

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY



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WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT

The Department was reviewed in March 2013 by a Quality Assurance Review team which included Professor Richard Blackett, Vanderbilt University, Professor Pedro Welch, Dean, FHE, UWI, Cave Hill, and Mr Bernard Jankee, Executive Director, ACIJ/Memory Bank. In preparation for this review, the Department prepared a comprehensive Self-Assessment Report, which provided the opportunity to reflect on how it could continue to improve its course offerings, and thereby fulfil aspects of its Operational/Strategic Plan. The Review Team commended the Department for its timely and comprehensive Self-Assessment Report (SAR). It noted that the SAR reflects a deep level of commitment to the task of improving the Department and demonstrates a spirit of collaboration and work over the last five years. The Review Team noted the current condition of the facilities housing the Archaeology laboratories, and

emphasized the urgency with which the University administration needed to take to address this issue.

In its preparation for the SAR, the Department undertook a review of the course offerings in the various concentrations, and made a number of recommendations for improvement with a view to providing greater cohesion.

TEACHING & CURRICULA DEVELOPMENTS

New courses in European History include HIST2405: War and Conflict in Europe, 1870–1945, and HIST2406: Politics and Society in Europe since 1945, both to replace existing Level II European History courses were approved by the Campus Academic Quality Assurance Committee (AQAC). HIST2406 was offered in Semester 2 of 2012/13, with HIST2405 being offered in 2013/14.

The Department also recognized the need to re-classify some of the courses assigned to the “Global” concentration/stream. Accordingly, a new Concentration/Stream – “Asia and the Middle East” – was created to include:

- HIST2503: History of Modern China
- HIST3501: Modern Japan: From Meiji to the Present
- HIST 3502 History of the Middle East, 1915–1973.

The courses which remain in the Global Concentration/Stream are:

- HIST2602: Imperialism since 1918
- HIST2606: Multinational and International Banking since the 19th Century
- HIST2603: Growth of the International Economy since 1850
- HIST 3601 Capitalism and Slavery
- HIST3602: Comparative Economic History of Slavery
- HIST3608: History of the Multinational Corporation since 1850

- HIST 3614: By the Rivers of Babylon: The African Diaspora in the West.

A number of revisions to programmes remain outstanding, and include the BA in Africa and African Diaspora, and in conjunction with the School of Education, the BA in History and Education.

THE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY

The History and Archaeology Society organised by students under the able guidance of the Department's liaison officer to the Society, Dr Jenny Jemmott, continued to be very active during the year. The Society participated in the first and second UWI, Mona Club Fusion in which they focused on the rich history of the campus.

They displayed the model of the Gibraltar Camp along with a video showing what Port Royal was like before the earthquake of 1692. Their booth quickly became one of the most popular booth displays on the day and, as a result, membership to the Society was boosted to include non-History and Archaeology majors from other Faculties on the campus. The Society's heritage dance troop also performed various cultural songs sung by the Medical Students' Chorale.

At the University of the West Indies Mona Students Awards ceremony held 6 April, 2013, the Society received the award for the Best Sustained Initiative. Oshane Robinson, president of the Society, received an award in the category of Certificate of Excellence for Leadership while Adrian Reid, vice president of the Society, received an award in the category of Certificate of Excellence in Service. Both were nominated for these awards based on their commendable record of student leadership and their unwavering support for the Department.

ARCHAEOLOGY

The annual Field School in Archaeology for the Level II course, Research Methods and Techniques in Archaeology was conducted May 20–30 2013, at Fort Rocky, Palisadoes. This was the second consecutive year at this site. Mona students were joined by students from St. Mary's College, Maryland, USA. Two JDF soldiers assigned to the Military Museum at Up Park Camp also participated receiving training in excavation techniques and analysis, as well as graduate students from the Appalachian State University in the USA.

SOCIAL HISTORY PROJECT

Dr Birte Timm took up her Post-doctoral Research Fellowship awarded by the Marie Curie Fellowship in the Gerda Henkel Foundation M4 Human programmes of April 2013 in the Department. The Fellowship is for two years. She is attached to the Social History Project.

