

R. Douglas Cope

Curriculum Vitae

Name, Position, Department

R. Douglas Cope, Associate Professor, History

Education

Ph.D., Latin American History, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1987)

M.A., Latin American History, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1981)

B.A., History, Oakland University, (Rochester, Michigan) (1979)

A.A., Humanities, St. Clair County Community College (Port Huron, Michigan) (1977)

Dissertation: "The Limits of Racial Domination: Plebeian Society in Colonial Mexico City, 1660-1720"

Professional Appointments

Associate Professor, Latin American History, Brown University (1994 – present)

Assistant Professor, Latin American History, Brown University (1988 – 94)

Instructor, Latin American History, University of Miami (1986 – 88)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Latin American History, University of Oregon (1985 – 86)

Research and Scholarship

"The Politics of Petty Commerce: Who Defines the Public Good?" in Documenting Latin America, ed. Leo J. Garafalo and Erin O'Connor, Pearson/Prentice Hall (in press)

"Conclusion," in Imperial Subjects: Race and Identity in Colonial Latin America, ed. Andrew B. Fisher and Matthew D. O'Hara, Duke University Press (2009)

"Petty Commerce and the Public Good in Eighteenth-Century Mexico City," in volume on Colonial Cities, ed. Diego Curto, Leo S. Olschky Editore (forthcoming)

"Los ámbitos laborales urbanos," in Historia de la vida cotidiana en México, vol. 2. La ciudad barroca, ed. Antonio Rubial García (Mexico: El Colegio de México, A. C., Fondo de Cultura Económica, 2005).

"Mexico's Eve: The Woman Who Welcomed the West into an American Paradise," in the Brown Alumni Monthly (January/February 2002).

"Mestizaje," in the The Oxford Encyclopedia of Mesoamerican Cultures: The Civilizations of Mexico and Central America, ed. David Carrasco, vol. 2 (Oxford University Press, 2001), pp. 291-296.

The Limits of Racial Domination: Plebeian Society in Colonial Mexico City, 1660-1720 (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 1994)

Articles in The Encyclopedia of Latin American History (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1995), including:

Manuel Abad y Queipo
Luis de Carvajal
Vicente Cervantes
Desagüe
Pedro de Gante
Juan de Palafox y Mendoza
Peninsulares
Carlos de Sigüenza y Góngora

“1492: Encounter of Two Worlds:’ An Undergraduate Quincentenary Course at Brown University,” Newsletter of the Conference on Latin American History, vol. 28, no. 1 (Spring 1992): 35-47 (with Thomas E. Skidmore)

“I Colori del Sangue,” Storia e Dossier, vol. 6, no. 51 (May 1991): 7-15

Reviews:

Indigenous Agency in Colonial Spanish America,” review of Noble David Cook, with Alexandra Parma Cook, People of the Volcano: Andean Counterpoint in the Colca Valley of Peru (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2007); Karen B. Graubart, With Our Labor and Sweat: Indigenous Women and the Formation of Colonial Society in Peru, 1500-1700 (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2007); Lolita Gutiérrez Brockington, Blacks, Indians, and Spaniards in the Eastern Andes: Reclaiming the Forgotten in Colonial Mizque, 1550-1782 (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2007); Laura E. Matthew and Michael R. Oudijk, ed. Indian Conquistadors: Indigenous Allies in the Conquest of Mesoamerica (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2007) in the Latin American Research Review (forthcoming, 2010).

María Elena Martínez, Genealogical Fictions: Limpieza de Sangre, Religion, and Gender in Colonial Mexico (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2008), in Social History (forthcoming, 2010).

Nicole von Germeten, Black Blood Brothers: Confraternities and Social Mobility for Afro-Mexicans (Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida, 2006) in The Americas, vol. 64, no. 2 (October 2007): 315-317.

Bruce A. Castleman, Building the King's Highway: Labor, Society, and family on Mexico's Caminos Reales, 1757-1804 (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2005), Colonial Latin American Historical Review (2007).

