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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF AMERICAN CHRISTIANITY
PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

EDUCATION

- 2012 *Doctor of Philosophy* in United States History, University of Notre Dame
- 2009 *Master of Arts* in United States History, University of Notre Dame
- 2005 *Master of Arts* in American Religious History, University of Chicago Divinity School
- 2003 *Bachelor of Arts* in Theology and English, Georgetown University

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor of American Christianity, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2019-Present

Associate Professor of History, Valparaiso University, 2017-2019

William S. Vaughn Visiting Fellow, Vanderbilt University, 2016-2017

Assistant Professor of History, Valparaiso University, 2012-2017

WORK IN PROGRESS

On Earth as it is in Heaven: Social Christians and the Fight to End American Inequality (under contract with Oxford University Press)

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

A Documentary History of Religion in America, 4th Edition (Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2018)

- previously edited by Drs. Edwin S. Gaustad and Mark A. Noll.

Turning Points in the History of American Evangelicalism (Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2017).

- co-edited with Dr. Laura Rominger Porter

The Pew and the Picket Line: Christianity and the American Working Class (Urbana, IL: University of Illinois Press, 2016).

- co-edited with Drs. Christopher D. Cantwell and Janine Giordano Drake

Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago (New York: Oxford University Press,

2015).

- Runner-up for the American Society of Church History's 2015 Brewer Prize for best first book.

Book Chapters:

"Walking in Solidarity: Dominican Sisters and the Struggle for Economic Justice," forthcoming in Jeffrey Burns and Margaret McGuinness, eds., *Preaching with their Lives: Dominicans on Mission in the United States* (New York: Fordham University Press, 2020).

"Social Christianity's Greatest Prophet? Walter Rauschenbusch's Place in History," forthcoming in William H. Brackney and David P. Gushee, eds., *In the Shadow of a Prophet: The Legacy of Walter Rauschenbusch* (Atlanta: Mercer University Press, 2020).

"Christianity and Inequality in the Modern United States," forthcoming in Tanweer Akram and Salim Rashid, *Faith, Finance, and Economy: Beliefs and Economic Well-Being* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020).

"The Christian Century? A History of Christianity in North America, 1900-2000," in *History of Global Christianity, Vol. III: History of Christianity in the Twentieth Century* (Leiden: Brill Publishers, 2018).

Journal Articles:

"Scab Ministers, Striking Saints: Christianity and Class Conflict in 1894 Chicago," *American Nineteenth Century History* 11, No. 3 (September 2010): 321-349.

- Winner of the Working-Class Studies Association's 2011 C.L.R. James Prize for Best Article.

"Making Peace with Jim Crow: Religious Leaders and the Chicago Race Riot of 1919," *The Journal of Illinois History* 11, No. 4 (Winter 2008): 261-276.

Miscellaneous Publications:

"Wilderness Aplenty, but Prophets Few: Religion and the Problem(s) of a New Gilded Age," forthcoming in *The Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era* 19, No. 2 (April 2020).

"Social Christianity in the United States," an eight-thousand-word essay published in the *Oxford Encyclopedia of Religion in America*.

"Introduction: Roundtable on the Intellectual Legacy of Mark Noll," *Fides et Historia* 48:2 (Summer/Fall 2016): 21-22.

"Union Made," *The Bulletin of the Congregational Library and Archives* 11, no. 3 (2015): 23-27.

"Social Gospels Thrived Outside the Church," *Church History* 84, no. 1 (March 2015): 199-202.

"Reprehensible or Representative? The Gospel of Wealth in Modern American Life," *Journal of Cultural Economy* 8, no. 5 (2015): 624-629.

"How 'Gilded' and 'Progressive' Were They Anyway? Revisiting Class Relations in Industrializing America," *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era* 13, No. 1 (January 2014): 114-120.

“Labor and the Politics of the Church: A Response to Herbert Gutman’s ‘Protestantism and the American Labor Movement,’” in *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas* 11, No. 2 (Summer 2014): 13-16.

