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Employment

- * Professor of History – University of Southern Mississippi, August 2020-present
- * Associate Professor of History – University of Southern Mississippi, August 2013-August 2020
- * Assistant Professor of History – University of Southern Mississippi, August 2008-August 2013

Professional Appointments

- * Co-Director and Senior Fellow, Dale Center for the Study of War & Society, 2021-present
- * Graduate Program Coordinator, Southern Miss History Program, January 2020-present
- * Charles W. Moorman Distinguished Alumni Professor of the Humanities, 2021-23 (2-year term)
- * Gen. Buford “Buff” Blount Endowed Professor of Military History, University of Southern Mississippi, 2017-19 (2-year term)
- * Fulbright Scholar, Vietnam – Faculty of International Relations, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City, 2013-14
- * Fellow, Dale Center for the Study of War & Society, 2008-present
- * Director, Vietnam Summer Studies Program, 2011-present
- * Co-Director, USM Center for Oral History and Cultural Heritage, 2015-17
- * Nina Bell Suggs Endowed Professor, 2012-14

Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison Ph.D.
History, May 2008

Marquette University
M.A. in History, May 2003
Honors B.A. in Journalism and History, May 1998

Awards and Fellowships

- * Charles W. Moorman Distinguished Alumni Professor of the Humanities, 2021-23 (2-year term)
- * Professional Achievement Award, Marquette University Diederich College of Communication, 2018
- * General Buford “Buff” Blount Professorship in Military History, 2017-19 (2-year term)
- * Margaret Boone Dale Women and War Fund Award, 2015
- * Aubrey Keith Lucas and Ella Ginn Lucas Endowment for Faculty Excellence Award, 2014-15, 2020-21
- * Fulbright Fellowship to Vietnam, 2013-14
- * Nina Bell Suggs Endowed Professorship, 2012-14
- * USM College of Arts and Letters Junior Faculty Research Award, 2012
- * Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations William Appleman Williams Junior Faculty Research Grant, 2009
- * Gerald R. Ford Foundation Research Travel Grant, 2009
- * USM Committee on Services and Resources for Women Research Grant, 2009
- * Doris G. Quinn Dissertation Fellowship, 2007-08
- * Marine Corps Heritage Foundation Research Grant, 2006
- * University of Wisconsin Dissertation Research Travel Grant, Spring 2006
- * University of Wisconsin History Pre-Dissertator Fellowship, Spring 2005
- * Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Grant to study Vietnamese, Summer 2004
- * Fellow, Southeast Asian Summer Studies Institute, University of Wisconsin, Summer 2004
- * Marquette University College of Communication Award for Excellence, 1998
- * Marquette University College of Communication Griggs Scholarship, 1997
- * Marquette University Ignatius Scholarship, 1994-98

Publications

Books

21 Days to Baghdad: General Buford Blount and the 3rd Infantry Division in the Iraq War, Osprey Publishing, 2023

The Navy, Amber Books, 2021

Saigon at War: South Vietnam and the Global Sixties, Cambridge University Press, 2020

The U.S. Military and Civil Rights Since World War II, ABC-CLIO, 2019

Beyond Combat: Women and Gender in the Vietnam War Era, Cambridge University Press, 2011

E-6 and the Coke Girl: A Story of Love Lost and Found in Vietnam (work in progress)

Edited Collections

Integrating the U.S. Military: Race, Gender, and Sexual Orientation Since World War II (co-editor, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2017)

Peer-Reviewed Articles

“To Do Nothing Would be to Dig Our Own Graves: Student Activism in the Republic of Vietnam,” *Journal of American-East Asian Relations*, September 2019

“Blurred Lines: The Home front, the Battlefield, and the Wartime Relationship between Citizens and Government in the Republic of Vietnam,” *War & Society*, January 2019

“Where are the Women? A Review of the Burns/Novick Documentary,” *The Vietnam War*, H-Diplo Roundtable Review, December 2018

“Fateful Misunderstandings about the Republic of Vietnam,” *Diplomatic History*, June 2018

“Hiding Behind the Humanitarian Label: Refugees, Repatriates, and the Rebuilding of America’s Benevolent Image After the Vietnam War,” *Diplomatic History*, January 2014

“Perfume and Lipstick in the Boonies: Red Cross SRAO and the Vietnam War,” *The Sixties: A Journal of History, Politics, and Culture*, Vol. 1, No. 2, December 2008

“Now You’re Not Playing Games’: Oral Histories of Wisconsin Veterans,” *Milwaukee History*, Fall 2005

Book Chapters

“American Women and the War,” *The Cambridge History of the Vietnam War*, Cambridge University Press, 2022.

“Gender, Sexual Orientation, and the U.S. Military,” *Race, Gender, and War*, University of Alabama Press, 2022.

“Red, White, Lavender, and Blue: LGBT Military Veterans and the Struggle for Visibility,” *Marginalized Veterans in American History*, University of Massachusetts Press, 2022.

“Diversity and the Promotion of Stability and Peace in the United States,” *Managing Ethnic and Religious Diversity in the United States and Malaysia: Issues, Challenges, and Prospects*, K.S. Nathan, ed., Science University of Malaysia Press (Universiti Sains Malaysia), 2021.

