

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION: B.A. (with High Honors), History (with Honors), University of Maryland. 1967.
M.Phil., History, Yale University, 1972.
Ph.D., History, Yale University, 1976.

EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY:

2012 to present	Professor emeritus
2011 to 2012	James Clark Chair in American Civilization and Director, New Orleans Center for the Gulf South
1978 to 2010	Assistant, Associate, and Professor of History, Tulane University
2000 to 2005	Executive Director, Tulane/Xavier National Center for the Urban Community.
1998 to 2000	Director, Tulane/Xavier Campus Affiliates Program
1976 to 1978	Lecturer, Yale University
1975 to 1978	Assistant and Associate Editor, the <u>Frederick Douglass Papers</u> , Yale University

COURSES TAUGHT:

HISU 141--U.S. History, from Colonial Period to 1865.
HISU 142 (Honors)--U.S. History, 1865 to Present
HISU 348--Louisiana History
HISU 349--Coming of the American Civil War
HISU 350--The American Civil War and Reconstruction
HISU 440--American Race Relations
HISU 648--Industrial America
HISE 691/692--Special Topics in the Holocaust
HISE 642--Readings in the Holocaust
HISU 693—History of New Orleans
HISU 762—19th and 20th Century Southern and Louisiana History

HISU 790--The Sectional Crisis
HISU 799--Louisiana History

PUBLICATIONS:

BOOKS:

The Accidental City: Improvising New Orleans (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2012)

“Up From Slavery: The Angola Story,” in Lori Waslechuk, Grace Before Dying (New York: The Aperture Foundation, 2011)

New introduction to The New Orleans City Guide (1938) by Federal Writers' Project of the Works Progress Administration (New Orleans: Garrett County Press, 2009)

Editor, George Washington Cable's New Orleans (Baton Rouge: LSU Press, 2008)

Editor, Reconstructing Louisiana: Volume VI: Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Series in Louisiana History (Lafayette: USL Press, 2002)

Troubled Memory: Anne Levy, the Holocaust, and David Duke's Louisiana (Chapel Hill: UNC Press, 2000)

with Philip Gould, Louisiana's Capitols: The Power and the Beauty (Lafayette: Galerie Press, 1995)

Co-Editor, The Encyclopedia of the Confederacy. 4 Volumes. (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1993).

Frederick Law Olmsted, The Cotton Kingdom (1861). Edited and with an intro. by Lawrence N. Powell. (Random House, 1984).

New Masters: Northern Planters During the Civil War and Reconstruction (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1980 [Fordham University Press, 1999]).

Co-editor, The Frederick Douglass Papers, Series One: Speeches, Debates, and Interviews. Volume One: 1841-1846 (Yale University Press, 1979).

ARTICLES and BOOK CHAPTERS (selected):

“Leon Godchaux,” Notable New Orleanians: A Tricentennial Tribute (New Orleans: A Publication of the Louisiana Historical Society, 2018)

“Promethean Ambition: How an Imperial Backwater Entered World History” and “New Orleans and the Civil War,” in New Orleans and the World:

1718-2018, A Tricentennial Anthology. Ed. By Nancy Dixon, et al. (New Orleans: The Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, 2017)

Foreword, New Orleans: The First 300 Years. Ed. By Earl and Peggy Scott Laborde (Gretna: Pelican Publishing Company, 2017)

“Southern Reconstruction Governments” in The Reconstruction Era (Washington, DC: Eastern National. The US Department of the Interior, National Park Service, 2016).

“Up From Slavery: A History of Angola Prison,” for Grace Before Dying, by Lori Waselchuk (New York, 2011)

“Lyle Saxon and the *WPA Guide to New Orleans*”: <http://www.southernspaces.org/contents/2009/powell/1a.htm>

Guest Editor, Special Katrina Issue, Journal of American History (Dec. 2007)

“Chasing the Blues Away: Letter from New Orleans,” The American Scholar (Summer 2007)

“What Does American History Tells Us About Katrina, and Vice Versa”? Journal of American History (Dec. 2007)

“Centralization and its Discontents in Reconstruction Louisiana,” Studies in American Political Development, 20, No. 2 (2006)

“New Orleans: An American Pompeii?” in Satchmo Meets Amadeus, ed. by Reinhold Wagnleitner (Innsbruck, Austria: StudienVerlag, 2006)

“The Rise and Fall of David Duke: How Holocaust Memory Broke the Code of Right-Wing Populism,” The American Scholar (Fall 2005)

“Some Unexpected Ways Universities Can Prime the Community Economic Engine: Asset-Building for the Working Poor and the University Back Office,” Journal of Higher Education and Outreach and Engagement (Summer 2005)

