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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Illinois, Chicago. August 1990.

M.A. (History) University of Southern Mississippi. May 1984.

B.S. (History) University of Southern Mississippi. May 1982.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professor, History Department, University of Southern Mississippi, (2002-present)

Visiting Professor, Department of Warfighting Strategy, United States Air Force Air War College, (2005-2006 academic year)

Associate Professor, History Department, University of Southern Mississippi, (1997-2001)

Visiting Senior Lecturer, War Studies Department, Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, England, (fall 1996)

Professor of Record, Vietnam Studies Program, (summer 2000-2001)

Professor of Record, British Studies Program, (summer 1992, 1993, 1996-present)

Assistant Professor, History Department, University of Southern Mississippi, (1993-1997)

Visiting Assistant Professor, History Department, University of Southern Mississippi, (1990-1992)

Adjunct Faculty Member, History Department, University of Southern Mississippi, (1988-1989)

Teaching Assistant, History Department, University of Illinois, Chicago, (1984-1986)

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Director of Graduate Studies, History Department, University of Southern Mississippi, (2004-2005)

Director, University Honors Forum, University of Southern Mississippi, (2003)

Director, Vietnam Studies Program, University of Southern Mississippi, (2000-present)

Assistant Director, British Studies Program, University of Southern Mississippi, (2002-2004)

Co-Director, The Center for the Study of War and Society, University of Southern Mississippi, (2006-present)

Founder and Director, The Center for the Study of War and Society, University of Southern Mississippi, (1998-2005)

Deputy Director, British Studies Program, University of Southern Mississippi, (1993-1996)

SCHOLARSHIP

Publications

Books

Monographs

Vietnam's Forgotten Army: Heroism and Betrayal in the ARVN. New York University Press, December 2007.

Haig: The Evolution of a Commander, Potomac Press, June 2005. Great Commanders Series, Dennis Showalter General Editor.

Passchendaele and the Royal Navy, Greenwood Press, March 1995. Contributions in Military Studies Series.

Edited Works

Rolling Thunder in a Gentle Land: The Vietnam War Revisited, Osprey Press, September 2006.

War in the Age of Technology: Myriad Faces of Modern Armed Combat, (Co-edited with Geoffrey Jensen) New York University Press, May 2001. The World of War Series. Dennis Showalter General Editor.

Series

The Vietnam War, 1959-1975, Osprey Press, October 2002. Essential History Series. Professor Robert O'Neill General Editor.

Infantry Warfare: The Theory and Practice of Infantry Combat in the Twentieth Century (Co-authored with M.K. Barbier) MBI Publishing, October 2002.

The Pacific War: From Pearl Harbor to Hiroshima (Co-authored with Gregory Louis Mattson) MBI Publishing, October 2001. Campaigns of World War II Series.

General

Atlas of World War II (Co-authored with David Jordan), Barnes and Noble, September 2004.

The Illustrated History of World War I, Grange Books, August 2001.

The Illustrated History of the Vietnam War, (Co-authored with Chris McNabb) Thunder Bay Press, October 2000.

Encyclopedias

1917: America Enters the War, the fifth volume in the eight volume *Grolier's Encyclopedia of World War I*, Grolier, January 1997.

Articles and Book Chapters

“Preferring to Learn from Experience: The AEF in 1917,” a chapter in Peter Dennis and Jeffrey Grey (eds.), *1917: Tactics, Training and Technology, Proceedings of the 2007 Chief of Army's Military History Conference*, Australian Military History Publications, 2007.

“Dying of Thirst in the Middle of the Ocean: The Failures of the Allied Logistic System in the Vietnam War,” *Mars and Clio*; The Newsletter of the British Commission for Military History (In association with the Security Studies Institute, Cranfield University), Number 20, Autumn, 2007.

“An American War?” A chapter in Andrew Wiest, ed., *Rolling Thunder in a Gentle Land: The Vietnam War Revisited*, Osprey, September 2006.

“An Innovative Vietnam Study Abroad Course with History Students and Veterans,” *Frontiers: the Interdisciplinary Journal of Study Abroad*, Volume IX, Fall 2003. (Co-authored with Raymond Scurfield and Leslie Root)

“Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder: The Legacy of War,” (Co-authored with Leslie Root and Raymond Scurfield) a chapter in Jensen and Wiest, *War in the Age of Technology*, New York University Press, May 2001.

