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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Degree (History), Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi
June 1969
- M.A. Degree (History), Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi
August 1965
- B.S.E. Degree (Social Sciences and History), Delta State University, Cleveland,
Mississippi
May 1964
- A.A. Degree (Liberal Arts), Itawamba Community College, Fulton, Mississippi
May 1962

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- **Dean, The University of Mississippi-Tupelo, Advanced Education Center,**
Tupelo, Mississippi
2005 - Present
- **Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor** of History, Northeastern
State University, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
1998 - 2005
- **Interim Dean, Graduate College,** Northeastern State University, Tahlequah,
Oklahoma
2002 - 2003
- **Dean, School of Arts and Letters and Professor** of History, Southeastern
Oklahoma State University, Durant, Oklahoma
1995 - 1998
- **Consultant and Coordinator** for State Postsecondary Review Entity, Alabama
Commission on Higher Education, Montgomery, Alabama
1993 - 1995
- **Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor** of History, University of
West Alabama (*formerly* Livingston University), Livingston, Alabama
1992-1993
- **Dean, College of General Studies** (Arts & Sciences), **Director of Freshman
Studies Program,** and **Professor** of History, University of West Alabama
1974 - 1992
- **Director of Athletics,** University of West Alabama, Livingston, Alabama
1983 - 1992
- **Chairman,** Division of History and Social Sciences and **Associate Professor** of
History, University of West Alabama
1972 - 1974
- **Assistant Professor** of History, University of West Alabama
1967 - 1972
- **Instructor,** Mississippi State University, Extension Center, Tupelo, Mississippi
Summer 1967
- **Visiting Professor** of History, University of Arkansas-Monticello
Summer 1966
- **Teaching Assistant** in History, Mississippi State University
1965 - 1967

POST DOCTORAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Price - Babson Fellow Program, Babson College, Babson Park, Massachusetts
Summer 2001
- Institute for Educational Management, Harvard University, Cambridge,
Massachusetts Summer 1985

RESEARCH & TEACHING SPECIALIZATIONS

- Southern Indians, Cherokee, and Native American Studies
- 18th Century Old Southwest Frontier
- 18th and 19th Century United States Military History
- Historic Preservation and Public History

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ACADEMIA

University Committee Assignments

- Member, Council of Deans 2005 – present
- Member, Council of Academic Administrators 2005 – present
- Chair, NSU Centennial Publications Committee 2004 – 2005
- Member, NSU Centennial Steering Committee 2004 – 2005
- Member, Architect Selection Committee (NSU-Science Building) 2003
- Chair, NSU - Broken Arrow Transition Task Force 1999 - 2002
- Member, Architect Selection Committee (NSU - Broken Arrow) 1999 & 2004
- Chair, Council of Academic Administrators 1998 - 2005
- Member, University Administrative Council 1998 - 2005
- Member, NSU - Muskogee Building Committee 1998 - 1999
- Member, Americans with Disabilities Act Committee 1995 - 1998
- Member, University Administrative Council 1995 - 1998
- Member, Council of Deans 1995 - 1998
- Member, Planning and Resource Council 1997 - 1998
- Member, Graduate Faculty 1967 - 1995
- Hiring Coordinator, Title VI Consent Decree and EEOC 1992 - 1993
- Member, University Planning Council 1990 - 1993
- Member, Admissions and Retention Committee 1974 - 1993
- Member, Graduate Council 1974 - 1993
- Member, Presidents' Cabinet 1972 - 1993

