

# Melanie Beals Goan

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## EMPLOYMENT

### **Associate Professor** – 2017-present

University of Kentucky History Department

- Courses taught: History of Kentucky, History of Women in America, History of the United States, 1877-present, History Workshop (methods course), History of U.S. Health Care, Careers in History, Making of Modern Kentucky, and Television in the Post-War U. S.
- Affiliations with Appalachian Studies, Health, Society, and Populations program, and the Center for Health Equity Transformation

### **Assistant Professor** - 2014-2017

University of Kentucky History Department

### **Lecturer** – 2011-2014

University of Kentucky History Department

### **Instructor** – 2009-2010

Transylvania University History Department

### **Instructor** - 2000 - 2009

University of Kentucky History Department

### **Instructor** - 2000 – 2002

Transylvania University Foundations of Liberal Arts Program

### **Research Assistant** - July 1998 – December 1999

University of Kentucky College of Nursing

- Collected and organized historical records for the UK College of Nursing
- Conducted 24 oral history interviews with former College faculty and administrators
- Wrote a script for a 20-minute video on the College's history
- Prepared a 168-page manuscript on the College's history for its fortieth anniversary celebration

### **Associate** - Summer 1998

University of Kentucky Teaching and Learning Center

- Designed a manual that outlined the instructional resources and services available to faculty and teaching assistants
- Helped create a web site, which allowed faculty and students to explore the instructional resources available at the University of Kentucky

**EDUCATION****Doctor of Philosophy, History** - May 2000

University of Kentucky

Dissertation Title: "First, Foremost, and Above All for Babies': Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing Service," supervised by Patricia Cooper and Kathi Kern

**Master of Arts, History** - December 1996

University of Kentucky

Women's Studies Certificate

Thesis Title: "On the Battlefield of Motherhood: Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing Service"

**Bachelor of Arts, History** - May 1994

Slippery Rock University

*Summa cum Laude***PUBLICATIONS**

*Mary Breckinridge: The Frontier Nursing Service and Rural Health in Appalachia.* Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2008, 360 pages.

"Mary Breckinridge (1881-1965): Kind Ambition and the Creation of the Frontier Nursing Service." In *Kentucky Women: Their Lives and Times*, edited by Melissa A. McEuen and Thomas H. Appleton, 294-311. Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2015.

"The End of Kentucky's Winning Season?: A Fresh Look at Early Twentieth Century Kentucky Decision-Making." *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 113: 2&3 (spring/summer 2015): 201-232.

"Establishing Their Place in the Dynasty: Sophonisba and Mary Breckinridge's Paths to Public Service." *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 101 (winter/spring 2003): 45-73.

"A Dream Shared by Many": *The University of Kentucky College of Nursing, 1956-2000.* Self-published by the University of Kentucky College of Nursing, 2000, 168 pages.

Review of *Side by Side: Alice and Staughton Lynd, the Ohio Years*, by Mark W. Weber and Stephen H. Paschen. In *Ohio Valley History* 16:2 (summer 2016): 96-98.

Review of *Rural Unwed Mothers: An American Experience, 1870-1950*, by Mazie Hough. In *Journal of Southern History*, 79:3 (August 2013): 741.

Review of *Corra Harris and the Divided Mind of the New South*, by Catherine Oglesby. In *Journal of Southern History*, 76 (February 2010): 176.

Review of *Eliza Calvert Hall: Kentucky Author and Suffragist*, by Lynn E. Niedermeier. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, 106 (winter 2008): 72-73.

Review of *Nurse-Midwifery: The Birth of a New American Profession*, by Laura E. Ettinger. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 104 (summer/autumn 2006): 754-755.

Review of *Cora Wilson Stewart and Kentucky's Moonlight Schools: Fighting for Literacy in America*, by Yvonne Honeycutt Baldwin. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 104 (winter 2006): 134-136.

Review of *Appalachian Folkways*, by John B. Rehder. In the *Journal of Southern History* LXXII: 1 (February 2006): 204-205.

Review of *Appalachia: A History*, by John Alexander Williams. In *American Studies* 46 (spring 2005): 151-152.

Review of *Coal Miners' Doctor*, by Rita A. Mariotti. In *Appalachian Journal* 32:1 (fall 2004): 136-137.

Review of *Clio's Southern Sisters: Interviews with Leaders of the Southern Association for Women's Historians*, ed. Constance B. Schulz and Elizabeth Hayes Turner. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 102 (autumn 2004): 586-588.

