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Employment

University of Virginia 2021-
Postdoctoral Research Associate
Lecturer in the College of Arts and Sciences

Education

Stanford University 2014-2021
Ph.D. English
Graduate Certificate in Digital Humanities
Harvard Graduate School of Education 2011-2012
Undergraduate Teacher Education Program
University of Oxford 2010-2011
Visiting Student of English
Harvard University 2008-2012
A.B. English *magna cum laude*

Writing

Articles

Counting on *The Norton Anthology of American Literature* *forthcoming*
Co-authored with J.D. Porter
PMLA

[A Meaning Apart from its Indistinguishable Words](#) 2022
The Nathaniel Hawthorne Review

[Hamlin Garland's 'Problem of Individual Life'](#) 2021
Nineteenth-Century Literature

[The Novel as Data](#) 2018
Co-authored with Mark Algee-Hewitt and Hannah Walser
The Cambridge Companion to the Novel

[Organizing Corpora at the Stanford Literary Lab](#) 2017
Co-authored with David McClure, Mark Algee-Hewitt, Steele Douris, and Hannah Walser
Proceedings of the Workshop on Challenges in the Management of Large Corpora and Big Data and Natural Language Processing

Dissertation

[Averaging Americans: Literature, Statistics, and Inequality](#) 2021
Committee: Gavin Jones, Mark Algee-Hewitt, Mark McGurl, Paula Moya

Review

[Enumerations: Data and Literary Study](#) by Andrew Piper 2020
Studies in the Novel

Awards

University of Virginia College Fellows Development Grant	2022
Stanford Humanities Center Mellon Foundation Dissertation Fellowship	2020-2021
City University of New York-Stanford Exchange Fellow	2018-2019
G.J. Pigott Scholars Program Fellow	2017-2018
Stanford University Department of English Excellence in Teaching Award	2017

Presentations

Conference Papers and Invited Talks

On Scholarly Podcasting Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis. Stanford, CA.	2022
Counting on <i>The Norton Anthology of American Literature</i> DH Unbound. ACH & CSDH SCHN.	2022
Counting on Literature University of Virginia. Charlottesville, VA.	2021
Length & Weight Universitatea Lucian Blaga. Sibiu, Romania.	2021
Introduction to Computational Text Analysis in Python Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis. Stanford, CA.	2021
New Histories of Quantitative and Computational Methods MLA 2021. Toronto.	2021
Citizenship at Scale C19 2020. University Park, PA.	2020
Typicality in the US Novel DH 2020. Ottawa, Canada.	2020
Introduction to Computational Text Analysis in Python Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis. Stanford, CA.	2020
Presider, Models of Enlightenment Knowledge MLA 2020. Seattle, WA.	2020
Modeling Hawthorne's Concept of the Nation MLA 2020. Seattle, WA.	2020
Microgenres DH 2019. Utrecht, Netherlands.	2019
The Statistical Imaginations of Hamlin Garland and Henry James Graduate Colloquium. Stanford, CA.	2018
Average, American: Reformism and Statistics in <i>Jason Edwards</i> Consortium on the Novel. Stanford, CA.	2017
The Type of the Average Working Group on the Novel. Stanford, CA.	2017
Reading the Norton Anthologies DH 2017. Montréal, Canada.	2017

Reading Norton Anthologies SyncDH. Santa Barbara, CA.	2016
Standing Underneath: Melville, Confidence, Testimony Berkeley-Stanford Conference. Berkeley, CA.	2016
Fallible and Unreliable Narration in <i>The Sound and The Fury</i> Narrative and Narrative Theory. Stanford, CA.	2015
Another Castle: The Stolen Princess Narrative in Literature and Videogames Infinite Possibilities. Stanford, CA.	2015
Virality DH 2015. Sydney, Australia.	2015
Suspense... Language, Narrative, Affect DH 2015. Sydney, Australia.	2015
Current Projects of the Literary Lab SyncDH. Santa Barbara, CA.	2015
'Two Blocks Joined by a Corridor:' Time in <i>To The Lighthouse</i> Literary History. Stanford, CA.	2015
'Inveigling <i>Uncle Tom's Cabin</i> to Become a Ballet:' cummings's <i>Tom</i> Berkeley-Stanford Conference. Stanford, CA.	2014
On the Stanford Literary Lab's Pamphlet Series Future of Publication Workshop. Stanford, CA.	2014
At the Stanford Literary Lab	
Celebrities	2020
Antebellum & Postbellum	2020
<i>n</i> Types of Typicality	2018
Norton Anthologies: Database, Canon, Career	2018
Typicality	2018
Security in <i>Foreign Affairs</i>	2017
Microgenres	2017
Distant Reading with the <i>Oxford English Dictionary</i>	2017
Synchronic and Diachronic Suspense	2017
How Many Novels Have Been Published in English?	2017
Reading the Norton Anthologies: Databases, Canons, and Careers	2016

