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Current Position:

- Chair, Department of History, Texas Tech University
- Professor, Department of History, Texas Tech University
 - Specializations: Modern American Politics, Conservatism, Texas, Sunbelt

Education:

- 2007 - Ph.D., University of Florida – (American History)
 - Dissertation: “The Perfect Storm: Social Change, Partisan Realignment, and the Transformation of Modern Texas Conservatism, 1963-1980”
 - Milbauer Program in Southern History
 - Committee Chairs: William A. Link, Brian Ward
 - Major Fields: 20th-Century American History, Southern History
 - Minor Fields: Political Communication, Modern European History
- 2002 - M.A., Texas Tech University – (History)
 - Thesis: “The Reagan Revolution in Texas Political Campaign Strategy, 1960-1984”
 - Committee: Donald R. Walker (chair), Alwyn Barr
- 2002 - M.Ed., Texas Tech University – (Higher Education Administration)
- 1999 - B.A., Texas Tech University – (Major: Public Relations, Minor: Marketing, History)

Books:

Bootstrap Liberalism: Texas Political Culture in the Age of FDR. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2022.

American Politics in the Postwar Sunbelt: Conservative Growth in a Battleground Region. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014.

Cowboy Conservatism: Texas and the Rise of the Modern Right. Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 2010.

Book Chapters and Journal Articles:

“Man of the West: Goldwater’s Reflection in the Oasis of Frontier Conservatism.” *Journal of Arizona History*, Vol. 61, No. 1, (Spring 2020), pp. 79-88.

“Sunbelt Identities: The Pursuit of Place, Process, and Political Sensibilities.” *Middle West Review*, Vol. 4, No. 1, (Fall 2017), pp. 63-70.

- “Modern Texas, 1946-1980”, in *Discovering Texas History*, edited by Bruce A. Glasrud, Light Townsend Cummins, and Cary D. Wintz, Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2014, pp. 273-290.
- “The Paranoid Style and its Limits: The Power, Influence, and Failure of the Postwar Texas Far Right”, in *The Texas Right: The Radical Roots of Lone Star Conservatism*, edited by David Cullen and Kyle Wilkison, College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2014, pp. 101-118.
- “The Political Culture of West Texas”, in *West Texas: A History of the Giant Side of the State*, edited by Paul H. Carlson and Bruce A. Glasrud, Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2014, pp. 165-180.
- “John Tower, Texas, and the Rise of the Republican South”, in *Seeking a New Majority: The Republican Party and American Politics, 1960-1980*, edited by Robert Mason and Iwan Morgan, Nashville: Vanderbilt University Press, 2013, pp. 107-123.
- “New Rural Community College Faculty Members and Job Satisfaction.” *Community College Review*, Vol. 32, No. 2, (Fall 2004), pp. 19-38, (co-authored with John P. Murray).
- “The 1976 GOP Primary: Ford, Reagan, and the Battle that Transformed Political Campaigns in Texas.” *East Texas Historical Journal*, Vol. XLI, No. 2, (Fall 2003), pp. 15-24.

Conference Presentations:

- “‘From the Top’: Teaching American Presidential Action in Vietnam to American Undergraduates.” Paper Presented, “Recollections, Memories, and Archival Documents on Vietnam: Humanity Values Seen from Different Perspectives,” Joint Conference, Institute for Peace & Conflict (Texas Tech University), Aix Marseille Université, (France), University of Social Sciences & Humanities, Vietnam National University (Hanoi), Hanoi, Vietnam, October 24, 2019.
- “Lightning Talks: Condensed Doctoral Research Presentations.” Panelist, 58th Annual Meeting of the Western History Association, San Antonio, TX, October 20, 2018.
- “The Paranoid Style and its Limits: The Power, Influence, and Failure of the Postwar Texas Far Right.” Paper Presented, 116th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Houston, TX, March 1, 2012.
- “Busing and the Limits of Progressive Politics in Houston, 1969-1972.” Paper Presented, 75th Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, Louisville, KY, November 6, 2009.
- “Another Well-Oiled Fluke: John Tower’s Re-Election in 1972.” Paper Presented, 113th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Austin, TX, March 27, 2009.
- “Texas Two-Step: Anti-Liberalism, Scandal, and the Demise of Lone Star State Partisan Loyalties, 1971-1974.” Paper Presented, 46th Annual Meeting of the Florida Conference of Historians, Orlando, FL, March 17, 2007. (Also presented at the 2007 Richard J. Milbauer Seminar on the American South, Gainesville, FL, April 13, 2007).

