



Latin American and Caribbean Section

Southern Historical Association

LACS/SHA Newsletter

Spring 2016

From the President...

I would like to begin by echoing our former president Robert Smale to say that I have been encouraged by the positive responses from our colleagues and their enthusiasm and willingness to participate in the life and growth of LACS-SHA. It is through all of our work that LACS will continue to grow and contribute to the larger community of scholars of Latin America and the Caribbean. What has most been on my mind, though, are the many challenges ahead for us as colleagues in the study of Latin American history.

The future of Latin American studies, and by extension Latin American history, has been called into question over the last twenty years. Several universities and associations have recently held roundtables, workshops and discussions on how to adapt to criticisms and changes the future holds. Some have critiqued approaches and methods as well as scholars imposing hierarchies that privilege prevailing power relations. In addition, there have been lingering questions about the relevance of area studies more broadly. The recent emergence of global studies and diminishing resources also threaten to overwhelm our field.

In spite of the difficult landscape through which we have been traveling I am sure we can make a compelling case for our continued relevance. We have much to offer by way of insightful analysis on the current turbulent scene around us. For example, much of the media has characterized changes in Argentina, Venezuela and the developments in Brazil as public rejection of leftist politics and corruption. This characterization does little to explain the underlying retrenchment of neo-liberal ideology in the region that ties together the election of Macri in Argentina and the congressional victory of the right in Venezuela as well as the ferocious attack on the Peoples Party in Brazil by the long powerful elite. With an understanding of the ideas underpinning these events it is easier to make sense of the promotion of austerity following the financial crisis of 2008 that used the downturn as an opportunity to undermine and transform public institutions.

The transformation of higher education has been underway for several decades already but the pace has quickened as our institutions and education more broadly have become increasingly remade in the image of a consumer/business model. Our students are no longer encouraged to explore ideas and intellectual interests but are told they must think about the immediate outcome and seek marketable training. It was precisely the ability to dream that made our institutions some of the greatest in the world. The thread that ties all these hemispheric trends together is a push to privatize and monetize the public sector including education. There is much to be done but we are well equipped to shine light on the problems around us. As Robert Smale reminded us last year, much of what we do as academic citizens is service. He argued we should be rewarded and commended for our service and I agree. But we also have a larger service to community. I believe in promoting the public good that our institutions provide as one of the most important ways we can continue to establish ourselves and our field as vital and to work to undo some of the damage that has already been done.

I could go on but I want to express my thanks to all the members of the LACS executive committee for their hard work and support this year. I especially want to mention and thank Frances Ramos for putting together an outstanding program for the upcoming meeting in St. Pete Beach. I look forward to seeing all of you there.

