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EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION

The University of Texas at Austin, Ph.D., History, May 1995
The University of Texas at Austin, M.A., History, December 1989
Baylor University, B.A., History, May 1986

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

July 2012-present, University of Houston, Department Chair and Professor
August 2007-present, University of Houston, Professor
August 2001-May 2007, McKendree College, Associate Professor
August 1997-August 2001, McKendree College, Assistant Professor
June 1997-August 1997, The University of Texas at Austin, Lecturer
August 1995-May 1996, Southwest Missouri State University, Lecturer

RESIDENTIAL FELLOWSHIPS

September 2003-May 2004, Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center, Washington, D.C.
August 1996-May 1997, Clements Fellow in Southwest Studies, Southern Methodist University

AWARDS AND HONORS

2002, D.B. Hardeman Prize for the Best Book on Congress
2002, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching Illinois Professor of the Year
2001, William Norman Grandy Faculty Award, McKendree College
1996, Ima Hogg Historical Achievement Award for Outstanding Research on Texas History,
Winedale Historical Center Advisory Council, Center for American History, The University of
Texas at Austin

PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPHS

“Landslide Lyndon? The 1964 Presidential Election and the Realignment of American Political Values,” under advance contract to the University Press of Kansas with tentative submission date of fall 2016.

“100 Days that Changed America: FDR, Congress, and the New Deal,” under advance contract and review at Oxford University Press.

Why We Fight: Congress and the Politics of World War II (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2013).

Lou Henry Hoover: Activist First Lady (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2004).

Wright Patman: Populism, Liberalism, and the American Dream (Dallas: Southern Methodist University Press, 2000).

(with Lewis L. Gould), *Texas, Her Texas: The Life and Times of Frances Goff* (Austin: Texas State Historical Association, 1997).

TEXTBOOKS

(with Jesús F. de la Teja and Ron Tyler), *Texas: Crossroads of North America*, 2nd. edition, forthcoming Cengage, 2014.

EDITED VOLUMES

Oxford Handbook of the New Deal, under contract to Oxford University Press, scheduled for publication in 2015.

Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency, 6 volumes, (New York: Facts On File, 2013).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 21, NASA and the U.S. Space Program (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2013).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 20, The Interstate Highway System (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2013).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 19, Fidel Castro's Rise to Power and the Eisenhower Administration (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2013).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 18, Presidential Inability (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2012).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 17, The Berlin Crisis, part 2: The Geneva Meeting of Foreign Ministers and the Aftermath (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2012).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 16, The Berlin Crisis, part 1: September 1953-April 1959: Prelude to the Geneva Meeting of Foreign Ministers (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2011).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 15, Eisenhower's Heart Attack (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2011).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 14, The Submerged Lands Act of 1953 (Bethesda, Md.: ProQuest, 2011).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 13, Quemoy-Matsu Crisis of 1958 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2010).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 12, U-2 Crisis and the Paris Summit of 1960 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2009).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 11, Quemoy-Matsu Crisis of 1955 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2009).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 10, CIA Intervention in Iran and Nationalization of the Iranian Oil Industry (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2009).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 9, The 1960 Election and Eisenhower's Farewell Address (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2008).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 8, CIA Intervention in Guatemala (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2008).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 7, The Army McCarthy Hearings (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2008).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 6, President Eisenhower, Subversives, and the Communist Control Act (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2007).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 5, The Geneva Conference of 1954 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2007).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 4, President Eisenhower, the Constitution, and the Bricker Amendment (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2007).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 3, President Eisenhower, Operation CANDOR, and the Atoms for Peace Speech, April 1953-May 1954 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2005).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 2, President Eisenhower, Collective Security, and the Eisenhower Doctrine: The Baghdad Pact, 1953 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2005).

The Documentary History of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidency, Volume 1, The Eisenhower Administration and the Brown v. Board of Education Decision, 1954-1955 (Bethesda, Md.: Lexis-Nexis, 2005).

(co-editor with William D. Pederson and Byron W. Daynes), *Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Shaping of American Political Culture* (M.E. Sharpe, 2001).

BOOK CHAPTERS

“Do Something for the Soldier Boys’: Congress, the G.I. Bill of Rights, and the Contours of Liberalism,” in Stephen R. Ortiz, editor, *Veterans’ Policies, Veterans’ Politics: New Perspectives on Veterans in the Modern United States* (Gainesville: University of Florida Press, 2012), 199-221.

