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### **EDUCATION**

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas  
Ph.D., History, 2002  
M.A., History, 1997

Belmont University, Nashville, Tennessee  
B.A., History, 1995

### **DISSERTATION**

“‘The High Ideals He Always Cherished’: Irving Brant, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and the Origins of the Madison Biography,” Advisors: David L. Chappell (chair), Elliott West, and David Sloan.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas  
Professor, 2017-Present  
Associate Professor, 2011-2017  
Assistant Professor, 2005-2011

Norfolk State University, Norfolk Virginia  
Assistant Professor, 2001-2005

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Survey Courses: U.S. History to 1876; U.S. History Since 1876; World Civilizations Since 1300

Upper Division Courses: The Black Civil Rights Movement; The Emergence of Modern America; Colonial and Revolutionary America; America and the World: Cultural Interactions; Public History; Remembering September 11, 2001; Virginia History

Graduate Courses: The Civil Rights Movement; White Southerners and Civil Rights; Recent America, 1876-1933; Contemporary America, Since 1933; Public History; Colonial and Revolutionary America, 1492-1789; Jefferson, Madison, and the American Founding; Founding Fathers, Founding Documents

### **AWARDS**

Recipient, Ottis Lock Educator of the Year Award, East Texas Historical Association, October 2017.

Co-Recipient with Charles H. Ford of the William M.E. Rachal Award from the Virginia Historical Society for the Best Overall Article in the *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* in 2013.

Recipient, Award for Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Technology, Norfolk State University, 2004.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, Reginald Ellis, and Peter Levy, eds., *"The Seedtime, the Work, and the Harvest": New Perspectives on the Black Freedom Struggle in America*. Gainesville, Florida: University of Florida Press, forthcoming February 2018.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, eds., *"The Enemy Within Never Did Without": German and Japanese Prisoners of War at Camp Huntsville, Texas, 1942-1945*. Huntsville, Texas: Texas Review Press, 2015.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford. *Elusive Equality: Desegregation and Resegregation in Norfolk Public Schools*. Charlottesville, Virginia: University of Virginia Press, 2012.

### Articles and Book Chapters

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn with Charles H. Ford, Jami Horne, and Briana Weaver, "The Cabiness Family Lynching: Race, War, and Memory in Walker County, Texas," *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, forthcoming July 2018.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, "Southern Discomfort: The Rise and Fall of Civil Rights Attorney James F. Gay, 1942-2008," in *"The Seedtime, the Work, and the Harvest": New Perspectives on the Black Freedom Struggle in America*. Gainesville, Florida: University of Florida Press, forthcoming February 2018.

Ervin Malakaj, Jeffery L. Littlejohn, Kimberly Bell, Patrick J. Lewis, and Julia D. May, "Teaching an Honors Seminar on #BlackLivesMatter in East Texas," *Journal of the National Collegiate Honors Council*, vol. 18, no. 2 (Fall/Winter 2017): 3-15.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, "Booker T. Washington High School: History, Identity, and Educational Equity in Norfolk, Virginia," *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* vol. 124, no. 2 (2016): 134-162.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, "African American Activism: New and Broadening Scholarship on the Civil Rights Movement," *Southern Studies* vol. 23, no. 1 (2016): 27-28. (Introduction to a three-article special edition of *Southern Studies* that we edited).

Carolyn Carroll and Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, "The Dismissal of Rupert C. Koeninger: Cold War Hysteria, Academic Freedom, and the Creation of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board," *East Texas Historical Journal* vol. 53, no. 2 (2015): 115-140.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, "Moving 'Mere Pawns on the Chessboard': Walter E. Hoffman Jr., School Desegregation, and Busing in Norfolk, Virginia," *Southern Studies* vol. 22, no. 11 (2015): 47-72.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, "Arthur D. Morse, School Desegregation, and the Making of CBS News, 1955-1964," *American Journalism* vol. 31, no. 2 (2014): 1-20.

Charles H. Ford and Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, "The Crisis Responds to Public School Desegregation," in *Protest and Propaganda: W. E. B. Du Bois, The Crisis and American History*, edited by Amy Kirschke and Phillip Luke Sinitiere. Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 2014, 226-240.

