

William D. Jones

Curriculum Vitae

December 2023

EDUCATION

2020: Ph.D., History Department, Rice University, Houston, Texas.

Dissertation Title: *Remaking African America in the Lower Mississippi Valley, 1790–1860*

2017: M.A., History Department, Rice University, Houston, Texas.

2013: B.A., Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana.

POSITIONS

2023–present: Visiting Assistant Professor of U.S. History, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

2022–2023: Historian, Rice University’s Baker Institute for Public Policy, Houston, Texas.

2020–2022: Postdoctoral Research Associate in Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice, Woodson Research Center, Fondren Library, Rice University, Houston, Texas.

Fall 2022: Lecturer, Department of History, Rice University, Houston, Texas.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023: Mary Hayes Ewing Prize for the Best Article in Southern History, History Department, Rice University.

2022: Dianne Woest Fellowship in the Arts and Humanities, The Historic New Orleans Collection, New Orleans, Louisiana.

2021: Finalist, Dissertation Prize, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic.

2021: Shapiro Staff Innovation Award, Fondren Library, Rice University.

2019–2020: John B. Boles Editing Fellowship, *The Journal of Southern History*.

2018: Research Travel Grant, Louisiana State University Libraries Special Collections.

2017: Amos E. Simpson Travel Award, Louisiana Historical Association.

2017: Graduate Student Research Travel Award, Humanities Research Center, Rice University.

2015: Editorial Assistant, Southern Historical Association.

2014–2019: Graduate Student Fellowship, History Department, Rice University.

PUBLICATIONS

ACADEMIC AUDIENCES:

“Beyond New Orleans: Forced Migrations to, from, and in Louisiana, 1820–1860,” *Louisiana History* 62 (Fall 2021): 427–65.

“The Silent Jean St. Maló: A Counter-History of Slavery,” in James O’Neil Spady, ed., *Fugitive Movements: Commemorating the Denmark Vesey Affair and Black Radical Antislavery in the Atlantic World* (Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 2022).

GENERAL AUDIENCES:

“The Rost Home Colony: The Rise and Fall of a Reconstruction Experiment,” *64 Parishes*, Summer 2023. Available [here](#).

“Widow’s Mite: Freedwoman Eliza Dorsey’s Struggle for a Civil War Pension,” *64 Parishes*, Summer 2022. Available [here](#).

Haley Price, William Jones, and Alina Scott, “Violence Against Black People in America: A ClioVis Timeline,” *Not Even Past*, 27 July 2020. Available [here](#).

INTERNAL UNIVERSITY HISTORICAL REPORTS

2022: “Undergraduate Admissions and Diversity at Rice University, 1965–2004,” Commissioned by co-chairs, Rice University Task Force on Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice.

2021: “Faculty Diversity at Rice University, 1969–2012,” Commissioned by Research and Teaching Subcommittee, Rice University Task Force on Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice.

BOOK REVIEWS:

Review of *African American History: A Very Short Introduction*, by Jonathan Scott Holloway. *Journal of Southern History* (forthcoming).

Review of *All for Liberty: The Charleston Workhouse Slave Rebellion of 1849*, by Jeff Strickland. *Journal of Southern History* 89, no. 1 (February 2023): 144–45.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES:

“Ozeme Carriere” *64 Parishes Encyclopedia* (forthcoming).

“Home Colonies” *64 Parishes Encyclopedia*, [link](#).

“The Freedmen’s Bureau in Louisiana,” *64 Parishes Encyclopedia*, [link](#).

“Wesley Chapel” *64 Parishes Encyclopedia* (forthcoming).

“The Domestic Slave Trade in Louisiana” *64 Parishes Encyclopedia*, [link](#).

TEACHING

2023–2024: Visiting Assistant Professor, Sam Houston State University

HIST 1301: United States History to 1876

HIST 1302: United States History since 1876

HIST 3396: The American South (Online)

HIST 3322: Black Civil Rights Movement (Online)

HIST 5366: The Reconstruction Era (Graduate Readings; Online)

2022: Lecturer, HIST 117: Early America, Rice University.