“Beyond Parochialism: Modernization and Texas Historiography,” in Walter Buenger and Arnoldo DeLeon, editors, *Beyond Texas Through Time* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2011), 221-269.

“Trends in Scholarship on Congress: A Historian’s View,” in Glenn R. Gray, L. Rebecca Johnson Melvin, and Karen Dawley Paul, editors, *An American Political Archives Reader* (Blue Ridge Summit, Penn.: The Scarecrow Press, 2009), 381-390.

“Searching for Lou Henry Hoover,” in Timothy Walch, editor, *Uncommon Americans: The Lives and Legacies of Herbert and Lou Henry Hoover* (Westport, Conn.: Praeger Publishers, 2003), 19-23.

“Lou Henry Hoover,” in Lewis L. Gould, editor, *American First Ladies: Their Lives and Legacies*, 2nd edition (New York and London: Routledge, 2001), 275-284.

“Wright Patman’s Entrepreneurial Leadership in Congress, 1933-1941,” in Thomas P. Wolf, William D. Pederson, and Byron W. Daynes, editors, *Franklin D. Roosevelt and Congress: The New Deal and its Aftermath* (M.E. Sharpe, 2001), 79-97.

“Dwight D. Eisenhower,” in Melvin I. Urofsky, editor, *The American Presidents* (New York: Garland Publishing, 2000), 373-387.

“‘Me for Ma’: Miriam Ferguson and Texas Politics in the 1920s and 1930s,” in Melanie Gustafson, Kristie Miller, and Elisabeth Israels Perry, editors, *We Have Come to Stay: American Women and Political Parties, 1880-1940* (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 1999), 121-29.

(with Lewis L. Gould), “The Speaker and the Presidents: Sam Rayburn, the White House, and the Legislative Process, 1941-1961,” in Roger H. Davidson, Susan Webb Hammond, Raymond W. Smock, editors, *Masters of the House: Congressional Leadership over Two Centuries* (Boulder, Colorado: Westview Press, 1998), 181-221.

“Anna Symmes Harrison,” in Lewis L. Gould, editor, *American First Ladies: Their Lives and Legacies* (New York: Garland Publishing, 1996), 98-108.

“Eliza McCardle Johnson,” in Lewis L. Gould, editor, *American First Ladies: Their Lives and Legacies* (New York: Garland Publishing, 1996), 191-201.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

“The Odyssey of a Biographer: Searching for Lou Henry Hoover,” *The American Road: The Newsletter of the Hoover Presidential Library Association* 26 (Fall 2000): 1-3, 12.

“Change and Continuity in the Politics of Running for Congress: Wright Patman and the Campaigns of 1928, 1938, 1962 and 1972,” *East Texas Historical Journal* 34 (Fall 1996): 52-64.

“Liberal Politics and Business Investment: Wright Patman and Lone Star Steel,” *Essays in Economic and Business History*, The Journal of the Economic and Business Historical Society 13 (1995): 181-195.

REVIEW ESSAYS

“Transforming Congressional Studies: The Role of Gender,” *Journal of Policy History* 16 (Fall 2004): 359-62.

“Mastering Political Biography? A Review of Robert Caro’s *Master of the Senate*,” *Georgia Historical Quarterly* 88 (Summer 2004): 240-250.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES

“Calvin Coolidge,” in Nancy Beck Young, editor, *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency*, 6 volumes, (New York: Facts On File, 2013).

“Herbert Hoover,” in Nancy Beck Young, editor, *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency*, 6 volumes, (New York: Facts On File, 2013).

“Franklin D. Roosevelt,” in Nancy Beck Young, editor, *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency*, 6 volumes, (New York: Facts On File, 2013).

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“George W. Bush,” in Nancy Beck Young, editor, *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency*, 6 volumes, (New York: Facts On File, 2013).

“Barack Obama,” in Nancy Beck Young, editor, *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Presidency*, 6 volumes, (New York: Facts On File, 2013).

“John Nance Garner,” in Robert S. McElvaine, editor, *Encyclopedia of the Great Depression* (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004) 385-387.

“Lyndon B. Johnson,” in Robert S. McElvaine, editor, *Encyclopedia of the Great Depression* (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004) 531-532.

