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2003-2008            Assistant Professor of History  
2008-Present       Associate Professor of History

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. United States History (19<sup>th</sup> Century); African-American Studies; Religious Studies; and Museum Studies

The Union Institute, Cincinnati, Ohio

Dissertation: The Pathways to Manumission: Shattering the Shackles of African-American Enslavement and Racial Intolerance by the Underground Railroad in the Kansas Territory, Chair, Dr. Edward Wingard

M.A. United States History  
The University of Missouri—Kansas City

B.A. United States History and Secondary Education  
Avila University, Kansas City

## HONORS AND AWARDS

2018-2020            Member, Phi Alpha Theta National Advisory Board  
2016-2018            Member, Phi Alpha Theta National Council  
2010                    Recipient of Patriot Award, Department of Defense, Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve  
2010-Present        Member, Phi Alpha Theta National Advisory Board  
2008-2010 and  
2016-2018            Member, Phi Alpha Theta National Council  
2007-2008            J.L. Zwingle Award for Outstanding Teacher (Awarded by Student Body), Park University  
2007                    Student Club Advisor of the Month (August 2007), Park University  
2007                    Tenured, Park University  
2006-2007            Excellence in Academic Advising Award, Park University  
2005                    Outstanding Faculty Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Park University  
2003                    Appointed, Missouri Advisory Council on Historic Preservation,  
2002                    The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and The Council of Independent Colleges Seminar, The Slavery Debates: Problems in Slavery Studies Today, Columbia University, New York City, New York.  
2002                    Louisa Davidson Hinde Memorial Award, Park University Community Service Award, Park University  
2003, 2005            Who's Who Among America's Teachers

## FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS

2016-2017 Professional Development Grant, Park University  
2014-2015 Professional Development Grant, Park University  
2013-2014 Professional Development Grant, Park University  
2005-2006 Gilder Lehrman Fellowship Program, The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, New York City, New York

## ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

Southern Historical Association (Life Time Member)  
Lecompton Historical Society (Life Time Member)  
Mound City Historical Society (Life Time Member)  
American Association for State and Local History  
Association of Midwest Museums  
Midwest Archives Conference  
Missouri Association for Museums and Archives  
Phi Alpha Theta  
Society of American Archivists  
The National Council on Public History  
The Organization of American Historians  
The State Historical Society of Missouri  
World War One Historical Association  
Presbyterian Historical Society  
International Society for First World War Studies  
The Society for Historians of the Early American Republic  
Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era  
American Alliance of Museums

## THESES

Westcott, T. (2002). *The Pathways of Manumission: Shattering the Shackles of African-American Enslavement and Racial Intolerance by the Underground Railroad in the Kansas Territory*, Unpublished Doctoral Dissertation, The Union Institute and University.

## PUBLICATIONS

Westcott, T. (2001). John Brown's Holy War [Review]. *Kansas History*, Summer, 144-145.  
Westcott, T. (1997). William Rockhill Nelson. *Dictionary of Missouri Biography*.  
Westcott, T. (1997). The Fulfillment of that Promise of Our Keeping. *The Civil War News*.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

[General subject areas; not actual titles of works]

Fifty Years on the Skirmish Line: Autobiography of Rev. Elisha B. Sherwood (updating as a new edition)

Biography of George Creel (manuscript)  
Biography of James Wilson (manuscript)  
Nisei attending Mid-Western colleges (journal article/web site)  
The Committee for Public Information and Russian Relations (journal article)  
The “Free Russia” Campaign: American and Russian Nihilists, 1890-1910 (journal article)  
Missouri Confederate Legislators in the Confederate Congress  
1855 Lexington (MO) Convention  
Missouri Colonization Society (journal article)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Westcott, T. (2020): “Declaring Independence: The Scottish Influence of George Buchanan and James Wilson,” Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference.

Westcott, T. (2019): “Corrupting Our Slaves: The Missouri Colonization Society,” Missouri Conference on History.

Westcott, T. (2018): “Robert Edward Lee: The Progressive Academician,” Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference.