“Striking Out on its Own: Labor and the Modern Church,” *Chicago History* 37, No. 2 (Summer 2011): 4-19.

Book Reviews:

Melani McAlister, *The Kingdom of God has No Borders: A Global History of American Evangelicals*, in *Theology Today* 76, No. 4 (January 1, 2020): 367-368.

Vaneesa Cook, *Socialist Spirits: Religion and the American Left*, in *Christianity Today*, 20 November 2019.

Darren Dochuk, *Anointed with Oil: How Christianity and Crude Made Modern America*, in *Christianity Today*, 5 July 2019.

Michael Doyle, *The Ministers’ War: John W. Mears, the Oneida Community, and the Crusade for Public Morality*, in the *Journal of American History* 105, No. 4 (March 2019): 1012.

John Hayes. *Hard, Hard Religion: Interracial Faith in the Poor South*, in *Journal of Southern Religion* 20.

Heather D. Curtis, *Holy Humanitarians: American Evangelicals and Global Aid*, in *Christianity Today*, 6 June 2018.

Matthew Pehl, *The Making of Working-Class Religion*, in *Labor* 15, no. 2 (May 2018): 138-139.

Patrick Parr, *The Seminarian: Martin Luther King Jr. Comes of Age*, in *The Christian Century*, April 2018.

Albert J. Raboteau, *American Prophets: Seven Religious Radicals and their Struggle for Social and Political Justice*, in *Sociology of Religion* 79, no. 1 (Feb 2018): 142-143.

Timothy E. W. Gloege, *Guaranteed Pure: The Moody Bible Institute, Business, and the Making of Modern Evangelicalism*, and Josh McMullen, *Under the Big Top: Big Tent Revivalism and American Culture, 1885-1925*, in *Journal of Presbyterian History*.

John Wigger, *PTL: The Rise and Fall of Jim and Tammy Faye Bakker’s Evangelical Empire*, in *Christianity Today*, 19 September 2017.

Michael Kazin, *War Against War: The American Fight for Peace, 1914-1918*, Myles Werntz, *Bodies of Peace: Ecclesiology, Nonviolence, and Witness*, and Lawrence Rosenwald, ed., *War No More: Three Centuries of American Antwar & Peace Writing*, in *Education & Culture*, June 2017.

Cara Burnidge, *A Peaceful Conquest: Woodrow Wilson, Religion, and the New World Order*, and Barry Hankins, *Woodrow Wilson: Ruling Elder, Spiritual President*, in *The Christian Century*, June 2017.

Michael Wear, *Reclaiming Hope: Lessons Learned in the Obama White House about the Future of Faith in America*, in *Comment*, 27 April 2017.