“Maury Maverick,” in Robert S. McElvaine, editor, *Encyclopedia of the Great Depression* (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004) 601-602.

“Wright Patman,” in Robert S. McElvaine, editor, *Encyclopedia of the Great Depression* (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004) 745-746.

“Anna Symmes Harrison,” *American National Biography Online*, January 2002 Update.

“Theodore Bilbo,” in Maurine Hoffman Beasley, Holly Cowan Shulman, and Henry R. Beasley, editors, *The Eleanor Roosevelt Encyclopedia* (Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 2000) 54-55.

“House Un-American Activities Committee,” in Maurine Hoffman Beasley, Holly Cowan Shulman, and Henry R. Beasley, editors, *The Eleanor Roosevelt Encyclopedia* (Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 2000) 250-53.

“John William Wright Patman,” *American National Biography*, vol. 17 (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), 121-22.

“John Morris Sheppard,” *American National Biography*, vol. 19 (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), 799-800.

“Joseph Weldon Bailey,” *American National Biography*, vol. 1 (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), 888-90.

“Frederick Garland Lanham,” *American National Biography*, vol. 13 (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), 168-9.

“Herbert Hoover,” *Reader’s Guide to American History* (London: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, 1997), 329-31.

“New Deal: general works,” *Reader’s Guide to American History* (London: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, 1997), 499-501.

“New Deal: legislation and agencies: business, industry, and agriculture,” *Reader’s Guide to American History* (London: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, 1997), 501-2.

“The Democratic Party in Texas,” *The New Handbook of Texas*, Vol. 2, 586-590.

Contributed over 150 articles to *The New Handbook of Texas*, Six Volumes (Austin: Texas State Historical Association, 1996), on a variety of topics ranging from people, towns, railroads, and schools, to physical features.

BOOK REVIEWS

Steven Fenberg, *Unprecedented Power: Jesse Jones, Capitalism, and the Common Good* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2011) for *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 116 (April 2013): 428-29.

Anthony Badger, *FDR: The First Hundred Days* (New York: Hill and Wang, 2008) for *Journal of Southern History* 75 (November 2009): 1096-1097.

Ricky F. Dobbs, *Yellow Dogs and Republicans: Allan Shivers and Texas Two-Party Politics* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2005), for *East Texas Historical Journal* 45 (Spring 2007): 92-93.

Thomas B. Littlewood, *Soldiers Back Home: The American Legion in Illinois, 1919-1939* (Carbondale: Southern Illinois University Press, 2004), for *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* 98 (Winter 2005-2006): 312-313.

Judith N. McArthur and Harold L. Smith, *Minnie Fisher Cunningham: A Suffragist's Life in Politics* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2003), for *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 108 (April 2005): 556-557.

Nancy A. Hewitt, *Southern Discomfort: Women's Activism in Tampa, Florida, 1880s-1920s* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2001), for H-South, H-Net Reviews, July 2002.

Judith T. Bainbridge, *Academy and College: The History of the Women's College of Furman University* (Macon: Mercer University Press, 2001), for the *Georgia Historical Quarterly* 86 (Summer 2002): 331-332.

Anne Beiser Allen, *An Independent Woman: The Life of Lou Henry Hoover* (Westport, Conn. and London: Greenwood Press, 2000), for H-Women, H-Net Reviews, February 2002.

Rebecca Sharpless, *Fertile Ground, Narrow Choices: Women on Texas Cotton Farms, 1900-1940* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1999), for *Women's History Review* 10 (No. 1, 2001): 153-155.

Carolyn Terry Bashaw, "Stalwart Women": *A Historical Analysis of Deans of Women in the South* (New York: Teachers College Press, 1999), for the *Georgia Historical Quarterly* 84 (Fall 2000).

William E. Ellis, *Robert Worth Bingham and the Southern Mystique: From the Old South to the New South and Beyond* (Kent: Kent State University Press, 1997), for *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 97 (Autumn 1999): 447-449.

Susan M. Hartmann, *The Other Feminists: Activists in the Liberal Establishment* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1998), for H-Women, H-Net Reviews, October 1999.

Judith N. McArthur, *Creating the New Woman: The Rise of Southern Women's Progressive Culture in Texas, 1893-1918* (Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 1998), for H-SAWH, H-Net Reviews, May 1999.