Westcott, T. (2017): “Demography of Death: The 1918 Influenza in Kansas City,” Kansas Association of Historians, Overland Park, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2017): “Demography of Death: The 1918 Influenza in Kansas City,” Missouri Conference on History, Springfield, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2016): “Voices of Patriotism: The Four-Minute Men of Missouri,” Missouri Conference on History, Columbia, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2015): “Fred Harvey: The Man, the Brand, and the American West,” National Archives—Kansas City.

Westcott, T. (2015): “Catastrophe or Triumph? The Kansas City Public Health Service Reacts to the 1918 Influenza Epidemic,” Missouri Conference on History, St. Louis, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2014): “Bellicosity Challenged and Detained: The 1855 Lexington Pro-Slavery Convention,” Lecompton Historical Society/Bleeding Kansas Lecture Series, Lecompton, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2014): “Bellicosity Challenged and Detained: The 1855 Lexington Pro-Slavery Convention,” Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Westcott, T. (2014): “The 1855 Pro-Slavery Convention at Lexington, Missouri,” Cass County Historical Society, Harrisonville, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2013): “Bellicosity Challenged and Detained: The 1855 Lexington Pro-Slavery Convention,” Northern Great Plains History Conference, Hudson, Wisconsin.

Westcott, T. (2013): "The 1855 Pro-Slavery Convention," Brigadier General John T. Hughes Camp, # 614, Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter, # 236, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Independence, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2013): "The Underground Railroad in Southeast Kansas Territory," Iola Public Library Speaker Series, Iola, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2013): "The Harvey Girls." National Archives of Kansas City Panel Discussion on new documentary, Kansas City, MO.

Westcott, T. (2013): "Aggression Resisted and Arrested: The 1855 Pro-Slavery Convention," Missouri Conference on History, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2012): "Legislators of the Twelfth Star," Mid-America Conference on History, Springfield, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2012): "Robert E. Lee: From General to Academician," Sons of Confederate Veterans, Camp No. 1920, Lenexa, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2012): "General Thomas Ewing's Infamous Actions Hostile to Civil Liberties: General Order Numbers 10 and 11," Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, Orlando, Florida.

Westcott, T. (2012): "Robert E. Lee: From General to Academician," Civil War Round Table of Eastern Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2012): "Robert E. Lee: From General to Academician," Brigadier General John T. Hughes Camp # 614, Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter # 236, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Independence, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2011): "Robert E. Lee: From General to Academician," National Archives and Records Administration—Great Plains Region Branch, Kansas City, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2011): "American 'Freedom' Crusaders Unite with Russian Nihilists, 1890-1920," Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Westcott, T. (2011): "General Order No. 11," Oak Grove Historical Society, Oak Grove, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2011): "General Order No. 11," Civil War Round Table of Eastern Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2010): "General Order No. 11," Brigadier General John T. Hughes Camp # 614, Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter # 236, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Independence, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2010): "The 'Free Russia Campaign: American Crusaders Unite with Russian Nihilists, 1890-1920,'" Mid-America Conference on History, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Westcott, T. (2010): "Planning a Successful Regional Meeting," Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, San Diego, California.

Westcott, T. (2010). "Voices of Patriotism: The Four Minute Men during the Great War," Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, San Diego, California.

Westcott, T. (2009). "General Order No. 11," Community Curator program, Kansas City Museum.

Westcott, T. (2009). "Voices of Patriotism: The Four Minute Men during the Great War," Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Westcott, T. (2009). "No More Shall They in Bondage Toil Free: The Western Route of the Underground Railroad," Black History Month Presentation, Indian Hills Community College, Ottumwa, IA.

Westcott, T. and Ferguson, Brett (2008). "Forming a Community of Historians Online: Teaching the Great War at Park University," American Association for History and Computing, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

Westcott, T. and Ferguson, Brett (2008). "Implementing an Online Community of Historians via Technology" at the Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Westcott, T. (2007). "Implementing an Online Community of Historians as Faculty Members" at the Northern Great Plains History Conference, Duluth, Minnesota.