“Gender in U.S. Foreign Policy,” *Oxford Reference Encyclopedia in American History*, Oxford University Press, 2020.

“Vietnamese and American Women at War in Vietnam,” *Beyond the Quagmire: New Interpretations of the Vietnam Conflict*, University of North Texas Press, 2019.

“Gender and Sexuality,” *The Routledge History of Global War and History*, David Ulbrich and Matthew Muehlbauer, eds. Routledge, 2018

“The Vietnam War,” *The Routledge Handbook of Gender, War, and the U.S. Military*, Kara Dixon Vuic ed. Routledge, 2017

“Finding Meaning in Manhood After the War: Gender and the Warrior Myth in Springsteen’s Vietnam War Songs,” *Dancing in the Dark: Bruce Springsteen, Cultural Studies, and the Runaway American Dream*, Mark Bernhard, Kenneth Womack, and Jerry Zolten, eds. Ashgate Publishing Ltd., 2012

“The Women’s Army Corps Goes to Vietnam,” *America and the Vietnam War: Re-examining the Culture and History of a Generation*, edited by Andrew Wiest, Mary Kathryn Barbier, and Glenn M. Robbins, Routledge Press, 2009

“Borderless Troubadour: Bob Dylan and the Music of the Cold War World,” *Highway 61 Revisited: Bob Dylan from Minnesota to the World*, Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2009

“In Service and in Protest: Black Women and the Impact of the Vietnam War on American Society,” *Soul Soldiers: African Americans and the Vietnam Era*, edited by Samuel W. Black, Stackpole Books (Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania), November 2006

News Articles, Commentaries, and Media Appearances

* See also, *The Year of the Cat*, hmstur.wordpress.com, for more articles. *

April 15, 2021: “Men-only Selective Service registration may end soon, but the fight will remain,” *Washington Post*, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2021/04/15/men-only-selectiveservice-registration-may-end-soon-fight-will-remain/#click=https://t.co/fcIgxtoKsC>

January 15, 2021: “The murder of Pfc. Guillen ‘shocked’ military leaders, but it shouldn’t have,” *Reflections on War & Society*, <https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2021/01/15/themurder-of-pfc-guillen-shocked-military-leaders-but-it-shouldnt-have/>

June 5, 2020: Interview on Voice of America – Vietnamese Service, <https://www.voatiengviet.com/a/s%E1%BB%AD-gia-m%E1%BB%B9-b%E1%BB%95-sungg%C3%B3c-nh%C3%ACn-c%E1%BB%A7a-ng%C6%B0%E1%BB%9Di-mi%E1%BB%81n-namv%E1%BB%81-cu%E1%BB%99c-chi%E1%BA%BFn-vi%E1%BB%87t-nam/5451990.html>

June 3, 2020: “Lessons from flawed democracy in South Vietnam,” *BBC World Service*, <https://www.bbc.com/vietnamese/forum-52898015>

May 11, 2020: “Assessment of U.S. Leadership Potential in Asia via the Trans-Pacific Partnership,” *Divergent Options*, <https://divergentoptions.org/2020/05/11/6996/>

January 8, 2020: “World watching for what comes next between U.S., Iran,” *News Mississippi*, <https://newsms.fm/dr-heather-stur-world-watching-for-what-comes-next-between-u-s-iran/>

January 29, 2019: “Donald Trump’s ‘trans ban’ reverses more than 70 years of military integration,” *Washington Post*, https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2019/01/29/donald-trumps-trans-banreverses-more-than-years-military-integration/?utm_term=.29d57d640afd

October 10, 2018: “Vietnam’s Crackdown on Dissidents Isn’t New,” *National Interest*, <https://nationalinterest.org/feature/vietnams-crackdown-dissidents-isnt-new-33081>

May/June 2018: WDAM appearance re: Trump, North Korea, and Iran. Also spoke on Mississippi Public Broadcasting and was quoted in the *Hattiesburg American* and *Columbian-Progress*

May 28, 2018: “Beyond Remembering,” *Reflections on War & Society* <https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2018/05/28/beyond-remembering/>

May 12, 2018: “Is North Korea Trump’s China Moment?” *Reflections on War & Society* <https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2018/05/12/is-north-korea-trumps-chinamoment/>

Jan. 4, 2018: “The Beatles of Vietnam,” *New York Times*, <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/04/opinion/beatles-of-vietnam.html>

Dec. 19, 2017: “The Viet Cong Committed Atrocities, Too,” *New York Times*, https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/19/opinion/vietcong-generals-atrocities.html?_r=0

Oct. 18, 2017: “The War Stories We Tell,” *Reflections on War & Society*, <https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2017/10/18/the-war-stories-we-tell/>

Aug. 1, 2017: “South Vietnam’s ‘Daredevil Girls,’” *New York Times*, https://www.nytimes.com/2017/08/01/opinion/vietnam-war-girls-women.html?_r=0

April 14, 2017: “Why Does America Go to War? Vietnam,” Butcher Institute for Teachers, Foreign Policy Research Institute, <http://www.fpri.org>

