# Curriculum Vitae (in brief)

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#### Formal Education

Ph.D., History, Dalhousie University, Halifax, October 2003
Dissertation: "Child Welfare in Halifax, 1900-1960: Institutional Trans-formation,
Denominationalism, and the Creation of a Public Welfare System

M.A., History, Dalhousie University, Halifax, October 1998.

Thesis: "A Very Special Service": Day Care, Welfare and Child Development, Jost Mission Day Nursery, Halifax, 1920-1955

B.A., History, Brock University, St. Catharines, June 1997

### **Recent Publications**

The Guardianship of Best Interests: Institutional Care for the Children of the Poor in Halifax, 1850-1960. Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2013

"The Vice of Cold Climates: Alcohol and Esprit de Corps During the War of 1812." Journal for the Social History of Alcohol and Drugs, Winter 2013

Canadian Studies: An Introductory Reader, Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing, 2007

"Modernity and the Denominational Imperative: The Children's Aid Society of Halifax, 1905-1925," Journal of the Canadian Historical Association Vol. 13, No. 1 (2002), 95-118.

### **Recent Conference & Symposia Presentations:**

- "'I will enter Canada, & leave the rest to Heaven': Religion & the Fighting Men of the War of 1812." Presented by Invitation at Walking The Razor's Edge: A Continent In Play War of 1812 Bicentennial Symposium, 2 March 2013
- "The Account We Must Render to God: Luck, Prayer, and Providence in the Winning and Losing of the War of 1812." The War of 1812: Myths and Realities (Refereed Conference), University of London, July 2012
- "Freemasons and the War of 1812." Paper presented by invitation to the Ottawa Masonic Education Conference, 2 June 2012
- "Alcohol Cause and Cure: Doctor Mann and the Practice of Medicine during the War of 1812," at "The Pub, the Street, and the Medicine Cabinet: The 6th International Conference on the History of Alcohol and Drugs," June 2011, Buffalo, New York (Refereed)