J. D. Vance, *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis*, in *Sojourners*, January 2017.

- Gary Dorrien, *The New Abolition: W. E. B. DuBois and the Black Social Gospel*, in *Syndicate*, 20 March, 2017.
- Brantley Gasaway, *Progressive Evangelicals and the Pursuit of Social Justice*, in *The Journal of Religion* 97, no. 1 (January 2017): 117-119.
- Mitchell Duneier, *Ghetto: The Invention of a Place, the History of an Idea*, in the *Christian Century* 133, no. 21 (October 12, 2016): 42-43.
- Doug Rossinow, *The Reagan Era: A History of the 1980s*, in *Books & Culture*, July/August 2016.
- Kyle T. Bulthuis, *Four Steeples over the City Streets: Religion and Society in New York's Early Republic Congregations*, in *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 67, No. 1 (January 2016): 216.
- Elaine Lewinnek, *The Working Man's Reward: Chicago's Early Suburbs and the Roots of American Sprawl*, published in *History: Reviews of New Books* 44, No. 1 (January 2016): 10-11.
- Timothy Miller, *Following in His Steps: A Biography of Charles M. Sheldon*, in *Kansas History: A Journal of the Central Plains* 38, No. 3 (Autumn 2015): 208.
- Thomas Rzeznik, *Church and Estate: Religion and Wealth in Industrial-Era Philadelphia*, in *The Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era* 15 (2015): 18-19.
- Elizabeth and Ken Fones-Wolf, *Struggle for the Soul of the Postwar South: White Evangelical Protestants and Operation Dixie*, in the *Journal of Southern Religion* 17 (2015): <http://jsreligion.org/dev/issues/vol17/Carter.html>.
- Isaac Weiner, *Religion Out Loud: Religious Sound, Public Space, and American Pluralism*, in *The Journal of American History* 101, No. 4 (March 2015): 1241-1242.
- Matthew Bowman, *The Urban Pulpit: New York City and the Fate of Liberal Evangelicalism*, in *Church History* 83, No. 3 (December 2014): 1074-1076.
- Ira Katznelson, *Fear Itself: The New Deal and the Origins of Our Time*, in *The Christian Century* 130, No. 24 (November 27, 2013): 38-39.
- Kate Bowler, *Blessed: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel*, in *The Christian Century* 130, No. 18 (September 4, 2013): 40-41.
- John B. Jentz and Richard Schneirov, *Chicago in the Age of Capital: Class, Politics, and Democracy During the Civil War and Reconstruction*, in *Reviews in American History* 41, no. 2 (June 2013): 258-263.
- David R. Swartz, *Moral Minority: The Evangelical Left in an Age of Conservatism*, in *The Christian Century* 130, No. 2 (January 23, 2013): 37-39.
- Richard J. Callahan, Jr., *Work and Faith in the Kentucky Coal Fields: Subject to Dust*, in *The Journal of Southern Religion* 13 (2011).
- Stephen Tuck, *We Ain't What We Ought To Be: The Black Freedom Struggle From Emancipation to Obama*, in *Southern Historian* 32 (Spring 2011): 143-144.

E.J. Dionne, *Souled Out: Reclaiming Faith and Politics after the Religious Right*, in *The United States Catholic Historian* 26, No. 4 (Fall 2008): 111-113.

Encyclopedia Entries:

Entry on “Our Country,” in *America in the World, 1776 to the Present* (Farmington Hills, MI: Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2016).

Entry on “William Carwardine,” in an NEH-funded digital exhibit, “Faith in the City: Chicago’s Religious Diversity, 1893.”

Entries on “The Silent Majority,” “The ‘I Have A Dream’ Speech,” and “Walter Reuther,” in *The Encyclopedia of the Sixties: A Decade of Culture and Counterculture* (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, Inc, 2011).

Entries on “Charles H. Kerr Publishing Company” and “Christian Socialism,” in *The Encyclopedia of Populism* (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, Inc, 2011).

Online Writings:

My writing has appeared in a number of online venues, including *The New Republic*, *The Christian Century*, *Christianity Today*, *Sojourners*, *Patheos*, *Religion and Politics*, *Comment*, *Education & Culture*, and *Religion in American History*. You may find links to a sampling of my contributions via my professional website: heathwrcarter.com.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019	Emerging Public Intellectual Award (Redeemer University College)
2017	The Martin Luther King, Jr. Award (Valparaiso University)
2016-2017	William S. Vaughn Visiting Fellowship (Vanderbilt University)
2016-2017	Presbyterian Historical Society Research Fellowship (Philadelphia, PA)
2016-2017	African American Episcopal Historical Collection Research Grant (Virginia Theological Seminary)
2015-2016	University Research Professorship (Valparaiso University)
2015-2016	McGreal Center Research Fellowship (Dominican University)
2015-2016	Lake Institute Network of Emerging Scholars (Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis)
2015	Runner-Up for the Brewer Prize for best first book from the American Society of Church History

