

## **Dr. Daniel R. Kerr**

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### **Academic Positions**

Associate Professor, American University, 2014-present  
Assistant Professor, American University, 2011-2014  
Associate Professor, James Madison University, promoted March 2011  
Assistant Professor, James Madison University, 2005-2011  
Adjunct Professor, George Mason University, 2004-2005

### **Education**

Case Western Reserve University, Ph.D., Social History and Policy Program, 2005  
Fields: pre-Civil War U.S., post-Civil War U.S., U.S. Urban Social, U.S. Environmental  
Dissertation: "Open Penitentiaries: Institutionalizing Homelessness in Cleveland, Ohio"  
Case Western Reserve University, MA, History, 1998  
Thesis: "'The Reign of Wickedness': The Changing Structures of Prostitution, Gambling and  
Political Protection in Cleveland from the Progressive Era to the Great Depression"  
Carleton College, BA in History, Magna Cum Laude, 1992  
American University in Cairo, Fall Semester, 1990

### **Book**

*Derelict Paradise: Homelessness and Urban Development in Cleveland, Ohio* (Amherst, MA:  
University of Massachusetts Press, 2011).

### **Articles**

"Allan Nevins is not my Grandfather: The Roots of Radical Oral History Practice in the United  
States," *Oral History Review*, 23, no. 2 (2016): 367-391.  
"Almost Like I am in Jail' Homelessness and the Sense of Immobility in Cleveland, Ohio,"  
*Journal Cultural Studies* 30, no. 3, (2016): 401-420.

Roundtable, "From the Kitchen Table to the Barricade: Oral History & Social Change with Nassim Elbardouh, Sarah Loose, and Dan Kerr," *Upping the Anti* 17 (Fall 2015): 121-136.

Daniel Kerr and Chris Dole, "Cracking the Temp Trap: Day Laborers' Grievances and Strategies for Change in Cleveland, Ohio," *Labor Studies Journal* 29 (Winter 2005): 87-108.

"We Know What the Problem Is': Using Oral History to Develop a Collaborative Analysis of Homelessness from the Bottom Up," *Oral History Review* 30, no. 1 (2003): 27-45.

"A Complete Perfect Nothingness: Oral Histories of Three Homeless Men and an Oral Historian on Cleveland's Public Square," *Streetnotes* 2, no. 2 (1999), <http://web.archive.org/web/20060815201808/http://xcp.bfn.org/kerr.html>.

### **Book Chapters**

"We're All Bozos on this Bus: An Oral History with Jeremy Brecher," in *Radical Roots: Civic Engagement, Public History, and a Tradition of Social Justice Activism*, ed. Denise Meringolo (Amherst, MA: Amherst College Press, forthcoming).

"Allan Nevins is not my Grandfather: The Roots of Radical Oral History Practice in the United States," in *Radical Roots: Civic Engagement, Public History, and a Tradition of Social Justice Activism*, ed. Denise Meringolo (Amherst, MA: Amherst College Press, forthcoming).

"Who Burned Cleveland, Ohio? The Forgotten Fires of the 1970s" in *Flammable Cities: Fire, Urban Environment, and Culture in History*, ed. Jordan Sand, Greg Bankoff, and Uwe Luebken (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2012), 332-352.

"Countering Corporate Narratives from the Streets: The Cleveland Homeless Oral History Project," in *Oral History and Public Memories*, ed. Paula Hamilton and Linda Shopes (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2008), 231-251.  
Note: *Oral History and Public Memories* won honorable mention in the 2009 NCPH Book Award competition for the best work published about or growing out of public history.

"We Know What the Problem Is': Using Oral History to Develop a Collaborative Analysis of Homelessness from the Bottom Up," in *Oral History Reader*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., ed. Robert Perks and Alistair Thomson (New York: Routledge, 2006), 485-494.

### **External Funding: Awards**

Principal Investigator for “The Meridian Hill Park Oral History Project,” submitted to the Organization of American Historians on behalf of the National Park Service for \$25,000 on February 13, 2019.

Principal Investigator for “The DC Humanities Truck Project,” submitted to the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation for \$650,000 on February 11, 2019.