Teaching

Engaging Aesthetics 1510: Punching Up: US Satire University of Virginia	2022-2023
Empirical and Scientific Engagement 1520: From Language to Data University of Virginia	2021-2022
Engaging Aesthetics 1510: Punching Up: US Satire University of Virginia	2021-2022
Undergraduate Summer Research Program Stanford University Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis	2019-2020
English 184E: Literary Text Mining Stanford University	2019-2020
English 184E: Literary Text Mining Instructor of record: Ryan Heuser Stanford University	2018-2019
World Humanities 101: What it is like to be alive The City College of New York	2018-2019
English 396L: Pedagogy Instructor of record: Paula Moya Stanford University	2017-2018
English 162W: Writing Intensive Seminar in English, Average Americans Stanford University	2017-2018
English 161: Narrative and Narrative Theory Instructors of record: Paula Moya and J.D. Porter Stanford University	2015-2016
English 100C: Literary History III (1850-1950) Instructor of record: Franco Moretti Stanford University	2014-2015

Public Humanities

Roles

The Stuff of Fame: Material and Printed Constructions of Renown in America Lead data scientist, Stanford Literary Lab and Smithsonian Institution	2019-
Editor, <i>Café</i> , the podcast of the Stanford Center for the Study of the Novel	2019-2021
Presenter, Academic Data Privacy and Security Workshops	2017-2021
Contributor, <i>Techné</i>	2016-
Writer, Ph.D. Journalist Project at the Stanford Humanities Center	2014-2016

Public Writing

Typicality in US Literature <i>Techné</i>	2020
Finding needles in 34 million haystacks <i>Techné</i>	2019

How many novels have been published in English? An Attempt <i>Techné</i>	2017
Eavan Boland interrogates identity and nationhood in new collection <i>The Humanities at Stanford</i>	2015
Stanford literary scholar: White whales and the ‘Melville Effect’ <i>The Humanities at Stanford</i>	2015
Stanford scholar questions whether statues appropriate way to commemorate Mandela <i>The Humanities at Stanford</i>	2014

Podcasts

Andrea Goulet, Michelle Robinson, and Héctor Hoyos on crime narrative	2021
Nicholas Paige on <i>Technologies of the Novel</i>	2021
Dorothy Hale, Nancy Ruttenburg, and Alex Woloch on <i>The Novel and the New Ethics</i>	2021
Sharon Marcus on the 2020 Ian Watt Lecture	2020
Wai Chee Dimock, John Plotz, and Colin Milburn on planetary futures	2020
Ato Quayson, John Kerrigan, and Richard Halpern on postcolonial tragedy	2020
Emily Apter, Rhonda Garelick, and Anne Higonnet on fashion stories	2020
Stephen Best, Mario Telò, and Kris Cohen on <i>None Like Us</i>	2020
Rita Felski on the 2019 Ian Watt Lecture	2019

Research Project

Typicality Collaborator: Mark Algee-Hewitt Stanford Literary Lab	2018
Microgenres Collaborators: Mark Algee-Hewitt, Michaela Bronstein, Abigail Droge, Ryan Heuser, Alexander Manshel, Nichole Nomura, J.D. Porter, Hannah Walser Stanford Literary Lab	2017
Security Collaborators: Mark Algee-Hewitt, Whitney McIntosh, Stephen Stedman Stanford Literary Lab	2015
Suspense Collaborators: Mark Algee-Hewitt, Abigail Droge, Tasha Eccles, Morgan Day Frank, J.D. Porter, Andrew Shephard, Hannah Walser Stanford Literary Lab	2014

Conferences Organized

Findings: Is computation changing the study of literature? at Stanford	2017
Literature: A history of the word at Stanford	2016
Making & Breaking: The Berkeley-Stanford Conference at UC Berkeley	2015
Micromégas: The Objects of the Digital Humanities at Stanford	2015

Service

Virtual instruction transition consultant for Stanford English Department	2020
Reviewer for Alliance of Digital Humanities Organizations Conference	2016-
Liaison for Berkeley-Stanford English Graduate Student Councils	2015-2019
American Literature Examiner for Practice Qualifying Exams	2015-2018
Webmaster for Stanford Literary Lab	2018-2020
Coordinator for Stanford Literary Lab	2014-2019

Affiliations

Modern Language Association	2014-
Alliance of Digital Humanities Organizations	2014-
C19: The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists	2019-
The Association for Computers and the Humanities	2020-

Data Analysis

- Python
- R
- Tableau
- TeX & pandoc
- XML & TEI

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