2015	Nominated for the Distinguished Teaching Award (Valparaiso University)
2014-2016	Young Scholar in American Religion
2011-2012	Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship
2011-2012	Graduate Scholar-in-Residence at the Newberry Library
2011	Working-Class Studies Association's C.L.R. James Prize for Best Article
2011	Andrew W. Mellon Summer Research Fellowship
2011	American Society of Church History Spring Conference Paper Award

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Princeton Theological Seminary, 2019-Present

Courses: American Christianity and Race
 Social Christianity and American Inequality
 Beyond the Audit: Princeton Seminary and Race after 1865

Valparaiso University, 2012-2019

Courses: Religion in American History
 The Social Gospel in American Life
 American Utopias
 The United States: Empire of Liberty?
 The Long Civil Rights Movement
 Hip Hop America
 American Experience in the Modern World: US Since 1877
 History of Chicago
 The United States from 1945-Present
 Hands on History: Civil Rights in Our Backyard
 The American Revolution
 Capstone Research Seminar
 Valpo Core: The Human Experience
 The Gilded Age (independent study)

North Park Theological Seminary, 2011

Courses: Christian Heritage I

Loyola University (Chicago), 2010-2011

Courses: History of Religion in the United States

University of Illinois (Chicago), 2008-2009

Courses: Religious Experiences in American History
Advanced Readings in American Religious History

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Chair for a session on “Educating for Activism? Historians and Politics in the Contemporary United States.” American Historical Association annual meeting, New York City, NY, January 2020.

Chair for a session on “Evangelical-Jewish Relations, Israel, and the Larger Middle East.” American Society of Church History winter meeting, New York City, NY, January 2020.

Invited remarks on “Translating Scholarship.” 6th Biennial Conference on Religion and American Culture. Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, 7 June 2019.

The World and Our Calling Lecture, entitled “Which Side Are You On? Christianity and Labour in an Age of Inequality.” Redeemer University College, Hamilton, Ontario, January 2019.

Chair for a session on “Who is Evangelical? Confronting Race in American Christianity.” American Historical Association, Chicago, IL, January 2019.

Participant in Christian Social Innovation Convening. Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC, October 2018.

Chair for a session on “Non-Traditional Spiritual Biographies.” Conference on Faith & History, Grand Rapids, MI, October 2018.

Chair for a session on “Making the Midwest Home: Religious Settlement in the Midwest, 1840-1920.” Midwestern History Conference, Grand Rapids, MI, June 2018.

Invited lecture entitled “Social Christianity’s Greatest Prophet? Walter Rauschenbusch’s Place in History.” The Legacy of Walter Rauschenbusch Conference, Mercer University, April 2018.

Delivered the Jacobson Global Lecture, entitled “Semper Reformanda: Church and Spirit in an Unjust World.” Concordia College New York, Bronxville, NY, November 2017.

Chair for a session on “White Protestant Women and the Feminist Movement: Critically Assessing Kristin Kobes Du Mez’s Katharine Bushnell.” American Society of Church History winter meeting, Washington D.C., January 2018.

“Rethinking the Social Gospel in American Life.” Presentations at Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, VA, 21 December 2016; the University of Notre Dame, 23 March 2018.

Respondent for a session on *Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago*. Association for the Sociology of Religion annual meeting, Seattle, WA, 21 August 25, 2016.

Chair for a session on “Christianity and Capitalism in the Modern United States: Historians Respond to Kevin Kruse’s *One Nation Under God*.” Organization of American Historians

annual meeting, Providence, RI, 9 April 2016.

Chair and Commentator for a session on “Rethinking the Social Gospel(s).” American Society of Church History winter meeting, Atlanta, GA, 9 January 2016.

Co-Chair for a session on “The Intellectual Legacy of Mark Noll.” American Society of Church History winter meeting, Atlanta, GA, 8 January 2016.

Invited lectures on *Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago.* Public lectures at the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, 16 September 2015; Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, 14 October 2015; Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, 16 February 2016; Boston College, Boston, MA, 1 March 2016; the Congregational Library & Archive, Boston, MA, 2 March 2016; and Berea College, 8 February, 2017.

