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School of History and Sociology
Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

Education

Ph.D. (in progress), History and Sociology of Technology and Science, expected completion 2025, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia.

M.S. History and Sociology of Technology and Science, 2019, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, Master's Paper: "Atlanta's Suburban Urban Renewal Experiment: Redeveloping Early Black Suburbs as Planned Suburban Neighborhoods for Low-Income Blacks."

M.L.I.S. (Library and Information Science), 2009, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

M.A. History, 2006, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, Thesis: "A Vision of Progress: Identity and Urban Development in Asheville, North Carolina, 1919 – 1931."

B.A. History, 2002, Minors: Geography, Sociology, Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina.

Non-degree Education

National Humanities Center, Virtual Graduate Student Winter Residency, "How to Create a Meaningful Online Learning Communities," December 2020.

ICPSR, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, "Providing Social Science Data Services: Strategies for Design and Operation," ICPSR Summer Course, August 2010.

Volkshochschule, Wiesbaden, Germany, Intensive German Language Course Part 1, April – June 2003; Intensive German Language Course Part 2, July – September 2003.

Professional Experience

2023 to Present

Library Associate

Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences, Frankfurt, Germany.

2019 to 2022

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Virtual GTA for the Atlanta Campus and Lorraine, France Campus, School of History and Sociology, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

2009 to 2019

Data Services and GIS Librarian

Librarian Associate Professor, 2018 to 2019

Librarian Assistant Professor, 2012 to 2018

Librarian Instructor, 2009 to 2012

University Library, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

2017 to 2019

Urban Studies Institute Affiliate Faculty Member

Urban Studies Institute, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

- 2014 to 2015** **Interim Director, Collaborative University Research & Visualization Environment (CURVE) and Data Services and GIS Librarian**
University Library, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.
- 2007 to 2009** **Government Documents Assistant**
Hillman Library, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.
- 2006** **Adjunct History Instructor**
Department of History, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, USA.
- 2006** **Adjunct History Instructor**
Department of Humanities, Brevard College, Brevard, North Carolina, USA.

Publications

Articles

["Atlanta's War on Density,"](#) *Atlanta Studies*, February 2016.

"Developing a Digital Map Collection for Research and Teaching: The Planning Atlanta: A New City in the Making, 1930s – 1990s Collection." *Journal of Map and Geography Libraries*, Vol. 9, 2013: 44-68.

"Copy Cataloging, OCLC and United States Government Documents." *Library Student Journal*, Vol. 5, 2010.

"Every Egg Counts: Farm Life and Women's Labor in the New South." *The Western Carolina University Graduate Journal*, 2005.

Book Chapter

"Enhancing Access to Printed Government Documents." in *Government Information Management in the 21st Century: International Perspectives*, ed. Peggy Garvin, (Ashgate, UK, 2011), pp. 61-78.

Long-Form Blog Posts

["Atlanta's Parking Problem Revisited."](#) *Atlanta Studies Blog*, August 18, 2015.

["Tracing a History of Atlanta's Public Transit."](#) *Atlanta Studies Blog*, April 27, 2015.

["1949 Atlanta Aerial Mosaic Project Reveals Built Environment Change."](#) *GSU Library Blog*, March 24, 2014.

["Snow Jam 2014: Planning Atlanta, Ryan Gravel, and a Car-Dependent Region."](#) *GSU Library Blog*, February 6, 2014.

["How a Densely Populated Neighborhood Became Turner Field: A Map Essay."](#) *GSU Library Blog*, November 14, 2013.

Reviews

[Reassessing Urban Renewal in Atlanta and Beyond: A Review of "Renewing Inequality,"](#)

American Panorama. Ed. by Robert K. Nelson and Edward L. Ayers, in *Atlanta Studies*, August, 2018.

[Review of Freedom of Speech: Documents Decoded.](#) By David L. Hudson Jr., in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol 57, No 3, pp 225-226, 2018.

[Review of Interpreting Our World: 100 Discoveries that Revolutionized Geography.](#) By Joseph J. Kerski, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 57, No. 2, pp. 151, 2017.

[Review of Pop Culture Places: An Encyclopedia of Places in American Popular Culture.](#) By Gladys L. Knight, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 54, No. 3, pp. 65, 2015.

[Review of Battles That Changed American History: 100 of the Greatest Victories and Defeats.](#) By Spencer C. Tucker, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 54, No. 2, pp. 81-82, 2014.