“Foreshadows of the ‘Gipper’: Campaign Culture and the Nature of Texas Politics, 1964-1968.” Paper Presented, 109th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Ft. Worth, TX, March 4, 2005. (Also presented at the Annual Forum of the University of Florida Graduate Student Council, Gainesville, FL, April 1, 2005).

“New Community College Faculty Members and Job Satisfaction.” (co-authored with John P. Murray). Paper Presented, American Educational Research Association, Division J, San Diego, CA, April 2004. (Also presented at the Council for the Study of Community Colleges, Minneapolis, MN, April 2004).

“There He Went Again: The 1980 Presidential Campaign in Texas.” Paper Presented, Spring Meeting of the East Texas Historical Association, Marshall, TX, February 14, 2003.

Conference Participation (Chair, Comment, Keynote, etc.):

“Nixon at War.” Session Chair, Meeting of the Institute for Peace and Conflict: “1972: The War Between North and South Vietnam,” Orange, CA, April 2, 2022.

Introduction of Keynote, “Vietnam: Perspectives from Saigon, Paris, and Washington, 1963-1973,” by Ambassador John D. Negroponte. Meeting of the Institute for Peace and Conflict: “1972: The War Between North and South Vietnam,” Orange, CA, April 1, 2022.

“Presidential Politics in the Lone Star State.” Session Chair, 124th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Austin, TX, February 28, 2020.

“Race and Radicalism: The Twin Bellwethers of Southwest Ultraconservatism.” Session Chair, 58th Annual Meeting of the Western History Association, San Antonio, TX, October 20, 2018.

“Big D and the GOP: The City of Dallas and the Modern Republican Party.” Session Chair (substitute), 122nd Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, San Marcos, TX, March 8, 2018.

“Away Down South in Dallas: Politics, Region, and Identity in Dallas since 1945.” Session Commentator, 83rd Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, Dallas, TX, November 12, 2017.

“Anticipating Nixon’s War.” Commentator/Chair, Meeting of the Institute for Peace and Conflict: “1967: The Search for Peace,” Lubbock, TX, April 28, 2017.

“Texans and Political Influence following World War II.” Session Chair, 121st Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Houston, TX, March 3, 2017.

“Reactionary Conservatism and the Changing Texas Right.” Session Chair, 120th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Irving, TX, March 5, 2016.

“Scandal at the White House.” Commentator, 4th Annual Conference of the Texas Tech University History Graduate Student Organization, Lubbock, TX, February 7, 2015.

“Women, Saints, and the War Machine: Labor & Gender in 20th Century Texas.” Session Chair, 118th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, San Antonio, TX, March 6, 2014.

- “Sports and Politics, West Texas-Style.” Session Chair, 88th Annual Meeting of the West Texas Historical Association, Lubbock, TX, April 1, 2011.
- “Professional Men: Promoting Economic Development and Social Change in Texas.” Session Chair, 114th Annual Meeting of the Texas State Historical Association, Dallas, TX, March 4, 2010.
- “Small Communities, Socioeconomic Change, and Resistance: A Texas Tech Sampler.” Session Chair and Commentator, Spring Meeting of the East Texas Historical Association, Paris, TX, February 21, 2009.
- “The Politics and Power of Advertising: Image and the Cultural Construction of Identity.” Commentator, 2008 Graduate Student Conference on Cultural Theory and History, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, December 4, 2008.