The Papers of Robert A. Taft, Volume 1: 1889-1938, Edited by Clarence E. Wunderlin, Jr., (Kent, Ohio, and London: Kent State University Press, 1997), for *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 97 (Summer 1999): 208-9.

Sylvia Ann Grider and Lou Halsell Rodenberger, editors, *Texas Women Writers: A Tradition of Their Own* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 1997), for H-Texas, H-Net Reviews, July 1998.

Dewey W. Grantham, *Recent America: The United States Since 1945* (Wheeling, Ill.: Harlan Davidson, Inc., 1987, 1998), for H-Survey, H-Net Reviews, June 1998.

Ralph G. Martin, *Seeds of Destruction: Joe Kennedy and His Sons* (New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1995), for *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 94 (Summer 1996): 336-8.

Jordan A. Schwarz, *The New Dealers: Power Politics in the Age of Roosevelt* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1993), for *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 97 (April 1994): 697-8.

Bess Whitehead Scott, *You Meet Such Interesting People* (College Station: Texas A & M University Press, 1989), for *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 94 (January 1991): 501-2.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“The Transformation of American Politics: From Lyndon B. Johnson to George W. Bush.”

“The Diary Letters of Jessie Ziegler: Gender, Work, Politics, and Leisure During the Great Depression.”

“The Idea of the First Lady.”

“Miriam Ferguson: Feminine or Feminist Governor?” under contract to the University of New Mexico Press.

SCHOLARLY CONFERENCES—PRESENTED

Organization of American Historians, San Francisco, California, April 2013

“‘Getting Rich Out of This War’: Congress & the Politics of Price Control During World War II”

Women's History Network, Cardiff, Wales, September 2012

“Culture and the Idea of the First Lady”

Policy History Conference, Columbus, Ohio, June 2010

“Why We Fight: Congress and the Politics of World War II”

Policy History Conference, Columbus, Ohio, June 2010

“‘Sticking his Fingers into this Tax Bill’: Congress, the President, and World War II Fiscal Policy”

West Texas Historical Association-East Texas Historical Association, Fort Worth, Texas 2010

(with Debbie Z. Harwell), "An Insider and an Outsider: Jessie Ziegler and Texas Politics in the 1930s"

Texas State Historical Association, Austin, Texas, March 2009
"Sam Rayburn and the Fate of the New Deal in World War II"

American Historical Association, New York City, New York, January 2009
"The Dregs of Europe': Congress and Jewish Immigration Policy, 1933-41"

Policy History Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, May 2008
"The World the War Made: Congress, the G. I. Bill of Rights, and Postwar Domestic Reconversion"

American Historical Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 2006
"Legislating Nationalism: Congress During World War II"

Western Association of Women's Historians, Phoenix, Arizona, April-May 2005
"The Evolution of Executive Marriages in American Politics: Presidential and Gubernatorial Spouses"

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 2005
"Congress and the Construction of International Governance in the World War II Era"

Mid-America Conference, Springfield, Missouri, September 2004
"Rehearsing the Second Red Scare: Congress and Anticommunism, 1941-1945"

Southern Association of Women Historians Sixth Conference on Women's History, Athens, Georgia, June 2003
"From the Gift of a Possum to the Construction of a Community: Lou Henry Hoover and the President's Blue Ridge Mountain School"

Policy History Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, May 2002
"Lou Henry Hoover and Grassroots Policy Activism: Women's Organizational Culture and Depression Era Relief"

Western History Association, San Antonio, Texas, October 2000
"Feminism versus Fergusonism: The Impact of 'Women's Scorn' on the Public Career of Miriam A. Ferguson"

Southern Historical Association, Fort Worth, Texas, November 1999
"Feminism, Liberalism, and Academic Freedom: Women and the Battle for Control of the University of Texas"

American Historical Association, Washington, D.C., January 1999
"The Revolt Against the Seniors: House Politics, Liberalism, and the Demise of Congressman Wright Patman"

Southern Association of Women Historians Fourth Southern Conference on Women's History, Charleston, South Carolina, June 1997

“Margaret Carter and Texas Politics: Women and the Battle for Control of the Democratic Party”

The Unintended Consequences of Policy Decisions: A National Policy History Conference, Bowling Green, Ohio, June 1997

