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TEACHING AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2022-present: Senator Edgar “Sonny” Mouton/BORSF Endowed Professor in Liberal Arts, UL Lafayette
2014-present: Professor of History, University of Louisiana at Lafayette
2010-present: Cheryl Courrégé Burguières/BORSF Endowed Professor in History, UL Lafayette
2009-2014: Associate Professor of History with tenure, UL Lafayette
2007-2010: SLEMCO/BORSF Professor in Liberal Arts, UL Lafayette
2003-2009: Assistant Professor of History, UL Lafayette
2001-2003: Research associate for Prof. Anthony J. Badger (then of Cambridge University, now of Northumbria University). Albert Gore Sr. Biography Project, Albert Gore Research Center, Middle Tennessee State Univ. Work contributed to [Albert Gore, Sr.: A Political Life](#).
2000-2001: Research Associate, Depts. of Chemical Engineering and History, University of Arkansas
1998-2000: Master Lecturer, University of Arkansas, Dept. of History
1997-1998: Graduate Assistant, University of Arkansas, Dept. of History
1996-1997: Research Assistant, Univ. of Southwestern Louisiana, Public Relations & News Services
1996: Teaching Assistant, Univ. of Southwestern Louisiana, Dept. of History

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

- 2023- Department Head, [Department of History, Geography, and Philosophy](#), University of Louisiana at Lafayette.
2011-2018: Director, [Center for Louisiana Studies](#), UL Lafayette. This position included oversight of the [Research Division](#) (including the Archive of Cajun and Creole Folklore), the [Programming and Special Projects Division](#), and the [UL Press](#). Beyond purely administrative matters, my role included fostered Louisiana-focused interdisciplinary research and programming efforts at the university and among outside cultural and historical institutions.

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Academic: “A Neighborhood and the Nadir: Mouton Addition and Freetown, 1880-1920” (10,254 words) for volume of collected essays on Freetown neighborhood. Submitted to editors. The volume is under editorial review with UL Press.
Academic: “Who Were Louisiana’s Klansmen of the 1920s?” In research stage.

Academic: “Anxiety, Authority, and Acceptance: Louisiana’s Congressional Delegation, 1960-1972.” In research stage.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Monographs

- 2014: [*Russell Long: A Life in Politics*](#). University Press of Mississippi, 224.
- 2002: [*Chemical Engineering at the University of Arkansas: A Centennial History, 1902-2002*](#). Phoenix International, an imprint of the University of Arkansas Press,, xiv, 214.

Public History

- 2025: [*The University of Louisiana at Lafayette*](#). Arcadia Publishing, Campus History Series, 128.
- 2007: [*Historic Lafayette*](#). Historical Publishing Network, 111.

Edited Volumes

- 2020: [*Firsthand Louisiana: Primary Sources in the History of the State*](#). Co-editor with Janet Allured and John R. Keeling. University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, 526.
- 2019: [*Rethinking New Acadia: Recent Essays on the Acadian Dispersal and Arrival in Louisiana*](#). University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, 124.
- 2015: [*Shackles of Memory: Creolization in the French Americas*](#). Co-editor with Jordan Kellman & Jean-Marc Masseaut. Lafayette: University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, 2015, 286.
- 2013: [*Louisiana Legacies: Readings in the History of the Pelican State*](#). Co-editor with Janet Allured. Malden, Mass.: Wiley-Blackwell, 341.
- 2011: [*Louisiana Beyond Black and White: New Interpretations of Race and Race Relations*](#). Lafayette: University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, 200.

Textbooks

- 2017: *Louisiana Through Time* (eighth-grade Louisiana history textbook). Co-author. Layton, Utah: Gibbs Smith, 491.

Articles in Refereed Scholarly Journals

- 2024: [“The Three Rs of Louisiana Segregationism: Rainach, Race, and Reds,”](#) co-authored with Yasuhiro Katagiri, *Louisiana History* 65 (2024): 5-66.
- 2007: [“‘We Both Have Reason to Feel Good About the Book’: Russell Long, T. Harry Williams, and Huey Long,”](#) *The Historian* 69 (Winter 2007): 706-727.
- 2005: [“‘High Time We Put Behind Us the Blind Prejudice of the Past’: Russell Long and Louisiana Politics, 1948-1952,”](#) *Louisiana History* 46 (Spring 2005): 133-153.
- 2000: [“‘A Peaceful Demonstration of Our Feelings Toward the Death’: University Students in Lafayette, Louisiana, React to Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Assassination,”](#) *Louisiana History* 41 (Summer

[2000](#)): 301-316.

- 1999: [“Insiders and Outsider: Earl K. Long and the Media, May-July, 1959,”](#) *Louisiana History* 40 (Spring 1999): 197-209. **Reprinted** in *The Age of the Longs, 1928-1960*, Vol. VIII of the *Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Series in Louisiana History*. Lafayette, La.: Center for Louisiana Studies, 2001: 454-463.
- 1998: “‘I Thought This Was Lafayette, the City Where We All Got Along’: Lafayette, Louisiana’s Reaction to the Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King,” *Ozark Historical Review*, (Spring 1998).

Book Chapters and Essays

- 2015: “The Marquis de Lafayette and Lafayette, Louisiana: Identity and Irony.” In [Lafayette in Transnational Context: Identity, Travel, and Nationalism in the Revolutionary Atlantic World](#), ed. Jordan Kellman (University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, 2015): 117-124.
- 2014: “Authenticity, Tourism, and Cajun Cuisine in Lafayette, Louisiana.” In [The Paradox of Authenticity in a Globalized World](#), ed. Russell Cobb (New York: Palgrave-Macmillan, 2014), 13-22.
- 2012: “Huey Long” and “The Civil Rights Movement,” short essays in *Being Louisiana: 200 Years of Statehood, A Catalog of Louisiana Artifacts*, ed. Jennifer Ritter Guidry (Baton Rouge: Louisiana Bicentennial Commission, 2012), 106, 127.
- 2007: “The Anti-Gore Campaigns of 1970,” with Anthony J. Badger. In [New Deal/New South: An Anthony J. Badger Reader](#). Fayetteville: University of Arkansas Press, 2007: 202-212.
- 2006: “New Orleans Becomes a Big-League City: The NFL-AFL Merger and the Creation of the New Orleans Saints” in [Horsehide, Pigskin, Oval Tracks, and Apple Pie: Essays on Sports and American Culture](#), ed. Jim Vlasich (Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland, 2006): 119-131. **Reprinted** in *Arts and Entertainment in Louisiana*, Vol. XII of the *Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Series in Louisiana History* (Lafayette, La.: Center for Louisiana Studies, 2006). **Reprinted** in [New Orleans Sports: Playing Hard in the Big Easy](#) (Fayetteville: University of Arkansas Press, 2019).
- 2003: [“Francois Xavier Martin,”](#) chapter in [Great American Judges, Vol. 2, L-Z](#), ed. John Vile, (Santa Barbara, Ca.: ABC-CLIO, 2003): 502-510.

