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US Historian, expert on African American history, activism, debates over rights, citizenship in the US to 1880.

Biography

My research explores race, activism, grassroots politics and the historical connections among race, rights and citizenship. I am available to consult about Americans' long history of debates over rights and inclusion. I have published about antislavery and antiracist activism in the present day Midwest. I now examine how people limited rights on the basis of race in early 19th century California and the California "Black Laws." I focus on citizenship claims and rights activism among California African Americans from 1821-1870, and I analyze and re-evaluate 19th century debates between the state and California African Americans over citizenship's meanings.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Research, Government Administration

Areas of Expertise

United States History, US History, Early US History, 19th Century US History, US Race, Race in the United States, Activism in the US, US Slavery, Slavery in the US, US Women's History, US Citizenship, pre-1900, African American History, History of California, Abolition, Antislavery history, Rights in the US, Gender History

Affiliations

Member of the Graduate Faculty, WLU

Education

University of California, San Diego

BA History (Honors) and Women's Studies

Northwestern University

MA History (United States)

Northwestern University

PhD History (United States)

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