

Joanna Neilson, PhD

Associate Professor of History

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Biography

Joanna Neilson is an Associate Professor of History and the Assistant Dean of the Paul V. Hamilton School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at Lincoln Memorial University. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Centre College with BA degrees in History and Dramatic Arts. She earned her MA in History from the Florida State University with a major field in Britain and a minor field in India. She then completed her PhD in British History with minor fields in the Middle Ages, the Middle East, and India.

Teaching and Research Interests

Dr. Neilson's teaching interests include the world history survey, the two-course British History sequence, Modern Middle East and North Africa, Modern South Asia, and modern imperialism. She teaches the History Program's first methods class, HIST 300 Introduction to Historical Studies. As part of the secondary education curriculum, she teaches HUMN 380 Secondary Methods for Teaching Humanities for Art, English, and History majors.

Dr. Neilson's research interests include comparative world history, early modern joint-stock companies and British foreign policy, nineteenth-century British colonial citizenship, and secondary education preparation and methods.

Representative Publications, Grants, and Presentations

Publications

“Nineteenth-Century Constitutions: A Teaching Guide.” *World History Connected*. 16.1 (February 2019). <http://worldhistoryconnected.press.uillinois.edu/16.1/neilson.html>. Last accessed 18 February 2020.

Grants

Director. “Investigating the World One Source at a Time.” THEC ITQ 2018 Grant.

Presentations

Presenter. “A Comparative Constitutions Project.” Southeast World History Association. October 2017.

Presenter / Facilitator. LMU Faculty / Staff Conference. August 2016 and 2017.

University and Professional Service

University Service

At the University she serves on the Teaching and Learning with Technology Roundtable and the QEP Steering Committee that built, implemented, and currently helps monitor the University's Transparent Instruction initiative. She also coordinates the General Education Exam for undergraduates. In previous years she has served on the University's General Education Committee and Faculty Senate.

Before her current position, Neilson served as the Humanities Department Chair and History Program Director.

Professional Service

Dr. Neilson has been a grader for the College Board Advanced Placement Exam in World History from 2008-2021 and the World History: Modern Exam in 2023.