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From the Department Chair

Another academic year has ended, and another Spring Commencement Ceremony took place last week at the Kauffman Stadium. On behalf of the Department of History, I would like to congratulate all of the history graduates for their remarkable achievements. You are all prepared to tackle the challenges awaiting you. The skills that you have acquired as history majors will support you in the workforce and help you navigate the increasingly complex world in which we live. We extend wishes for prosperity, health, and happiness to new graduates as they move into the next phases of their professional lives.



Next year the History Department will be part of the newly-created School of Humanities and Social Sciences. The primary mission of the History Department remains the same, but this administrative change promises to bolster strengths of the various disciplines housed in the new unit and create areas for collaboration and cooperation. There has been a national search for a new dean to oversee the School and we look forward to the hiring of that person and for an active leader to fill this role.

Whether you are graduating or not, the History Department wants to stay in touch with you and for you to know about our activities into the future. Therefore, please connect with us via e-mail or look for us on social media. You can “Like” us on [Facebook](#) or follow us on Twitter @UMKCHistory and on Instagram @umkchistory. If social media is not to your liking, I am personally eager to stay in touch with history students and alumni and to meet personally. Regardless of how we connect, please know that we value your presence in the History Department and are always searching for ways to enrich your educational experience at UMKC.

Upcoming Deadlines

Monday, May 23 - Summer Frist 5-Week Session Begins

Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day; University Closed

Monday, June 6 - Summer Full 8-Week Session Begins

Monday, June 20 - Juneteenth (observed); University Closed

Monday, June 27 - Summer Second 5-Week Session Begins

Thursday, June 30 - Deadline to apply for Summer 2022 graduation

Monday, July 4 - Independence Day; University Closed

Monday, August 22 - Classes Begin (Full 16-Week Session)



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Important Reminders/Updates

Program of Study (POS) Forms

- All MA students must have a POS on file with the department. Student's who are candidates for graduation must submit their final copy to the [department](#) at the beginning of the semester in which they plan to graduate. The form can be found [here](#).
- All IPh.D. students must have an interdisciplinary Ph.D. POS on file with the department. The form can be found [here](#).

Departmental Key Policy (Undergraduate and Graduate Students)

- If you were given a key to any exterior, office, or room key in Cockefair Hall you need to register your key(s) with the History Department Administrative Assistant, Rachel Forester via email at foresterrl@umkc.edu to set up an appointment.
- If you are graduating in May and have a key you are required to return that key to the department. Please contact the History Department Administrative Assistant, Rachel Forester via email at foresterrl@umkc.edu to set up an appointment.

Upcoming Events

Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow

Please join us for this exclusive invitation-only exhibition opening at the National WWI Museum and Memorial's Wylie Gallery.

[***Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow***](#) will explore the struggle for full citizenship and racial equality that unfolded after the Civil War and leading into WWI.

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

5:30 p.m. – Reception (drinks and appetizers)

5:50 p.m. – Remarks

6-7 p.m. – Exhibition Self-Guided Tours

Honorary Chair:

Karen Daniel

We invite you to bring a guest. Please reach out to Susann Ogg at sogg@theworldwar.org with questions and to RSVP.

Upcoming Conferences

PastForward National Preservation Conference

PastForward 2022 Call for Sessions

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is looking for your input for their online conference scheduled for November 1-4, 2022. This is an excellent opportunity to share your ideas on a whole range of topics such as climate action, inclusion and/or diversity, real estate development, and more! For more information regarding the conference and how to submit session ideas please see this [link](#).

Funding Opportunities

2022 Graduate Student Essay Contest

The *Michigan Historical Review* has announced it's 2022 Graduate Student Essay Contest. The recipient will receive a \$1,000.00 cash prize and their essay will be featured in journal.

Entries must be graduate-level papers that involve the history of Michigan in some manner and must include original research from primary sources. Papers should be no longer than 15,000 words, foot-noted, double-spaced, without the writer's name on any pages. A cover letter including the school program and supervisor's name must be included with the essay and e-mailed to review@hsmichigan.org no later than July 1, 2022. Members of the journal's editorial board read the essays and provide each with a critique to assist in reshaping the essay into a more publishable form.