“Congressional Policy Decisions and Their Electoral Outcomes: Sam Rayburn's Wartime Leadership and the GOP Victory of 1946”

ARNOVA Silver Anniversary Conference, New York, New York, December 1996

“Wright Patman, Foundations, and the Politics of Wealth and Poverty”

Mid-America Conference, Topeka, Kansas, September 1996

“Richard Bolling, Sam Rayburn, and the Rules Committee Fight of 1961”

FDR After 50 Years, Sponsored by LSU-Shreveport, Shreveport, Louisiana, September 1995
Part of the Cultural Olympiad for the 1996 Summer Games

“Wright Patman's Entrepreneurial Leadership in Congress, 1933-1941”

House Leadership Study, Sponsored by the Dirksen Congressional Center and the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., May 1995

(with Lewis L. Gould), “The Unknown Speaker: Sam Rayburn and the Legislative Process, 1941-1961,” Televised on C-SPAN

Economic and Business Historical Society, Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 1994

“Liberal Politics and Business Investment: Wright Patman and Lone Star Steel”

Social Science History Association, Baltimore, Maryland, November 1993

“Change and Continuity in the Politics of Running for Congress: Wright Patman and the Campaigns of 1928, 1938, 1962 and 1972”

Texas State Historical Association, Houston, Texas, March 1993

“Wright Patman and the Politics of Industry: Bringing Lone Star Steel to Daingerfield, Texas”

Southwestern Social Science Association, Fort Worth, Texas, March 1990

“The Gubernatorial Administration of William Pettus Hobby, 1919-1921”

East Texas Historical Association, Galveston, Texas, February 1990

“The Origins of Business Progressivism in Texas: William Pettus Hobby and the 1918 Gubernatorial Election”

SCHOLARLY CONFERENCES—COMMENTED

Policy History Conference, Richmond, Virginia, June 2012

“Rethinking Postwar Politics”

Urban History Association, Houston, Texas, November 2008

“Civic Leaders: Managing Change and Promoting Development in the U.S. and Canada”

Social Science History Association, Miami, Florida, October 2008

“Anti-Immigrant Movements in the United States: Past and Present”

Mid-America Conference on History, Springfield, Missouri, September 2008

“Women’s History”—commented in absentia

Policy History Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, May 2008

“The Moral Equivalent of War: The Genesis and Fate of 1970s American Energy Policy”

Western History Association, Fort Worth, Texas, October 2003

“The Texas Rangers in History and Legend”

Texas State Historical Association, Corpus Christi, Texas, March 2002

“Tradition and Turmoil: Texas Party Politics, 1952-1972”

INVITED/PUBLIC LECTURES

Humanities Texas Teachers Institute, Houston, TX, June 2014

“The Presidential Election of 1964”

Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives, Washington, D.C., May 2014

“Why We Fight: Congress and the Politics of World War II”

Humanities Texas Teachers Institute, Houston, TX, April 2014

“Texas in the 1920s and 1930s”

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and the National History Center,
Washington, D.C., March 2014

“Why We Fight: The Politics of World War II”

Cotton and Rural History Conference, Greenville, Texas, April 2012

“Sam Rayburn, Wright Patman, and the Politics of Cotton”

Race: Are We So Different? University of Houston, November 2011

“‘Dear Dago’: The Politics of Prejudice”

Reading in the White House Symposium, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., May 2010

“Literary Lives, Political Wives: The Importance of Reading and Writing to the Idea of the First Lady”

Sam Rayburn Symposium, Austin College, October 2009
Panel Discussion—Politics and Congress in the Rayburn Era

Museum of the Gulf Coast, Port Arthur, Texas, February 2009
“The Meanings of 1968”

Herbert Hoover Presidential Library, West Branch, Iowa, June 2008
“Lou Henry Hoover: Activist First Lady”

University of Michigan, Department of Political Science, April 2008
“Why We Fight: Congress and the Politics of World War II”

“As Many Feminine Minds”: First Ladies and American Women’s History Symposium,
National First Ladies Library, Canton, Ohio, March 2006
“Lou Henry Hoover as a Public Activist,”
Televised on C-SPAN

Symposium on Presidential and Public Papers, John Brademas Center for the Study of Congress,
New York University, New York, New York, October 2005
“Integrating Congress into American Political History”

