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Education:

- Ph.D., University of Kansas, Geography, 2014 Advisor: Dr. Jay. T Johnson
 - Dissertation: *Extinct No More: Discourses on Tasmanian Aboriginal Heritage*
- M.S., Oklahoma State University, Geography, 2008 Advisor: Dr. Alyson Greiner
 - Thesis: *The Representation of Indigenous Peoples in the Destination Images of Australia and New Zealand: A Geographical Analysis of Tourism Websites*
- B.S., Oklahoma State University, Psychology, 2005

Appointments:

- Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Meteorology, Ball State University (BSU), 2018-present
- Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Central Connecticut State University (CCSU), 2013-2018

Courses Taught:

Ball State University

GEOG 121: Geography, Culture, and Diversity
GEOG 150: Global Geography
GEOG 261: Introduction to Sustainable Tourism
GEOG 262: Global Destinations
GEOG 270: Geography of International Conflict
GEOG 357: Geography of Europe
GEOG 360: Tours and Meetings Management
GEOG 460: Travel and Tourism Consulting
GEOG 480: Distant Areas Field Studies
GEOG 491: Sustainable Tourism Development
Field course led: Southwestern United States

Central Connecticut State University

GEOG 120: World Regional Geography
GEOG 290: Geography of Tourism
THS 430: Internship in Tourism & Hospitality
GEOG 438: Australia, New Zealand, and Oceania*
GEOG 450: Tourism Planning
GEOG 455: New Directions in Tourism
GEOG 456: Tourism Management*
GEOG 458: Cultural Heritage Tourism*
GEOG 459/559: Field Studies in Regional Geography
THS 490: Cultural Tourism
GEOG 500: History & Philosophy of Geography
Field courses led: Australia, Costa Rica, Thailand

* Denotes course introduced to university

Research Interests:

- Industrial Tourism and Heritage
- Cultural Heritage Tourism
- Sustainable Tourism Development
- Geopolitics of Tourism
- Indigenous Geography
- Regions: United States, Australia, United Kingdom

Edited Books:

- Rhodes II, M.A., **Price, W.R.**, and A. Walker, Editors. 2021. [Geographies of Post-Industrial Memory, Place, and Heritage](#). New York: Routledge

Journal Articles:

- Rhodes, M.A., and **W.R. Price**. 2023. "A nation built on coal": Transcalar memory work at the Big Pit. *Tourism Geographies*: 1-23. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/14616688.2023.2253793>
- **Price, W.R.** 2023. "Unity is strength?": Representing Unions at the British National Coal Museums. *The Extractive Industries and Society* 13: 101203. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.exis.2022.101203>
- **Price, W.R.**, and M.A. Rhodes. 2022. Coal Dust in the Wind: Interpreting the Industrial Past of South Wales. *Tourism Geographies* 24(4-5): 837-858. DOI: [10.1080/14616688.2020.1801825](https://doi.org/10.1080/14616688.2020.1801825)
- Ouellette, T.J., **Price, W.R.**, and T.J. Garceau. 2022. Destination Image and Student Perceptions of Tourism in China, India, and Thailand. *The Northeastern Geographer* 13: 114-134
- **Price, W.R.** 2021. Mining for Tourists: An Analysis of Industrial Tourism and Government Policy in Wales. *Tourism Planning & Development* 18(4): 435-456. DOI: [10.1080/21568316.2020.1829695](https://doi.org/10.1080/21568316.2020.1829695)
- **Price, W.R.**, and C.L. Ronck. 2019. Quarrying for World Heritage Designation: Slate Tourism in North Wales. *Geoheritage* 11(4): 1839-1854. DOI: [10.1007/s12371-019-00402-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/s12371-019-00402-0)
- Ronck, C.L., and **W.R. Price**. 2019. Revealing "Salt City's" Geological and Mining Heritage at Strataca. *Great Plains Research* 29(2): 137-152. DOI: [10.1353/gpr.2019.0018](https://doi.org/10.1353/gpr.2019.0018)
- **Price, W.R.**, and C.L. Ronck. 2018. Gushing about Black Gold: Oil and Natural Gas Tourism in Texas. *Journal of Heritage Tourism* 13(5): 440-454. DOI: [10.1080/1743873X.2017.1391271](https://doi.org/10.1080/1743873X.2017.1391271)
- **Price, W.R.** 2017. Overcoming the Myth of Extinction: The Path Toward Heritage Rights for the Tasmanian Aboriginals. *Heritage & Society* 10(1): 68-90. DOI: [10.1080/2159032X.2018.1457300](https://doi.org/10.1080/2159032X.2018.1457300)
- Egbert, S. L., Pickett, N., Reiz, N., **Price, W.**, Thelen, A., and V. Artman. 2016. Territorial Cleansing: A Geopolitical Approach to Understanding Mass Violence. *Territory, Politics, Governance* 4(3): 297-318. DOI: [10.1080/21622671.2015.1036911](https://doi.org/10.1080/21622671.2015.1036911)

Book Chapters:

- **Price, W.R.** 2021. Unearthing Community Identities at the National Mining Museums of Great Britain. Chapter in [Geographies of Post-Industrial Place, Memory, and Heritage](#), edited by M.A. Rhodes, W.R. Price, and A. Walker, 71-84. New York: Routledge
- Rhodes II, M.A., **Price, W.R.**, and A. Walker. 2021. Introduction. Chapter in [Geographies of Post-Industrial Place, Memory, and Heritage](#), edited by M.A. Rhodes, W.R. Price, and A. Walker, 1-20. New York: Routledge