28TH ANNUAL ELSA GOVEIA MEMORIAL LECTURE

The 29th Annual Elsa Goveia Memorial Lecture was held on March 19, 2013 at the Sir Philip Sherlock Centre for the Performing Arts. The Lecture was delivered by Professor Rebecca J. Scott, the Charles Gibson Distinguished University Professor of History and Professor of Law at the University of Michigan. Professor Scott's lecture was "*Was Freedom Portable? Wartime Journeys from Saint-Domingue to Jamaica to Cuba to Louisiana*".

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS TO THE DEPARTMENT

The Department, in association with the Quality Assurance Unit, Board for Undergraduate Studies, hosted a University Distinguished Public Lecture on March 8, 2013. The Lecture was delivered by Professor Richard J. Blackett, the Andrew Jackson Professor of History, Vanderbilt

University. The title of Professor Blackett's lecture was "*The Southern Axis of the Atlantic Abolitionist Movement*".

On September 21, 2012, the Department hosted Dr. Raymond Brown, Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Kingston, who delivered a Public Lecture titled, "*Unfolding History: Ending Chattel Slavery in the USA.*" in commemoration of the sesquicentennial anniversary of the abolition of slavery in the United States.

HISTORY AT FIFTY CONFERENCE AND HONOURING B.W. HIGMAN

The Department held its the *History at Fifty* conference in commemoration of Jamaica's 50th year of Independence. This took place over three days, November 8–10, 2012 and involved nine panels in which historians and non-historians from various disciplines demonstrated through their work the relevance of History to all facets of life. Some of the themes covered included engaging the past through theatre; cultural history, heritage and identity; politics and government, landscape history and educational policies, science, technology and health, and archaeology, heritage preservation and management. Local and international scholars participated.

At the Opening Ceremony of the conference, the Department took the opportunity to honour UWI and ANU Emeritus Professor Barry Higman, presenting him with a citation for his thirty years of service to the Department, and indefatigable and celebrated contribution to Jamaican and Caribbean history.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Members of staff were engaged in a number of public outreach activities, which include the provision of consultancy services to international organisations, participation in radio and television discussion programmes, organising conferences and symposia, and delivering public lectures at various venues, locally and overseas. The Department also held its annual CAPE History lecture series for High School students and teachers on

April 13, and 20, 2013. Units 1 and 2 of the CAPE History syllabus were covered, and included the following themes: The Issues Relating to the Institution of Slavery; Popular Protest and Enfranchisement; Independence, Assimilation in the Francophone Caribbean; French Revolution: Causes and Consequences up to 1799; South Africa: Mandela and the National Liberation Movement; Independence and National Development up to 1900 – Brazil & Venezuela.

STAFF MATTERS

Positions for Lecturers in African History, Latin American History, and the Atlantic World (the Americas) and the Black Diaspora were filled during 2012/13. With the exception of Latin American History, all positions were filled by persons previously holding temporary contracts in the Department, namely, Dr. Enrique Okenve and Dr. Jenny Jemmott. Dr. Robert Sierakowski joined the Department as Lecturer in Latin American History. Dr. Stephan Lenik, Lecturer in Archaeology resigned his position in January 2013, while Dr. Matthew Smith returned from Research Fellowship Leave. Professor Waibinte Wariboko and Dr. James Robertson went on Sabbatical leave for the year. While on Sabbatical Leave, Dr. Robertson was InterAmericas Fellow at the John Carter Brown Library, Brown University for the period October, 2012–March, 2013. Ms Rudy-Ann Dennis returned to the Department as Temporary Clerical Assistant in November 2012, and subsequently received a contract offering her a regular post at Secretary III, effective August 1, 2013. Dr. Kathleen Monteith along with co-editor Emeritus Professor Barry Higman were awarded the University of the West Indies Press Chancellor's Personal Award for *West Indian Business History: Enterprise and Entrepreneurship*, at the University of the West Indies Press Awards in 2012. Dr. Veront Satchell received the 2011/2012 Principal's award for Best Research Publication (Book) and Most Outstanding Researcher in the Faculty of Humanities and Education for *Hope Transformed. A Historical Sketch of the Hope Landscape, St. Andrew, Jamaica, 1660–1960*, (2012). Dr. Stephan Lenik received the 2011/12 Principal's award for

Best Research Publication (Article) in the Faculty of Humanities and Education for “Mission Plantations, Space, and Social Control: Jesuits as Planters in French Caribbean Colonies and Frontiers”, *Journal of Social Archaeology*, Vol. 12, 1 (2012).