“How Interviewing a Holocaust Survivor Led a Historian into Practicing Therapy without a License: An Unexpected Encounter,” Generations, vol. 37 (Fall 2003)

with Joseph Logsdon, “Rodolphe Lucien Desdunes: Forgotten Organizer of the Plessy Protest,” in Sam Hyde, ed., Sunbelt Revolution: The Historical Progression of the Civil Rights Struggle in the Gulf South, 1866-2000 (Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida, 2003), 42-72

“C. Vann Woodward, 1908-1999,” Journal of Southern History 76 (May 2000)

“Reinventing Tradition: Liberty Place, Historical Memory, and Silk-Stocking Vigilantism in New Orleans Politics,” Slavery & Abolition, 20: 1 (1999)

"When Hate Came to Town," American Jewish History, Volume 85, Number 4 (December 1997), 393-419.

"Slouching toward Baton Rouge: The Legislative Election of David Duke," Douglas Rose, ed., David Duke: Action and Reaction (University of North Carolina Press, 1992)

"Read My Liposuction," The New Republic (Oct. 15, 1990)

"A Concrete Symbol," Southern Exposure (Winter 1990)

"Correcting for Fraud: The Mississippi Ratification Election of 1868," Journal of Southern History 65 (Nov. 1989)

"The Prussians are Coming: Review Essay," Georgia Historical Quarterly, 72 (Winter 1987)

Introduction to Frederick Law Olmsted, The Cotton Kingdom (1861 [1984]).

With Michael S. Wayne, "Self-Interest and the Decline of Confederate Nationalism," in Harry P. Owens and James J. Cooke, eds., The Old South In The Crucible Of War (Jackson, MS.: University Press of Mississippi, 1983).

"Politics of Livelihood: Carpetbaggers in the Deep South," in Morgan Kousser and James McPherson, eds., Race, Region, and Reconstruction: Essays in Honor of C. Vann Woodward (New York: Oxford University Press, 1982).

"The American Land Company and Agency: John A. Andrew and the Northernization of the South," Civil War History XXII (December, 1975).

"Rejected Republican Incumbents in the 1866 Congressional Nominating Conventions: A Study in Reconstruction Politics," in Civil War History, 19 (Sept. 1973)

REVIEWS:

I have published reviews in the American Historical Review; the Journal of American History; the Journal of Southern History; Civil War History; The Historian; Louisiana History; Florida Historical Quarterly; Georgia Historical Quarterly; the Journal of Economic History; Slavery & Abolition; Gulf Coast Historical Review; The Progressive; the Nation; and The New Orleans Times-Picayune.

**OTHER
EXPERIENCE:**

PROFESSIONAL (selected):

Chair, John Hope Franklin Lifetime Achievement Award (2016)

Chair, History Jury, Pulitzer Prize, 2014-15

Jury, Francis Parkman Prize, Society of American Historians, 2013

Invited Speaker, Leisure Learning, SAGE, Lake Charles, LA, Oct. 28, 2013

Commentator, "If God is Willing and Da Creeks Don't Rise," Spike Lee Film Festival, Yale University, June 14-16, 2013

Invited Lecturer, McGill University of Toronto, April 12, 2013

Invited Lecturer, The Munk Centre, The University of Toronto, April 5, 2013

Invited Speaker, Gilder-Lehrman Center, Yale University, April 16, 2012

Invited Lecturer, AIHE Teaching American History, Lafayette Public School System, December 5, 2009

Presenter, "The WPA Guide and Creole Food." First Annual Food and Symposium and Literary Fest, Southern Food and Beverage Museum, New Orleans, LA, October 24, 2009.

Presenter, "What is New Orleans?" Center for the Study of New Orleans, Loyola University, New Orleans, LA, October 21, 2009.

Moderator, "The New Orleans Mayors: Victory Schiro." Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, New Orleans, LA, October 20, 2009.

Presenter, "Public Dollars for Culture." Louisiana Book Festival, Baton Rouge, October 17, 2009.

Participant, "Lt. Governor Mitch Landrieu's Media Roundtable on Louisiana Art and Culture, Louisiana Book Festival, Baton Rouge, October 17, 2009.

Moderator, "Rebellion, Resistance, and Revolution: Black Civil Rights Activism in the South." Louisiana Book Festival, Baton Rouge, October 17, 2009.

Commenter, "Writing Creole: The Art and Idealism of Four New Orleans Writers, 1840-1920," American Ethnohistory Conference, New Orleans, Oct. 12, 2009

Presented Talks on Lincoln and New Orleans, Historic New Orleans Collection, Country Day School, and East Bank Regional Library of Jefferson Parish, March, April, and May, 2009

Chair, Nominating Committee, Louisiana Historical Association, 2008-09

Member, Local Arrangements Committee, Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, October 2008

Keynote Speaker, 21st Annual Research Day, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA. March 20, 2008.

