



# Molly Varley

## HISTORIAN & EDUCATOR

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### ABOUT ME

I am a passionate & experienced scholar & educator with more than 15 years in the classroom, from middle school through college and teacher education. I am a self-reflective, intellectually motivated lifelong learner. My aim is to support teachers and colleagues in collaborative passion projects to improve education for all students.

### EDUCATION

- **Ph.D.**
  - History - University of Montana - 2011
- **M.A.**
  - History, Propaganda & Persuasion - University of Kent, U.K. - 2000
- **B.A.**
  - History and Political Science - Warren Wilson College - 1998
- **Cambridge RSA/CELTA**
  - Certificate of English Language Teaching to Adults - Leeds University, U.K. - 2001

### 7-12 TEACHING & CURRICULUM EXPERIENCE

- Campaign for Southern Equality, Asheville, NC - 2023  
Instructional designer. Create volunteer training and instructional materials using Canva
- Odyssey Community School, Asheville, NC - 2020-present  
HS teacher. Develop & teach high school Humanities courses
- APass Education, Remote - 2018-2023  
Freelance Writer. Wrote K-12 assessment materials in English & Social Studies with multiple state standard alignments
- Newsela, Remote - 2019-2021  
Freelance Writer. Wrote K-12 assessment materials in Social Studies with C3 & CCSS standard alignments
- Canaan Schools, Canaan, VT - 2015-2017  
MS and HS Teacher. Developed & taught grades 7-12 ELA courses; maintained records; worked with teams to implement response plans; designed, implemented, and managed transition of middle school curriculum to standards based grading
- University of Montana, Missoula, MT 2005-2008  
Teaching Assistant, Teaching American History in the Northwest. Managed staff of curriculum assistants to create online and in-person content for teachers; collaborated & organized between multiple stakeholders
- EF English First, China - 2000-2001  
Teacher. Designed & taught English courses for children, teens & adults

## CURRENT PROJECTS

- History and Tea – A history podcast for kids
- Dirty Hands – A murder in small-town South Carolina has gone unsolved for 30 years
- The Secret Life of PhDs – A study of adjuncts in Western North Carolina

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- “Queen Elizabeth and the Watchers,” Honest History 6, 2020
- “Firsts in Space,” Honest History 5, 2019
- “Hanging Mary: How the Lynching of a Man and a Beast became the Same Event,” WGU Humanities Week, 2017
- Americans Recaptured: Progressive Era Memory of Frontier Captivity, University of Oklahoma Press, 2014
- “The Studio System” and “Nicholas Ray,” Movies and American Culture, ABC-CLIO, 2011
- “The Captive’s Cabin,” Southwest/Texas Popular Culture and American Culture Association Conference, 2009

## COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Warren Wilson College, Asheville, NC - 2021-present  
Instructor of History. Developed & taught broad range of US courses
- Western Governors University, Remote - 2017-2020  
Course faculty, Elementary Social Studies Teaching Methods. Managed a caseload of 350-450 students: course completion rate over 95%; developed & delivered teacher education materials; worked within team of instructors to assess, develop & implement student success strategies; Collaborated in multi-functional teams to analyze and redesign courses
- Meredith College, Raleigh, NC - 2010-2013  
Assistant Professor of History. Designed, developed, and taught broad range of US and world history courses; managed and evaluated senior research projects; served on faculty hiring and curriculum committees; co-taught Model UN
- SUNY Old Westbury, Old Westbury, NY - 2009  
Adjunct Instructor of First Year Reading & Writing Seminar
- Nassau Community College, Nassau, NY - 2009  
Adjunct Instructor of U.S. History
- University of Montana, Missoula, MT - 2005-2009  
Teaching Assistant & Adjunct Instructor. Developed & taught US history courses; served as intermediary for students & professors

## SKILLS

Salesforce & Learning Management Systems \* Adaptability, Flexibility & Collaboration \* Research & Writing \* Creativity & Self Motivation \* Verbal & Written Communication & Editing \* Canva & Microsoft Suite \* Instructional & Curriculum Design \* Customer Service \* Live Meeting Software \*