Charles H. Ford and Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, "Reconstructing the Old Dominion: Lewis F. Powell, Stuart T. Saunders, and the Virginia Industrialization Group, 1958-1965," *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* vol. 121, no. 2 (2013): 146-172.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and Charles H. Ford, "Truman and Civil Rights," in *A Companion to Harry S. Truman*, edited by Daniel S. Margolies. Malden, Massachusetts: Blackwell Publishing, 2012.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, "'Sit Down Children, Sit Down': The Sit-In Movement in Norfolk, Virginia," in *Voices from Within the Veil: African Americans and the Experience of Democracy*, edited by William Alexander, Cassandra Newby-Alexander, and Charles Ford, 330-344. Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2008.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, "The *Brown* Decision in Local Context: Race and Public Education in Norfolk, Virginia." In *Brown v. Board of Education: Its Impact on Public Education, 1954-2004*, edited by Dara Byrne, 165-175. New York: Word for Word Publishing for the Thurgood Marshall Foundation, 2005.

#### Public History Books

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and the Walker County Historical Commission, *Walker County in Vintage Postcards* (Charleston, South Carolina: Arcadia Publishing, 2017). In partnership with the Walker County Historical Commission.

Charles H. Ford and Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, *LGBT Hampton Roads* (Charleston, South Carolina: Arcadia Publishing, 2016). In partnership with Equality Virginia.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, ed., *Historic Walker County: An Illustrated History* (Historical Publishing, 2012). In partnership with the Walker County Chamber of Commerce and Walker County Historical Commission.

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn and the Walker County Historical Commission, *Huntsville* (Charleston, South Carolina: Arcadia Publishing, 2009). In partnership with the Walker County Historical Commission.

Cassandra Newby-Alexander, Jeffrey Littlejohn, Charles Ford, Sonia Yaco, *Hampton Roads: Remembering Our Schools* (Charleston, South Carolina: The History Press, 2009). In partnership with Old Dominion University Archives commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of School Desegregation in Virginia.

#### Book Reviews, Encyclopedia Entries, and other Publications

Review of James W. Endersby and William T. Horner, *Lloyd Gaines and the Fight to End Segregation* (University of Missouri Press, 2016) in the *Political Science Quarterly* vol. 132, no. 3 (Fall 2017): 572-573.

Review of Brian J. Daugherty, *Keep on Keeping On: The NAACP and the Implementation of Brown v. Board of Education in Virginia* (University of Virginia Press, 2016) in the *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, forthcoming 2017.

Review of David Sehat, *The Jefferson Rule: How the Founding Fathers Became Infallible and Our Politics Inflexible* (Simon and Schuster, 2015) in the *Journal of Southern History* vol. 82, no. 2 (May 2016): 405-406.

Review of Sarah Caroline Thuesen, *Greater than Equal: African American Struggles for Schools and Citizenship in North Carolina, 1919-1965* (University of North Carolina Press, 2013) in the *American Historical Review* vol. 119 no. 4 (October 2014): 1293-1294.

Review of Jill Opline Titus, *Brown's Battleground: Students, Segregationists, and the Struggle for Justice in Prince Edward County, Virginia* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2011) in *Louisiana History* vol. 55 no. 3 (Summer 2014) 378-380.

Review of Samuel Walker, *Presidents and Civil Liberties from Wilson to Obama: A Story of Poor Custodians* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2012) in *Presidential Studies Quarterly* vol. 44 no. 2 (June 2014): 377-379.

Review of Brett Gadsden, *Between North and South: Delaware, Desegregation, and the Myth of American Sectionalism* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012) in the *Journal of American History* (December 2013): 904-905.

Review of James Savage, *Jim Garrison's Bourbon Street Brawl: The Making of a First Amendment Milestone* (University of Louisiana at Lafayette Press, 2010) in *Louisiana History*.

Review of Frank Lambert, *The Battle of Ole Miss: Civil Rights v. States' Rights* (Oxford University Press, 2010) in the *Journal of Southern History*.

