

# EMILY RUTHERFORD

## Curriculum Vitae

Corpus Christi College  
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## EDUCATION

- 2020 Ph.D. (distinction), History, Columbia University  
Dissertation: "The Politics and Culture of Gender in British Universities, 1860–1935"  
Committee: Susan Pedersen (adviser), Chris Brown, Peter Mandler, Sharon Marcus, Camille Robcis
- 2017 M.A., M.Phil. (distinction), History, Columbia University  
Examination fields: Britain 1688–present, European intellectual history since 1750, theory and history of gender and sexuality
- 2014 M.Phil. (distinction), Modern British & European History, University of Oxford
- 2012 A.B. *summa cum laude*, History, Princeton University

## EMPLOYMENT

- 2022– MG Brock Junior Research Fellow in History, Corpus Christi College, Oxford
- 2020–22 Junior Research Fellow, Merton College, Oxford

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*Coeducation in British Universities and the Remaking of Gender Difference* (manuscript in progress, expected submission December 2022)

### Peer-reviewed journal articles

- 2021 "Researching and Teaching with British Newsreels," *Twentieth Century British History* 32, no. 3 (Sept 2021): 441–461
- 2017 "Arthur Sidgwick's *Greek Prose Composition*: Gender, Affect, and Sociability in the Late-Victorian University," *Journal of British Studies* 56, no. 1 (Jan 2017): 91–116
- 2014 "Impossible Love and Victorian Values: J.A. Symonds and the Intellectual History of Homosexuality," *Journal of the History of Ideas* 75, no. 4 (Oct 2014): 605–27

### Book chapters

- 2023 "Contestations: 'Domestic Science': A Higher Education for Women?" in Heather Ellis and Tamson Pietsch, eds., *A Cultural History of Higher Learning in the Age of Industry* (Bloomsbury) (under contract, due 1 March 2023)

### Book reviews

- 2022 Heidi Egginton and Zoë Thomas, eds., *Precarious Professionals: Gender, Identity and Social Change in Modern Britain*, *Social & Cultural History*, forthcoming
- 2021 Jen Manion, *Female Husbands: A Trans History*, *English Historical Review* 136, no. 583 (December 2021): 1657–1659
- Sean Brady and Mark Seymour, eds., *From Sodomy Laws to Same-Sex Marriage: International Perspectives since 1789*, *English Historical Review* 136, no. 581 (August 2021): 1109–1111
- 2019 Jennifer Ingleheart, *Masculine Plural: Queer Classics, Sex, and Education*, *English Historical Review* 135, no. 572 (February 2020): 234–236
- 2018 James Kirby, *Historians and the Church of England*, *Victorian Studies* 60, no. 2 (Winter 2018): 294–96
- William Whyte, *Redbrick: A Social and Architectural History of Britain's Civic Universities*, *Twentieth Century British History* 29, no. 2 (June 2018): 320–22
- 2017 Natalie Thomlinson, *Race, Ethnicity and the Women's Movement in England, 1968-1993*, *Journal of British Studies* 56, no. 4 (October 2017): 932–33
- Dominic Janes, *Picturing the Closet: Male Secrecy and Homosexual Visibility in Britain*, *English Historical Review* 132, no. 555 (April 2017): 427–429
- 2014 Kate Fisher and Sarah Toulalan (eds.), *Bodies, Sex and Desire from the Renaissance to the Present*, *Sexualities* 17:3 (2014): 365–66

### Other publications

- 2021 "[In Plain Sight](#)" (review of *Unspeakable: A Life beyond Sexual Morality* by Rachel Hope Cleves), *History Today* (April 2021), 100
- 2020 "[Can We Talk About Sex? Please?](#)" *Public Seminar*, September 11, 2020
- 2019 "[What's Missing in Naomi Wolf's 'Outrages: Sex, Censorship, and the Criminalization of Love'](#)," *Public Seminar*, June 25, 2019 (mentioned in the *New York Times*, July 9, 2019)
- "[Never in the Presence of Any Woman': Male Homoeroticism and Elite Education](#)," *History Workshop Online*, January 21, 2019
- 2018 "[The 1970s Gay Sex Scandal That Enthralled Britons Is Back](#)" [on the Jeremy Thorpe scandal and *A Very English Scandal* (BBC)], *Public Seminar*, June 26, 2018
- "[Dare to Speak its Name: Pederasty in the Classical Tropes of Call Me By Your Name](#)," *Eidolon*, February 2018
- 2015 "[Hellenism and the History of Homosexuality](#)," *Eidolon*, June 2015

