

John Worsencroft

Curriculum Vitae

Louisiana Tech University
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Academic Employment

- 2018- Assistant Professor of History, College of Liberal Arts, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA.
- 2017-18 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Waggonner Center for Civic Engagement and Public Policy, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA.
- 2016-2017 Instructor, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

Education

- 2017 Ph.D. in History, Temple University
Dissertation: "A Family Affair: Military Service in the Postwar Era"
- 2011 M.A. in History, University of Utah
Thesis: "Salvageable Manhood: Project 100,000 and the Gendered Politics of the Vietnam War."
- 2007 B.A. in History, University of Utah

Research and Teaching Areas

Gender, war, and American political culture; military history; public policy; citizenship; women's history; history of sexuality; history of race; cultural history; policy history; youth culture; public history; Atlantic world history; history of food.

Publications

- 2022 "Salvaging Marginalized Men: How the Department of Defense Waged the War on Poverty," *Journal of Policy History*, forthcoming Vol. 33.4 (Autumn 2021).

"The Wrong Man in Uniform: How Antidraft Conservatives Convinced Americans That the Draft Was Bad for Men, 1966-1973," in *Service Denied: Marginalized Veterans in Modern American History*, edited by John M. Kinder and Jason Higgins (forthcoming 2022; University of Massachusetts Press).

- “‘We Recruit Individuals but Retain Families’: Managing Marriage and Family in the All-Volunteer Force,” in *Managing Sex in the U.S. Military*, edited by Beth Bailey, Alesha Doan, Shannon Portillo, and Kara Dixon Vuic (forthcoming 2022; University of Nebraska Press)
- 2017 “Engendering Responsibility and Citizenship in War,” a review essay in *American Quarterly*, Vol. 69.1 (March 2017).
- 2015 Instructor’s Guide to Beth Bailey and Richard Immerman (Eds.), *Understanding the US Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan* (New York: New York University Press, 2015).
- 2013 “A Different Iraq War Story on the 10th Anniversary: The Memory of World War II in the Run-up to the Invasion,” *Strategic Visions*.

Book Reviews and Public Writing

- 2020 Randall B. Woods, *Prisoners of Hope: Lyndon B. Johnson, the Great Society, and the Limits of Liberalism* (New York: Basic Books, 2016), at H-WAR, July 2020. Stable URL: <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=46584>
- 2020 [“The Sting of ‘Thank You For Your Service’: The Benefits That Come With Serving the Country Have Withered in Recent Decades.”](#) *Washington Post*, April 29, 2020.
- 2019 Mark Bowden, *Hue 1968: A Turning Point of the American War in Vietnam* (New York: Grove Press, 2017), in the *Journal of Military History*, April 2019, Vol. 83.2, pp. 627-28.
- 2016 William Banks and Stephen Dycus, *Soldiers on the Home Front: The Domestic Role of the American Military* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2016), in the *Journal of Military History*, July 2016, Vol. 81.3, pp. 884-85.

Honors and Awards

- 2017-18 Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, The Waggoner Center for Civic Engagement and Public Policy, Louisiana Tech University.
- 2017 Doctoral Dissertation Completion Grant, The Graduate School, Temple University.
- 2016 Marvin Wachman Endowed Research Fellowship, Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy (CENFAD), Temple University.
- 2015 John Votaw Endowed Research Fellowship, CENFAD, Temple University.

- 2014-15 Fred Zimring Award for Leadership in the Graduate Program, History Department, Temple University.
- 2012-13 Kramer Award, Outstanding Graduate Student, History Department, Temple University.
- 2012-13 Allen F. Davis Fellowship in Public History, Philadelphia History Museum.
- 2012 James A. Barnes Club Graduate Conference First Place Award, American History Category.
- 2012 USAHCF Russell F. Weigley Award for Military History, Second Place.
- 2012, 2016 College of Liberal Arts Travel Grants, Temple University.