"Massive Resistance" in the *Encyclopedia of African American History: From the Age of Segregation to the Twenty-First Century*, edited by Paul Finkelman (New York: Oxford University Press, 2009).

"The Southern Manifesto" in *Milestone Documents in American History*, edited by Paul Finkelman (Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 2008).

"Irving Brant," in *Yale Biographical Dictionary of American Law*, ed. Roger K. Newman (New Haven, Yale University Press, 2006).

"The Civil War," "The Korean War," "World War II - Military and Foreign Affairs," "World War II - Domestic Affairs," in *The Encyclopedia of American Political History*, edited by Paul Finkelman and Peter Wallenstein (Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 2001).

"Democracy in the Age of the Great Society: The Lippmann-Dewey Debate," in *Ozark Historical Review* 29 (2000): 41-51.

"Academician to Radical Activist: Bertrand Russell, 1912-1916," *Ozark Historical Review* 25 (1996): 1-19.

## **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Principal Investigator, "Local People: Making Huntsville's African American History Accessible for Undergraduates in Required History Courses," the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Online Instructional Innovation Grant, 2016, \$5500.

Principal Investigator, "50th Anniversary Commemoration of the HA-YOU Movement in Huntsville, Texas," Humanities Texas Grant, 2015, \$1000.

John V. Dowdy Sr. Research Grant, W.R. Poage Legislative Library, Baylor University, 2015, \$500.

Principal Investigator, "East Texas Historical: A Free Mobile App and Webpage," College of Humanities and Social Sciences Online Instructional Innovation Grant, 2014. \$9000. <http://www.easttexashistory.org>.

NEH Summer Seminar Participant: "The African American Freedom Struggle. Directed by Patricia Sullivan and Waldo Martin. W.E.B. Du Bois Center, Harvard University, 2013.

Co-Investigator with Thomas H. Cox. "Texas Precedents: The Lone Star State, U.S. Supreme Court, and the Supreme Law of the Land." Grant funded by Humanities Texas, 2013-14. Humanities Texas funding: \$7,000. Returned to funding agency.

Co-Investigator. "Texas Precedents: The Lone Star State, U.S. Supreme Court, and the Supreme Law of the Land." Grant funded by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sam Houston State University, 2013. SHSU funding: \$5,000. <http://www.studythepast.com/texas/>

Principal Investigator. "Re-envisioning the Online History Survey Course: A Sample Module on African American Participation in the First World War." Grant funded by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sam Houston State University, 2012. SHSU funding: \$5,000. <http://www.studythepast.com/ww1/>

Principal Investigator. "Remembering September 11, 2001: The Causes and Consequences of the Worst Terrorist Attack in American History." Grant funded by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sam Houston State University, 2011. SHSU funding: \$3,500. [http://www.studythepast.com/3399\\_fall11/](http://www.studythepast.com/3399_fall11/)

Principal Investigator. "Democracy and Diversity in Walker County, Texas." Grant funded by Sam Houston State University, 2010. SHSU funding: \$14,000. <http://www.studythepast.com/democracy>

Web-Director. "Waterways to Freedom: The Underground Railroad in Virginia." Grant funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, 2009. NEH funding: \$100,000. Principal Investigator: Cassandra Newby-Alexander. <http://www.racetimeplace.com/ugrr/>

Principal Investigator. "Democracy and Diversity in Walker County, Texas." Grant funded by Humanities Texas, 2009. HTX funding: \$4000. <http://www.studythepast.com/democracy>

Participating Scholar and online teacher. Teaching American History Grant, 2005-2009. \$990,940 Federal Grant to Virginia Beach Public Schools. Where History Occurs (W.H.O.) -- Director: Georgeanne C. Hribar. <http://www.ed.gov/programs/teachinghistory/2005abstracts/va.html>

Participating Scholar. Teaching American History Grant, 2006-2009. \$828,968 Federal Grant to Ed. Service Center Region VI. Reviving the Tradition: Conceptualizing American History -- Project Director: Bill Shuttlesworth <http://www.ed.gov/programs/teachinghistory/2004tahabstracts/tx.html>

Principal Investigator. "The *Brown* Decision in Norfolk, Virginia." Grant funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, 2004. NEH funding: \$24,500.