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C., April 2005
“Book Launch for *Lou Henry Hoover: Activist First Lady*”

Virginia Festival of the Book, Charlottesville, Virginia, March 2005
“Book Talk about *Lou Henry Hoover: Activist First Lady*”
Televised on C-SPAN

McKendree College Brown Bag, Lebanon, Illinois, March 2005
“Lou Henry Hoover: Activist First Lady”

National Governors’ Association, Washington, D.C., February 2005
“The Evolving Role of Governors’ Spouses: Strategies for Effective Advocacy and Shaping
Your Legacy”

Presenting the White House: A Decorative Arts Symposium, White House Historical
Association, Washington, D.C., September 2004
“Early Efforts: Grace Coolidge and Lou Henry Hoover”

McKendree College Brown Bag, Lebanon, Illinois, September 2004
“The Politics of War: Congress, World War II, and the Modernization of American
Governance”

Association of Centers for the Study of Congress, Woodrow Wilson International Center for
Scholars, Washington, D.C., May 2004
“Trends in Scholarship on Congress: A Historian’s View”

Brannigan Lecture, Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana, March 2004
“Rosie the Riveter: Congress and American Women in World War II”

National Archives, Washington, D.C., November 2003
“The Politics of War: Congress, World War II, and the Modernization of American Governance”

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, Illinois, March 2003
“The Making of a First Lady and a Feminist: Lou Henry Hoover”

Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, Illinois, March 2001
“Activism in the East Wing: Lou Henry Hoover and the Great Depression”

McKendree College Brown Bag, Lebanon, Illinois, March 2001
“I’m Not a Feminist! . . . Or, Am I? Re-Examining Toward Feminism and Feminist Public Policy in America”

Arboretum Barnes and Noble, Austin, Texas, March 2001
“Book Talk about *Wright Patman: Populism, Liberalism, and the American Dream*”

Texarkana Museums, Texarkana, Texas, March 2001
“Book Talk about *Wright Patman: Populism, Liberalism, and the American Dream*”

Alabama Theater Bookstop, Houston, Texas, March 2001
“Book Talk about *Wright Patman: Populism, Liberalism, and the American Dream*”

Friends of the Corsicana Public Library, Corsicana, Texas, March 2001
“Book Talk about *Wright Patman: Populism, Liberalism, and the American Dream*”

LincolnPark Barnes and Noble, Dallas, Texas, March 2001
“Book Talk about *Wright Patman: Populism, Liberalism, and the American Dream*”

San Antonio College, San Antonio, Texas, March 2001
“Voluntary Leadership: Francis Goff and Lou Henry Hoover Developing Circles of Influence”

National Archives Author-Lecture Program, Washington, D.C., November 2000
“Biography as History: Wright Patman, Congress, and the Evolution of 20th Century Liberalism”

Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, November 2000
“Biography as History: Wright Patman and the American Dream”

McKendree College Brown Bag, Lebanon, Illinois, November 2000
“Mystery, History, and Biography: Detecting the Real Wright Patman”

Herbert Hoover Lectures, Hoover Presidential Library, West Branch, Iowa, May 2000

“A Biographer’s Odyssey: Searching for Lou Henry Hoover”

Southwestern Illinois College, Granite City, Illinois, April 200

“Doing Biography, Or How to Figure Out What Made a Dead Person Tick”

McKendree College Brown Bag, Lebanon, Illinois, April 2000

“A Biographer’s Odyssey: Searching for Lou Henry Hoover”

McKendree College Brown Bag, Lebanon, Illinois, March 1998

“Texas, Her Texas: The Life and Times of Frances Goff”

West Lake Hills Barnes and Noble, Austin, Texas, July 1997

“The Making of Texas, Her Texas”

Texas Bluebonnet Girls State, Seguin, Texas, June 1997

“Who Was Frances Goff?”

Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, January 1997

“The Making of Wright Patman: Congressman to the Nation: The Larger Implications of Biography as History”

Texas Bluebonnet Girls State, Seguin, Texas, June 1996

“Women in Public Life: From Frances Goff to Ann Richards”

Texas Bluebonnet Girls State, Seguin, Texas, June 1995

“Shaping the Future: Frances Goff and Women’s Leadership In Texas”

MANUSCRIPT/PROPOSAL REVIEWS

University of Northern Illinois Press, 2012.