MHR Student Essay Contest Flyer 2022.pdf

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Center for Missouri Studies Fellowship

The State Historical Society of Missouri is accepting proposals for two Center for Missouri Studies fellowships to begin in January 1, 2023. Each fellowship carries a stipend of \$5,000.00

for a project that results in the completion of a 6,000-8,000-word scholarly essay, exclusive of notes, on one of the two topics listed below.

Rural-Urban Conflicts in Missouri

Proposed projects should examine a conflict, or perhaps two or more related conflicts, that have divided the state's rural and urban populations. Any time period in Missouri's history may be considered. Proposals will be judged on their potential to increase understanding of how and why rural-urban divisions persist within Missouri.

Missouri and the Arts

Proposals should consider the history of some aspect of aesthetic sensibility and explore how it has shaped Missouri's cultural or artistic identity. This fellowship opportunity invites a broad range of potential topics: art/artists, music/musicians, literature/authors, architecture/architects, etc. Other possibilities might include Missouri's association with foodways, industrial design, dress, fashion, pageants, theater, concerts, gardens or park design, or any other subject that illuminates how Missouri and Missourians have perceived, defined, and created beauty, style, and taste.

The deadline for submitting proposals is September 6, 2022. The competition is open to both academic and independent scholars. The fellowship awards will be announced in December. The chosen projects will be considered for publication in the State Historical Society's scholarly journal, the *Missouri Historical Review*. Fellowship recipients will also have an opportunity to make a public presentation of their work.

For more information and how to apply click [here](#).

Internship Opportunities

Clio and Missouri Humanities Internship



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Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum



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Welcome to the old farmhouse! UPCOMING EVENTS 2022 Exhibit Schedule Clay County Bicentennial April 6 - June 25 Progressive Era July 6 - July 30 Atkins-Johnson Through the Eyes of Young Artist August 3 - October 29 Holiday Toys November 9 - December 10 Gladstone Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts is now offering a new way to be updated on the programs and events that are important to you.



Atkins-Johnson Internships.pdf

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The National Museum of Toys/Miniatures



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toyandminiaturemuseum.org

T/m's fine-scale miniature collection includes architectural works, room settings, fine art, decorative art, tools, equipment, and figures made to scale (usually 1:12). These miniatures are often working reproductions of objects in the full-scale world created by master artists.



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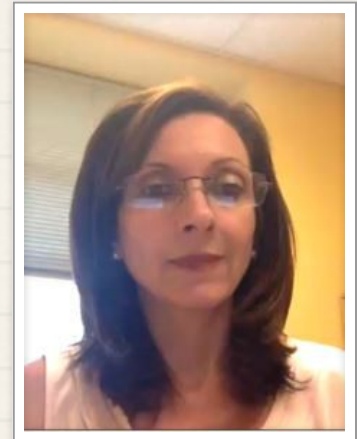
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Faculty Spotlight

NEH Grant Recipient

UMKC scholars, Whitney Terrell (Political Science), Rebecca Best (English), and Viviana Grieco (History) were awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities grant for their project, "Bridging the Civil-Military Gap: What Happens When Soldiers Become Civilians Again?"

The \$99,997.00 award is a part of the special funding category entitled, "Dialogues on the Experience of War." The award supports the launch of a program to train and mentor 12 student veterans as discussion leaders for a 120-student undergraduate course on narratives of war and the relationship between civilian societies and their military communities. You can read more about this project [here](#).



Yale Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity & Transnational Migration

Dr. Enríquez recently participated in a virtual panel at the Yale Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity & Transnational Migration. At the event, Dr. Enríquez examined ethics, lessons from the field, and new directions in Latinx Oral History. She also discussed her chapter contribution entitled "A Totality of Our Well-Being:" The Creation and Evolution of Centro De Salud Familiar La Fe in El Paso, Texas, published in *Civil Rights in Black and Brown: Oral Histories of the Liberation Struggles in Texas*, ed. by Max Krochmal and Todd Moyer, (University of Texas Press, 2021). The conversations from this virtual conversation will be published in a forthcoming article for The US Latina & Latino Oral History Journal.

