**VANJESSICA J. GLADNEY**

[vgladney@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:vgladney@sas.upenn.edu)

Department of History | University of Pennsylvania

208 College Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

**EDUCATION**

**University of Pennsylvania,** Philadelphia, PA Present

Ph.D. History Candidate.

**University of Pennsylvania,** Philadelphia, PA

BA in English. Awarded May 2018

**AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

*Presidential Ph.D. Fellowship* for Graduate Students at the University of Pennsylvania. Awarded 2021.

*Fontaine Fellowship* for Graduate Students at the University of Pennsylvania. Awarded 2019.

*Patterson Graduate Fellow* at the University of Pennsylvania. Awarded 2019-2020.

*Provost’s Public History Fellowship* for the Penn & Slavery Project. Awarded 2018-2019

**STUDENT LEADERSHIP**

President, William Fontaine Fellowship Society Present  
 Chief Editor, Graduate Student Handbook Committee Present

Chief Editor, Penn & Slavery Project Editorial Board Present

**PUBLICATIONS**

"A Bare and Open Truth: The Penn and Slavery Project and the Public," Perspectives of History, American Historical Association, Oct 2021.

“The Penn & Slavery Project: On Visualizing the Afterlives of Slavery at Penn,” in *History of Anthropology Review*, Apr 2021

“We Challenged Penn to Reexamine its History of Slavery, and Our Project Isn't Over: Inside the search for ties to slavery among Penn's early trustees” in *34th Street*, *The Daily Pennsylvanian,* Feb 2018.

“Penn Slavery Project: Research Report” part of ‘Penn and its Connections to Slavery’ section of the *University of Pennsylvania Archives and Record Center,* with direction from Dr. Kathleen Brown, Dec 2017.

**CONFERENCES**

“Penn & Slavery Project,” Tackling Inequality in Higher Education: Past & Present, Stony Brook University, Oct 2021

“Penn & Slavery Project: Augmenting a Campus to Publicize History,” Pennsylvania Historical Association Virtual Conference, Oct 2021

“Untangling Legacies: The Penn & Slavery Project, Presenter, Black Lives & Freedom Journey Conference, Oct 2021

“The Importance of Undergraduate Involvement when Universities Study Slavery,” Panelist, Universities Studying Slavery Conference, Hollins University, Roanoke, VA, April 2018.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Present**

Teaching Assistant, Hamilton’s America: US History 1776-1804, Fall 2022

**Past**

Teaching Assistant, History of American Law to 1877, Spring 2022

Teaching Assistant, Africa Since 1800, Fall 2021

Teaching Assistant, Deciphering America, Spring 2021

Teaching Assistant, Transforming Urban America, Fall 2020

Teaching Assistant, Penn & Slavery Project, Fall 2018