Book Reviews and Review Essays:

- A Single Star and Bloody Knuckles: A History of Politics and Race in Texas*, by Bill Minutaglio. *Western Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 53, Issue 2 (Summer 2022), pp. 200-201.
- Nuclear Country: The Origins of the Rural New Right*, by Catherine McNicol Stock. *Journal of American History*, Vol. 108, Issue 3 (December 2021), pp. 647-648.
- The Radio Right: How a Band of Broadcasters Took on the Federal Government and Built the Modern Conservative Movement*, by Paul Matzko. *The Sixties: A Journal of History, Politics, and Culture*, Vol. 14, Issue 2 (November 2021), pp. 134-136.
- Two Suns of the Southwest: Lyndon Johnson, Barry Goldwater, and the 1964 Battle between Liberalism and Conservatism*, by Nancy Beck Young. *American Historical Review*, Vol. 126, Issue 1 (March 2021), pp. 357-358.
- The Dukes of Duval County: The Parr Family and Texas Politics*, by Anthony R. Carrozza. *Journal of American History*, Vol. 105, Issue 4 (March 2019), pp. 1040-1041.
- Cowboy Christians*, by Marie W. Dallam. *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 122, No. 2 (October 2018), pp. 242-243.
- Great Men in the Second World War: The Rise and Fall of the Big Three*, by Paul Dukes. *The Historian*, Vol. 80, No. 3 (Fall 2018), pp. 628-629.
- Texan Identities: Moving Beyond Myth, Memory, and Fallacy in Texas History*, edited by Light Townsend Cummins and Mary L. Scheer. *West Texas Historical Review*, Vol. 93 (2017), pp. 136-138.
- American Maelstrom: The 1968 Election and the Politics of Division*, by Michael A. Cohen. *History: Reviews of New Books*, Vol. 45, No. 4 (Summer 2017), pp. 85-86.
- The Great Melding: War, the Dixiecrat Rebellion, and the Southern Model for America's New Conservatism*, by Glenn Feldman. *Political Science Quarterly*, Vol. 132, No. 2 (Summer 2017), pp. 363-364.

- Nut Country: Right-Wing Dallas and the Birth of the Southern Strategy*, by Edward H. Miller. *Pacific Historical Review*, Vol. 85, No. 4 (November 2016), pp. 613-614.
- Rough Country: How Texas Became America's Most Powerful Bible-Belt State*, by Robert Wuthnow. *Journal of Church and State*, Vol. 57, No. 2 (Spring 2015), pp. 390-392.
- "Companions in Crisis: Johnson, Nixon, and the Historiography of Presidencies in Turmoil." A *Companion to Lyndon B. Johnson*, edited by Mitchell B. Lerner, and *A Companion to Richard M. Nixon*, edited by Melvin Small. *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 44, Issue 3 (September 2014), pp. 555-558.
- Writing the Story of Texas*, edited by Patrick L. Cox and Kenneth E. Hendrickson, Jr. *Great Plains Quarterly*, Vol. 34, No. 2 (Spring 2014), pp. 193-194.
- The War on Poverty: A New Grassroots History, 1964-1980*, edited by Annelise Orleck and Lisa Gayle Hazirjian. *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, Vol. CXVI, No. 2 (October 2012), pp. 221-222.
- Sunbelt Rising: The Politics of Place, Space, and Region*, edited by Michelle Nickerson and Darren Dochuk. *Journal of Southern History*, Vol. LXXVIII, No. 3 (August 2012), pp. 781-782.
- God's Own Party: The Making of the Christian Right*, by Daniel K. Williams. *American Historical Review*, Vol. 117, No. 3, (June 2012), pp. 892-893.
- The Conservative Century: From Reaction to Revolution*, by Gregory L. Schneider. *Journal of American History*, Vol. 98, Issue 2, (September 2011), p. 572.
- Texas Confederate, Reconstruction Governor: James Webb Throckmorton*, by Kenneth Wayne Howell. *East Texas Historical Journal*, Vol. 49, Issue 2 (Fall 2011), p. 116.
- The House Will Come to Order: How the Speaker Became a Power in State and National Politics*, by Patrick L. Cox and Michael Phillips. *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, Vol. CXIV, No. 3, (January 2011), pp. 350-351.
- The Power of the Texas Governor: Connally to Bush*, by Brian McCall. *Great Plains Research*, Vol. 20, No. 1, (Spring 2010), p. 152.
- Branding Texas: Performing Culture in the Lone Star State*, by Leigh Clemons. *East Texas Historical Journal*, Vol. XLVIII, No. 1, (Winter 2010), pp. 122-123.
- Taking on Giants: Fabian Chavez Jr. and New Mexico Politics*, by David Roybal. *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, Vol. CXII, No. 4, (April 2009), pp. 460-461.
- Dan Moody: Crusader for Justice*, by Ken Anderson. *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, Vol. CXII, No. 3, (January 2009), pp. 342-343.
- Twilight of the Texas Democrats: The 1978 Governor's Race*, by Kenneth Bridges. *Great Plains Research*, Vol. 18, No. 2, (Fall 2008), pp. 245-246.