2014–17      Blog posts on intellectual history for the *Journal of the History of Ideas* Blog, collated at <http://jhiblog.org/index-of-contributors/>

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### University of Oxford

#### *Graduate Teaching*

Approaches to Queer and Trans Histories (*new self-designed graduate seminar*) (2022, 2023)

Sources and Historiography in Women's, Gender and Queer History (2021, 2022)

Sources and Historiography in Modern British History (2020)

#### *Undergraduate Tutorial and Seminar Teaching*

History of the British Isles V, VI, and VII (*British history survey courses/core modules for first-and second-year students, covering 1688–present*) (2022, 2023)

Bodies of Feeling: Gender and Sexual Identity since c. 1500 (*team-taught second-year undergraduate elective*) (2021, 2022, 2023)

Masculinity and Its Discontents, c. 200–2000 (*team-taught second-year undergraduate elective*) (2021, 2022)

History and English Bridge Paper: Women's Life Writing: Gender and Social Change, Britain, 1870–1930 (*team-taught second-year undergraduate elective*) (2021, 2022)

Approaches to History (*methods course for first-year history undergraduates*) (2021, 2022, 2023)

Disciplines of History (*methods course for second-year history undergraduates*) (2022, 2023)

#### *Advising & Supervision*

Supervised master's thesis on trans activism during the HIV / AIDS crisis in Britain (2022–23)

Supervised master's thesis on bachelors in interwar Britain (2021–22)

Supervise 4–6 undergraduate theses per year in women's, gender & queer history and in modern British history

### Columbia University

#### *Instructor of Record*

Contemporary Civilization (*year-long mandatory course for second-year undergraduates in Western political and moral philosophy, c. 400 BCE to present*) (2019–20)

#### *Teaching assistant*

Europe from 1789 to the Present (2017)

Nineteenth-Century Britain (2016)

US Intellectual History since 1865 (2016)

British History since 1870 (2015)

Fellowship for Senior Thesis Research in European Archives (2019–20, 2014–16)

## COMPETITIVE GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

2020 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (CAN\$90,000) (declined)

2018–19 Heyman Center Graduate Fellowship, Columbia University

2017–18 GSAS International Travel Fellowship (year-long fellowship), Columbia University

2016 Pre-Dissertation Grant, North American Council for British Studies

2014 Graduate Sidgwick Prize, Corpus Christi College, Oxford

2012–14 Marshall Scholarship

2012 Phi Beta Kappa

Walter Phelps Hall Prize in European History, Princeton University

Laurence Hutton Prize in History, Princeton University

William Koren Jr. Memorial Prize in History, Princeton University

University Center for Human Values Senior Thesis Prize, Princeton University

David F. Bowers Prize, Princeton University

2011 Carter Kim Combe ('74) History Prize, Princeton University

Stone/Davis Prize, Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton University

## INVITED TALKS

2023 "Applied Science for Women? The Global History of Domestic Science," Modern History Seminar, University of Oxford, February 2023

2022 "Historicizing Sexuality: A Conversation," event marking the retirement of Prof. Laura Doan, University of Manchester, May 2022

2020 "Gender Trouble in Interwar Student Life," presented at Modern British History Seminar, University of Oxford, October 2020; University of Birmingham Research Centre for History and Cultures, December 2020; History Faculty, University of York, January 2021

"In Conversation: Queer Scholarship and Classical Reception," Corpus Classical Seminar, Corpus Christi College, Oxford, November 2020

- 2018 "Masculine Sociability and Women's Degrees in Cambridge," University Seminar in British History, Columbia University, November 2018
- "Institutions and Interpersonal Relationships: Women Academics, 1880–1914," Women's History Seminar, Institute for Historical Research, June 2018
- "Opposition to Coeducation in British Universities, 1860–1935," presented at University Histories Seminar, Manchester University, May 2018 and Modern Cultural History Seminar, University of Cambridge, May 2018