Magali Marie Carrera, Imagining Identity in New Spain: Race, Lineage and the Colonial Body in Portraiture and Casta Paintings (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2003), in The American Historical Review, vol. 109, no. 5 (December 2004): 1612-1613.

Samuel Y Edgerton, Theaters of Conversion: Religious Architecture and Indian Artisans in Colonial Mexico (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2001), in The Historian, vol. 66, no. 1 (March 2004): 138-139

Gabriel Haslip-Viera, Crime and Punishment in Late Colonial Mexico City, 1692-1810 (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 1999), in The American Historical Review, vol. 106, no. 3 (June 2001): 1028-1029

Matthew Restall, The Maya World: Yucatec Culture and Society, 1550-1850 (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1997), in The American Historical Review, vol. 104, no. 4 (October 1999): 1349-1350

Christopher H. Lutz, Santiago de Guatemala, 1541-1773: City, Caste, and the Colonial Experience (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1994), in The American Historical Review, vol. 101, no. 1 (February 1996): 272-273

Magnus Morner, Region and State in Latin America's Past (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1993), in Società e Storia, no. 71 (1996): 215-217

Charles W. Ewen, From Spaniard to Creole: The Archeology of Cultural Formation at Puerto Real, Haiti (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 1991), in Ethnohistory, vol. 42, no. 3 (Summer 1995): 553-555.

Papers:

"The Intersection of Local, Regional and Atlantic Economies in Eighteenth-Century Mexico City: The Merchants' View," presented at the New England Council of Latin American Studies meeting, Brown University, October 2008.

"Mestizaje in Colonial Spanish America," presented at the Society for History of the Early American Republic, Worcester, Massachusetts, July 2007.

"The Underground Economy in Eighteenth-Century Mexico City" presented at the David Rockefeller Center, Harvard University, March 2006

"Mestizaje: Race and Ethnicity in Mexico," presented at the Historical Society Meeting, Boothbay Harbor, Maine, June 2004

"Petty Commerce and the Public Good in Eighteenth-Century Mexico City," presented at the Vasco de Gama Chair Workshop on "Colonial Cities," European University Institute, Florence, Italy, December 2002.

"Between Liberty and Constraint: Government Regulation of Petty Commerce in Mexico City, 1700-1780," presented at the Latin American Studies Association Meeting, Washington, September 2001

"Rethinking the Conquest: Cultural Encounters in Sixteenth-Century Mexico" presentation in Forum 101 series, Brown University, March 2001

"Markets and Morality in Eighteenth-Century Mexico City" presented at the Brown History Department Workshop, Brown University, December 2000

"Mestizaje and the Marketplace: Ethnicity, Gender, and Social Control in Mexico City's Plaza Mayor," keynote address for the conference "New Perspectives on Mestizaje: Cross Disciplinary Approaches to Ethnicity in Mesoamerica and the Andean Region," Brown University, April 1997

"Muddle in the Marketplace: Commerce and Conflict in Mexico City's Plaza Mayor, 1680-1780," presented at the University of Chicago, February 1996

“Mexico City in the Seventeenth Century: Contrast, Conflict, and Community,” presented at the conference “Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz: Her Life and Times,” University of Texas at Austin, February 1995

“Images of Indians in Seventeenth-Century Mexico City,” presented at the American Historical Association Meeting, Chicago, January 1995

“‘1492: Encounter of Two Worlds:’ An Undergraduate Quincentenary Course at Brown University,” presented at the American Historical Association Meeting, Chicago, December 1991

“Racial Perceptions of the Urban Poor in Colonial Mexico City, 1660-1720,” presented at the American Historical Association Meeting, Cincinnati, December 1988

“Popular Protest and Resistance in Colonial Mexico City,” presented at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 1984

Conferences:

Commentator, Forum on the Atlantic World, commemorating the publication of Jack P. Greene and Philip D. Morgan, Atlantic History: A Critical Appraisal, John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, March 2009.

Commentator, Conference on “Antonio Vieira, Baroque Portugal and Colonial Brazil,” Brown University, November 2008.

Chair, “The Atlantic World,” session of the New England Council on Latin American Studies meeting, Brown University, October 2008.