Civil Rights Unionism: Tobacco Workers and the Struggle for Democracy in the Mid-Twentieth Century South, by Robert Rodgers Korstad. *Southern Historian*, Vol. XXVI, (Spring 2005), pp. 143-144.

Encyclopedia Articles:

“Barry Goldwater”, in *Oxford University Encyclopedia of American Political, Policy, and Legal History*, edited by Donald T. Critchlow and Philip R. VanderMeer, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2012).

“conservative, conservatism”, “Barry Goldwater”, “New Right”, “Richard Nixon”, “Republican Party”, in *Encyclopedia of Political Communication*, edited by Lynda L. Kaid and Christina Holtz-Bacha, (Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, 2007).

Public Talks and Invited Lectures:

“The Great Depression and New Deal in Texas.” Presented to the Teacher Institute on “Twentieth-Century Texas,” sponsored by Humanities Texas, Lubbock, TX, June 8, 2022.

“An Evening with Ambassador Chase Untermeyer.” A Moderated Discussion, hosted by the Texas Tech University Government & Public Service Internship Program, International Cultural Center, November 8, 2021.

“Barry Goldwater’s Reflection in the Oasis of Frontier Conservatism.” “Ask the Author,” hosted by the Arizona Historical Society (via Zoom), June 10, 2020.

“Classroom Management and Conflict.” Presented to the 33rd Annual New TA Workshop, hosted by the College of Arts & Sciences and the Graduate School, Texas Tech University, August 21, 2019.

“The Rise of Two-Party Texas.” Presented to the Teacher Institute on “Texas: From Republic to Mega-State,” sponsored by Humanities Texas, San Antonio, TX, June 27, 2019.

“Conservative Ascendancy and Political Change in the Age of Reagan.” Presented to U.S. History AP/Dual Credit Classes, Coronado High School, Lubbock, TX, April 29, 2019.

“From a Chair’s Perspective: What We Look For.” Panelist, Tenure Academy, Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development Center (TLPDC), Texas Tech University, November 12, 2018.

“Texas and the Rise of Modern Conservatism.” Presented to the Exploring Texas Workshop Series, sponsored by the Region XVI Education Service Center and the Texas State Historical Association, Amarillo, TX, July 21, 2017.

“Post-1945 Texas Politics.” Presented to the Teacher Institute on “Three Centuries of Texas History,” sponsored by Humanities Texas, Denton, TX, June 22, 2017.

“The Cold War and the Rise of the New Right.” Presented to the Teacher Institute on “The Cold War,” sponsored by Humanities Texas, Lubbock, TX, June 15, 2017.

“Speaking Freely: The Need for Opinion Diversity.” Panelist, Civil Counterpoints: A Campus Conversation Series, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, May 1, 2017.

- “The Complexities of American Progressivism.” Presented to the World History Summer Workshop Series, sponsored by the Region XVII Education Service Center, the Institute for Western Civilization at Texas Tech University, and the Texas State Historical Association, Lubbock, TX, June 23, 2015.
- “Texas in Transition: Politics, Economics, and Society in the Lone Star State, 1960-1980.” Presented to the Teacher Workshop on “Twentieth-Century Texas,” sponsored by Humanities Texas, Houston, TX, April 3, 2014.
- “Beyond the Backlash: The Evolving Scholarship on Modern Conservatism and American Political Culture.” Presented to the Energizing Texas History Conference, sponsored by the Region X Education Service Center and the Texas State Historical Association, Dallas, TX, January 24, 2013.
- “Cowboy Conservatism: Texas and the Rise of the Modern Right.” Public Talk, Università Degli Studi di Milano (University of Milan), Milan, Italy, June 6, 2011.
- “Reagan, Emotional Learning, and the Cold War: A Discussion of Beth A. Fischer’s *The Reagan Reversal: Foreign Policy and the End of the Cold War*.” Guest Instructor, MCDR 5307: Seminar in Strategic Studies, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, February 17, 2009.
- “Steps Towards Becoming a College Professor.” Panel Presentation for Undergraduate Research Program at Texas Tech University (formerly McNair Scholars Program), Lubbock, TX, October 29, 2008.
- “Political Advertising and Anti-Liberalism in the 1988 Presidential Election.” Guest Lecture given for AMH 4932: Studies in American Civilization: Conservatism and Neoconservatism since 1945, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, November 17, 2005.

