



Cynthia Ross
Curriculum Vitae
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Personal Information

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Education

Ph.D. in History, Department of History Washington State University, Pullman, Washington	2011
M.A. in History, Department of History Washington State University, Pullman, Washington	2006
B.A. in History, Department of History University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada	2004
B.A. in Political Science, Department of Political Science University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada	2004

Academic Positions

Assistant Professional Track Faculty, Dept. of History, Texas A&M University – Commerce	2016-present
Instructor, University College, Texas A&M University – Commerce	2014-2016
Adjunct Faculty, Dept. of History, Texas A&M University – Commerce	2009-2016
Adjunct Faculty, University College, Texas A&M University – Commerce	2010-2014
Adjunct Faculty, Dept. of History, Washington State University	2010
Teaching Assistant (Instructor), Dept. of History, Washington State University	2007-2009
Teaching Assistant, Dept. of History, Washington State University	2004-2009

Other Professional Experience

Assistant Editor, <i>World History Connected</i> . Washington State University and University of Illinois Press, Pullman, WA	2004-2007
Intern, History Curator's Office. Nevada State Museum, Carson City, NV	2001

Courses Taught

Exchanges & Connections – Food History (HIST 597)	2018
Food in World History (HIST 497)	2018
Emergence of the Modern World (HIST 306)	2014 - present
U.S. History to 1877 (HIST 1301)	2010 - present
U.S. History from 1865 (HIST 1302)	2009 - present
History Graduate Practicum (HIST 592)	2018
World War II in Asia & the Pacific (HIST 497, 520)	2015, 2017
A World Divided: Global History – Challenges of Modernity (HIST 265)	2015
Honors U.S. History to 1877 (HIST 1301 Honors)	2014
World History Theories & Methods (HIST 520, 597)	2014, 2017
World History to the Seventeenth Century (HIST 305)	2012-2013
Themes in World History: World Environmental History (HIST 360)	2011
A World Divided: Global History – Modern Imperialism (HIST 265)	2010, 2015
World Civilizations II (GENED 111)	2010
The Modern World (HIST 306)	2009
History of World Trade (HIST 491)	2008-2009
Global Environmental History (HIST 494)	2007-2009
Modern European History (HIST 102)	2007

Publications

Monograph in Progress:

C. Ross. *Guam: At the Crossroads of Empire and Ecological Change in the Spanish Pacific*.

Journal Articles:

C.R. Wiecko. "Jesuit Missionaries as Agents of Empire: The Spanish-Chamorro War and Ecological Effects of Conversion on Guam, 1668-1769." 8,240 words. *World History Connected*, Vol. 10, no 3 (October 2013).

Book Reviews:

C. Ross. "Baking Powder Wars: The Cutthroat Food Fight that Revolutionized Cooking by Linda Civitello (review)." *Great Plains Quarterly* 38, no. 2 (2018): 245-246.

C.R. Wiecko. *The Vietnam War*. By Mitchell Hall. Harlow: Pearson Education Limited, 2000. *World History Connected*, Vol. 5, no 3 (June 2008).

C. Ross. *Machines as the Measure of Men: Science, Technology, and Ideologies of Western Dominance*. By Michael Adas. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1989. *World History Connected*, Vol. 3, no 1 (October 2005).

Encyclopedia Entries:

C.R. Wiecko. "Bananas" in *Commodities, Culture, and History: The Products that Changed the World*. Heather Streets-Salter, ed. New York: Facts on File, Forthcoming.

Conference Papers and Presentations

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| Ross, C. Invited Lecture, "Bananas: The Globalization of Food."
Food, Society & Culture Signature Course. Yvonne Villanueva-Russell, Associate Dean, CHSSA,
Texas A&M University – Commerce, Commerce, TX. | 2018 |
| Ross, C. Panel Chair / Commentator, "Genocide in Cambodia and Haiti." Northeast and North Texas
Regional Phi Alpha Theta Conference, Texas A&M University – Commerce, Commerce, TX. | 2018 |
| Ross, C. "Sustaining Reflections of Identity: Food, Faith, and Empire on Guam."
World History Association Conference, Boston, MA. | 2017 |
| Ross, C. Panel Chair / Commentator, "Incorporating the South Pacific into World History."
World History Association Conference, Boston, MA. | 2017 |
| Ross, C. Panel Chair / Commentator, "Through the Lens of a Foodie."
World History Association Conference, Boston, MA. | 2017 |
| Ross, C. Roundtable Participant, "Beyond the Core: Balancing Content and Research Focus in
World History Surveys for History Majors." World History Association of Texas, Austin, TX. | 2017 |
| Ross, C. "Island Microcosm: Militarized and Imperialized Environments on Guam."
Nā Huaka'i O Ka Pakipika Pacific Journeys: Trans-Pacific Migrations, Encounters,
and Exchanges A Conference on World History at the Crossroads of the Pacific. Honolulu,
HI. | 2017 |
| Ross, C. Invited Lecture, "Going Bananas: United Fruit Company, Vertical Integration, and
American Consumerism." Professional Development Day. CHSSA,
Texas A&M University – Commerce. Dallas, TX. | 2016 |
| Ross, C. "Militarization and Ecological Change in the Pacific." World History Association
Conference, Ghent, Belgium. | 2016 |
| Ross, C. Panel Chair / Commentator, "Loyalty, Ethnocentrism, and Nationalism." World History
Association Conference, Ghent, Belgium. | 2016 |
| Wiecko, C.R. "The Jesuit Mission on Guam and Environmental Change." Jesuits in World History
International Symposium, Seattle, WA. | 2014 |
| Wiecko, C.R. "Jesuit Missionaries as Agents of Empire: The Spanish-Chamorro War and Ecological
Effects of Conversion on Guam, 1668-1769." Mid-Atlantic World History Association Conference,
Owings Mills, MD. | 2013 |