Principal Investigator. "A Community Forum with the Norfolk 17." Grant funded by the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities, 2004. VFH funding: \$2,500.

Web-Director. "The Tale of Two Churches: Emanuel A.M.E., Monumental Methodist, and the Underground Railroad in Portsmouth, Virginia." Grant funded by the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities, 2004. VFH funding: \$12,000. Principal Investigator: Cassandra Newby-Alexander.

NEH Summer Fellowship. "American Constitutionalism in Comparative Perspective" Directed by Donald Kommers at Notre Dame, 2003.

Recipient of \$700 Research Grant, Franklin Delano Roosevelt Library, 2003.

Web-Director. "Mirrored Communities." Grant funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, 2003. NEH funding: \$25,000. Principal Investigator: Cassandra Newby-Alexander.

Web-Director. "Race, Time, and Place: African Americans in Tidewater, Virginia." Grant funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, 2002. NEH funding: \$25,000. Principal Investigator: Cassandra Newby-Alexander. <http://www.racetimeplace.com>

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES**

"The Cabiness Lynching in Historical Context," American Studies Association of Texas, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, November 9, 2017,

"Camp Huntsville: German and Japanese Prisoners of War in East Texas, 1942-1945," invited keynote address for the Southwest Division of the American Association of Geographers, Huntsville, Texas, October 27, 2017.

"Historicizing the Cabiness Family Lynching," East Texas Historical Association Conference, Galveston Texas, October 12, 2017.

“The East Texas History Mobile Website and App,” at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Cotton and Rural History Conference, Collin College, April 22, 2017.

“Predecessors in Protest: The Family History of Edward Dawley and Joe Jordan,” Virginia Forum, Norfolk, Virginia, March 3, 2017.

“Convicting a Congressman --John Dowdy, Urban Renewal, and Political Scandal,” presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association of Texas, Huntsville, Texas, November 11, 2016.

“Congressman John Dowdy and Cold War Civil Rights,” presented at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 13, 2016.

“Len Holt and Black Power, 1966-1972,” presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Richmond, Virginia, October 7, 2016.

“We in East Texas Believe in Liberty”: Congressman John Dowdy and Lone Star Conservatism in the Mid-Twentieth-Century, Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, Las Colinas, Texas, March 4, 2016.

“‘The Enemy Within Never Did Without’: German and Japanese Prisoners of War at Camp Huntsville, Texas, 1942-1945,” Keynote Address, Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association of Texas, Huntsville, Texas, November 13, 2015.

“The Apotheosis of Booker T. Washington: History, Identity, and Educational Equality in Norfolk, Virginia,” presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Atlanta, Georgia, September 24, 2015.

“The New Deal in East Texas,” presented at the Third Annual New Deal Symposium, Texas Wesleyan University, Fort Worth, Texas, June 27, 2015.

“Fifty Years After: Len Holt and *Liberator* Magazine,” presented at the Virginia Forum, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia, March 12, 2015.

“The Online Research Paper,” presented at the 3rd Annual SHSU Online Teaching and Learning Conference, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, January 18, 2015.

“The Roots of Black Radicalism in Tidewater, Virginia,” presented at the American Studies Association of Texas Meeting, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, November 14, 2014.

“Wendell Baker, The Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation, and School Desegregation in Huntsville, Texas,” presented at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 3, 2014.

“The East Texas Historical Mobile App and Website,” presented at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 3, 2014.

“Handbills, Boycotts, and Toga Marches: The Strategies of Street-Wise Civil Rights Attorneys in Virginia, 1954-1963,” presented at the Popular Culture Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 16, 2014.

“‘They Insisted that We Should Know the True Meaning of Democracy’: U.S. Efforts to Re-educate Japanese POWs at Camp Huntsville, Texas, 1945,” presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Asian Studies Development Program National Meeting, Houston Texas, March 15, 2014.

“Joseph Lynn Clark and the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation,” presented at the Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, March 7, 2014.

