

**Jay W. Driskell**  
Curriculum Vitae

**EDUCATION**

- 2008            Ph.D., Yale University, Department of History
- 2004            M.A., Yale University, Department of History
- 2000            B.A., University of Wisconsin – Madison

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

- 2015-present        George Washington University, Department of History – Visiting Scholar
- 2010-present        Hood College, Department of History – Assistant Professor
- 2008-2010            University of Arizona, Department of History – Adjunct Professor

**PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS**

**Books:**

- 2014            *Schooling Jim Crow: The Fight for Atlanta’s Booker T. Washington High School and the Roots of Black Protest Politics.* (Charlottesville, VA: University of Virginia Press, 2014).
- In progress        *Hard Work: A History of Sanitation Workers and the Teamsters* (under contract with the International Brotherhood of the Teamsters).

**Book Chapters:**

- 2006            “The Awakening of Amzie Moore: The Biographical Roots of the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi, 1912-1960,” in The Human Tradition and the Civil Rights Movement, 1865-1980, Paul R. Beezley and Susan M. Glisson, eds., (New York: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2006). pp. 129-156.

**Book Reviews and Shorter Publications:**

- 2015            Review of *A World More Concrete: Real Estate and the Remaking of Jim Crow South Florida* by N. D. B. Connolly, *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas*. Vol. 12, No. 4 (Winter, 2015).

- 2015 “How they ignore Black America: Freddie Gray, Baltimore & the pernicious influence of respectability politics,” *Salon.com*, 28 April 2015, [http://www.salon.com/2015/04/28/how\\_they\\_ignore\\_black\\_america\\_freddie\\_gray\\_baltimore\\_the\\_pernicious\\_influence\\_of\\_respectability\\_politics/](http://www.salon.com/2015/04/28/how_they_ignore_black_america_freddie_gray_baltimore_the_pernicious_influence_of_respectability_politics/)
- 2014 “America just doesn’t get it: Why police killings demand more than a ‘respectable’ response,” *Salon.com*, 13 December 2014, [http://www.salon.com/2014/12/13/white\\_americas\\_feel\\_good\\_fallacy/](http://www.salon.com/2014/12/13/white_americas_feel_good_fallacy/)
- 2014 Review of *To Render Invisible: Jim Crow and Public Life in New South Jacksonville* by Robert Cassanello, *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas*. Vol. 11, No. 4 (Winter, 2014).
- 2014 Review of *A New Deal for All? Race and Class Struggles in Depression-Era Baltimore* by Andor Skotnes, *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas*. Vol. 11, No. 3 (Fall, 2014).
- 2014 “Writing History with Wite-Out: A Review of PBS’s *The Abolitionists*,” *Jacobin: A Magazine of Culture and Polemic*, 25 March 2014, <https://www.jacobinmag.com/2014/03/writing-history-with-wite-out/>
- 2012 “A Solidarity of Strangers: Reflections on Organizing,” *CoreyRobin.com*, 8 June 2012, <http://coreyrobin.com/2012/06/08/a-solidarity-of-strangers/>
- 2011 “More!” A review of *The Labor Question in America: Economic Democracy in the Gilded Age* by Rosanne Currarino, *H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences*, October 2011, <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=33126>
- 2010 “Civil Rights” in *The Encyclopedia of United States Political History, Vol. 4: 1876-1920*, ed. Robert Johnston (Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, 2010).
- 2002 Review of *Worker Participation: Lessons from the Worker Co-ops of the Pacific Northwest* by John Pencavel, *The Journal of International Labor and Working Class History* 63 (October, 2002).

## **AWARDS, HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2015 Award for Promoting a Multicultural Environment, Office of Multicultural Affairs and International Student Programs, Hood College.
- 2014 McCardell Professional Development Grant, Hood College.

- 2011 Faculty Enrichment Grant, Association of American Geographers.
- 2011 McCardell Professional Development Grant, Hood College.
- 2007 MARBL Research Fellowship, Emory University.
- 2006 Albert J. Beveridge Grant for Research in the History of the Western Hemisphere, American Historical Association.
- 2006 Gilder Lehrman Fellowship, Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.
- 2006 University Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University.
- 2005 John F. Enders Fellowship: Yale University.
- 2004 Beinecke Library Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University.
- 2000 Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies, Duke University.
- 2000 Sterling Fellowship: Yale University (declined).
- 1999 Election to Phi Beta Kappa, University of Wisconsin.
- 1999 Hilldale Undergraduate Research Award, University of Wisconsin.
- 1999 George Enfield Frazer, Jr. Scholarship, University of Wisconsin.
- 1999 University League Scholarship, University of Wisconsin.
- 1999 Herfurth-Kubly Award Finalist, University of Wisconsin.
- 1999 Earl D. Johnson Scholarship, University of Wisconsin.

**INVITED TALKS**

- 2012 “Civic Rights: Respectability and Urban Development in Jim Crow Atlanta,” Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, 27 February.
- 2011 “The Nineteenth Century Labor Movement and the Language of Americanism.” National History Day Teacher Training Workshop, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, 13 June.

**CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

## **Panels Organized**

- 2015 “Hope and Peril: World War One and Working-Class Black Southerners.” Southern Labor Studies Association Conference, 7 March.
- 2013 “Disaster Progressivism: Urban Crisis, Power and Reform.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 3-6 Jan.
- 2009 “Who Were the Black Progressives?” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, 27-30 March.

