

Stephanie Redden



Today, we are excited to feature the portrait of Stephanie Redden who works as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition.

"I was born and raised in rural Nova Scotia. I came to Yale after finishing my PhD in Political Science and working as a policy analyst for the Canadian government working on mainstreaming gender issues.

At Yale I am the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition's 2019- 2020 Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery Postdoctoral Fellow. I am examining the use of prisoners as call center labor in the United States. I am critically analyzing the gendered and radicalized aspects of this work. I also taught my dream course—Gender, Race, and the Everyday Politics of the Global Political Economy—in the spring semester. The students in the class are so impressive; it has really been a pleasure to teach!

With the library closures due to the pandemic I was unable to continue with my archival research and I had to translate my seminar course into an online course very quickly. While all the uncertainty has certainly been tough, especially given the limited time I have left at the university, I am just doing my best to stay positive and stay as productive as I can. To help deal with the stress, I have been taking lots of safe social distancing walks around New Haven, which has allowed me to see parts of the campus and town I had not explored before."

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