Public Outreach, Community Service, and Engaged Scholarship:

- Curator, “The History of Texas Tech Athletics: A Centennial Celebration.” Museum of Texas Tech University, (forthcoming 2023).
- 100 Years, 100 Voices: Texas Tech’s First Century*. Lubbock: Texas Tech University Press (co-authored and co-edited with Aliza S. Wong, Terry Greenberg, and Lynn Whitfield, forthcoming 2023).
- “The Meaning of Service and Sacrifice.” Presented to “An Evening of Honor,” 3rd Bi-Annual Dinner, Because of You, I Can, Lubbock, TX, June 6, 2021.
- “The Importance of History.” Presented to Cub Scout Pack 536, South Plains Regional Council, November 30, 2020.
- “My Career in History.” “Career Day,” hosted by Roscoe Wilson Elementary School, Lubbock, TX, October 18, 2019.
- “The Political and Cultural Implications of the Kennedy Assassination since 1963.” Presented to the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, April 23, 2018.

Media Contributions:

Interview, “Lubbock road signs honor historical women,” by Tana Thompson, *The Daily Toreador*, March 10, 2022.

Guest Blog, “The Author’s Corner,” in “The Way of Improvement Leads Home,” with John Fea and Rachel Petroziello, *Current*, February 25, 2022.

Interview, “Historian Considers Legacy of 9/11 at its 20th Anniversary,” by Glenys Young, *Texas Tech Today*, September 7, 2021.

Interview, “Historians question Texas’ push to promote ‘patriotic education’ through new laws,” by Kailey E. Hunt, *Corpus Christi Caller Times*, June 26, 2021.

Interview, “Experts Weigh in on Current Job Market Trends,” by Alex Johnson, *Zippia: The Career Expert* (online), February 18, 2021.

Interview, “How Could Georgia Runoffs Impact the GOP & Will Republicans Turn the Tables in 2022 Midterms?” by Ekaterina Blinova, *Sputnik News International*, January 6, 2021.

Interview, “‘No Surprises’ About Electoral College Vote But Georgia’s Senate Battle is One to Watch,” by Aleksandra Serebriakova, *Sputnik News International*, December 15, 2020.

Interview, “Who decides? Professors talk impact of Electoral College,” by Jayme Lozano, *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, November 1, 2020.

Featured Guest, “Democracy and Elections,” *Humanities Now* (Podcast by The Humanities Center at Texas Tech), October 30, 2020.

Guest Blog, “Pandemics, Packing, and Penn Press: A Story About Higher Education Right Now,” *The Penn Press Log* (online), University of Pennsylvania Press, May 8, 2020.

Interview, “History department takes strides toward diversifying,” by Mabel Sodeinde, *The Daily Toreador*, April 29, 2019.

Opinion-Editorial, “Valuing education for the sake of education,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, December 9, 2018.

Opinion-Editorial, “Why the gift of great parents makes me holistically pro-life,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, November 6, 2018.

Opinion-Editorial, “Everything is political, including sports – and that’s OK,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, September 16, 2018.

Opinion-Editorial, “Transforming battlefields into communities, and why listening is better than speaking,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, August 12, 2018.

Opinion-Editorial, “There is nothing new under the sun,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, July 15, 2018.

