JEFFREY AHLMAN

Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2011 M.A., History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2005

B.A., History (with highest distinction), University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2004

ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Gwendolen Carter Professor of African Studies, Smith College, 2024-Present

Professor, Department of History, Smith College, 2023-Present

Chair, Department of History, Smith College, 2024-Present

Chair, African Studies Program, Smith College, 2018-21, 2022-Present

Chair, Global South Development Studies Program, Smith College, Spring 2025

Associate Professor, Department of History, Smith College, 2018-23

Assistant Professor, Department of History, Smith College, 2012-18

PEER-REVIEWED BOOKS

Ghana: A Political and Social History. London: Zed Books, 2024.

Kwame Nkrumah: Visions of Liberation. Athens: Ohio University Press, 2021. Ohio Short Histories of Africa Series.

Living with Nkrumahism: Nation, State, and Pan-Africanism in Ghana. Athens: Ohio University Press, 2017. New African Histories Series.

SELECTED RESEARCH FUNDING

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Summer Stipend, 2016

Bernadotte E. Schmitt Grant for Research in European, African, or Asian History: American Historical Association (AHA), 2013

Postdoctoral Fellowship: Center for Africana Studies, Johns Hopkins University, 2011-12

Carter G. Woodson Institute Predoctoral Residential Research Fellowship: Carter G. Woodson Institute for African-American and African Studies, University of Virginia, 2009-11

Frederick Douglass Institute Predoctoral Fellowship: Frederick Douglass Institute for African and African-American Studies, University of Rochester, 2009-10 (declined)

Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship for Dissertation Research in Original Sources: Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR), 2007-08

WARA Predoctoral Research Fellowship: West African Research Association (WARA), 2006

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-Editor, Ghana Studies, 2020-22

Member, Task Force for the Protection of Academic Freedom, African Studies Association, 2018-Present

Member, Conference Paper Prize Committee, Ghana Studies Association, 2019

Member, Board of Directors, Africa Network, 2017-Present

Member, Awards and Prizes Committee (prizes establishment phase), Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, 2018

Member, Boahen-Wilks Prize Committee, Ghana Studies Association, 2018