Reports

- 2024: Expert Witness Report on the Politics of the First 2024 Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana State Legislature, Louisiana Redistricting Lawsuit *Callais v. Landry*, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana - No. 3:24-cv-122, March 27, 2024, 38 pp. [Noted here](#).
- 2023: Expert Witness Rebuttal Report, Louisiana redistricting lawsuits *Robinson, et al. v. Ardoin* (Civil Action No. 3:22-cv-00211-SDD-RLB) and *Galman et al. v. Ardoin* (Civil Action No. 3:22-cv-00214-SDD-RLB) U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana, September 28, 2023, 76 pp. [Noted here](#).
- 2013: [“Freetown As It Was and As It Is,”](#) with C. Ray Brassieur and Lionel Lyles. Written for Lafayette Freetown-Port Rico Coterie. December 2013. 56 pp.

Encyclopedia Articles

- 2007: "LONG, Russell Billiu." *Scribner Encyclopedia of American Lives*. Vol. 7. *Notable Americans Who Died Between 2003 and 2005*. Farmington Hills, Mich.: Thomson Gale, 2007: 334-336.
- 2007: "Long, Russell." [American National Biography Online](http://www.anb.org/articles/07/07-00798.html). (www.anb.org) American Council of Learned Societies and Oxford University Press. http://www.anb.org/articles/07/07-00798.html

Book Reviews

- 2008: Review of Keith Finley, *Delaying the Dream: Southern Senators and the Fight Against Civil Rights* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2008) in *Arkansas Historical Quarterly* 48 (Winter 2009): 457-459.
- 2008: [Review of Mary Ann Sternberg, *Winding Through Time: The Forgotten History and Present-Day Peril of Bayou Manchac*](#) (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2007) *Journal of Southern History* 74 (August 2008): 775-776.
- 2007: [Review of Christopher B. Strain, *Pure Fire: Self-Defense as Activism in the Civil Rights Era*](#), (Athens, Ga.: The University of Georgia Press, 2005). *Louisiana History* 48 (Spring 2007): 245-247.
- 2005: "Political Peculiarities and Processes in the Pelican State," review of Wayne Parent, *Inside the Carnival: Unmasking Louisiana Politics* (Baton Rouge: LSU Press, 2004). H-Louisiana. 8 April 2005.
- 2004: [Review of Philip Scranton, ed., *The Second Wave: Southern Industrialization from the 1940s to the 1970s*](#) (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2001). *The South Carolina Historical Magazine* 105:1 (January 2004): 64-66.

Blogs

- 2015: ["Sounds of a Culture."](#) Co-author, with Center for Louisiana Studies staff, October 2015.

Record Production

- 2016: Executive producer: [Walter Mouton and the Scott Playboys: Live at Festivals Acadiens et Creoles, 1992-2014](#). Center for Louisiana Studies, Festivals Acadiens et Creoles, Swallow Records.
- 2015: Executive producer: *Acadie à Louisiane: Festivals Acadiens et Creoles*. UL Lafayette and Festivals Acadiens et Creoles.
- 2014: Co-producer: [Brand New Old Songs: Recycling the Lomax Recordings](#). Center for Louisiana Studies.

Articles in Magazines

- 2016: ["Zachary Richard: Humanist of the Year,"](#) *Louisiana Cultural Vistas* (Spring 2016).
- 2015: ["Violence, Vetoes, and Votes: Victor Bussie and the Battle over the Right to Work in Louisiana,"](#) *Louisiana Cultural Vistas* (Fall 2015).
- 2014: "Russell Long: A Life in Politics," *Louisiana Cultural Vistas* (Fall 2014).

- 1998: "Aftermath," *La Louisiane, The Magazine of the University of Southwestern Louisiana*, (Spring 1998).
- 1997: "Justice for All: USL and the Era of Integration," with Claire Taylor, *La Louisiane, The Magazine of the University of Southwestern Louisiana*, (Spring 1997).
- 1996: "First Class: Students Faced Century With Faith in Education," *La Louisiane, The Magazine of the University of Southwestern Louisiana*, (Fall 1996).
- 1996: "Goin' Down to Washington," *Verite*, (Winter 1995-96).
- 1994: "The Treasures Within the Lafayette Museum," *Verite*, (Spring 1994).

GRANTS AND SPONSORED PROJECTS WORK

- 2022: £44,899.43 (\$60,614.23) Co-Principle Investigator with [David Ballantyne, Keele University](#), and [Andrea Livesey, Liverpool John Moores University](#). "Reckoning with Racial Conflict: Comparative Perspectives." [Arts and Humanities Research Council \(U.K.\) Networking Grant](#). 2022. *Not Awarded*.
- 2021: \$10,000. Sanders Research Scholar Award, [Center for Southeast Louisiana Studies, Southeastern Louisiana University](#). *Awarded*.
- 2021: Member of Humanities Advisory Team for "Exploring the Cajun Roots: Augmented Reality Tour of Acadia History," [Dr. Beenish Chaudhry's NEH Discovery Grant](#) for augmented reality tour of Vermilionville Living History Museum. *Awarded*.
- 2015: \$2,000. "The Path to a New Acadia." Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Education Series fund. *Awarded*.
- 2012-2013: \$38,816. Co-Principle Investigator. "The Freetown History and Culture Project." Lafayette Consolidated Government and the Freetown/Port Rico Coterie. *Awarded*.
- 2009-2011: \$373,000. Principle Investigator for UL Lafayette Subcontract for "Louisiana's Place in Traditional American History." Jefferson Davis Parish School System. U.S. Department of Education Teaching American History Grant. *Not awarded*.
- 2009-2013: \$173,125. Co-Principle Investigator for Subcontract for "Conflict and Resolution." Lafayette Parish School System. U.S. Department of Education Teaching American History Grant. *Awarded*.
- 2008: \$954. Principle Investigator for Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities Outreach Grant *How the Civil Rights Movement Changed and Did Not Change Louisiana*. *Awarded*.
- 2008: \$600. UL Lafayette Student Government Association Lyceum Committee Grant for lecturer Adam Fairclough, University of Leiden. *Awarded*.
- 2007: \$100. UL Lafayette Student Government Association Lyceum Committee Grant for lecturer James Wilson, Center for Louisiana Studies. *Awarded*.
- 2006: \$600. UL Lafayette Student Government Association Lyceum Committee Grant for lecturer Mikhail Suprun, Pomor State University (Russia). *Awarded*.
- 2005: \$2500. Principle Investigator to coordinate UL Lafayette-New Orleans Notarial Archives internship cooperative endeavor. Funded by New Orleans Notarial Archives. *Awarded*.

