

# Molly C. Ball

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

2013, Ph.D. in History, University of California, Los Angeles

2008, M.A. in History, University of California, Los Angeles

2005, B.A. in History, B.A. in Spanish, Clemson University, *Summa cum laude*  
Clemson Faculty Scholarship Award

### EMPLOYMENT

University of Rochester, History Department

Lecturer, 2017-present

Adjunct Professor, 2013-2017

Rochester Institute of Technology, History Department

Adjunct Professor, Fall 2016

### RESEARCH

#### In Progress

Molly C. Ball, *Navigating Life and Work in Old Republic São Paulo*. University of Florida Press, December 2020.

#### Publications

Molly C. Ball, "Prices, Wages and the Cost of Living in Old Republic São Paulo: 1891-1930" *Research in Economic History*, v.34, December 2018.

Molly C. Ball "Wife, Mother and Worker: the Decision to Work in Early-Twentieth Century São Paulo" *Journal of Women's History*, v.29.4, December 2017.

Edward A. Alpers with Molly Ball, "Portuguese Diasporas: A Survey of the Scholarly Literature." In Michel Cahen, Ed., *Imperial Migrations: Colonial Communities and Diaspora in the Portuguese World*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2012.

#### Published Reviews

"A Colonial Reformer through Rose-Colored Glasses" review of *The Bishop's Utopia: Envisioning Improvement in Colonial Peru*, by Emily Berquist Soule. *Reviews in American History*, March 2016.

Review of *Reinventing State Capitalism: Leviathan in Business, Brazil and Beyond*, by Aldo Musacchio and Sergio G. Lazzarini. *Enterprise and Society*, August 2014.

#### Major Fellowships

2012 Quinn Dissertation Year Fellowship University of California, Los Angeles, Department of History  
Doris G. Quinn Foundation

2010 Boren Fellowship  
National Security Education Program

2008 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship  
US Department of Education

#### Invited Talks

2016 "The Price of Bread: A Family Solution to Declining Real Wages in São Paulo" Queens University.  
Economic History Workshop. Kingston, Ontario, Canada. March 18, 2016.

2014 "Wife, Mother Worker: Understanding Working-Class Women in Early-Twentieth Century São Paulo." University of California, Los Angeles. Brazilian History Research Workshop. Los Angeles, California. March 11, 2014.

2013 "Wage and Labor Inequality in Old Republic São Paulo, SP." CalTech Social Science History lunch. Pasadena, California. February 26, 2013.

2009 “Os serviços públicos em São Paulo: grandes empregadores na República Velha.” *Fundação Energia e Saneamento*, Encontro sobre Fontes e Pesquisas em Energia. São Paulo, Brazil. October 17, 2009.

### **Conference Participation**

2019 Im/migrant Worker Conference: Health Care Barriers and Solutions. University of Rochester Medical Center. February 23, 2019. Invited Panelist.

2018 “Please Bring Socks and Paper: São Paulo industrial shortcomings revealed” 2018 Southern California Brazilian Studies Conference. Irvine, California. February 11, 2018. Paper presented.

2013 “Working Girls and Mothers in the City of São Paulo, 1915-1930.” 2013 Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana. January 5, 2013. Panel organizer and paper presented.

2012 “Real Wage Evolution in São Paulo, Brazil, 1891-1930.” Economic History Association 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting. Vancouver, Canada. September 21, 2012. Paper presented.

2010 “Immigrants in the São Paulo Labor Market: 1900-1930” / <<Los Imigrantes en el Mercado de Trabajo de São Paulo: 1900-1930>>, Congreso Latinoamericano de Historia Económica II, Mexico City, Mexico. February 3, 2010. Paper presented.

2009 “Origins of Industrial Inequality: São Paulo, 1889-1930,” Latin American Studies Association XXVIII International Congress, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. June 13, 2009. Paper presented.

### **Campus Presentations**

2019 “Moving Past GDP: Quality of Life as a Woman’s Measure.” Susan B. Anthony Institute for Gender and Women’s Studies Faculty Lecture Series. Rochester, New York. October 10, 2019.

2018 “City of Opportunity.” Grupo Humanities Center working group presentation. Rochester, New York. January 10, 2018.

2014 “Working Wives and Mothers in Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century São Paulo.” Susan B. Anthony Institute for Gender and Women’s Studies Faculty Lecture Series. Rochester, New York. March 4, 2014.

2013 “The Desire to Work in the Early-Industrial Era: Working Wives and Mothers in São Paulo, Brazil (1900-1930).” University of Rochester history department workshop. Rochester, New York. November 14, 2013.