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 "Residential Higher Education and the Production of Homosexual Knowledge in Early Twentieth Century Britain," American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, January 2023
- 2022 "Pedagogic Eros: Greats, Pederasty, and Homosexuality," Oxford's Antiquity: A Critical Appraisal of Oxford and Classical Studies, University of Oxford, September 2022
- "Pederasty, Classical Reception, and the Intellectual History of Male Homosexuality," Queer History Conference, San Francisco, June 2022
- 2021 "Pederasty and Genealogies of Male Homosexuality in Modern Britain," North American Conference on British Studies, Atlanta, GA, November 2021
- "Drag and the Maintenance of Gender Norms: A Case from Early Twentieth Century British Universities," International Film and Theatre Research Conference (virtual conference), July 2021
- "Majority–Minority Relations: The Hetero/Homo Binary," Majorities and Minorities in Contemporary Britain, KCL Contemporary British History Conference (virtual conference), July 2021
- 2020 "Gender Difference and Gender Segregation in British Higher Education, 1890–1930," North American Conference on British Studies (virtual conference), November 2020
- "Conceptualizing the Masculine University Community: Opposition to Coeducation at Oxford and Cambridge, c. 1890–1930," Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Johns Hopkins University, May 2020 (*cancelled due to COVID-19*)
- 2019 "Conservative Homosexualities and Normative Masculinities in Early-Twentieth-Century Cambridge," paper presented at Modern British Studies, University of Birmingham, July 2019; and North American Conference on British Studies, Vancouver, November 2019
- "Conservative Homosexualities and Normative Masculinities in Modern Britain," Sexuality and Erudition: Institutions, Texts, Practices, Princeton University, May 2019

- "Efficiency, Centralization, and State Intervention in UK Higher Education in the Early Twentieth Century," Education for What?, Yale University, February 2019
- 2018 "Donors and the Politics of Gender in British Universities, 1870-1930," North American Conference on British Studies, Providence, RI, October 2018
- "Education and Elite Masculinities in Modern Britain," Masculinities in Twentieth Century Britain, University of Birmingham, June 2018
- 2017 "Academic Writing for Digital Spaces: A Roundtable," International Conference of Europeanists, July 2017
- "Institutions and Interpersonal Relationships: Women Academics, 1880-1914," Modern British Studies, University of Birmingham, July 2017
- "Defenders of Male Homosexuality in Early-Twentieth-Century Oxbridge," Homosexuality Across Time Symposium, University of Oxford, June 2017
- "Rethinking University Coeducation in Modern Britain: The Case of EP Warren," Pacific Coast Conference for British Studies, March 2017
- 2016 "Higher Education and Visions of Women's Internationalist Community, 1890-1925," North American Conference for British Studies, November 2016
- 2015 "Sidgwick's *Greek Prose Composition*: Gender, Affect, and Sociability in the Late-Victorian University," North American Conference for British Studies, October 2015
- "Affect and the Intellectual Aristocracy: Reading Arthur Sidgwick's Diaries," Mid-Atlantic Conference for British Studies, March 2015
- 2014 "Living and Teaching Liberalism in Late-Victorian Britain," MSt/MPhil Research Conference, History Faculty, University of Oxford, May 2014
- 2012 "Impossible Love and Victorian Values: J.A. Symonds and the Intellectual History of Homosexuality," Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-century Culture Forum, University of Oxford, November 2012
- "J.A. Symonds and the Making of Male Homosexual Identity," Queer Places, Practices, and Lives, Ohio State University, May 2012

## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

- 2020– Rights Task Force (equalities committee), North American Conference on British Studies
- 2018– Reviewer for *Classical Receptions Journal*, *History of Education*, *Twentieth Century British History*
- 2018–19 Co-organizer, "Sexuality and Erudition: Institutions, Texts, Practices," two-day workshop, Princeton University, May 2019
- 2014–17 Editor, *Journal of the History of Ideas* Blog

## **DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- 2021–            Founder and member, LGBTQ+ Equality Working Group, Oxford History Faculty
- 2020–22        Member of Governing Body, Merton College, Oxford  
                    Student Support Sub-Committee (2021–22); Library and Archives Committee (2021–22); Charitable Giving Working Group (2021)
- 2016–18        Convener, Columbia British History Graduate Workshop
- 2015–16        Co-president, Columbia Graduate History Association

## **OTHER SERVICE**

- 2019–22        Application reader, New York Regional Selection Committee, Marshall Scholarships

## **RELATED EMPLOYMENT**

- 2018–20        Graduate writing consultant, GSAS Writing Studio, Columbia University  
*(First employee hired to help launch new graduate writing center. Advised and supported dissertation writers; facilitated writing groups; developed educational programming)*
- 2014–20        Freelance copywriter, W.W. Norton  
*(wrote image captions, educational materials and other copy for history textbooks)*

## **LANGUAGES**

- French (highly proficient reading, proficient speaking)
- German (proficient reading and speaking)
- Latin (intermediate reading)
- Ancient Greek (intermediate reading)
- Danish (elementary reading and speaking)

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- American Historical Association
- North American Conference for British Studies
- Committee on LGBT History
- Berkshire Conference of Women Historians