William Van Norman
James Madison University

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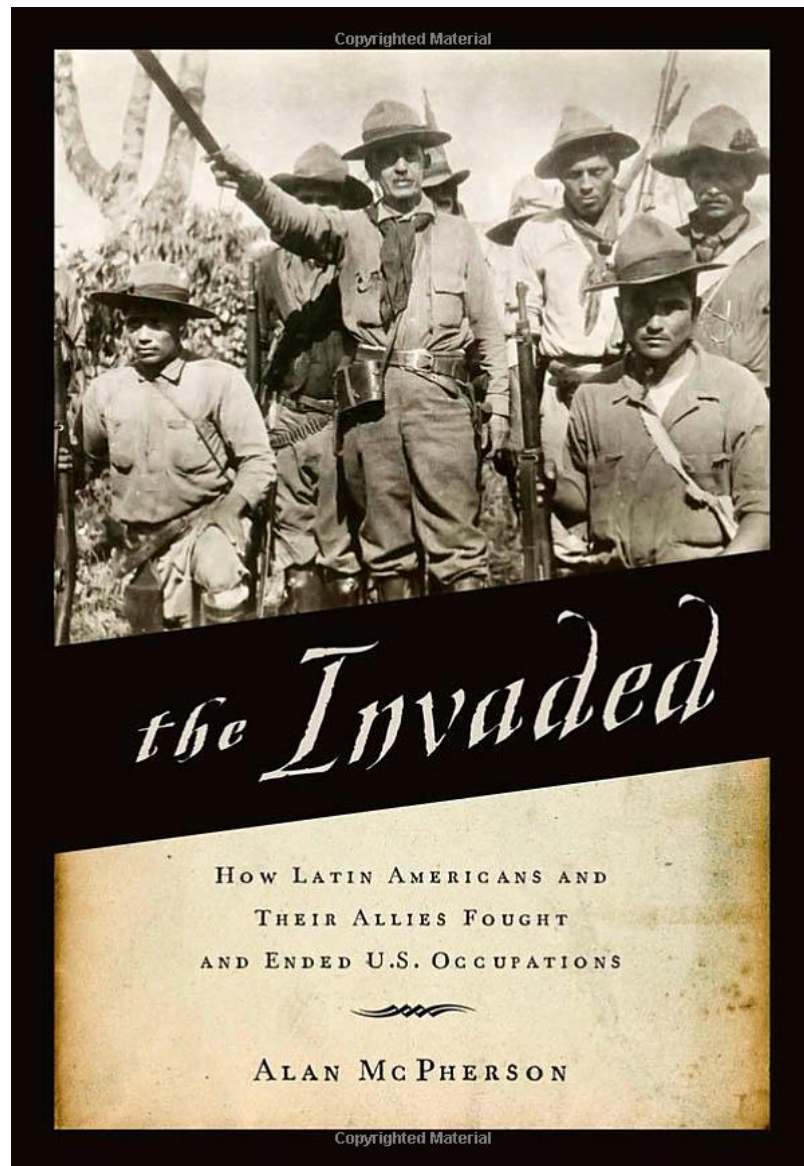
LACS Treasurer's Report

Tamara Spike reports that LACS has \$2235 in the treasury and 70 members as of mid-March 2016.

Murdo J. MacLeod Book Prize, 2015

Alan McPherson, University of Oklahoma

***The Invaded: How Latin Americans and Their Allies Fought and
Ended U.S. Occupations*** (Oxford University Press, 2014)



Committee citation:

Alan McPherson's deeply researched and masterfully executed comparative study transcends all that has come before it regarding the history of military occupations in Nicaragua, Haiti, and the Dominican Republic during the early twentieth century. The author has crafted a compelling explanatory framework that is transnational in scope, yet focused on local political culture and autonomy. In McPherson's hands, agency is inverted, as the author reveals the history of U.S. invasions of Latin American and Caribbean countries from the perspective of the invaded countries themselves. The book is grounded in extensive primary research in Latin American archives and is exquisitely composed. The award committee deems this book a "definitive work" that will have major historiographical importance and will redefine conversations about the impacts of occupation on both occupier and occupied.

Thanks to Committee Members: Gregory Cushman (Chair), Tiffany Sippial, Marc Becker, and Tamara Spike (*ex officio*)

Kimberly S. Hanger Article Prize, 2015

Bianco Premo, Florida International University

"Felipa's Braid: Women, Culture, and the Law in Eighteenth-Century Oaxaca,"
Ethnohistory 61:3 (2014): 497-523.

Committee citation:

We all recognized "Felipa's Braid" as an article of exceptional range; of the variety that should be assigned in undergraduate lecture courses, discussed in graduate methodology seminars, and certainly shared with colleagues from other fields working on colonial legal culture. If originally animated by lawsuits that indigenous women in 18th c. Oaxaca pursued against their husbands and lovers, "Felipa's Braid" stretches far and wide across the Spanish empire—drawing on comparative readings of similar actions in Peru and Spain—to demonstrate that women's participation in the legal system instigated notable changes in imperial legal culture. Premo's attention to imperial legal culture as a *process* mediated through local and state interactions creates new interpretative possibilities for considering gender and ethnicity in colonial Latin America; rather than assessing women as either victims or objects, Premo argues that indigenous women emerged as co-creators of the law. This is, in short, an exemplary work of the intersections between Atlantic legal and social history.