- 2004: \$2,500. Principle Investigator for Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities Outreach Grant (Project Director): *Fifty Years Later: Commemorating the Desegregation of Southwestern Louisiana Institute*. Other funding awarded for same project: \$500 from the Deep South Regional Humanities Center; \$250 from the UL Lafayette Alumni Association; \$250 from the Christiana Smith African-American Chapter of the UL Lafayette Alumni Association; \$500 from the UL Lafayette College of Liberal Arts; \$598 from the UL Lafayette Student Government Association Lyceum Committee; \$250 from Alpha Phi Alpha. *All awarded.*
- 2001: \$1,500. Baum Grant, University of Arkansas, for development of history graduate student computer lab. *Awarded.*
- 2001: \$1,000. Diane Blair Dissertation Research Grant, University of Arkansas Department of History: \$1,000. *Awarded.*
- 2001: University of Arkansas Summer Dissertation Research Award. *Awarded.*

TEACHING AND GRADUATE DIRECTION

Teaching Interests: Louisiana History; Public History; History of the U. S. South

Teaching Competencies

Courses taught at UL Lafayette:

U. S. History to 1877
Louisiana History
Louisiana and the World
Louisiana History Through Music
From the Great Depression to the Reagan Revolution
Contemporary America
The Longs in Fact and Fiction
Colonial and Revolutionary America
The American Revolution
Rethinking the Modern South, 1900-2000
Twentieth-Century Louisiana
Corporate & Institutional Histories (Applied Public History)
Local History (Applied Public History)
Readings in Cajun Identity: Directed Independent Study (Undergraduate)
Readings in Italian Louisiana: Directed Independent Study (Undergraduate)
American Diplomacy between the Wars: Directed Independent Study (Undergraduate)
Historical Research and Writing Seminar capstone course (Undergraduate)
Seminar on the Modern South (Undergraduate/Graduate)
Public History Readings: Directed Independent Study (Graduate)
Louisiana Politics, 1898-1960: Directed Independent Study (Graduate)
Louisiana, 1699-2000: Directed Independent Study (Graduate)
Louisiana and Southern Politics, 1928-present: Directed Independent Study (Graduate)
Race and Relationship in the Jim Crow South: Co-Directed Independent Study (Graduate)

Urban History: Directed Independent Study (Graduate)
Historical Editing (Applied Public History, Graduate)
The Longs of Louisiana (Graduate)
The United States since 1945 (Graduate)
The American Colonial Experience (Graduate)
Reinterpreting Recent Southern History (Graduate)
Readings in American History Seminar (Graduate)
Recent Trends in Louisiana History (Graduate)

Courses taught at the University of Arkansas (1998-2001):

History of the American People to 1877
History of the American People since 1877
Western Civilizations I

Graduate Direction and Committee Work At UL Lafayette

Master's Theses – Completed:

- 2005: Naquin, Thomas. "The Big Muddy and the Bayou State: Louisiana's Reaction to Vietnam, 1964-1973." Naquin is deceased. He worked as a historian at the World War II Museum.
- 2005: [Gibbens, Patrick](#). "From Provincial Progressive to Political Obsolescence: Congressman Edwin Willis and His Journey through the Cold War, 1948-1968." Gibbens is currently an assistant professor of history with South Louisiana Community College.
- 2008: Tweedel, Erin. "Local History and the Louisiana State Comprehensive Curriculum." Tweedel became a teacher with Lafayette Parish Public Schools.
- 2008: O'Bannon, Mark. "Religious Non-Conformity in French Colonial Louisiana." O'Bannon is deceased.
- 2008: Murphy, Dan. "Making the Meta-City: Shreveport, Louisiana, as a Central Media City for the Ark-La-Tex Region." Murphy is a high school teacher in Alexandria, La.
- 2008: [Griffin, Gareth](#). "Flames of Hate: The New Orleans Upstairs Lounge Fire, 24 June 1973." Griffin is director of Prospect Development at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- 2009: DeRouen, Charles M. "The Long Lieutenants: A Political Machine's Continuity, 1934-1939."
- 2011: [Flanagan, Patrick](#). "Terror on the Horizon: The Deslondes Slave Rebellion of 1811." Flanagan is a teacher with Metro Nashville (TN) Public Schools.
- 2012: [Senette, Sarah](#). "None Longed to Go Back to the 'Mud-Holes of New Orleans': The Multiethnic Frontier and Egalitarian Cattle Culture of the Southwest Louisiana Prairie, 1680-1850." Senette received a fellowship for Tulane University's Ph.D. program in history. She is an instructor at South Louisiana Community College.
- 2012: [Flint, Brandon](#). "The Dissent of the Godly: Crime, Criminals, and Law in Puritan New England, 1620-1650." Flint received a fellowship and earned his doctorate from the University of Missouri's Ph.D. program in history. He is currently on the faculty of Liaoning Normal-Missouri State College of International Business in Dalian, China.

- 2015: Brittman, Edward. "Deliberation and Implementation of the Breau Act." Brittman received a Presidential Fellowship for the [University of South Florida's Ph.D. program](#) in history.
- 2016: [Donovan, Mary Magdalene](#). "Maneuvering Life: Women of Color on the Louisiana Frontier." Donovan was accepted into Tulane University's Ph.D. program in history with full funding.
- 2018: [McKinney, Karen](#) "Louisiana Coastal Vernacular: Grand Isle, 1783-1931." McKinney is an adjunct instructor specializing in historic restoration in the UL Lafayette School of Architecture and Design.
- 2019: [Stephens, David Chase](#). "Congressman Edwin Willis, 1957-1968: HUAC, Civil Rights, and the Ku Klux Klan." Stephens is a doctoral student at Auburn University with full funding.
- 2019: [Blomquist, Rachel](#). "Jambalaya, Apple Pie, *Chante Quelque Chose Oh Yé Yaille*: A History of Cajun Culture through Music from the Early 1920s to the Late 1980s." Blomquist is a museum registrar at the Anderson Abruzzo International Balloon Museum Foundation, Albuquerque, NM.
- 2020: Jones, Rex, Jr. "Two Quiet Revolutions and the Transformation of American Health Care." Jones teaches Social Studies at Episcopal School of Acadiana and is pursuing a Ph.D. in history at Louisiana State University. Jones's thesis won the 2020 [Neitzel Family Endowed Graduate Student Award in Louisiana Studies](#).
- 2021: Tate, Nicholas. "The Council for the Development of French in Louisiana and Cultural Commodification."
- 2024: Suir, Taylor. "Beausoleil Marks the Spot: Commemorating *Le Grand Dérangement* in Loreauville, Louisiana." Suir is Program Coordinator for Digital Collections with the Iberia African American Historical Society Center for Research and Learning.
- 2024: Fontenot, Logan. "Similarly Situated: The Desegregation and Integration of Southwestern Louisiana Institute and John McNeese State College, 1946-1973." Fontenot is a doctoral student at LSU.
- 2024: Collier, Cameron. "New Orleans Jews and Civil Rights." Collier is a secondary school history teacher in Nashville, TN.

Master's Theses/Public History Capston Projects Under Direction:

- 2025: Granier, Cade. "Mulate's Restaurant and Cajun Culture." Thesis.
- 2025: Johnston, Kallie. "Ya MeeMaw's Magnalite Collection: A Cajun Recipe and Oral History Archive." Public History Capstone.
- 2025: Mayner, Xian. "Kicking the Dust: Cajun Dancehalls and Dance Spaces." Public History Capstone.
- 2025: Mayer, Matthew. "Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Student Center and the Desegregation of SLI during the 1950s." Public History Capstone.