“The Western Front, 1914-1918,” a chapter in Simon Trew and G.D. Sheffield, *One Hundred and One Years of Conflict*, Sutton, April 2001.

"**The Planned Amphibious Assault**," a chapter in Peter Liddle, *Passchendaele in Perspective*, 201-214, Pen and Sword, August 1997.

"**Haig, Gough and Passchendaele**," a chapter in G.D. Sheffield, *Command and Leadership in War*, 77-92, Brassey's, July 1997.

"**Haig's Abortive Amphibious Assault on Belgium, 1917**," *The Historian*, June 1992.

Encyclopedia Articles

Entries on John Jellicoe and Psychology and War in *The Reader's Guide to Military History*, Fitzroy Dearborn, September 2001.

Films

"**The Somme: A Storm of Steel**," as part of **The Adventures of Young Indiana Jones** documentary project with **JAK Films**, the documentary branch of **Lucasfilm, Ltd.** I served as historical consultant for the film and appear as one of the major commentators. Produced by Adam Sternberg. 2007

"**Joint Prisoner of War / Missing in Action Accounting Command**," as part of the **BBC** series **Timewatch**, produced by Lisa Charles. I served as a historical and script consultant on the project. 2006.

"**Vietnam's Bloody Secret**," part of the **Battlefield Detectives** series produced by Granada Television in the United Kingdom and shown in the United States on the History Channel. Directed by Jeremy Freeston. I served as a historical consultant for the film and appear as one of the major commentators on the war. 2004.

"**The Battle of the Somme**," part of the **Battlefield Detectives** series produced by Granada Television in the United Kingdom and shown in the United States on the History Channel. Directed by Jeremy Freeston. I served as a historical consultant for the film and appear as one of the major commentators on the battle. 2004.

National Newspaper Opinion Pieces

"**Historians Dissect War in Iraq**," *San Francisco Chronicle*, October 29, 2004. Invited piece also including Malcolm Muir, Joseph Nye, Victor Davis Hanson, Richard Kohn, Andrew Bacevich, G. Kurt Piehler, Lawrence Suid and Eugenia Kiesling on the future interpretation of the war in Iraq.

"**Torture, a Blunt Instrument of Uncertain Usefulness**," *Philadelphia Inquirer*, June 9, 2004. Invited piece on the utility of torture in Military History.

Book Reviews

Review of *Douglas Haig: The Preparatory Prologue, 1861-1914: Diaries and Letters*. (London: Pen and Sword, 2006). *Journal of the Society for Army Historical Research* (United Kingdom).

Review of *Con Thien: The Hill of Angels*, by James P. Coan. (Tuscaloosa: The University of Alabama Press, 2004). *The Journal of Mississippi History*.

Review of *Ellsworth Bunker: Global Troubleshooter, Vietnam Hawk*, by Howard B. Schaffer. (Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 2003). *The Journal of Cold War Studies*.

Work in Progress

I am presently working on my next book manuscript, which will detail the history of Charlie Company, 4th Battalion, 47th Infantry in Vietnam. An extremely detailed look at a small unit in war, the project will chronicle the experiences of a company largely made up of draftees, which was part of the only division raised and trained specifically for Vietnam. The unit saw service in 1967, arguably the pivotal and most difficult year of the conflict. Besides dealing with the experiences of Charlie Company in training and in combat, the book will also investigate the experiences of the veterans of Charlie Company and their reintegration into society.

I am working on the completion of a film documentary concerning Vietnam veterans and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Filming took place during the USM Vietnam Study Abroad Program in the summer of 2000.

I have completed a manuscript for Amber Books (United Kingdom) entitled *The Western Front, 1917-1918*. The manuscript has been accepted for publication and will appear in 2008.

Conference Papers and Invited Talks

“Fighting Alongside Strangers: The Successes and Failures of the US/Australian Combat Advisory Effort in Vietnam,” A Big Day at War Military History Seminar, University of Adelaide, Australia, November 2007.

“Preferring to Learn from Experience: The AEF in 1917,” Chief of Army’s Military History Conference, “1917: Tactics, Training and Technology,” Canberra, Australia, November 2007.

Commentator, **“Black Hearted Traitors, Crucified Martyrs, and the Leaning Virgin: The Role of Rumor and the Great War Canadian Soldier,” International Society for First World War Studies, Washington, D.C, October 2007.**

“Dying of Thirst in the Middle of the Ocean: The Failures of the Allied Logistic System in the Vietnam War,” British Commission for Military History National Meeting, Queen’s College, Cambridge, July 2007.