- Opinion-Editorial, “Tales of isolation, alienation and political moderation – why we need more pubs,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, June 17, 2018.
- Interview, “American Politics in the Postwar Sunbelt: Conservative Growth in a Battleground Region,” with John Farrell, Producer, C-SPAN2: Book TV, May 7, 2018 (original air date, July 2018).
- Interview, “JFK assassination conspiracy theories: The grassy knoll, Umbrella Man, LBJ and Ted Cruz’s dad,” by Michael E. Miller, *Washington Post*, October 27, 2017.
- Interview, “Trump and Nixon: a new Watergate?” by Austin Kemker, KJTV Fox 34, Lubbock, TX, May 17, 2017.
- Interview, “Texas Tech professors discuss White House, media relations,” by Reece Nations, *The Daily Toreador*, February 26, 2017.
- Interview, “For some, Sally Yates’ firing resembles Saturday Night Massacre,” by Steph Solis, *USA Today*, January 31, 2017.
- Interview, “Could Texas be a swing state in November?” by Gloria DeLeon, KCBD-TV NewsChannel 11, Lubbock, TX, October 26, 2016.
- Interview, “Presidential Election Similar to 1968 Election,” by Michael Cantu, *The Daily Toreador*, March 8, 2016.
- On-Screen Contributor, “The Kennedy Files.” Produced for Television by Asylum Entertainment, (original air dates, November 2015 – January 2016, REELZ Network).
- Interview, “As in Past, Underdog Goal Is to Exploit Divisive Party,” by Aman Batheja, *New York Times*, June 6, 2014. (Also published as “Texas’ Shift From Blue to Red Informs 2014 Races,” by Aman Batheja, *The Texas Tribune*, June 6, 2014).
- Interview, “Minority growth impacts voting trends as Dems aim to turn South Plains region blue: Democratic analysts hopeful Hispanic voters will help ‘turn Texas blue;’ critics say theory not that simple,” by Josie Musico, *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, December 7, 2013.
- Interview, “Conspiracy Theories: Kennedy Killer Shrouded in Mystery 50 Years Later,” by Daniel Durbin, *The Signal* (Student publication of the University of Houston-Clear Lake), November 25, 2013.
- Interview, “JFK’s death altered pages of history,” by Jon Mark Beilue, *Amarillo Globe-News*, November 19, 2013.
- Interview, “50 years after JFK, conspiracy theories of all sorts thrive in America,” by Patrik Jonsson, *The Christian Science Monitor*, November 18, 2013.
- Interview, “Kennedy assassination still surrounded with questions,” by Ellysa Gonzalez, *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, November 17, 2013.

Interview, “JFK in college: Tech professors teach assassination from all angles,” by Blake Ursch, *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, November 17, 2013.

Interview, “Bystanders vividly remember Kennedy’s death 50 years later,” by Ellysa Gonzalez, *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, November 17, 2013.

Interview, “Professor: Oswald Lone Gunman, Despite Conspiracy Theorists,” by John Davis, *Texas Tech Today*, November 11, 2013.

Interview, “Generations reflect on Sept. 11 tragedy,” by Ashlyn Tubbs, *The Daily Toreador*, September 11, 2013.

Interview, “Roger Stone’s New Book ‘Solves’ JFK Assassination: Johnson Did It!,” by David Freedlander, *The Daily Beast*, May 14, 2013.

Interview, “Historians are confident: Texas secession is real doubtful,” by Trish Choate, Scripps Howard News Service, *Corpus Christi Caller*, December 9, 2012 (newspaper column syndicated statewide).

Featured Guest, “Campaign 2012” (Election Night Coverage with Dan Raviv), CBS Radio Network (National), November 6, 2012 (subject: Election Night Analysis).

On-Screen Talent, “Questia: Research Tutorials.” Cengage Learning, Produced by Hawkes Media Group, Video Production Shoot, Boston, MA, August 16-18, 2012.

Featured Guest, “The Drive Home with Jeff Klotzman” (950 AM, 100.7 FM – Lubbock), November 21, 2011 (subject: “The Kennedy Assassination, Conspiracy Theories, and Popular Memory, 48 Years Later”).

“Historian’s Corner: Grappling with Difficult Issues in Late 20th Century Texas History.” *Texas Insights* (an e-newsletter publication of the Texas State Historical Association in cooperation with the University of North Texas), May 2011.

Featured Guest, “Fox Talk in the Morning with Dave King and Jim Douglass” (950 AM, 100.7 FM – Lubbock), July 13, 2010 (subject: *Cowboy Conservatism: Texas and the Rise of the Modern Right*).

Interview, “Modern conservatism, Texas-style,” by Steven Levingston, *Washington Post*, “Political Bookworm,” March 31, 2010.