Honorable mention: Eva Maria Mehl's, "Mexican Recruits and Vagrants in Late-Eighteenth-Century Philippines: Empire, Social Order, and Bourbon Reforms in the Spanish Pacific World," *Hispanic American Historical Review* 94:4 (2014): 547-79.

Committee Citation:

In Mehl's article, the committee agreed that it furnished a new and exciting framework for understanding Spanish empire. Rather than the better-known story of commercial exchange from the Philippines to Mexico, Mehl probes the roles of Mexicans in remaking Spanish Asia during the Bourbon Reforms. The article brought to life the complicated stories of Mexican vagrants who as imperial agents both undermined, as well as, solidified Spanish attempts to fashion a new social order. Mehl points a way forward for integrating Latin American history into Asian and European studies.

Thanks to committee members Celso Castilho (Chair), Solsiree del Moral, Nicola Foote and Tamara Spike (*ex officio*)

2015 LACS Dissertation Prize

Courtney Jeanette Campbell, Vanderbilt University

**"The Brazilian Northeast, Inside Out: Region,
Nation, and Globalization (1926-1968)"**

Committee Citation:

The Latin American and Caribbean Section Dissertation Prize Committee of the Southern Historical Association names Courtney Jeanette Campbell of Vanderbilt University's *The Brazilian Northeast, Inside Out: Region, Nation, and Globalization* (1926-1968) as the recipient of the award for 2015. In her work, Campbell explored the evolution of the meaning (geographical, cultural, and political) of the Brazilian Northeast as defined by residents of the region, of the wider Brazilian nation, and the international community. In doing so, she challenged the idea that Northeastern regional identity is "formulated around a cult of tradition, rusticity, and reactionary anti-cosmopolitanism that led to a static idea of the meaning of the Northeast within the region and the nation" but was instead "constantly shifting and transforming due to its very embeddedness in the world around it." Campbell begins to trace this shifting identity in 1926, the year Gilberto Freyre organized the Regionalist Conference of Recife, and ends in 1968 with the Miss Universe victory of Martha Vasconcelos (a year that also saw the implementation of Institutional Act Number 5, which curtailed public discussion of regionalism). During that 42 year interval, Campbell tracks a wide ranging conversation between popular poets, journalists, scholars, artists, film-makers, educators, politicians, athletes, community activists, beauty pageant contestants, Carnival dancers, musicians, and workers from across Brazil, South America, the US, and Europe. To re-create this creative debate over time, Campbell made creative use of a wide range of sources, including poetry, works of fiction, folk songs, films, newspaper articles, advertisements, and scholarly works. Campbell's creativity in analyzing her sources, her thoughtful use of theoretical models, and her excellent writing skill made her work stand out as an exemplary model of the sort of scholarship this award seeks to recognize.

Thanks to Committee Members: Gregory Hammond, (Chair), William Kelley, Lia Schraeder, and Tamara Spike (*ex officio*).

2015 Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Graduate Student Paper Prize

Neal D. Polhemus, University of South Carolina

"Abel Conder and Mahamut: Captive Narratives and Colonial Erasures in the Caribbean and Early Modern Iberian Atlantic"

Committee Citation:

