

**Dr. John O'Keefe, Ph.D.**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

**Assistant Professor of History**  
**Ohio University-Chillicothe**  
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**Education** Ph.D. in American Studies – awarded May 20, 2012  
George Washington University  
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Washington, DC 20052  
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B.A. in Linguistics '00 (General Honors)  
University of Chicago  
5801 S University Ave  
Chicago, IL 60637

**Comprehensive Exams** Early American History, Nineteenth-Century U.S. History, History of Sexuality. Passed February 2007

**Dissertation** “From Legal Rights to Citizens' Rights and Alien Penalties: Migrant Influence, Naturalization, and the Growth of National Power over Foreign Migrants in the Early American Republic.” Awarded May 20, 2012.

Best Dissertation on Migration and/or Citizenship accepted in 2012,  
American Political Science Association

**Teaching Experience** **Assistant Professor of History, Ohio University-Chillicothe**  
**August 2014 to present**

- Currently teaching U.S. History to 1877, World History 1750-Present
- Scheduled to teach U.S. History 1877 to Present, World History to 1750 for Spring 2015
- Service work on research committee (2014 to present), with additional service described in service section

**Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Nevada, Reno**  
**August 2012 to July 2014**

- Taught courses on the U.S. Immigration History, History of New Media, U.S. Constitutional History, Twentieth-century U.S. History,

American Revolution and Early American Republic, U.S. Civil War in American Culture, as well as co-teaching of Core Humanities class, The Modern World

- Advised undergraduate theses and graduate comprehensive exams

**Teaching and Research Assistant, George Washington University – Fall 2004 to 2010**

- Prepared lesson plans and led student discussions
- Graded student assignments
- Provided academic advice for students
- Teaching responsibilities:
  - Introduction to American Studies (Fall 2004 and Fall 2006)
  - U.S. Social History (Fall 2005 and Fall 2007)
  - Sexuality in U.S. History (Spring 2004)
  - Twentieth-Century U.S. Immigration (Spring 2007)
  - Research and Grading for Food in Washington (Spring 2008)
- Research Assistantship: Research for Textbook, *Women and the Making of America* (Prentice Hall, 2008). (Spring 2006 and 2008)
- Program Assistant for GWU Creative Writing Program (Fall 2008 and Spring 2009)
- Research Assistant, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution (Fall 2010)

**List of Courses Taught** Courses I have taught as an Assistant Professor

- U.S. History to 1877
- U.S. History 1877 to the Present
- World History to 1750
- World History 1750 to the Present

Courses I have taught as a Visiting Assistant Professor

- U.S. Constitutional History
- Twentieth-Century U.S. History
- American Revolution and Early American Republic
- U.S. Civil War in American Culture
- Core Humanities: The Modern World (co-taught)
- History of New Media
- U.S. Immigration History

Courses for which I have been a Graduate Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to American Studies
- U.S. Social History
- Sexuality in U.S. History
- Twentieth-Century U.S. Immigration
- Research and Grading for Food in Washington

**Publications** Book Manuscript: *Strangers to the Privileges of Citizens: Migrant Influence, Naturalization, and the Growth of National Power over Foreign Migrants in the Early American Republic*. Sent out for review by Cornell University Press.

“Alien Enemies or Naturalized Citizens? Representations of British-born Residents in the United States during the War of 1812,” in *Representing Citizenship*. Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2015 (forthcoming).

"Fighting Denizenship, Exercising Citizenship: Racial Differences in Strategies for Securing Rights among Migrants from the French Empire in the Early American Republic," article currently under peer review by the *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*.

"'Teaching AIDS' in the Early 1980s", interview with Marcia Quackenbush, author of the first AIDS textbook, for *O Say Can You See*, NMAH Smithsonian blog. Online, available at:

<http://blog.americanhistory.si.edu/osaycanyousee/2011/05/interview-teaching-aids-in-the-early-1980s.html>.

"The Naturalization Act of 1790," in the *Encyclopedia of American Immigration*. Pasadena, Ca.: Salem Press/EBSCO, 2010.

The following articles, in *Milestones of U.S. Diplomatic History*, U.S. Department of State Office of the Historian, 2007-2009. Online, available at: <http://history.state.gov/milestones/> :