"Texas Precedents: The Lone Star State, The U.S. Supreme Court, and the Potentials of On-Line Education," presented at the Texas Social Studies Supervisor Association, San Antonio, Texas, October 24, 2013.

"Edward R. Murrow & the Lost Class of '59," Virginia Forum, Randolph-Macon College, March 22, 2013.

"Texas Precedents: The Lone Star State, U.S. Supreme Court and the Supreme Law of the Land," East Texas Historical Association Spring Meeting, Galveston, Texas, February 23, 2013.

"Memory, History, and Race Relations in Walker County, Texas," East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, September 28, 2012.

"Project-Based Learning Experiences Utilizing Multiple Technologies," Pearson Cite Conference, Orlando, Florida, April 11, 2012.

"'So Few Can Do So Much': Joseph Jordan, Edward Dawley and Leonard Holt, 1960-1961," The Virginia Forum, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, March 30, 2012.

"The Strange Resurrection of Massive Resistance: Jordan, Dawley, and Holt versus the Virginia Committee on the Offenses Against the Administration of Justice, 1961-62," Triangle African American History Colloquium, February 24, 2012, UNC-Chapel Hill.

"'In the Best American Tradition of Freedom, We Defy You': The Radical Partnership of Joseph Jordan, Leonard Holt, and Edward Dawley," The Virginia Forum, Washington and Lee University, Lexington Virginia, March 25, 2011.

"Historian and Activist: Joseph Lynn Clark and the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation," The East Texas Historical Association Spring Meeting, Waco Texas, February 17, 2011.

"Race Rebels? J.L. Clark, Samuel Walker Houston, and the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation," The East Texas Historical Association Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, September 17, 2010.

"Walter E. Hoffman and the Agonies of Busing: The Justice at the Center of 'Forced Justice,'" The Virginia Forum, Christopher Newport University, Newport News, Virginia, April 16, 2010.

"Samuel Walker Houston and the African American Training School at Galilee, Texas," The East Texas Historical Association, Spring Meeting, Ft. Worth, Texas, February 26, 2010.

"Milton F. Gay and the Sit-In Movement in Norfolk Virginia," Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Virginia, February 18, 2010.

"The Sit-In Movement in Tidewater, Virginia," Remembering, Reflecting, Rededicating Conference, Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia, February 17, 2010.

"The All-American City and the Last Throes of Tokenism, 1959-1971," Southern Historical Association Annual Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, November 2009.

"Democracy and Diversity in Walker County Texas," Texas Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas, October 2009.

"We Don't Want Norfolk to be Like Richmond': The Coordinated Retreat from Busing in Norfolk, Virginia, 1975-1987," Association of the Study of African American Life and History, Cincinnati, Ohio, October 2009.

"Diversity and Democracy in Walker County Texas," Association of the Study of African American Life and History, Cincinnati, Ohio, October 2009.



“It's Time to Put Away Your Administrative Knee Pants, Hula Hoops and Bob Jacks': School. Desegregation in Norfolk, Virginia, 1959–1975,” Virginia Forum, Longwood University, Farmville, Virginia, April 2009.

“The All-American City and the Last Throes of Tokenism, 1959-1971,” Fourth Biennial Conference, Urban History Conference, Houston, Texas, November 2008.

“The Fiftieth Anniversary of School Desegregation in Virginia, 1958-59,” Association for the Study of African American Life & History, Birmingham, Alabama, October 2008.

“By the Hundreds’: The Fight for Racial Equality in Norfolk Public Schools, 1959-1963,” America’s 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Voices from Within the Veil, Norfolk, Virginia, February 2007.

## **MASTER’S THESES DIRECTED**

Stacey L. Blackstone, “Michael J. Stolee: An Educator's Career in School Desegregation,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, August 2017).

Shelby Graber, “Race, Rhetoric, and Fear, 1958-1968: How Elected Officials Exploited White Middle Class Racial Anxiety in 1960s America,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, May 2017).

Eric Yollick, “Yoda: Andrew Marshall, American Analyst,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, December 2016).

Matt Carmichael, “Cross-Cultural Encounters: Protestant and Catholic Missionary Societies in the Willamette Valley and Lower Columbia River Region, 1830-1850,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, June 2016).