“Strangers Meeting at the Crossroads of War: The US/Australian Combat Advisory Effort in Vietnam,” Society for Military History national meeting, Frederick, Maryland, April 2007.

Commentator, **Eisenhower/Dulles/Eden Diplomacy in the Near East and Berlin in the 1950’s, The First Regional International Security/Internal Safety Conference,** Mississippi State University, March 2007.

Chair, **Dangerous Determinism: The Limitations of Historical Inquiry in Aspects of Recent U.S. Military History,** The American Historical Association, Atlanta, January 2007.

Moderator, **Beach Assault** a panel discussion at **The International Conference on World War II,** The National World War II Museum, New Orleans, November 2006.

“From Beaumont Hamel to Passchendaele: Lessons Learned and Unlearned from the Somme,” International Conference on the 90th Anniversary of the Battle of the Somme, University of Kent, Canterbury, England, July 2006.

“The Reality of ARVN at War,” invited keynote address to the 40th Anniversary of the Army of the Republic of South Vietnam Day meetings, Seattle, Washington, June 2006.

“Lessons Learned and Unlearned from the Somme: Gough, Plumer and Haig and the Planning of Third Ypres,” Society for Military History national meeting, Manhattan, Kansas, May, 2006.

“Searching for Answers in the Past: The Failure of Nation Building in South Vietnam,” National Security Forum, Air University, May 2006.

“ARVN Put to the Test: Reflections on Operation Lam Son 719,” an invited presentation for a conference entitled **ARVN: Reflections and Reassessments after Thirty Years,** The Vietnam Center of Texas Tech University, March 2006.

“The US Combat Advisory Effort in Vietnam: Successes and Failures,” Air War College Faculty Forum, January 2006.

“The Vietnam War as Seen Through a Different Lens: Mysteries, Sources and Discoveries through the Utilization of Vietnamese Sources”, Society for Military History national meeting, Charleston, South Carolina, February 2005.

“The Greatest Victory of a Forgotten Nation: The South Vietnamese Army and the Struggle for Hue in the Tet Offensive”, for a panel that I arranged for the Society for Military History national meeting, Bethesda Maryland, May 2004.

“The Making of a Traitor: The Transformation of South Vietnamese Colonel Pham Van Dinh before his Surrender at Camp Carroll in 1972”, Society for Military History national meeting, Knoxville Tennessee, May 2003.

“Trauma and Remembrance: Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and History,” Society for Military History national meeting, Madison Wisconsin, April 2002.

“The Role of Study Abroad Programs for American Universities,” roundtable discussion participant, Southwestern Social Science Association, New Orleans, April 2002.

“Vietnam Revisited: Confronting Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in Vietnam,” co-authored with Leslie Root, Gulfport Veterans Association Medical Center Conference, June 2001.

“Study Abroad Vietnam History Course: Integrating Military History and Mental Health,” co-authored with Leslie Root and Raymond Scurfield, delivered as a ‘poster session’ meeting of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, November 2000.

“Strategy and the Learning Curve – Third Ypres, The Battle of Passchendaele, 1917,” Western Front Association National Meeting, Fort Leavenworth Kansas, September 2000.

"The Recent Revolution in Military History: The Improvement of British Army Command in the First World War 1916-1918," The Middle-Atlantic Conference on British Studies, New York City, April 1999.

"Vietnam and its Enduring Legacy: Views and Treatment of Combat Shock and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder," with Dr. Leslie Root, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Conference on the History of Medicine and Science, University of Southern Mississippi, February 1999.

"The Evolution of the British Command Structure in the Great War," National Meeting of the Western Front Association, London, August 1998.

"Towards Mission Command, the Development of British Command in World War I," British History Association, University of Illinois, October 1997.

"Third Ypres and the Learning Curve," Western Front Association, London, August 1997

"British Command Effectiveness at Third Ypres," War Discussion Group, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, November 1996.

"Vietnam in Perspective," Military Studies Association, Department of War Studies, King's College London, October 1996.

Chair, **"Artillery and the South African War,"** British Commission for Military History National Meeting, University of Buckingham, July 1996.

"The Causes and Impact of the Battle of Passchendaele," Western Conference on British Studies, October 1995.