PAPERS PRESENTED

History at Fifty Conference

Jonathan Dalby

- ‘Elite Conspiracy or Self-Induced Punishment? The Cholera Epidemic of 1851–52 and its Impact on Post-Emancipation Jamaica,’ *History at Fifty* Conference, UWI, Mona, November 8–10, 2012, 31pp.
- ‘The History of Crime and Justice in Jamaica: Some Thoughts on Sources and Methods’, Department of History and Archaeology Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, UWI, Mona, November 30, 2012, 20pp.

Daive Dunkley

- “International Rasta: The Leadership and Legacy of Archibald Dunkley,” 38th annual conference of the Caribbean Studies Association, Grand Anse, Grenada, June 5, 2013. 20pp.
- “Introducing Leonard Howell: Rastafari Founder and Anti-Colonial Warrior”. Forum on Liberators Rising From the West: Sam Sharpe, Marcus Garvey and Rastafari, UWI, Western Jamaica Campus, November 27, 2012, 15pp.

Dave Gosse

- “Technology and Productivity on Selected Plantations in Early Nineteenth Century Jamaica”, *History at Fifty* Conference, UWI, Mona, November 8–10, 2012, 18pp.
- “The Enslaved Women of Jamaica, Immorality and their Ethics of Resistance,” Sam Sharpe and the Praxis of Religion: Revolt, Resistance and the Re-ordering of Society Conference, UWI, Mona, October 12–14, 2012, 21pp.

Jenny Jemmott

- “On the Road to Recovery: Institutional Care of the Mentally Ill in Nineteenth-Century Jamaica,” *History at Fifty* Conference, UWI, Mona, November 8–10, 2012, 19pp.

Aleric Josephs

- “Women, the Missionary Enterprise and the Transformation of Post-slavery Jamaica,” *History at Fifty* Conference, UWI, Mona, November 8–10, 2012, 20pp.

Stephan Lenik

- “Historical Archaeology and Preservation of a Cemetery Discovered on the UWI, Mona Campus”, *History at Fifty* Conference, UWI, Mona, November 8–10, 2012, 9pp.
- “Memories of Conflict and Plantation Space at Geneva Estate, Dominica, 111th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA., November 14–18, 2012, 11 pp.
- “History and Archaeology of Event and Process on Plantations in Grand Bay, Commonwealth of Dominica,” 46th Annual Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, Leicester, Great Britain , January 9–12, 2013, 13pp.
- (With Kerisha Barr, Melissa Bryan, Adrian Reid and Oshane Robinson), “Archaeology at Fort Rocky (Rocky Point Battery): A Preliminary Report,” 11th Annual Symposium of the Archaeological Society of Jamaica, UWI, Mona, April 11, 2013, 10pp.

James Robertson

- “Jamaica’s Ambivalent Urban Enlightenments” 37th Conference of the Society for Caribbean Studies, Warwick University, July 3, 2013, 15pp.
- “The Experience and the Imagination of a Slave Revolt: An Uprising in St. Mary Parish, Jamaica, in 1765” Atlantic Seminar, New York University, February 12, 2013, 43pp.

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- “‘The Protector’s Darling’: Jamaica in Oliver Cromwell’s Western Design,” Fellow’s Talk, John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, January 23, 2013, 17pp.

Robert Sierakowski

- “Response to ‘Colonialism and the Constitution,’” Faculty of Law Seminar, UWI, Mona, April 19, 2013, 10pp.
- “Defending the Dictatorship: Peasant Military Service and State Terror in Nicaragua, 1956–1979,” Department of History and Archaeology Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, UWI, Mona, March 1, 2013, 24pp.
- “Gendered Geographies of Violence: Revolution, Counterinsurgency and Motherhood in Nicaragua, 1978–1979,” Conference on Latin American History (CLAH)/American Historical Association (AHA) Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 6, 2013, 30pp.
- “They Planted Corn and Harvested Guardias: Subalterns, State Terror and the Modernization of Violent Populism in Somoza’s Nicaragua,” Latin American Studies Association (LASA), San Francisco, California, May 25, 2012, 25pp.