Chair and Commentator, “Imperial Subjects: Institutions, Identifications, and Identity in Colonial Latin America,” session of the American Historical Association Meeting, Atlanta, January 2007.

Commentator for two sessions of “Indigenous Cultures in the Atlantic World, 1500-1825,” International Seminar on the History of the Atlantic World, 1500—1825, Harvard University, August 2004.

Chair and Commentator, session of the Latin American Studies Association Meeting, Dallas, March 2003.

Chair, “Race to the End of Empire: The Racial Dimensions of Royal Policy in Late Colonial Spanish America,” session of the American Historical Association Meeting, Chicago, January 2003.

Commentator on “The Structure of Colonial Societies, 1500-1825,” session of the International Seminar on the History of the Atlantic World, 1500-1825, Harvard University, August 2002.

Chair and Commentator, “The ‘Plebe’, Poverty and Poor Relief in Late Colonial and Early National Period Urban Crucibles: Lima, Quito, and Mexico City,” session of the Latin American Studies Association, Miami, March 2000

Chair and Commentator, “Legal Culture in Colonial Latin America,” session of the Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, September 1998

Commentator on “Indians and Conquistadores in the Sixteenth Century,” session of the Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 1992

CD-ROM:

Contributor to “Indigenous Rights: Where do we go from here?” in Liza Bakewell and Byron Hamann, Mesolore (Brown University, 2001)

Research in Progress

The Informal Economy of Eighteenth-Century Mexico City

Service

Freshman Advisor (1989 – 91, 1992 – 93, 2009)
 Coordinator, History Department Workshop (1989 – 91, Fall 2002)
 Resumed Undergraduate Education Committee (1989 – 92)
 Organizing Committee for the Quincentenary Course, “1492: Encounter of Two Worlds” (1989 – 91)
 Sophomore Advisor (1990 – 92, 1993 – 94, 2004-present)
 Columbus Quincentenary Committee (1991 – 92)
 Coordinating Committee, Workshop for the Comparative Study of Society and History in the Americas (1992 –1997)
 Presentation, “Developing a New Course,” Center for the Advancement of College Teaching (1993)
 Randall Counselor (1993 – 95)
 Concentration Advisor, History Department (1994 – 98, Fall 2003)
 Transfer Credit Advisor, History Department (2004-present)
 Undergraduate Concentration Advisor, Latin American Studies (2004-2008)
 Presentation, “How To Be an Effective Lecturer,” to History Department Graduate Student (in association with the Center for the Advancement of College Teaching (1995, 1996, 1998)
 Search Committee for African Position, History Department (1995 – 96)
 Faculty Executive Committee (1995 – 98)
 Fulbright Review Committee (1996 –2003, 2005—present)
 Wriston Fellowship Committee (1996)
 Executive Committee, Center for Latin American Studies (1996 – present)
 Sayles Gymnasium Committee (1997)
 Search Committee for Das Chair in South Asian Studies (1998 – 99)
 Review Committee for Nancy Jacobs (1999-2000)
 Academic Priorities Committee (2000-2001)
 Search Committee for Modern Latin America (2000-2001, chair) (2002-2003, member)
 Search Committee for Eighteenth-Century Europe (2005-06)
 Review Committee for Karl Jacoby (2001)
 Tenure Review Committee for Nancy Jacobs (2002)
 Review Committee for Dimitris Livanios (2004)
 Review Committee for Seth Rockman (2005-06)
 Review Committee for Tara Nummedal (2006-2007)
 Review and Reappointment Committee Chair, Vazira Zamindar (2007-2008)
 Review Committee for Vazira Zamindar (2008-2009)

Tinker-Lampadia Fellowship Committee, John Carter Brown Library (1989 – 1991, 1995, 1999-2000)

JCB Fellowship Committee, John Carter Brown Library, (1991, 1993 –2008)

Consultant, Atotonilco Mural Project – submitted to the Rhode Island Council of the Humanities (1993)

Tenure and/or promotion reviews for Oregon University, Pennsylvania State University, Fordham University, Michigan State University and Brandeis University (2001-2003)