Principal Investigator for “The DC Humanities Truck Project,” awarded by the Henry Luce Foundation for \$225,000 on November 17, 2017. Grant beginning on March 1, 2018 and ending July 31, 2021.

Principal Investigator for “Research for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the DC Emancipation and the Emancipation Proclamation,” awarded by the National Park Service through the Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit for \$5,105 on March 1, 2012 - Sept. 30, 2013.

### **Professional Awards**

Article Award for “Allan Nevins is not my Grandfather,” Oral History Association, October 2017.

“We Know What the Problem Is,” is included on list of top fifteen most influential articles published in *Oral History Review* for the fiftieth anniversary of the Oral History Association, September 2016.

### **Conference Proceedings**

“Using Video to Develop a Collaborative Analysis of Homelessness at the Base,” in *Crossroads of History: Experience, Memory, Orality*, proceedings for XIth International Oral History Conference, June 15-19, 2000.

### **Community Reports**

Daniel Kerr and Chris Dole, “Challenging Exploitation and Abuse: A Study of the Day Labor Industry in Cleveland,” a report prepared for Cleveland City Council (September 2001).

### **Encyclopedia Entries**

“Homelessness,” in *Encyclopedia of the Great Black Migration*, vol. 1, ed. Steve Reich (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2006), 396-398.

Forty-two entries, *Encyclopedia of Cleveland History*, online edition, ed. David D. Van Tassel and John J. Grabowski, <http://ech.cwru.edu/>.

### **Book Reviews**

Review of Center for Public History & Digital Humanities at Cleveland State University, *Cleveland Historical: A Free Mobile App that Puts Cleveland History at Your Fingertips*. *Oral History Review* 39, no. 2 (2012): 314-317.

Review of Desiree Hellegers, *No Room of Her Own: Women's Stories of Homelessness, Life, Death, and Resistance* and Catherine Robinson, *Beside Oneself: Homelessness Felt and Lived*. *Oral History Review* 39, no. 2 (2012): 354-357.

Review of Michael Riordan, *Our Way to Fight: Israeli and Palestinian Activists For Peace*. *Oral History Review* 39, no. 1 (2012): 140-142.

Review of Joshua Long, *Weird City: Sense of Place and Creative Resistance in Austin, Texas*. *Oral History Review* 38, no. 2 (2011): 395-398.

Review of Andrew Hurley, *Beyond Preservation: Using Public History to Revitalize Inner Cities*. *Oral History Review* 38, no. 1 (2011): 233-235.

Review of Winifred Tate, *Counting the Dead: The Culture and Politics of Human Rights Activism in Columbia*. *Oral History Review* 37, no. 2 (2010): 281-283.

Review of Lois Presser, *Been a Heavy Life: Stories of Violent Men*. *Oral History Review* 36, no. 2 (2009): 287-289.

"The National Mall without Sweat, Mud, or Water," review of Nathan Glazer and Cynthia Field, eds., *The National Mall: Rethinking Washington's Monumental Core*. H-Urban, H-Net Reviews. October 2008.

Review of Kenneth C. Wolensky, Nicole H. Wolensky, Robert P. Wolensky, *Fighting for the Union Label: The Women's Garment Industry and the ILGWU in Pennsylvania*. *Labour/Le Travail* 52 (2003): 290-292.

### **Scholarly Blog Post**

"Hardball History: Knowing the People's History Requires Being on Their Side," *History@Work*, April 2015, <http://publichistorycommons.org/hardball-history-kerr/>

### **Professional Newsletter**

Alan H Stein and Daniel Kerr, "A Place for Homeless Voices: Oral History's Role in Ending Homelessness," *Oral History Association Newsletter* 16, no. 3 (2007): 5.

### **Oral History Collection Development**

## DC Homeless Voices Amplification Cooperative

This multi-year project, from 2012 through 2016 has yielded over fifty oral history interviews with people experiencing homelessness in Washington, DC. The project has led to the development of an online repository that will eventually include all of these interviews, a website “Whose Downtown?” that explores the history and future of the CCNV shelter, and a website that is currently under development, “Whose Town?” that will explore the working lives of people experiencing homelessness.

