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A. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022-2025 Assistant Professor, US History (limited term)
 Department of Historical Studies
 University of Toronto, Mississauga
- 2020-2022 Research Associate
 Department of Communication Arts
 University of Waterloo
- 2019-2020 Energy Futures Postdoctoral Fellow
 Transitions in Energy, Culture, and Society
 University of Alberta
- 2018-2019 Postdoctoral Fellow in Histories of Energy Transition
 Department of Communication Arts
 University of Waterloo
- 2016-2018 Course Instructor
 Department of History
 University of Toronto
- 2013 Course Instructor
 American Studies Program, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy,
 University of Toronto
- 2009-2019 Teaching Assistant
 University of Toronto

B. EDUCATION

- 2017 Ph.D., History, University of Toronto
Thesis: “Energizing the Right: Economy, Ecology, and Culture in the 1970s US Energy Crisis”
Supervisor: Elspeth Brown
Committee: Michelle Murphy and Steve Penfold
External Examiner: Gregg Mitman
- 2008 M.A., History, McMaster University
Thesis awarded the Friends of E.M. Wightman Essay Prize
- 2007 B.A. Honours, Major in History, Minor in Philosophy, McMaster University

C. PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 2023 Caleb Wellum, *Energizing Neoliberalism: The 1970s Energy Crisis and the Making of Modern America*, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2023. **Peer reviewed.**
- Caleb Wellum, Emily Roehl, and Anne Pasek, eds., *Energy In/Out of Place*, Mystery Spot Books, 2023. <https://hcommons.org/deposits/item/hc:49811>.
- 2022 w/ After Oil Collective, *Solarities: Seeking Energy Justice*, Forerunners: Ideas First, University of Minnesota Press, 2022. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2016 w/ Petrocultures Research Group, *After Oil*, West Virginia University Press, 2016.

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2024 Caleb Wellum, “Bankrupt,” in *Energized: Keywords for a New Politics of Energy and Environment*, eds., Imre Szeman and Jennifer Wenzel, West Virginia University Press, forthcoming. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2023 Caleb Wellum, “The Use of Energy History,” *Modern American History* 6, no. 2 (July 2023): 201-219, <https://doi.org/10.1017/mah.2023.31>. **Peer reviewed.**
- Caleb Wellum, “‘Keep Moving’: *Convoy*, Car Films, and Petro-Populism in the 1970s,” in *American Energy Cinema*, eds., Sarah Stanford-McIntyre, Robert Lifset, and Raechel Lutz, West Virginia University Press, 2023. **Peer reviewed.**

- Caleb Wellum and Imre Szeman, “Carbon Democracy at Ten: An Interview with Timothy Mitchell,” *Cultural Studies* 37, no. 3 (2023): 351-369. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09502386.2022.2056221>. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2022 Caleb Wellum, “Oil, Culture, and Modernity,” in *Handbook on Oil and International Relations*, eds., Roland Dannreuther and Wojciech Ostrowski, Edward Elgar, 2022. <https://doi.org/10.4337/9781839107559.00010>. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2021 Caleb Wellum and Imre Szeman, “The Energy Humanities and the Petroleumscape,” in *Oil Spaces: Exploring the Global Petroleumscape*, ed., Carola Hein, Routledge, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9780367816049-16>. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2020 Caleb Wellum, “Energizing Finance: The Energy Crisis, Oil Futures, and Neoliberal Narratives,” *Enterprise and Society* 21, no. 1 (March 2020), 2-37. <https://doi.org/10.1017/eso.2019.26>. **Peer reviewed.**
*Awarded honorable mention for the BHC Philip Scranton Best Article Prize as one of the three best articles published in the journal in 2020.
- Caleb Wellum, “‘A Vibrant National Preoccupation’: Embracing an Energy Conservation Ethic in the 1970s,” *Environmental History* 25, no. 1 (January 2020), 85-109. <https://doi.org/10.1093/envhis/emz079>. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2017 Caleb Wellum, “The Ambivalent Aesthetics of Oil: Project Documerica and the Energy Crisis in 1970s America,” *Environmental History* 22, no. 4 (October 2017): 723-732. <https://doi.org/10.1093/envhis/emx085>. **Peer reviewed.**
- 2011 Caleb Wellum, “Wal-Mart and the Historians: A Review,” *Journal of Historical Research in Marketing* 3, no. 2 (2011): 234-243. <https://doi.org/10.1108/17557501111132163>. **Peer reviewed.**

