

# William D. Goldsmith

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## EDUCATION

### 2011 – present | Duke University | Masters in History | Ph.D. in History expected

Researching dissertation on economic development and education policy in the rural South after 1965  
Major field: U.S. History with Nancy MacLean  
Minor field: Modern Governance with Edward J. Balleisen  
Minor field: Race and Ethnicity in the U.S. with Adriane Lentz-Smith  
Outside field: Globalization and Economic Development with Gary Gereffi (sociology)

### 2002 | Yale University | Bachelor of Arts

History major, graduated with distinction.  
Senior essay: “Intentional Invisibility: Free African Americans in Western North Carolina, 1850 – 1860,” advised by Glenda Gilmore. Nominated for William Pickens Prize for best senior essay on African or African-American topic.

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

### 2005 – 2011 | C-VILLE Weekly | Charlottesville, VA

Interim Managing Editor, News Editor, Staff Writer, Freelance Contributor

Wrote, edited, and directed news coverage for C-VILLE, an alternative weekly, circulation 24,000.  
Started as a freelancer in the fall of 2005, hired as staff writer in May 2006, promoted to news editor in October 2006, served as interim managing editor in 2011.  
Wrote short and feature pieces on state and local politics, land development, the University of Virginia, UVA sports, beer, and sundry other topics.

### 2002 – 2005 | Teach For America/Halifax County Schools | Littleton, NC

High School English & Theater Arts Teacher

Worked with all ages of high school students, teaching AP English Literature, English III, English II, Theater Art I, and Theater Arts II.  
Participated in highly selective national service corps of recent college graduates who commit two years to teach in low-resource communities. Committed additional year in order to establish AP program.

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2011 – 2015 | James B. Duke Fellowship

2013 – 2014 | Tobin Project Fellow, graduate student forum on Democracy & Markets

2014 | Duke Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2013 (Spring) | Teaching assistant for Edward J. Balleisen | “The Modern Regulatory State”

Cross-listed in History, Public Policy, Political Science, Nicholas School of the Environment

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2014 | “Extending education: Local conflict over public school finance in a cotton belt county, 1980-1986,” Conference for the Triangle African American History Colloquium, UNC-CH, February 28.
- 2013 | “Kids are the new cash crop: Community conflicts over public school finance in rural black majority counties, 1972-1986,” Conference for the Southern Historical Association, St. Louis, November 3.
- 2013 | “‘Just a school’: Transforming racial boundaries in rural black majority counties, 1963-1972,” Duke History Graduate Student Conference, Duke University, February 15.
- 2012 | “Socialism with a ‘humanistic’ face: Antonio Gramsci’s conception of a post-revolutionary school system,” The Consortium in Latin American & Caribbean Studies, UNC-CH & Duke universities, February 17.