<http://www.whosedowntown.org/>  
<https://downtowndc.wordpress.com/>  
<http://www.aupublichistory.org/whosetown/>

## Shenandoah Valley Oral History Project - Carrier Library, James Madison University

From 2005 through 2011 Dr. Daniel Kerr directed the Shenandoah Valley Oral History Project. Students working with Dr. Kerr conducted and transcribed over one hundred interviews with people whose histories have largely gone untold. Students have interviewed poultry farmers and processing workers, labor and civil rights activists, Native Americans, Latino immigrants, ex-offenders, homeless people, gays, lesbians, and bisexuals throughout Shenandoah Valley. These interviews are archived with Carrier Library and are accessible via the internet:

<http://publichistory.jmu.edu/SVOHP>.

In April 2009 the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference awarded JMU Special Collections second place in the finding aids competition for the guide for SVOHP collection.

## Cleveland Homeless Oral History Project – Cleveland Public Library

Between 1996 and 2002, Daniel Kerr founded and directed the Cleveland Homeless Oral History Project. Throughout this period, 195 homeless men and women participated in workshops, audio and video interviews, and research questionnaires. As part of the project Kerr initiated Frost Radio, a weekly show on WRUW FM Cleveland. Kerr and Chris Dole conducted fifty-six interviews live on-air and rebroadcast other project interviews on this show. One hundred and two of the audio and video interviews will be archived at Cleveland Public Library.

## Lectures

### Invited Lectures

“Engaging Places/Engaging Communities,” National Endowment for the Humanities, Keynote Address, Landmarks of American History and Culture Grant Project Directors Meeting, Washington, DC, October 3, 2019.

“Doing Engaged History,” invited lecture, Carleton College, October 4, 2017.

“Oral History, Inequality, and Movement,” invited lecture for the Summer City Seminar 2016: Understanding the Divided City, Washington University in St. Louis, May 25, 2016.

“Lifting the Community or Lifting from It: The Ethics of Doing Research at the Margins,” invited as Thomas P. Johnson Visiting Scholar, Rollins College, March 13, 2013.

“How Oral History Can Facilitate Movement Building,” invited lecture, Columbia Center for Oral History, New York City, New York, November 22, 2011.

“The Ethics of Interviewing the Oppressed: Doing Oral History with the Homeless,” invited lecture, Oneonta College, April 15, 2002.

“Rethinking Policy Approaches to Affordable Housing,” invited lecture, Oberlin College, December 3, 2001.

“Rethinking Homelessness from the Bottom Up,” invited lecture, Oneonta College, March 29, 2001.

“The Working Homeless,” invited lecture, Bowling Green State University-Firelands, October 17, 2001.

### **Conference Papers and Panels**

Panelist, “How Rethinking the History of Oral History has Changed How We Teach,” Oral History Association annual meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 17, 2019.

Panelist, “Truck Stop: Mobilizing the Humanities with the Humanities Truck,” American University Retreat, Cambridge, Maryland, October 12, 2018.

Panelist, “Influencing Public Discourse and Policy through Firsthand Testimony,” Oral History Association annual meeting, Montreal, Quebec, October 11, 2018.

Panelist, “Public Histories of Poverty,” National Council on Public History annual meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 19, 2018.

Chair, “Whose Vision of Place Matters?” Society for American City and Regional Planning History biennial meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, October 28, 2017.

Panelist, “Alternative Visions for Cleveland in the Twentieth Century: A Book Roundtable Discussion,” Society for American City and Regional Planning History biennial meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, October 27, 2017.

Plenary Chair, "Accompanying Staughton and Alice Lynd through Fifty Years of Oral History Practice," Oral History Association annual meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 7, 2017.

Chair, "Place-Based Storytelling, Audio Walks, and In-Situ Listening," Oral History Association annual meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 6, 2017.

Panelist, "Sharing and Disrupting Authority in Oral and Public History," National Council on Public History annual meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 21, 2017.