Academic Appointments and Teaching Experience:

- 2022-present - Professor, Department of History, Texas Tech University (effective 9/1/22)
- 2012-22 - Associate Professor, Department of History, Texas Tech University
- 2007-12 - Assistant Professor, Department of History, Texas Tech University
- 2006-07 - Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of History, University of Florida
- 2006 - Adjunct Instructor of American History, Santa Fe Community College
- 2003-05 - Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of History, University of Florida
- 2000-02 - Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Texas Tech University

Courses Taught:

- Texas Tech University:
 - HIST 2301: History of the United States since 1877
 - HIST 2310: History of Texas
 - HIST 2310: History of Texas (Honors)
 - HIST 3310: History of Texas
 - HIST 3312: Presidential Politics from Kennedy to Reagan
 - HIST 3321: Twentieth-Century American West
 - HIST 4306: Roaring '20s, Depression, and War, 1920-1945
 - HIST 4307: The United States, 1945 to Present
 - HIST 4312: U.S. Political Imagery and Culture
 - HIST 4312: American Political Culture
 - HIST 4312: The Rise of Modern American Conservatism
 - HIST 5306: Recent Interpretations of American History
 - HIST 5313: Historiography of Twentieth-Century America
 - HIST 5314: Studies in Post-1945 United States History
 - HIST 6304: Seminar in American History
 - HIST 6313: Historiography of Twentieth-Century America
- University of Florida:
 - AMH 2010: American History to 1877
 - AMH 2020: American History since 1877
- Santa Fe Community College (Gainesville, FL):
 - AMH 2010: American History to 1877
 - AMH 2020: American History since 1877

Honors and Awards:

- Faculty (Texas Tech University):
 - 2021 - Integrated Scholar Award
 - 2020 - Elected to Membership, Teaching Academy at Texas Tech University
 - 2018 - Faculty Appreciation Recognition, Pi Beta Phi
 - 2013 - President's Excellence in Teaching Award
 - 2013 - Faculty Research Development Leave
 - 2012 - President's Book Award, First Place
 - 2012 - Professing Excellence Award, University Student Housing
 - 2011 - Department of History Distinguished Faculty Award
 - 2011 - Guest Coach, Marsha Sharp Center for Student-Athletes
 - Texas Tech vs. Oklahoma (volleyball, October 1)
 - Texas Tech vs. Nevada (football, September 24)
 - 2010 - Texas Tech Alumni Association New Faculty Award, College of Arts & Sciences
 - 2010 - Outstanding Faculty Recognition, Student Disability Services
 - 2008 - Department of History Distinguished Faculty Award
 - 2008 - Favorite Faculty Recognition, Mortar Board "Apple Polish"

- Graduate (University of Florida):
 - 2007 - Calvin A. VanderWerf Graduate Teaching Award
 - recognition as Outstanding TA at the University of Florida
 - 2005 - University of Florida Graduate Student Council Travel Grant
 - 2003 - Dr. Linton E. Grinter Supplemental Fellowship
- Graduate (Texas Tech University):
 - 2002 - James Harper Teaching Assistant of the Year
 - 2002 - Lawrence L. Graves Scholarship
 - 2001 - Department of History Research Travel Grant
 - 2000-02 - Golden Key National Honor Society
- Undergraduate (Texas Tech University):
 - 1998-99 - Golden Key National Honor Society
 - 1998-99 - Joe H. Bryant Scholarship
 - 1995-99 - Presidential Endowed Scholarship
 - 1995-99 - Honors College Endowed Scholarship
 - 1995-96 - Lubbock Avalanche-Journal Scholarship

Service:

- Departmental:
 - 2014-16 - Mentor, Graduate Part-Time Instructors
 - 2013-14 - Chair, Job Search Committee: “U.S. West or Native American”
 - 2012-14 - Member, Executive Committee
 - 2012-13 - Peer Faculty Teaching Evaluator
 - 2010-11 - Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee
 - 2009-11 - Chair, Technology Committee
 - 2009-10 - Director of Undergraduate Studies
 - 2009-10 - Member, Job Search Committee: “pre-1900 U.S. West”
 - 2007-10 - Faculty Advisor, Phi Alpha Theta
 - 2007-09 - Member, Graduate Studies Committee
- College and University:
 - 2022 - Job Search Committee: “Director of Marketing, College of Arts & Sciences”
 - 2022 - Scholarship Review Committee, Parent & Family Relations
 - 2021-present - Series Editor, “Politics of the Modern Southwest,” Texas Tech University Press
 - 2021-present - Chair Mentoring and Development Committee, National Science Foundation (NSF) “ADVANCE” Grant
 - 2020-21 - Job Search Committee: hiring Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
 - 2019-21 - Tenure Advisory Committee, Office of the Provost
 - 2018-present - Title IX Liaison for Academic Affairs
 - 2018-present - Editorial Board of Directors, Texas Tech University Press
 - 2018-present - Steering and Advisory Committee, “Civil Counterpoints: A Campus Conversation Series”
 - 2019 - Panelist, “The Faculty Hiring Process.” Chair Academy, Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development Center
 - 2017-present - Faculty Success Taskforce and Advisory Committee, Office of the Provost