Co-organizer of “Louisiana and the Atlantic World Conference,” Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, April 4-5, 2008.

Moderator, at Center for Black Music Research Conference on “Black Music Diaspora,” Xavier University, New Orleans, LA, April 19, 2008.

Invited Lecture, History of New Orleans Lecture Series, University of New Orleans, April 24, 2007.

Keynote Address (with Charles Ogletree), “Children and the Law after Katrina: An Interdisciplinary Conference on Young Evacuees,” the University of Houston Law Center, April 20, 2007.

Keynote Address, “Through the Eye of Katrina: The Past As Prologue,” the Second Howard Mahan Symposium, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, March 78, 2007.

Executive Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2007 to present.

Chaired Session and Presented Paper at the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Atlanta, GA, January 6, 2007.

Chaired Session and Presented Paper at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, Birmingham, AL, Nov. 17, 2006.

Presented Paper at Satchmo Meets Amadeus Conference, Salzburg, Austria, September 30, 2006.

Delivered the Rundell Lecture, The University of Maryland, May 1, 2006.

Chair, “Reconstruction in Louisiana and the South,” Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Historical Society, March 24, 2006.

Consultant on American Experience (PBS) documentary on the history of New Orleans.

Panel moderator and presenter, “What’s Been Lost? What Can be Saved?” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, January 7, 2006

Invited Lecture, Africana Studies, The University of Pennsylvania, November 16, 2005

Lecture, The Centering the South Series, The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, November 29, 2005

Public Lecture, the Munk Centre, The University of Toronto, October 6, 2005.

Delivered Marc and Constance Jacobson Lecture, Institute for the Humanities, the University of Michigan, September 29, 2005.

Commentator, "The Bitter Politics of Reconstruction," Louisiana Historical Association Annual Meeting, March 18, 2005.

Commentator, "Civil War: Causes and Consequences," Conference at the University of Toronto, June 10-11, 2005

Consultant, PBS Documentary on the SS Republic, August 2004 (Nov. 2004 airing)

Presenter and Commentator, "Session on Troubled Memory," Louisiana Historical Association Annual Meeting, March 2002.

Presented Talk at University of Toronto, as part of F. Ross Johnson/Connaught Distinguished Speaker Series, Toronto, Canada (February 2, 2001)

Commentator, "The Crescent City at a Crossroads: Sex, Race, and Business in New Orleans, 1870-1920" Annual Meeting of Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 17, 2001

Presented talk at AAHE annual meeting, January 1999, San Diego, CA

Member, Frank L. and Harriet C. Owsley Book Award Committee, the Southern Historical Association, 1996-7.

Presented a talk, "The Abusable Past: The White League Tradition and New Orleans Politics," Inaugural Conference: Tulane-Cambridge Atlantic World Studies Group, Tulane University, New Orleans, (Nov. 21-23, 1996)

Chair, "African American Leaders and the Struggle for Full Citizenship in the Nineteenth Century," annual meeting of the American Historical Association, January, 1996.

Commentator, "Plessy After 100 Years," annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, Nov. 1995.

Chair, "The Politics of Disfranchisement in the South, 1890-1908," Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, April, 1994

Historical Consultant, "Backlash" a PBS documentary on David Duke and the Politics of Race

Member, Program Committee, Southern Historical Association. (1992)

Chair and commentator at a session of the 1994 Organization of American Historians, April., Atlanta, GA.

Presented a paper at the Citadel Conference on Southern Politics in the 1990s (Charleston, SC, 1990)

Commentator at a session of the 1989 Organization of American Historians, April., St. Louis, MO.

Commentator at a session of the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, Nov. 1987.

Commentator at a session of the Canadian Association for American Studies, Montreal, Oct. 1986.

Chair of a session at the Conference on "Science in the Old South," University of Mississippi, March 1982.

Chairman of a session of the 1977 Annual Conference of the Association of Canadian Studies in The United States, Burlington, Vermont.

Chairman of a session of the 1980 American Historical Association Convention, Washington, DC.

Presented a paper at the 1984 Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, Los Angeles, California.

Presented a paper at the annual Chancellor's Symposium in Southern history, University of Mississippi, October 1981.

Presented a paper at the 1979 Southern Historical Association, Atlanta, Georgia.

Presented a paper at the 1978 Georgia State Studies Symposium, Atlanta, Georgia.

Presented a paper at the 1975 Annual Conference of the Organization of American Historians, Boston, Massachusetts.

UNIVERSITY/FACULTY:

Member, Planning Team to Revive Deep South Regional Humanities Center

Member, Strategic Planning Committee, SLA, 2008-09

Member, Search Committee, Murphy Institute Director, 2008-09

Promotion and Tenure Special Committee for Nicholas Spitzer (Communications), 2007-08

Co-Director (with Sylvia Frey), Deep South Regional Humanities Center Planning Grant, 2000-2001.