Non-Thesis Track Advisees:

Guidry, Courtney (2007)
McVay, Brittney (2008)
Fontenot, Paula (2011)

Wooster, Simon (2011)
Frey, Philip (2012)
Semere, Lauryn (2016)

Bordelon, Claire (2022)
Gordon Eatley (2024)
Emma Willis (2024)

M.A. Committee Membership (2003-2024):

Bennett, David	Foster, Jason	Hughes, Laura	Reed, Kaiser
Bourque, Todd	Foote, Ruth	Jenkins, Ellena	Richard, Greg
Brodowski, Hilary	Gause, Christell	Jones, Thomas	Richardson, Jordan
Brown, Yvonne	Gautreaux, Jacob	Karnath, Mary	Roberson,
Case, Margaret	Gutekunst, Patricia	Kent, Joe	Tranquilla
Churay, Mary	Hampes, Matthew	Landry, Tim	Savoie, Christine
Cummings, Russ	Harvey, Michelle	Lee, Tamla	Schexnayder,
David, Joey	Henderson, Seth	Luquette, Marianna	Samantha
Dossmann, Meagan	Holmes, Tiffany	Manuel, Daniel	Stokes, Anne-Marie
Estes, Guy	Honeycutt, Scott	Myers, Matthew	Vo, Thanh
Foret, Mary	Hopkins, Joel	Patton, Kara	

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Professional Service for the Louisiana Historical Association

- 2010-: [Managing Editor, *Louisiana History: The Quarterly Journal of the Louisiana Historical Association*](#). This position includes oversight and editing of all aspects of the publication of each four-issue annual volume ([Volumes 50-65](#) at present). Each volume contains 528 pp. Since the summer of 2020, this position has also included oversight of an MA-level editorial assistantship at UL Lafayette.
- 2010-: Member, [Executive Committee](#)
- 2010-: Member (ex-officio), [Publications Committee](#)
- 2011- Member (ex-officio), [Hugh Rankin Prize Committee](#)
- 2015: Chair, Local Arrangements Committee
- 2010-11: Member, Board of Directors
- 2011: Member, Program Committee
- 2008-11: Chair, Committee on Teaching
- 2003-10: Article Referee: *Louisiana History*
- 2005-08: Member, Committee on Teaching
- 2004-07: Member, Board of Directors

Professional Service for the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities

- 2022: Entry Reviewer, *64 Parishes*
- 2015: Consulting scholar, Louisiana Governors Project
- 2011: Six-week RELIC Library Program: “Louisiana History: Perspectives on the Pelican State.” Lafayette Parish Public Library (April-May)

- 2010: Six-week RELIC Library Program: “Louisiana History: Perspectives on the Pelican State.” Vermilion Parish Public Library (September-October)
- 2010-2011: Principal Scholar for “Journey Stories,” an initiative of Museums on Main Street, a partnership of the Smithsonian Institution, the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, and the Acadian Museum of St. Martinville, La.
- 2008: Six-week RELIC Library Program: “Louisiana History: Perspectives on the Pelican State.” Iberia Parish Public Library (October-November)
- 2008: Outside Evaluator for Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities Public Humanities Grant. Banners Series, McNeese State University.

Service for the Center for Louisiana Studies/UL Lafayette Press/Center for Cultural and Eco-Tourism *prior to becoming Director* (2003-2011)

Manuscript Reviewer

- 2004-11: Member, UL Press Editorial Board
- 2005-11: Fellow, CCET

Professional Service for the Louisiana Folklore Society

- 2017-18: Member, Board of Directors, 2017-2018

Manuscript Reviewer

University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, Louisiana State University Press, University Press of Mississippi

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Professional Paper Presentations

- 2025: “The St. Landry Klan of the Early 1920s,” Louisiana Historical Association, March 15.
- 2024: “Who Were Louisiana’s Klansmen of the Early 1920s? Findings from Gov. John Parker’s List of Ku Klux Klan Members,” Louisiana Historical Association. March 22.
- 2021: “‘You have followed even the slightest suggestion that the President L.B.J. has ordered’: Hale Boggs, James Morrison, Russell Long, and the Great Society.” 2021 [Southeast Louisiana Historical Association meeting](#). October 21., Hammond, La.
- 2021: “Anxiety, Authority, and Acceptance: Louisiana’s Congressional Delegation, 1960-1972.” Louisiana Historical Association. [Online](#).
- 2016: “Louisiana’s Richard ‘Dickie’ Landry and Avant-Garde New York.” Society for the Study of Southern Literature, Boston, Mass.

- 2015: "Forty Years of Publishing in Louisiana: The UL Press." American Culture Association/Popular Culture Association meeting, New Orleans, La.
 - 2010: "The Battle Over the 'Right to Work': Vetoes and Votes in Post-World War II Louisiana." Southwestern Historical Association meeting, Houston, Tx.
 - 2010: "The Battle Over the 'Right to Work': Vetoes and Votes in Post-World War II Louisiana." Louisiana Historical Association
 - 2010: "'Right to Work' Proposals in Post-World War II Louisiana." Phi Alpha Theta Biennial National Convention, San Diego, Ca.
 - 2009: "Searching for Authenticity: Cajun Food and a 'Golden Age' of Cajun Culture." 2009 Louisiana Historical Association meeting
 - 2007: "Russell Long's Louisiana and National Contexts." 2007 Louisiana Historical Association meeting
 - 2006: "Russell Long and States' Rights, 1948-1968." 2006 Louisiana Historical Association meeting
 - 2006: "Nascent Neo-Con or New Deal Liberal?: Senator Russell B. Long of Louisiana." Phi Alpha Theta Biennial National meeting, Philadelphia, Pa.
 - 2005: "'Congress is Perhaps Better Off Without the Smell of This Sort of Proposed Legislation on its Hands': Russell Long and the Second Reconstruction," The Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965: A Conference, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, Louisiana
 - 2004: "'A Fabulously Complex and Unworkable Monstrosity': Russell Long and the Family Assistance Plan, 1969-1972," Organization of American Historians Southern Regional Meeting
 - 2004: "Russell Long, the Family Assistance Plan, and the Politics of Poverty, 1969-1972," Louisiana Historical Association
 - 2003: "The Anti-Gore Candidates in the 1970 Tennessee Senate Campaign," with Anthony J. Badger, Tennessee Conference of Historians
 - 2003: "New Orleans Becomes a Big-League City: The NFL-AFL Merger and the Creation of the New Orleans Saints," Popular Culture Association and American Culture Association meeting
 - 2003: "Russell Long and the Cold War," Louisiana Historical Association
- 1997-2002 presentations included: Tennessee Conference of Historians (2002); Phi Alpha Theta—Arkansas Regional Conference (1999, 2001); The Citadel Conference on the South (2000); Gulf South History and Humanities Conference (1998); Mid-America Conference on History (2002, 1998); Louisiana Historical Association (1997, 1998, 2002); Arkansas Association of College History Teachers meeting (1997); Phi Alpha Theta—Southwestern Social Sciences meeting (1997)

Professional Conference/Panel Proposals and Participation

- 2022: Panelist, "Confronting the Ghosts of our Institution's Past, Present, and Future: Building Name and Race at Two Deep South Campuses." [American Historical Association](#).
- 2021: Organized Online Roundtable Panel, "Building Renaming on a University Campus: Motivations, Justifications, and Observations." 2021 Louisiana Historical Association. [Online](#).

- 2017: Co-organized, “H2O/LA: An Examination of Louisiana’s Relationship with Water” day-long symposium
- 2016: Co-organized, “Cajun Dance Halls and Zydeco Clubs, Then and Now” day-long symposium.
- 2016: “The Significance of the National Historic Designation: Lafayette’s Freetown/Port Rico Neighborhood.” Louisiana Historical Association proposal (accepted), chair, and roundtable participant
- 2015: Organized “The Path to a New Acadia: A Symposium on the 250th Anniversary of the Acadians’ Arrival in Louisiana” day-long event. October 8, 2015.
- 2015: Organized “Gun Violence in Louisiana: A Symposium” day-long event.
- 2011: Organized and chaired “Teaching History: On Site and ‘On the Move.’” Louisiana Historical Association meeting.
- 2011: Organized “Politics and Religion in the Age of Jim Crow.” Louisiana Historical Association meeting
- 2010: Organized “The ‘Right to Work’ and Conservative Politics in Post-World War II Louisiana” proposal for Southwestern Historical Association meeting
- 2010: Organized “The Louisiana Voices Educators’ Guide: Online Resources for Louisiana’s K-12 and College Teachers” for Louisiana Historical Association
- 2010: Organized “Rise of the New Right in Cold War Louisiana” for the Louisiana Historical Association
- 2008: Organized “Teaching History in Louisiana Colleges and Universities: A Roundtable.” Louisiana Historical Association
- 2008: Participant. “Massive Resistance: The Reaction to the Civil Rights Movement in Louisiana.” 2008 Civil Rights Conference. Northwestern State University. Natchitoches, Louisiana.
- 2007: Organized “Russell Long After Twenty Years,” Louisiana Historical Association
- 2006: Organized “States’ Rights, Race, and Reds in Twentieth Century Louisiana,” Louisiana Historical Association
- 2004: Organized “Fifty Years Later: Commemorating the Desegregation of Southwestern Louisiana Institute.” September 10 & 11, 2004.
- 2003: Participant. “Protest, Politics, and the Law: Baton Rouge and the Civil Rights Movement,” Baton Rouge Bus Boycott 50th Anniversary.
- 2003: Organized “Louisiana and the Cold War,” Louisiana Historical Association. Panel prepared with Charles Pellegrin, Mississippi State University.
- 2002: Organized “History, Biography, and Twentieth-Century Politics,” Mid-America Conference on History. Panel prepared with Jeffrey Littlejohn, Norfolk State University.

Professional Comments

- 2019: “Why We Sound the Way We Do.” Chair and comment. Louisiana Historical Association

- 2018: "Beyond the JFK Assassination Debate: New Directions in Scholarship on New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison." Chair and comment. Gulf South History and Humanities Conference
- 2018: "'Things and Their Networks in Early Louisiana.'" Louisiana Historical Association
- 2017: "Social Change, State Programs, and the Legacy of the Longs." Louisiana Historical Association
- 2011: "The Right and the Republican Party in 1950s and 1960s Louisiana." Louisiana Historical Association
- 2010: "Youth in the United States." National Meeting of Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society
- 2010: "Natural Disasters in History." National Meeting of Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society
- 2008: "A Moderate City in an Era of Massive Resistance?" Chair and comment. Meeting of the Urban History Association
- 2008: "Revisiting the School Desegregation Crisis in Norfolk, Virginia." Chair and comment. Southwestern Historical Association
- 2008: "Twentieth-Century American Entertainment." National Convention of Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society.
- 2008: "Media Responses." National Convention of Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society.

Chaired Sessions at Professional Meetings

2025 Phi Alpha Theta National Convention; 2019, 2018, 2011, 2009, 2007, 2006, 2005 Phi Alpha Theta Regional Meeting; 2017 Organization of American Historians; 2002 Mid-America Conference on History

Other Professional Service

- 2018: organized and moderated "An Evening of Cajun Culture and Music," Jackson State Community College, Jackson, TN, April 16, 2018
- 2016-17: member, Advisory Council, Louisiana in World War II exhibit, The National WWII Museum, New Orleans
- 2015: outside evaluator for tenure review, Department of History, Loyola University New Orleans
- 2014: external review of University of Arkansas-Monticello Department of History program, Arkansas Department of Higher Education
- 2012: reviewer for online CultureGrams (<http://online.culturegrams.com>) Louisiana State Edition
- 2010: consultant for River Road African-American History Museum, Donaldsonville, La.
- 2010: outside evaluator of "Democracy and Diversity in Walker County, Texas." Enhancement Research Grant, Sam Houston State University.
- 2009: Manuscript Reviewer: Peter Lang Publishing
- 2009: Article Referee: *Agricultural History*
- 2007-: Member, H-Louisiana Advisory Board

- 2006: outside evaluator of “‘They Say That We Must Have Moderation’: The Struggle for Educational Equality in Norfolk, Virginia, and Why It Matters Today.” Enhancement Grant for Professional Development, Sam Houston State University.
- 2005: Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Proposal reader/reviewer for *New Orleans, An American Experience Special*.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

For the University of Louisiana at Lafayette

- 2024-: Graduate Faculty Membership Committee
- 2024-: Committee on Graduate Student Success and Retention
- 2023: Consulting Scholar, UL 125th-Anniversary Committee
- 2020-: Member, Campus Building Names Task Force
- 2004-: Member, Graduate Faculty (2004-2013); Level II (2014-)
- 2018-: Affiliated Faculty, [Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Center for Public Policy](#)
- 2020: [Panelist, Election Reflection 2020](#)
- 2018-19: Member, UL Global Campus Monument committee
- 2018-19: Member, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Center for Public Policy director hiring committee
- 2018-19: Member, Campus Cupboard committee
- 2018: Chair, Neitzel Family Endowed Prize in Louisiana Studies committee
- 2017: Presenter, Louisiana Studies Cajun Ignite Presentations, “The Center for Louisiana Studies as a Hub for Louisiana Scholars”
- 2017: Chair, J. J. Burdin, M.D, and Helen B. Burdin Professorship in Louisiana Studies Selection Committee.
- 2017: Member, Louisiana Studies Community of Interest Committee
- 2015-: Member, College of Liberal Arts Professorship Selection Committee, 2015, 2017, 2024
- 2015: Member, Eminent Chair in Liberal Arts QSN Committee
- 2014-19: Speaker, “Professional Development for Graduate Students,” Graduate School Orientation
- 2014: Speaker, “Professional Development for Graduate Students,” Lunch and Learn Workshop, Graduate School
- 2012: Speaker, “The Peer Review Process from the Inside and Out,” Graduate Student Appreciation Week Professional Development Workshop
- 2012: Master of Ceremonies, *Antonine Maillet and Her World: Retour en Acadie*, the Festival of the Arts Symposium
- 2012: Co-coordinator, *The Distant Brought Near: A Discussion Series Inspired by the Art of George Schmidt*, with Lee Gray, Hilliard University Art Museum
- 2012-22: Member, Comeaux Chair in Traditional Music Advisory Committee