Invited papers on *Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago.* Delivered at “Religion and Labor: Moral Vision From/For the Grassroots,” Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, 9-11 April 2015; and the Social Science History Association annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, 14 November 2015.

Chair for a session on “Chicago Activists for Interracial Justice.” American Catholic Historical Association meeting at the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, 6-28 March 2015.

“Teaching American Utopias.” Delivered at the Midwestern Conference on Utopia Studies at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN, 20-21 March 2015.

“Christianity, Capitalism, and the Power of Working-Class Belief.” Delivered at the History of Capitalism conference at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 6-8 November 2014.

“Social Gospel Studies: A Roundtable Conversation on the State of the Field.” Roundtable participant at the joint meeting of the American Society of Church History and the Ecclesiastical History Society, scheduled for 2-5 April 2014 at Oxford University, United Kingdom.

Chair and Commentator for a session on “Church, State, and Political Life in Western Culture.” Part of a conference sponsored by the Valparaiso University Law School entitled, “So Much Great Fruit: Lutheran Perspectives on Contemporary Legal Issues,” Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, IL, 28 March 2014.

Invited comment upon Dr. Kate Bowler’s book, *Blessed: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel.* Delivered at the Cushwa Center’s Seminar on American Religion, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, 1 March 2014.

Invited comment upon Dr. Jarod Roll’s essay, “‘They are Possessed of a Gambling Spirit’: Risk, Working-Class Individualism, and Anti-Unionism among the Metal Miners of Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma, 1890-1946.” Delivered at the Newberry Library’s Scholl Center Seminar on Labor History, Chicago, IL, 28 February 2014.

“The Christian Spirit in the Gilded Age”: Revisiting Herbert Gutman’s Article (Almost) 50 Years Later.” Roundtable participant at the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians, San Francisco, CA, 11-14 April 2013.

“Trust in God and Keep Your Powder Dry’: Ministers, the Mob, and the Making of the Protestant Middle Classes in Gilded Age Chicago.” Presented at the Newberry Library Urban History Dissertation Group, 3 March 2012; and at the Colloquium on Religion and History, University of Notre Dame, 23 February 2012. I delivered an earlier version at the American Society of Church History, Calvin College, 7-9 April 2011.

“Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago.” Delivered at the joint meeting of the American Historical Association and the American Society of Church History, Chicago, IL, 5-8 January 2012. Presented also at the Newberry Library Labor History Seminar, 3 February 2012; and at the Colloquium on Religion and History, University of Notre Dame, 21 April 2011.

“Scab Ministers, Striking Saints: Christianity and Class Conflict in 1894 Chicago.” I presented different versions of this paper at the Higgins Labor Research Workshop, University of Notre Dame, 29 April 2011; at the Conference on Faith and History, George Fox University, 7-9 October 2010; at the American Religious History Workshop, University of Chicago, 1 February 2010; and at the Colloquium on Religion and History, University of Notre Dame, on both 27 January 2010 and 23 January 2008.

PUBLIC HISTORY

Invited Lectures on “On Earth as it is in Heaven?” Delivered at Camp Arcadia, Arcadia, MI, 22-26 July 2019.

Invited lecture entitled “Christianity and Inequality in the Modern United States: The Spiritual Origins of our New Gilded Age.” Thrivent Financial Faith & Finance Conference, Minneapolis, MN, July 2018.

Invited lecture on Labor in the Gilded Age. Texas Humanities Teachers Seminar, Dallas, TX, June 2018.

Moderator for sessions on “The Academy and the Art of Religious Biography” and “The State of the Evangelical Mind.” Festival of Faith and Writing, Grand Rapids, MI, April 2018.

Invited lectures on “Who Do You Say That I Am? Jesus in the United States of America.” Delivered at Camp Arcadia, Arcadia, MI, 29 July-5 August, 2017.

Moderator for a session on “Faith in the Public Square.” Bridge/Work Conference, Valparaiso University, April 2017.