"Allan Nevins is not my Grandfather: The Roots of Radical Oral History Practice in the United States," Oral History Association annual meeting, Long Beach, California, October 14, 2016.

Chair and Commentator, "Using Spatial History to Challenge the Exclusive Past," National Council on Public History annual meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, March 18, 2016.

Panelist, "Hardball History: Knowing the People's History Requires Being on Their Side," National Council on Public History annual meeting, Nashville, Tennessee, April 17, 2015.

Chair and Commentator, "Oral History in Motion: Thirdspace and the Transformation of Community," Oral History Association annual meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, October 10, 2014.

"Whose Downtown? Doing Collaborative Action Research in the Classroom and Community," International Oral History Association biennial meeting, Barcelona, Spain, July 11, 2014.

Chair and Commentator, "Contending with the State," International Oral History Association biennial meeting, Barcelona, Spain, July 10, 2014.

Working Group Facilitator, "Towards a History of Civic Engagement and the Progressive Impulse in Public History," National Council on Public History annual meeting, Monterey, California, March 21, 2014.

Roundtable, "How to be Strategic About Publications," Ann Ferren Conference on Teaching, Research, and Learning, Washington, DC, January 10, 2014.

Discussion Facilitator, "Oral History and Social Change," Oral History Association annual meeting, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 11, 2013.

Commentator, "Demolition and Renewal," Society for American City and Regional Planning History biennial meeting, Toronto, Ontario, October 4, 2013.

Working Group, "Teaching Digital History and New Media," National Council on Public

History annual meeting, Ottawa, Ontario, April 19, 2013.

“The Shelter's Role in the Search for Order: Cleveland, Ohio, from 1877-1930,”  
Urban History Association biennial meeting, New York, New York, October  
27, 2012.

“Assessing the Cleveland Homeless Oral History Project,” Oral History Association  
annual meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, October 13, 2012.

Commentator, “Groundswell: Oral History as Critical Praxis,” Oral History Association  
annual meeting, October 11, Cleveland, Ohio, 2012.

Chair, “Researching Homelessness: Designing An Effective Collaborative Project,”  
Chesapeake American Studies Association annual meeting, Washington, D.C.,  
March 10, 2012.

“The Growth Frontier of Tomorrow: Arson and Urban Planning in Cleveland, Ohio,”  
Society for American City and Regional Planning History biennial meeting,  
Baltimore, Maryland, November 18, 2011.

“Should Oral Historians Abandon Life History?” Oral History Association annual  
meeting, Denver, Colorado, October 15, 2011.

Chair, “Oral History and Social Advocacy,” Oral History Association annual  
meeting, Denver, Colorado, October 13, 2011.

Chair and commentator, “Boundaries, Barriers, and Borders: Oral Histories and the  
Question of Difference,” Oral History Association annual meeting, Atlanta,  
Georgia, October 28, 2010.

“Making the Hidden Transcript Public: The Cleveland Homeless Oral History Project,”  
Society of American Archivists annual meeting, Washington, D.C., August 13,  
2010.

“The Invisibility of Subversion: The Ongoing Practice of Radical Oral History,”  
International Oral History Association biennial meeting, Prague, Czech Republic,  
July 8, 2010.

Chair and commentator, “Using Oral History to Promote Social Justice,” Oral History  
Association annual meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, October 17, 2009.

“Is Oral History Exploitative? Oral History with the Homeless,” Oral History  
Association annual meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, October 16, 2009.

“Bridging the Academic/Activist Divide: Learning from the Past, Building for the



Future,” Working Class Studies Association biennial meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 5, 2009.

“Oral History and Public Memories,” Organization of American Historians annual meeting, Seattle, Washington, March 27, 2009.

“Who Burned Cleveland, Ohio? Rebellion, Arson and Urban Planning from 1960-1990,” Flammable Cities: Fire, Urban Environment, and Culture in History, conference at the German Historical Institute, Washington, DC, May 15-17, 2008.

“The Cleveland Homeless Oral History Project,” Oral History Association annual meeting, Oakland, California, October 27, 2007.