- Incidents Leading up to the French and Indian War, 1753-1754
- French and Indian War/Seven Years' War, 1754-1763
- Albany Plan of Union, 1754
- Treaty of Paris, 1763
- Parliamentary Taxation of Colonies, International Trade, and the American Revolution, 1763-1775
- The Proclamation Line of 1763, the Quebec Act of 1774, and Westward Expansion
- Continental Congress, 1774-1781
- Secret Committee of Correspondence/Committee for Foreign Affairs, 1775-1777
- The Declaration of Independence, 1776
- The Model Treaty, 1776
- French Alliance, French Assistance, and European Diplomacy during the American Revolution, 1778-1782
- Articles of Confederation, 1777-1781
- U.S. Debt and Foreign Loans, 1775-1795
- Treaty of Paris, 1783
- Constitutional Convention and Ratification, 1787-1789
- The United States and the French Revolution, 1789-1799
- The United States and the Haitian Revolution, 1791-1804
- The Citizen Genêt Affair, 1793-1794
- Treaty of San Lorenzo/Pinckney's Treaty, 1795
- Washington's Farewell Address, 1796
- Barbary Wars, 1801-1805 and 1815-1816
- Napoleonic Wars and the United States, 1803-1815
- Rush-Bagot Pact, 1817 and Convention of 1818
- Territorial Expansion, Filibustering, and U.S. Interests in Central America and Cuba, 1849-1861
- Blockade of Confederate Ports, 1861-1865
- French Intervention in Mexico and the American Civil War, 1862-1867
- Commodore Robert W. Shufeldt's Voyage to Africa, the Middle East, and Asia, 1878-1880
- U.S. Intervention in Nicaragua, 1911/1912

- U.S. Intervention in Mexico, 1916-17
- Purchase of the United States Virgin Islands, 1917
- The Dominican Republic, 1916-1924

The following short biographies, for the web site of the Office of the Historian at the U.S. Department of State, 2009. Online, available at:

<http://history.state.gov/departmenthistory/people/secretaries> :

- William Henry Seward, 1861-1869
- Elihu Washburne, 1869
- Hamilton Fish, 1869-1877
- William Evarts, 1887-1881
- James G. Blaine, 1881, 1889-1892
- Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, 1881-1885
- Thomas Francis Bayard, 1885-1889
- John W. Foster, 1892-1893
- Richard Olney, 1893-1895

The following articles in *A Guide to the United States' History of Recognition, Diplomatic, and Consular Relations, by Country, Since 1776*, for the web site of the Office of the Historian at the U.S. Department of State, 2009. Online, available at:

<http://history.state.gov/countries> :

- Algeria
- Hawai'i (Summary to Diplomatic Relations sections)
- Libya
- Morocco
- Texas (Summary to Diplomatic Relations sections)
- Tunisia

**Exhibitions Assistant Exhibit Curator**

*HIV and AIDS 30 Years Ago*. Exhibition at Smithsonian National Museum of American History. On exhibit June-November 2011.

**Conference Presentations**

"Indentured German Migrants' Narratives of Exploitation and Matriculation into Citizenship in the Early American Republic," at the panel "Early American Spaces of Misery: the Alienation of Labor and Land in Homes, Cities, Frontiers," at the Annual Conference of the American Studies Association, October 8-11, 2015.

"Free Non-European Migrants in the Early American Republic," at the panel "Movements and Migrations: Global Journeys and American Identities, 1788-1820," at the Annual Conference of the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, June 11-13, 2010. Also presented as "Who are Free White Men? Free Non-European Migrants in the Early American Republic" at Smithsonian National Museum of American History Colloquium, October 12, 2010.

"Transatlantic Radicals, Citizenship and Cultural Assimilation during the Adams Administration" at the panel "Cultural Assimilation, Criminal Codes, and Nativism: Visions of Early American Citizenship," for "Practices Of Citizenship, Sustainability And Belonging," presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, November 5-8, 2009.

"Citesses and Citizens, King's Subjects and Aliens: Migrant Responses to the Alien and Sedition Acts and the Naturalization Act of 1798" at the panel "Citizenship in the Early Republic and the Legacy of the American Revolution," presented at "Whither the Revolution: How the Early Republic Retained and Remolded the Legacy of the Revolution:" 31st annual meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), July 16-19, 2009.

"'You Will Cause to be Removed, as heretofore Prescribed': Official and Popular Responses to Perceived Threats from British Alien Enemies in the United States during the War of 1812" at the panel "The United States and the British Empire, 1789-1815," presented at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, June 25-27, 2009.

"Alien Enemies or Naturalized Citizens? Representations of British-born residents in the United States during the War of 1812" at the panel "Friend or Foe?: Representing Wartime Citizenship in the United States during the War of 1812, WWI and WWII," presented at the Sixth Annual Conference in Citizenship Studies: *Representing Citizenship*, March 27-28, 2009.

**Service** Member, Research Committee, Ohio University-Chillicothe, 2014-present

Judge, District 9 Ohio History Day, March 28, 2015

Member, Physics Lecturer Search Committee, Spring 2015

Lecture, "Radical Immigrant Printers and the Alien and Sedition Acts," Sons of the American Revolution, Northern Nevada Chapter, Presidents' Day Luncheon, February 22, 2014 (also delivered for Constitution Day celebration, Ohio University Zanesville, September 18, 2014)

Meeting with Ross County Archeological Society regarding historic well at Pump House Gallery, Chillicothe, Ohio, October 20, 2014

Moderator, UNR Student Government Candidate Debates, February 24, 2014

Panelist, "Queering UNR," discussing work, responsibilities, and possibilities for change as LGBTQQ faculty, November 5, 2013

"Major in History at UNR" video - filmed and edited. Available for viewing upon request.