## **Panels Chaired**

- 2015 “Teamster Union Responses to Congressional Investigations in the Late 1950s.” Labor and Working-Class History Association Annual Meeting, 29 May.
- 2015 “Unfree Markets.” A Time and Place: Race and Racism in Comparative Perspective, Fourth Annual Racism, Immigration, and Citizenship Graduate Student Conference. Johns Hopkins University, 1 May.

## **Papers Presented**

- 2015 “Self-Determination at the Ballot-Box: the Fight for Atlanta’s Booker T. Washington High School, 1913-1924.” Labor and Working-Class History Association Annual Meeting, 30 May.
- 2015 “‘War Dreams’: Patriotism and Cross-Class Black Solidarity in WWI-Era Atlanta.” Southern Labor Studies Association Conference, 7 March.
- 2014 “Rethinking Interracial Politics and the Long Civil Rights Movement: Black Jacksonville and the Knights of Labor, 1887-1892.” D.C. African American Studies Works-In-Progress Seminar, 8 Feb.
- 2014 “Florida’s ‘Second Reconstruction’: The Knights of Labor and Interracial Politics in Jacksonville, Florida, 1887-1889.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 2-5 Jan.
- 2013 “Learning How to Jim Crow: Jacksonville, Florida’s White Progressives, 1887-1892.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 3-6 Jan.
- 2011 “Respectable Militants: Atlanta’s Neighborhood Union and the Transformation of the Politics of Respectability, 1908-1913.” D.C.-Area Working-Class Studies Seminar. 15 October.

2009 “The Limits of the Politics of Respectability: Disfranchisement, ‘Manhood Rights,’ and the 1906 Georgia Equal Rights Convention.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, 27-30 March.

### **Discussant**

2012 “Campus Organizing 101: Organizing Food Service Workers at Pomona College.” Roundtable at the Labor Research and Action Network Annual Conference. 11-12 June.

### **CAMPUS TALKS**

2015 Book Talk for *Schooling Jim Crow: The Fight for Atlanta’s Booker T. Washington High School and the Roots of Black Protest Politics*. Hood College, Frederick, MD, 24 Feb.

2015 Participant on the Black Lives Matter Student-Faculty Panel. Sponsored by the Hood College Black Student Union. Hood College, Frederick, MD, 3 Feb.

2014 *The Abolitionists*: Screening and Panel Discussion. Part of the Created Equal film series, funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. Hood College, Frederick, MD, 25 Feb.

2012 “The Politicians of Respectability: Urban Development and Interracial Politics in Atlanta, GA, 1899-1919.” Hood College, Frederick, MD, 3 April.

### **UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Hood College, 2010-present**

African American History Since 1900

African American History to 1900

American Labor History from the Gilded Age to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Freshman Honors Seminar: Exploring Evil, Realities and Representations

Freshman Honors Seminar: The Zombie History of the United States

Graduate Seminar: Race and Racism in the United States

Graduate Seminar: The City in History since 1500

Graduate Seminar: The History of Women in the United States

Museums and Monuments: Cultural Resources in the Greater DC Area

New Deal America, 1929-2000

The Gilded Age and Progressive Era, 1877-1929

The United States in the Twentieth Century

Undergraduate Seminar: From Jim Crow to Civil Rights

### **University of Arizona, 2008-2010**

The History of American Women from the Colonial Era to 1890.

The History of American Women from 1890 to the Present.

The History of the United States from 1914 to 1945.

The History of the United States since 1945.

The Idea and Practice of History.

The Making of American Culture and Tradition, 1600-1877.

Undergraduate Seminar: Black Politics in America – From Frederick Douglass to Barack Obama.

Work, Power and Culture.

### **Yale University, 2003-2006**

American Politics and Society, 1940-present.

History of South Africa.

Modern African History.

The Civil War and Reconstruction, 1845-1877.

### **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

2015-present          Southern Labor Studies Association, Board of Directors

2014-2015	Southern Labor Studies Association, 2015 Conference Program Committee.
2013-present	Facilitator, DC-Area African American Studies Seminar (co-sponsored by the National History Center).
2013-present	Southern Labor Studies Association Membership Committee.
2012	Course Design Consultant, National Labor College.
2012	Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Association Third Annual Conference Planning Committee.
2010-2012	Southern Labor Studies Association Outreach Committee.
2010	Faculty Reviewer, Congressional Quarterly Press.
2007-2014	Reader for Advanced Placement U.S. History, Educational Testing Services.
2005	Facilitator, Labor and Working Class History Reading Group, Yale University.

#### **DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE SERVICE**

2014-2015	Departmental Search Committee – Latin American History
2014-2015	Departmental Assessment Coordinator
2014-present	Student Board of Appeals
2014-present	Women’s and Gender Studies Steering Committee
2013-2014	Provost’s Core Curriculum Review Committee
2012-present	Departmental Library Liaison
2012-2015	Academic Standards and Policies Committee
2012-2014	Nominations Committee
2011-present	African American Studies Advisory Committee
2011-2013	Academic Judicial Council
2011-present	M.A. in Humanities Advisory Committee

2011-2013 Curriculum Committee  
2010-2011 Phi Beta Kappa Ad Hoc Task Force

### **EXTRACURRICULAR UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

2014-present Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service Planning Committee  
2012-2013 Hindsight/Foresight Living-Learning Community Faculty Advisor  
2010-2014 Phi Alpha Theta Faculty Advisor  
2010-2014 Gay-Straight Alliance Faculty Advisor  
2009 Arizona Assurance Mentorship Program

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Association for State and Local History  
American Historical Association  
Association for the Study of African American Life and History  
Labor and Working Class History Association  
Organization of American Historians  
Society for the History of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era  
Southern Labor Studies Association