Westcott, T. (2007). "A Case Study of Nisei Students Attending College and the National Response" at the Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Westcott, T. (2006). "I am an American: A Case Study of the Nisei Students Attending College and the National Response" at the Northern Great Plains History Conference, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Westcott, T. (2006). "The Invisible Participant at Harpers Ferry" at the Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Westcott, T. (2005). "Historical Fiction or Historical Fact: The Verifiable Facts of 'Bleeding Kansas' History Concerning Jane Smiley's *The All-True Travels and Adventures of Lidie Newton*" at the Northern Great Plains History Conference, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Westcott, T. (2005). "Kansas Territorial Jihadists: The Moneka Women's Rights Movement of the 1850s" at the Mid-American Conference on History, Lawrence, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2005). *Literature + History: The Verifiable Facts of "Bleeding Kansas" History Concerning Jane Smiley's The All-True Travels and Adventures of Lidie Newton* at the Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Annual Conference, San Diego, California.

Westcott, T. (2005). *No More Shall They in Bondage Toil Free: The Western Route of the Underground Railroad*. Panel presentation with Dr. William Wagon, Washburn University,

Topeka (*Wrecking Slavery from the Kansas Territory: the "Topeka Boys" as Saboteurs, 1855-1861*) at the Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Westcott, T. (2004). *The Apostolic Form of Living: The Utopian Encounters of John Otis Wattles* at The Northern Great Plains History Conference, Bismarck, North Dakota.

Westcott, T. (2004). *A Fire on the Kansas Prairies: The Moneka Women's Right Movement*. Paper presented at the New England Historical Association Fall Conference, College of Saint Joseph, Rutland, Vermont.

Westcott, T. (2004). "O Thy Brothers and Sisters of Kansas." Presentation (Power Point) to the Monticello Community Historical Society, Shawnee, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2004). "No Message but Peace": *The Utopian and Abolitionist Encounters of John Otis Wattles*. Paper presented at the Conference of Quaker Historians and Archivists, George Fox College, Portland, Oregon.

Westcott, T. (2004). *The Underground Railroad in Shawnee County*. Public Forum on the Sesquicentennial Events of Bleeding Kansas, Topeka, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2004). "An Interesting Experiment"—*Integration on the Tracks of Kansas's Territorial Underground Railroad*. Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.

Westcott, T. (2004). *In Friendship Dwell Together: The Utopian Encounters of John Otis Wattles*. Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska.

Westcott, T. (2003). *O Thy Brothers and Sisters of Kansas*. Presentation (Power Point) to the Spring Hill Historical Society, Spring Hill, Kansas.

Westcott, T. (2002). *In Friendship Dwell Together: The Communalism of John Otis Wattles*. Paper presented at the Twenty-seventh Annual Society for Utopian Studies Conference.

Westcott, T. (2001). *Before Thee Goes With Thy Friend*. Paper presented at The Westerners Club, Kansas City, Missouri.

Westcott, T. (2000). *Thy Will Keep My Brothers*. Paper presented at The United Methodist Women's Annual Regional Conference.

Westcott, T. (1999). *The New Freedom Road: Shattering the Shackles from the Land of Bondage*. Paper presented for the Kansas State Historical Society.

Westcott, T. (1998). *Osawatomie: A Underground Railroad Station*. Paper presented for Delta Epsilon Society.

Westcott, T. (1998). *The Underground Railroad in Kansas*. Paper presented at the Johnson County Library Guerrilla Warfare Series.

Westcott, T. (1998). *The Glimmering of a Great Light: The F.A.L.L. Corner Counties*. Paper presented for the Kansas State Historical Society.

Westcott, T. (1998). *Racial Collaboration: Understanding the Local Importance of the Western Railway of the Underground Railroad*. Paper presented at the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City.

Westcott, T. (1998). *The Genealogical Nature of Records Related to the Underground Railroad in Lykins County, Kansas*. Paper presented for the Miami County Historical and Genealogical Society.

Westcott, T. (1998). *The Nature of the Underground Railroad in Linn County*. Paper presented for the Mound City Historical Society.

Westcott, T. (1998). *How Sweet a Thing is Liberty: A Local Awareness of the Underground Railroad*. Paper presented for the Linn County Historical Society.

Westcott, T. (1998). *A-Crossing the Jordan: The Western Terminus of the Underground Railroad through Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa*. Paper presented at the National Association of African-American Studies.

Westcott, T. (1996). *General Order Number Eleven: The Trial of Tears Revisited*. Paper presented for the Trading Post Festival.

Westcott, T. (1996). *Jennison's Tombstones: General Order Number Eleven*. Paper presented for the Civil War Roundtable of Eastern Kansas.

Westcott, T. (1996). *The Baron of Grand Avenue and Brush Creek: William Rockhill Nelson*. Paper presented at the Kansas City Posse of the Westerners.

Westcott, T. (1995). *William Rockhill Nelson: Leader of the Missouri Proletarian Progressive Movement*. Paper presented at the Seventeenth Annual Mid-America Conference on History.

Westcott, T. (1994). *William Rockhill Nelson: A Former Indiana Aristocrat Leading the Missouri Proletarian Progressive Movement*. Paper presented at the Fourteenth Annual Indiana Association of Historians.

## **EXHIBITS**

“I Was Declared a Stranger in My Own Land, and You Took Me In,” (Fall 2017)  
[Commemoration of Park College admitting Nisei students]

“The Great War (1914-1918): Our Remembrance,” (Fall 2017)  
[Commemoration of Park College students and alumni that served]

“Nisei Students at Park,” Campanella Gallery, Park University, (Spring 2013).

“Platte County’s Civil War,” Campanella Gallery, Park University (Fall 2011).

## REVIEWING ACTIVITY

*Social Studies for the Twenty-First Century* 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Routledge Publishing (2013)

Editor, *The Westporter Magazine* (2012 to 2013)

Faculty Editorial Board, IBID. Student History Journal. Texas Women's University. (2012 to Present)

Judge, Phi Alpha Theta National Undergraduate and Graduate Paper Competition. (2011 to Present)

Historians of the Civil War Western Theater (Online Publication)

- *Divided Loyalties: Fort Sanders and the Civil War in East Tennessee* (2004) [Book Review]

*H-Civil War:*

- *From Property to Person: Slavery and the Confiscation Acts, 1861-1862* (September, 2005) [Book Review]
- *Boy Soldier of the Confederacy: The Memoir of Johnnie Wickersham* (October, 2007) [Book Review]

World History Bulletin, World History Association

- *Dynamic of Destruction: Culture and Mass Killing in the First World War* (Spring 2010) [Book Review]

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE and SERVICE

2019-Present

Chair, Department of History, Political Science and Interdisciplinary Studies.

2018-Present

Consultant, Stantec, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture. Consultant related to designing and installing a World War I monument on Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, KY.

2018

Member, Host Committee, American Association of State and Local History (AASLH) Conference (Kansas City, Missouri)

2017-Present

Consultant, Kansas City Museum, Consultant to Gallagher and Associates and International Architects Atelier on design, development and implementation of exhibits and programs for the Kansas City Museum's restoration and renovation.

2017-2019

Interim Dean, College of Education and Health Professions

- School of Education and Department of Fitness and Wellness
  - Undergraduate and graduate programs
  - Continuing Education
  - Dorothy Watson Literacy Center
- School of Behavior Sciences
  - Department of Nursing
  - Department of Psychology and Sociology
  - Department of Social Work

2017 (June-July)

Interim Registrar, Park University

2017 (September) to Present

Member, Parkville Veteran's Memorial Board

2015 (August) to 2017 (August)

Chair, Department of Psychology and Sociology, Park University

2015-2019

Member, Committee on Teaching, Organization of American Historians

Chair, Committee on Teaching (1 May 2018-30 April 2019)

2015-2017

Board Member and Marketing Chair, Shoal Creek Association

2014-2020

Member, The State Historical Society of Missouri Conference on History Board

2014 and 2016

Member, Political Science Search Committee

2014-2015

Member, Federation Negotiating Team, Park University

2014-2015 and 2004-2006

Co-Director of Summer Sessions, Park University

2013 to Present

Associate University Archivist, Park University

2014 to 2016

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Park University

2013-2015

Member, Park University History Book Committee

2013 (January-May)

Sabbatical Leave, Park University

2012-Present

Faculty Editorial Board, *IBID: Student History Journal*. Texas Women's University

2011 (August) to 2012 (May)

Chair, Phi Alpha Theta Online Credentials Committee

2011 (May) to 2012 (March)

Member, Honors College Task Force

2011 (May)

Member, Coordinator for Student Leadership and Engagement Search Committee

2010 (October) to 2014 (March)

Member, Acquisitions Committee, Kansas City Museum at Corinthian Hall

2010 (August) to September

Member, Director of Advancement Services Search Committee

2010 (August) to 2012 (May)

Member, Park University Faculty Senate

2009-2012

Member, Westport Historical Society Board of Directors

2009 (August) to 2010 (May)

Member, Park University's Liberal Education Committee

2009 (April) to (May)

Member, Park University's Program Review Committee

2009 (March) to 2011 (June)

Chair, Park University's Carnegie Library/Norrington Hall "Window's of Opportunity" Campaign

2009 (January-May)

Member, Park University's Veteran Services Task Force

2008 (March) to 2011 (October)

Board of Directors, Banneker School Foundation and Historic Site, Parkville, Missouri

-- Grant Committee

-- History and Education Committee

2008 (March) to 2016

Member, President's Council, National World War I Museum

2007 (February) to July 2010

Member of Park University's Study Abroad Faculty Advisory Board.

2006 (October) to 2007 (November)

Member of Park University's Shared Governance Commission.

2006 (August) to 2007 (May)

Member of the Park University Faculty Senate from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

2006 (August) to 2012 (August)

Chair, Department of Social Sciences/Culture and Society/History and Political Science. The department includes the programs of political science, legal studies, religion, philosophy, anthropology, military science, social science, peace studies, and history. Duties include

program review, assessment measures, budgeting, periodic evaluations (tenured and non-tenured full-time faculty), personnel issues, course scheduling, and student advising.

2006 (January) to 2009 (August)

Faculty Member, St. Pius X High School. Instruct the Advanced College Credit Placement (ACCP) U.S. History I and U.S. History II course.

2005 to Present

Director of the George S. Robb Centre for the Study of the Great War at Park University.

2004 (September) to 2006 (May)

Member of the University Personnel Panel. Duties include reviewing all faculty personnel files for re-hiring, annual periodic reviews submitted on all faculty members by department chairs, associate deans, and deans. The Panel recommends to the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs termination or continued service to the university.

2004 (August) to 2005 (May)

Member of the Long-Range Planning Committee for the Faculty Senate. Duties include reviewing implementation of *Explorations and Transformations 2012: Access to Excellence* (strategic action plan), infrastructural needs, and admission/retention concerns.

2004 (August) to Present

Advisor for Park University's Phi Alpha Theta Chapter (*Zeta Omicron*). Duties include meeting with history and social studies majors, organizing activities to enhance the professional and social endeavors of members, to submit applications to the national headquarters, to maintain the fiscal records of the chapter, submit all monetary requisitions, and report activities to the administration and department.

2004 (August) to 2005 (June)

Member of the Faculty Federation negotiating team for contract renewal (2005-2008). Duties included negotiations concerning a new three year contract starting in fall 2005.

2003 to 2005

Member of the Missouri Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Twelve member council appointed by the Governor to oversee and recommend state approval of historic sites and to recommend for approval sites for the National Register.

2003 (July) to 2012 (August)

Program Coordinator for Programs of History, Latin America Studies, Military Science, and Social Sciences. Duties include review of credentials for all adjunct faculty in history of the School for Extended Learning (39 military locations in the United States), Park Accelerated Programs-Kansas City Area (3 campus centers) and School for Distance Learning (Online program). Perform review of all adjunct faculty instructing history courses, review and approve all course syllabi, and select textbooks for all history courses in these programs.

2003 (May) to 2004 (August)

Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Interim Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. Duties include supervision of five associate deans, maintaining and typesetting undergraduate catalog, arranging course schedules, liaison with faculty members, daily academic operations of

a university, maintaining and typesetting the faculty handbook, adjunct faculty manual, advising manual, arranging annual adjunct faculty meeting, oversee classroom development and updating technology, co-chair of the New Faculty Orientation and New Faculty Committee, chair the Academic Standards Committee, chair the Academic Review Committee, chair the University Assessment Committee, Criterion One Chair, for Higher Learning Commission, North Central Accreditation, senior member of the University Retention Committee, advise student learners placed on probation, assist the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs in daily operation of the university, responsible for the academic operations of three colleges and seven schools in which 21,000+ plus student learners are enrolled.

2003

University Coordinator for Association of American Colleges and Universities *Greater Expectations: A New Vision for Learning as a Nation Goes to College* Dialogues.

2003

Scholar/Consultant to Ralph Appelbaum Associates Incorporated for the Liberty Memorial Museum of World War One. Duties include assisting in concept drawings and plans, exhibition layout and space, content matrix concerning the goals, subject matter, and the artifacts and images.

2002 to Present

Co-Coordinator, Dr. Jessie Bell Woodside Holt Women's History Month Lecture Series. Duties: Coordinate university and community activities associated with Women's History Month. Responsible for public relations, print media, designing invitations, posters, and programs. Organize the arrangement for all presenters, four staff and ten committee members. Budgetary responsibility for ten thousand dollars to organize events.

2002

Coordinator, Park University's Sixtieth Anniversary Nisei Convocation. Duties: Coordinate university and community activities associated with the Nisei Convocation. Responsible for public relations, print media, designing invitations, posters, programs and web page. Organize the arrangement for all presenters and four staff members. Budgetary responsibility for twelve thousand dollars to organize events. Web page can be viewed at [www.park.edu/nisei](http://www.park.edu/nisei).

2002 to 2004

Member of the Park University Scholarship Committee. Responsibilities include annual review of scholarship forms mailed to traditional and non-traditional students, expenditures of scholarship monies, review of scholarship applications, and awarding of scholarships to students.

2001 to 2004

University Representative, Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial. Duties: Coordinate Park University and Parkville, Missouri activities associated the Lewis and Clark expedition for the forthcoming bicentennial. Attend monthly meetings and arrange fiscal requirements for events. Assist local educational institutions in designing instructor material for the celebration.

2001 to 2007 (August)

University Representative, Association of American Colleges and Universities. Duties: Park University liaison with the AAC&U for meetings, presentations, publications, and grants.

2001 to Present

Coordinator, The Spencer Cave Black History Month Lecture Series, Park University. Duties: Coordinate university and community activities associated with Black History Month. Responsible for public relations, print media, designing invitations, posters, and programs. Organize the arrangement for all presenters and four staff members. Budgetary responsibility for twenty-five thousand dollars to organize events.

2001 to 2009

Education Committee, Northland Chamber of Commerce. Duties: The committee meets on a monthly basis to discuss educational issues regarding elementary, middle and secondary educational institutions in northern Kansas City, Missouri. The committee annually hosts The Teacher of the Year awards.

1999 to 2003

Director, Weekend and Evening College, Park College/Park University. Duties: Duties include arranging course schedules, liaison with faculty members, daily academic operations of the Weekend and Evening College, maintaining and typesetting the adjunct faculty manual, advising manual, arranging annual adjunct faculty meeting, oversee classroom development and updating technology, advise student learners placed on probation, assist the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs in daily operation of the university.

1999 to 2005

National Alumni Board Member, Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa. Duties: assist in conducting annual alumni auction for scholarships, contacting students in Missouri and Kansas, reviewing scholarship essays, attending the annual meeting, and attend other special events.

1998 to 2008

Board of Trustees, National World War I Museum and Liberty Memorial Association. Duties: A governing board for the single national memorial in the United States for World War I. The City of Kansas City, Missouri and Board of Trustees and Governors recently completed a multi-million dollar renovation of the memorial. In September 2003, arranged a lecture in association with Park University of Winston Groom author and historian.

1996-1997

President, The Civil War Round Table of Kansas City. Duties: Arrange monthly speakers from across the United States. Hosted monthly meetings for members. Chaired quarterly board meetings. Raised funds and provided educational leadership for information regarding the Civil War in general and activities associated with the Civil War on a local scene. Involved in three major preservation projects with the Civil War Trust.

