

Mary F. V. Barford, PhD

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, August 2007 to December 2015
Purdue University
Major Field: US History
19th and 20th Century
Cultural and Intellectual History,
Women's History,
African-American History
Minor Field: Latin American History
Advisor: Dr. Susan Curtis

Master of the Arts, August 2004 to May 2006
Eastern Illinois University
Major Field: History

Bachelor of Science May 2002 to December 2003
Eastern Illinois University
Major Field: Educational Studies - Curriculum and Instruction
with Teacher Certification

Bachelor of the Arts September 1996 to January 2000
University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign
Major Field: Philosophy
Minor Field: Spanish

University of Granada, Granada, Spain August 1995 to May 1996
Centro de Lenguas Modernas
Cursos Hispánicos

WORK EXPERIENCE

Limited Term Lecturer, History August, 2025 to the present
Purdue University

- Currently teaching History 104, Introduction to the Modern World

Senior Course Instructor, History October, 2018 to the present
Western Governors University

- Integrated into a technology-based learning platform
- Develop new courses
- Deliver content through online webinars
- Tutor students through scheduled phone conversations
- Work closely with colleagues to expand resources for students
- Innovate new approaches to content delivery
- Develop meaningful working relationships university-wide

Instructor – History of Organized Labor June, 2017 to the present
Indiana Kentucky Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Training Program
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Joint Apprenticeship Training program

- ♦ Taught the History of Organized Labor to union apprentices, 16 week courses
- ♦ Designed my own course materials for this unique class and opportunity
- ♦ Worked closely with union officials to reach desired goals

Adjunct Professor

January, 2016 – August, 2018

Ivy Tech Community College, Lafayette, Indiana

Indiana University, Kokomo, Indiana

- ◆ Taught the American History Survey, 1865 to the present
- ◆ Taught the American History Survey, First Civilizations to 1865
- ◆ Taught African-American History
- ◆ Taught Western Civilization, 1500 to the present
- ◆ Created and presented thoughtful and innovative lectures based on themes and ideas in American history
- ◆ Designed original syllabus, assignments, presentations, and class activities
- ◆ Worked extensively with the ASAP program <https://www.ivytech.edu/asap/> which reaches a diverse group of students who are the first in their families to attend college

English and History Teacher

August 2013 – May 2015

Jefferson High School, Lafayette, Indiana

- ◆ Taught courses in English and Social Studies
- ◆ Collaborated with other teachers and parents in my cohort to provide the best educational experience possible
- ◆ Worked to build trusting relationships with students
- ◆ Dedicated myself to engaging with state curriculum mandates in innovative and energetic ways

Graduate Instructor

May 2010 to August 2011

Purdue University, History Department

West Lafayette, IN

- ◆ Designed and implemented a new course for the American History Survey, 1877 to the present
- ◆ Lectured on a variety of topics in American History including extensive attention to cultural history
- ◆ Created my own syllabus, assignments, PowerPoint presentations, and class activities
- ◆ Earned consistently positive evaluations from students

Research Associate

August 2000 to July 2001

Center for Economic and Policy Research, Washington, D.C.

- ◆ Managed all administrative tasks including payroll, taxes, benefits, governmental status, bills, web services
- ◆ Trained interns and supervised internship program
- ◆ Maintained and expanded website, www.cepr.net
- ◆ Edited papers, speeches, and research projects
- ◆ Coordinated listserves

AWARDS

- ◆ Ross Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University
- ◆ Graduate Assistantship, History Department, Purdue University
- ◆ Graduate Assistantship, History Department, Eastern Illinois University
- ◆ Recipient of the William's Travel Award, 2006, Graduate School, Eastern Illinois University
- ◆ Recipient of the Coleman Scholarship, 2005-2006
- ◆ Recipient of the Lavern Hamand Graduate Writing Award, multiple years
- ◆ Recipient of the Women's Studies Department Graduate Writing Award
- ◆ Recipient of the Leften Stavrianos World History Award
- ◆ Admission to Phi Alpha Theta, History Honors Society
- ◆ Graduation with Departmental Distinction in Philosophy, University of Illinois
- ◆ Dean's List, University of Illinois, Eastern Illinois University

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES:

“*Black Eagles on the Prairie: Onarga, Illinois and the Coming of La Causa*” at “Workers, the Nation State, and Beyond: The Newberry Conference on Labor History across the Americas,” Newberry Library, LAWCHA

Invited Panelist, discussion of “*The Dutchman*” by Amiri Baraka, Hope College, Holland, MI, 2016 (Honorarium)

“*Fortitude and Forgiveness: Lee Krasner’s life as an Artist*” invited lecture at Purdue University School of Art and Design, 2017 (Honorarium)

“*Home Front Heroes: Support for Working Women during WWI*” at National Student Parent Support Symposium, Portland, OR, 2018

“*Dispersed Authorship in Early 20th Century Experimental Matrimony Theater*” American Literature Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA, 2019

“*Women and Industrialization*” at Susan Curtis Symposium, Purdue University, 2019 (Honorarium)

PUBLICATIONS

Book Review, “Growing Up on the Illinois Prairie During the Great Depression and the Coal Mine Wars” *Agricultural History*, 2008

Cengage Learning, ebooks, US History Series, articles on *The New Woman*, *Ida B. Wells*, and *W. E. B. DuBois*, 2016

Article, “Emerson Therapy,” The Ralph Waldo Emerson Society. The Transparent Eyeball, May 25, 2021, <https://emersonsociety.org/the-transparent-eyeball/emersontherapy/>.

Books in progress and under consideration: “*Embraced Disgrace: A History of Scandalous Women in America.*” And “*The Arrangement of Desire: Four American Marriages.*”

SERVICE

- ◆ Tutored Spanish speakers in English at “Amigos” – Newman Center, Charleston Illinois
- ◆ G.E.D. tutoring for jail inmates – Coles County Jail, Charleston, Illinois
- ◆ Volunteer teacher, Lafayette School Corporation – taught history in the elementary schools where it was not part of the state curriculum
- ◆ Food Finders Foodbank, Lafayette, IN

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Organization of American Historians
American Historical Association
National Council for the Social Studies
Labor and Working-Class History Association
The Emerson Society

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST