

Curriculum Vitae
JOHN M. SACHER

PROFESSIONAL:

Associate Professor with Tenure, University of Central Florida, Orlando, 2010-
Assistant Professor, 2006-2010
Interim, Assistant Dean, College of Undergraduate Studies, 2019-2020, 2021-
Chair, History Department, 2011-2016
Associate Chair, History Department, 2007-2011
Associate Professor with Tenure, Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas, 2005-06
Assistant Professor, 2000-2005
Chair, Department of Social Sciences, 2003-06
Instructor, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 1999-2000

EDUCATION:

Doctor of Philosophy, Department of History, Louisiana State University, December 1999
Dissertation: “‘A Perfect War’: Politics and Parties in Louisiana, 1824-1861.”
Dissertation Director: William J. Cooper, Jr.
Master of Arts in History, Louisiana State University, 1994
Bachelor of Arts in History, with Highest Honors, University of Notre Dame, 1992

PUBLICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

PUBLICATIONS:

Books

Confederate Conscription and the Struggle for Southern Soldiers (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2021)

*Winner of 2021 Jules and Frances Landry Award for most outstanding LSU Press publication in the field of Southern Studies

*Finalist Gilder Lehrman Abraham Lincoln Prize

A Perfect War of Politics: Parties, Politicians, and Democracy in Louisiana, 1824-1861 (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2003).

*Winner of 2003 Kemper and Leila Williams Prize for best book on Louisiana History
Paperback edition Louisiana State University Press, 2007

Book Chapters

“Davis and the War,” in Aaron Sheehan-Dean, ed., *The Cambridge History of the American Civil War* (Cambridge University Press, 2019), 501-20.

“Searching for ‘Some Plain and Simple Method’: Jefferson Davis and Confederate Conscription,” in Samuel C. Hyde, ed., *The Enigmatic South: Toward Civil War and Its Legacies* (LSU Press, 2014), 133-149.

“Southern Politics” in Aaron Sheehan-Dean, ed., *A Companion to the U.S. Civil War* (Blackwell-Wiley, 2014), 830-848.

“The Elections of 1824 and 1828 and the Birth of Modern Politics,” in Sean P. Adams, ed., *A Companion to the Era of Andrew Jackson* (Blackwell-Wiley, 2013), 280-297.

“‘A Soldier’s Life is a Hard One at Best,’” in Lisa Tendrich Frank, ed., *Civil War: Perspectives in American Social History* (ABC-Clio, 2009), 1-17.

Refereed Articles

“Reconsidering the ‘Twenty-Negro’ Law as the Overseer Exemption,” *Journal of the Civil War Era* (June 2017), 269-92.

“The Loyal Draft Dodger? A Reexamination of Confederate Substitution,” *Civil War History*, (June 2011), 153-178.

“‘Our Interest and Destiny are the Same’: Gov. Thomas Overton Moore and Confederate Loyalty,” *Louisiana History* (Summer 2008), 261-286.

“‘A Very Disagreeable Business’: Confederate Conscription in Louisiana,” *Civil War History* 53 (June 2007), 141-169.

“‘The Ladies are Moving Everywhere’: Louisiana Women and Antebellum Politics,” *Louisiana History* 42 (Fall 2001), 439-57.

*Winner of the Presidents Memorial Award for Best Article in *Louisiana History*, 2001

“The Sudden Collapse of the Louisiana Whig Party,” *Journal of Southern History* 65 (May 1999), 221-48.

Included in Carolyn De Latte, ed., *Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Series in Louisiana History*, Volume 4, *Antebellum Louisiana, 1830-1860: Part B Politics* (Center for Louisiana Studies, 2004)

Peer-Reviewed Internet Article

“We Must Have Heavy Battalions”: Civil War Conscription in Essential Civil War Curriculum (May 2012) at <http://www.essentialcivilwarcurriculum.com/>

Other

“Twenty Negro or Overseer Law?: Ideas for the Classroom,” on Muster the website for the *Journal of the Civil War Era* <https://www.journalofthecivilwarera.org/2017/08/twenty-negro-overseer-law-ideas-classroom/>

Encyclopedia Articles

Entries for “Keziah Goodwyn Hopkins Brevard,” “Conscription,” “Desertion,” “Enlistment,” and “Southern Unionists,” “Imprisonment of Women,” in Lisa Tendrich Frank, ed., *Women in the American Civil War: An Encyclopedia* (ABC-CLIO, 2008).

Entries for “Louisiana” and “Education: Education of African Americans” in Paul Finkelman, ed., *Encyclopedia of the New American Nation* (Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2005).

Entry for “Edgar Farrar” in Roger K. Newman, ed., *Yale Biographical Dictionary of American Law* (Yale University Press, forthcoming).

Entries for “Antebellum Louisiana,” “Secession,” “Civil War,” “Soldiers,” and “Confederate Louisiana,” for KnowLA, Online Encyclopedia of Louisiana History and Culture sponsored by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities (forthcoming)

Book Reviews

Over forty book reviews in the following print and on-line journals: *Alabama Review*, *American Historical Review*, *American Nineteenth Century History*, *Georgia Historical Quarterly*, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, *Journal of Southern History*, *Journal of Historical Biography*, *Journal of the Civil War Era*, *Indiana Magazine of History*, *Louisiana History*, *Kansas History*, *Florida Historical Quarterly*, *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*, *Military History of the West*, *Great Plains Quarterly*, H-NET Book Reviews (H-Louisiana, H-South, H-Civwar), and Civil War Book Review.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

National:

“Responding to the Crisis in Higher Education: Empowering Boundary Brokers and Agents of Transformation,” Presentation as Part of a Roundtable, American Association of Colleges and Universities, Washington, DC, January 2020

“Do you think it contemptible for me to come home?”: Family Dynamics and Confederate Substitution," Society of Civil War Historians, Pittsburgh, May 2018.

“Connecting Veterans and Communities through Government-University Partnerships: The Veterans Legacy Program,” Paper as Part of a Roundtable, National Council on Public History, Las Vegas, April 2018.

“There Should be One Man Left on Every Plantation”: A Reappraisal of the “Twenty-Negro” Law, Society for Civil War Historians, Richmond, VA, June 2010

“Required by the Exigencies of the Times”: The 1862 Confederate Conscription Act, Society for Military History, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, April 2009

Confederate Substitutes and Principals: A Preliminary Analysis, Society for Civil War Historians, Philadelphia, June 2008

The Kansas-Nebraska Act and the Demise of Two Party Politics in Louisiana, Southern Historical Association, Memphis, Tennessee, November 2004.

“The Question of Slavery is No New Thing”: Slavery and Louisiana’s Partisan Politics in the 1850s, Social Science History Association, St. Louis, Missouri, October 2002.

“We Never Before Have Witnessed Such Enthusiasm”: Political Culture in 1844 Louisiana, American Historical Association, Chicago, Illinois, January 2000.

Regional:

Walking a Tightrope: Louisiana Governor Thomas Overton Moore and the Confederacy, Mid-America History Conference, Lawrence, Kansas, September 2005.

Rethinking Confederate Conscription, Mid-America History Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, September 2003.

“Banks to Steal the Money of the People, and Railroads to Run Away with it”: Internal Improvements and Antebellum Louisiana Politics, Southern Industrialization Project, St. Louis, Missouri, May 2002.

“Louisiana Will Act with Her Sister States of the South”: The Secession Crisis in the Pelican State, Mid-America History Conference, Stillwater, Oklahoma, September 2001.

“The Ladies are All Whigs”: Louisiana Women and the Presidential Elections of 1840 and 1844, Visible Women and Southern History Conference, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 1999.
(Winner of second prize for scholarly paper written on a Louisiana topic)

State

“The Confederacy May Go to the Devil”: Loyalty and Louisiana’s Civil War Soldiers, Louisiana Historical Association, Lafayette, Louisiana, March 2010

Moving from The Civil War in Louisiana to Louisiana in the Civil War, Louisiana Historical Association, Monroe, Louisiana, March 2009

Thomas Overton Moore and Confederate Identity, Louisiana Historical Association, Lafayette, Louisiana, March 2008

“Our Interest and Destiny are the Same”: Governor Thomas O. Moore and the Confederate Government, Louisiana Historical Association, March 2006

Confederate Conscription in Louisiana, Louisiana Historical Association, Hammond, Louisiana, March 2004.

“The Energy of the Ladies”: Women and Party Politics in Antebellum Louisiana, Louisiana Historical Association, Hammond, Louisiana, March 2001.

Louisiana’s 1812 Constitution: A Comparative Context, Louisiana Historical Association, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 1997

INVITED TALKS:

2021: Abraham Lincoln: Republican Politician, Who Freed the Slaves, Florida (and Florida Memory) in the Civil War, National Council of History Education, Osceola County

2020: Second Seminole War, UCF Learning Institute for Elders

2019: The History behind Hamilton, Legacy Pointe

2018: Civil War Memory, Florida Humanities Council Workshop

2017: Civil War Memory, Florida Humanities Council Workshop

2016: The Coming of the Civil War, Florida Humanities Council Workshop

2015: Slavery and Freedom, Florida Humanities Council Workshop
Civil War Memory, Pine Crest School, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

2014: Civil War Memory, Florida Humanities Council Workshop
The Price of Victory, 1864, Seminole County Public Libraries

Civil War 150: The Coming of the War, Seminole County Public Libraries
The Coming of the Civil War, Learning Institute for Elders

2013: Confederate Conscription, Florida Humanities Council Workshop

Invited Lecturer, Teaching American History Grants (national grants designed to improve the quality of Social Studies education in K-12 schools)

2014: Rio Grande, OH—20th Century Diplomacy

2013: Cleveland County, NC—The Civil War

2012: Citrus County, Florida—The Civil War

2011: Volusia County, Florida—The Civil War
Rio Grande, OH—Jacksonian America
Waco, Texas—Jacksonian America
Citrus County, Florida—Jacksonian America
Lawton, Oklahoma—The Early Republic
Miami, Florida--Slavery

2010: Kern County, California—Jacksonian America
Bradenton, Florida—Washington's America
Waco, Texas—Washington's America
Borrego Springs, California—The Early Republic
Monroe County, Florida—The Coming of the American Revolution

2009: Anderson, IN—Jacksonian America
Corinth, Mississippi—Secession and Civil War
Alcorn County, Mississippi—Jacksonian America
Cleveland County, NC—The American Revolution

2008: Charleston, SC—Secession and Civil War
Medford, Oregon—Jacksonian America
Fresno, California-- Jacksonian America
Miami, Florida—The Frontier (repeated in 2009 and 2010)
Orlando, Florida—Washington's America

2007: Jefferson, Louisiana-- Jacksonian America
Elk Grove, California-- Jacksonian America (repeated in 2009)

2006: Clay County, Florida—Civil War and Reconstruction

Invited Participant, "Going to Graduate School Session," National Phi Alpha Theta Conference (Orlando, 2012)

Invited Lecturer, Orange County History Center, "Why a Civil War Erupted in 1861," (January 2007) "Glory: Film and History," (February 2007) "Lincoln's Assassination Revisited," (April 2007) "Elections of 1800 and 1824," (February 2008), "Slavery: Myths and Realities" (November 2008), "Lincoln as a War Leader: The Controversies" (February 2009).

“The Civil War Started Here: The National Impact of Events in Territorial Kansas,” Tenth Annual Bleeding Kansas Program Series at Lecompton, Kansas, February 2006.

Historical Consultant for “Touched by Fire, Bleeding Kansas 1854-1861,” a documentary focusing on territorial Kansas, Lone Chimney Productions (summer 2005)

PRIZES AND GRANTS

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES:

Jules and Frances Landry Award, for most outstanding Louisiana State University Press book on Southern Studies for *Confederate Conscription and the Struggle for Southern Soldiers*, 2021

UCF Teaching Incentive Program, 2011, 2019

Mellon Research Fellowship, Virginia Historical Society, summer 2005.

Kemper and Leila Williams Prize for best book in Louisiana History for *A Perfect War of Politics: Parties, Politicians, and Democracy in Louisiana, 1824-1861*, 2003

Research and Creativity Summer Research Grant, Emporia State University, 2001, 2003

Presidents Memorial Award for Best Article in Louisiana History, 2001

T. Harry Williams Dissertation Fellowship, Louisiana State University, 1998-99

Board of Regents Fellowship, Louisiana State University, 1992-1996

GRANT INVOLVEMENT:

Co-PI, Veterans Legacy Program, Veterans Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, February 2019-November 2019, approximately \$300,000.

Co-PI, Veterans Legacy Program, Veterans Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, February 2018-November 2018, approximately \$300,000.

Co-PI, Veterans Legacy Program," Veterans Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, February 2017-September 2017, approximately, \$290,000.

Lead Historian, America in the Sunshine, Orange County Public Schools, Teaching American History Grant, 2008-11 (A \$1,600,000 grant to improve history teaching in the Orange County school system.)

Resident Historian, Monroe County, Teaching American History Grant, 2010-11 (A \$1,000,000 grant to improve history teaching in Monroe County.)

Member, Advisory Committee, Orange County Public Schools, Teaching American History Grant, 2007-10 (A \$1,000,000 grant to improve history teaching in the Orange County school system.)

Project Director, Kansas Veterans of World War II Oral History Project, Grant received from the Kansas State Historical Society, 2005-06, (A \$6,268 grant to interview World War II Veterans in Lyon County, KS.)

Emporia State University Representative and Steering Committee member for Teachers as Scholars in Kansas, Teaching American History Grant, 2002-05 (An \$861,000 grant to improve history teaching in Kansas public schools.)

TEACHING

COURSES TAUGHT:

Undergraduate Courses Taught at the University of Central Florida:

- AMH 2010 United States History to 1877
- AMH 4140 Jeffersonian America
- AMH 4160 Jacksonian America
- AMH 4170 Civil War and Reconstruction (both face to face and online)
- AMH 3402 History of the South to 1865

Graduate Courses Taught at the University of Central Florida

- AMH 5176 Colloquium in Civil War and Reconstruction
- AMH 5149 Readings in the Early Republic
- AMH 5169 Readings in Jacksonian America
- AMH 6939 Research Seminar in Civil War and Reconstruction
- AMH 5406 Colloquium in American South
- AMH 6939 Research Seminar in American South

OTHER TEACHING RELATED ACTIVITIES

University of Central Florida, Master's Thesis Supervision

- Nicholas Brown, "Death in the Land of Flowers: Environment as Enemy in the Second Seminole War," (2020)
- Kris Steele, "The Cause of Zion": Divisions between Southern Baptists in antebellum North Carolina (2016)
- Charles Brand, "'The Bane of Liberty': Opposition to Standing Armies as the Basis of Antifederalist Thought," (2013)
- Michael McConville, "The Politics of Slavery and Secession in Antebellum Florida, 1845-1861," (2012)
- Julian Boyden, "Vox Populi-Vox Belli: A Cultural Historical Study of Southern Antebellum Public Attitudes and Motivations towards Secession," (2012)
- Eric P. Totten, "The Ancient City Occupied: St. Augustine as a Test Case for Stephen Ash's Civil War Occupation Model," (2011)
- Leanna Thomas, "A Fractured Foundation: Discontinuities in Acadian Resettlement, 1755-1803,"(2011)
*Winner of the College of Arts and Humanities Outstanding Thesis Award
- Hunter Shaw, "For Home and Country: Confederate Nationalism in Western North Carolina," (2010)
- Daniel Lewis, "Thomas Jefferson and the Execution of the United States Indian Policy," (2010)
- Dwight Johnson, "A Public History Project: Fort Blakeley Fortifications," (2009)
- Sarah Clark, "The Popular Images of John Brown and Thomas 'Stonewall' Jackson," (2007).

University of Central Florida, Honors Undergraduate Thesis Supervision

- Eric Topolewski, "The Eyes and Ears of the Nation: America's First Spy Ring,"
Sharon Rodriguez, "The Evolving Emancipator: An Analysis of Abraham Lincoln and the Progression and Development of his Emancipationist Impulse," (2017).

University of Central Florida, Master's Thesis Committees

- Bryce Forgue, "Control, Consumption, and Connections: The Women of Eighteenth-Century Colchester, Virginia, and their Participation in the Atlantic World of Goods, 1760-1761," (2020)
- Tyler Campbell, "The First Florida Cavalry (US): Union Enlistment in the Civil War South's Southern Periphery," (2018)

Joshua Robinson, "Pompey's organization of the East," (2013)
Rustin Lloyd, "The Politics Of The Righteous: A Religious And Political History Of Conservative Neo-Evangelicals In Central Florida," (2013)
Andrew Doeg, "Outside The Cage: The Campaign to Destroy Mixed Martial Arts," (2013)
Corbett, Joseph, "Captain John Smith and American Identity: Evolutions of Constructed Narratives and Myths in the 20th and 21st Centuries," (2013)
Austin Smith, "Thought Crime And The Soviet Ark: The 1919 Deportation Of Russian Immigrants For "Radical" Ideologies As Political Theater," (2013)
Lindsey Turnbull, "White And Black Womanhoods And Their Representations In 1920s American Advertising," (2012)
Mark Schelhammer, "Florida's Paradox Of Progress: An Examination Of The Origins, Construction, And Impact Of The Tamiami Trail," (2012)
Rodriguez, Miguel, "Confrontational Christianity: Contextual Theology and Its Radicalization of the South African Anti-Apartheid Church Struggle," (2012)
Hussein Jalilie, "The Crypto-Jews And The Inquisition in Cartagena de Indias, 1610-1650," (2012)
Ashley Wilt, "Entering Nam: A Comparative Study Of The Entrance Experiences Of Volunteer And Drafted Service Members Into The Military During The Vietnam War," (2012)
Joseph England, "The Colonial Legacy Of Environmental Degradation In Nigeria's Niger River Delta," (2012)
Heather Bollinger, "The North Comes South: Northern Methodists In Florida During Reconstruction," (2011)
Lewis Metzger, "From Celery City To Navy Town: The Impact Of Naval Air Station: Sanford During World War II," (2010)

University of Central Florida, Summer Mentor Fellowship Supervision (competitive grant program for incoming MA students)

Sharon Rodriquez, "Dissent in the Mexican American War," (2018)

Other Teaching-Related Activities

Successfully completed IDL 6543 Interactive Distributed Learning course, Spring 2008

Faculty Focus, (University of Central Florida, FCTL), Vol. 8, No. 2 2009, 6-7.

"The 1824 Election: The Corrupt Bargain?" and "Was Lincoln Left off the Ballot in 1860 in the South," on Franklin's Opus, a website dedicated to providing content knowledge for K-12 educators (<http://franklinsopus.org/>)

Winner of 2009 Innovative Teaching and Learning Grant for running a Graduate History Conference (Grant submitted in conjunction with Drs. Peter Larson and Amelia Lyons.)

"Using 'Glory' in a Civil War Classroom," accepted proposal for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Workshop, Summer 2007.

Guest speaker, Phi Alpha Theta Film Series, "Glory" (2006, 2009), "Gods and Generals," 2006

Organizer "Condemned to Repeat It," and guest lecturer, "CSA: The Confederate States of America," Honors College Film Series, 2008

SERVICE

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Chair, 20th Century US Diplomatic History Search Committee, 2017-18
Panel Commentator, Shofner Lecture, 2018
Member, Office Manager Search Committee, 2018
Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2016-18
Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2016-
Speaker, Forum on How to be a Successful GTA (annual event), 2012-2020
Speaker, Going to Graduate School Workshop (annual event), 2008-2020
Chair, Digital History Search Committee, 2010-2011
Member, Assistant Editor, Florida Historical Quarterly, Search Committee, 2010-2011
Chair, Military History Search Committee, 2009-2010
Associate Chair of History, 2007-2011
Chair, Undergraduate Committee, 2007-2011
Chair, Barge Scholarship Committee, 2008-2010
Member, History Assessment Committee, 2007-2011
Department Representative, Faculty Staff Giving Campaign, 2008-2011
Member, Administrative Assistant Search Committee, 2008
Member, Chair Search Committee, 2008
Phi Alpha Theta Advisor, 2006-2008
History Club, Advisor, 2006-2008
Member, Florida History Search Committee, 2007
Organized and Lead Speaker, Forum, "What to do with a BA in History: Tips on How to Prepare for Graduate School," February 2007

EXTRA-DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

As part of my Interim Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Studies (2019-2020, 2021-2022), I serve on the following committees:

Removal of Medical Hold Committee, Academic Services Petition Review Committee (Chair), UCF Crisis Committee, Student Leadership and Academic Success Leadership Committee, Persistence and Major Readiness Committee (2021-2022), Associate Deans Executive Council, and I review Academic Integrity Cases (2021-2022 term only)
Member, Associate Vice Provost/Assistant Dean Student Success and Research Search, 2021-
Member, CAH Sabbatical Committee, 2021
Assessment, Review, Bachelor of Integrated Studies, Environmental Studies, 2019-2020, 2021-
Member, College of Arts and Humanities Sabbatical Committee, 2021
Speaker, CAH Faculty Promotion Workshop, 2020
Major Ready Work Group, 2019-2020
Speaker, UCF Summer Research Academy, 2019
Chair, CAH Instructor/Lecturer Committee, 2018-19
Member, Interdisciplinary Studies Director Search Committee, 2016-17
Member, CAH Instructor/Lecturer Promotion Committee, 2016-17
Chair, Judaic Studies Director Search Committee, 2015-2016
Speaker, College of Arts & Humanities, New Faculty Development Program: Annual Reports Panel, 2016
Chair, School of Visual Arts and Design Director Search Committee, 2012-2013
Building Manager, Colbourn Hall, 2012-2018
Member, UCF Bookstore Advisory Committee, Essay Scholarships, 2015