- 2016-17 - Chair, Search Committee: hiring Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work
 - 2016 - Panelist, “Time Management Strategies for Department Chairs,” Chair Academy: Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development Center
 - 2015-17 - Project Support Team, “The Texas Liberators,” Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission
 - 2014-present - Steering Committee, Core Curriculum & Assessment
 - 2014 - Strategic Planning Committee, National Ranching Heritage Center
 - 2012-13 - Job Search Committee: Executive Director, National Ranching Heritage Center
 - 2013-14 - Chair, Student Media Committee
 - 2011-12 - Member, Student Media Committee
 - 2011-12 - Mentor, TEACH Program
 - 2010 - Co-Mentor, Clark Scholars Program
 - 2008 - Judge, University Interscholastic League (UIL) Regional Academic Meet
- Professional:
 - 2017-23 - Board of Directors, Texas State Historical Association
 - member, Handbook Advisory Committee (2018-2022)
 - Secretary, Executive Committee (2019-2022)
 - chair, Fellowship Awards Committee (2022)
 - chair, Bylaws Committee (2020-2022)
 - member, Bylaws Committee (2018-19)
 - member, Fellowship Awards Committee (2017-2021)
 - member, Program Committee (2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2020)
 - 2016-21 - Board of Directors, Humanities Texas
 - Secretary, Executive Committee (2020-2021)
 - chair, Nominations & Elections Committee (2020-2021)
 - member, Educational Programs Committee (2016-2021)
 - 2018-19 - C. Vann Woodward Dissertation Prize Committee, Southern Historical Association
 - 2013-15 - Texas House of Representatives Advisory Council for Oral History Project
- Peer Reviewer:
 - 2022 - Lexington Books | Rowman & Littlefield, manuscript
 - 2021 - University of Kansas Press, manuscript
 - 2020 - *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, journal article
 - 2019 - University of Texas Press, manuscript
 - 2019 - Routledge, book proposal
 - 2018 - *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, journal article
 - 2017 - *Journal of Southern History*, journal article
 - 2017 - Oxford University Press, post-1945 US history textbook
 - 2017 - University of Oklahoma Press, manuscript
 - 2016 - Oxford University Press, 20th-century US/Global textbook
 - 2016 - University of Oklahoma Press, manuscript
 - 2015 - Texas A&M University Press, manuscript
 - 2015 - Oxford University Press, post-1945 US history textbook
 - 2014 - *Journal of Policy History*, journal article
 - 2013 - *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, journal article
 - 2013 - *Journal of Southern History*, journal article
 - 2011 - *Pacific Historical Review*, journal article

- 2010 - Cengage Learning, Texas history textbook
- 2010 - Routledge, book proposal
- 2008 - Oxford University Press, manuscript
- 2008 - Oxford University Press, post-45 US history textbook

- Graduate Student (University of Florida):
 - 2005 - Chair, Selection Committee, Norman Wilensky Graduate Teaching Award
 - 2004-04 - President, History Graduate Society, University of Florida

- Graduate Student (Texas Tech University):
 - 2000-02 - Phi Alpha Theta History Honors Society
 - 2002 - Judge, Texas Tech University Honors College Undergraduate Research Days

Additional Work Experience in Higher Education:

- 2001-03 - Counseling Specialist, Advising Center at Texas Tech (ACTT)
 - Academic Advisor: First Generation College (FGC), Pre-Law, Undeclared
 - Program Coordinator: PEGASUS (FGC scholarship and academic assistance program)
 - Research Specialist: College Student Inventory (CSI) Project