University Press of Kansas, 2011.

University of Kentucky Press, 2011.

Routledge, 2011.

University of Texas Press, 2011.

University Press of Kansas, 2010.

Oxford University Press, 2009.

University Press of Kansas, 2009.

University of Arkansas Press, 2009.

Pearson, 2009.

CQ Press, 2009.

Texas A&M University Press, 2009.

University of Kentucky Press, 2009.

University Press of Kansas, 2009.

University of Arkansas Press, 2008.

Southwestern Historical Quarterly, 2008.

University Press of Kansas, 2007.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Small Grant, University of Houston, 2014.

CLASS Grant-in-Aid, University of Houston, 2012.

Student Success Award (with Todd Romero), University of Houston, 2011.

Small Grant, University of Houston, 2011.

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Small Grant, University of Houston, 2010.

University of Wyoming American Heritage Center Travel Grant, 2005.

Mark C. Stevens Fellowship, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan, 2005.

McKendree College Travel Grant, 2004.

Harry S. Truman Research Grant, 2003.

White House Historical Association Grant, 2003.

McKendree College Travel Grant, 2003.

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Herbert Hoover Presidential Research Grant, 1999.

McKendree College Travel Grant, 1999.

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Moody Grant, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, 1996.

Everett McKinley Dirksen Congressional Research Grant, 1994.

Economic and Business Historical Society Grant, 1994.

Moody Grant, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, 1992.

Ottis Lock Research Grant, East Texas Historical Association, 1992.

Beeke-Levy Research Fellowship, Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute, 1992.

Everett McKinley Dirksen Congressional Research Grant, 1992.

Herbert Hoover Presidential Research Grant, 1992.

Walter Prescott Webb Dissertation Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, 1992-1993.

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Houston

Undergraduate

U.S. History since 1877

The Age of Roosevelt

Twentieth Century Texans in Washington

Liberals vs. Conservatives: Twentieth Century U.S. Politics since FDR

Graduate

Research Seminar in Twentieth Century U.S. Political History

Reading Seminar in Twentieth Century U.S. Political History

Reading Seminar in Twentieth Century American Ideologies

Twentieth Century U.S. Historiography

Ph.D. Students—Directed

Anna Marie Anderson, in coursework

Sandra Davidson, passed comprehensive exams

Kyle T. Goyette, ABD

John Goins, ABD

Christopher Haight, passed comprehensive exams

John Huntington, preparing for comprehensive exams

Allison Robinson, preparing for comprehensive exams

Natalie Schuster, ABD

Angela Calder, "More than a Centerfold: Gender and the Politics of *Playboy* Magazine in Modern America," graduated December 2010

Dan Donalson, "A Convenient Engine of Oppression:" Personal Uses of the Espionage and Seditious Acts of World War I, (co-directed with Marshall Schott), graduated December 2009

Ph.D. Students—Reader

Brett Olmsted, reading for comps

Ben Hoffman, reading for comps

Samantha Rodriguez, ABD

Ty Welborn, ABD

Brittany Hancock, ABD

Andrew Pegoda, ABD

Becky Smith, ABD

Stephanie Fuglaar, graduated, December 2012
Kristin Contos Krueger, graduated December 2013
Debbie Harwell, graduated May 2012
Gregory Peek, graduated December 2010
Graham Cox, graduated December 2007

M.A. Students—Directed

Joe Thompson, graduated 2013
Kristen Williams, graduated 2013
Austin Harwell, graduated 2012
Ashley Jordan, graduated 2011
Kristi Stephens, graduated 2011
Gary Trentham, graduated 2011
Natalie Schuster, graduated 2010

M.A. Students—Reader

Anna Marie Anderson, graduated 2013
Stephanie Weiss, graduated 2013
Matthew Campbell, graduated 2012
Andrew Reiser, graduated 2012
Andrew Terrell, graduated 2012
Christopher Phleger, graduated 2011
James Wall, graduated 2011
Brandon Todd, graduated 2010
Ramona Hopkins, graduated 2009