April 3, 2017: “A Changing Military, an Entrenched Culture,” Johns Hopkins University Press blog, <https://www.press.jhu.edu/news/blog/changing-military-entrenched-culture>

March 2, 2017: “Memory of war should include Vietnamese voices,” *Orange County (CA) Register*, <http://www.ocregister.com/articles/feb-745427-senate-nguyen.html>

Jan. 31, 2017: "Combat Nurses and Donut Dollies," *New York Times*,
https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/31/opinion/combat-nurses-and-donut-dollies.html?_r=2

Nov. 21, 2016: "Trump's Foreign Policy and the American Story," Reflections on War & Society,
<https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2016/11/21/trumps-foreign-policy-and-theamerican-story/>

Nov. 8, 2016: Commentary on the 2016 presidential election and election of Donald Trump,
WDAM, NBC affiliate in Hattiesburg, MS.

Dec. 8, 2015: "'You've Come a Long Way ... Maybe': American Women in Combat," Reflections on War & Society,
<https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2015/12/08/youve-come-along-way-maybe-american-women-in-combat/>

May 25, 2015: "Selling a Daughter to Pay for a Leg," Reflections on War & Society,
<https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2015/05/25/selling-a-daughter-to-pay-for-a-leg/>

December 3, 2014: "A New Look at Military History," Reflections on War & Society,
<https://dalecentersouthernmiss.wordpress.com/2014/12/03/a-new-look-at-military-history/>

August 8, 2014: "Don't Compare Lincoln to Obama," *The National Interest*,
<http://nationalinterest.org/feature/dont-compare-lincoln-obama-11036>

July 1, 2014: "Stop Comparing Iraq to the Vietnam War," *The National Interest*,
<http://nationalinterest.org/blog/the-buzz/stop-comparing-iraq-the-vietnam-war-10788>

May 29, 2014: "Sobering Thoughts: Remembering the Last South China Sea Struggle," *The National Interest*,
<http://nationalinterest.org/blog/the-buzz/sobering-thoughts-remembering-the-last-southchina-sea-10559>

April 25, 2014: "Can a Vietnamese Catholic Be a Communist?" Historians@Work,
<http://marquettehistorians.wordpress.com>

March 19, 2014: "Fighting for Other Countries," Society for Military History Blog,
<http://smhhq.org/smhblog/?p=550>

November 7, 2013: "50th Anniversary of Diem's Assassination," Historians@Work,
<http://marquettehistorians.wordpress.com>

October 13, 2013: "On the Passing of Vietnam's Founding Generation," Historians@Work,
<http://marquettehistorians.wordpress.com>

April 30, 2012: "Fantasies of Male Chivalry Ignore the History of Women in Wartime," History News Network

March 20, 2012: KID Newsradio 590am/92.1fm, "Neal Larson Show," Pocatello, ID

December 23, 2011: WJOB 1230am, "Veterans' Views," Hammond, IN

December 12, 2011: "Dragon Ladies and Girls Next Door," *Fifteen Eighty-Four: Academic Perspectives from Cambridge University Press*,
<http://www.cambridgeblog.org/2011/12/dragonladies-and-girls-next-door-images-of-women-in-the-vietnam-war-by-heather-stur/>

November 7, 2009: WECK 1230am, "Buffalostyle," Buffalo, NY

Book Reviews

Mona Siegel, *Peace on Our Terms: The Global Battle for Women's Rights After the First World War*. *Texas National Security Review*, 2022.

Michael Kimmage, *The Abandonment of the West: The History of an Idea in American Foreign Policy*. *SHAFR Passport*, 2022.

Long T. Bui, *Returns of War: South Vietnam and the Price of Refugee Memory*. *Journal of Social History*, 2021.

Timothy J. Lynch, *In the Shadow of the Cold War: American Foreign Policy from George Bush Sr. to Donald Trump*. *SHAFR Passport*, September 2020.

Kara Dixon Vuic, *The Girls Next Door: Bringing the Home Front to the Front Lines*. *American Historical Review*, Spring 2020.

Simeon Man, *Soldiering Through Empire: Race and the Making of the Decolonizing Pacific*. *Journal of American East Asian Relations*, April 2019.

Jessica Frazier, *Women's Antiwar Diplomacy during the Viet Nam War Era* and David Parsons, *Dangerous Grounds: Antiwar Coffeehouses and Military Dissent in the Vietnam Era*. *Reviews in American History*, September 2018.

Daniel Lucks, *Selma to Saigon: The Civil Rights Movement and the Vietnam War*. *American Historical Review*, Spring 2015.

Judy Tzu-Chun Wu, *Radicals on the Road: Internationalism, Orientalism, and Feminism During the Vietnam Era*. *American Historical Review*, Fall 2014.

Review essay: Scott Laderman and Edwin A. Martini, eds. *Four Decades On: Vietnam, the United States, and the Legacies of the Second Indochina War*. *Journal of American Studies*, July 2014.

Review essay: "'Martial Metropolises': The Impact of World War II on U.S. Cities," *Journal of Urban History*, Spring 2014.

Meredith Lair, *Armed with Abundance: Consumerism and Soldiering in the Vietnam War*. *Journal of Social History*, Spring 2014

Nick Turse, *Kill Anything That Moves: The Real American War in Vietnam*. Published on H-War, <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=38908>, August 2013

Sylvia Shin Huey Chong, *The Oriental Obscene: Violence and Racial Fantasies in the Vietnam Era*. *Journal of American Studies*, Spring 2013

Jeremy Kuzmarov. *The Myth of the Addicted Army: Vietnam and the Modern War on Drugs*. *Journal of Social History*, Fall 2012

R.A. Lawson. *Jim Crow's Counterculture: The Blues and Black Southerners, 1890-1945*. *Southern Quarterly*, Summer 2011

Robert Teigrob. *Warming up to the Cold War: Canada and the United States' Coalition of the Willing, from Hiroshima to Korea*. *Canadian Journal of History*, Spring 2011

Kara Dixon Vuic. *Officer, Nurse, Woman: The Army Nurse Corps in the Vietnam War*. *The Sixties: A Journal of History, Politics, and Culture*, Vol. 3, No. 2, December 2010

Ann Elizabeth Pfau. *Miss Yourlovin': GIs, Gender, and Domesticity during World War II*. *Minerva Journal of Women and War*, Fall 2010

Maartje Abbenhuis and Sara Buttsworth. *Restaging War in the Western World: Noncombatant Experiences, 1890-Today*. *The Journal of Military History*, October 2009

Wei Li. *Ethnoburb: The New Ethnic Community in Urban America*. Published on H-Urban, www.h-net.org/~urban, June 2009

Donna Alvah. *Unofficial Ambassadors: American Military Families Overseas and the Cold War*. Published on H-Minerva, www.h-net.org/~minerva, April 2009

Kimberly Jensen. *Mobilizing Minerva: American Women in the First World War*. Published on H-Minerva, www.h-net.org/~minerva, April 2009

Tad Bartimus, et. al. *War Torn: Stories of War from the Women Reporters Who Covered Vietnam*. Published on H-Minerva, www.h-net.org/~minerva, September 2006

Conferences and Lectures

Commentator, "Women in the U.S. Military in the Twentieth Century," Society for Military History 2023 Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA; March 2023.

Commentator, “New Perspectives: Women, Minorities, and Cultural Diplomacy during the Vietnam War,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations 2022 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA; June 2022.

Keynote speaker, Gulf South Historical Association annual conference, Natchez, MS; October 2021.
“Ripple Effects of War: Vietnamese Refugees in the Gulf South.”

Invited speaker, “Saigon at War: South Vietnam and the Global Sixties,” New Directions in Scholarship on the Vietnam War, Kent State University, Kent, OH; February 2020.

Chair and commentator, “Fighting on Two Fronts: Minority Experiences in U.S. Wars of the Twentieth Century,” Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV; July 2019.

Invited lecturer, 2019 Gen. Buford “Buff” Blount Lecture: “Saigon at War: South Vietnam and the Global Sixties,” University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS; May 2019.

Invited lecturer, 2019 Sam Barefield Lecture: “The U.S. Military and Civil Rights.” University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS; April 2019.

Invited speaker, “Military Pragmatism vs. Public Imagination.” Race, Gender, & War: A Symposium on Military Service in 19th and 20th Century America, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL; March 2019.

“South Vietnamese Women and the Vietnam War.” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY; April 2018.

Invited roundtable participant, “A Fateful Misunderstanding: A Discussion of the Film Documentary *The Vietnam War* by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick.” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC; January 2018.

Keynote speaker, “To Do Nothing Would Be to Dig Our Own Graves: Student Activism in South Vietnam.” Vietnam 1967: The Search for Peace, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX; April 2017.

Invited speaker, “Atrocities on All Sides: Extrajudicial Violence in the Vietnam War.” Reckonings: History, Memory, and Extrajudicial Violence in Global Perspective, Hattiesburg, MS; April 2017.

“Looking Beyond the Battlefields: New Approaches to the U.S. Military and the World Since 1945.” Organization of American Historians, New Orleans, LA; April 2017.

“American Servicewomen and Women in the Israel Defense Forces: A Comparison of Allies.” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL; April 2017.

Invited speaker, “Why Does America Go to War? Vietnam,” Butcher Institute for Teachers, Foreign Policy Research Institute, Wheaton, IL; March 2017.

Invited speaker, “Women and War,” Chapman University, Orange, CA; March 2017.

“To Do Nothing Would Be to Dig Our Own Graves: Student Activism in South Vietnam.”
Engaging with Vietnam: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue, Honolulu, Hawaii; October 2016.

Invited speaker, Margaret Boone Dale Keynote Roundtable on Women and War, “Waging Peace,”
New Orleans, LA; September 2016.

