

19TH CENTURY U.S. SOCIAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY – ORALS READING LIST

Field: 19th-Century U.S. Social and Cultural History
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AMERICAN IDEOLOGY AND POLITICS IN THE AGE OF REVOLUTION

(Colonial Society)

- Linda Kerber, *Women of the Republic: Intellect and Ideology in Revolutionary America* (North Carolina, 1980)
Carol Karlsen, *The Devil in the Shape of a Woman: Witchcraft in Colonial New England* (Norton, 1987)
David D. Hall, *Worlds of Wonder, Days of Judgment: Popular Religious Belief in Early New England* (Harvard, 1989)
Richard Slotkin, *Regeneration Through Violence: The Mythology of the American Frontier, 1600-1860* (Wesleyan, 1973)

(Revolution)

- Bernard Bailyn, *The Ideological Origins of the American Revolution* (Cambridge: Belknap/Harvard, 1967/1992)
Gordon Wood, *The Radicalism of the American Revolution* (Knopf, 1991).
Gary Nash, *The Urban Crucible: Social Change, Political Consciousness, and the Origins of the American Revolution* (Harvard, 1979)
T. H. Breen, *The Marketplace of Revolution: How Consumer Politics Shaped American Independence* (Oxford, 2004)
Daniel Rodgers, "Republicanism: The Career of a Concept," *Journal of American History* 79 (1992): 11-38

(Constitution)

- Jack Rakove, *Original Meanings: Politics and the Ideas in the Making of the Constitution* (Knopf, 1996)
Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, "Dis-Covering the Subject of the 'Great Constitutional Discussion,' 1786-1789," *Journal of American History* 79 (1992): 841-873
Judith N. Shklar, *American Citizenship: The Quest for Inclusion* (Harvard, 1991)

GENDER(S): CATEGORIES, STRUCTURES, "EXPERIENCES"

(Theory)

- Denise Riley, *Am I That Name? Feminism and the Category of 'Woman' in History* (Minnesota, 1988)
Toby Ditz, "The New Men's History and the Peculiar Absence of Gendered Power," *Gender and History* (2003)
Joan Scott, *Gender and the Politics of History* (revised ed., Columbia, 1999)

(Antebellum)

- Nancy Cott, *The Bonds of Womanhood: "Woman's Sphere" in Early New England, 1780-1835* (Yale, 1977)
- Mary Ryan, *Cradle of the Middle Class: The Family in Oneida County, New York, 1790-1865* (Cambridge, 1981)
- Christine Stansell, *City of Women: Sex and Class in New York, 1789-1860* (Knopf, 1986)
- Jeanne Boydston, *Home and Work: Housework, Wages, and the Ideology of Labor in the Early Republic* (Oxford, 1990)

(Postbellum)

- Joanne Meyerowitz, *Women Adrift: Independent Wage Earners in Chicago, 1880-1930* (Chicago, 1988)
- Susan Lee Johnson, *Roaring Camp: The Social World of the California Gold Rush* (Norton, 2000)
- Nan Enstad, *Ladies of Labor, Girls of Adventure: Working Women, Popular Culture, and Labor Politics at the Turn of the Century* (1999)
- Ruth Rosen, *The Lost Sisterhood: Prostitution in America, 1900-1918* (Johns Hopkins, 1982)

GENDER(S): POLITICAL CULTURES

(Suffrage and Party Politics)

- Ellen Dubois, *Feminism and Suffrage: The Emergence of an Independent Women's Movement in America, 1848-1869* (Cornell, 1978)
- Mary Ryan, *Women in Public: Between Banners and Ballots, 1825-1880* (Johns Hopkins, 1990)
- Rebecca Edwards, *Angels in the Machinery: Gender in American Party Politics from the Civil War to the Progressive Era* (Oxford, 1997)
- Kristin Hoganson, *Fighting for American Manhood: How Gender Politics Provoked the Spanish-American and Philippine-American Wars* (Yale, 1998)
- Amy Kaplan, "Manifest Domesticity," in *Cultures of United States Imperialism* (Duke, 1993)

(Reform and Social Movements)

- Bruce Dorsey, *Reforming Men and Women: Gender in the Antebellum City* (Cornell, 2002)
- Lori Ginzberg, *Women and the Work of Benevolence: Morality, Politics, and Class in the Nineteenth-Century United States* (Yale, 1990)
- Amy Dru Stanley, "Home Life and the Morality of the Marketplace," in *The Market Revolution in America*, Melvyn Stokes and Stephen Conway, eds. (Virginia, 1996)
- David Jay Pivar, *Purity Crusade: Sexual Morality and Social Control, 1868-1900* (Greenwood, 1973)
- Linda Gordon, *The Great Arizona Orphan Abduction* (Harvard, 1999)

