

## Curriculum Vitae

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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., History, Kansas State University, 2002  
M.A., History, Kansas State University, 1997  
B.A., History and Political Science, University of Vermont, 1995

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS & TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2009-present: Associate Professor of History, Department of History, The University of Southern Mississippi, specializing in the U.S. Civil War Era, U.S. War and Society, the American South, and Nineteenth-Century America.

2007-2009: Associate Professor of History, Department of History, Sam Houston State University, specializing in U.S. History, with an emphasis on the American South, U.S. Civil War, U.S. Military History, and Irish-American history.

2002- 2007: Assistant Professor of History, Department of History, Sam Houston State University. Taught U.S. surveys, U.S. Civil War era (undergrad and graduate), historiography, the Military and War in America, and Immigration and Ethnicity in American History.

2000-2002: Full-time Lecturer, U.S. History surveys for Department of History, Sam Houston State University, class sections range 40 to 300 students.

1996-2000: Adjunct Instructor, "Introduction to History," (a course tailored for helping freshmen learn history and understand historical methods), U.S. History surveys, and "Great Commanders of the Civil War" for Kansas State University, Dept. of Hist.; class sections 4 to 130 students.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

*The Harp and the Eagle: Irish-American Volunteers and the Union Army, 1861-1865.* New York: NYU Press, 2006.

*Hood's Texans: A History of the Texas Brigade and Southern Society in the American Civil War.* Under contract, Louisiana State University Press, Conflicting Worlds Series, Forthcoming 2012.

Editor, *Civil War Citizens: Race, Ethnicity and Identity in America's Bloodiest Conflict.* NYU Press, 2010.

*Voices of the Texas Brigade.* Solicited by University of Tennessee Press, Voices of the Civil War Series edited by Peter S. Carmichael. Co-edited with Richard Eiserman.

### **Books (cont.)**

*This Murderous Storm: A Confederate Family at War*. Edited collection of the James Rogers and Mary Felicia Loughridge Letters. Ongoing book project.

### **Articles**

“The Summer of Irish Rage: The Cause and Consequences of the New York City Draft Riots,” *America’s Civil War*, 22 (March 2009): 24-31.

“American Wars on the Web: Internet Resources for Teaching Military History” in the Organization of American Historian’s Magazine of History, special Military History issue, 22 (October 2008): 41-46. Available online at: <http://www.oah.org/pubs/magazine/milhist/bruce.html>

“The Fierce Pride of the Texas Brigade,” *Civil War Times Illustrated*, 46 (Sept. 2007): 32-29.

“Lee's Resilient Longhorns at Little Round Top,” *Civil War Times Illustrated*, 46 (July 2007): 59-64.

“The Harp and the Eagle: Irish-Americans and the Union War Effort, 1861-1865.” *The Journal of Military History* 69 (April 2005): 331-359.

“‘How Cola’ from Camp Funston: American Indians and the Great War.” *Kansas History* 24 (Summer 2001): 84-97. With Bonnie Lynn-Sherow.

### **Contributed Essays and Encyclopedia Entries**

“George Washington: Military Strategist” in Keith Krawczynski (ed.) *History in Dispute: The American Revolution*. Detroit: St. James Press, 2003.

“Union Army, Women Soldiers” and “American Women in Espionage, Civil War” in Reina Pennington, ed. *Amazons to Fighter Pilots: A Biographical Dictionary of Military Women*. (Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing, 2003).

“Irish-Americans” and “Peter J. Osterhaus” in David S. Heidler and Jeanne T. Heidler, Eds., *Encyclopedia of the American Civil War*. (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2000).

### **Book Reviews**

Multiple book reviews published in:

*Civil War History*  
*Florida Historical Quarterly*  
*The Journal of American History*  
*The Journal of the Early Republic*  
*The Journal of Military History*  
*The Journal of Southern History*  
*Military History of the West*  
*Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*

Regular review series on U.S. Civil War online sites, “Ural on URLs,” in *Civil War Times Illustrated*

### **PEER REVIEW**

Read and critique manuscripts for university presses and refereed journals:

Oklahoma University Press  
Oxford University Press  
University of Tennessee Press

Southern Illinois University Press  
*The Journal of Military History*  
*War in History*

## **EDITORIAL BOARDS/PROGRAM COMMITTEES**

*The Journal of Military History*, 2006 – present

*War & Society*, 2009 – present

*Civil War Times*, 2010 – present

Program Committee, Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting 2010

Regional Coordinator, The Society of Military History, Southwest Region, 2007-2009

## **RECENT CONFERENCE / WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS**

Invited speaker, “Hood’s Texans and the Southern Way of War,” Civil War Round Table of Dallas, October 13, 2010.