Roundtable discussion, “Modernism and the Art of War,” Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, MS;
April 2016

“Women in the U.S. Military Since 1975.” Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Ottawa,
Ontario, Canada; April 2016

Invited speaker, “International Responses to the Post-1975 Vietnamese Refugee Crisis,” Conflict
and International Change Seminar, Hall Center for the Humanities, University of Kansas,
Lawrence, KS; March 2016

“Stories from the Fall of Saigon: Oral Histories of Vietnamese Refugees and Their Families since
1975.” Oral History Association Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL; October 2015

Invited panelist, “The History of Vietnamese Refugees.” A Forty Year Journey: The Rise of
Vietnamese Americans Conference, New Orleans, LA; April 2015

Commentator, “The Many Spoils of War: The Impact of Gender and Sexuality on Twentieth
Century American Conflicts Abroad.” Society for Military History Annual Meeting,
Montgomery, AL; April 2015

“Mothers, Doves, and Girls with Guns: Gendered Images of War and Peace in Post-1945 Wars for
Liberation.” Popular Culture Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA; April 2015

Roundtable discussion, “The Art of War,” Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, MS; February 2015

Invited speaker, “Vietnamese and American Women at War in Vietnam,” University of Mississippi,
Oxford, MS; February 2015

Invited speaker, “What’s a Woman Doing Here?’ Dickey Chapelle, War Correspondent,” Dale
Center for the Study of War and Society 2014-15 McCarthy Lecture Series, University of
Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS; October 2014

- Invited speaker, “Writing a Successful Grant Proposal,” Faculty of International Relations, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; June 2014
- Invited speaker, “Research Seminar for Lecturers,” Faculty of International Relations, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; June 2014
- Invited speaker, “How to Write a Research Proposal,” Institute for Research on Educational Development (IRED), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; May 2014
- Invited speaker, “Women on the Global Stage in Diplomacy and War,” Tan Tao University, Long An, Vietnam; May 2014
- Invited speaker, “War and Identity in the Republic of Vietnam,” Australian Defence Force Academy, Canberra, Australia; April 2014
- Invited speaker, “Liberation! Vietnam’s Memory of the ‘American’ War,” Australian Defence Force Academy, Canberra, Australia; April 2014
- Invited speaker, roundtable discussion of *Beyond Combat: Women and Gender in the Vietnam War Era*, Military History Book Club, Canberra, Australia; April 2014
- Invited panelist, “Women in Academia, Government, and the Private Sector: Reflections from Vietnam and the United States,” American Center, U.S. Consulate General, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; March 2014. Fellow panelists included U.S. Consul General Rena Bitter, Director and CEO of Saatchi & Saatchi Vietnam Hoang Thi Mai Huong, and Vietnamese education administrator and expert Vu Thi Phuong Anh
- Invited speaker, “American Women and Diplomatic Relations: Madeleine Albright, Condoleezza Rice, and Hillary Clinton,” Gender and Society Research Center, Hoa Sen University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; February 2014
- Invited speaker, “Gender Inequality and Violence.” Kick-off Event for “Gender Equality: 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence,” American Center, U.S. Consulate General, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; December 2013
- Invited panelist, “Vietnamese Voices from Saigon: Toward a New Knowledge of the Second Indochina War.” Engaging with Vietnam: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue, Thai Nguyen University, Thai Nguyen, Vietnam; December 2013
- Invited panelist, “Diversity in the U.S. Military: Security and Citizenship.” Malaysian Association for American Studies Seminar: “Managing Ethnic and Religious Diversity in the U.S. and Malaysia,” Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; November 2013
- Invited lecturer, “Historical Research Methods.” Faculty of International Relations Graduate

Program, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam;
November 2013

Invited panelist, “The U.S. and the Asia-Pacific Region: Past Experiences and Future Possibilities”
Faculty of International Relations 10th Anniversary Symposium, University of Social Sciences
and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; October 2013

Chair, “Exposing the American Myths of the Vietnam War,” roundtable discussion. Society for
Military History 2013 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA; March 2013

“Buddha, Beaches, and Battlefields: Teaching Vietnam in a Study Abroad Context.” Society for
Military History 2013 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA; March 2013

Invited participant, “A Workshop on the Military and Society in the United States,” Temple
University, Philadelphia, PA; March 1-2, 2013

“International Women’s Year and Gendered Images of Peace.” Confronting U.S. Power after the
Vietnam War: Transnational and International Perspectives on Peace Movements,
Diplomacy, and the Law, 1975–2012, Sheffield, England; October 2012

“War in the City: Saigon, Gender, and the Vietnam War.” Urban History Association Biennial
Meeting, New York, NY; October 2012

Chair and commentator, “The Three Wars of Quang Ngai Province: Combat and Pacification in the
Vietnam War.” Society for Military History 2012 Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA; May 2012

Invited lecturer, “From Molly Pitcher to Antiwar GIs: How War has Shaped American Gender
Roles.” Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID; March 2012

Invited lecturer, “Beyond Combat: Gender and the Vietnam War.” University of Wisconsin,
Department of Integrated Liberal Studies, and the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, Madison,
WI; September 2011

“Refugees and Rebirth: U.S. Indochina Refugee Policy and American Foreign Relations after the
Vietnam War.” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations 2011 Annual Meeting,
Alexandria, VA; June 2011

“Race and the Military Experiences in the Vietnam Era South.” Society for Military History 2011
Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL; June 2011