Neal D. Polhemus's (University of South Carolina) essay, "Abel Conder and Mahamut: Captive Narratives and Colonial Erasures in the Caribbean and Early Modern Iberian Atlantic," uses the freedom petition of two North African men enslaved in South Carolina to explore the connections between Portuguese imperialism, British imperialism, and African identity in the early modern Atlantic World. Abel Conder and Mahamut were two North African soldiers taken prisoner while fighting against Portuguese expansion who agreed to work in South Carolina for five years in exchange for their freedom. After the terms of their original agreement were discarded, and they worked for 15 years instead of the agreed upon five, the two petitioned the British colonial government for freedom in 1753 after learning they were to be sold at auction. Through a detailed examination of the dynamics of these North Africans' experiences in North America, Polhemus traces the connections between Portuguese and British imperialism and the African diaspora in the Atlantic World, which included North African Muslims in addition to Sub-Saharan Africans. His analysis provides a glimpse into the lives of enslaved people in the new world whose stories are too often erased by colonial institutions.

Thanks to committee members: Nicole Pacino (Chair), Gabrielle Kuenzli, Russell Lohse, and Tamara Spike (*ex officio*).

Call for Submissions

2016 LACS Prizes

Murdo J. MacLeod Book Prize

The 2016 Murdo J. MacLeod Book Prize will be awarded for the best book published in 2015 in the fields of Latin American, Caribbean, American Borderlands and Frontiers, or Atlantic World history. Authors must be or become LACS members at the time of submission.

Deadline: May 15, 2016

Send one hard copy of the book to *each* of the following committee members:

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Kimberly S. Hanger Article Prize

The 2016 Kimberly S. Hanger Article Prize will be awarded to the best article appearing in 2015 in the fields of Latin American, Caribbean, American Borderlands and Frontiers, or Atlantic World history. Authors must be or become LACS members at the time of submission.

Deadline: May 15, 2016

Send one *electronic copy* of the article to *each* to the following *four* prize committee members:

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LACS Dissertation Prize

The 2016 LACS Dissertation Prize will be awarded to the best dissertation completed and defended in 2015 in the fields of Latin American, Caribbean, American Borderlands and Frontiers, or Atlantic World history. Dissertations defended at any institution in the US South and adjacent states (i.e. any state in which the SHA has held a meeting) will be considered. Authors must be or become LACS members at the time of submission.

Submit two files to each of the committee members below: a title and one-page abstract and an electronic version of the dissertation.

Deadline: May 15, 2016

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Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr., Graduate Student Prize

The 2016 Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize will be awarded for the best graduate student paper presented at the St. Pete Beach Meeting of the SHA (November 2016) in the fields of Latin American, Caribbean, American Borderlands and Frontiers, or Atlantic World history. Students must be or become LACS members at the time of the meeting to be considered for the prize. Students will be asked to submit electronic versions of their paper to the committee members shortly after the 2016 meeting (the deadline will be set by the committee shortly after the meeting).

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2017 LACS Call for Papers

SHA Meeting
Dallas, Texas
November 9-12, 2017

Deadline: October 1, 2016

The Latin American and Caribbean Section (LACS) of the Southern Historical Association welcomes individual paper and panel proposals for the 2017 SHA meeting in Dallas, Texas, November 9-12, 2017.

LACS accepts papers and panels on all aspects of Latin American and Caribbean history, including the fields of the borderlands and the Atlantic World. Panels and papers that highlight the connections between people, cultures, and regions are especially welcome.

Submissions should include a 250-word abstract for each paper and brief curriculum vitae for each presenter. We encourage faculty as well as advanced graduate students to submit panels and papers. Graduate students are eligible for the Ralph Lee Woodward Jr. Prize, awarded each year for the best paper presented by a graduate student in a panel organized by LACS.