2012-15: Member, Campus Planning Committee
2011-12: Member, University Research Council
2011: Faculty Mentor, SOUL Camp/United Way of Acadiana
2011: Member, Search Committee, UL Child Development Center Program Coordinator/Assistant Director
2007-18: Member, James Williams Rivers Prize Committee
2004-11: Member, Faculty Alumni Committee

For the UL Lafayette Department of History, Geography, and Philosophy

2023-: Interim Department Head
2019-: New History Faculty Mentor
2020-: Member, Public History Committee
2019-: Contributing Faculty Member, Guilbeau Center for Public History
2018-23: Member, Dual Enrollment Committee
2004-: Member, Graduate Studies Committee
2013-: Chair, Guilbeau Charitable Trust UL Lafayette Collections Research Awards Committee
2020, 2022: Chair, Midtenure Review Committee
2018-19: Chair, African-American History Hiring Committee
2019: Representative, Majors and Minors Fair
2008-11: Chair, Outreach Committee
2007-08: Chair, Latin American Hiring Committee
2004-11: Chair, Charles B. Allen Memorial Award for Contributions to Phi Alpha Theta Committee
2010-11: Member, African-American Hiring Committee
2004-06: Member, Finance Committee
2005: Member, Geography Hiring Committee
2006-07: Member, British History Hiring Committee
2004, 2023-: Preview Day, History Department Representative

Other

2000-01: Member, Resources Committee, History Organization of Graduate Students, Univ. of Arkansas
2000-01: Member, Membership Committee, History Organization of Graduate Students, Univ. of Arkansas
2001: Student Member, Grievance Committee, Graduate School, University of Arkansas

ADVISING

2018-: Undergraduate Advisor, Department of History, Geography, and Philosophy, UL Lafayette.
28 current advisees

2004-: Faculty Co-Advisor, Epsilon-Xi chapter, [Phi Alpha Theta](#), UL Lafayette (2004-2015, 2018-)
2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 **Best Chapter** for National Division V (15,001 to
23,000 students)

2008-2011, maintained Epsilon Xi chapter's Moodle website

organized community service projects: Habitat for Humanity (2006, 2007); Susan G. Komen
Race for the Cure (2007); American Heart Association Heart Walk (2005, 2006, 2007,
2009)

2004-09: General Editor, *Clio's Quill*, journal published annually by the Epsilon Xi Chapter
of Phi Alpha Theta.

2004-07: Editor, *Clio's Musings*, UL Lafayette Department of History and Epsilon Xi Chapter
of Phi Alpha Theta newsletter.

2006-2011, Director of Epsilon Xi Guest Lecture Series:

- February 2006: "Massive Resistance and the Problem of School Integration in Norfolk, Virginia," Jeffrey Littlejohn, Sam Houston State University.
- September 2006: "Lend-Lease and Russia," Mikhail Suprun, Pomor State University (Russia).
- February 2007: "Pierre Caliste Landry: The Louisiana Slave Who Became the First African-American Mayor," James Wilson, Center for Louisiana Studies.
- September 2007: "From Stormtroopers to Klansmen? A Transnational Episode in the History of German Right-Wing Political Culture," Richard Frankel, UL Lafayette
- February 2008: "The Heritage Fallacy: Race, Loyalty, and the First Grambling-Southern Football Game," Tom Aiello, UL Lafayette
- February 2011: "Before 'Civil Rights' Were in Vogue: Black Lawyers in the Jim Crow South," David Pye, UL Lafayette

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Co-Curricular Presentations

2024: "A Tale of Two Lafayettes," Lafayette Kiwanis Club

2024: "From Long to Landry: The Kingfish's Influence, 1924-2024," Alexandre Mouton House/Lafayette Museum

2024: "The Great Flood of 1927," Alexandre Mouton House/Lafayette Museum

2023: "What's So Spanish About the Old Spanish Trail?" Old Spanish Trail Day, Rayne, LA

- 2023: "A Tale of Two Lafayettes: The Marquis de Lafayette and Vermilionville," Alexandre Mouton House/Lafayette Museum
- 2022: The Washington Mardi and Its Founders, Lunchtime Lecture Series, Louisiana State Museum-Capital Park, Baton Rouge
- 2022: Rose McConnell Long, Vignettes of Louisiana Women series, Third Thursday After Hours, Louisiana State Museum-Capital Park, Baton Rouge
- 2020: A Brief History of Lafayette's Oil Industry. [2020 Energy Leadership Program, LAGCOE](#).
- 2019: Introductory Remarks for speaker Adam Fairclough, [75th Anniversary of the 1944 Expulsion, Iberia African American Historical Society](#), New Iberia, La.

Rethinking New Acadia book discussions:

- December 4, 2019: St. Martin Parish Main Library
- November 2, 2019: [Louisiana Book Festival](#), Baton Rouge
- August 15, 2019: Acadian Memorial, St. Martinville, La.
- August 11, 2019: Vermilionville Acadian Culture Day, Lafayette, La.
- September 27, 2019: "Rethinking New Acadia and the New Acadia Project," co-presented with Dr. Mark Rees, Friends of the Humanities, Lafayette
- 2019: "History of Settlement on the Vermilion," Rediscover the Vermilion, 6th Annual [River Symposium Bayou Vermilion Preservation Association](#), Lafayette, La.
- 2019: "Mardi Gras" Teach-In panelist, UL Lafayette
- 2019: curator for screening of *All on a Mardi Gras Day*, [Les Vues Film Series](#), Vermilionville Living History Museum and Folklife Park, Lafayette, La.
- 2018: "Political Corruption in Louisiana" Teach-In panelist, UL Lafayette
- 2018: "Hidden History" Teach-In moderator, UL Lafayette
- 2018: "Crime and Punishment in Louisiana" Teach-In moderator, UL Lafayette
- 2018: "Lafayette's Response to Martin Luther King Jr.'s Assassination," Lafayette Public Library
- 2017: "A Band of Builders," moderator, Crafting the South Louisiana Sound: Tools of Cajun and Creole Music symposium, Vermilionville, Lafayette, La.
- 2017: "What's New at the Center for Louisiana Studies," Rotary Lafayette, Lafayette, La.
- 2017: "Recent Scholarship on the Acadians," Acadian Memorial Foundation Board meeting, St. Martinville, La.
- 2016: curator for screening of *Fatal Flood*, Les Vues Film Series, Vermilionville Living History Museum and Folklife Park, Lafayette, La.
- 2016: "The Center for Louisiana Studies and its Missions." Kiwanis Club, Lafayette, La.
- 2016: "Long in Lit: The Context of *Kingfish*." East Baton Rouge Parish Library.
- 2016: "The J. Arthur Roy House." Acadiana Preservation Summit, Vermilionville, Lafayette, La.