Invited lecturer, “Women and the Military.” Women’s Studies 301, University of Southern
Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS; April 20, 2011

“Lurleen Wallace: Forgotten Governor.” “Court House, State House, Her House”: Southern Women and Politics Conference, Gulfport, MS; March 2011

“Selective Service as the New Jim Crow: Racial Politics and the Vietnam Era Draft in the South.” Southern Historical Association 2010 Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC; November 2010

Invited lecturer, “Dragon Ladies, Gentle Warriors, and Girls Next Door.” University of Wisconsin, Department of Integrated Liberal Studies, Madison, WI; October 2010

“Southern Women and the Vietnam War.” Society for Military History 2010 Annual Meeting, Lexington, VA; May 2010

Invited lecturer, “The South and the Vietnam War.” Center for the Study of War and Society 2010 McCarthy Lecture Series, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS; April 2010

Invited panelist, “Race and Gender in Military History” roundtable discussion. Society for Military History 2009 Annual Meeting, Murfreesboro, TN; April 2009

“Perfume and Lipstick in the Boonies: Red Cross SRAO and the Vietnam War.” Society for Military History 2009 Annual Meeting, Murfreesboro, TN; April 2009

“The Politics of Guilt and Rescue: Operation Babylift, Refugee Assistance, and the End of the Vietnam War.” War and American Identity Conference, University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland; March 2009

Chair, “War and Diplomacy,” Third Regional International Security and Internal Safety Conference. University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS; February 2009

“Gender and the ‘Faces of Domination’ of the U.S. Military in Vietnam.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, New York, NY; March 2008

“Borderless Troubadour: Bob Dylan’s Influence on International Protest During the Cold War. Highway 61 Revisited: Bob Dylan’s Road from Minnesota to the World. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN; March 2007

“The Ao Dai vs. the Miniskirt: Images of Vietnamese Women in the American War with Vietnam.” Vietnam Center, Conference on Culture and the Vietnam War. Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX; March 2007

“Madame Nhu, Saigon’s ‘Flaming Feminist’: Gender and U.S. Relations with the Republic of Vietnam.” Globalizing Political History Conference. University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI; November 2006

“They’re Speaking Your Mind: Girl Groups and Guilty Pleasures.” Experience Music Project Pop Conference. Seattle, WA; April 2006

Invited panel moderator, “Women and the Vietnam War.” Wisconsin Veterans Museum, Madison, WI; October 2005

“Hiding from the ‘Hell Bomb’; or, How City Dwellers Learned to Stop Worrying About the Lack of Fallout Shelters in Their Neighborhoods.” Public and Private in Urban Space. New York Metro American Studies Association. Hunter College, New York, NY; October 2005

“Finding Meaning in Manhood After the War: Reading Gender in Bruce Springsteen’s Vietnam War Songs.” Glory Days: A Bruce Springsteen Symposium. Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ; September 2005

Chair, “Springsteen and Ethnicity.” Glory Days: A Bruce Springsteen Symposium, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ; September 2005

“What’s in it for You, GI? The Relationship Between GI and Civilian Anti-Vietnam War Activists.” Vietnam Symposium. Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX; March 2005

“Housing and the ‘Hell Bomb’: Cold War Civil Defense Initiatives and Housing Discrimination.” Urban History Association Biennial Conference. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI; October 2004

Language Skills

- * Vietnamese – Intermediate reading and speaking. Recent training includes one year of immersion education at Vietnamese Language Studies (VLS), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, during the 2013-14 academic year.
- * Spanish – Basic reading
- * Russian – One year of training

Courses Taught at the University of Southern Mississippi

HIS 101 – World Civilizations to 1500
HIS 102 – World Civilizations since 1500
HIS 101 Honors
HIS 102 Honors
HON 111 – Honors Colloquium 1
HON 112 – Honors Colloquium 2
HIS 201 – U.S. to 1877
HIS 202 – U.S. Since 1877
HIS 300 – Research Seminar for Undergraduate History Majors
HIS 420 – Women and War

HIS 466 – U.S. Since 1945
HIS 473 – U.S. Foreign Relations
HIS 479 – Music and Migrations: The History of the Delta Blues
HIS 479 – The History of Sports in America
HIS 497 – Vietnam Study Abroad
HIS 710 – Graduate Seminar: Theory and Methods of History
HIS 726 – Graduate Seminar: U.S. Historiography Since 1865
HIS 736 – Graduate Seminar: Women and Gender in War, Diplomacy, and Empire
HIS 772 – Graduate Seminar: The Global Cold War
HIS 774 – Graduate Seminar: U.S. Foreign Relations
HIS 796 – Graduate Teaching Practicum