"Haig, Gough and the Planning of Passchendaele," British Commission for Military History National Meeting, University of Buckingham, July 1995.

"Combined Operations and the Passchendaele Campaign," British Commission for Military History National Meeting, University of Buckingham, July 1993.

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Foundations of Warfighting (Air War College)
History 400 (capstone seminar)
American Military History
Europe 1914-1945
Modern British History
World War I Readings Seminar
World War I
Vietnam
Military History
Military History Seminar
World History Teaching Seminar
Western European History Seminar
World War II
World War II Study Abroad (British Studies)
Vietnam Study Abroad (Vietnam Studies)
World War I Study Abroad (French Studies)
Freshman Honors World Colloquium
World Civilization I and II
World Civilization I and II (Honors)
War Studies (Royal Military Academy Sandhurst)
Junior Command Staff Course (Royal Military Academy Sandhurst)

Graduate Teaching

Presently directing three theses and three dissertations.

I have served on 21 MA committees and 14 Ph.D. committees.

I have directed 7 MA theses and 2 Ph.D. dissertations.

My first Ph.D. student, Mary Kathryn Barbier, received a John M. Olin Postdoctoral Fellowship in Military History at Yale University.

My second Ph.D. student, Pat Apel, has published a revised version of his dissertation with the University of Kentucky Press.

Awards

Aubrey Keith Lucas and Ella Ginn Lucas Endowment for Faculty Excellence research award, with a budget of \$3,440.00 to support research into my next book project, 2008.

Inclusion in *Who's Who in America*, 2008, 2009.

U.S. Government IPA Program selection. My selection for this program, and my resultant teaching at the US Air Force Air War College, resulted in the IPA program reimbursing Southern Miss for my salary and benefits – a total of \$89,231 in grant monies.

Student Government Association Outstanding Professor Award, 2004.

Outstanding Staff Award for outstanding service to students with disabilities, Office of Disability Accommodations, 2004.

History Department Research Award, March 2003.

The Andrew Heiskell Award for Innovation in International Education, Honorable Mention. The prestigious Institute of International Education awarded this honor to the Vietnam Studies Program in January 2003. The Vietnam Studies Program which I created and direct was ranked second in the nation out of 600 member universities and colleges.

Association for Continuing Higher Education Region VII Distinguished Program Award, April 2002. The ACHE granted this distinction to the program and study abroad component of the Vietnam Studies Program which I created and direct.

Mississippi Humanities Council Teacher of the Year Award, 2001-2002.

Dean's Special Award, College of International and Continuing Education, 2001

University of Southern Mississippi Excellence in Teaching Award, 1996, 2002.

Studies

My teaching methods were the subject of a dissertation in the field of education entitled, "Popular Music in the History Classroom: A Case Study," by Charlotte Dianne Burroughs, Mississippi State University 1997.

SERVICE

Manuscript reviewer for Texas Tech University Press, Potomac Press, Texas A&M University Press, Osprey Press

Development and direction of the Vietnam Studies Program. The program is a synthesis of military history, Vietnamese history and mental health. The class is unique in its makeup and has

received a good deal of attention (local and state newspaper and television coverage and national coverage in the field of mental health).

Development of a faculty exchange program with the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst. The RMAS has one of the finest War Studies departments in Europe. It has exchanged faculty with other service academies but never with an academic university. My stay at the RMAS in the fall semester 1996 was the first installment of the exchange. Dr. Gary Sheffield took my place at USM. In 1999 Dr. Geoffrey Jensen exchanged with Dr. Paul Harris. During 2005 two faculty members from the United Kingdom (Dr. Stephen Badsey and Sean McKnight) have been on campus teaching two classes for our upper level students. I did the work to get them here and am grading the work of the 88 students involved in the courses.

Coordination of the World War II course on the British Studies Program along with my administrative duties as Deputy Director of the British Studies Program.

Development and coordination of a speakers series in the field of military history.

Development of the concentration area in military history in the history MA program.

Development of the Center for the Study of War and Society at USM and our growing graduate program in the study of War and Society.

Teaching of overload courses (World War I seminar, honors history and several independent study courses).

Teaching courses for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Teaching my Vietnam course as a non-credit course for the community during my sabbatical.

Coordinator of World History - involving construction of departmental final, departmental syllabus, coordination and development of tutorial sessions, and development and team teaching of the graduate teaching practicum course History 796.

HEADWAE Award Committee, 2006-2007.