2020: Teaching Assistant, “William Marsh Rice and Slavery,” Dr. W. Caleb McDaniel.

2018: Teaching Assistant, First-Year Writing Intensive Seminar, Program in Writing and Communication, Rice University, “Slavery on Film,” Dr. James Sidbury.

2018: Teacher Training, First-Year Writing Intensive Seminar, Program in Writing and Communication, Rice University.

2016: Teaching Assistant, “The American South,” Dr. John B. Boles, Rice University.

2016: Teaching Assistant, “Native American History: From European Contact to the Era of Removal,” Dr. James Sidbury, Rice University.

2015: Research Assistant, Dr. W. Caleb McDaniel, Rice University.

2014–2015: Editorial Assistant, *The Journal of Southern History*.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Engaging Large Classrooms, October 24, 2023, Professional and Academic Center for Excellence, Sam Houston State University.

INVITED TALKS

2023: “Old Country People”: Black Union Veterans Who Survived the Domestic Slave Trade, Phi Alpha Theta Veterans Day Lecture, Sam Houston State University.

PAPERS PRESENTED

2021: “Disease, Death, and the United States Domestic Slave Trade to the Lower Mississippi River Valley,” *Pandemic Legacies: Health, Healing, and Medicine in the Age of Slavery and Beyond*, The Lapidus Center for the Historical Analysis of Transatlantic Slavery.

2019: “*Moosa v. Allain*: The Deep History of Black Protest in Louisiana,” *Enduring Slavery: Resistance, Public Memory, and Transatlantic Archives*, The Lapidus Center for the Historical Analysis of Transatlantic Slavery.

2019: “From Cotton to Sugar: Making Louisiana’s Sugar Economy during the Nineteenth Century,” Agricultural History Society Annual Meeting.

2019: “‘Original Acts’ in Louisiana: A Database from the Parish Clerks’ Archives,” *Enslaved: Peoples of the Historic Slave Trade Conference*, Michigan State University.

2019: “The Irony of St. Malo: Memories of Rebellion in Nineteenth-Century Louisiana,” *The Vesey Conspiracy at 200: Black Antislavery and the Atlantic World*, Carolina Lowcountry in the Atlantic World Program, College of Charleston.

2018: “‘Americans,’ ‘Creoles,’ and the Cultural Consequences of Forced Migrations in Nineteenth-Century Lower Louisiana,” Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting.

2018: “‘Long live Ferdinand’: Enslaved People’s Politics in Louisiana during the Age of Revolutions,” Early Americanists in Texas Seminar, Rice University.

2018: “Colliding Creole Cultures: The Cultural Consequences of Forced Migration in Louisiana,” Trans-American Crossings: Enslaved Migrations Within the Americas and Their Impacts on Slave Cultures and Societies, Omohundro Institute and John Carter Brown Library, Brown University.

2018: “Aunt Jane’s Hymns: Healing the Trauma of the ‘Second Middle Passage,’” Medicine and Healing in the Age of Slavery, Rice University.

DIGITAL HUMANITIES

2016: Short Courses, GIS/Data Center, Fondren Library, Rice University.

Getting Started with ArcGIS Boot Camp

Mapping Tabular Data

Mapping Imagery

Mapping Locations Using XY Coordinates

Social Explorer: Exploring Census Data

Bringing Census Data into ArcGIS

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2021: Co-host, Friday “Doc Talks” Webinar and Podcast, November 5, 2021, Rice University Task Force on Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice.

2021: Planning Adviser, “Christ Church Cathedral Slavery and Racial Injustice Conference,” Christ Church Cathedral, Houston, Texas.

2021: Guest, Friday “Doc Talks” Webinar and Podcast, April 16, 2021, Rice University Task Force on Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice.

2020: Panelist, “Behind the Scenes in the Archives, with the Task Force on Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice,” Rice University Owl Together Homecoming and Reunion Families Weekend.

2019–2020: Graduate Student Member, Rice University Task Force on Slavery, Segregation, and Racial Injustice.

LANGUAGES

French (reading); Spanish (reading).