Thesis and Dissertation Committees, University of Southern Mississippi

Undergraduate Honors

Helen Greene, 2019-21 – Environmental conservation and Native American history. Thesis adviser
Maggie Neupert, 2019-21 – Women in World War I. Thesis director
Ceili Rossier, 2018-20 – NATO and refugees. Thesis director
Jayme Nobles, 2012-14 – Women’s body image in American popular culture. Thesis director
Amolie Egloff, 2011-12 – African American women in the rural South in the early 20th century.
Thesis director
Alyssa Pickett, 2009-11 – Women’s experiences at Mississippi State University as reflections of second-wave feminism. Thesis director
Jelisa Thompson, 2009-11 – Gay liberation movement in New Orleans. Thesis co-director
Stephanie Latza, 2009-11 – The Vietnam War and the Home Front. Thesis director
David Martin, 2009-11 – Images of George Washington in the culture of the Civil War. Thesis director
Meredith Breckenridge, 2008-09 – U.S. relations with the former Soviet republics in the 1990s.
Thesis director

Master’s Degrees

Director

Faith Omulu, 2023-present – Women in the Nigerian Civil War
Anamarie Rangel, 2023-present – Buffalo Soldiers in the Indian Wars and Philippine War
Kathryn Harsson, 2020-present – Women and War
Kurt Rass, 2018-21 – Kennedy, Khrushchev, and the Cuban Missile Crisis
Clay Mapp, 2018-20 – The Ideologies of Lincoln and Wilson as Presidents at War
Kaci Lazenby, 2008-10 – The Carter administration and the Middle East

Committee Member

Paige Mason

Jerra Runnels

John DeLee

Brian Washam

Michael DeFazio

Amanda Abulawi

Taylor Lewis, 2018-20 – South Vietnamese military history

Richard Lovering, 2016-17 – ARVN troops in the Vietnam War

Tracy Barnett, 2016-17 – Mississippi militia and state troops during the U.S. Civil War. Thesis committee member

Robert Farrell, 2016-17 – Southern soldiers in the U.S. Civil War. Thesis committee member

Anna Rikki Nelson, 2015-17 – British masculinity during the Cold War. Thesis committee member

David Martin, 2012-16 – Jeffersonian era military. Thesis committee member

Tommy Lofton, 2011-present – Red Cross women in World War II. Thesis committee member

Allan Branstiter, 2012-13 – Mississippi veterans of the Civil War. Thesis committee member

Chelsea Miller, 2012-13 – Soviet history and gender. Thesis committee member

Elizabeth Talbot, 2012-13 – Louisiana slave women. Thesis committee member

L.B. Wilson, 2011-12 – Irish Republican Army intelligence. Thesis committee member

Ph.D.

Director

Julie Custer, 2023-present – American women pilots in World War II

Oscar Coles, 2022-present – North Vietnam military history of the Vietnam War

Daniel Ward, 2020-present – Gender, war, and the U.S. military's regulation of marriage

Haley Hasik, 2018-23 – Vietnam War and the helicopter, operational and cultural

Comprehensive exam and dissertation director

John Mortimer, 2015-21 – Reagan-era U.S. foreign relations, U.S.-Soviet relations.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation director

Michael Doidge, 2016-19 – U.S. Army culture in the early Cold War

Comprehensive exam and dissertation director

Wesley Hazzard, 2015-20 – U.S. Marines in the Dominican Republic in the 1960s.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation director

Samantha Taylor, 2011-17 – U.S. foreign policy and identity formation in the post Cold War era.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation director

Co-Director

Robert Thompson, 2010-17. Pacification in Phu Yen Province, Vietnam. Comprehensive exam and dissertation co-director with Dr. Andrew Wiest.

Committee Member

Sarah Anne Hogue

Bearington Curtis

James Witkoski

Brian Washam

Brian Valimont

Travis Salley

Daniel Driss

James Berry

Gabrielle Walker, 2021-23 – Southern Baptist women in the Progressive Era. Dissertation committee member

Allan Branstiter, 2013-present – Mississippi soldiers and families after the Civil War.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation committee member

Shane Hand, 2012-21– Race, gender, and children’s literature in the early 20th century.

Comprehensive exam committee member

Jason Engle, 2012-17 – Austrian Paramilitarism in World War I. Dissertation committee Member.

John Mangipano, 2012-18 – Immigration and international relations in Louisiana.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation committee member.

Kelly Cantrell, 2010-18. Food rationing and women’s home front activism during World War II. Dissertation committee member

Colin Colbourn, 2010-18. Marine Corps public relations and image creation, 1919-1950.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation committee member

John Fitzmorris, 2010-17. Military chaplains in the Vietnam War. Comprehensive exam and dissertation committee member

Tim Hemmis, 2009-15. Merchants, economic development, and the American Revolution.

Comprehensive exam and dissertation committee member

Hayden McDaniel, 2012-15 – Gender and economics in the New South. Comprehensive exam committee member

Tyler Rotter, 2012-14 – Puritan New England. Comprehensive exam committee member

Alice Ivas, 2011-14. Identity creation among Southeastern U.S. Native American tribes through the mid-19th century. Comprehensive exam committee member

Theresa Monserrat, 2012-14 – The Korean War and U.S. National Security. Comprehensive exam and dissertation director

Robert Wieland, 2012-14 – Caspar Weinberger and Reagan’s foreign policymaking. Dissertation committee member

Becky Zimmer, 2012-14 – Confederate officers and soldiers. Comprehensive exam committee

Martin Morgan, 2011-14 – World War II home front. Comprehensive exam committee member

Jason Sokiera, 2010-12. Pacification and counterinsurgency during the Vietnam War. Dissertation committee member

Wesley French, 2010-12. Cinematic representations of African Americans. Comprehensive exam committee member

External Committee Member/Outside Reviewer for Dissertations and Theses

Ph.D.