[Review of Conflict in the Early Americas: An Encyclopedia of the Spanish Empire's Aztec, Incan, and Mayan Conquests.](#) Ed. by Rebecca M. Seaman, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 53, No. 3, pp. 274, 2014.

[Review of Events That Formed the Modern World: From the European Renaissance Through the War on Terror.](#) Ed. by Frank W. Thackeray and John E. Findling, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 53, No. 1, pp. 86-87, 2013.

[Review of Chronology of the U.S. Presidency.](#) Ed. by Mathew Manweller, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 52, No. 3, pp. 261-262, 2013.

[Review of Encyclopedia of U.S. - Latin American Relations.](#) Ed. by Thomas M. Leonard, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 52, No. 2, pp. 166, 2012.

[Review of Europe, A Political Profile: An American Companion to European Politics.](#) By Hans Slomp, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 51, No. 4, pp. 371, 2011.

[Review of The Cold War.](#) Ed. by Robert F. Gorman, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 51, No. 2, pp. 200, 2011.

[Review of Revolts, Protests, Demonstrations, and Rebellions in American History: An Encyclopedia.](#) Ed. by Steven L. Danver, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 51, No. 1, pp. 81-82, 2011.

[Review of The Concise Encyclopedia of World War II.](#) By Cathal J. Nolen, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 50, No. 2, pp. 183-184, 2010.

[Review of *The Encyclopedia of the Spanish-American and Philippine-American Wars: A Political, Social and Military History*](#). Ed. by Spencer C. Tucker, in *Reference and User Services Quarterly*, Vol. 49, No. 3, pp. 294, 2010.

Review of *The New Economy and the Modern South*. By Michael Dennis, in *Southern Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South*, Vol. 17, No. 1 pp. 107-108 Spring/Summer 2010.

Review of *The Classical Foundations of the American Constitution*. By David J. Bederman, in *LH & RB Newsletter*, Vol. 15, No. 1, pp. 12-13, Spring 2009.

Presentations

“Atlanta’s Suburban Urban Renewal Experiment: Redeveloping Early Black Suburbs as Planned Suburban Neighborhoods for Low-Income African Americans,” *Atlanta Studies Symposium*, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, May 6, 2022.

“Regulating Out Mixed-Use: The Origins and Consequences of Atlanta’s Nonconforming Use Zoning Regulations,” *Land Use in Georgia: Urban Planning and Neighborhood Change in the Peach State Symposium*, Georgia Archives, Morrow, GA, April 6, 2019.

“The Sprawling of Atlanta Digital Project: Visualizing Eight Decades of Metropolitan Atlanta Growth,” presented with Katheryn Nikolich and Carson Kantoris, *Georgia Association of Historians Annual Meeting*, Columbus, GA, February 2, 2019.

“Visualizing Eight Decades of Metropolitan Atlanta Growth with The Sprawling of Atlanta Digital Project,” presented with Katheryn Nikolich and Alexandra Orrego, *Atlanta Studies Symposium*, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, April 20, 2018.

“Navigating the Past: Interactive Mapping Platforms to Explore the Factors that have Shaped Our Cities,” presented with Robert Nelson, Kevin Ehrman-Solberg, Megan Slemmons, and Jay Varner, *Digital Library Federation Annual Meeting*, Pittsburgh, PA, October 23, 2017.

“Where Will Atlanta’s Poorer Residents Go?,” *Still the Black Mecca?: Race, Social Inequality + Urban Displacement in 21st century Atlanta Symposium*, Atlanta, GA, November 9, 2016.

“ATL Maps,” presented with Brennan Collins, Society of GA Archivists Special Lecture, Georgia State University Library, August 18, 2016.

“[Developing Local Digital Humanities Communities: The Atlanta Studies Network](#),” presented with Brennan Collins, Sarah Melton, Pete Rorabaugh, Marni Davis, Michael Page, Ruth Dusseault, Jay Varner, Ben Miller, Robert Bryant, Jeff Glover, and Robin Wharton, *Digital Humanities*, Kraków, Poland, July 14, 2016.

“[ATL Maps: Using Archival Resources to Visualize History](#),” presented with Brennan Collins, GLA Carterette Series Webinars, May 25, 2016.

“Digital Atlanta: A Collaborative Approach to Remapping Atlanta’s Past,” presented with Brennan Collins, *Digital Heritage*, Granada, Spain, October 1, 2015. DOI: 10.1109/DigitalHeritage.2015.7419552

"The Rockpile: The Westside Reservoir Park and the Vanished Rockdale Park Neighborhood," *Atlanta Studies Symposium*, Georgia Tech, Atlanta GA, May 6, 2015.