Carolyn Carroll, “An Assault on Academic Freedom and Tenure: The Dismissal of Rupert C. Koeninger,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, May 2014).

Jeremy Oliver, “Marcellus Elliot Foster: A Crusading Editor and His Battle with the Ku Klux Klan,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, August 2012).

Patricia J. Hale, “Violence in Small Town Texas: The Documentation of East Texas’ Lynching Culture,” (Master’s Thesis, Sam Houston State University, August 2012).

## **DEPARTMENTAL, COLLEGE, AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Co-Chair, University Diversity Committee (2017-2018)

Co-Chair, College of Humanities and Social Sciences Diversity Committee (2016-2018)

Chair, University Faculty Distinguished Lecturer Committee (2015)

Member, University Faculty Senate (2013-2016)

Member, University Web Optimization Committee (2013-2016)

Member, Bearkats Read to Succeed, First Year Experience Committee (2013-2015)

Member, University Constitution Day Committee (2005-Present)

Mentor, University First Year Pathfinders to Mentor New Faculty (2014-2015)

Member, College Diversity Committee (2016-Present)

Member, College Graduate Committee (2013-Present)

Member College Technology Committee (2012-2014)

Chair, History Department Graduate Committee (2013-Present)

Member, History Department Needs Committee (2014-2015)

Webmaster, History Department Website (2005-Present)



## **CO-CURRICULAR PRESENTATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

Chair, "Congressman John Dowdy and Cold War Civil Rights" at the East Texas Historical Association Spring Meeting, February 27, 2015, Sam Houston State University, Woodlands Campus. Graduate student presentations: Cathy Bankus (John Dowdy's Foundation in Law and Order, 1932-1952), James Reagan Sims (The Faith of John Dowdy), Kelli Davis (Representative John Dowdy and the Equal Rights Amendment), and Andrew Deleon, (Congressman John Dowdy and the Vietnam War).

Presenter, "The East Texas Historical iPhone and Android App," at the Region 6 Educational Service Center's Annual Conference, February 19, 2015.

Featured Commentator for "Dear White People," a film sponsored by the Global Center for Journalism and Democracy, December 3, 2014.

Featured Commentator for "The Loving Story," a film shown as part of the National Endowment for the Humanities' series, Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle, February 18, 2014.

Keynote, "The Scopes Trial in History and Memory" at the Region 6 Educational Service Center's Annual Conference, January 17, 2014.

Chair, "Race and Reform: The Black Freedom Struggle from Reconstruction to the Jenna 6," at the Sam Houston State Undergraduate Research Symposium, Saturday, April 21, 2012. Students: Chauntel Doucette (Racial Segregation and the Railroads in Texas), Erin Humphreys (Len Holt and the Civil Rights Campaign in Danville, Virginia), Michaela Clark (Houston's Historic Booker T. Washington High School), and Sara Dupree (The Jena 6: Racism in the Criminal Justice System).

"J.L. Clark and the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation." Presentation at the November 2010 Meeting of the Walker County Historical Commission.

"Democracy and Diversity in Walker County Texas." Presentation at the May 2010 meeting of the Walker County Historical Commission.

"Huntsville, Houston, and Beyond: Public History Projects at Sam Houston State University." Chaired Undergraduate Research Panel at the Southwestern Social Sciences Convention in Houston, Texas, April 1, 2010. Students: Kevin Browning, Philomena Buxton, Stephan Pachica, and Amanda Haynes.

"From Fitzhugh to Foster: Family Stories and the Founding of the Houston Chronicle." Presented with Kevin Browning at the October 2009 meeting of the Walker County Historical Commission.

"History Day at Huntsville State Park: Walker County in the 1930s." Presented with students from HIS 388 at Huntsville State Park, September 2009.

Chair, Huntsville's World War II Prisoner of War Camp. Students Nathan Pope and Jared Gamble, East Texas Historical Association, September 2008.

"Direct Action: The Sit-Ins in Tidewater, Virginia." Presented to the African American Historical Society of Portsmouth, August 2007.