

## Garrett McKinnon

### Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

2022 Ph.D. History, Duke University  
2014 M.A. History, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA  
2012 B.A. History, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023-Present Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of History, North Carolina State University  
2022-2023 Lecturer, Department of History, North Carolina State University  
2022-2024 Instructor of History, Department of History, Duke University  
2020-2022 Graduate Instructor, Department of History, Duke University

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### *North Carolina State University*

2024 HI 337: Spy vs. Spy: Cold War Intelligence History  
2023 HI 335: The World at War  
2023 HI 451: The Vietnam War  
2023 HI 337: Spy vs. Spy: Cold War Intelligence History  
2022 HI 350: American Military History

#### *Duke University*

2024 HI 287 / ICS 287: History of the World Wars  
2023 HI 175: The United States in the World  
2022 HI 156 / HuRights 156: Cold War America  
2022 HI 114 / PubPol 160: Introduction to the History of Modern Warfare  
2021 HI 340 / AAS 340: Civil War and Reconstruction in the United States  
2021 HI 114 / PubPol 160: Introduction to the History of Modern Warfare  
2020 HI 362: United States Political History  
2020 HI 114 / PubPol 160: Introduction to the History of Modern Warfare  
2018 HI 359: Violent Jihad in the Twentieth Century – A Global History (TA)  
2017 HI 130: American Dreams, American Realities (TA)  
2016 HI 285: Introduction to the History of Western Warfare (TA)

#### *Louisiana State University*

2014 Graduate Assistant Supervisor for the Supplemental Instructor Program,  
LSU Center for Academic Success  
2013 HI 1001: History of Western Civilization, Supplemental Instructor

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, and AWARDS

- 2023-2024 *Pearson Fellow in Aerospace History*  
Inaugural Recipient of Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship  
Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering, and Technology, Kansas City, MO
- 2022 *Bordin-Gillette Research Travel Fellowship*  
Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- 2021-2022 *Perilman Advanced Doctoral Research Grant*  
Center for Jewish Studies, Duke University
- 2021 *Teaching Military History Fellowship*  
Appointment as Graduate Instructor of Record to teach course “Introduction to the History of Modern Warfare,” Duke University, History Department
- 2020 *Provost Graduate Assistantship*  
Digital Archives Expedition Intern, Duke University Rubenstein Library
- 2019, 2020 *Competitive Summer Research Fellowship for Advanced PhD Students*  
Duke University Graduate School
- 2019 *Moody Research Grant*  
Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation  
U.S. National Archives and Records Administration, University of Texas, Austin
- 2019 *Research Fellowship*  
Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering, and Technology, Kansas City, MO
- 2019 *Research Fellowship*  
Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History  
Lemelson Center for Invention and Innovation, Washington, D.C.
- 2019 *Marjorie Kovler Research Fellowship*  
John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, U.S. National Archives and Records Administration, University of Massachusetts, Boston
- 2018 *Research Travel Grant*  
Dwight D. Eisenhower Foundation  
U.S. National Archives and Records Administration, Abilene, Kansas
- 2018 *Aleane Webb Dissertation Research Award*  
Duke University Graduate School
- 2018 *Duke History Department Summer Research Grant*
- 2018 *Domestic Dissertation Travel Award*  
Duke University Graduate School
- 2016, 2017 *Summer Research Fellowship*  
Duke University Graduate School
- 2015-2020 *History Department Doctoral Fellowship*  
Duke University Graduate School
- 2013 *History Department MA Thesis Research Grant*  
Louisiana State University
- 2008-2009 *LSU Symphony Stipend, Violinist*

2008-2012 *Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) Scholarship*  
State of Louisiana, full tuition to Louisiana State University

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

2024 “The 1960 U-2 Crisis Reconsidered: Technology, Masculinity, and U.S. Airpower’s ‘Unmanning,’” *Diplomatic History*, online 4/17/24, Vol. 48, Iss. 4.

### Popular Publications

2024 “Tracing the Growth of a World Market for Military Drone Technology,”  
The Linda Hall Library’s *Hedgehog* magazine, Summer 2024.

2022 “Alumni Profile Series: Tracy Campbell,”  
Duke University Graduate School, Professional Development Blog, 2022.

2019 “Duke on Gender Colloquium: Transnationally Thinking Men and Masculinities,”  
Duke Gender, Sexuality, and Feminist Studies Newsletter, Summer 2019.

### Book Reviews

2017 J.P. Clark, *Preparing For War: The Emergence Of The Modern U.S. Army, 1815-1917*, Harvard University Press, *Civil War Book Review*, Vol. 19: Iss. 3.

2015 Matthew Carr, *Sherman's Ghosts: Soldiers, Civilians, and the American Way of War*, The New Press, *Civil War Book Review* Vol. 17: Iss. 3.

### In Preparation

Books *Automating Violence: A History of United States Drone Warfare*

Articles “A Silent Drone: Finding Meaning in the Drone’s Absence from Anti-Vietnam War Music.” In preparation for submission to the journal *Technology and Culture*.

Book Review David W. Mills, *Cold War in a Cold Land: Fighting Communism in the Northern Plains*, University of Oklahoma Press. Review in preparation for H-War.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION AND INVITED TALKS

2024 *Co-Organizer and Speaker*: Carolina Public Humanities, International Year of Quantum Science and Mechanics, Panel Discussion of the play *Copenhagen* at Burning Coal Theatre.

2023 *Invited Lecture*: “The Vietnam War,” invited by Professor Dirk Bonker for the course “Introduction to the History of Modern Warfare,” Duke University.

2023 *Works in Progress Seminar*: “Unmanly Powers: The 1960 U-2 Crisis, Gender Anxieties, and the Automation of United States Airpower.”  
Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering, and Technology

2022 *Works in Progress Seminar*: “Unmanly Powers: The 1960 U-2 Crisis, Gender Anxieties, and the Automation of United States Airpower.”  
North Carolina State University History Department

2022 *Paper Presentation*: “Unmanly Powers: The 1960 U-2 Crisis, Gender Anxieties, Religious Objections, and the Automation of United States Airpower.”  
Duke University Jewish Studies Research Symposium

- 2022 *Paper Presentation*: “Unmanly Powers: Gender Anxieties, the 1960 U-2 Crisis, and the Automation of United States Airpower.”  
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference
- 2022 *Paper Presentation*: “‘Invent for Victory’: The United States National Inventors Council and its Pursuit of Push-Button Violence, 1940-1945.”  
Policy History Conference, Arizona State University
- 2021 *Dissertation Chapter Work in Progress Seminar*, with commenter Professor Mark R. Wilson, UNC Charlotte, “‘Invent for Victory’: The United States National Inventors Council and its Pursuit of Push-Button Violence, 1940-1946.”  
Duke History Department Methods Lab
- 2020 *Panelist and Panel Organizer*: “Virtuality as Method: Teaching,”  
Duke History Department Methods Lab
- 2019 *Invited Participant*, Conference on Drone Warfare, Peace Action’s Interfaith Coalition on Drone Warfare, Princeton University Theological Seminary.
- 2018 *Invited Participant*, TechPlomacy Conference on Technology, Governance, and the Future of Diplomacy, Center for Strategic and International Studies, via Denmark’s Ambassador of Technology Casper Klynge, Washington D.C.
- 2018 *Invited Lecturer*, “Onwards and Upwards Christian Soldier: Francis Gary Powers and the Suicidal Expectations of his Nation,” invited by Amy Laura Hall for the course “War and Christianity,” Department of Ethics and Duke Divinity School.
- 2018 *Invited Lecturer*, “From Imperial Air Policing to Contemporary Drone Warfare,” invited by Adam Mestyan for the course “Violent Jihad: A Global History.”
- 2017 *Session Moderator*, Conference Against the Use of Drones in Warfare, Duke University, Department of Ethics and the Divinity School, in conjunction with the release of *Life in the Age of Drone Warfare*, eds. Lisa Parks and Caren Kaplan, Durham, Duke University Press, 2017.
- 2015 *Invited Participant*, National Security Scholars Conference with Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James, Fuqua Business School, Duke University.
- 2014 *Paper Presentation*, “The New Drone Misconception: Unmanned Aerial Vehicles in the World Wars,” Graduate History Conference, Louisiana State University.

## RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

- 2024 For Duke University Centennial Committee.  
Archival research for *Duke University: The First One Hundred Years, 1924-2024*.
- 2023 For Professor Kimberly Phillips-Fein, Columbia University.  
Examination of Duke University Professor William McDougall’s papers at the Rubenstein Library in association with ongoing book project.
- 2019 For Professor Dirk Bönker, Duke University.  
Reading of United States Congressional Documents in the early 1900s for debates surrounding “militarism” in association with ongoing book project.

- 2018 For Professor Martin Duberman, City University of New York, Lehman College. Reading of materials from several collections held at Duke University's Sallie Bingham Center for Women's History and Culture. In support of the book: *Andrea Dworkin: The Feminist as Revolutionary*, The New Press, 2020.
- 2018 For Professors Frances Clarke, University of Sidney, and Rebecca Jo Plant, University of California, San Diego. Reading of Columbus, Georgia newspaper *The Weekly Sun* during the American Civil War years for discourse surrounding the possible drafting of children and enslaved people as soldiers or support labor within the Confederate Army. In support of the book *Of Age: Boy Soldiers and Military Power in the Civil War Era*, Oxford University Press, 2023.
- 2015 For Professor Aaron Sheehan-Dean, Louisiana State University. Reading of Civil War era newspapers for the moral rhetoric surrounding acts of violence outside regular combat. Also, analysis of the Federal Writers' Project *Slave Narratives: A Folk History of Slavery in the United States* for formerly enslaved peoples' claims of engaging in violent acts of self-emancipation against slaveholders or overseers during the American Civil War. In support of the book: *The Calculus of Violence: How Americans Fought the Civil War*, Harvard University Press, 2018.

#### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

- 2023 North Carolina State University, History Department Honors Program, Undergraduate Thesis Committee Outside Reader
- 2022 Duke University Alumni Profile Series Interview with Professor Tracy Campbell
- 2021-2022 Graduate Advisory Board to History Department Methods Lab
- 2020-2021 Co-Organizer, Graduate Student Working Group on Historical Methodology, History Methods Lab, Department of History, Duke University
- 2019 Duke History Department Graduate Student Association  
Peer Mentor to Incoming History Department PhD Student
- 2015-2016 Graduate Assistant Coordinator for Duke History Department Colloquia Series
- 2013-2014 Conference Organizing Committee, History Graduate Student Association, Louisiana State University

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- American Historical Association, Member
- Organization of American Historians, Member
- Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Member
- Society for Military History, Member
- Society for the History of Technology, Member
- History of Science Society, Member