Chair, “Voices of Witness: Disasters, Land Grab, & Community Resistance,” Oral History Association annual meeting, Oakland, California, October 25, 2007.

“A City With a Smile: Promoting Tourism in Cleveland, Ohio, During the Great Depression,” Social Science History Association annual meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota, November 4, 2006.

“Day Labor and the Organized Labor Movement,” United Association for Labor Education annual meeting, Seattle, Washington, May 19, 2006.

“Homeland Insecurity: The Official Version vs. the Human Voice,” Oral History Association annual meeting, Providence, Rhode Island, November 4, 2005.

“Challenging Exploitation and Abuse: A Study of the Day Labor Industry in Cleveland,” Working-Class Studies Association biennial meeting, Youngstown, Ohio, May 16, 2003.

Commentator, “Political Action to Build ‘The Beloved Community,’” with U.S. Congressman John Lewis, Case Western Reserve University, November 19, 2001.

Commentator, “Sex and Sexuality in Perception and Formation of Urban Space,” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning annual meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, November 9, 2001.

“Doing Instigative Research: Using Oral History to Promote Social Justice,” Oral History Association annual meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, October 20, 2001.

“Workplace Organizing: Day Labor/Contingent Workers,” Jobs with Justice annual meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, September 8, 2001.

"Unlivable Wages, Homeless Lives," Women Speak Out for Peace and Justice summer supper seminar, Cleveland, Ohio, June 14, 2001.

"Temporary Industrial Labor and the LWWU: Bringing the Homeless Back into the Working-Class," Working-Class Studies biennial meeting, Youngstown, Ohio, May 18, 2001.

Margaret Morton and Daniel Kerr, "An Artist Talk and a Dialogue Exploring the Day-to-Day Lives of the Nation's Homeless," Center for Contemporary Art, Cleveland, Ohio, May 6, 2001.

"Profiting From Poverty: 'Private' Relief and 'Public' Employment Agencies in Cleveland, 1877-1927," Andrew W. Mellon Lecture, Case Western Reserve University, February 27, 2001.

"'Sharing Authority': Oral History and the Collaborative Process," International Oral History Association biennial meeting, Istanbul, Turkey, June 15-19, 2000.

"Servicing the Needs of Capitalism: A Case Study of the Changing Geography of Prostitution in Cleveland, 1915-1934," Society for American City and Regional Planning History biennial meeting, Washington, D.C., November 18-21, 1999.

"Transformations in the Geography of Prostitution and the Structures of Race and Gender in Cleveland in the Early Twentieth Century," Theorizing Space and Time at the End of the Millennium conference, University of Georgia, April 9, 1999.

"A Complete Perfect Nothingness: Oral Histories of Three Homeless Men on Cleveland's Public Square," performance presentation at the Oral History Association annual meeting, Buffalo, New York, October 17, 1998.

### **Editorial Activities**

Editorial Board, *Oral History Review*, 2008-present

Reviewer for University of British Columbia Press, Spring 2013; Palgrave Macmillan, Spring 2010; Pluto Press, Spring 2009; *Oral History Review*, Spring 2013, Fall 2008, Spring 2006; *American Sociological Review*, Summer 2008; *Journal of Policy History*, Spring 2006; *Virginia Social Science Journal*, Fall 2005; *Gender, Place and Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography*, Summer 2005.

### **Consultant Activities**

Advisory Board, DC Oral History Collaborative, May 2017 – present.

External Program Review, Temple University Public History Program, January 8, 2017 – March 15, 2017.

Review Panelist, National Endowment for the Humanities, Humanities Collections and Reference Resources Program, November 1, 2016.

External Site Visitor to Utah Humanities for the National Endowment for the Humanities Self-Assessment Process, October 22-23, 2015.

Oral Historian for the Washington, DC Art Cart project for the National Center for Creative Ageing, February 2012 - August 2013.

Advisor, Decade of Impact Forum Series, *Street Sense*, February 2013 – August 2013.

Advisor, DC Digital Museum project of the Humanities Council of Washington, DC, June 2012-present.

Consultant, TV News project of the Internet Archives, March 2012 - October 2012.