(Marriage and Family)

Michael Grossberg, *Governing the Hearth: Law and the Family in Nineteenth-Century America* (North Carolina, 1985)

Nancy Cott, *Public Vows: A History of Marriage and the Nation* (Harvard, 2000)

Hendrik Hartog, *Man and Wife in America: A History* (Harvard, 2000)

Mary Poovey, *Uneven Developments: The Ideological Work of Gender in Mid-Victorian England* (Chicago, 1988)

William Leach, *True Love and Perfect Union: The Feminist Reform of Sex and Society* (Basic, 1980)

Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, *Disorderly Conduct: Visions of Gender in Victorian America* (Knopf, 1986)

Judith Walkowitz, *City of Dreadful Delight: Narratives of Sexual Danger in Late-Victorian London* (Chicago, 1992)

Gail Bederman, *Manliness and Civilization: A Cultural History of Gender and Race in the United States, 1880-1917* (Chicago, 1995)

Lisa Duggan, *Sapphic Slashers: Sex, Violence, and American Modernity* (Duke, 2000)

Jonathan Ned Katz, *Love Stories: Sex Between Men Before Homosexuality* (Chicago 2001)

CLASS FORMATION, WORK, WORKING-CLASS CULTURE

E. P. Thompson, *The Making of the English Working Class* (Vintage, 1963)

Herbert Gutman, "Work, Culture, and Society in Industrializing America," *American Historical Review* 78 (June 1973): 531-587

Sean Wilentz, *Chants Democratic: New York City and the Rise of the American Working Class, 1788-1850* (Oxford, 1984)

David Roediger, *Wages of Whiteness: Race and the Making of the American Working Class* (1991)

Eric Lott, *Love and Theft: Blackface Minstrelsy and the Making of the American Working Class* (1995)

David Montgomery, *The Fall of the House of Labor: The Workplace, the State, and American Labor Activism, 1865-1925* (1987)

Kathy Peiss, *Cheap Amusements: Working Women and Leisure in Turn-of-the-Century New York* (Temple, 1986)

Roy Rosenzweig, *Eight Hours for What We Will: Workers and Leisure in an Industrial City, 1870-1920* (New York: Cambridge, 1983)

Sven Beckert, *The Monied Metropolis: New York City and the Consolidation of the American Bourgeoisie, 1850-1896* (Cambridge, 2001)

MARKET CULTURE AND CAPITALIST TRANSFORMATION

(Rise and Transformation of Market Society)

Jean-Christophe Agnew, *Worlds Apart: The Market and the Theater in Anglo-American Thought, 1550-1750* (Cambridge, 1986)

Christopher Clark, *The Roots of Rural Capitalism: Western Massachusetts, 1780-1860* (Cornell, 1990)

Nancy Cohen, *The Reconstruction of American Liberalism, 1865-1914* (North Carolina, 2002)

(Technology and Space)

Toby Ditz, "Shipwrecked; or, Masculinity Imperiled: Mercantile Representations of Failure and the Gendered Self in Eighteenth-Century Philadelphia," *Journal of American History* 81, no. 1 (June 1994)

Barbara Young Welke, *Recasting American Liberty: Gender, Race, Law, and the Railroad Revolution, 1865-1920* (Cambridge, 2001)

Gregory Downey, *Telegraph Messenger Boys: Labor, Technology, and Geography, 1850-1950* (Routledge, 2002)

Michael Zakim, *Ready-Made Democracy: A History of Men's Dress in the American Republic, 1760-1860* (Chicago, 2003)

(Regulation)

William Novak, *The People's Welfare: Law and Regulation in Nineteenth-Century America* (North Carolina, 1996)

Alfred Chandler, *The Visible Hand: The Managerial Revolution in American Business* (Belknap, 1977)

Martin J. Sklar, *The Corporate Reconstruction of American Capitalism, 1890-1916: The Market, the Law, and Politics* (Cambridge, 1988)

SLAVERY AND ANTISLAVERY

(Explaining Slavery and Antislavery)

David Brion Davis, *The Problem of Slavery in Western Culture* (1966)

Edmund Morgan, *American Slavery, American Freedom: The Ordeal of Colonial Virginia* (Norton, 1975)

