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Education:

Ph.D., History, University of Virginia, 1994
M.A., History, The American University, 1988
B.A., Government, College of William and Mary, 1986

Employment Record:

Adjunct Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Kalamazoo College, Winter 2003--
Adjunct Lecturer, University of Pennsylvania, Spring 2001
Adjunct Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Widener University, Spring 2000
Assistant Professor of History, Louisiana State University, 1995-99 (resigned)
Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Hollins College, 1994-95
Instructor in History (two-thirds time), University of Virginia, Spring 1994
Instructor in History, University of Virginia, Summer 1993
Instructor in History (one-third time), University of Virginia, Fall 1990

Theses:

"'We Shall Have Good Neighbours': The American Union and the Collapse of the Spanish Empire, 1783-1829," Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Virginia, 1994.

"Civil Disobedience and an Analysis of the Sanctuary Movement," B.A. Honors Thesis, College of William and Mary, 1986.

Publications:

Books:

The Louisiana Purchase: Jefferson's Noble Bargain?, Monticello Monograph Series (Charlottesville, Va.: Thomas Jefferson Foundation, 2003).

John Quincy Adams: Policymaker for the Union, Biographies in American Foreign Policy Series (Wilmington, Del.: SR Books, 2001).

The American Union and the Problem of Neighborhood: The United States and the Collapse of the Spanish Empire, 1783-1829 (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1998).

Essays:

"The Geopolitical Context of the Expedition," in Alan Taylor, ed., Lewis and Clark: Journey to Another America (St.

Louis: Missouri Historical Society Press, 2003), 88-103.

"The Burr Conspiracy and the Problem of Western Loyalty," in Peter J. Kastor, ed., The Louisiana Purchase and the Emergence of the American Empire (Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 2002), 64-73.

"'What is to Become of Our Government?': The Revolutionary Potential of the Election of 1800," in James Horn, Jan Ellen Lewis, and Peter S. Onuf, eds., The Revolution of 1800: Democracy, Race, and the New Republic (Charlottesville: University Press of Virginia, 2002), 3-29.

"Jefferson's Mississippi Crisis and the Problem of Union, 1801-1803," in Kyle O. Eidahl, et al., eds., The Consortium on Revolutionary Europe, 1750-1850: Selected Papers, 1997 (Tallahassee, Fl.: Institute on Napoleon and the French Revolution, Florida State University, 1997), 271-79.

"The United States and the Napoleonic Wars: A Commentary," in Kyle O. Eidahl, et al., eds., The Consortium on Revolutionary Europe, 1750-1850: Selected Papers, 1997 (Tallahassee, Fl.: Institute on Napoleon and the French Revolution, Florida State University, 1997), 396-97.

Edited works:

(contributing ed.), "The Early National Period," chapter 5 in Robert L. Beisner, ed., Guide to American Foreign Relations Since 1600 (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-CLIO, 2003).

Encyclopedia entries:

Entries on "Constitution, Ratification" (with Paul Finkelman), "Embargo," "James Monroe," "Territorial Government and New State Formation," and "The War of 1812," in Paul Finkelman et al., eds., Encyclopedia of American Political History (Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 2001), 104-106, 136-37, 254-55, 400-402, 431-32.

Entries on "Fox, Charles James," "French and Indian War," and "Pitt, William," in Bruce W. Jentleson and Thomas G. Paterson, eds., The Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1996), 2:162, 2:189-90, and 3:399-400.

Reviews published or forthcoming in:

Common-place

Diplomatic History

The Eighteenth Century: A Current Bibliography (x7)

The Historian

Journal of American History

Journal of the Early Republic (x3)

Michigan Historical Review (x2)

South Carolina Historical Magazine

William and Mary Quarterly

Academic Honors:

Earned a mark of "Passed with Distinction" at dissertation defense, January 1994.

Earned a mark of "Passed with Distinction" at comprehensive oral examination, June 1990.

Selected to Phi Alpha Theta, 1987.

Graduated with "High Honors" in Government from the College of William and Mary, 1986.

Awards and Prizes:

The American Union and the Problem of Neighborhood named a Choice Outstanding Academic Book for 1999

Professional Activities:

Papers:

"'Rumor Says': The Circulation of Information in the Early Republic," Early American Seminar, Corcoran Department of History, University of Virginia, November 2003

"'Bring them to Light or Consign them to Oblivion': The Strange Career of the Harman Blennerhassett Papers," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Ohio State University, Columbus, July 2003

"A Tornado on the Horizon: The Jefferson Administration, the Retrocession Crisis, and the Louisiana Purchase," The Louisiana Purchase in French-American Perspective Conference, Paris, June 2003, and Charlottesville, Va., October 2003

"'Who is Blennerhassett?: The Narrative of William Wirt,'" Early American Seminar, Corcoran Department of History, University of Virginia, October 2002

"'Discovered in Disguise': Dress and Gentility in the Arrest of Aaron Burr," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., July 2001

"'A Clock or Watch Run Down': The Revolutionary Potential of the Election of 1800," Revolution of 1800 Conference, International Center for Jefferson Studies, Charlottesville, Va., December 2000

"'Who is Blennerhassett?': The Competing Burr Conspiracy Narratives of William Wirt and Harman Blennerhassett," Columbia University Seminar on Early American History and Culture, New York, N.Y., October 2000

"The Burr Conspiracy and the Threat to the Union," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, University at Buffalo, Buffalo, N.Y., July 2000

"Rethinking and Rereading the Burr Conspiracy: A Prospectus," McNeil Center for Early American Studies Brown Bag series, Philadelphia, Pa., October 1999

"Jefferson's Mississippi Crisis and the Problem of Union, 1801-1803," Consortium on Revolutionary Europe annual meeting, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La., February 1997