Isadora Wagner, University of Mississippi, 2015-18. “The Regendering of America: Women’s Representations in Vietnam War Literature.”

Joshua Akers, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, 2015-18. “Making Sense of Vietnam: American Infantrymen Interpret the Vietnam War through Mass Culture, 1965-1973.”

Amanda Boczar, University of Kentucky, 2012-15. “Foreign Affairs: Foreign Policy and the Making of Love and War in Vietnam, 1961-1975.”

Manuscript Reviewer for the Following Publishers and Journals

Book publishers

Broadstone Media
Cambridge University Press
Cornell University Press
Indiana University Press
New York University Press
Ohio University Press
Oxford University Press
Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group
Taylor & Francis
University Press of Kansas (editorial board member)
University of Oklahoma Press
University of Nebraska Press
University of Toronto Press

Scholarly journals

Diplomatic History
Journal of American-East Asian Relations
Journal of American Studies
Journal of American Studies of Turkey
Journal of Military History
Journal of Social History
War & Society

University and Professional Service

- Graduate Program Coordinator for USM School of Humanities History program, 2020-present
- USM School of Humanities GEC Committee, 2019-20
- Personnel Committee for USM School of Humanities History program, 2019-22
- Chair, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Web Design Committee, 2019-22
- Chair, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Awards Committee, 2020-22
- Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Local Hosts Committee, SHAFR 2020 New Orleans, 2018-20
- Chair, USM Graduate Council, 2018-19
- Coordinator, Lt. Col. John H. Dale Sr. Distinguished Lecture Series in International Security and Global Policy, 2018-19
- Member, USM Graduate Council, 2017-20 (three-year term)
- Chair, Society for Military History Book Awards Committee, 2017-18
- Member, Society for Military History Book Awards Committee, 2015-18
- Member, Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations William A. Williams Junior Faculty Research Award Committee, 2018-present (three-year term)
- Member, Society for Military History Nominating Committee, 2018-present (three-year term)
- Undergraduate Research Symposium judge, 2015, 2018
- Faculty advisor, USM's Vietnamese Students Association, 2015-19
- USM Academic Council, 2012-15
- Blog Editor, "Reflections on War & Society," Dale Center for the Study of War & Society, Fall 2014-19
- Coordinator, McCarthy Lecture Series, Dale Center for the Study of War & Society, Fall 2014
- USM Center for Undergraduate Research Mentor, Fall 2013-present
- Nina Bell Suggs Award Review Committee, Spring 2013-15
- Exhibits Coordinator, Society for Military History's 2013 Annual Meeting, Fall 2012-Spring 2013
- Chair, USM Department of History Search Committee for 20th-Century African American history, Fall 2012
- USM Department of History Search Committee for one-year Modern African American position, Summer 2012
- USM Department of History Search Committee for U.S. Foreign Relations position on Gulf Park campus, Spring 2012
- USM College Awards Committee, 2011-12
- USM Department of History Graduate Committee, 2014-18
- USM Department of History Library Committee, 2011-13
- Undergraduate adviser for History majors, 2010-present
- Dale Center for the Study of War and Society Roundtable Discussion Leader, 2010-present

- 2010 Program Committee, Society for Military History, 2009-10
- Chair, Jack Lucas Award Committee, 2009-14
- Instructor, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, 2009-present ○ Spring 2013, “Women and War” ○ Spring 2011, “The Global Cold War” ○ Fall 2009, “The History of U.S. Foreign Relations”
- H-Minerva Book Reviews Editor, 2009-2011
- Early Alert System Counselor, USM History Department, 2009-13
- Faculty adviser, International Studies Organization, USM, 2009-13
- Faculty board member, Catholic Students Association, USM, 2008-2010

Consulting

- Expert witness for Kirkland & Ellis, LLP, on the case of *Karnoski v. Trump*, which challenged President Donald Trump’s ban on transgender people serving in the US military. Fall 2018-present
- Instructor, “Teaching American History,” 2009-2012 ○ The Cold War at Home and Abroad, June 18-20, 2012 ○ First World War, March 8-9, 2012 ○ Gilded Age and Populism, March 1-2, 2012 ○ Reconstruction, April 7 and April 30, 2011 ○ Cold War Society and Culture, January 16, 2010 ○ Historical Methods, February 21, 2009

Other Work Experience

Adjunct lecturer, Madison Area Technical College, Madison, WI. Fall 2006

Adjunct lecturer, Marian University, Fond du Lac, WI. Spring 2006

Reporter, *Green Bay Press-Gazette*, Green Bay, WI. August 1999-August 2001

Reporter, *Small Business Times*, Milwaukee, WI. May 1998-August 1999

Professional Organizations

American Historical Association

British International Studies Association

Organization of American Historians

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

Society for Military History

Phi Alpha Theta, National History Honor Society