- 2016: "The Life of Huey Long, 1928-1935." Lafayette Public Library/Alexandre Mouton House lecture series. Lafayette, La.
- 2015: "Does it Really Matter Who Killed the Kingfish?" SAGE Series. DeRidder, La.
- 2015: "The Louisiana Governors Project: A Historic Job Description, roundtable on Edwin Edwards," Crowley, La.
- 2015: "The J. Arthur Roy House." Preservation Alliance of Lafayette's "Historic Preservation Celebration." Lafayette, La.
- 2015: "Louisiana Politics during the Cold War and Civil Rights Eras." Invited lecture before Political Science 2056, "Louisiana Government," course, Louisiana State University. Baton Rouge.

Russell Long: A Life in Politics book discussions:

- April 22, 2015: Hill Memorial Library. Louisiana State University. Baton Rouge, La.
- April 15, 2015: East Bank Regional Library. Metairie, La.
- November 11, 2014: SAGE Series. DeRidder, La.
- November 4, 2013: University of Louisiana-Monroe.
- November 1, 2014: Louisiana Book Festival (recorded for C-SPAN2's BookTV program).
- October 23, 2014: Cavanaugh Lecture Series. LSU-Alexandria.
- October 13, 2014: SAGE Series. McNeese State University, Lake Charles.
- October 1, 2014: Then and Now Lecture Series. Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond.
- September 25, 2014: *Louisiana Cultural Vistas* authors' party. Louisiana State Library, Baton Rouge.
- August 20, 2014: Jeanerette Historical Museum, Jeanerette, La.
- August 14, 2014: Foundation for Historical Louisiana's Heritage Lecture, Old Governor's Mansion, Baton Rouge.
- August 12, 2014: Octavia Books, New Orleans, La.
- June 12, 2014: Bayou State Book Talks. Lafayette Public Library, Lafayette, La.
- April 10, 2014: Louisiana State Museum, Old U.S. Mint, New Orleans
- 2015: "The Mouton Family and Early Lafayette Landownership." Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office's "Historic Preservation Ramble." Lafayette, La.
- 2014: "A Journey Through the History of Cajun Music." Jeanerette Historical Museum, Jeanerette, La.
- 2014: "Louisiana in the Aftermath of the Civil War." Imperial St. Landry Genealogical Society, Opelousas, La.
- 2014: "Freetown Then and Now." The Freetown-Port Rico Annual Neighborhood Meeting. Lafayette, La. (With Lionel Lyles and C. Ray Brassieur)
- 2014: "Violent Louisiana: Chaos after the Civil War, 1866-1900." Jeanerette Historical Museum,

repeat invitation

- 2013: "The Louisiana Scandals of 1939." Jeanerette Historical Museum.
- 2013: "Violent Louisiana." Jeanerette Historical Museum.
- 2013: "Louisiana Legacies" Book Talk, Noontime Lecture Series, Ledoux Library, LSU-Eunice.
- 2013: "How the Saints Saved Football," Lafayette Rotary Club-South.
- 2012: "How the Saints Saved the NFL." Jeanerette Historical Museum.
- 2012: "Cigar-Box Fiddles and Washtub Basses: A Homemade Instrument Workshop." Panelist and discussion leader. In Your Own Backyard Series, Lafayette, La.
- 2012: "Does it Really Matter Who Killed the Kingfish?" Senior Adult Group Encounter. McNeese State University, Lake Charles, La.
- 2012: "Why the Longs Still Matter." Jeanerette Historical Museum.
- 2012: Participant, "The Politics of Culture and Statehood" roundtable, Festivals Acadiens et Creoles
- 2012: "Louisiana's Influence on Professional Football," Iberia Parish Library.
- 2012: "State of the Studies: Louisiana History," Dupre Library, UL Lafayette.
- 2012: "Louisiana in 1812." Lafayette Public Library, North Branch.
- 2012: "Louisiana in 1812." Lafayette Public Library, South Branch.
- 2012: "From Territory to State: The Process of Statehood." Louisiana Bicentennial Commission Teacher Workshop. State Library of Louisiana.
- 2012: "Does it Really Matter Who Killed the Kingfish?" Hilliard University Art Museum, UL Lafayette.
- 2012: "Race and Rights in Louisiana: A Discussion of the Past and Present." UL Lafayette. With Thomas Aiello and Shannon Frystak.
- 2012: "From Territory to State: The Process of Statehood." Louisiana Bicentennial Commission Teacher Workshop. Lafayette Parish Library.
- 2012: "From the Louisiana Purchase to the State of Louisiana." In Your Own Backyard Series, Lafayette, La. With Mark Fernandez.
- 2011: "New Interpretations of Twentieth-Century Race Relations." Louisiana Book Festival. Invited discussant.
- 2011: "St. Martin Parish Journeys." Inaugural lecture for "Journey Stories," a joint exhibition sponsored by the Acadian Memorial, the Smithsonian, and the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities
- 2009: "The Florida Parishes in Early Louisiana History." Lafayette Parish Public Library. Invited lecture.
- 2009: "The Great Depression: Then and Now." Iberia Parish Public Library. Invited lecture as part of the "The Big Read."
- 2009: "Lincoln and Louisiana." Iberia Parish Public Library. Invited lecture as part of the "Lincoln

Project.”

- 2008: “The American Revolution: Sources, Strategy, Ideology, Outcome.” Invited lecture before the Attakapas Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.
- 2007: “The Marquis de Lafayette and Louisiana: Connections and Legacy.” Invited lecture as part of *Lafayette in History: A Lecture Series*. Dupre Library, UL Lafayette.
- 2006: “Russell Long and the Politics of Transcendence.” Invited Lunchtime Lecture at the Louisiana State Museum, Baton Rouge.
- 2006: Invited comment on “The Legal History of the Civil Rights Struggle and the Voting Rights Act of 1965,” a lecture by Dr. Stanley Halpin, Jr. Dupre Library, UL Lafayette.
- 2006: “Huey Long and the Great Depression,” lecture and discussion, part of *The Great Depression: A Teaching American History Workshop*. Smithsonian Institute and Lafayette Parish Schools.
- 2005: “The Perils of Baptist Intellectualism,” luncheon address, Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 2005: “The Researchers Reality: Russell Long and Religious Revolutionaries,” UL Lafayette Department of History’s Brown Bag Lunch Research Discussions.
- 2005: “Why the Longs Still Matter,” invited Keynote Address, Pi Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta initiation, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, Louisiana.
- 2004: Invited Commencement Speaker for UL Lafayette College of Liberal Arts graduation ceremonies.
- 2004: “Commemorating UL Lafayette’s Fiftieth Anniversary as a Desegregated Institution.” Keynote Address, UL Lafayette Alumni Association 2004 Leadership Weekend.
- 2004: guest on “Louisiana Live” radio program; discussed Reagan presidency.
- 2004: “How to Connect Your Club History to Community History.” Rotary District 6200, District Conference and Meeting.
- 2004: Invited introduction of Professor Anthony Badger, “*Brown v. Board of Education* and the Failure of Southern White Liberals.” Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Virginia.
- 2004: “The Effects of *Brown v. Board* in Norfolk, Virginia.” Roundtable with Anthony Badger, Jeffrey Littlejohn, and Dan Margolies. Virginia Wesleyan College, Norfolk, Virginia.
- 2003: “History and Reality TV,” keynote speech, Epsilon-Xi chapter of Phi Alpha Theta induction ceremony, UL Lafayette.
- 2002: “Chemical Engineering and Alpha Chi Sigma at the University of Arkansas,” with William A. Myers. Dinner talk at “Celebration of 50 Years of Service to the American Chemical Society by Professor Emeritus of Chemical Engineering James Riley Couper.” Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- 2002: “Chemical Engineering and Alpha Chi Sigma at the University of Arkansas,” with William A. Myers, American Chemical Society, Division of Chemical Education.