Invited Talks

- 2018 “Salvaging Marginalized Men: How the Department of Defense Fought the War on Poverty, 1964-1968,” Military & Society Seminar, Hall Center for the Humanities, University of Kansas, April.
- 2018 “Family and Reproduction,” Symposium on Managing Sex in the US Military, Center for Military, War, and Society Studies, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, February.
- 2013 “Militarization of American Society,” CENFAD Workshop on the Military and Society in the United States, Temple University, March.

Conferences

Conference Papers, Roundtables, and other Duties

- 2022 “We Recruit Individuals but Retain Families”: Managing Marriage and Family in the All-Volunteer Force,” Organization of American Historians Conference, Boston, MA, March-April. [Resubmitted Panel from Cancelled 2020 Conference]
- 2021 “The Philadelphia Navy Yard and the Contested Politics of Shutting Down the Cold War,” Urban History Association, Detroit, MI., October. CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC
 “From Teal-Blue Dresses to ‘Married to the Corps’: Military Wives’ Informal Labor in Formal Policymaking, 1973-2003,” Society for Military History Conference, Norfolk, VA, May. [Resubmitted Panel from Cancelled 2020 Conference]
- 2020 “Integrating Veterans Voices in the Classroom,” Roundtable Discussion, Veterans in Society Conference, St. Louis, MO, March. CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC
 “We Recruit Individuals but Retain Families”: Managing Marriage and Family in the All-Volunteer Force,” Organization of American Historians Conference, Washington, D.C., April. CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

- “From Teal-Blue Dresses to ‘Married to the Corps’: Military Wives’ Informal Labor in Formal Policymaking, 1973-2003,” Society for Military History Conference, Arlington, VA, April-May. CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC
- 2019 “The Marine Corps is Not a ‘Test Tube for Social Experimentation’: Protecting the Corps in the Post-Vietnam Era,” U.S. Naval War College Conference on Veterans: Enduring, Surviving, and Remembering War, Newport, RI, September.
- 2018 “Feminism and Military Families in the All-Volunteer Era,” Society for Military History Conference, Louisville, KY, April.
- 2017 “A Few Good (Single) Men: The 1993 Marine Corps Marriage Ban,” Society for the History of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Conference, Arlington, VA, June.
- 2016 “Making Ends Meet in the All-Volunteer Era,” Policy History Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, June.
 “The Department of Defense and the War on Poverty,” Society for Military History Conference, Ottawa, Ontario, April.
 “Families, Feminists, and Fundamentalists: The Army and the Marine Corps Find Their Way After Vietnam,” Conference in Citizenship Studies, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, March.
- 2014 Commenter, Temple/Tubingen Transatlantic Graduate Student Workshop, “Imagining the Enemy” Panel, March.
- 2013 Commenter, “Postwar Social Upheaval,” James A. Barnes Graduate Student History Conference, Temple University, March.
- 2012 “Family Matters: The United States Army, Family, and the Search for Stability, 1980-1984,” Policy History Conference, Richmond, VA, June.
 “Family Matters,” Transformations in the Postwar American Family and Society, James A. Barnes Graduate Student History Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, March.
- 2013 Commenter, “War and Society,” James A. Barnes Graduate Student History Conference, Temple University, March.

Panels Organized

- 2019 The Liberal Arts in the 21st Century, Roundtable Discussion, College of Liberal Arts, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA, October.
- 2016 “Oral History and Challenging the Exclusive Past,” Roundtable Discussion, National Council on Public History (NCPH), Baltimore, MD, March.
- 2010 Responding on the Home Front: The Impact of Military Engagement on Families and Communities Conference, University of Utah, October.
 “Ethics and Veterans Oral History,” Panel on Ethics, Remembrance, and Learning, University of Utah, October.
 “Oral History and Trauma,” Panel on Methodological Problems in Oral History, Utah State History Conference, Salt Lake City, September.