Matthew Smith

- “Dictators Without Borders: Haitian Exiles in Late Nineteenth Century Jamaica,” Haiti in A Globalized Frame Conference, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL., February 14–16, 2013, 20pp.
- “Haitian Revolutions: Politics, Conflicts, and the Long Shadow of 1804,” 1804 and Its Afterlives Conference, Nottingham Contemporary, Nottingham, UK, December 7–8, 2012, 20pp.
- “Everywhere Alone: Exile in Nineteenth Century Haitian History,” Slavery and its Aftermath in the Atlantic World Conference, University of Illinois, Chicago, October 5, 2012, 20pp.

Swithin Wilmot

- “‘Black Man Time’: Vestry Politics, 1830 to 1865,” *History at Fifty* Conference, UWI, Mona, November 8–10, 2012, 25pp.

PUBLICATIONS

Books & Monographs

Daive Dunkley

- *Agency of the Enslaved: Jamaica and the Culture of Freedom in the Atlantic World*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books/Rowman and Littlefield, 2013. 223 pp.

Dave Gosse

- *Abolition and Plantation Management in Nineteenth Century Jamaica*. Kingston: The University of the West Indies Press, 2012. 236 pp.

Veront Satchell

- *Hope Transformed: A Historical Sketch of the Hope Landscape, St Andrew, and Jamaica 1660–1960*. Kingston: The University of the West Indies Press, 2012. 485 pp.

Journal Articles & Book Chapters

Daive Dunkley

- “The Suppression of Leonard Howell in Late Colonial Jamaica, 1932–1954,” *New West Indian Guide* 87, 1/2 (2013): 62–93.
- “Leonard P. Howell’s Leadership of the Rastafari Movement and His ‘Missing Years,’” *Caribbean Quarterly* 58, 4 (2012): 1–24.
- (Book Review) *Caribbean History: From Pre-colonial Origins to the Present*. Tony Martin, Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Education, 2012. *Caribbean Quarterly* 59, 1 (2013): 106–108.

Wigmoore Francis

- “Towards a Pre-History of Rastafari,” *Caribbean Quarterly* 59, 2 (2013): 51–72.

- “From Black Supremacy to One Love: Rastafari and Peace.” In *Living in Peace: Insights from World Religions*, Chanju Mun and Ronald S. Green, (eds.). Honolulu: Blue Pine, 2012. pp. 205–34.

Jenny Jemmott

- “Institutional Care of the Mentally Ill in Nineteenth-Century Jamaica,” *International Journal of Education and Research*, Vol. 1: 6, (June 2013): 57–68.

Stephan Lenik

- “Community Engagement and Heritage Tourism at Geneva Estate, Dominica,” *Journal of Heritage Tourism, Special Issue: Heritage Tourism in the Caribbean*, 8, 1 (2013): 9–19
- (Book Review) *The Caribbean: A History of the Region and Its Peoples*. Stephan Palmié, & Francisco A. Scarano (eds), Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2011. *Journal of Caribbean History* 46, 2 (2012): 233–235.
- (Book Review) *Rethinking Puerto Rican Precolonial History*, Rodríguez Ramos, Reniel. Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2010. *Caribbean Quarterly*, 58, 4 (2012): 141–144.

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- “Boom and Bust in Jamaica’s Coffee Industry, 1790–1835,” *Journal of Caribbean History*, Vol. 47, No. 1, 2013: pp. 1–27.

James Robertson

- (With Andrew Pearson and David Miller). “Stories of Hellshire: Part 1, The Early Years,” *Jamaica Journal* 34, 1&2 (2012): 80–87.
- “Knowledgeable Readers – Jamaican Critiques of Hans Sloane’s Botany.” In *From Books to Beozars: Sir Hans Sloane*. Alison Walker, Arthur MacGregor and Michael Hunter, (eds). London: British Library, 2012. 80–89 and 263–266.