Media Appearances

- 2022: Interview on Earl Long’s 1959 Breakdown for [*Invitation au voyage: Le magazine de l’évasion Culturelle*](#) ([ARTE: The European Culture Channel](#)), aired September 2022.

2019: KADN “The Verdict: The Huey Long Story,” Parts [one](#) and [two](#), Spring 2019.

2017: Liberal Arts Spotlight, AOC Community Media and UL Lafayette College of Liberal Arts, recorded September 29, 2017

2017,2019: “Bayou to Beltway,” KRVS, September 27, 2017; July 2, 2019

2014: [C-SPAN, “Book TV,”](#) recorded November 1, 2014, at the Louisiana Book Festival.

2014: “[The Reading Life with Susan Larson](#),” WWNO (New Orleans), May 20, 2014.

Multiple appearances on local Lafayette television (KLFY, KATC, KADN) and public radio (KRVS)

Interviewed for newspaper articles: *The Daily Advertiser* (Lafayette, La.); *The Times-Picayune* (New Orleans); *The Advocate* (Baton Rouge, La.); *The Vermilion* (UL Lafayette)

Other Community Service

2023, 2024: Day-leader for Local History session, Empowerment Through Education Program, National Coalition Building Institute.

2023: Leadership Lafayette: moderator and discussant for panel on “Cultural Investment and Quality of Life,” June 9, 2023.

2023: Consulting Scholar, Lafayette Parish 200th Anniversary, 2023.

2022: Volunteer Consultant, Cultural Receptacle Art Trash Can project, [Do It Greener Foundation](#).

2007-21: Vermilionville Living History Museum Foundation Board: member (2007-2021); president (2014-2016; 2018-2021); curatorial committee member (2018-2021); accreditation committee member (2018-2021)

2021: Guest speaker on Louisiana history, 3rd grade class, Prien Lake Elementary, Lake Charles, LA, April 20, 2021. Online.

2020: [Lafayette Azalea Trail](#) Historic Tour Guide, March 14, 2020

2020: Leadership Lafayette: Historic Lafayette Downtown Tour, March 6, 2020

2019: The 705: Historic Lafayette Downtown Tour, November 21, 2019

2016-18: Member, [Arts + Business = Culture ICON Arts Awards Selection Committee](#) (2016-2018)

2015-17: Member of [Historic Preservation Committee, Downtown Lafayette Unlimited](#) (2015-2017)

2019: Guest speaker on “Huey Long” for seven 8th grade Louisiana History classes, L.J. Alleman Middle School, March 15, 2019.

2014: Guest speaker on “Cajun Music and Its History”: Loreauville High School, January 14, 2014

2011: Guest Speaker before two eighth-grade classes on topic “The Civil War in Louisiana,” St. Pius Catholic Elementary School, 1 March 2011.

2010-11: Facilitator, Career Shadowing--Paul Breaux Middle School (2010), New Iberia Senior High School (2010, 2011)

2004-07: Member, Board of Advisors of UL Lafayette Baptist Collegiate Ministries (2004-2007)

2004: Organizer, UL Lafayette Department of History and Geography participation in American

Heart Association Heart Walk

2004: Proctor, University of Louisiana at Lafayette Literary Rally

HONORS/AWARDS

2025: Outstandings Master's Mentor Award, UL Lafayette

2022: named Senator Edgar "Sonny" Mouton/BORSF Endowed Professor, Blanco Public Policy Center, UL Lafayette

2020-21: Inaugural Recipient of J. Y. Sanders Research Scholar award ([Center for Southeast Louisiana Studies](#))

2020: accepted into the Louisiana Historical Association's [Company of Fellows](#)

2010, 2013, 2016, 2019, 2022: named Cheryl Courrege Burguiere/BORSF Professor in History, UL Lafayette

2007: named SLEMCO/BORSF Professor in Liberal Arts, UL Lafayette

2006: Initiate into Order of the Palmetto (for excellence in Louisiana Studies)

2004: Spirit of Eternity Award, Epsilon-Xi Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta

2001-02: Diane Blair Fellowship, University of Arkansas Department of History—declined

2001-02: President, Alpha chapter of Phi Alpha Theta (University of Arkansas)—declined

2001: Walter Lee Brown Scottish Rite Scholarship (presented to the University of Arkansas Outstanding Graduate Student in Southern United States History)

2000-01: President, History Organization of Graduate Students, University of Arkansas

2000-01: University of Arkansas Departments of Chemical Engineering and History Tuition Waiver, Academic Stipend, and Research Associateship

1998: University of Arkansas Department of History Travel Award

1997-2000: University of Arkansas Department of History Tuition Waiver, Academic Stipend, and Graduate Assistantship (offered for 2001-2002, declined)

1997-98: Amos E. Simpson Award for Outstanding Graduate Research—University of Southwestern Louisiana History and Geography Department

1996-97: President, Epsilon-Xi chapter of Phi Alpha Theta (University of Southwestern Louisiana)

1996-97: PSG Charles B. Allen Memorial Award for Service to the University of Southwestern Louisiana History and Geography Department

1997: Ben Procter Phi Alpha Theta Award, Southwestern Social Sciences Association meeting

1997: Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities

1996-97: University of Southwestern Louisiana Office of Public Relations and News Service Graduate Assistantship

1996: Louisiana Society Colonial Dames XVII Century Cole Exchange Scholarship

1996: University of Southwestern Louisiana History and Geography Department Graduate Assistantship

1994-95: W. Magruder Drake Award Senior Award for Excellence in History, University of Southwestern Louisiana History and Geography Department

1992-94, 1996-97: University of Southwestern Louisiana Spring Honors Convocation

1991-94: University of Southwestern Louisiana Dean's List

Phi Alpha Theta: life member

Pi Gamma Mu: life member

Phi Kappa Phi: life member

EDUCATION

2003: Ph.D. in American History: University of Arkansas

1997: M.A. in History: University of Southwestern Louisiana

1994: B.A. in History: University of Southwestern Louisiana

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association

Louisiana Historical Association

Louisiana Historical Society

National Council on Public History

Organization of American Historians

Southern Historical Association