Consultant, American Enterprise Exhibition of the National Museum of American History, December 2009 – May 2011.

### **Research Activity Discussed in Other Publications**

Michael Riordan, "Keep Asking Questions!" *An Unauthorized Biography of the World: Oral History on the Front Lines* (Toronto: Between the Lines, 2004) pp. 267-293.

### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Courses (American University, 2011-present)**

Core 106	Complex Problems: What Causes Homelessness?
History 468/668	Engaged Community History
HIST 215	Social Forces that Shaped America
History 468	History and the Public
History 468/668	Local and Community History
History 467/667	Oral History
History 476/676	U.S. Environmental History
History 477/677	History and New Media
History 496/696	U.S. Urban History
History 729	Public History Seminar
History 730	Public History Practicum

#### **Courses (James Madison University, 2005-2011)**

History 225	Introduction to U.S. History
History 337	Workshop in Local History
History 338	U.S. Urban Social History
History 441/641	Oral History

**Supervision of Thesis and Dissertations (American University)**

Nathan Sowry, dissertation chair, 2017-present  
Anna Kaplan, dissertation chair, 2014- present  
Ryan Englekirk, dissertation committee, 2012- present  
Michael Youngborg, dissertation committee, 2015-present  
Mattea Sanders, MA thesis chair, 2013 – 2014 (earned distinction)  
Curtis Harris, MA thesis chair, 2013 – 2014 (earned distinction)  
Kevin Kunitake, honors thesis chair, Spring 2013  
Sara Jacobs, honors thesis chair, Fall 2012

**Internships and Independent Studies (American University)**

Abigail Seaver, internship, Fall 2018  
Asia Bostock, internship, Fall 2018  
David Kramer, internship, Fall 2018  
Madeline Makhlof, independent study, Summer 2017  
Ashlee Anderson, independent study, Summer 2017  
Elizabeth Gonzalez, independent study, Summer 2017  
Jenna Hill, independent study, Summer 2017  
Katrina Wioncek, independent study, Summer 2017  
Emily Sullivan, independent study, Summer 2017  
Alison Russell, independent study, Summer 2017  
Joan Cummins, independent study, Spring 2017  
Ama Ansah, internship, Spring 2017  
Katelynn Hatton, internship, Spring 2017  
Melissa Galvin, internship, Fall 2016  
Margaret Biser, internship, Summer 2016  
Rebecca Brenner, internship, Summer 2016  
Joan Cummins, internship, Summer 2016  
Jen Giambrone, internship, Summer 2016  
Samantha Hunter, internship, Summer 2016  
Sarah Lepianka, internship, Summer 2016  
Rebecca Quam, internship, Summer 2016  
Phoebe Sherman, internship, Summer 2016  
Rachel Van Bokkem, internship, Summer 2016  
Mathew Wong, internship, Summer 2016  
Zachary Wood, internship, Summer 2016  
Jennifer Giambrone, independent study, Spring 2016  
Julia Armstrong, internship, Spring 2016  
Katelynn Hatton, internship, Spring 2016  
Bethany Nagle, internship, Spring 2016  
Donnelle Boose, internship, Spring 2016  
Sarah Bason, internship, Fall 2105  
Sydney Johnson, internship, Fall 2015  
Danielle Dulken, internship, Summer 2015  
Madison Mullen, independent study, Spring 2015 and Summer 2015

Joanna Capps, internship, Fall 2014  
Alison Kootstra, internship, Summer 2012  
Daniel Schwarz, internship, Summer 2012  
Caitlin Miller, internship, Summer 2012  
Laura Gibson, internship, Summer 2012  
Jordan Johnson, internship, Summer 2012  
Laura Heiman, internship, Summer 2012  
Kelly Collacchio, internship, Summer 2012  
Meghan O'Connor, internship, Summer 2012  
Jessica Carlton, internship, Summer 2012  
Brittany Carney, internship, Summer 2012  
Angela Modany, internship, Spring 2012  
Nicole Orphanides, internship, Spring 2012  
Samantha Grody, independent study, Spring 2012  
Jean Hinkley, independent study, Spring 2012  
Chernev Borislav, internship, Spring 2012  
Jonathan Yang, internship, Spring 2012  
Avram Billig, internship, Fall 2011

### **Curriculum Development**

American University Curriculum Development Award shared with Alan Kraut and Maggie Stogner for the proposal, "Lens of the Past: Producing Historical Documentary Films," summer 2012.

