Contemporary Science, Technology, and Culture. April 20, 2023.

“Aerial Empire: Contested Sovereignties and the American West.” University of Colorado, Boulder. Skills Repurposing Fellow, Patricia Limerick.

“Settler Law and Environmental Sovereignty: How Tribes Shaped the Clean Air Act.” The American Society for Environmental History Conference, Boston, MA. 2023.

“An ‘Accident of Geography’: Military Overflights and the Tohono O’odham Nation.” History of NASA and the Environment Symposium, Washington D.C. 2022

“Lessons and Ways Forward,” Roundtable Discussion chair. Critical University Studies: Legacies of Slavery and Settler Colonialism, Boston University, 2022.

“Smoke Watch.” *Orion* Environmental Nonfiction Workshop with Gary Ferguson. 2021

“Fugitive Dust.” Breadloaf Environmental Writers Conference with Pam Houston. 2021

“Weathering the West: Exploring Climate, Weather, and Human Experience in Western History.” Roundtable conversation. The Western History Association Conference (online). 2022

“Afro-Frontier & Borderlands: 100 Years Later: Intersections at Blackdom, New Mexico and African Americans in the West,” Panel chair. The Western History Association Conference (online). 2020

“Studying Western Skies: How Art and Science Sold the Southwest at the Turn of the Twentieth Century.” (Cancelled due to COVID-19). The American Society for Environmental History Conference, Ottawa, Ontario. 2020

“Enchanted or Unwanted? The Uses and Abuses of Air in Northern New Mexico.” The American Historical Association Conference, New York City. 2020

“Western skies: An environmental history of air in the Rocky Mountain West.” Light and Color in Nature Conference, College of the Atlantic, Bar Harbor, Maine. 2019

“From Settling to Smelting: Perceptions of Sky in the Intermountain West.” Agricultural History Society Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. 2019

“A Wild Road: The History and Promotion of the Beartooth Highway.” Vernacular Architecture Forum Annual Conference, University of Pennsylvania. 2019

“Western Skies: Toxic or Tonic? A History of Rocky Mountain Air.” American Society for Environmental History, Ohio State University. 2019

“Resistance or Conquest? Un-erasing Pueblo History in Northern New Mexico.” American Indian Studies Association Conference, Arizona State University. 2018

With Julia Carroll, “Boston Harbor’s Island of Discarded Histories.” Northeastern University Public History Program Guest Lecture. 2018

With Carrie James, “Going Beyond the Like Button: Encouraging Meaningful, Respectful, Online Discourse Among Diverse Youth.” Association for Moral Education Conference, Harvard Graduate School of Education. 2016

Panel Moderator. “Civic Media and Education: Online Dialogue and Learning.” Harvard Graduate School of Education. 2016

“Activism, ownership, and power: exploring the ethical imperatives and pitfalls of participatory research.” Early Career Scholars Program, Harvard Graduate School of Education. 2016

With Donna Hakimian, “Historical Reconciliation: An Experiential Exercise.” Harvard Graduate School of Education Social Justice Workshop. 2016

“Fault Lines Beneath La Frontera.” Association for Borderland Studies Conference, Albuquerque, NM. 2014

“Evolving Intentions in Public Art Symposium.” Santa Fe, NM. 2014

### **Guest Lectures, Public Talks, and Invited Talks**

“Local Winds, Global Fallout: Nuclear Testing and Atmospheric Science at Bayo Canyon” SovereignTea Community Conversations of Tewa Women United’s Environmental Justice Series: Radioactive Air Emissions in the Espanola Valley, March 17, 2024.

““There’s no war going on here”: Military Overflights and the Tohono O’odham Nation.” Himdag Ki, Summer Virtual Lecture Series. August 23, 2023.

Context, Curiosity, & Conversations: A Place-Based Workshop. Envoys Castilleja Field-based program, Tucson, AZ. 2022

“Paths to and Through Graduate School in the Humanities.” Boston University Center for the Humanities. 2022

“Western Eyes, Western Skies: A Cultural and Environmental History of Air in the American West.” The Los Angeles Corral of Westerners Roundup Keynote, Pasadena, CA. 2019

With Julia Carroll, “Boston Harbor’s Island of Discarded Histories.” Northeastern University Public History Program Guest Lecture. 2018

“Activism, ownership, and power: exploring the ethical imperatives and pitfalls of participatory research.” Early Career Scholars Program, Harvard Graduate School of Education. 2016

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“Evolving Intentions in Public Art Symposium.” Santa Fe, NM. 2014

### **Professional Affiliations & Service**

Editor, *Environmental History Now* (blog) 2019–2024

Editorial Assistant  
*Modern American History* (journal), Boston University May 2019–Aug. 2020

AMNESP Graduate Student Organization, Liaison, Boston University 2018–2019

Early Career Scholars Program affiliate, Harvard Graduate School of Education  
Civic and Moral Education Initiative 2015–2016

American Historical Association

American Society for Environmental History

American Studies Association

Vernacular Architecture Forum

Western History Association

### **Languages**

English (native fluency)

Spanish (professional competence)