## **CONFERENCES**

Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, January 2-5, 2020

Organization of American Historians, April 3-7, 2019

Missouri Conference on History, March 6-8, 2019

Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, January 4-6, 2018

Kansas Association of Historians, April 14-15, 2017

Organization of American Historians, April 6-9, 2017

Missouri Conference on History, March 22-24, 2017  
 Missouri Conference on History, March 9-11, 2016  
 Missouri Conference on History, March 11-13, 2015  
 Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, January 4-7, 2014  
 Northern Great Plains History Conference, October 4-6, 2013  
 Missouri Conference on History, March 21-22, 2013  
 Mid-America Conference on History, September 20-22, 2012  
 Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, Orlando, Florida, January 3-6, 2012  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 3-5, 2011  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, January 6-9, 2011  
 Mid-America Conference on History, Little Rock, Arkansas, September 23-25, 2010  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 3-5, 2010  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, January 6-10, 2010  
 Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, San Diego, California, January 6-10, 2010.  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 5-7, 2009.  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, New York City, January 2-5, 2009.  
 Northern Great Plains History Conference, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada, September 25-28, 2008.  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 4-6, 2008.  
 Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 2-3, 2008.  
 Northern Great Plains History Conference, Duluth, Minnesota, October 3-6, 2007.  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 1-4, 2007.  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, January 4-7, 2007.  
 Northern Great Plains History Conference, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, October 4-7, 2006.  
 Organization of American Historians 2006 Midwest Regional Conference, Lincoln, Nebraska,  
 July 6-8, 2006  
 Oxford Round Table, Lincoln College, Oxford, England, March 12-17, 2006  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 2-4, 2006  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 6-8, 2006  
 Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 4-5, 2006  
 Northern Great Plains History Conference, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, September 28-  
 October 1, 2005.  
 Mid-American Conference on History, Lawrence, Kansas, September 22-24, 2005.  
*The Teaching Professor* Conference, Schaumburg, Illinois, May 20-22, 2005.  
 The Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Annual Conference, San Diego,  
 California, March 23-26, 2005.  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 3-5, 2005.  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, January 6-9, 2005.  
 North American Association of Summer Schools, Nova Scotia, Canada, November 6-10, 2004.  
 Northern Great Plains History Conference, 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Bismarck, North Dakota,  
 October 27-30, 2004.  
 The New England Historical Association Fall Meeting, Rutland, Vermont, October 16, 2004.  
 Conference of Quaker Historians and Archivists, Portland, Oregon, June 25-27, 2004.  
 Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio,  
 Texas, April 7-10, 2004.  
 Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, March 4-6, 2004.  
 American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 8-11, 2004.  
 North American Association of Summer Sessions, Arizona State University, November 16-19,  
 2003.  
 The American Conference of Academic Deans, College of Charleston, October 23-25, 2003

National Conference of Academic Deans, University of Central Arkansas, July 26-29, 2003.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2008 (August) to Present

Associate Professor of History, Park University

Undergraduate Courses (16-week Face-to-Face; 8-week Online; 8-week Accelerated Face-to-Face)

2006 (January) to 2009 (May)

Faculty Member, St. Pius X High School. Instruct the Advance College Credit Placement (ACCP) U.S. History I and U.S. History II course

2002 to 2008

Assistant Professor of History, Park University

Undergraduate Courses: American Civil War, Contemporary Issues, Introduction to the Humanities, Modern Geography, Introduction of Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, Themes in American History: 1865-1945, Themes in American History: 1492-1865, American National Government, Antebellum American Culture, World War II, Themes in American History: 1865-1945, First-Year Seminar, Cultural and Historical Aspects of the Scientific Endeavor, Cultural Geography, Geography of Terrorism, The Great War: 1914-1918, The Decade of the Sixties, Western Civilization I, Western Civilization II, and History of American Political Ideas.

1998 to 2001

Instructor of History, Park University

Undergraduate Courses: Kansas City Jazz, 19<sup>th</sup> Century Romantics and the Romantic Tradition, The American Indian, Themes in American History: 1492-1865, Europe, 1914-1950s, Kansas City: City of the Heartland, Modern Geography, Europe, 1789-1914, New Student Seminar and American Civilization Since 1945

1998-1999

Academic Dean, Kansas City College

Administrative Responsibilities and Undergraduate Courses: Introduction of American Politics, America Since 1945 and United States: Colonialism to Reconstruction.

1995-2000

Adjunct Instructor of History, Baker University

## MEDIA

- Print (Newspapers)
  - Maryland newspaper-February 2020
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  - [http://www.localkicks.com/politics/local\\_politics/van-hollen-joins-in-bill-to-bring-top-honors-to-black-world-war-i-heroes](http://www.localkicks.com/politics/local_politics/van-hollen-joins-in-bill-to-bring-top-honors-to-black-world-war-i-heroes)
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- Social Media (Podcasts)
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- Radio
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