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2023 Caleb Wellum, Review of *The Long Crisis: New York City and the Path to Neoliberalism* by Benjamin Holtzman, *Journal of American History* 110, no. 1, June 2023, 179-180. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jahist/jaad159>.
- 2022 Caleb Wellum, Review of *Oil Money: Middle East Petrodollars and the Transformation of US Empire* by David M. Wight, *Enterprise and Society* 23, no. 2 (June 2022): 593-594. <https://doi.org/10.1017/eso.2022.5>.

- 2021 Caleb Wellum, Review of *The Republican Reversal: Conservatives and the Environment from Nixon to Trump* by James Morton Turner and Andrew C. Isenberg, *Environmental History* 26, no.1 (January 2021): 176-178. <https://doi.org/10.1093/envhis/emma064>.
- 2020 Caleb Wellum, Review of *Landscapes of Power: Politics of Energy in the Navajo Nation* by Dana E. Powell, *Technology and Culture* 61, no. 4 (October 2020): 1256-1257. <https://doi.org/10.1353/tech.2020.0146>.
- Caleb Wellum, Review of *A Field on Fire: The Future of Environmental History* edited by Mark D. Hersey and Ted Steinberg, *Journal of American History* 107, no.1 (June 2020): 147-148. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jahist/jaaa015>.
- 2018 Caleb Wellum, Review of *Powering Up Canada: The History of Power, Fuel, and Energy from 1600* edited by R.W. Sandwell, *Network in Canadian History & Environment*. <http://niche-canada.org/2018/06/06/review-of-sandwell-ed-powering-up-canada/>.
- 2017 Caleb Wellum, Review of *Utopia or Bust: A Guide to the Present Crisis* by Benjamin Kunkel, *Alternate Routes: A Journal of Critical Social Research*. <http://www.alternateroutes.ca/index.php/ar/article/view/22440/18231>.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

- 2024 Caleb Wellum, “Digital Revolution” and “New York City Blackout, 1977” in *Energy in American History: A Political, Social, and Environmental Encyclopedia*, edited by Jeffrey B. Webb, ABC-CLIO, forthcoming.

OTHER

- 2023 Caleb Wellum and Natalie Koch, “After Oil: The Challenge and Promise of Getting the World Off Fossil Fuels,” *The Conversation Weekly Podcast*, February 23, 2023. <https://theconversation.com/after-oil-the-challenge-and-promise-of-getting-the-world-off-fossil-fuels-podcast-200512>.
- 2022 Caleb Wellum, Scott Stoneman, Imre Szeman, Mark Simpson, prod., *Volatile Trajectories: Climate Crisis + Energy Transition*, podcast series. <https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/volatile-trajectories-climate-crisis-energy-transition/id1658931102>.
- 2021 Caleb Wellum, “Views: The Damaging Impact of Unattainable Expectations.” *Inside Higher Education*, online, February 25, 2021.

- 2020 Caleb Wellum, Anne Pasek, and Emily Roehl, “How to plan successful e-conferences during and after the pandemic.” *The Conversation*, online, November 16, 2020.
- Caleb Wellum, “COVID-19, Electric Cars, and the Life-Sized City.” *Energy Humanities*, November 13, 2020.
- Caleb Wellum, Anne Pasek, and Emily Roehl, “Making and Meeting Online: A White Paper on E-Conferences, Workshops, and Other Experiments in Low Carbon Research Exchange.” *Energy Humanities*, October 6, 2020.

D. SELECTED AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023-2024 Principal Investigator, Connection Grant, After Oil School 3: Next (Cultures of Renewability), *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada* (\$70,487)
- 2020 E-conference Grant, Kule Institute for Advanced Study, *University of Alberta* (\$4,500).
- 2019-2020 Energy Futures Postdoctoral Fellowship, Transitions in Energy, Culture, and Society, *University of Alberta* (\$55,000).
- 2018-2019 Postdoctoral Fellowship in Histories of Energy Transition, *University of Waterloo* (\$40,000).
- 2013-2015 Ontario Graduate Scholarship, *Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities* (\$30,000).
- 2013-2014 Graduate Research Grant in American Studies, *University of Toronto*.
- 2012-2013 Doctoral Fellowship, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada* (\$20,000).
- 2012-2013 Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation Research Travel Grant, *Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation*.
- 2012 Associates of the University of Toronto Award for the Study of the United States, *University of Toronto*.
- 2010-2012 Ontario Graduate Scholarship, *Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities* (\$30,000).