Student Spotlight

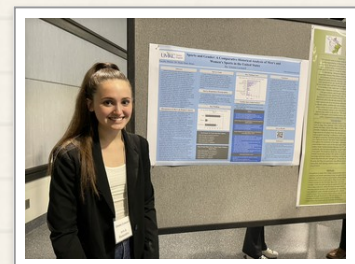
Spring 2022 Senior Capstone Presenters (HIST 498WI)

Tristan Wicker, Raine Briscoe, Julia Merino, Tyler Espinosa, Jeffrey Deshon, Lyndon Eshleman, Gayle Towns, Andrew Filipin, Mallory Bittner, Kirsten Ballhurst, Ellie Rieber, Claire Joski, Saketh Pachalla, and Liana Gray



Emma Leonard (Undergraduate)

Emma Leonard, History Undergraduate, presented her research on the historical differences between men's and women's sports in the United States in her paper entitled: "Sports and Gender: A Comparative Historical Analysis of Men's and Women's Sports in the United States," at the 22nd Annual Spring Symposium of Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship at UMKC on Thursday, April 21st. Leonard's paper examines how both men's and women's sports have developed over time and how they are reflected in today's society. After completing the historical analysis, Leonard conducted public survey to gather modern opinions towards men's and women's sports and analyzed those responses. Leonard completed her paper as part of her Seniors Honors Thesis for the UMKC Honors Program.



After graduating with her Bachelor of Arts in History and Criminal Justice & Criminology this spring, she plans on attending Kansas State University's School of Law where she has received a full scholarship. Her area of focus will be Sports Law.

Emma Priesendorf wins Thesis Award

Recent department graduate, Emma Priesendorf (2021), has been selected to receive the **2021 University of Missouri-Kansas City Distinguished Master's Thesis Award** for her thesis entitled, "*Trilobites and the Culture of Wonder in Antebellum America*." The award includes a certificate and \$200.00.

Priesendorf's Graduate Committee Members included: Dr. Matthew Osborn, Dr. Massimiliano Vitiello, and Dr. Brian Frehner.

Departmental Honors

The following Bachelor of Arts in History Spring and Summer 2022 graduation candidates earned a departmental GPA of 3.5 or above. Join the department in congratulating them on their academic achievement!

Kyla Vazquez, Jerald Gutierrez, Seajay Moyer, Michale Rehm, Conner Schlesselman, Kristen Manthei, Andrew Hall, Caleb Wilson, Maria Starns, Julia Merino, Sierra Chappell, Fernando Rodriquez, Deirdre Battle, Emma Leonard, Erin Gibson, Nikita Joshi, Elianna Rieber, and Lucy Bahner.



Spring & Summer 2022 Graduates

Sharon Hunter, Ph.D.
Ryan Hood, MA
Kyle Morehead, MA
Elizabeth Trafton, MA
Kelsey Runge, MA
Sarah Biegelsen, MA
Kaitlyn Dickerson, MA
Madeline Thompson, MA
Ashley Silver, BA
Jeffrey DeShon, BA
Tyler Espinosa, BA
Jerald Gutierrez, BA
Gayle Towns, BA
Chancelor Higgins-Cloor, BA
Caleb Wilson, BA
Adelai Eber, BA
Raine Briscoe, BA
Maria Starns, BA
Claire Joski, BA

Andrew Filipin, BA
Julia Merino, BA
Kristen Ballhurst, BA
Winston Bowles, BA
Emma Leonard, BA
Erin Gibson, BA
Nikita Joshi, BA
Elianna Rieber, BA
Israel Gulley, BA
Lucy Bahner, BA
Felicia Smith, Minor
Kyla Vazquez, Minor
Seajay Moyer, Minor
Michale Rehm, Minor
Conner Schlesselman, Minor
Kristen Manthei, Minor
Thomas Teson, Minor
Andrew Hall, Minor
Essence Rowell, Minor

Sierra Chappell, Minor
Fernando Rodriguez, Minor
Alexis Gardner, Minor
Deirdre Battle, Minor



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Our Mission

We serve our communities, cultures, and society at large by preparing students to play important roles.

- Cutting-edge researchers
- Teacher-mentors of future historians and citizens
- Critics providing historical context for public understanding

Our Vision

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