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EDUCATION

Exp. 2021	Ph.D. History and Sociology Department of History and Sociology, Georgia Institute of Technology
2016	M.S. History, Technology, and Society Department of History and Sociology, Georgia Institute of Technology
2005	B.S. Science, Technology, and Culture, Georgia Institute of Technology Minor in History

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

2020	Nooney, L., Driscoll, K., & Allen, K. "From Programming to Products: Softalk Magazine and the Rise of the Personal Computer User." <i>Information & Culture</i> 55, no. 2
2019	Allen, K. "‘The Official Response is Never Enough’: Bringing VisiCalc to Tunisia." <i>IEEE Annals of the History of Computing</i> 41 no. 1

Book Reviews

2017	Allen, K. Review of Margot Lee Shetterly, <i>Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race</i> , William Morro, 2016. <i>IEEE Annals of the History of Computing</i> , 39(3).
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Manuscripts In Progress

2020	Hyde A., Allen K. , & Dhongde S. From Small Town to the Most Diverse Square Mile in America: Social and Demographic Changes in Clarkston, Georgia
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AWARDS AND HONORS

2019	National Humanities Center Graduate Student Summer Resident
2019	Homer Rice Award, Georgia Institute of Technology (\$1000)
2019	Outstanding Graduate TA for History and Sociology, Georgia Institute of Technology

2017	SHOT NSF Travel Grant (\$400)
2017	MIT Press Travel Award (\$250)
2017	Michael S. Mahoney Travel Award (\$400)
2017	Graduate Paper Competition (First Prize), Career, Research, Innovation, and Development Conference, Georgia Institute of Technology (\$1500)

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2019-2020	Graduate Teaching Fellow, Center for Teaching and Learning, Georgia Institute of Technology (\$3000)
2014-2020	Kranzberg Fellowship, Georgia Institute of Technology (\$3500 per year)
2018-2019	Teaching Fellow, Teacher Apprenticeship Program (TAP), Georgia Institute of Technology
2015-2017	NSF Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) Fellow (\$60,000)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Papers Presented

2018	“The Official Response is Never Enough”: Bringing VisiCalc to Tunisia. Montreal, Canada: Association of Internet Researchers (AOIR), October
2018	“One Big Safe Space”: Applying the Scientific Ethos to Institutional Politics. New Orleans, LA: Southern Sociological Society (SSS), April
2017	The Politics of Spreadsheets. Philadelphia, PA: Measure, Model, Mix: Computer as Instrument (SIGCIS), October
2017	The Fiction of Meritocracy: Race and Gender in the Computing and IT Workforce. Philadelphia, PA: Society for the History of Technology (SHOT), October
2017	Assessing the Climate for Women in the Computing and IT Workforce. Chattanooga, TN: Mid-South Sociological Association (MSSA), October
2017	“I’m a Necessary Piece to the Puzzle”: An Intersectional Study of the Computing and IT Workforce. Long Island, NY: Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexuality, May
2017	Homebrewing Imperialism: How the Ethos of Liberating Computer Technology Contributed to Ideologies of Western Dominance. Atlanta, GA: Southeastern Women’s Studies Association (SEWSA), March
2016	“What Does a Father Know About the Need of Playgrounds and Recreation Centers”: Lugenia Burns Hope and the Development of the Neighborhood Union. Atlanta, GA: North American Society for Sports History (NASSH), May

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgia Institute of Technology

Race and Ethnic Relations: Instructor of Record (F18; F19)

Gender and Technology: Instructor of Record (S19)

Introduction to Sociology: Teaching Assistant (F17)

Extra Training

2018-2019 Completed graduate courses in pedagogy and course design

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2018 NSF South Africa/United States Partnership (STEM) Workshop (July: Cape Town, South Africa)

2018 NSF LGBTQ Inclusion in Engineering Workshop (March: Atlanta, GA)

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

2018 – Manuscript review: IEEE Annals of the History of Computing

2017 – Assistant Editor: Technology's Stories

2017 – Conference Assistant: Special Interest Group Computers, Information, and Society (SIGCIS) meetings

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2019 – Graduate student representative for department undergraduate committee

2018-2019 Graduate student representative for department graduate committee

NONACADEMIC WORK

2012-2014 Software and IT Support Manager

2008-2012 Software and IT Support

2006-2008 Technical Writer, Computer Software

TEACHING AREAS/COURSES PREPARED TO TEACH

Gender and Technology; Gender and the Disciplines; Women in Computing History; Race and Ethnicity; Sociology of Science and Technology; Race and Technology; History of Computing; Sociological Methods; Social Theory; Introduction to Sociology; Introduction to Women and Gender Studies; Women and Work; Women and Media; Gender and Society

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR)

American Sociological Association (ASA)

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

Society for the History of Technology (SHOT)

Southern Sociology Society (SSS)

Special Interest Group Computers, Information, and Society (SIGCIS)