Encyclopedia Entries:

- **Price, W.R.** Forthcoming. Migration and Persecution. In [Modern Global Migration: An Encyclopedia of People on the Move](#). Bloomsbury Publishing
- **Price, W.R.** Forthcoming. Australia and Migration. In [Modern Global Migration: An Encyclopedia of People on the Move](#). Bloomsbury Publishing
- Pope, C., and **W.R. Price**. 2017. Fieldwork in Human Geography. In [The International Encyclopedia of Geography: People, the Earth, Environment, and Technology](#), edited by D. Richardson. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons (2017 CHOICE Book Award for Outstanding Academic Title)

Book Review:

- **Price, W.R.** 2020. Review of [Marfa: The Transformation of a West Texas Town](#) by Kathleen Shafer.

Online Publication:

- **Price, W.R.**, and M.A. Rhodes. 2021. A Future Black as Coal? — The Underground Heritage of Wales. *Tourism Geographic* July 2. <https://medium.com/tourism-geographic/a-future-black-as-coal-a019113680db>

Recent Grants Awarded:

- 2022: **Price, W.** *The “Black Gold” Rush: Investigating Oil Tourism in California*. Aspire Junior Faculty Research Grant. Ball State University, \$15,000
- 2021: Allen, R., and **W. Price**. *Population Geographers Introduce Spatial Software to Local High School Students*. Provost Immersive Learning Pilot Grant, \$8,000
- 2017: **Price, W.** *A Longitudinal Analysis of the Viability of Industrial Heritage Tourism in Wales*. CSU-AAUP Faculty Research Grant, \$4,078

Recent Conference Presentations:

- 2022: “Save Our Pits!”: *Representing the Heritage of Unions at the British National Coal Mining Museums*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), New York
- 2021: *Exploring Community Identities at the National Coal Mining Museums of Great Britain*, AAG, Seattle
- 2020*: *Exploring the Social Legacy of Coal at the National Mining Museums of Great Britain*, AAG, Denver, CO (*conference canceled due to Covid-19)
- 2019: *Striking out for Coal: Discourses on Labor Conflict at the National Mining Museums of Great Britain*, International Society for Landscape, Place, & Material Culture, Detroit, MI
- 2019: *Quarrying for World Heritage Listing*, AAG, Washington, DC (presenter and session chair)
- 2018: *Mining for Tourists: A Longitudinal Analysis of Industrial Tourism in Wales*, AAG, New Orleans
- 2017: *Coal Dust in the Wind: Interpreting Industrial Heritage and Identity in South Wales*, NESTVAL, New Britain, CT
- 2017: *Gushing about Petroleum: Oil and Natural Gas Tourism in Texas*, AAG, Boston

Recent Invited Presentations:

- 2021: *Mining the Past: A Geographic Approach to the Study of Industrial Tourism*, Department of Anthropology and Geography Colloquium, Houston Community College
- 2020: *Coal Dust in the Wind: Reckoning with the Legacy of Mining in Wales*, Grayson Kirk Distinguished Speaker Series, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- 2020: *Geographies of Post-Industrial Place, Memory, and Heritage*. IA Online Series. Society for Industrial Archaeology.

Recent Professional Service:

- 2023-present: Review Editor on the Editorial Board for Cultural Heritage and Authenticity in Tourism, *Frontiers in Sustainable Tourism*
- 2023: Equitable Futures from Industrial Memories. Paper session co-organizer for the annual conference of the Memory Studies Association, Newcastle, UK
- 2020: Desk Review, The Slate Landscape of Northwest Wales nomination to the UNESCO World Heritage List. International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)
- 2019: Geographies of Post-Industrial Place, Memory, and Heritage. Paper session co-organizer, AAG, DC

Supervision of Graduate Research Projects:

- 2018: Advisor, Frederick Wenhardt, Thesis: *Potential of Tourism for Economic Development: A Case Study of Tourism Effectiveness in the Leading Travel Destinations of Sub-Saharan Africa*, M.S., Geography, CCSU
- 2018: Second Reader, Cristina Hall, Thesis: *The Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge: An Analysis on the Visitor Experience Associated with Ecotourism Activities Occurring at a Vital Sea Turtle Nesting Location*, M.S., Geography, CCSU
- 2017: Advisor, Samuel Ziter, Thesis: *Unraveling the Fibers of Demographic Transition in Post-Industrial New England: Italian-American Identity in Thompsonville, Connecticut*, M.S., Geography, CCSU
- 2017: Second Reader, Randall Fiveash, Thesis: *Destination Branding: Critical to Long Term Success*, M.S., Geography, CCSU
- 2016: Advisor, Mary Sylvester, Thesis: *A Comparative Case Study of Tourism-Influenced Changes Within Indigenous Cultural Dance Movement*, M.S., Geography, CCSU

Supervision of Undergraduate Honors Theses:

- 2020: Korynne Kalen, Thesis: *Exploring Ecotourism and Sustainability in Costa Rica*, B.A., Spanish, BSU
- 2017: Advisor, Kristen Citerella, Thesis: *Sustainable Tourism in Venice, Italy*. B.S., Tourism & Hospitality, CCSU

Technical Proficiencies:

- Sabre GDS

Professional Organization Memberships:

- 2008-present: American Association of Geographers (AAG)
- 2023-present: Memory Studies Association