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EMPLOYMENT:

**Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ 8/2024-Present

*Assistant Teaching Professor, Religious Studies*

EDUCATION:

**Florida State University,** Tallahassee, FL 5/2024

*Religion (American Religious History), Doctor of Philosophy*

**Vanderbilt University,** Nashville, TN 5/2019

*Religious Studies (Historical Studies), Master of Arts*

**Florida State University,** Tallahassee, FL 5/2017

*History and Religion, Bachelor of Arts with Honors*

Magna Cum Laude

RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS:

* 19th Century American Religion
* Religion in the American South
* Religion and Race
* Religion and Social Media
* Religion and Music

RESEARCH:

**“In Christian Bonds”: The Confederate Episcopal Church and the Making of a Lost Cause Historiography, 1850-1915.**

Doctoral Dissertation, Defended February, 2024.

Adviser: John Corrigan.

**“I had a visit from Bishop Quintard”: The Life of Kate Cumming and the Creation of the ‘Episcopal Woman’ Archetype**

Master’s Thesis, Defended March, 2019.

Adviser: Alexis Wells-Oghoghomeh.

**“As a Member of the Body of Christ”: The Effect of the Chapel of the Resurrection on the Tallahassee Sit-ins of March 12th, 1960**

Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Defended April, 2017. Adviser: Katherine Mooney.

PRESENTATIONS:

Conference Presentations:

**Burns, Devin. ““Upon the Outskirts of a Camp”: The Sacred Music of the Confederate Episcopal Church During the Civil War**.” Paper Presented at The Southern Historical Association, Charlotte, N.C., November 9-12th, 2023.

**Burns, Devin. “From Wayfair to the White House: The Proliferation of QAnon on Instagram and the Aesthetics of Conspiracy.”** Paper Presented at the American Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 3-6th, 2022.

**Burns, Devin. ““It is not a charity to care for them, but a sacred duty”: The Role of Nursing Within the  Understanding of Southern Episcopal Womanhood During the Civil War.”** Paper Presented at the Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion (SECSOR), Athens, GA, March 1st, 2020.

**Burns, Devin. ““happiest life with my little fam”: Mormon Mom Influencers and the Intersection of Religion, Motherhood, and Social Media.”** Paper Presented at the Florida State University Department of Religion Graduate Student Symposium, Tallahassee, FL, February 15th, 2020.

Invited Lectures:

**Burns, Devin. “Slavery, White Supremacy, and the Episcopal Church.”** Peace Lecture, St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, April 18th, 2024.

**Burns, Devin. “Transforming the World, Not Hiding From It”: The Episcopal Church and the Civil Rights Movement in Tallahassee.”** Lecture, St. John’s Episcopal Church, Tallahassee FL, March 29th, 2017.

PUBLICATIONS:

Book Chapters:

**Burns, Devin. “From Wayfair to the White House: QAnon and the Aesthetics of Conspiracy on Instagram”** in *From Wine Moms to QAnon: The Violence at the Heart of White Women’s Wellness Culture* (manuscript expected Fall 2023).

Articles:

**Devin Burns, Laura McTighe, Rebekah Gordon, Gabriela Rosario, Lauren Dominguez, and Lydia Moss. “The Ground on Which We Stand: Making Abolition.”** *Journal of Anthropology in North America,* 23, no. 2: 98–120.

Reviews:

**Burns, Devin.** **“Review of *Mission, Race and Empire: The Episcopal Church in Global Context,* by Jennifer C. Snow.”** *Reading Religion,* (June 3, 2024). <https://readingreligion.org/9780197598948/mission-race-and-empire/>

**Burns, Devin. “Review of *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory: Religion and the Politics of Race in the Civil War Era and Beyond*, by Stephen L. Dundas.”** *Reading Religion,* (July 30, 2023)*.* <https://readingreligion.org/9781640124882/mine-eyes-have-seen-the-glory/>

Encyclopedia and Digital Humanities Databases:

**Burns, Devin. “Religion, Secession, and the Civil War.”** *The Palace of Thundering Gods: An Open History of American Religion,* (in progress).

**Burns, Devin. “War” and “Reconstruction.”** *Sounding Spirit Collaborative,* (in progress).

TEACHING:

**Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ 8/2024-Present

*Assistant Teaching Professor:*

*REL 205: Life, Sex, and Death (8/2024-Present)*

*REL 321: Religion in America (8/2024-Present)*

*REL 202: Religion and Popular Culture, online. (8/2024-Present)*

**Florida State University**, Tallahassee, FL           1/2020-5/2024

*Instructor of Record:*

*REL 3128: Religion in the American Civil War (8/2023-5/2024)*

*REL 3152: Religion, Race, and Ethnicity (1/2022-4/2023)*

*REL 2121: Religion in the United States (1/2020-12/2021)*

*Teaching Assistant:*

*REL 3152: Religion, Race, and Ethnicity (6/2021-8/2021, 6/2023-8/2023)*

*REL 2121: Religion in the US (8/2019-12/2019)*

**University of Wyoming**, Laramie, WY         8/2022-12/2022

*Remote Adjunct Lecturer:*

*RELI 2250/HIST 2250: Religion in the US 1600-1865, online. (8/2022-12/2022)*

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS:

* Florida State Department of Religion Porterfield Prize, 2024. ($250)
* Florida State Department of Religion Graduate Teaching Award, 2023.
* Florida State University Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, 2022-2023. ($750)
* Historical Society of the Episcopal Church Regular Grant, 2022. ($1500)
* Lucius F. Moody Bristol Fellowship Recipient, 2019-2021. ($25,000)

NOMINATIONS AND HONORS:

* Nominated for the Florida State Department of Religion Graduate Teaching Award, 2023.
* Nominated for the Florida State Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, 2022-2023.
* Nominated for the Florida State Department of Religion Graduate Teaching Award, 2021.
* Nominated for the Florida State Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, 2020-2021.
* Florida State University Honors Program Finisher, 2017.
* Florida State University Honors in the Major Thesis Student, 2017.
* Florida State University Dean’s List, 2014-2017.

SERVICE TO THE FIELD:

* Graduate Student Representative, American Academy of Religion—Southeast, 2021-2023.
* Graduate Student Committee Member, American Academy of Religion, 2021-2023.

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT:

* Organizer, FSU Department of Religion American Religious History Colloquium, 2023-2024.
* Publicity Chair, FSU Department of Religion Graduate Student Symposium, 2023.
* Publicity Chair, FSU Department of Religion Graduate Student Symposium, 2022.
* American Religious History Track Representative, FSU Department of Religion Graduate Student Committee, 2020-2021.
* Organizer and Founder, FSU Department of Religion Distance Pedagogy Group, 5/2020-8/2020.
* Organizer and Founder, FSU Department of Religion ARH Women and Gender Nonconforming Mentoring Group, 2019-2020.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

* American Academy of Religion, 2019-Present.
* The Southern Historical Association, 2020-Present.
* American Society for Church History, 2020-Present.
* Historical Society of the Episcopal Church, 2020-Present.
* American Studies Association, 2022-Present.
* Phi Beta Kappa, 2017-Present.
* Phi Kappa Phi, 2017-Present.

LANGUAGES:

* French: Fluent in Reading, Advanced in Writing.
* Spanish: Elementary Reading.

OTHER SKILLS:

* Classically Trained Singer.

REFERENCES:

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