

# Kathleen Whiteley

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## Education

- Ph.D. American Culture University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
Dissertation: “*The Indians of California versus The United States of America: California Dreaming in the Land of Lost Treaties, 1900-1975*”  
Committee: Phil Deloria, Greg Dowd, Maria Cotera, Anthony Mora
- M.A. American Culture University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
May 2016
- B.A. Native American Studies & Ethnic Studies University of California, Berkeley  
May 2014

## Academic Appointments:

- 2020- *Assistant Professor*, Department of Native American Studies,  
University of California, Davis (on leave 2020-2021)
- 2020-2021 *President's Postdoctoral Fellow*, Department of Ethnic Studies,  
University of California, Berkeley

## Works In-Progress

### Journal Articles

- “Nancy Spear: Wiyot Survival on the Lost Coast” (Article in Preparation)  
\*Nancy Spear (1840-1884) was my 3<sup>rd</sup>-great-grandmother. She, like her cousin Matilda Spear and others, was a survivor of the massacre on Tuluwat in Eureka, California. I am related to her by her youngest daughter, Flora L. Spear (1879-1969, born in Freshwater, CA), who was my 2<sup>nd</sup>-great-grandmother. Flora's son, Eugene McLean (1898-1954, born in Eureka), was my great-grandfather. My grandfather was an enrolled member of the Wiyot Tribe, Wayne T. McLean (1926-2003, born in Eureka).
- “California Nightmares: ‘Lost’ Treaties, Native Nazis, and the Political battle for Stolen Lands” (Article in Preparation)

## Presentations

- “California Nightmares: ‘Lost’ Treaties, Native Nazis, and the Political battle for Stolen Lands,” Western History Association, Albuquerque (Online), October 15, 2020.
- “The Eighteen Unratified Treaties of California,” UC Berkeley Center for Educational Justice and Community Engagement. The University of California Land Grab. Part 1: Unearthing Indigenous Land Dispossession in the Founding of the University of California. September 25, 2020.  
YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/6z0QbDz3KDE>
- “Lost Treaties, Tribal Sovereignty and the Political Battle for Stolen California Indian Lands,” Harvard University, Native Cultures Seminar, January 28, 2020
- “The 1928 California Indian Jurisdictional Act and the Formation of the ‘Indian of California,’” Western History Association, San Antonio, Texas, 2018
- “Exploring Indigenous Testimony during the 1966 California Indian Judgement Fund Hearings,” Native American and Indigenous Studies Association, Los Angeles, 2018

## Fellowships

- UC Davis Center for the Advancement of Multicultural Perspectives on Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities (CAMPSSAH), Fall 2020 Cohort
- Harvard University, Visiting Fellow, Department of History, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences  
Fall 2019-2020
- The Newberry Library, Susan Kelly Power and Helen Hornbeck Tanner Fellowship  
July 2019
- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Institute: The Native American West—A Case Study of the Columbia Plateau  
June 2018
- University of Michigan, Rackham Merit Fellowship  
Fall 2014-2019

## Collaborative Grants

- “Centering Tribal Stories of Cultural Preservation in Difficult Times,” University of California Multicampus Research Programs and Initiatives Grant. Led by Dr. Mishuana Goeman (UCLA).  
Co-Investigator, UC Davis (With Principal Investigator Prof. Beth Rose Middleton and Prof. Hulleah J. Tsinhnahjinnie)

## Selected Grants

- University of Michigan, Rackham One-term Dissertation Grant  
May-June 2020.
- Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, Research and Travel Grant  
Fall 2019
- SSRC-Mellon Mays Dissertation Development Seminar  
Spring 2019
- Western History Association, Graduate Student Workshop  
Fall 2018

## Service and Leadership

- Western History Association, Membership Committee, Graduate Student/ Postdoctoral Representative  
Fall 2018-21
- Co-coordinator for University of Michigan Native American and Indigenous Studies Interdisciplinary Group  
2016- 2019

## Research and Teaching Interests

California Indian History, Native American History, Women and Gender Studies, American Indian Law, American Studies