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Professional Appointments

July 1, 2021- June 2023 Barra Postdoctoral Fellow, The University of Pennsylvania

Education

Ph.D. 2015-2021 US History, University of Texas at Austin
M.A. 2015 Atlantic World History, East Carolina University.
B.A. 2012 History, Honors College, East Carolina University

Relevant Publications

Book Manuscript in Progress:

Hammack, María E. “Channels of Liberation: Freedom Fighters Across the US-Mexican Global South.” In Revision.

Book Chapters:

Castañeda García, Rafael y María Esther Hammack, “El comercio de esclavizados desde el atlántico Ibérico a la Nueva España: Notas historiográficas,” in Manuel F. Fernández Chaves y Rafael M. Pérez García, eds., *Tratas atlánticas y esclavitudes en América. Siglos XVI-XIX* (Sevilla: Editorial de la Universidad de Sevilla, 15 de Septiembre 2021).

Hammack, María Esther. “Gone to Texas: Black Women & The Geographies of Smuggling Across Mexican Texas,” in Brian Stauffer & Mark Lambert, eds., *The Struggle Over Slavery in Mexican Texas: A Documentary Reader of the Texas General Land Office, Under Contract with University of Texas Press, 2023*), *In Revision*.

Hammack, María E., “Adeline Stuart: A Black Woman’s Story of Resilience and Survival in the Lone Star State,” Bruce A. Glasrud, ed., *Centuries of Voices: Portraits of Black Women in Texas History*. (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2021), *In Press*.

Hammack, María E., “Mary Susan Moore, M.D.: A Healthcare Champion for Black Texans,” Bruce A. Glasrud, ed., *Centuries of Voices: Portraits of Black Women in Texas History*. (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2021), *In Press*.

Select Fellowships & Awards

2020-21 Mellon ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship
2020 CCWH/Berks Dissertation Research Fellowship
2019-20 Fulbright Open Research Fellowship (Canada)
2019-20 The P.E.O. International Fellowship
2019 The John H. Jenkins Fellowship, The Texas State Historical Association
2018 American Historical Association, Albert J. Beveridge Research Grant
2017-2018 Dolph Briscoe Center for American History Fellowship
2014 Library Company of Philadelphia, Mellon Scholars’ Summer Fellowship
2012 Phi Beta Kappa, Academic Merit Award

Select Public History & Projects

Digital Projects & Collaborations

Hammack, María E. Founder & Developer. *FreedomFighters* Digital Project. April 2021. Social Media: @FreedomFights19. *Website In Development*.

Hammack, María E. Founding Member & Writer. *Fourth Part of The World: A Journal of Black & Native History*. 2018-2020.

Hammack, María E. Documentary Collaborator. “Just A Ferry Ride to Freedom.” February 20, 2019. Final Product: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YfiHYULKDKM>

Hammack, María E. Researcher & Writer. Berry, D.R. & Winston, R. (PI). “Mapping Texas Slave Trade Routes,” Humanities Media Grant, College of Liberal Arts, UT Austin, 2015-2021. Final Product: <https://txdst.la.utexas.edu/>

Hammack, María E. “Doing Public History: Three Projects.” *Methods Series*. Institute for Historical Studies. UT Austin. 2015-2016. Final Product: www.behindthetower.org.

Podcasts

Hammack, María E. “Historia Afromexicana.” Podcast. *Afrochingonas México. Episodio 38*. September 23, 2021.

Hammack, María E. “Finding Freedom South of the Border with Maria Hammack.” Podcast. *The Hour of History (HoH). Episode 57*. October 2017.

Museum Work

2021-2022 Curator, “Black Women Freedom Fighters North and South of US Slavery” The Amherstburg Freedom Museum. Ontario, Canada. *Upcoming February 2022*.

2019-Present Translator of Exhibitions. The Bullock Texas State History Museum

2017-19 Curator Assistant. Frank Cordes. The Texas Bullock Museum

Fall 2017 Curator Assistant. Margaret Koch. The Texas Bullock Museum

Organized Workshops

2017 Hammack, María E. “Finding Your Roots Workshop.” The Bullock Texas State History Museum. Austin, TX. May 13, 2017.

<https://www.thestoryoftexas.com/visit/calendar/workshop-finding-your-roots-20170513>

2014 Hammack, María E. “Border Exchanges: Histories, Accounts and Other Stories that Connected Mexico and the Old South.” Brown Bag Workshop. East Carolina University, February 21, 2014.

Select Service: Volunteer Academic & Community

2021-2024 American Historical Association. Graduate and Early Career Committee.

2021-Present Collaborator and Project Investigator. Underground Railroad Project. National Park Service & SAAACAM.

2020-Present Mentor. Fulbright Latinx.

2019-Present Consultant. Webber Family. Black Historical District & Markers Project.

2019-Present Editorial Assistant. *The Journal of African American History*.

2005-Present ESL Tutor, Associations of Mexicans in North Carolina. (AMEXCAN).

Language: Spanish: Native Language | English: Fluent | French: Basic Reading & Writing