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### EDUCATION

Harvard University, M.A. in History, May 2025

Advisor: Ariane Liazos

Cambridge, MA

Liberty University, B.A. in Psychology, 2013.

Lynchburg, VA.

### RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

Fall 2024- Present

Research Assistantship with Mike Shum, Niemen Fellow, on Investigative Journalism.

Supervisor: Mike Shum ([mike\\_shum@harvard.edu](mailto:mike_shum@harvard.edu))

Research Assistantship with Dr. Erin Roughton, Lecturer of Anthropology on Translation Accessibility for Asylum Seekers, Fall 2023.

Supervisor: Erin Roughton ([edrouton@central.uh.edu](mailto:edrouton@central.uh.edu))

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Nichols, Patrick. “*Opium in the Overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom.*” Paper presented at the International Nineteenth-Century Studies Association Conference, Durham, UK, July 2024 (Zoom).

Nichols, Patrick. “*Economic Summits: U.S.-Japan Economic Relations during the Carter Administration, 1977–1981.*” Paper presented at the Hawaii University International Conference on STEM/STEAM & Education, Honolulu, HI, June 2024.

Nichols, Patrick. “*The Global Reach of Jim Crow: Mabel Grammer’s Brown Baby Plan and the Transnational Impact of U.S. Racial Policies.*” Paper presented at the History Graduate Conference, University of Georgia, Atlanta, GA, March 2025.

Nichols, Patrick. “*Kairos and Empire: The Discursive Foundations of Martial Law in Hawai‘i.*” Paper submitted to the National Communication Association Annual Convention, Public Address Division, November 2025.

Nichols, Patrick, and Reilly Card. “*Crystallized Craters: Affective Disruption and the Rhetoric of Humanizing Artifacts in War Cinema*.” Paper submitted to the National Communication Association Annual Convention, Theatre, Film, and New Media Division, November 2025.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

Nichols, Patrick. “Review of *Proud Warriors: African American Combat Units in World War II*, by Alexander M. Bielakowski.” *The Social Science Journal* 61, no. 2 (May 2023): 566–71, <https://doi.org/10.1080/03623319.2023.2199562.2>.

Nichols, Patrick Kekoa. “Review of *Settler Militarism: World War II in Hawai‘i and the Making of US Empire*, by Juliet Nebolon.” *The Journal of Pacific History* (March 2025): 1–2, <https://doi.org/10.1080/00223344.2025.2458181>.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

Nichols, Patrick. “The Myth of Free Trade: Carter, Japan, and the Contradiction of U.S. Capitalism (1977–1981).” In preparation for submission to *Journal of American History* and *Politics* (invited manuscript).

Nichols, Patrick. “The Price of Empire: American Entrepreneurs and the Origins of America’s First Pacific Empire,” In preparation for submission to *Journal of Pacific History* (invited book review).