

## **Deborah E. Hamer**

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### **Education**

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**Columbia University**, New York, New York

Ph.D., History 2014

Dissertation: Creating an Orderly Society: The Regulation of Marriage and Sex in the Dutch Atlantic World, 1621-1674

Advisor: Martha Howell

M.Phil., History 2009

M.A., History 2007

**Brandeis University**, Waltham, Massachusetts

B.A., History 2005

Justice Louis D. Brandeis Scholar, High Honors, *Summa Cum Laude*

### **Employment & Academic Positions**

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**Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture**, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia

2015-2017 Postdoctoral Fellow and Visiting Assistant Professor

**Boston College**, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts

2014-2015 Visiting Assistant Professor

**University of Miami**, Miami, Florida

Spring 2014 Instructor

**Columbia University**, New York, New York

Summer 2011 Instructor

**Museum of the City of New York**, New York, New York

2011 Collections Intern

**Columbia University**, New York, New York

2006-2009 Teaching Assistant

### **Awards**

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Selected Participant, Institute for the Editing of Historical Documents, Summer 2014

Sid and Ruth Lapidus Fellowship, American Jewish Historical Society, 2011

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Summer Teaching Scholar, Columbia University, 2011

New Netherland Research Center Student Scholar Research Grant, 2010

American Association of Netherlandic Studies Research Scholarship, 2010

Howard & Natalie Shawn Summer Research Fellowship, Columbia University, Summer 2010

Summer Research Fellowship, Columbia University, Summer 2009

Kleinman Scholarship, Columbia University, 2008-2009

Richard Hofstadter Faculty Fellowship, Columbia University, 2005-2010

## **Courses Taught (Instructor of Record)**

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Atlantic Puritans (Boston College, Spring 2015)  
The Family, Marriage, and Sexuality in Early Modern Europe (Boston College, Spring 2015)  
The Scientific Revolution (Boston College, Fall 2014 and University of Miami, Spring 2014)  
The Early Modern Atlantic World (Boston College, Fall 2014)  
New Amsterdam/New York: Diversity Before the American Revolution (Summer, 2011)

## **Research & Teaching Interests**

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The Atlantic World  
History of Marriage and Sexuality  
The Dutch Empire (West & East)  
Intercultural Interactions  
Popular Culture

## **Publications**

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Accepted, “‘Our Dutchmen run after them very much’: Dutch-Indian Relationships, 1621-1664.”  
In *Race, Gender, and Sexualities in the Atlantic*, edited by Laura Prieto and Stephen Berry.  
Charleston: University of South Carolina Press, [anticipated 2016].

## **Works in Progress**

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More Water than Wine: Marriage and the Construction of the Dutch Atlantic World [Book Manuscript], Committed to the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture

“The Humanist and the Prince: Caspar Barlaeus and the Uses of Dutch Brazil” [article]

## **Reviews**

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Review, Susanah Shaw Romney, *New Netherland Connections: Intimate Networks and Atlantic Ties in Seventeenth Century America*, Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2014, *New York History* (forthcoming)

Review, Marjorie Rubright, *Doppelgänger Dilemmas: Anglo-Dutch Relations in Early Modern English Literature and Culture*, Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2014, *Itinerario* (forthcoming)

## **Conference Papers and Lectures**

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Extension or Reduction of Authority?: Dutch Trading Companies and Mixed Marriage in the Seventeenth Century, *Marriage's Global Past*, Cambridge, England April 7-9, 2016

Slavery, Sex, and the Creation of Political Order in Dutch Brazil, *American Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, Georgia, January 8, 2016

Before the Golden Age: The Netherlands in the Sixteenth Century, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts, October 7, 2015

“each and every one must refrain from adulterous intercourse”: The Dutch West India Company and Marriage, *American Historical Association Annual Meeting*, New York, New York, January 2-5, 2015

“that ye laws concerning marriage bee strictly observed”: Continuity and Change in Marriage Regulation, 1621-1689, *From Conquest to Identity: New Jersey and the Middle Colonies in the Seventeenth Century*, McNeil Center for Early American Studies, Trenton, New Jersey, March 27-28, 2014

Investigations of Marital Status in the Seventeenth Century Dutch Atlantic World, *Transmitting Knowledge in the Early Modern Dutch World*, Columbia University, New York, New York, December 6-7, 2013

The Dutch Encounter with Native Americans, *University of Miami Early Modern History Workshop*, Miami, Florida, November 7, 2013

Connected Colonies: Mobility in the Dutch Atlantic World, *Emerging Scholars Round Table, New Netherland Seminar*, New York, New York, October 5, 2013

Dutch Regulation of Jewish Marriage and Sex in Amsterdam and Brazil in the Seventeenth Century, *Places of Encounter: Jews and Non-Jews in the Low Countries Between 1500 and 1800*, University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium, March 14, 2013

‘Such a knot as never can be undone’: The Problem of the Indissolubility of Marriage in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Dutch Republic, *16<sup>th</sup> Biennial International Conference on Netherlandic Studies*, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 7-9, 2012

‘Our Dutchmen run after them very much’: Dutch-Indian Relationships, 1621-1664, *Race, Gender, and Sexualities in the Atlantic World*, The Carolina Lowcountry in the Atlantic World Program, Charleston, South Carolina, March 9-11, 2012

Marriage Policies and Marriage Practices in the Dutch Colonies in the Seventeenth Century, *Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture and the Institute for Historical Studies*, “Centering Families in Atlantic Worlds, 1500-1800,” Austin, Texas, February 27-March 1, 2011

## **Professional Memberships**

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American Association of Netherlandic Studies  
American Historical Association  
Association for Documentary Editing  
Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction

## **Languages**

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Proficient: Dutch  
Reading Knowledge: German, French, and Hebrew