Veront Satchell

- “At Work in the Fields of Their Lords,” *Technology and Culture* 54:2 (2013): 389–393.
- (Book Review) *Cuban Sugar Industry: Transnational Network and Engineering Migrants in Mid Nineteenth Century Cuba*, Jonathan Curry-Machado. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011. *Journal of Caribbean History* 47:1 (2013): 113–117.

Matthew Smith

- “Haiti from the Outside In: A Review of Recent Literature,” *Radical History Review: Special Issue-Haitian Lives/Global Perspectives*, 115 (Winter 2013): 203–211.
- “Un Histoire sous les Décombres: le Séisme de 1842,” in *Revue de la Société Haïtienne d’Histoire et de Géographie*, 241–244 (January-December 2012): 219–229.
- “Vive 1804!: The Haitian Revolution and the Revolutionary Generation of 1946,” (Reprint) in, *Haitian History: New Perspectives*, Alyssa Sepinwall (ed.) (London: Routledge, 2013): 256–272.
- (Book Review) *Vodou Songs in Haitian Creole and English*. Benjamin Hebblethwaite. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2012. *Journal of West Indian Literature* 21 no. 1 & 2 (November 2012/April 2013): 215–217.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Dave Gosse

- Chairman, Board of Management, The Ardenne High School.

Jenny Jemmott

- Member, National World Heritage Committee, Jamaica National Heritage Trust.

Aleric Josephs

- Chief Examiner, CAPE Examination Council
- Member: Editorial Advisory Board, IGI Global (www.igi-global.com), Hershey, Pennsylvania (USA).

Stephan Lenik

- Member, Executive Committee, Archaeological Society of Jamaica
- Member, National World Heritage Committee, Jamaica National Heritage Trust
- Member, Council of the Institute of Jamaica.

Kathleen E. A. Monteith

- Member, Editorial Board of the *Journal of Caribbean History*
- Member, National Library of Jamaica's Collections Development/Information Systems and Services and Management Committee
- Member, Board of Directors, Jamaica National Heritage Trust
- Member, Executive Committee, Jamaica Historical Society
- Editor, *Jamaican Historical Review*
- Member, Scholarship/Grants Committee, Anglican Community University of the West Indies, Mona Chapel.

Veront Satchell

- Member, Board of Directors, The Mico University College
- Member, Governance Committee, The Mico University College
- Member, Board, The Lady Mico Trust
- Reviews Editor, *Journal of Caribbean History*
- Member, Board of Directors, The Registrar General's Department.

James Robertson

- 2nd Vice President, Jamaican Historical Society
- Vice President, Archaeological Society of Jamaica
- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Early American History*
- Member, National Archives Advisory Committee.

Matthew Smith

- Member, Board of Directors of the Museums and Ethnography Division, the Institute of Jamaica.

Waibinte Wariboko

- Member, Editorial Board, *Notes and Records: An International Journal of African and African Diaspora Studies*.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Onyoma: International Journal of Niger Delta Studies*; *Mbari: The International Journal of Igbo Studies*.

Swithin Wilmot

- Member, Board of Trustees, The Archbishop Samuel Carter Educational Fund.
- Member, Board of Directors, Museums and Ethnography Division, the Institute of Jamaica.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Caribbean History*.
- Editor, *Journal of Caribbean History*.
- Convener, Executive Nominating Committee of the Association of Caribbean Historians.

INFORMATION ON STUDENTS

Prizes Awarded

The Gladwyn Turbutt prizes for:

European History	Errol Blair
Archaeology	Melissa Bryan
Atlantic World History	Jordan Craig
Historical Methodology	Jordan Craig
The Asian World Prior to 1600	Renee Davidson
History of the Middle East	Raschid Robertson

The Neville Hall prize:

History of the Americas	Rhonda-Lee Scott
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The Walter Rodney prize:

African History	Janoy Quarrie
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The Elsa Goveia prize:

West Indian History	Karreene Morris
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