

Sandra L. Pollard

Curriculum Vitae

University of West Georgia
Department of History
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Education

- August 2014 Admitted to PhD program at Georgia State University.
Major Field: Modern European History
Minor Field: Early Modern Europe; Latin America
Research continues for dissertation. Focus: 20th Century
Czechoslovakia. Working title of dissertation: *On My Honor:
Hidden Figures of Czech Resistance among Junák Groups, 1939-
1989*
- December 2007 M.A., History University of West Georgia
Major Fields: Immigration History, Late 20th Century U.S. Social
and Political History, Latin American History
Minor Fields: European History, Public History
- July 2007 Museum Studies Certificate University of West Georgia
- 2004 B.A., History State University of West Georgia
Minor: American Studies

Languages

Spanish (4 years formal study, conversational/reading skills)
French (1 year formal study, limited reading/conversational skills)
Russian (2 years formal study, limited reading/conversational skills)
Czech (1 semester formal study, limited reading/conversational skills)
German (1 semester formal study, limited reading skills)

Professional Affiliations

Phi Alpha Theta, Xi Rho Chapter
Southern Historical Association
Appalachian Studies Association
ACA/PCA
Georgia Association of Historians

Research Interests

Central European Studies
Ethnicity and Immigration
Civil Rights History
Appalachian Studies

Czech Cultural History
Foodways, History of Food
Southern U.S. History
Reformation History

Slavic Studies
Architectural History
Historic Preservation
Jazz History

Employment

- 2016-Present Lecturer, Department of History, University of West Georgia.
HIST 1112 (World Civilization since 1500). Teaching load: 5/4
- 2008-2015 Limited Term Instructor, Department of History, University of
West Georgia. Taught all four survey sections of History (U.S. and
World). Teaching load: 5/4
- 2006-2007 Teaching Assistant/Graduate Research Assistant, Department of
History-University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia.
- 2005-2006 Graduate Research Assistant, Georgia Political
Heritage Project, Ingram Library, University of West Georgia.
Museum Studies Internship, Baking Traditions Project, Center for
Public History, University of West Georgia.

Awards, Honors

- 2007 A Celebration of Graduate Student Research-Social Sciences
Division, History, University of West Georgia, Carrollton,
Georgia.
- Runner-Up, Albert S. Hanser Graduate Paper Award.
 History Department Awards, University of West Georgia,
 Carrollton, Georgia.
- 2006 3rd Place Graduate Paper Award, Phi Alpha Theta Regional
Conference, Lagrange College, LaGrange, Georgia.
- 2004 Phi Alpha Theta, Induction

2003 American History Award, Abraham Baldwin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

Conference Participation and Presentations

- 2017 Georgia Association of Historians Annual Meeting, Jekyll Island GA. Panelist: "Contested Space and Music: European and U.S. Twentieth Century Culture and Politics"
- 2016 31st Annual Interdisciplinary Conference in the Humanities, University of West Georgia. Panelist: "Have Backpack, Will Travel: Girl Scouting and Contested Spaces in Czechoslovakia, 1939-1989"
- 2013 National History Day, Mercer University, Macon, GA. April 27, 2013. Adjudicator, Junior Group Performance
- 2010 2010 Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, 1750-1850. Charleston, SC., Feb 25-27, 2010. Panel Chair: "Representations of Revolutionary Print Culture in the Atlantic World."
- 2009 Georgia Association of Historians Annual Meeting, Dahlonega, Georgia, February 27-28. Panel moderator: "Mining American Popular Culture from the Eighteenth Century to the Present."
- 2007 A Celebration of Graduate Student Research, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia, April 12, 2007. Paper Presentation: "Hybrid Identity Among Nicaraguan Immigrants to the West Georgia Piedmont, 1981-2005."
- 2006 American Culture Association/Popular Culture Association National Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, April 15, 2006. Paper Presentation: "Taking the Stinger Out of the WASP: Richard Rodriguez and Neo-Conservative Idealism"
- Appalachian Studies Association, 29th Annual Conference, Dayton, Ohio, March 16, 2006. Paper Presentation: "'Hillbillies' and 'Wetbacks': A Comparison of the Migration Experiences of Othered Groups in America"
- Graduate Student Colloquium, Department of History, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia, March 10, 2006. Paper Presentation: "Taking the Stinger Out of the WASP: Richard

Community Service Presentations

2009 Lit Mu Club, Carrollton, GA March 2009. Lecture: “Popular Music of the 1960s: Agent of Social Change or Mirror of Social and Political Ideology?”

Cross-Cultural Experiences

2016 Prague, Czech Republic; Munich, Germany; Riga, Latvia. Initiated preliminary research for dissertation.

2013 Prague, Czech Republic; Krakow, Poland. May, 2013. Completed preliminary research for conference paper.

2011 Zlin, Bystrice pod Hostyn Czech Republic July 12-Aug 3. Volunteered to teach ESL classes at family English language camp.

2010 Prague, Czech Republic March 4-11, 2011. Cross-cultural experiences during Spring break, including visit to Terezin, Nazi concentration camp in northern Bohemia.

Bystrice pod Hostyn, Czech Republic. July, 2010. Volunteered to teach beginner English classes at family summer ESL camp in central Moravia.

2009 Prague, Czech Republic. Invited to experience Christmas holidays with ESL students and families. December 15-30, 2009

2007 Quito, Ecuador. May, 2007. Volunteered to teach improvisational music skills to church musicians (two weeks, daily 4-hour sessions)

Lipno nad Vltavou, Czech Republic. July 2007. Volunteered to teach advanced English classes at family summer ESL camp in

southern Bohemia

- 2006 Lipno nad Vltavou, Czech Republic. July 2006. Volunteered to teach advanced English classes at family summer ESL camp in southern Bohemia
- 2004 Osorno, Chile. April 2004. Volunteered to take a team of classical musicians to southern Chile for a series of open-air concerts sponsored by Presbyteriana Iglesia Osorno.