Service to the Academic Community

- Chair, Oklahoma Regional Chief Academic Officers 2001 - 2003
- Chair, Council on Instruction, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
2000 - 2001
- Member, Oklahoma Research Day Committee 2000 - 2005
- NEH Site Evaluator, Alabama Humanities Foundation January 27 - 30, 1999
- Reviewer, Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program, United States Department of
Education 1993 - 1998
- SPRE Workshop, Administrative Planning Retreat, Stillman College, Tuscaloosa,
Alabama June 3, 1994
- Chair, Region 3 Planning Council for Distance Learning, Alabama Commission on
Higher Education 1993
- Member, Joint Committee on the Review of New Units of Instruction, Alabama
Commission on Higher Education 1993
- Member, Council of Chief Academic Officers, Alabama Commission on Higher
Education 1992 - 1993
- Member, *later* Vice-Chair and Secretary, Council of Deans of Arts and Sciences,
Alabama Commission on Higher Education 1975 - 1992
- Panelist, "The Role of the Core Curriculum: The Regional University," Alabama and
Mississippi Deans of Arts and Sciences, Auburn University February 8, 1991
- Moderator, "Excellence in Education: Reform and Revitalization," Montgomery,
Alabama May 5, 1987
- Member, Review Team for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Eastwood
Middle School, Tuscaloosa, Alabama January 27 - 29, 1985
- Member, Alabama State Department of Education, Review of Strengthened Subject
Matter Option, Teacher Education Program, University of Alabama-Birmingham;
University of Alabama-Huntsville February 1 - 2, 1983 and June 23 - 24, 1982
- Member, Alabama State Department of Education, Teacher Education Review Team,
Jacksonville State University; University of North Alabama
May 12 - 13, 1982 and September 20 - October 2, 1981
- Member, Alabama Commission on Higher Education, Special Task Force, State Plan
for Higher Education 1979 - 1980

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

- Consultant, Mississippi: Outpost of Majestic Spain Exhibit, The Old Capital
Museum, Mississippi Department of Archives & History, Jackson, Mississippi
April 1 - September 2, 2001

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- Member, *later* Chair, NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee 1989 - 1995
- Chair, South Central Region Advisory Committee, NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee 1993 - 1995
- Chair, South Region Advisory Committee, NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee 1989 - 1993
- Member, Executive Committee, Alabama Historical Association 1990 - 1993
- Member, *later* Secretary, Vice-Chair, and Chair, Alabama Humanities Foundation 1977 - 1992
- Moderator, Fort Tombeché Ceremony. Formal transfer of 18th century fort site to University of West Alabama by the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Alabama. April 18, 1986
- Panelist, "Archives in Society," Society of Alabama Archives Annual Meeting, Mobile October 24 - 25, 1984
- Moderator, "Academic Institutions, Scholars and the Public," Third State Conference on the Humanities, Alabama Humanities Foundation, Birmingham January 22 - 23, 1982
- President, Alabama Association of Historians 1980 - 1982
- Chair, Fort Tombeché Advisory Commission, State of Alabama 1976 - 1995

PUBLICATIONS

- "Peter Pitchlynn", "John Pitchlynn", "George, Levi, and William Colbert", "Choctaws in the Civil War", "Treaty of Hopewell", and "Treaty of Fort Adams" in the *Mississippi Encyclopedia*. Projected publication 2008
- "George Strother Gaines" in *Encyclopedia of Alabama*. Projected publication 2007
- "Cherokee Advocate", "Cherokee Phoenix," "Chickasaw Nation," "John Ridge," "Major Ridge," "George Colbert," "Greenwood LeFlore," "Mosholatubbe," and "Peter Pitchlynn" in *Encyclopedia of Oklahoma History and Culture*. Projected publication 2006
- *Dillard's History of Sumter County, Alabama: with Other Writings of Judge Anthony Winston Dillard*. Local history book manuscript with publication by the Sumter County Historical Society. Projected for 2009
- *Outpost of Empire: Fort Tombeché and Fort Confederation*. Book manuscript co-authored with Dr. Joe B. Wilkins, University of West Alabama and currently under revision for re-submission to The University of Alabama Press. Projected for 2009
- *Dragging Canoe and the Chickamaugas: Forgotten Resistance on the Southern Frontier, 1760-1795*. Book manuscript submitted to the University of Nebraska Press. Projected for 2008
- *When This Evil War is Over: The Correspondence of the Francis Family, 1860 - 1865*. Edited and with introduction and notes. The University of Alabama Press. 2006