McKendree College

U.S. History until 1865
U.S. History since 1865
The Emergence of Modern America, 1877-1920
The Emergence of Modern America, 1890-1945
America in Crisis, 1920-1945
The United States Since 1945
America During World War II
War and American Democracy
U.S. Women's History
The American Women's Movement: From 1945 to the present
Women and American Politics: From Suffrage through the ERA Debate
Minorities and the American Experience
Civil Rights and the American Dream
Class, Gender, and Race and the Growth of Industrialization, 1865-1930
Introduction to Race, Class, and Gender
Introduction to Historical Methods and Historiography
Historical Methods and Regional Inquiry
Seminar in Historical Research
Senior Thesis in History

Southern Methodist University

Women and Texas Politics: From Suffrage to Ann Richards

Southwest Missouri State University

U.S. History until 1865

U.S. History since 1865

University of Texas at Austin

U.S. History since 1865

COLLEGE, PROFESSIONAL, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**University of Houston**

Member, Provost's Summer Read Program Committee, Spring 2014

Member, Dean's Task Force on TA Stipends, Spring 2013

Member, First Year Experience Committee, 2012-2013.

Consultant, Sam Rayburn Library Redesign Project, 2011-2012.

Consultant, John Nance Garner Documentary Film, 2011-2012.

Member, Achieving the Dream, 2010-2012.

Chair, Senior Search Committee, U.S. History before 1900, 2010-2011.

Director of Graduate Studies, Summer 2010-Summer 2012.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Spring 2010.

Post Tenure Review, 2010.

Next Generation Finding Aid Task Force, Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives, Washington, D.C., 2009-2010.

Kate Brooks Bates Prize Committee, Texas State Historical Association, 2009-2010.

Post Tenure Review, 2009.

Public History Coordinator, 2008-2012.

Executive Committee, 2007-2009.

Undergraduate Committee, 2007-2008.

McKendree College

Member, Humanities Advisory Board, Sam Rayburn Documentary Film, 2005-2008.

Member, Philosophy Search Committee, 2005-2006.

Faculty Representative, Board of Trustees, 2005-2006.

Member, McKendree College Mission Task Force, 2005.

Member, Library Committee, 2004-2007.

Member, Math Search Committee, 2004-2005.

Program Committee Member, Texas State Historical Association, 2004 Annual Meeting.

Member, Journalism Search Committee, 2002-2003.

Faculty Consultant, Advanced Placement US History Exam—Trinity University, June 2002.

Chair, Task Force for Core Curriculum Revision, 2001-2003.

Member, English and Journalism Search Committee, 2001-2002 (three positions).

Chair, Instructional Media Specialist Search Committee, 2001.

Chair, Technology Advisory Committee, 2001-2002.

Member, FAC Subcommittee for Contract Renewal and Tenure Review Sequence, 2000-2001.
Member, Faculty Affairs Council, 2000-2001.
Member, Holman Library Director Search Committee, 2000-2001.
Faculty Consultant, Advanced Placement US History Exam—Trinity University, June 2000.
Faculty Coordinator for Spring 2000 Phi Alpha Theta History Conference.
Guest Speaker on Biography and History, KTRS-AM 550, September 24, 1999.
Member, Task Force for Core Curriculum Revision, 1999-2003.
Member, Academic Affairs Committee, 1999-2000.
Member, Honors Council, 1999-2001.
Chair, Faculty Development Committee, 1999-2000; spring 2001.
Member, Faculty Development Committee, 1998-2003.
Faculty Consultant, Advanced Placement US History Exam—Trinity University, June 1999.
Director, Ethnic Studies, 1998-2007.
Member, English and Journalism Search Committee, 1998-1999.
Member, Math Search Committee, 1998-1999.
Member, Student Affairs Committee, 1998-1999.
Member, Ad-hoc Committee on Promotion and Tenure Guidelines, 1998-1999.
Writer, Gender Studies Proposal, 1998.
Instructor, Todd-Hall Elderhostel, “The Roaring 20s,” July 1998.
Faculty Advisor for Alpha Phi Omega, 1998-2000.
Faculty Coordinator for Spring 1998 Phi Alpha Theta History Conference.
Faculty Advisor for Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 1997-2007.
Faculty Advisor for McKendree Historical Society, 1997-2007.
Faculty Advisor for Model UN, 1997-2007.
Program Committee Member, Texas State Historical Association, 1998 Annual Meeting.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association; American Political Science Association; Organization of American Historians; Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society; Southern Historical Association; Southern Association of Women Historians; Texas State Historical Association.