"[Visualization on the Big Screen: Hands-on Immersive Environments Collaboration](#)," presented with Bryan Sinclair and Jill Sexton, CNI Annual Meeting, Seattle WA, April 13, 2015.

"Interactive Visualization: Video Walls for Collaborative Research and Discovery, A Snapshot of CURVE," presented with Bryan Sinclair, Krista Graham, and Khyle Hannan, *Digital Library Federation Annual Meeting*, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA, October 29, 2014.

"Digital Public History: Community Connections and Collaborative Teaching Initiatives, The GSU Planning Atlanta Digital Collection," presented with Kathryn Michaelis, *Digital Library Federation Annual Meeting*, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA, October 28, 2014.

"Historical Population and Housing Data & CURVE," *ARC Regional GIS User Group*, Atlanta Regional Commission, Atlanta, GA, October 1, 2014.

"The Planning Atlanta: A New City in the Making, 1930s–1990s Historical City Planning Map Collection," Generative Scholarship and Digital Atlanta Session, *Organization of American Historians*, Atlanta, GA, April 12, 2014.

"Maps and Atlanta's Urban Renewal Campaign," *Atlanta Studies Symposium*, Georgia State University, Atlanta GA, April 4, 2014.

"[The Reshaping of Atlanta: The Planning Atlanta Digital Collection and Understanding the City's Past and Present Urban Form](#)," *SCaRP Research Seminar* (Invited Lecture), Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, March 6, 2014.

"Geospatial Storytelling and Community Mapping in ATLmaps: Applying Content from the GSU Library Planning Atlanta Collection," *SAMLA 2013 Conference*, Atlanta, GA, November 9, 2013.

"Enabling Spatial Narratives," *NACIS Annual Meeting 2013*, Greenville, SC, October 11, 2013.

"Transforming and Enhancing Access to Printed Demographic Data and City Planning Maps," *IASSIST Annual Conference 2013*, GIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Cologne, Germany, May 30, 2013.

"Digital Atlanta: Engaging Students in Their Local Environment," presented with Bryan Sinclair, *EDUCAUSE Southeast Regional Conference*, Atlanta, GA, May 29, 2013.

"Digital Atlanta: Engaging Students in Their Local Environment," *Teaching with Technology*, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, March 26, 2013.

"Planning Atlanta: A New City in the Making. 1950s - 1980s, a GSU Digital Map Collection," *ARC Regional GIS User Group*, Atlanta Regional Commission, Atlanta, GA, February 29, 2012.

"Visualizing Neighborhood Change: The Georgia State University Library Digital Map Collection, Planning Atlanta: A New City in the Making, 1950s - 1980s," *AAG Annual 2012 Conference*, New York Public Library, New York City, NY, February 25, 2012.

"Using Maps and Data Across the Disciplines," Brennan Collins co-presenter, *Center for Instructional Innovation Workshop*, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, November 14, 2011.

"Collaborating with Subject Librarians to Provide Undergraduates with Appropriate International Statistical Resources," *ASSIST Annual Conference 2011*, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada, June 1, 2011.

"Historical Maps and GIS," *THATCamp Southeast: The Humanities and Technology Camp*, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, March 6, 2011.

"Social Explorer: Visualization and the Use of Census Data in the Classroom," *Teaching with Technology*, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, November 2, 2010.

"A Brief Introduction to GIS and GIS Resources," *COMO Annual Conference 2010*, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, October 14, 2010.

Panel Discussion: "Job Hunting and Interviewing Advice," Joe Hurley and Kat Hart, *MALA Job Hunting Workshop*, Tucker-Reid H. Cofer Library, Tucker, GA, April 17, 2010.

"A Vision of Progress: Social Capital and Social Activism in the Urban New South," *Social History in the Mountains Conference*, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC. March 18, 2006.

"Every Egg Counts: Farm Life and Women's Labor in the New South," *Graduate Research Symposium*, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC, April 8, 2005.

Funded Grant Activity

"[ATLmaps](#)," Knight Foundation, Brennan Collins (PI), awarded \$35,000, June 2016 – June 2017. Joseph A. Hurley was a key project personnel member.

"[Planning Atlanta: A New City in the Making, 1930s-1990s](#)," National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Joseph A. Hurley (PI), awarded \$210,000, May 1, 2013 – November 30, 2015.