- "George Strother Gaines and the Choctaw Trading House," to be submitted to the *Alabama Review*. Projected for 2007
- *The Reminiscences of George Strother Gaines: Pioneer and Statesman of Early Alabama and Mississippi, 1805 - 1843*. Edited and with introduction and notes. The University of Alabama Press 1998
- "The Fort of the Confederation: Spain on the Upper Tombigbee," *The Alabama Historical Quarterly*, v. 44, pp. 171 - 186. Fall - Winter, 1982
- "Catawba Indians", "Chickamauga Indians", "Battle of Mauvilla", "John Sevier" in *Encyclopedia of Southern History* Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press 1979
- "Colonial Alabama The Revolutionary Era ," *Alabama News Magazine Special Bicentennial Issue* pp. 14 - 16 January, 1976

GRANT WRITING & PRESERVATION PROJECTS

- Aduston Hall Development Plan (1994). Sumter County Historical Society received \$3,500 matching "Survey and Planning Grant" from the Alabama Historical Commission. Preservation project to stabilize and restore ca. 1844 Greek Revival cottage and five nineteenth century dependencies. A National Register property in the Gainesville, Alabama, National Historic District.
- Norfolk Southern Railroad Depot Project (1993). City of Livingston (Alabama) received \$22,500 "Development and Mitigation Grant" from the Alabama Historical Commission. A preservation project to restore the exterior of historic railroad depot to 1875 - 1900 appearance. Currently in use as Livingston City Hall.
- Aduston Hall Transportation Enhancement Project (1993). Sumter County Historical Society received \$104,000 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) grant November 16, 1993, from the Alabama Department of Transportation. A multi-year preservation project for an 1844 Greek Revival cottage and five nineteenth century dependencies.
- Director, Fort Tombeché Project (1986-1993), University of West Alabama. Research and development of 18th century site occupied by the French, British and Spanish (1736 - 1797). Matching grants from Sumter County Historical Society (\$25,000/1986 - 1993) and American Association for State and Local History (\$5,000/1988 - 1989).
- Project Chairman, Fort Tombeché Project - Phase II: Archaeological Testing and Evaluation (June 1980 - September 1981). Matching grant from the Alabama Historical Commission for \$20,000. Conducted summer field school and produced archaeological report published in the *Journal of Alabama Archaeology*, Vol. XXVII (June 1982) by James Parker.
- Project Chairman, Survey (Inventory) of Black Churches in Sumter County, Alabama (1980-1981). Matching grant from the Sumter County Preservation Society and the Alabama Historical Commission for \$5,000. Survey/inventory and photographs of ninety-five Black churches (1867 - 1980) included in 185 page report to AHC.

- Project Chairman, Fort Tombecbé Historical Research/Documentation Project (January 1979 - June 1980). Matching grant from the Alabama Historical Commission for \$13,975. Produced 233 page report and history for AHC and University of West Alabama.
- Co-Chair, Historical Survey (Inventory) of Gainesville, Alabama (1978 - 1979). Matching grant from the Sumter County Preservation Society and the Alabama Historical Commission for \$3,500. Produced a 150 page report/inventory that led to the establishment of a National Register District designation for Gainesville with some ninety historical or architecturally significant structures and sites.