Introduced the courses History 468 History and the Public (Fall 2013), History 468/668 Local and Community History (Spring 2013), and History 496/696 U.S. Urban History (Fall 2012).

Developed fall lab modules and a spring research lab to supplement HIST 215 Social Forces that Shaped America for the AU Scholars program (2014-2015).

Substantially revised the courses History 467/667 Oral History (Fall 2012) and History 476/676 U.S. Environmental History (Fall 2011).

### **Media Appearances, Interviews, and Public Testimony**

Guest, special topic on homelessness in DC, "News and Views hosted by Garland Nixon," WPFW, October 3, 2014.

Featured in article, Shatha Almuthawa, "Recording Divergent Histories of Homelessness," *Perspectives on History*, April 2014. <http://www.historians.org/publications-and-directories/perspectives-on-history/april-2014/recording-divergent-histories-of-homelessness>

Testimony, "Present and Future Services, Facilities Management, and Governance of the Community for the Creative Non-Violence (CCNV) Shelter for the Homeless," City Councilman Jim Graham, Chairperson, Committee on Human Services, John A. Wilson

Building, Washington, DC, June 27, 2013.

Interview by Mike McIntyre for the public radio program *The Sound of Ideas*. The program aired on March 28, 2012 on WCPN, 90.3 Cleveland, Ohio for the show "Homelessness in Northeast Ohio." <http://www.ideastream.org/soi/entry/46004>

Interview for article on research for American University's *College News*:  
<http://www.american.edu/cas/news/daniel-kerr-homelessness-oral-history.cfm>

Interview by Sarah McConnell for the public radio program *With Good Reason*. The interview initially aired May 10, 2008 for the show "Stories from the Streets" and was rebroadcast for the show "Trickster Heroines" on April 25, 2009.  
<http://withgoodreasonradio.org/2008/05/stories-from-the-streets/>

### **Department, College, and University Service**

Director, Public History Program, August 2018 – present  
2018 University Retreat Planning Committee, May 2018 – October 2018  
Associate Director, Public History Program, August 2017 – December 2017  
Director, Public History Program, August 2015 – July 2017  
Associate Director, Public History Program, 2012-2015  
Interim Director, Public History Program, 2011-2012  
Public History Committee, 2012-present  
Fellow, Metropolitan Policy Center, 2014-present  
AU Scholars Program, 2014-2016  
UCOM Committee, 2013-2014  
GRACOM Committee, 2011-2012, 2015-present  
Committee on Learning and Assessment, 2012-2014  
AU 2030 planning group for Institute for Urban and Metropolitan Change, 2012-2013  
Student Historical Association Faculty Advisor, 2011-2013  
History Day Panel Chair, 2012, 2013

### **Professional Activities**

Oral History Association:

First Vice President, 2018-2019  
Chair, Executive Office Search and Transition Committee, 2016-2017.  
Co-chair, Program Committee, annual conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Fall 2017.  
Council (elected), 2011-2014  
Editor Search Committee, *Oral History Review*, 2010-2011  
Program Fundraiser, annual conference, Cleveland, Ohio, Fall 2012  
Program Committee, annual conference, Cleveland, Ohio, Fall 2012  
Program Committee, annual conference, Louisville, Kentucky, Fall 2009  
Chair, The Vox Populi Award committee, 2010-2012  
Editorial Board, *Oral History Review*, 2008-present

Oral History of the Mid-Atlantic Region

Local Arrangements Chair, annual conference, Washington, DC Spring 2018

National Council on Public History

NCPH Journal Advisory Group, Spring 2012

Groundswell: Oral History for Social Change

Coordinating Council, 2011-2013

### **Memberships**

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

National Council on Public History

Oral History Association

International Oral History Association

Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region

The Historical Society of Washington, DC