- Wiecko, C.R. Panel Chair, "How Changes to the Environment, Big and Small, Alter Identity and Discourse." Panelist, "Guam: At the Crossroads of Spanish Imperial Militarization, Ecological Change, and Identity in World History." World History Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM. 2012
- Wiecko, C.R. "Trade, Wars, and Trade Wars: Successes and Challenges in Developing an Upper Division World History Course." World History Association Conference, Salem, MA. 2009
- Wiecko, C.R. Panel Chair / Commentator, "Sustainability Issues in the World Civilizations Courses." Northwest World History Association Conference, Vancouver, WA. 2008
- Wiecko, C.R. "A 'Forgotten Army' in Burma: The British African Armies and the Politics of Forgetting." Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association Conference, Pasadena, CA. 2008
- Ross, C. "Before the Blaze, the Spark: The Nature of Armed Resistance and its Motivations in World War II." Northwest World History Association Conference, Seattle, WA. 2007
- Ross, C. "War as a Theme in World History Pedagogy: Concepts, Approaches & Challenges." World History Association Conference, Long Beach, CA. 2006
- Ross, C. "Rescuing Dignity: Motivations for Anti-Japanese Resistance in World War II Burma." Asian Studies of the Pacific Coast Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Pullman, WA. 2006
- Ross, C. "Dying on Their Own Terms: Jewish Women Choosing Resistance in Polish Ghettos 1939-1945." Northwest World History Association Conference, Vancouver, WA. 2004

Professional Service

- Judge, Senior Division, Individual Exhibits. National History Day. Commerce, TX 2018
- Program Committee Member, World History Association. 2018
- Panelist, Pursuing History: A Series on Professional Issues Facing History Students. Texas A&M University - Commerce and Phi Alpha Theta 2016
- Department Representative, Quality Enhancement Plan Committee. Texas A&M University – Commerce 2016
- Advisor, East Texas War and Memory Project. Department of History, Texas A&M University - Commerce 2016
- Faculty Mentor, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program. Texas A&M University - Commerce 2013-2014
- Advanced Placement Exam Reader, European History. Educational Testing Service. 2008, 2010, 2012
- Judge, Junior and Senior Division, Websites. National History Day. Commerce, TX 2011
- Panelist, Pursuing History: A Series on Professional Issues Facing History Students. Texas A&M University - Commerce and Phi Alpha Theta 2010
- Judge, Junior and Senior Division, Documentaries. National History Day. Commerce, TX 2010

Graduate Representative, Corps of Discovery Endowed Chair for History of the American West Search Committee. Dept. of History, Washington State University	2008
Election Committee Member, History Graduate Student Association. Dept. of History, Washington State University	2008
Planning Committee Member, East Meets West: Pakistan (ASIA 301). Dept. of History (Asia Program), Washington State University	2008
Graduate Associate, Institute for the Study of Intercommunal Conflict. Dept. of Political Science Science, Washington State University	2007
Member, History Forum for Public Scholarship. Dept. of History, Washington State University	2006-2008
Judge, Junior Division, Exhibits. History Day. Carson City, NV	2001

Graduate Students

Master's Degree Students and employment:

Mykah Jones (chair)	In progress
Nicole Donawho (chair) (high school teacher)	2017

Awards and Honors

Claudius O. and Mary W. Johnson Graduate Fellowship	2009
Gillis Family Graduate Research Fund	2009
Frank and Irene Potter Memorial Scholarship	2009
Boeing Graduate Fellowship in Environmental Studies	2008
Bernard Bobb Excellence Award (Best Teaching Assistant, Instructor)	2008
William D. Aiken Memorial Fund	2004, 2006, 2008
Gillis Family Graduate Travel Fund	2006

Professional Affiliations

American Historical Association
World History Association
Coordinating Council for Women in History