- 2010 Top Performance Award, First Year Doctoral Students, *University of Toronto*.
- 2009-2010 Jeanne Armour Graduate Scholarship, *University of Toronto*.

E. SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2024 “Against the New Economy: Illich, Energy, and Inequality.” *Petrocultures 2024: Oil Cities and Post-Oil Cities*. May 14-18, 2024, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
- “Post-Oil Politics: Energy Transitions and the Legacies of Neoliberalism.” *Petrocultures 2024: Oil Cities and Post-Oil Cities*. May 14-18, 2024, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA. **Panel Chair and Discussant**.
- “Roundtable on After Oil School.” *Petrocultures 2024: Oil Cities and Post-Oil Cities*. May 14-18, 2024, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
- “Environmental History as a Platform for Public Outreach.” *American Society for Environmental History*, April 3-7, 2024, Denver, CO.
- 2023 “Reform.” *After Oil 3: The Next Workshop*, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, Banff, AB, February 23-25, 2023. **Organizer**.
- 2022 “Seeing Energy.” *Petrocultures 2022: Transformations*, Norwegian Petroleum Museum, Stavanger, Norway.
- 2020 “Virtual Conferences on the Brink: Critical Reflections on Research-Creation and Digital Collaboration in Times of Crisis.” *Association for the Study of Literature and Environment Virtual Conference: Humanities on the Brink* (online).
- 2018 “Reading *Fossil Capital*: A Workshop.” *Petrocultures 2018: Transitions*, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland.
- 2017 “As Shown on the Graph: How Graphs Shape Oil Futures.” *American Studies Association Annual Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- “Scenario Models and the Shape of the Energy Future in the 1970s.” Annual Meeting of the *Canadian Historical Association*. Panel sponsored by the Canadian Business History Association, Toronto, ON.
- “Project Documerica and Pre-Carbon Nostalgia.” **Panel Organizer**. *American Society for Environmental History Annual Conference*, Chicago, IL.

- 2016 “‘Keep Your Eyes on the Road and Your Foot on the Pedal:’ 1970s American Car Films and an Energy Imaginary in Crisis.” *Petrocultures 2016: The Offshore*, Memorial University, St. John’s, NFLD.
- 2014 “The Last of Our Energies: H.T. Odum’s Energy Diagrams and the System of Nature.” **Panel Organizer.** *American Society for Environmental History Annual Conference*, San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 “Energy Scarcity, Time, and Neoliberalism.” *American Studies Association Annual Conference*, Washington, DC.

F. TALKS

- 2023 Discussant for Victor Seow, “Energy History and the World That Carbon Made,” Dr. David Chu Asia-Pacific Speaker Series, Asian Institute, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto, September 22, 2023. **Invited discussant.**
- “Ivan Illich and the Politics of Speed,” Panel: Energy/Culture/Space/Place, *Beatrice and Arthur Minden Symposium on the Environment: Urban Ecologies: Imagining the Environmentally Just City*, University of Toronto, May 5-6, 2023. **Invited.**
- 2021 “Focus on Environmental Humanities Publishing,” with Joseph Campana and Addie Hopes. *Cultures of Energy Symposia*, Center for Environmental Studies, Rice University (online), May 27, 2021. **Invited.**
- “EH/DH: The Energy Humanities and the Digital Turn,” with Anne Pasek and Lisa Parks, *Digital Humanities Network*, University of Toronto (online), March 30, 2021. **Invited.**
- 2014 “Ecology and the Politics of the Future in the 1970s,” *Graduate Workshop Series*, Centre for the Study of the United States, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto.