Review of *No Place Like Home: A History of Nursing and Home Care in the United States*, by Karen Buhler-Wilkerson. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 101 (winter/spring 2003): 173-175.

Review of *Grasping at Independence: Debt, Male Authority, and Mineral Rights in Appalachian Kentucky, 1850-1915*, by Robert S. Weise. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 100:3 (summer 2002): 352-354.

Review of *Devices and Desires: Gender, Technology, and American Nursing*, by Margarete Sandelowski. In *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 99:2 (spring 2001): 195-197.

"Mary Breckinridge," encyclopedia entry for *Women in American History: A Social, Political, and Cultural Encyclopedia*. Ed. Roseanne Welch and Peg Lamphier. ABC-CLIO, 2017.

"Frontier Nursing Service," encyclopedia entry for *The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture*. Vol. 22. Ed. James G. Thomas, Jr. and Charles Reagan Wilson. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2012.

"Linda Neville" and "Louise Hutchins," encyclopedia entry for *Encyclopedia of Appalachia*. Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2006.

**CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS**

Chair, Contagious Problems: Reform and Uplift in the Twentieth Century South  
Southern Association for Women Historians, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, June 2018

Roundtable participant, Building a History of Twentieth-Century Kentucky  
Ohio Valley History Conference, Richmond, Kentucky, October 2015

“Driven by Kind Ambition: Mary Breckinridge, the Frontier Nursing Service, and the Need for Distinction”  
Southern Association for Women Historians conference, Columbia, South Carolina, June 2009

“Establishing Their Place in the Dynasty: Sophonisba and Mary Breckinridge’s Routes to Public Service”  
Ohio Valley History Conference, Richmond, Kentucky, October 2003

Roundtable Participant – Teaching College History  
Kentucky Association of Teachers of History Conference, Frankfort, Kentucky, September 2000

“The Battle for Legitimacy: The Frontier Nursing Service’s Relationship with Patients, Granny Midwives, and Local Physicians”  
South Central Women’s Studies Conference, San Antonio, Texas, March 2000

“‘A Nursery for the Finest Flower of the Old American Stock’: Medical Practitioners and Appalachian Racial Identity”  
Appalachian Studies Association Conference, Abingdon, Virginia, March 1999

“The Invisible, But Profitable Nature of Whiteness: Race, Ethnicity, and the Frontier Nursing Service”  
Bluegrass Symposium, Lexington, Kentucky, March 1998

“‘First, Foremost and Above All for Babies’: Maternalism and the Frontier Nursing Service”  
Appalachian Studies Association Conference, Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, March 1997

#### **INVITED TALKS**

Historical introduction to the film, *The Suffragette* for the Breaking the Bronze Ceiling Initiative  
Kentucky Theater, Lexington, Kentucky, August 2018

“Navigating College Academic Life”  
Trinity Christian Academy (Lexington, KY), May 2017

Panelist - “Memorial Hall Mural Open Forum”  
University of Kentucky, March 2017

“Kentucky Woman Suffrage Project”  
Louisville Women Lawyers Association, February 2017

“Mary Breckinridge: The Frontier Nursing Service and Rural Health in Appalachia”  
Clark County Library, Annual Local History Week, August 2014

"The History of Healthcare in the United States"

Development of Social Welfare class, University of Kentucky, October 2010,  
February 2011

"Having a Baby the Nineteenth Century Way"

Liberty Hall Historic Site, Frankfort, Kentucky, August 2009

"Negotiating a Proper Place: Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing Service"

Eastern Kentucky University's annual Herstory conference, Richmond, Kentucky,  
March 2009

"'The Mind of a Man and Heart of a Mother': Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier  
Nursing Service"

Marshall University's annual women's history conference, Huntington, West  
Virginia, March 2009

"The Frontier Nursing Service: Cultural Conflict and Appalachian Reform"

Eastern Kentucky Appalachian Center, Richmond, Kentucky, October 2008

"'One Has the Right to a Private Life': The Frontier Nursing Service Collection and  
Mary Breckinridge's Archival Legacy"

University of Kentucky Appalachian Center's Discover Appalachia in the Archives  
Series, Lexington, Kentucky, October 2006

"Women and Reform: The Frontier Nursing Service"

American Legacies Summer Institute for K-12 teachers, Benham, Kentucky, May  
2005

