

**Derek LeFebre****Curriculum Vitae**

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**EDUCATION**

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Ph.D.	Educational Foundations, Policy and Practice	University of Colorado Boulder	2024
M.A.	History	University of Northern Colorado	2015
B.A.	Spanish	University of Northern Colorado	2006

**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

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University of Colorado Boulder School of Education	Assistant Teaching Professor of Educational Foundations, Policy and Practice	2024 – Present
University of Colorado Boulder School of Education	Graduate Part-Time Instructor of Educational Foundations, Policy and Practice	2022 – 2024
University of Colorado Boulder School of Education	Graduate Research Assistant and Miramontes Doctoral Scholars Fellow	2021 – 2022
University of Colorado Boulder School of Education	Graduate Part-Time Instructor of Educational Foundations, Policy and Practice	2017 – 2021
Greeley-Evans School District 6	Middle School Teacher of Spanish, U.S. History, and Science	2006 – 2017

**PUBLICATIONS**

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**Articles**

LeFebre, D. (TBD) “‘*Neo-Mexicano*’ Schools: Race, Power, and the Origins of Public Education in San Miguel County, New Mexico, 1863-1883.” Under Review at the *New Mexico Historical Review*.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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### **Refereed Conference Papers**

LeFebre, Derek. (2024, October). "Pedagogies of Resistance and Self-Preservation: Mexican American Education and the Struggle for Land in Northern New Mexico, 1867-1909." Western History Association Conference. Kansas City, Missouri, October 26, 2024.

LeFebre, Derek. (2020, April). "Reimagining the Transnational Value of the Spanish Language in New Mexico's Rural Schools, 1890-1960." American Educational Research Association Conference. San Francisco, California, (Cancelled due to COVID-19).

LeFebre, Derek. (2020, April). "Chronicles of Opportunity and Loss in Denver, Colorado: Constructing Urban Spatial Imaginaries Through School Desegregation." American Educational Research Association Conference. San Francisco, California. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).

LeFebre, Derek. (2017, November). "Northeast from Abiquiu: Claiming Indian Blood and Land in New Mexico." 2017 Western History Association Conference. San Diego, California.

### **Conference Presentations**

LeFebre, Derek. (2019, March). "Imagined Spaces for Reform: Industrial Education in Albuquerque and Springer, New Mexico." New Mexico History Conference. Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 29, 2019.

LeFebre, Derek. (2016, April). "Reproduction of Hispano Villages in the Jicarilla Apache Domain." 2016 New Mexico History Conference. Farmington, New Mexico, April 16, 2016.

### **Invited Talks**

LeFebre, Derek. (2025, Spring). Award-Winning Dissertation Talk, School of Education, University of Colorado Boulder, TBD, Spring 2025.

LeFebre, Derek. (2024, September). "The Politics of Hispano Education and the Struggle for Land in Northern New Mexico, 1846-1919." Genealogical Society of Hispanic America Conference, Pueblo, Colorado, September 28, 2024.

LeFebre, Derek. (2018, January). "From Trappers and Traders to School Taxpayers: Genealogy of *Nuevomexicano* Education." Genealogical Society of Hispanic America: Fray Angélico Chavez Chapter. Pueblo, Colorado, January 13, 2018.

LeFebre, Derek. (2014, August). "Pursuit of Prosperity Below the Ocate Mesa." Office of the State Historian: 2014 History Scholars Lecture Series. Taos County Historical Society, Taos, New Mexico, August 2, 2014.

**TEACHING****University of Colorado Boulder (2017-Present)**

*Courses Taught:* EDUC 3013 – School and Society (Undergraduate)  
 EDUC 2125 – History of American Public Education (Undergraduate)  
 EDUC 2910 – Practicum in Multicultural Leadership (Undergraduate)

**RESEARCH GRANTS**

Beverly Sears Graduate Research Grant, University of Colorado Boulder [\$5K]	2020
Miramontes Doctoral Scholars Fellowship, University of Colorado Boulder [\$30,000K]	2017
Nina-Otero Warren Grant, Historical Society of New Mexico [\$1K]	2017
History Scholars Fellowship, New Mexico Office of the State Historian [\$1K]	2014

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE***School of Education (University of Colorado Boulder)*

Doctoral Mentorship Pathways Program Faculty Mentor	2024 – 2025
Dissertation Workshop for Educational Foundations, Policy and Practice (EFPP)	Fall 2024
Miramontes Baca Education Building Dedication Tour	Fall 2024

*Community (Greeley, Colorado)*

School Accountability Committee for Heath Middle School in Greeley, CO	2024 – 2025
Parent Teacher Organization for Heath Middle School in Greeley, CO	2024 – 2025
First-Generation Event for Greeley Central High School in Greeley, CO	January 2025
Mill Levy Override Committee for Greeley-Evans School District 6	2017

**Professional Affiliations**

History of Education Society	2018 - Present
American Educational Research Association	2017 - Present
Western History Association	2016 - Present
Historical Society of New Mexico	2014 – Present

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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Outstanding Dissertation Award, School of Education, University of Colorado Boulder	2024
Dean's Award for Proposed Research, University of Colorado Boulder	2020
Teaching Excellence Award, University of Colorado Boulder	2020
Myra Ellen Jenkins Award, Historical Society of New Mexico	2014
Shining Star Teacher Award, Greeley-Evans School District 6	2011

## **LICENSES**

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K-12 Professional Spanish Teaching Certificate, Colorado	2020 – 2027
Initial Principal License, Colorado	Expected Completion – 2025