Fulbright Advisor, 2006-present.

Grand Marshal Award Committee, 2006-2007.

Centennial Committee

Honor's Day Speaker.

Honors Forum Director, 2004.

Director of Graduate Studies, History Department, 2004-2005.

Phi Alpha Theta advisor, 1992-1995, 1998-2001.

History Department College Council representative, 2001.

History Department World Civilization Committee.

History Department Tenure and Promotion Committee, Chair, 2001-2003.

College of Liberal Arts Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2002-2003.

University Advisory Committee, 2003-2004.

College of Arts and Letters Governance Document Committee, 2003-2004.

Dean's Search Committee, College of Arts and Letters, Co-Chair, 2003.

Service as a History Day judge and presenter for thirteen years.

Development of the USM Vietnam collection at the Armed Forces Museum at Camp Shelby.

I am presently working with Dr. Curtis Austin in an effort to seek funding for a Mississippi Veterans Oral History Project. The pilot program for the project has begun and I am taking an active part in interviewing the veterans. The overall project and grant should result in a monograph.

Service Presentations

Presentation on the background to Pearl Harbor, Teaching American History grant teaching seminar, December 2007.

Presentation on Harry Summers, *On Strategy: A Critical Analysis of the Vietnam War*, to the **War and Society Roundtable**, February 2007.

Presenter at and co-organizer of "9/11, A Military, Cultural and Historical Retrospective after Five Years," a forum presented at the University of Southern Mississippi, September, 2006.

Presentations to the Mississippi Retired Officers Association of Hattiesburg and of Laurel regarding the War and Society Program at the University of Southern Mississippi. May 2005.

Chair, "**The Sixties and its Discontents**," Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference, April 2005.

"**Mud, Death and Poetry: Learning of Military History through Primary Sources**," National History Day Presentation, April 2005.

“The Causes of World War II; Normandy Invasion,” Mississippi American History Scholars Program, September, 2004.

“The Causes of World War I and Trench Deadlock,” Mississippi American History Scholars Program, May 2004.

“Vietnam on the American Homefront,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, May 2004.

“Operation Lam Son 719,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, April 2003.

“The Law of War and Prisoners of War,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, September 2002.

“New Life on the Mekong: Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos,” an educational mission study presented by the United Methodist Women at Trinity United Methodist Church, Picayune MS, August 2002.

“New Life on the Mekong: Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos,” an educational mission study presented by the United Methodist Women at Parkway Heights United Methodist Church, April 2002.

“The War on Terror,” a presentation to the Hattiesburg Jaycees, March 2002.

“Pearl Harbor and 9/11: A Historical Comparison,” Hattiesburg Public Library, December 2001.

“Vietnam: Terror, Revolution and Reaction,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, September 2001.

“Vietnam and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder/The Vietnam Veteran in the Classroom,” co-authored with John Young, Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, March 2000.

“Using Film to Teach about the Normandy Invasion,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, March 1999.

“US Veterans and the Vietnam War,” Institute for Learning and Retirement, Copiah-Lincoln Community College, May 1999.

“Using Music as a Teaching Tool in the Classroom,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, September 1998.

“The US and the Middle East after 1945,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, March 1997.

“Teaching about the Great War,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, March 1996.

“The War against Hitler,” Seminar for Teachers, University of Southern Mississippi, March 1995.

Along with Dr. Leslie Root I have made several presentations to veterans groups at the Veterans Administration Health Care System in Gulfport. These annual presentations gather students, veterans and veterans who have returned with our program to Vietnam for discussions of PTSD.

I have made numerous presentations on the history of the University of Southern Mississippi to the Legacy program.

I have made presentations on my research to the history faculty at The University of Memphis, Northeastern Louisiana University, East Texas State University, Alcorn State University, the University of Illinois and the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

I have made numerous presentations to the brown bag lunch series of Phi Alpha Theta and have served as commentator at more than ten Phi Alpha Theta regional conferences.

I have been active in promoting history and the USM history department. Activities in this area include more than thirty history presentations and recruitment visits to Oak Grove, Perry Central, Laurel Christian, Newton County and Hattiesburg High Schools.

I have made numerous presentations (25) to local civic groups at the Hattiesburg Public Library concerning my scholarly work and our recent visits to Vietnam.

I have made several appearances as a commentator on the Mississippi Network and in local, state and national news outlets regarding the present war on terror.