Welcome New Faculty!

The department has welcomed eight new faculty members in the past two years!

Oscar Aguirre-Mandujano
Assistant Professor of History
I joined Penn at an exciting time of expansion in the History Department. Moreover, the department’s wide range of expertise and academic tradition makes Penn a unique place for professional development and intellectual growth.

Mia Bay
Roy F. and Jeannette P. Nichols Chair in American History
I came to Penn because I love Philadelphia and have always known a lot or great people at Penn. So far it’s working out very well. I’m enjoying getting to know the city and my new colleagues.

Brent Cebul
Assistant Professor of History
I’ve felt so welcomed and well-supported. In the History Department, of course, but also, for example, by faculty and staff in Urban Studies and the Price Lab for Digital Humanities. I’m really looking forward to making even more connections across departments and schools as I continue to settle in.

Roquinaldo Ferreira
Henry Charles Lee Professor of History
Penn has great critical mass in areas I am deeply interested in, such as global histories of slavery, abolition, and empires. I find it deeply satisfying that I am already collaborating in research and archival projects with colleagues in History and Africana.

Marc Flandreau
Howard Marks Professor of Economic History
I came to Penn at a time when historians are rediscovering the importance of economics, the History Department at Penn, thanks to the generous endowment of the Howard S. Marks chair, has the potential to become a leading center for the new history capitalism.

Sarah L. H. Gronningsater
Assistant Professor of History
I am delighted to be back at Penn (I spent two happy years at a postdoc at the McNeil Center from 2014-2016)! It feels like returning to an academic home. It’s particularly wonderful to be starting my position on faculty alongside so many other new faces in the Penn History Department.

Sophia Rosenfeld
Walter H. Annenberg Professor of History
The best thing about Penn so far is the terrific graduate and undergraduate students we get to teach.

Melissa Teixeira
Assistant Professor of History
As a Penn alum, I feel very fortunate to be returning to Penn at a moment when new approaches to the study of Latin America and economic history are flourishing.