Tenure reviews, University of Notre Dame and Oregon State University (2008)

Tenure review, Carlton College and Denison University (2009)

Book Review Editor, *Hispanic American Historical Review* (1997— 2002)

Manuscript Reviewer, *Hispanic American Historical Review*, *The Americas* (1998— Present)

Manuscript Reviewer, Oxford University Press (2002) – two book-length manuscripts reviewed

Manuscript Reviewer, University of Colorado Press (2005) – book-length manuscript

Manuscript Reviewer, Stanford University Press (2006-2007) – book-length manuscript

Manuscript Reviewer, Indiana University Press – book-length manuscript (2008)

Reviewer, book proposal, John Wiley and Sons, Inc. (2008)

Lecture, “The Mexican Revolution,” Rhode Island School of Design (1990)

Consultant, “Dona Marina Herself,” Theater for Emily (a play for schoolchildren) (1991)

Radio Programs: Mary Ann Sorentino Show, WPRO, Providence (1992); Student Radio, Massachusetts (1992); WHJJ, Providence (1993) – discussions of Columbus

Radio Program: “Not Your Classroom” BSR (2005)

Lecture, “The Meaning of 1492,” Brown Alumni, Boston (1992)

Lecture, “Multiracial Studies in the Americas: Case Studies in Mexico and Guatemala,” Brown Alumni, Miami and Tampa Bay (1994)

Lecture, “Human Sacrifice among the Aztecs,” Parent’s Weekend, Brown University (1994)

Consultant, “Caught between Two Worlds: Mexico at the Crossroads” (text for high Schools) (1996)

Consultant, Revised version (2006)

Interfaith Dinner Talk: “Conversion or Subversion? The Maya Response to Christianity” (1997)

Content reader, Call to Freedom: Beginnings to 1914 (U.S. history text for middle schools), chapter 3 (1999)

Consultant, seminar on CD-ROM Vistas: Latin American Visual Culture, 1520-1820 (2001)

Lecture, “Land, Liberty, and Justice: The Multiple Meanings of Freedom in the Mexican Revolution” Rhode Island Council for the Humanities (2004)

Content Reader, The Human Odyssey (World History Text for middle schools) (2004)

Academic Honors

Honorable mention, Herbert E. Bolton Prize for Best Book in Latin American Studies (1996)

William G. McLoughlin Award for Teaching Excellence in the Social Sciences, Brown University (1994)

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend (1989)

History Department Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1983 – 84)

Fulbright-Hays Grant for Study Abroad (1982 – 83)

HEA Title VI Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1981 – 82)
 Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison
 (1979 – 81)

Teaching

2006-2007

162	Colonial Latin America	54
197, sec. 73	The Maya in the Modern World	16
164	Clash of Empires in Latin America	56
197, sec. 74	The Age of Rebellion in Mexico and the Andes, 1750-1850	10

2007-2008

1620	Colonial Latin America	69
0970Z S01	Atlantic Pirates	19
1640	Clash of Empires in Latin America	69
1973X, SO1	The Maya in the Modern World	16

2008-2009

1610	Mexico, 1700-1867	46
2980C, SO1	Race, Ethnicity, and Identity in The Atlantic World	11

2009-2010

1620	Colonial Latin America	53
0970Z S01	Atlantic Pirates	20

Honors' theses directed, 2007-2009: 1

Latin American Studies senior projects directed, 2007-2009: 1

Religious Studies senior theses directed, 2007-2009: 1

Ph.D. dissertations completed under my direction:

Leonardo Hernandez, "Implicated Spaces, Daily Struggles: Home and Street Life in Late Colonial Guatemala City, 1750-1824" (1999)

Charles Beatty, "Rebels and Conquerors: Maroons, Encomenderos and Royal Authority in the Kingdom of Quito, 1540-1620" (2001)

Tshombe L. Miles, "The Fight against Slavery and Racism in Ceará (1839-1884)" (2008)

Marisela Jiménez Ramos, "Black Mexico: Nineteenth-Century Discourses of Race and Nation"
(2009)

Date of Preparation

January 15, 2010