

KYLE SHELTON

Curriculum Vitae

Postdoctoral Fellow | Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University

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CURRENT POSITION

Postdoctoral Fellow, Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University

(July 2014-Present)

EDUCATION

PhD in American History (2014)

University of Texas, Austin, Texas

B.A. in History (2007), Magna Cum Laude

Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, MI

PUBLICATIONS

Book Manuscript in Progress:

“Power Moves: Infrastructural Citizenship in Houston, Texas, 1950 to Today”

Articles in Progress:

“Building a Better Houston: Highways, Neighborhoods, and Infrastructural Citizenship in the 1970s,” under review.

“The Regulatory Nature Of Urban Ports: The Case Of Houston,” under review, with James R. Elliot and Lester O. King.

Refereed Journal Articles:

“Houston (Un)Limited: Path-Dependent Annexation and Highway Practices in an American Metropolis,” *Transfers: Interdisciplinary Journal of Mobility Studies*, 4 (1), Spring 2014, 91-115.

“Power, Governance, and Contested Mobilities: New Turns in United States Historiography,” *Mobility in History*, 5 (1), January 2014, pp. 127-133.

“Culture War in Downtown Houston: Jones Hall and the Postwar Battle over Exclusive Space,” *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, 116 (1) (July 2012): 1-24.

Book Reviews:

Review of *Drive: Journey's through Film, Cities and Landscapes*, by Iain Borden, *Planning Perspectives*, 28, (4) (2013).

Review of *Manhattan Projects: The Rise and Fall of Urban Renewal in Cold War New York*, by

Samuel Zipp. *Not Even Past*, notevenpast.org (July 2011).

Public Writing:

“East End Transit Push Sparked Change,” *Houston Chronicle* (June 14, 2015)

“Taking Urban Planning to the Streets,” *Houston Chronicle* (May 22, 2015)

“Study History: Help Save America’s Crumbling Infrastructure and Bring the Humanities Together with STEM,” *Not Even Past* (online October 27, 2014) co-written with Dr. Erika Bsumek

“What Old Transit Maps Can Teach Us About a City’s Future,” *CityLab* (online October 10, 2014.)

“Houston not chained to re-create sprawling past,” *Houston Chronicle* (August 29, 2014), co-written with Kate Vickery

“Feet First: Walking in Houston,” *The Appendix*, 1 (4) (October 2013)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

20th Century United States History; Transportation and Mobility History; Urban/Suburban History; Environmental History; Spatial Constructions of Race, Gender, and Class.

TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Editor, *Mobility in History*, an Annual Review of Mobility Scholarship published by the International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility (Dec. 2013-Present, Editor; 2012, Assistant Editor)

Institute Coordinator, Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History Seminar on American Foreign Policy with Dr. Jeremi Suri (Summer 2014)

Instructor, United States History, 1492-1865, University of Texas at Austin (Summer 2013)

Teaching Assistant, University of Texas at Austin

Building America: Engineering Society and Culture, 1868-1980 (Erika Bsumek, Spring 2014)

United States History, 1865-Present (Jacqueline Jones, Spring 2013)

Black Power Movement (Leonard Moore, Fall 2012)

Texas History, 1914-Present (Emilio Zamora, Spring 2011)

The Coming of the American Civil War (George Forgie, Fall 2010)

American Revolution and Founding of the United States (George Forgie, Fall 2010)

United States History, 1492-Present (Robert Olwell, Spring 2010)

United States History, 1492-Present (Michael Anderson, Fall 2009)

Research Assistant, Jacqueline Jones (June 2009-August 2012)

Instructor, Core Text and Ideas: American Revolution and Founding of America, University of Texas at Austin (Fall 2010)

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND HONORS

Departmental Writing Fellowship, History Department, University of Texas at Austin (Fall 2013)

National Science Foundation Conference Travel Grant Recipient, American Society for Environmental History (April 2013)

Conference Travel Grant Recipient, International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility (November 2012)

Dolph Briscoe Center for American History Graduate Student Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin (September 2011-June 2012)

Global South Research Fellowship, New Orleans Gulf South Center, Tulane University (May 2011)

C.M. Caldwell Memorial Award for Excellence in History, Graduate Division, Texas State Historical Association and the Walter Prescott Webb Society (April 2010)

Liberal Arts Graduate Research Grant, University of Texas at Austin, College of Liberal Arts (November 2009)

CONFERENCE AND SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Panel Organizer/Presenter

“The Highest and Best Use?: Transportation Politics and the Urban Environment in Houston, Texas” American Society for Environmental History Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada (April 2013)

Presenter

“The Regulatory Nature of Urban Ports: The Case of Houston,” The 4th Annual Cultures of Energy Spring Research Symposium, Rice University (April 2015)

“Déjà Vu?: Houston’s Next Transportation System,” American Institute of Architects, Houston Chapter, Gulf Coast Green Conference (March 2015)

“Infrastructural Citizenship and the Fight for Neighborhoods,” Rice Anthropology Colloquium, Rice University (September 2014)

“Power Moves: Houston, Texas and the Politics of Mobility, 1950-1985,” Infrastructural Worlds Workshop, Duke University (April 2014)

“Only You Can Prevent Another Freeway’: The Harrisburg Freeway and the Struggle to Shape a Neighborhood,” The Past and Present of Race and Place in Houston, Texas, Rice University (February 2013)

“Will the Rubber Meet the Rail?: The Struggle for Intermodality in Houston, an Automobile City,” International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility

Annual Conference, Madrid, Spain (November 2012)

“How Houston’s Past Transit Decisions Have Shaped Mobility Today,” City Forum, School of Architecture, University of Texas at Austin (October 2012)

“Houston (Un)Limited: Path-dependent Annexation and Road Construction Practices in an American Metropolis,” Models of Mobility: Systemic Differences, Path Dependencies, Economic, Social, and Environmental Impact (1900 to tomorrow), York University (March 2012)

“Suburbs of the Urban Core: Re-Centering the Suburbanization of Houston, Texas”
Association American of Geographers Annual Conference, New York, New York
(February 2012)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association

Urban History Association

International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic, and Mobility