

## MELISSA BUCKNER REYNOLDS

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2019– Cotsen Postdoctoral Fellow in Humanities, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts,  
Princeton University  
2019– Lecturer in History, Princeton University

## EDUCATION

- 2019 **PhD, History**, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ  
2011 **MA, History**, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
2005 **BA, English, with Honors**, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
*Summa cum laude*

## PUBLICATIONS

### Refereed Journal Articles

- 2019 “‘Here is a good boke to lerne’: Practical books, the coming of the press, and the search for knowledge, ca. 1400–1560,” *Journal of British Studies* 58, no. 2 (April 2019): 259–288.

### Editions and Translations

- Forthcoming Digital critical edition of BnF MS Fr. 640 for *The Making and Knowing Project* with Pamela H. Smith (Columbia), Marc Smith (École nationale des chartes), as a part of a team of transcription and translation scholars (expected release Dec. 2019)

### Book reviews

- 2015 Review of Alexandra Walsham, *The Reformation of the Landscape: Religion, Identity, and Memory in Early Modern Britain* (Oxford, 2011) in *Past Tense: Graduate Review of History* 3 (Spring 2015), 79–81.

### Popular writing

- 2019 “A Recipe for Reproductive Healthcare,” *The Recipes Project: Food, Magic, Art, Science, and Medicine* (June 27, 2019), [recipes.hypotheses.org/15134](https://recipes.hypotheses.org/15134).
- 2019 “The key to lowering America’s high rates of maternal mortality,” *The Washington Post*, May 8, 2019
- 2019 “But does it work? Playful Magic and the Question of a Recipe’s Purpose,” *The Recipes Project: Food, Magic, Art, Science, and Medicine* (January, 24, 2019), [recipes.hypotheses.org/14220](https://recipes.hypotheses.org/14220).

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, & GRANTS

- 2018–19 Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship, American Council of Learned Societies and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation  
2018 Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Rutgers School of Arts & Sciences (Declined)  
2018 Travel grant from the National Science Foundation, *Making and Knowing Project*  
2017 Schallek Award, The Medieval Academy of America and the Richard III Society

- 2017 Special Study Award for digital humanities, Graduate School, Rutgers University  
 2017 Travel grant from the National Science Foundation, *Making and Knowing Project*  
 2016 Mellon Summer Research Grant, Rutgers School of Arts & Sciences  
 2015 Director's Scholarship, Rare Book School, The University of Virginia  
 2012 Albert Burton Moore Memorial Award for Outstanding Graduate Work in History,  
 The University of Alabama  
 2005 Phi Beta Kappa, The University of Alabama

## CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, & TALKS

### Panels Organized

- 2016 Co-organizer and Chair, *Vernacular Knowledge and Learned Tradition in Early Modern England: Movement, Practice, Reception*, History of Science Society; Atlanta, GA, November 3–6

### Papers Given

- 2019 “*Probatum est*: Reader marks and the development of scribal practice,” *International Congress on Medieval Studies*; Kalamazoo, MI, May 9–12  
 2019 “Making, Writing, Healing: Craft techniques and cures in Renaissance recipe books,” *Renaissance Society of America*; Toronto, Canada, March 17–19  
 2017 “Consuming the Word: Late Medieval Medical Charms and the Curative Power of Writing,” *Bibliography Among the Disciplines Conference*, Rare Book School; Philadelphia, PA, October 12–15  
 2017 “From Script to Print: Receipt Books and Proprietary Expertise in Early Modern England,” *Revisions*, the Annual Harvard-Yale Book History Conference; Harvard University, April 28  
 2016 “Threads of Time and Strands of Silk: Popular Magic, Astrological Expertise, and Women’s Textile Work in Early Modern England,” History of Science Society; Atlanta, GA, November 3–6  
 2015 “Icons and Almanacs: Visual Practice and Non-Elite Book Culture in Late Medieval and Early Modern England,” Mid-Atlantic Conference on British Studies; Johns Hopkins University, March 27–28  
 2014 “Icons and Almanacs: Visual Practice and Book Culture in Fifteenth-Century England,” *Capturing the Un-Representable*, Graduate Conference for the Center for Ancient Studies; The University of Pennsylvania, December 5–7  
 2014 “Enumeration, Quantification, and Negotiations of Authority in Julian of Norwich’s *Revelations of Love*,” Annual Conference of the American Comparative Literature Association; New York University, March 21–23

### Seminars

- 2018 *Image and Knowledge in Early Modern Books*, Faculty Weekend Seminar, Daniela Bleichmar (USC), Folger Shakespeare Library, March 9–10  
 2016–17 *Researching the Archive Seminar*, Keith Wrightson (Yale) and James Siemon (Boston University); Folger Shakespeare Library, September 2016–April 2017  
 2015 *Book Production and Social Practice in Early Modern Europe and America*, Rare Book School, Ann Blair and David Hall (Harvard); Houghton Library, Harvard University, December 6–11

- 2015 Middle French Paleography Workshop, *Making and Knowing Project*, sponsored by the Renaissance Society of America, the National Science Foundation and Columbia University; New York, June 1–19
- 2012 Minnesota Manuscript Research Laboratory, University of Minnesota Center for Medieval Studies and the Hill Museum and Manuscript Library; St. John’s University, June 3–8

### **EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2018– Editorial Team (Social Media), *The Recipes Project: Food, Magic, Art, Science, and Medicine*  
<http://recipes.hypotheses.org>
- 2015–16 Editorial Assistant, *Speculum*, The Medieval Academy of America, Cambridge, MA

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

#### **Teaching Assistant, History Department, Rutgers University**

- 2015 *The Crusades*
- 2014 *Development of Europe I*

#### **Teaching Assistant, History Department, The University of Alabama**

- 2011 *Western Civilization since 1648*
- 2011 *American Civilization to 1865*
- 2010 *Western Civilization to 1648*
- 2009 *American Civilization since 1865*

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- 2016 Conference Staff, 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America
- 2015–17 Member, Planning Committee for the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Warren Susman Graduate Conference, Rutgers University
- 2015 Member, Graduate Student Recruitment Committee, History Department, Rutgers University
- 2014 Treasurer, Graduate History Association, Rutgers University
- 2014 Co-chair, Graduate Student Recruitment Committee, History Department, Rutgers University

### **LANGUAGES**

Reading: French (excellent), Latin (very good), Middle English (excellent), Middle French (good)  
 Speaking: French (fluent), English (native)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

North American Conference on British Studies  
 Renaissance Society of America  
 The Medieval Academy of America  
 History of Science Society  
 American Historical Association