Member, Provost's Task Force on Urban Activities at Tulane, 2001-present.

Member, Evaluation Committee for School of Social Work Dean, Suzanne England, 2000-01

Member, Strategic Planning Committee on Community Building, 1999

Member, Urban Village Planning Committee, 1998-99

Member, Newcomb College Committee, 1996-98.

Co-Chair, ACSEPT Committee

Member Academic Performance Committee, University College, 1989-92

Member, Board of Directors, Amistad Research Center, 1986-92.

Member, Senate Budget Review Committee, 1986-8

Member, Committee on Men's Intercollegiate Basketball, 1987-88

President Phi Beta Kappa, 1986-87

Chairman, Select Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics, 1985-86

Chairman, Committee on Fellowships and Scholarships, 1983-85

Member, Executive Committee, Phi Beta Kappa, 1982-3

Member, Faculty Senate Educational Policy Committee, 1980-83

Member of the A & S Senate Committee on Student Financial Aid, 1979-1981

Member of the A & S Honor Board, 1978-1980

COMMUNITY SERVICE (selected):

Chairperson, Louisiana State Museum Board, July 2016 to June 2018.

Moderator, "Making New Orleans Home: A Tricentennial Symposium," The Historic New Orleans Collection, New Orleans, 2018.

Moderator, "Purchased Lives Exhibit Symposium," The Historic New Orleans Collection, New Orleans, 2015.

Organized and moderated the symposium "The Voyage of the Steamboat 'New Orleans' and How it Changed America," Bicentennial Celebration, Hilton Hotel, New Orleans, January 28, 2012

Presented a talk at the Poydras Home for the Aged, New Orleans, LA, October 14, 2009.

Member, Louisiana State Museum Board, 2008-

Member, Civil Rights Museum Advisory Board, 2008-2010

Member, Board of Directors, Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, 2003 to 2009

Member, Workforce Investment Board, City of New Orleans, 2001 to 2005.

Member, Executive Committee, Workforce Investment Board, City of New Orleans, 2003 to 2005.

Member, Youth Council of the City of New Orleans, 2002 to 2005.

Member, Board of Directors, Friends of New Orleans Cemeteries, 2000 to present

Expert Witness, "Theriot v. Jefferson Parish, Louisiana" (1996/97).

Conference Chair, "When the Future Was the Past: The Plessy Decision and its Aftermath," a national civil rights conference, New Orleans, LA. May 17-18, 1996.

Expert Witness, "Hays v. Louisiana" (1993).

Judge, United States Holocaust Museum National Writing Contest (1993).

Co-founder and Board President, Southern Institute for Education and Research, 1992 to present

Co-founder, Vice Chair, and Board of Directors, Louisiana Coalition Against Racism and Nazism, 1990-2.

Conference Chair, "The Continuing American Dilemma," a national civil rights conference, New Orleans (Nov. 10-13, 1989).

Member, Governor's Task Force on Disparities in State Procurement. (1989)

Expert Witness, "Fifth Ward Coalition v. Jefferson Parish School Board" (1988).

Expert Witness, "East Jefferson Coalition v. Parish of Jefferson," (1987).

HONORS AND
AWARDS:

Eggleston Prize in American History, Yale University (1976)
Tulane University Council on Research Summer Grant (1980)
American Philosophical Society Summer Grant (1980)
Tulane Associated Student Body Award for Teaching Excellence (1981)
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship (1982-83)
American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship (1982) -- declined
Governor's Award, Yale University Press (1982)
Honors Program Professor of the Year (1984-85)
Hackney Award -- Tulane Professor of the Year (1984-85)
Tulane University Council on Research Summer Grant (1993)
Encyclopedia of the Confederacy Prizes:
 Library Journal--1993 Best Reference Source
 M--Best History Book, 1993
 American Library Association—Outstanding Reference Source for 1993
 History Book Club Selection— Winter 1994
 Douglas Southall Freeman Award—Military Order of the Stars and Bars
Lewis Wasserman Prize for best article in American Jewish History, 1997
"George Washington Lucas Community Service Award"—NAACP New Orleans
Branch
"Louisiana Humanist of the Year for 1999"—Louisiana Endowment for the
Humanities
Lillian Smith Book Prize, Southern Regional Council, 2000
The Kemper and Leila Williams Book Prize from the Louisiana Historical
Association for 2000
Booklist "Ten Best Books on the Holocaust for 2000"
Finalist, National Jewish Book Award, 2000.
Provost Award for Research and Scholarly Achievement, Tulane University, 2005
Elected Fellow, Society of American Historians, 2008