Please note that the program committee may revise proposed panels. All panelists are required to be members of LACS. For information about membership, please visit the website at: <http://www.tnstate.edu/lacs/> or contact Tamara Spike of the University of North Georgia tamara.spike@ung.edu. For more information about the Southern Historical Association, visit the website: <http://www.uga.edu/~sha/>

Deadline for submissions is **October 1, 2016**. Complete panels are appreciated, but not required. Submit panels and papers (with a preference for electronic submissions) to:

Catherine Nolan-Ferrell
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THE HISTORY OF LACS

About LACS

LACS was formally established in 1998, at the SHA meeting in Birmingham, Alabama. Founded in 1934, the Southern Historical Association is the professional organization of historians *of* the South, but also of those *in* the South. In recent decades it has perhaps become more recognized as the former, but through the European History Section and the Latin American and Caribbean Section, and the affiliated groups, the Southern Association for Women Historians (SAWH) and the Southern Conference on British Studies, it also supports the work of historians located in the US South whose research and teaching areas fall outside of the region in which they happen to be employed.

Although historians of Latin America, the Caribbean and the Spanish Borderlands have long been active in the SHA, particularly through the aegis of the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS, founded in 1954), the relationship has sometimes been an awkward one. LACS was established to formalize relations between historians of Latin America and the Caribbean, on the one hand, and the SHA on the other hand, and to secure a place for Latin American and Caribbean specialists at the annual meeting. The late Kimberly Hanger, a talented young historian at the University of Tulsa who played an important role in establishing the group, was elected its first president. Tragically, Kim died just a few months into her term, at the age of 37. Jürgen Buchenau of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, another key figure in the establishment of LACS, completed Kim's term in office and then his own term the following year. Jürgen later became the first LACS representative to the SHA Executive Council in 2002. The LACS representative was accorded full voting rights beginning with the 2005 meeting.

In addition to these and other founders of LACS, longtime SHA Secretary-Treasurer John Inscoe of the University of Georgia has been especially helpful in supporting LACS' participation in the SHA and advancing the exchange of ideas among historians of the US South and the historians of Latin America, the Caribbean and the Spanish Borderlands. For more on the history of LACS, see John Britton's piece in the September 2008 newsletter at the LACS/SHA website: <http://www.tnstate.edu/lacs/>

LACS Officers and Awards, 1998-2016

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Jane Landers, Vanderbilt University (Memphis, 2004)
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Rosanne Adderley, Vanderbilt University (New Orleans, 2008)
Andrew McMichael, Western Kentucky University (Louisville, 2009)
Thomas Rogers, University of North Carolina at Charlotte (Charlotte, 2010)
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Sarah Franklin, University of North Alabama (Mobile, 2012)
Robert Smale, University of Missouri, Columbia (St. Louis, 2013)
Justin Wolfe, Tulane University (Atlanta, 2014)
Peter Szok, TCU (Little Rock, 2015)
Frances Ramos, University of South Florida (St. Pete Beach, 2016)
Catherine Nolan-Ferrell, University of Texas at San Antonio (Dallas, 2017)

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Sherry Johnson, Florida International University (2008-10)

Barbara Ganson, Florida Atlantic University (2011-13)
Matt Childs, University of South Carolina (2014-2016)

Luncheon Speakers

- 2000 Murdo MacLeod, University of Florida: “Native Cofradías in Colonial Guatemala”
- 2001 Thomas Skidmore, Brown University: “Confessions of a Brazilianist”
- 2002 Franklin Knight, Johns Hopkins University: “Regional vs. Global History”
- 2003 Thomas F. O’Brien, University of Houston: “Inter-American History from Structuralism to the New Cultural History”
- 2004 John Chasteen, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: “What Dance History Teaches about the Latin American Past”
- 2005 Susan Socolow, Emory University: “Constructing the Nation: Monuments in Buenos Aires and Montevideo”
- 2006 Jane Landers, Vanderbilt University: “Ecclesiastical Records and the Study of Slavery in the Americas”
- 2007 N. David Cook, Florida International University: “Anecdotes from the Archives: The Times they are A-changing”
- 2008 Dauril Alden, Professor Emeritus, University of Washington: “Terror on Land and Sea: The Barbary Corsairs and Their Rivals, 16th to 19th Centuries”
- 2009 Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr., Professor Emeritus, Tulane University: “Latin American History: Reflections on a Half-Century of Teaching and Research”
- 2010 Lyman Johnson, UNC Charlotte: “Populist Politics in Late Colonial Buenos Aires”
- 2011 John Tutino, Georgetown University, “Capitalism and Patriarchy, Community and Revolution, Power and Resistance in Mexico, 1750-1940”
- 2012 Steve Striffler, University of New Orleans, “Snatching Defeat from the Jaws of Victory: How We Got from the 2006 Protests to the Alabama Immigration Law”
- 2013 Brodwyn Fischer, University of Chicago, “Intimate Inequalities and Emancipatory Histories in the Brazilian Northeast: Recife, 1870-1900”
- 2014 Jeffrey Lesser, Emory University, “How the Jews Became Japanese in Brazil”