"[ATLmaps Year Two](#)," Internal Cities Grant, Georgia State University, Ben Miller (PI), awarded \$83,000, May 31, 2013 – June 30, 2014. Joseph A. Hurley participated as a key project personnel member.

"[1949 Atlanta Aerial Photographs Digital Mosaic Project](#)," University Library Innovation Fund. Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director), awarded \$2,500, January 1, 2013 – June 30, 2013.

"ATLmaps," Internal Cities Grant, Georgia State University, Ben Miller (PI), awarded \$43,700, July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013. Joseph A. Hurley participated as a key project personnel member.

"Addressing Social and Environmental Disparities through Community Geography and Geographic Information Systems," National Science Foundation (NSF), Timothy L. Hawthorne (PI), awarded \$350,000, February 15, 2012 – January 31, 2015. Joseph A. Hurley participated as a key project personnel member.

Digital Scholarship and Digital Collections Projects

[“The Sprawling of Atlanta: Visualizing Metropolitan Area Change, 1940s to Present,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director), 2017 – 2019.

[“ATLmaps,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Member), 2012 – 2019.

[“Atlanta-Fulton Public Library Collection,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Advisor), 2016.

[“Planning Atlanta: A New City in the Making, 1930s-1990s,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director and Principal Investigator), 2012 – 2015.

[“Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority \(MARTA\) Collection,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Advisor), 2015.

[“Tracing a History of Atlanta’s Public Transit,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director), 2015.

[“1949 Atlanta Aerial Mosaic,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director), 2014.

[“Research Atlanta, Inc. Reports,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director), 2013.

[“Works Progress Administration of Georgia Atlanta Maps,”](#) Joseph A. Hurley (Project Director), 2013.

Courses Taught

Georgia State University, Honors College, “Mapping Atlanta: Community Mapping and Geospatial Storytelling,” GSU Honors 1000, co-taught with Brennan Collins, Fall 2016.

Georgia State University, “Metropolitan Atlanta: Interdisciplinary Perspectives,” team-taught interdisciplinary Geography, History, and Sociology class, Spring 2012.

Western Carolina University, History Department, Adjunct Instructor, History 232, “American History since 1865,” Fall 2006.

Brevard College, Humanities Department, Adjunct Instructor, History 103, “American History to 1865,” (taught 2 sections) Fall 2006.

Invited Class Lectures

“GIS and Digital History” for “Theory and Practice of Digital History,” GSU History graduate course, January 23, 2019.

“GIS and Digital History” for “Introduction to Digital History,” GSU History graduate course, February 26, 2018.

“Downtown Atlanta’s Changing Public Spaces” for “Contemporary Urban Theory and Issues,” GSU Geography grad/undergrad course, February 20, 2017.

"Historical Auburn Avenue Built Environment Digital Resources" for “Critical Theory, Social Justice, & Philosophy of Design,” Georgia Tech course, February 9, 2017.

“Creating Spatial Narratives: Neighborhood Change in Atlanta, Buttermilk Bottoms” for “Geospatial Storytelling,” GSU honors course, September 14, 2015.

“Historical GIS and Built Environment Change in Atlanta” for “Theory and Practice of Digital History,” GSU graduate history course, March 3, 2015.

“Government Information and Freedom of Information,” for “Information/Misinformation,” GSU honors course, March 31, 2014.

“Spatial Humanities and Historical GIS” for “Issues and Interpretation in Public History,” GSU graduate history course, October 14, 2013.

“Creating Spatial Narratives: Neighborhood Change in Atlanta, Buttermilk Bottoms” for “Mapping Atlanta: Citizen Science, Community Mapping, and Geospatial Storytelling,” GSU honors course, September 11, 2013.

“Government Information and Freedom of Information,” for “Information/Misinformation,” GSU honors course, April 1, 2013.

“Government Information and Freedom of Information,” for “Information/Misinformation,” GSU honors course, October 1, 2012.

“In the Spirit of Thomas Jefferson: Access to Government Information,” for “Information – Power to the People,” GSU honors course, October 17, 2011.

Media Appearance

[“Atlanta Looks For Solutions To City’s Parking Lot Deserts,”](#) WABE Morning Edition, May 26, 2016.

Professional Service

- [Atlanta Studies](#) Advisory Board, 2020 – Present.
- [Atlanta Studies](#) Editorial Board, 2015 – 2020.
- Digital Library Federation (DLF) Mentorship Program, Mentor, 2017 – 2019.