Public History

- 2020 Military Family Oral History Project [Postponed Due to COVID-19 Pandemic]
- 2018- Research Fellow, [Louisiana Tech Research Institute](#) (LTRI), Bossier City, LA; CADENSE Curriculum Development for US Air Force Global Strike Command Strategic Thought and Deterrence Development, Quarterly Workshops
- 2017- [CYBER: The Academic Initiative of the Cyber Innovation Center](#), Curriculum Writer and Developer.
- 2017-18 Research Fellow, [Waggoner Center for Civic Engagement and Public Policy](#), Louisiana Tech University
- 2012-13 Allen F. Davis Fellow, Philadelphia History Museum.
- 2010-11 Assistant Director, American West Center, University of Utah.
- 2011-14 Content Author, Project Consultant, “The Iraq and Afghanistan War Veterans Oral History Project,” [Digital Archive](#).
- 2009-11 Project Coordinator, Lead Oral Historian, “Saving the Legacy: An Oral History of Utah’s Veterans,” American West Center, University of Utah.
- 2008-9 Project Coordinator, Lead Oral Historian, “Outdoor Recreation Oral History Project,” American West Center, University of Utah.

Teaching Experience

History and Social Sciences Department, Louisiana Tech University

US History Survey I and II (Online Course and Traditional Classroom)
World History since 1500
Women in History
History of Food
Sex, Gender, and Youth in America
The Sexual Revolution through Film (Online)
War and Society in American History (Online Course and Traditional Classroom)
America At War (Senior Capstone)
Recent US History
Graduate Seminar on Citizenship in America (Online)
Graduate Seminar on War and Society (Online)
Introduction to Historiography (Online)
American Military History

History Department, Temple University:

Sexuality and Gender in American History (Online Course and Traditional Classroom)
Senior Writing Seminar, Recent American History
Youth, Sex, and Romance in the Postwar Era (Online Course and Traditional Classroom)
War and Peace
US History from 1877 to Present, as teaching assistant
Dissent in America, as teaching assistant
American Revolutions, as teaching assistant

American Studies Program, Temple University:

The American Sexual Past

Service

- 2020- Executive Committee, University Senate, Louisiana Tech University
2019- University Senate, Louisiana Tech University.
2019- University Administration Committee, University Senate, Louisiana Tech University.
2019- History Department GER Assessment Coordinator.
2019 Panelist, “Destigmatizing Feminism,” Louisiana Tech University, April.
2019 AICS Scenario Development Workshops
2018- [Cyber Discovery](#) and [AICS](#) Camps, Louisiana Tech University, June.
2017 Roundtable Moderator and Organizer, “The Politics of Kneeling: Protest, Patriotism, and the NFL,” Louisiana Tech University, October.
2014-15 College of Liberal Arts Graduate Committee, Temple University.
2013-14 President, James A. Barnes Graduate Student Club Executive Board.
2012-13 Vice President, James A. Barnes Graduate Student Club Executive Board.
2010 Conference Co-Organizer, “Veterans in Transition: Soldiers to Students,” Symposium, Fort Douglas Military Museum & the American West Center, University of Utah, April.
2009-10 Conference Co-Organizer, “Westerns of the World” Annual Film Festival, American West Center.
2009-11 University of Utah Veteran’s Day Committee.

Graduate Advisees

Thesis Track (MA)

Caleb Greer- Defended Fall 2020

Comprehensive Exam Track (MA)

Shanon Bonnar (2020)

Elizabeth Helton (2019)

Jessica Vergo (in progress)

John Harvey (in progress)

Cole Bonowitz (in progress)

Undergraduate Advising:

Faculty Advisor to Undergraduates (15 Advisees/Quarterly), School of History and Social Sciences, Louisiana Tech University.

Affiliations

Organization of American Historians
Society for Military History
Society for the History of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR)

References

Contact information for professional references will be furnished upon request.