Invited presenter, “Hood’s Brigade, Southern Citizenship, and Civil War Memory,” on the panel “New Directions in Civil War Memory,” at The St. George Tucker Society Annual Meeting, Augusta, Georgia, July 29-August 1, 2010.

Roundtable Participant, “New Perspectives in Civil War Ethnic History: A Roundtable Discussion” Society of Civil War Historians Biennial Conference, 17-19 June 2010, Richmond, Virginia.

Presenter, “The Texas Brigade and the Lost Cause” on the panel “The Southern Way of War: The Lost Cause and the Southern Military Tradition” at the Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Lexington, Virginia, May 20-23, 2010.

Invited Speaker, “Hood’s Texans in Blood and Memory,” April 3, 2010, J.C.C. Sanders Lecture Series, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa.

Speaker, “The Lost Cause, Confederate Memory, and the Southern Way of War” for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Richard McCarty Spring Lecture series hosted by the University of Southern Mississippi’s Center for the Study of War and Society, March 22, 2010.

Invited speaker, “The Harp and the Eagle: Irish-American Volunteers and the Union Army, 1861-1865,” Perspectives Lecture Series, The U.S. Army Historical Education Center, The U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, March 17, 2010.

Invited speaker, “Hood’s Texans and the Defeats at Gettysburg and Vicksburg,” Hood’s Texas Brigade Association Re-activated Symposium, November 2009, Abilene, Texas.

Chair, Roundtable discussion of Bell I. Wiley’s *The Life of Johnny Reb* with presentations by Chandra Manning, Kenneth Noe, and Earl Hess. Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, November 2009, Louisville, KY.

Invited speaker, “Remember Your Country and Keep Up Its Credit: Irish Volunteers & the Union Army, 1861-1865” for The Civil War Seminar on Race & Ethnicity in the American Civil War hosted by The George Tyler Moore Center for the Study of the Civil War, Shepherd University, June 25-28, 2009. Also included discussions of Irish-soldier and family experiences at the battlefields of Antietam and Fredericksburg.

Chair and commentator, “Becoming American: Urban Struggles for American Citizenship in the Early Republic,” Urban History Association Annual Meeting, Houston, Texas Nov. 6, 2008.

Chair and commentator, “Influence of Military Operations on Politics & Policy in the Trans-Mississippi,” Society of Civil War Historians Biennial Conference, Philadelphia, PA, June 2008.

## **RECENT CONFERENCE / WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS (CONT.)**

“Going to the Source: A Panel Discussion of the Civil War and Reconstruction Eras in the Letter and Diary Collections of the John W. Thomason Archives, Sam Houston State University.” Chair, East Texas Historical Association, Nacogdoches, Texas, September 28, 2007.

Lecture Presentation on the historiography and pedagogy of the American Civil War to U.S.M.A., West Point Summer Fellows, June 6, 2007.

Paper presentation “War in Ink and Blood: Exploring the Motivations of Irish Catholic Volunteers in the Union Army, 1861-1865 through Their Letters” at the German Historical Institute’s Conference on “The Uses of Immigrant Letters,” May 18-19, 2007, Washington, D.C.

Chair, “New Wine in Old Bottles: Gender and the Civil War,” at the Society for Military History Conference, April 2007, Frederick, Maryland.

Paper presentation, “‘Our Trust in the God of Battles and Our Own Right Army:’ Hood’s Texans and Confederate Nationalism,” at the Society for Military History Conference, April 2007, Frederick, Maryland.

Presentation, “Hood’s Texans: From Recruitment through Gettysburg” at the 34th Annual Texas Heritage Museum, Hill College Symposium: “Hood’s Texas Brigade” Hillsboro, Texas, March 31, 2007

“Secession, Civil War, and Defeat” panel chair and commentator, Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, March 8-10, 2007

Faculty member in the “Teaching American History” Workshop for area K-12 history teachers hosted by the SHSU Department of History July 2005-2008.