BOOK REVIEWS

- *Chickasaw: Unconquered and Unconquerable*. Photography by David Fitzgerald. Essays by Jeannie Barbour, Amanda Cobb, Linda Hogan, Ada, Okla.: Chickasaw Press, 2006. *The Chronicles of Oklahoma*. Projected publication 2007
- *Deerskins and Duffels: The Creek Indian Trade With Anglo-America, 1685 - 1815*. By Kathryn E. Holland Braund, Lincoln and London: University of Nebraska Press, 1993. *The Journal of Southern History*, LXI, February 1995, pp. 118 - 120.
- *Atlas of American Indian Affairs*. By Francis Paul Prucha, Lincoln and London: University of Nebraska Press, 1990. *The Journal of Mississippi History*, LII, November 1991, pp. 357 - 358.
- *Prehistoric Indians of the Southeast. Archaeology of Alabama and the Middle South*. By John A. Walthall, University, Alabama: The University of Alabama Press, 1980. *Alabama Review*, XXXVIII, April 1985, pp. 137 - 138.
- *Stand Watie and the Agony of the Cherokee Nation*. By Kenny Franks, Memphis: Memphis State University Press, 1979. *The Journal of Southern History*, XVI, August 1980, pp. 436 - 437.
- *A Relation, or Journal, of a Late Expedition to the Gate of St. Augustine, on Florida*. By Edward Kimber, edited by John Jay Tepaske, Gainesville, Florida: The University Presses of Florida, 1976. *Alabama Historical Quarterly*, XXXVIII, Spring 1976, p. 82.

OTHER SCHOLARLY RESEARCH

- "Survey of Black Churches in Sumter County, Alabama." Report/survey (150 pp.) completed for the Alabama Historical Commission. 1981
- "Fort Tombecbé Historical and Documentation Project." Report/history (233 pp.) completed for the Alabama Historical Commission. 1980
- "Historical Survey of Gainesville, Alabama." Report/survey (185 pp) completed for the Alabama Historical Commission. 1979

- "The Chickamaugas: A Forgotten Segment of Indian Resistance on the Southern Frontier." Ph. D. Dissertation, Mississippi State University. Director: Thomas L. Connelly. 1969
- "The Indian Military System of the Old Southwest 1776-1794." M.A. Thesis, Mississippi State University. Director Thomas L. Connelly. 1965

PRESENTATIONS AFTER 1987

- "When This Evil War is Over: The Francis Family in the Civil War," Black Belt Scholars Program, The University of West Alabama, Livingston, AL April 20, 2007
- "Dragging Canoe and the Chickamauga-Cherokee Resistance, 1775 - 1792," Association of the Descendants of Nancy Ward, Grove, Oklahoma March 27, 2004
- "Reflections and Celebrations: The Fort Confederation Site, 1793 - 2003," Sumter County Historical Society and Spring Faculty Colloquia, The University of West Alabama, Livingston, Alabama April 22, 2003
- "George Strother Gaines: Gaineswood, Demopolis and the West Alabama Years, 1815 - 1843," Slide/lecture & book signing, Heritage Day at Historic Gaineswood, Demopolis, Alabama December 5, 1998
- "George Strother Gaines," Slide/lecture & book signing, Friends of the Library, Columbus-Lowndes County Public Library, Columbus, Mississippi May 19, 1998
- "George Strother Gaines: The West Alabama Years, 1815 - 1843," Slide/lecture & book signing, Spring Faculty Colloquia, The University of West Alabama May 18, 1998
- "Creek Indian Removal: Alabama's Trail of Tears," Alabama Studies Symposium, Montgomery, Alabama August 4, 1995
- "The Francis Brothers at War: The Story of a Jacksonville Family, 1861 - 65," Alabama Historical Association, Auburn, Alabama April 21, 1995
- "From Fields of Promise: The Story of Gee's Bend," Film & lecture, Demopolis Public Library, Demopolis, Alabama, February 20, 1994; Selma-Dallas Public Library, Selma, Alabama February 21, 1994
- "From Fields of Promise: An Historian's Perspective," Alabama Humanities Foundation, Board of Directors, Birmingham, Alabama October 1, 1993
- "Winnie Davis: Daughter of the Confederacy," United Daughters of the Confederacy, Camden, Alabama January 21, 1993
- "George Strother Gaines and the Choctaw Trading House," Sumter County Historical Society, Livingston, Alabama June 9, 1992
- "The British Occupation of Fort Tombeche, 1763 - 1768," Huntsville-Madison County Historical Society, Huntsville, Alabama April 7, 1991
- "The Calloway School: Sumter County's Traveling One-Room School," Sumter County Historical Society, Livingston, Alabama November 2, 1989
- "We the People: Laying the Foundation," The University of West Alabama, Bicentennial Lecture Series February 16, 1988
- "Fort Tombeche: The British Period," Sumter County Historical Society January 29, 1987

[Presentations made between 1967 and 1987 are available on request.]