"'Laying the Foundation of Good Neighbourhood': The Adams

Administration and an Independent New World," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual meeting, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., June 1995

"The American Neighborhood Redefined: The Recognition Decision and the Monroe Doctrine," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Boston College, Boston, Mass., July 1994

Panelist:

"Biography and the Study of U.S. Foreign Relations: A Roundtable Discussion," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations annual meeting, American University, Washington, D.C., June 2001

"Was There a Revolution of 1800? Thomas Jefferson and the Democratizing of the American Revolution," American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies annual meeting, Philadelphia, Pa., April 2000

Chair and Commentator:

"James Monroe, National Boundaries, and National Defense," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Transylvania University, Lexington, Kent., July 1999

"The United States and the Napoleonic Wars," Consortium on Revolutionary Europe annual meeting, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La., February 1997

Commentator:

"Juxtaposed Identities: Bermuda and Baltimore, 1783-1814," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Harpers Ferry, W.Va., July 1998

"New Perspectives on Jeffersonian Territorial Expansion," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., July 1996

Manuscript Referee:

Journal of the Early Republic, 2002, 1999, 1998 (x2), 1992
William and Mary Quarterly, 2002

Program Committee Member:

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic annual meeting, Transylvania University, Lexington, Kent., July 1999

Editorial Board Member:

Essays in History, 1990-91

Public History Activities:

On-camera Appearances:

Documentary entitled "The Louisiana Purchase," Jonathan Gruper Productions, aired on The History Channel, April 2003

Historical Consultant:

Material for "Prairie Fire," a website of the Abraham Lincoln Historical Digitization Project, Northern Illinois

University (<http://dig.lib.niu.edu/prairiefire>)

Material on the Black Hawk War for "Lincoln/Net," a website for the Abraham Lincoln Historical Digitization Project, Northern Illinois University (<http://lincoln.lib.niu.edu>)

Course and reader entitled Lewis and Clark: A Journey Across American Space and Time, The OASIS Institute

Documentary entitled "Thomas Jefferson: A View from the Mountain," Journey Communications, aired on PBS April 1995

Documentary entitled "Thomas Jefferson: A Complex Legacy," Journey Communications, aired on PBS April 1993

Presentations:

"Americans Imagine Themselves in the World, 1776-1826," Summer Institute for Secondary Teachers sponsored by the Center for Western European Studies, Kalamazoo College, June 2003

"The Transformation of the World During an Era of Revolution, 1776-1826 [Part II, 1801-1826]," Chesterfield County (Va.) School Board Summer Seminar, June 1994

"The Federal Union and the Political Economies of Jefferson and Hamilton," The Jefferson Symposium, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., June 1994

"Jefferson's Mississippi Crisis," Elderhostel Program, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., June 1993

"Jefferson as Politician," The Jefferson Symposium, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., June 1993

Editorial Projects:

Editorial Assistant (part-time), Papers of James Madison, 1990-93

Conference Coordinator:

Jeffersonian Legacies Conference, University of Virginia, 1991-93

Grants and Fellowships:

Gilder-Lehrman Post-doctoral Fellowship, International Center for Jefferson Studies, 2002

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 2001-2

First Union Fellowship, International Center for Jefferson Studies, 2001

Batten Fellowship, International Center for Jefferson Studies, 2000

Archie K. Davis Fellowship, North Caroliniana Society, 1999

Mellon Research Fellowship, Virginia Historical Society, 1998

Manship Summer Research Fellowship, Louisiana State University, Summer 1998

Council on Research Summer Stipend, Louisiana State University, Summer 1996

Faculty Development Grant, Hollins College, 1994-95

DuPont Fellowship, University of Virginia, 1992-93, 1991-92

Society of the Cincinnati Research Grant, 1991

Governor's Fellowship, University of Virginia, 1990-91,

1989-90

Academic Enhancement Program Fellowship, University of Virginia, 1990-91, Summer 1990, 1989-90

Thomas Jefferson Graduate Fellowship in History, University of Virginia, 1988-89

Courses Taught:

U.S. History Survey to 1865
U.S. History Survey since 1865
Discovering Native American History (freshman colloquium)
Native American History
Revolutionary America, 1760-1815
The Age of Jefferson and Hamilton
War and Peace in the Age of Jefferson (senior seminar)
The American West in the 19th Century
History of U.S. Foreign Relations to 1914
History of International Relations, 1890-1945
World War II in American Memory (short-term)
History of U.S. Foreign Relations in the Nuclear Age
The Cold War (senior seminar)
Reading Seminar in American History from 1607 to 1865
(graduate colloquium)
Research Seminar in American History (graduate seminar)

Professional Organizations:

American Historical Association
Organization of American Historians
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
Society for Historians of the Early American Republic

Service (at L.S.U.):

University:

Represented the History Department in the University Faculty Senate, Fall 1996-Fall 1998.

Served as an advisor for Spring Testing students, 1996-98.

Served as Dean's Representative on Ph. D. dissertation defense committee in Education School, June 1997.

Served as outside reader on Honor's thesis committee in Political Science Department, April 1997.

Served as Dean's Representative on Ph.D. general exam committee in Education School, November 1996.

Department:

Presided over the second session of the Walter Lynwood Fleming Lectures in Southern History (Michael F. Holt, speaker), April 1999.

Superintended the History Department's monthly Works-in-Progress Seminar series, Fall 1996-Fall 1998.

Served on Ph.D. general exam committee (x5), November 1998.

Served on Ph.D. general exam committee, April 1998.

Presided over the second session of the Walter Lynwood

Fleming Lectures in Southern History (James L. Axtell, speaker),
April 1997.

Served on M.A. thesis defense committee, March 1997.

Served on Ph.D. general exam committee, November 1996.