Robin Blackburn, *The Making of New World Slavery: From the Baroque to the Modern, 1492-1800* (Verso, 1997)

Winthrop Jordan, *White Over Black: American Attitudes Toward the Negro, 1550-1812* (New York: Norton, 1968/1977)

Thomas Bender, *The Antislavery Debate: Capitalism and Abolitionism as a Problem in Historical Interpretation* (1992)

Barbara Fields, "Slavery, Race, and Ideology in the United States of America," *New Left Review* (1990)

(Slave Culture)

Ira Berlin, *Many Thousands Gone: The First Two Centuries of Slavery in North America* (Belknap, 1998)

Eugene Genovese, *Roll, Jordan, Roll: The World the Slaves Made* (Pantheon, 1974)

Barbara Fields, *Slavery and Freedom on the Middle Ground: Maryland During the 19th Century* (Yale, 1985)

Walter Johnson, *Soul by Soul: Life Inside the Antebellum Slave Market* (Harvard, 1999)

- Stephanie McCurry, *Masters of Small Worlds: Yeoman Households, Gender Relations, and the Political Culture of the Antebellum South Carolina Low Country* (Oxford, 1995)
- Mia Bay, *The White Image in the Black Mind: African-American Ideas about White People, 1830-1925* (Oxford, 2000)
- Jennifer L. Morgan, *Laboring Women: Reproduction and Gender in New World Slavery* (U of Pennsylvania, 2004)
- Elizabeth Fox-Genovese, *Within the Plantation Household: Black and White Women of the Old South* (North Carolina, 1988)

EMANCIPATION, RECONSTRUCTION, AND THE NEW SOUTH

(Reconstruction)

- Eric Foner, *A Short History of Reconstruction, 1863-1877* (Harper & Row, 1990)
- Julie Saville, *The Work of Reconstruction: From Slave to Wage Laborer in South Carolina, 1860-1870* (Cambridge, 1994)
- Tera Hunter, *To 'Joy My Freedom: Southern Black Women's Lives and Labors After the Civil War* (Harvard, 1997)

(Aftermath)

- Amy Dru Stanley, *From Bondage to Contract: Wage Labor, Marriage and the Market in the Age of Slave Emancipation* (Cambridge, 1998)
- C. Vann Woodward, *Origins of the New South, 1877-1914* (LSU, 1951)
- Steven Hahn, *A Nation Under Our Feet: Black Political Struggles in the Rural South from Slavery to the Great Migration* (2003)
- Michele Mitchell, *Righteous Propagation: African Americans and the Politics of Racial Destiny After Reconstruction* (North Carolina, 2004)
- David W. Blight, *Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory* (Harvard, 2001)
- Glenda Gilmore, *Gender and Jim Crow: Women and the Politics of White Supremacy in North Carolina, 1896-1920* (North Carolina, 1996)
- Martha Hodes, "The Sexualization of Reconstruction Politics: White Women and Black Men in the South After the Civil War," *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 3 (1993)
- Martha Hodes, *White Women, Black Men: Illicit Sex in the Nineteenth-Century South* (Yale, 1997)

URBAN LANDSCAPES

(Built Environment)

- William Cronon, *Nature's Metropolis: Chicago and the Great West* (Norton, 1991)
- Elizabeth Blackmar, *Manhattan for Rent: 1785-1850* (Cornell, 1989)
- Robin Einhorn, *Property Rules: Political Economy in Chicago, 1833-1872* (Chicago, 1991)
- David Scobey, *Empire City: The Making and Meaning of the New York City Landscape* (Temple, 2002)

David Henkin, *City Reading: Written Words and Public Spaces in Antebellum New York* (Columbia, 1998)

Philip J. Ethington, *The Public City: The Political Construction of Urban Life in San Francisco, 1850-1900* (Cambridge, 1994)

(Urban Culture and Society)

Gareth Stedman Jones, *Outcast London: A Study in the Relationship Between Classes in Victorian Society* (Oxford, 1971)

Paul Boyer, *Urban Masses and Moral Order in America, 1820-1920* (Harvard, 1978)

Karen Haltunnen, *Confidence Men and Painted Women: A Study in Middle Class Culture in America, 1830-1870* (Yale, 1982)

Jackson Lears, *No Place of Grace: Antimodernism and the Transformation of American Culture, 1880-1920* (Pantheon, 1981)

David Scobey, "Anatomy of the Promenade," *Social History* (1992)

Elaine Abelson, *When Ladies Go A-Thieving: Middle-Class Shoplifters in the Victorian Department Store* (Oxford, 1989)