### **Other Scholarly Activities**

2019 Insper 6<sup>th</sup> Economic History Workshop. 8-9 August, 2019. São Paulo, São Paulo Brazil.  
*Invited Selection Committee Member*

2015 – present University of Rochester  
*Rochester Center for Community and Leadership* faculty affiliate offering community-engaged coursework

2008 University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Primary Research and Training  
*Graduate Student Processor*

2006 Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Campinas, São Paulo Brazil  
*Special graduate student, Department of social anthropology*

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*(\* denotes classes with community-engaged coursework distinction)*

Fall 2017-present

Lecturer, University of Rochester, History Department

*Courses:* See below; Colonial Latin America; Modern Latin America\*; History of Brazil; Immigration in the Americas\*; Big Business in the South: Business History of Brazil (cross-listed in economics); Urban History of Latin America; Racial Democracies: Brazil vs. Mexico; Public History: Theory and Practice\*

*Undergraduate Research Adviser:* Mexican Gender Norms in Midwestern Settlement Houses; The Education Debate: Immigration in California and Texas, 1986-1994; Historiography of Digital Slave Histories in the Americas; An Urban History of Havana; Public History in Practice; Public History internship faculty supervisor; Gendered Historical Development

*Directed Graduate Readings:* Gender in 20<sup>th</sup> Century Latin America

Fall 2016

Adjunct Professor, Rochester Institute of Technology, History Department

Course: History of Brazil

2007-2008

Teaching Assistant, University of California, Los Angeles, History Department

Courses: Colonial Latin American History; Political Economy of Latin American Underdevelopment; Latin American Social History

### **ADVISING**

2020 – present Latin American Studies minor coordinator

2018 – present Kearns Center mentor for first-generation students

Monthly meetings with students to help set and reach their goals. (Specialization in working with DACA students.)

2017 – present History major/minor advisor, University of Rochester

2017 – 2020 DACA and Dreamers undergraduate advisor

First-year and sophomore advisor that requires specialized knowledge in working with DACA students, many of whom are first-generation students. In addition to traditional undergraduate advising, I also help in coordinating with the ISO office, local agencies and links those students to opportunities at the University.

2014 – 2017 Pre-major advisor for first-years and sophomores (20 – 25 students annually)

### **SERVICE**

#### **Workshop/Event Organization**

2019 New York State Latin American History Workshop. University of Rochester. March 15, 2019.

*Workshop Co-organizer and Coordinator*

2018 “Alufa Rufino, A Man of Faith and Sorcery on the Periphery of Islam,” a talk by distinguished historian João José Reis. Part of the History Department Verne Moore lecture series. October 31 - November 2, 2018.

*Humanities Project Faculty P.I and Organizer of related campus events*

2018 “A Conversation with Carlos Rossini,” a Mexican-Argentine filmmaker. CNY Humanities Corridor series. October 8-9, 2018.

*University of Rochester Faculty Contact and Event Organizer*

2018 “Planting a Seed: Migrant Workers in the American Landscape” University of Rochester Humanities Center event series. March 22-April 2.

*Series Organizer and Participant*

2014 New York State Latin American History Workshop. University of Rochester. March 7.

*Workshop Co-organizer and Coordinator*

2012 – 2013 University of California, Los Angeles, Brazilian history research workshop.

*Workshop Organizer and Coordinator*

#### **Committees**

2018 – present Humanities Center Grupo working group on Latin American studies

2017 – present University of Rochester Undoc/DACA Support Advisory Committee

2015 – present University of Rochester Fulbright selection committee; Rhodes Scholarship finalist (Angela Remus) advisory team member

2016 Latin American Studies Minor Committee, participating member in restructuring the minor

2015 – 16 Humanities Center working group: “Critical Praxis, Social Justice, and Research-Informed Pedagogies”

2007 History Department Field Representative, UCLA

*Latin American History Representative*

#### **Refereeing**

*Journal of Economic History, International Labor and Working-Class History, Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History*

**Community Engagement**

2017 – present Rochester City School District, active PTA member, classroom volunteer, history lessons  
2017 Highlands at Pittsford, 5-part series on “History of Brazil through a São Paulo Lens”  
2016 Rochester City School District, volunteer tutor at School #35 (bilingual math tutor)

**LANGUAGES**

Native English Speaker.

Native fluency in Portuguese and Spanish.

Paleography capabilities in both Portuguese and Spanish.

Beginner Nahuatl.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Historical Association (AHA)

Economic History Association (EHA)

Conference on Latin American History (CLAH)