- 2015 Kris Lane, Tulane University, “‘Show Me the Money’: Lessons from the Potosi Mint Scandal of 1649”

Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize Winners (Best Graduate Student Paper)

- 2001 Matthew Smith, University of Florida: “Race, Resistance and Revolution in Post-Occupation Haiti, 1934-46”
- 2002 Barry Robinson, Vanderbilt University: “Treachery in Colotlán (Mexico): The Problem of Individual Agency in Regional Insurgency, 1810-1815”
- 2003 Sophie Burton, Texas Christian University: “Free Blacks in Natchitoches”
- 2004 David Wheat, Vanderbilt University: “Black Society in Havana”
- 2005 Magdalena Gomez, Florida International University: "La primera campaña de vacunación contra la viruela y el impacto del establecimiento de las Juntas de Vacuna en la administración de la salud pública, en el Caribe Hispano y la Capitanía de Venezuela, a comienzos del siglo XIX"
- 2006 Pablo Gomez, Vanderbilt University: “Slavery and Disability in Cartagena de Indias, Nuevo Reina de Granada”
- 2007 Tatiana Seijas, Yale University: “*Indios Chinos* in Colonial Mexico’s *República de Indios*”
- 2008 Leo B. Gorman, University of New Orleans: “Immigrant Labor Strife and Solidarity in Post-Katrina New Orleans”
- 2009 Sitela Álvarez, Florida International University: “Cuban Exiles’ Rejection of Imperialist Catholicism in Key West, 1870-1895”
- 2010 Mark Fleszar, Georgia State University: “‘To See How Happy the Human Race Can Be’: A Colonization Experiment on Haiti’s Northern Coast, 1835-1845”
- 2011 Courtney Campbell, Vanderbilt University: “Inside Out: Intellectual Views on Northeastern Brazilian Regional Identity and Transnational Change, 1926-1952”
- 2012 Elizabeth Neidenbach, College of William and Mary: "Anciennes Habitantes de Saint-Domingue: Migration and Social Networks in Testaments of Refugee Free Women of Color in New Orleans"
- 2013 Charlton W. Yingling, University of South Carolina: “‘Every day the risk of sedition grows’: Republicanism and Reaction in the Remaking of Race in Santo Domingo, 1791-1802”
- 2014 Nathan Weaver Olson, University of Minnesota: "The (Un)lettered Frontier: Power and Literacy on the Fringes of Empire"

- 2015 Neal D. Polhemus, University of South Carolina: "Captive Narratives and Colonial Erasures in the Caribbean and Early Modern Iberian Atlantic"