“European Diplomacy and the Confederate States of America,” panel commentator, Southern Historical Association Conference, Birmingham, AL, November 2006.

“After the Guns Fell Silent: Union and Unionist Veterans' Experiences and their Place in Civil War History,” panel chair, Society for Military History Conference, Manhattan, KS, May 2006.

“‘Doing the Only Honorable Thing’: Motivation for Service in Hood’s Texas Brigade,” presented at the Texas State Historical Association Conference, Fort Worth, TX, March 2005

“Citizen-Soldiers and the Military Professional in Gilded Age America,” panel chair, Society for Military History Conference, Charleston, SC, February 2005.

“Lessons Learned: Experiences and Advice for New Ph.D.s in Military History,” special round table discussion for Society for Military History Conference, Bethesda, MD, May 20-23, 2004. Organizer and presenter.

“The Lessons of War: St. Clair Mulholland and the 116th Pennsylvania,” presented at the Society for Military History Conference, Bethesda, MD, May 20-23, 2004.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

Texas State Historical Association Lawrence T. Jones III Research Fellowship in Civil War Texas History, in support of my edited letter collection, *This Murderous Storm: A Confederate Family at War*

Awarded 2008 General and Mrs. Matthew B. Ridgway Research Grant to support work on my book, *Hood’s Texans: A History of the Texas Brigade and Southern Society in the American Civil War*. (LSU Press, forthcoming 2011).

## **RESEARCH GRANTS (CONT.)**

Awarded 2006 Ottis Lock Research Grant to support work on my book, *Hood's Texans: A History of the Texas Brigade and Southern Society in the American Civil War*. (LSU Press, forthcoming 2011).

Awarded major research grant from the Irish Research Fund of the Irish American Cultural Institute in support of dissertation research, writing, and publications efforts. January 2001.

Archie K. Davis Fellow, The North Caroliniana Society in support of research on North Carolina's ethnic units in the American Civil War, 2000.

## **ACADEMIC TEACHING AWARDS**

Research Achievement in History Award, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sam Houston State University, 2006-2007.

Teaching Achievement in History Award, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sam Houston State University, 2005-2006.

Recipient of the Sam Houston State University Excellence in Teaching Award, 2004.

Semi-finalist for Sam Houston State University Excellence in Teaching Award, 2003.

Bower Sageser Award for excellence in teaching, History Department, Kansas State Univ., 2000.

## **RECENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & DEVELOPMENT**

Organized a panel and a roundtable for the 2010 Southern Historical Association Conference as a member of the program committee. The roundtable is "Points of Departure: New Approaches to the Study of Civil War Armies" featuring Joseph T. Glatthaar, Gary Gallagher, Peter Carmichael, and Jacqueline Glass Campbell with John Coski as moderator. The panel is "Race, Citizenship, and the Southern Way of War" featuring Wayne Lee, Paul Springer, and Heather Stur with Lesley Gordon commenting and Daniel Sutherland chairing. Both sessions accepted for SHA 2010 Annual meeting.

Co-chair for planning the Society for Military History Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, March 2013.

Organized and hosted reception featuring scholarship of Society for Military History authors with New York University Press, Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, October 10, 2008.

Fellow, The United States Military Academy at West Point, Summer Seminar in Military History, June 3-24, 2002. See: [http://www.dean.usma.edu/history/web03/summer seminar site/summer pages/fellowship.htm](http://www.dean.usma.edu/history/web03/summer%20seminar%20site/summer%20pages/fellowship.htm)

Assistant Director, H-Net. Trained new list editors. H-Net is the world's largest scholarly organization devoted to computing and networking in the Humanities and Social Sciences: <http://www.h-net.msu.edu>

Coeditor of H-War, an internet scholarly discussion list affiliated with H-Net: Humanities and Social Sciences Online: <http://www.h-net.msu.edu>

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Irish Historical Society  
Civil War Preservation Trust  
Irish American Cultural Institute

Society for Military History  
Society of Civil War Historians  
Southern Historical Association

## REFERENCES

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