Moderator for a session on “Scholarship in the Public Square,” featuring Yoni Appelbaum, senior editor at The Atlantic.” Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, January 2017.

Invited Lectures on “Race and Redemption in the United States of America.” Delivered at Camp Arcadia, Arcadia, MI, 2-8 August 2015; and at the Annual Meeting of the Lutheran Deaconesses Association, Valparaiso, Indiana, 28-31 July 2016.

Invited Lectures on *Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago.*

Delivered at Valparaiso Sunrise Kiwanis, 1 September 2015; Chicago Community Mennonite Church, 21 February 2016; Park Street Church, 10 April 2016.

“Realizing the Dream in Northwest Indiana: A Dialogue on Civil Rights in the Age of Ferguson.” Organized and moderated a major public forum, featuring leading figures from across Northwest Indiana, at Valparaiso University, 17 February 2015.

“Widening the Circle: Theory and Identity in the Praxis of Solidarity.” Participated in a roundtable sponsored by the University of Chicago Divinity School, McCormick Theological Seminary, the Catholic Theological Union, the Lutheran School of Theology, and the Chicago Theological Seminary, 14 November 2013.

“At What Cost? Risk-Taking in the New Economy.” Participated in a roundtable co-sponsored by Chicago Public Radio and the Illinois Humanities Council, 24 October 2013.

“Chicago’s Future Innovators Look to the Past.” Featured guest on WBEZ, Chicago Public Radio segment, 14 October 2013.

“Rust Belt Remembrance: A Review of Richard Russo’s *Elsewhere*.” Delivered at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN, 14 February 2013.

“The Occupy Movement: Precedents and Prospects.” Delivered to the Valparaiso Organization for Learning and Teaching Seniors, Valparaiso, IN, 29 November 2012.

“Union Made: Working People and the Rise of Social Christianity in Chicago.” Delivered at the Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, 11 July 2012.

“Absolving Anarchy: John P. Altgeld and the Pardon that Shook Gilded Age America.” Delivered at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, IL, 13 March 2012.

“Tale, Translation, and Trajectory of *Peer Gynt*.” Moderated and participated in panel discussion at the Chicago Cultural Center, 5 December 2011.

“The Gospel of the Working Classes.” Moderated public discussion of a new book by historians Erik Gellman and Jarod Roll at Roosevelt University, 25 October 2011.

CIVIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Humanities Advisor, an NEH-funded digital humanities project, “Flight Paths: Mapping Our Changing Neighborhoods,” 2017-Present

Co-editor of the Library of Religious Biography Series, Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2016-Present

Peer Reviewer, Various Publications, 2011-Present

I have refereed manuscripts for *Religion*, *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*, *Journal of Southern Religion*, *Peace and Change: A Journal of Peace Research*, *Religion and American Culture: A Journal of Interpretation*, Oxford University Press, University of Chicago Press, New York University Press, Columbia University Press, Cornell University Press, the University of Indiana Press,

Fordham University Press, Routledge, Zondervan, and InterVarsity Press.

Co-Convener, Religion and Culture in the Americas Seminar, Newberry Library, 2018-2019

Vice-Chair, Faculty Senate, Valparaiso University, 2018-2019

Mentor for Lilly Postdoctoral Fellow Daniel Silliman, Valparaiso University, 2017-2019

Member of the Graduate Student & Independent Scholar Award Committee, American Society of Church History, 2017-2019

Co-Chair, MLK Day Celebration, Valparaiso University, 2017-Present

Chairperson, City of Valparaiso Human Relations Council, 2015-2019

Member of the Board, Project Neighbors, 2015-2019

Member of the Board, Northwest Indiana African American Alliance, 2015-2019

Member of the Program Committee, American Society of Church History, 2015-2016

Member of the Board, Calumet Regional Heritage Partnership, 2015-2016

Member of the Steering Committee, Chicago Consortium for Working-Class Studies, 2011-2015