Revamped web site copy for UNR Department of History:  
<http://www.unr.edu/cla/history/> (forthcoming)

**Other Relevant Work Experience** **Research Analyst/Independent Contractor, Open Source Center**  
**May 2011 to August 2012**

- Conducted research on social media's influence on international relations and current events, including Arab Spring, 2011 U.K. riots
- Identified key trends and patterns in global social media use, with a focus on virality, shared content, and platform preference
- Identified key sources of global social media statistics (e.g.

Facebook, Twitter, Sina Weibo, vKontakte) and evaluated them for provenance and reliability.

- Wrote and edited literature reviews of scholarship on social media and international relations
- Disseminated news on social media-related topics through internal blogs, as well as social bookmarking and microblogging clients

**Assistant Exhibit Curator,  
Smithsonian National Museum of American History (NMAH)  
September 2010 to May 2011**

- Conducted background research, planning and obtained artifacts for exhibit on thirtieth anniversary of the discovery of HIV and AIDS
- Wrote exhibit script with recommended objects for public health response to HIV and AIDS
- Graduate Teaching Assistant responsibilities for Material Culture
- Conducted interview with former social worker and AIDS textbook author about her work during the early years of the AIDS epidemic for NMAH Smithsonian blog

**Contract Historian, Office of the Historian, U.S. Department of State -  
Summer 2007 & Summer 2008**

- Composed and edited articles for *Milestones of U.S. Diplomatic History*, focusing on international relations during the Early Republic and colonial periods
- Wrote and edited chronologies of bilateral diplomatic relations, including: Algeria, Libya (incl. Qaramanli Tripoli), Morocco, and Tunisia, and unrecognized nations and former nations
- Wrote brief, one-page biographies of the Secretaries of State

**Indexer, *The American Civil War: Letters and Diaries*, Alexander Street  
Press – 2001 to 2004**

- Indexed and categorized letters and diaries pertaining to events from the American Civil War as well as everyday mid-nineteenth-century life
- Conducted biographical research on authors and their participation in events of the Civil War period
- Additional work on *North American Women's Letters and Diaries*, *British and Irish Women's Letters and Diaries*, *Black Drama*, *American Film Scripts Online*, and *Early Encounters in North America*
- Edited help section of web site for *The American Civil War: Letters and Diaries*

**Linguist/Lexicographer, Answerlogic, Inc., 2000-2001**

- Engaged in ongoing reorganization of WordNet-based Lexicon (dictionary)
- Added new terms to Lexicon
- Interviewed potential new linguists

**Digital Humanities** Twitter handle: @JohnOKDC (<https://twitter.com/JohnOKDC>).

Course: History of New Media

Designed databases based on Landing Reports and Registrations of Aliens,

1799-1802, and Marshals' Returns of Alien Enemies from War of 1812 papers.

"Major in History at UNR" video – filmed and edited. Available for viewing upon request.

Revamped web site copy for UNR Department of History:  
<http://www.unr.edu/cla/history/> (forthcoming)

Optimized links for Google searches for Milestones of Diplomatic History (<http://history.state.gov/milestones>) for U.S. Department of State.

**Skills** Languages – Norwegian (proficient), German (proficient), French (basic), Spanish (basic).

Software - MS Office, iMovie, Final Cut Pro, Filemaker Pro, MS Access, HTML/SGML/XML, FrontPage/Expression Web, Endnote/Sente, QuarkXpress, InDesign. Mac and PC friendly.

**Memberships** SHEAR, ASA, OIEAC, AHA, OAH, APSA

**Fellowships, Grants, and Awards** Award for Best Dissertation on Migration and/or Citizenship accepted in 2012, American Political Science Association (APSA)

Research Assistantship at Smithsonian Museum of American History (NMAH), Fall 2010

George Washington University Dissertation Writing Fellowship in American Studies, 2009-2010

Academic Excellence Scholarship, 2004-2009

Cosmos Club Foundation Scholarship, 2009.

- For travel to the Irish National Archives in Dublin and UK Public Record Office in Belfast.

George Washington University Columbian College of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Research Travel Grant, 2008 and 2009

- For examination of the Timothy Pickering Papers at the Massachusetts Historical Society in Boston, Massachusetts; the Pierre Toussaint Papers at the New York Historical Society; and court cases pertaining immigrant riots in the New York City Municipal Archives (2008)
- For examination of Irish emigrants' letters at the Public Records Office of Northern Ireland (2009)

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