G. TEACHING

INSTRUCTOR

University of Toronto, Mississauga (2022-)

HIS105: A Brief History of Capitalism

HIS211: Screening History

HIS271: US History, Colonial Era to 1877

HIS272: US History, 1877 to the present

HIS372: The United States in the 20th Century: Modernity, Environmental Crisis, and Capitalism

HIS494: Advanced Topics in the History of the Americas: Energy, Culture, and Power

HIS494: Advanced Topics in the History of the Americas: US Politics & Culture in the 1970s

University of Waterloo (2020)

SPCOM 193: Communication in the Life Sciences

University of Toronto, Mississauga (2016-2018)

HIS372: The United States in the 20th Century

University of Toronto (2013-2017)

HIS271: American History since 1877

USA400: American Politics and Culture in the 1970s (Munk School of Global Affairs)

TEACHING ASSISTANT

University of Toronto (2009-2019)

TRN410: The World After 1968

IFP100Y: Themes in World History: Origins of Globalization

HIS272: The United States, 1877-Present

HIS101: Introduction to Historical Studies

HIS202: Gender, Race, and Science

HIS344: Conflict and Cooperation in the International System since 1945

USA300: Theories and Methods in American Studies

HIS345: History and Film

HIS104: Ten Days that Shook the World

HIS271: American History since 1607

H. RECENT COLLABORATIONS, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND SERVICE

- 2023- Advisory Board Member, Institute for Environment, Conservation, and Sustainability, University of Toronto, Scarborough.
- 2023-2024 Research Committee, Historical Studies, University of Toronto, Mississauga
- 2023-2024 Organizing Committee, *Petrocultures 2024: Oil Cities and Post-Oil Cities*, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA (May 15-18, 2024) and Curtin University, Perth, Australia (November 2024).
- 2022-2024 Principal Investigator, “After Oil School 3,” Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity and the Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy.
- 2022-2023 Undergraduate Experience Committee, Historical Studies, University of Toronto, Mississauga.
- 2022 Expert Collaborator, *We Did It! A Future History of Net Zero in Canada*, Environmental Governance Lab, University of Toronto, November 10-12, 2022.
- 2022- Member, Low-Carbon Research Methods Network, lowcarbonmethods.com.
- 2021 Executive Committee, Critical Digital Humanities Initiative, University of Toronto.
- 2021 Completed “Project Management for Research,” University of Toronto School of Continuing Studies.
- 2020- Editor and Co-Founder, *Energy Humanities*, www.energyhumanities.ca.
- 2020-2022 Research Manager, Petrocultures Research Group, www.petrocultures.com.
- 2020-2022 Organizing Committee Member, *Petrocultures 2022: Transformations*, Stavanger, Norway.
- 2019-2020 Co-organizer, “Energy In/Out of Place: A Virtual Energy Humanities Workshop,” University of Waterloo and University of Alberta, June 19-22, 2020: <https://energyandplace.artsrn.ualberta.ca/>.
- Youth Mentor, International Youth Deliberation on Energy Futures: <https://www.justpowers.ca/projects/international-youth-deliberation-on-energy-futures/>.

- 2019 Co-investigator and contributor for “After Oil School 2: Solarity,” Centre for Canadian Architecture, Montreal, QC, May 23-25, 2019.
- Invited participant, Future Energy Systems Energy Humanities Workshop, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, February 1-2, 2019.
- 2018- Peer reviewer: Stanford University Press, Routledge, Enterprise and Society, Imaginations, and Space and Culture.
- 2017-2018 Designed and taught “Conducting Archival Research” seminar for the Program for Accessing Research Training, Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre, University of Toronto, Mississauga.
- 2017 Participant for “Introducing ‘Learning How to Learn’ Principles: Concepts and Impact on the Student Experience” symposium at the Centre for Teaching Support and Innovation, University of Toronto.
- Invited Participant for “Energy Then and Now: Introducing a Central Canadian Energy Humanities Working Group” at the University of Toronto.
- 2016-2017 Curriculum development researcher for the Department of Historical Studies, University of Toronto, Mississauga.
- 2016 Completed “Writing Development Initiative” training seminars in writing instruction and English language learner assessment at the Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre, University of Toronto, Mississauga.
- 2015-2016 Invited participant and collaborator at the After Oil School, University of Alberta.
- 2015 Organizer, “Professors + Publics: A Roundtable on Academic Activism,” Hart House Art Museum, University of Toronto.

I. REFERENCES

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