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, Alabama Historical Association
- Member, Association for Continuing Higher Education
- Member, Council for Adult and Experiential Learning
- Member, Oklahoma Historical Society
- Member, Southern Historical Association

HONORS

- The Society of the Golden Key, University of West Alabama 2002
- *International Directory of Eighteenth-Century Studies 2000*, Voltaire Foundation 1999
- *Who's Who in the South and Southwest* 1998
- *Who's Who in American Education* 1997
- *Who's Who in America* 2007
- *Liberty Award*, City of Livingston, Alabama 1995
- Regional Finalist, White House Fellowship Program 1976
- Membership in national honors societies:

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| Alpha | Phi Kappa | Phi Alpha | Pi Gamma | Omicron Delta | Phi Eta |
| Chi | Phi | Theta | Mu | Kappa | Sigma |

SERVICE TO COMMUNITIES

Affiliated, Appointed, and Elected Positions

- Board of Directors, Mississippi Economic Council 2006 - Present
- Member, Community Development Foundation, Tupelo, MS 2005 - Present
- Member, Tupelo Rotary Club 2005 – Present
- Board of Trustees, Cherokee National Historical Society 2001 - 2005
- Board of Directors, Tahlequah Area Habitat for Humanity 1998 - 2004
- Member, The Oklahoma Academy 1999 - 2005
- Member, Tahlequah Chamber of Commerce 1999 - 2005
- Member, Muskogee Chamber of Commerce 1998 - 2005
- Member, Muskogee Area Educational Consortium 1998 - 2005
- Member, Board of Directors, Durant Oklahoma Historical Society 1996 - 1998

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- Member, *past* President, Durant, Oklahoma Rotary Club 1995 - 1998
- Member, Board of Directors, Red River Arts Council 1995 - 1997
- Member, Board of Directors, Sumter County Historical Society 1985 - 1995
- Lector/Reader, Episcopal Diocese of Alabama 1983 - 1995
- President, Sumter County Historical Society 1990 - 1993
- Member, Historic Review Board, City of Livingston, Alabama 1985 - 1993
- Member, Recreation Board, City of Livingston, Alabama 1985 - 1993
- Member, Board of Directors, Sumter County Fine Arts Council 1976 - 1993
- Member, Vestry, St. James Episcopal Church 1989 - 1992
- Member, Board of Directors, Livingston - Tombigbee Regional Medical Center 1983 - 1988
- Councilman, *past* Mayor Pro - Tempore, City of Livingston, Alabama 1972 - 1988
- District Commissioner, Babe Ruth Baseball 1982 - 1987

OTHER PRESENTATIONS AND SERVICE

- “Academic Efficiencies: Using Technology to Increase Quality and Lower Costs,” 2005 Oklahoma Higher Education Teaching and Learning Conference, Tahlequah, Oklahoma (co-presenter w/Phil Moss, Richard Boyd, and Amy Smith) April 4, 2005
- “Alabama’s SPRE (State Postsecondary Review Entity) and the Two - Year College,” Council for Alabama Resource Development, Summer Conference, Montgomery, Alabama August 2, 1994
- “Alabama’s State Postsecondary Review Entity,” Alabama Association of Financial Aid Administrators, Spring Conference, Gulf Shores, Alabama May 5, 1994
- Chair, Region 3 Planning Council for Distance Learning, Alabama Commission on Higher Education 1993
- Member, Joint Committee on the Review of New Units of Instruction, Alabama Commission on Higher Education 1993
- Member, Council of Chief Academic Officers, Alabama Commission on Higher Education 1992 - 1993
- Member, *later* Vice-Chair and Secretary, Council of Deans of Arts and Sciences, Alabama Commission on Higher Education 1975 - 1992
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