Panel Participant – "The Future of Kentucky History"

Boone Day Celebration, Frankfort, Kentucky, May 2005

"Female Reformers and the Construction of Place in the Kentucky Mountains,  
1900-1930"

Kentucky History Education Conference, Frankfort, Kentucky, May 2005

"Why We Buy: Women and Advertising"

Transylvania University's Women's History Month Workshop, Lexington, Kentucky,  
March 2002

"Kentucky Was Her Neighborhood: Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing  
Service"

Kentucky Historical Society's Brown Bag Series, Frankfort, Kentucky, March 2001

"Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing Service"

Vassar Club of Central Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, October 2000

"Mary Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing Service"

Central Kentucky Women's Club, Lexington, Kentucky, January 2000

**DEPARTMENTAL  
SERVICE**

Executive Committee, 2017-present

Undergraduate Committee, 2011-present

Undergraduate academic advisor, 2013-present

Director of Internships and frequent internship supervisor

Chair, Rowland Prize to fund undergraduate summer internships

Digital course planning committee member

History Department Development Intern committee

History Alumni Board

Constitution Day workshop, "Gender and Citizenship Challenge," with Kathi Kern, Amy Taylor, Kathy Newfont, and Anastasia Curwood, 2015

Appalachian history faculty search committee, 2014-2015

**UNIVERSITY  
SERVICE**

Arts & Sciences Liberal Arts Website Initiative, 2018

Trunzo Scholarship Selection Committee, 2017, 2018

Outstanding Teaching Awards Selection Committee, 2018

A&S Internship Grant Selection Committee, 2018

Faculty Learning Community – Large Classes, 2016-2017

UK Robinson Scholars Program, selection committee member, 2015-2017

UK Arts and Sciences Mentoring Program participant, 2015-2016

Committee for developing Memorandum of Agreements for Community Partners (Internship Sites), 2016

Participant, UKCore Canvas Pilot Program, 2015

UKCore Assessment Reader, 2012

**PROFESSIONAL  
ACTIVITIES**

Kentucky State Coordinator, *Women and Social Movements in the United States, 1600-2000* Online Biographical Dictionary of the Woman Suffrage Movement in the U.S. project, 2016

Kentucky Woman Suffrage Project planning committee member, 2016-present

Adviser, "Equal Partners: The Rest of the Story" documentary series

Adviser, Mary Breckinridge Chautauqua Character, Kentucky Humanities Council

American Historical Association Tuning Project, 2015

Manuscript reviewer: University Press of Kentucky, Ohio University Press, Yale University Press, and University of New Mexico Press, *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, *Journal of Southern History*, *Ohio Valley History*

Member, Kentucky Association of Teachers of History and chair of the George C. Herring Prize for the best graduate research paper, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2012-2016

Kentucky Historical Society Graduate Student Day faculty mentor, 2015

Frequent faculty consultant for National History Day participants

National Conference on Undergraduate Research Abstract Reviewer, spring 2014

Researcher, federal mitigation project run through the Kentucky Heritage Council documenting the history of the Bourbon County, KY tuberculosis sanitarium, 2011

Editorial Board Member, *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, 2006-2009

Executive Board Member, Kentucky Association of Teachers of History, 2002-2008

President, Kentucky Association of Teachers of History, 2006-2007

Judge, *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* Collins Award, 2005, 2007

Judge, Governor's Award for the best book in Kentucky history, 2003

Judge, Kentucky Association of Teachers of History's Thomas D. Clark Prize for best undergraduate research paper, 2001

Preparing Future Faculty Spring Conference Planning Committee, 2000

Bluegrass Symposium Planning Committee, 1995, 1996, 1997

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Recipient, Teachers Who Made a Difference Award, 2018

Recipient, University of Kentucky Outstanding Teaching Award, 2017

Nominee, Ken Freedman Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award, 2016-2017

University of Kentucky Nominee, Whiting Public Engagement Fellowship, 2016

Nominee, College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Teaching Award, 2014, 2016

Recipient, Collins Award for the best article published in the *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, 2003

**GRANTS**

Kentucky: An American Story Grant to support Kentucky Woman Suffrage Project, May 2018, \$45,750

Research and Creative Activities Grant, Provost's Office, University of Kentucky, summer 2018, \$3000

**PROFESSIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS**

Kentucky Association of Teachers of History

Southern Association for Women Historians