Member, CAH, Curriculum and Standards Committee, 2010-2014
Member, University Athletics Advisory Committee, 2011- Present
Member, College of Arts and Humanities (CAH), David Vickers Employee Recognition Awards Committee, 2012
Member, CAH, Student Founders' Day Selection Committee, 2012
Member, Board of Directors, University of Central Florida Creative School for Children, 2011-2012
Member, Search Committee (three searches), College of Arts and Humanities Student Advising Office, 2010-2011; 2011, 2012
Co-Chair, Faculty Staff Giving Campaign, 2009
Speaker at Faculty Staff Giving Campaign Kick-Off Breakfast, 2009
College of Education, Social Science Program Advisory Board Committee

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Louisiana Historical Association, Charter and By-Laws Committee, 2021 -
Louisiana Historical Association, Conrad Prize Committee, 2019-20
History Discipline Coordinator (State Course Numbering System), Florida, 2016-
External Reviewer, SUNY-New Paltz History Department, 2015
Board of Directors, Louisiana Historical Association, 2006-09
Executive Committee, 2008-09
Refereed 15 article submissions for the following journals: *Journal of Southern History*, *Civil War History*, *Kansas History*, *The Journal of the Early Republic*, *The Journal of the Civil War Era*, *Florida Historical Quarterly*, and *Louisiana History*
Outside Reviewer for nine proposal and manuscript submissions to the University Press of Kansas, Louisiana State University Press, the University Press of Mississippi, the University of Virginia Press, and the Center for Louisiana Studies
Member, C. Vann Woodward Dissertation Award Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2009-2010
Member, Advisory Board, Louisiana Digital Newspaper Project, 2009-2012
Referee for grant submission, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2009
Publications Committee, Louisiana Historical Association, 2004-2007, Chair, 2006-2007
Program Committee, Louisiana Historical Association, 2007-2008
Review Panelist, National Endowment for the Humanities, Faculty Humanities Workshops, June 2005, May 2007, May 2014
Outside Reviewer for Jonathan Earle, *John Brown's Raid on Harper's Ferry*, (Bedford St. Martin's, 2008)
Session Commentator, "The Politics of the US Civil War," Florida Conference of Historians (February 2016).
Session Commentator, "Confluence of Loyalties: The American Civil War Era," Louisiana State University History Graduate Student Association Conference, (March 2012)
Session Commentator, "Union Occupation of Louisiana During the Civil War," Louisiana Historical Association, (March 2007)
Session Commentator, "Nineteenth Century Presidents," Missouri Valley History Conference, March 2005
Session Chair, "Early Statehood in Louisiana: A Time of Transition," Louisiana Historical Association, March 2005
Session Chair, "Military Conflict in the Antebellum American South," Mid America History Conference, Springfield, Missouri, September 2004
Outside Reviewer for Alan Brinkley, *American History: A Survey* (McGraw-Hill, 13th edition, 2011)
Outside Reviewer for *The Brief American Pageant*, 7th Edition, (Wadsworth/Cengage, 2009).
Outside Reviewer for Victoria Bissell Brown and Timothy J. Shannon (eds.), *Going to the Source: The Bedford Reader in American History* (Bedford St. Martin's, 2004)

Member of American Historical Association, Southern Historical Association, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Louisiana Historical Association, Society of Civil War Historians, Florida Historical Society

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Public Talk, Alexander Hamilton, 2019

Member, Social Studies Advisory Committee, Avalon Elementary School, 2013-2020

Guest Speaker, "Being a Historian," Avalon Elementary School, November 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Member, Social Studies Textbook Evaluation Committee, 2015

Member, Education Committee, Orange County Regional Historical Center, 2011-2013

Member, Lincoln Bicentennial Committee, Orange County History Center, 2008