Murdo MacLeod Book Prize Winners

- 2003 Alejandro de la Fuente, *A Nation for All: Race, Inequality, and Politics in Twentieth-Century Cuba*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2001
- 2005 Barbara Ganson, *The Guaraní under Spanish Rule in the Río de la Plata*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2003
- 2007 Bianca Premo, *Children of the Father King: Youth, Authority, and Legal Minority in Colonial Lima*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2006
- 2008 Juliana Barr, *Peace Came in the Form of a Woman*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2007
- 2009 Brian Owensby, *Empire's Law and Indian Justice in Colonial Mexico*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2008
- 2010 Edward Wright-Rios, *Revolutions in Mexican Catholicism: Reform and Revelation in Oaxaca, 1887-1934*, Durham and London: Duke University Press, 2009
- 2011 Richard Graham, *Feeding the City: From Street Market to Liberal Reform in Salvador, Brazil, 1780-1860*. Austin: University of Texas Press, 2010
- 2012 Melina Pappademos, *Black Political Activism and the Cuban Revolution*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2011
- 2013 Laura Matthew, *Memories of Conquest: Becoming Mexicano in Colonial Guatemala*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2012
- 2014 Gregory Cushman, *Guano and the Opening of the Pacific World: A Global Ecological History*. Cambridge University Press, 2013
- 2015 Alan McPherson, *The Invaded: How Latin Americans and their Allies Fought and Ended US Occupations*. Oxford University Press, 2014

Kimberly Hanger Article Prize Winners

- 2002 Hal Langfur, "Uncertain Refuge: Frontier Formation and the Origins of the Botocudo War in Late-Colonial Brazil," *Hispanic American Historical Review* 82:2 (May 2002): 215-56.

- 2004 María Elena Martínez, "The Black Blood of New Spain: Limpieza de Sangre, Racial Violence, and Gendered Power in Early Colonial Mexico," *William and Mary Quarterly*, July 2004.
- 2006 Paulo Drinot, "Madness, Neurasthenia and 'Modernity': Medico-Legal and Popular Interpretations of Suicide in Early Twentieth-Century Lima," *Latin American Research Review*, 39:2 (2004).
- 2008 Ida Altman, "The Revolt of Enriquillo and the Historiography of Early Spanish America," *The Americas*, 63:4 (2007): 587-614.
- 2009 David Carey, "'Oficios de su raza y sexo' (Occupations Consistent with Her Race and Sex): Mayan Women and Expanding Gender Identities in Early Twentieth-Century Guatemala." *Journal of Women's History*, vol. 20, no. 1 (Spring 2008): 114-48.
- 2010 Betsy Konefal, "Subverting Authenticity: Reinas Indígenas and the Guatemalan State, 1978," *Hispanic American Historical Review*, 89:1 (February 2009): 41-72.
- 2011 Christina Bueno, "Forjando Patrimonio: The Making of Archaeological Patrimony in Porfirian Mexico," *Hispanic American Historical Review*, 90:2 (May 2010): 215-245.
- 2012 Juliana Barr, "Geographies of Power: Mapping Indian Borders in the 'Borderlands' of the Early Southwest," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 68:1 (January 2011): 5-46.
- 2013 Matt O'Hara, "The Supple Whip: Innovation and Tradition in Mexican Catholicism," *American Historical Review* (2012) 117 (5): 1373-1401
- 2014 Celso T. Castilho, "Performing Abolitionism, Enacting Citizenship: The Social Construction of Political Rights in 1880s Recife, Brazil," *Hispanic American Historical Review*, 93:3 (August 2013): 377-409
- 2015 Bianco Premo, "Felipa's Braid: Women, Culture, and the Law in Eighteenth-Century Oaxaca," *Ethnohistory* 61:3 (2014): 497-523.

LACS Dissertation Prize (inaugurated November 2013)

- 2013 Julia Gaffield, Duke University: "'So Many Schemes in Agitation': The Haitian State and the Atlantic World" (2012)
- 2014 Tore C. Olsson, University of Georgia: "Agrarian Crossings: The American South, Mexico, and the Twentieth-Century Remaking of the Rural World" (2013)
- 2015 Courtney Jeanette Campbell, Vanderbilt University: "The Brazilian Northeast, Inside Out: Region, Nation, and Globalization (1926-1968)" (2014)

LACS Distinguished Service Award (inaugurated November 2012)

2012 Richmond Brown, University of Florida