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Education and external professional development

Advancement Resources, Professional Fundraising Workshop for Deans, Department Chairs, and Aspiring Academic Leaders, Atlanta, GA	2012
National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute on the <i>Aeneid</i>	1994
University of California, Santa Barbara (Ph.D., History)	1986-91
Dissertation: "Intimacy and Lordship: The Creation of a Bureaucracy in the Diocese of Lincoln, ca. 1186-1299."	
Examination Fields (passed with distinction): Medieval Europe, England 1066-1399, England 1485-1688, History of the Common Law.	
University of Houston (study for doctoral field in Common Law with Robert C. Palmer, Cullen Professor of Law and History).....	Fall, 1988
University of California, Santa Barbara (M.A., History)	1984-6
Examination fields: Medieval History, Ancient History.	
Michigan State University, the Honors College (B.A., History, with high honors)	1980-4

Employment

Administration:

Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Auburn University at Montgomery	2015-17
Major units in the College: Departments of Biology, Chemistry, Communication and Theatre, English and Philosophy, Fine Arts, History and World Languages and Cultures, Mathematics and Computer Science, and Psychology; Bioprocessing and Biofuel Research Laboratory; Advising Center	
Dean, School of Liberal Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery	2009-14
Major units in the School: Departments of Communication and Theatre, English and Philosophy, Fine Arts, History and World Languages and Cultures, and Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography; Geospatial Research Laboratory; Speech and Hearing Clinic	
Chair, Department of History, Political Science, and Geography, Mississippi University for Women.....	2008-9
Chair, Department of History, Political Science, Geography, and Paralegal Studies (Director of Paralegal Studies as a direct report), Mississippi University for Women	2005-8
Coordinator of the History program, Mississippi University for Women	2003-5
(De facto coordinator)	1992-2003

Academic:

Professor of History, Auburn University at Montgomery	2012-
Associate Professor of History, Auburn University at Montgomery.....	2009-12
Professor of History, Mississippi University for Women	2000-9
Associate Professor of History, Mississippi University for Women.....	1997-2000
Assistant Professor of History, Mississippi University for Women.....	1992-7
Lecturer in History, University of California, Santa Barbara.....	1991-2
Associate in History, University of California, Santa Barbara.....	1989
Teaching Assistant, University of California, Santa Barbara (with breaks in employment)	1984-1991

***Select Administrative Activities and Accomplishments (with substantial faculty and staff support) as
Dean of the School of Liberal Arts and
Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
at Auburn University at Montgomery***

Enrollment: recruitment, retention, and student engagement:

Increased real enrollment (enrollment after accounting for miscoded students and organizational changes) in the School of Liberal Arts by 10% Fall 2009-Fall 2014, in a period when overall university enrollment decreased 9%. Real enrollment in College of Arts and Sciences remained flat

(increased 0.1%) Fall 2015-Fall 2017, in which period overall university enrollment decreased 0.5%.

Established *A Taste of College*, a program in which high school students visit classes and receive career advice regarding liberal arts fields, thus fostering college readiness and AUM recruitment.

Instituted Fall convocations for adjunct faculty, one with lunch, one with dinner, in order to apprise adjunct faculty of new policies that affect the classroom (including retention policies) and better socialize them into the university. Adjunct faculty teach a large portion of freshmen and sophomores, who are most at risk for attrition. The adjunct faculty were very appreciative. This practice has now been adopted by the University's central administration.

Established an area, equipped with desks and computers, for adjunct faculty to meet with students.

Established a student service group in the School of Liberal Arts and then in the College of Arts and Sciences. These students serve the School/College in various ways, engage in community service projects, and talk to prospective students.

Aggressively supported institution of campus retention measures by inviting retention officers to address School/College convocation regarding early warning systems and publicly supporting them in other venues with the School's/College's faculty.

Established dean's list ceremony in School/College with invitations to entering freshmen.

Lowered withdraw, drop and failure rate in University Core courses (within the College of Arts and Sciences) by five percentage points, Fall 2015-Fall 2017. Core Math WDF rate lowered by 13 percentage points in that time.

Resolved chronic problem of shortage of seats in University Core Mathematics courses, Fall, 2016.

Established special mentoring program for teaching with strictly formative peer review for new faculty.

Establishment of new academic programs, including interdisciplinary programs in the School of Liberal Arts. This work involved a call to the faculty for proposals, assessment of demand for the programs and resources required, working with faculty to develop curriculum and, in the case of some interdisciplinary programs, gaining cooperation of other deans:

Master of Teaching of Writing, an interdisciplinary program drawing on coursework in English, Business, and Education.

Graduate Certificate in the Teaching of Writing.

Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders.

Bachelor of Fine Arts (in addition to standing Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts)

Undergraduate Chinese and East Asian Studies track in the Bachelor of Arts in World Languages and Cultures. This was made possible by gaining support from AUM's Confucius Institute for an additional instructor and funds for library purchases.

Undergraduate Certificate in American Society and Culture, aimed at international students.

Undergraduate Religious Studies track in the Bachelor of Liberal Arts, an interdisciplinary program drawing on coursework from the former School of Liberal Arts and the former School of Sciences.

Undergraduate Photography track in the Bachelor of Arts of Fine Arts.

Undergraduate Art History track in the Bachelor of Arts of Fine Arts.

Undergraduate Certificate in Museum Studies.

Developed and first approval stages before becoming Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, final approval gained as part of a different college:

Bachelor's degree in Geographic Information Systems (now fully approved).

Master's degree in Geographic Information Systems (now fully approved).

Master's degree in Speech Pathology (in process).

In process in the College of Arts and Sciences at end of tenure as Dean:

Master's degree in Biology.

Master's degree in Computer Science.

Master's degree in Mathematical Science.

Graduate Certificate in Museum Studies.

Online education: led the strategic establishment of academic programs online while maintaining their bricks and mortar versions.

Master of Liberal Arts.

Master of Teaching Writing.

Certificate in Geographic Information Systems (now in a different college).

University Core Curriculum.

Public Service and Community Engagement:

- Established *Scholars Without Walls* in the School (then *Scholars to Go* in the College), a speakers' bureau placing faculty as speakers with community groups and high schools, with more than 2,500 people thus addressed annually.
- Established "Professors in Pubs," a speakers program.
- Increased average annual donations to the School of Liberal Arts and its departments by 54% during my tenure as dean.
- Established the *Athena Society*, a "donor's club" for the School of Liberal Arts and College of Arts and Sciences.
- Re-established the School of Liberal Arts' Advisory Council, an advisory group of community members. The Council regularly gives useful advice. Established an Advisory Council for the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Established an annual fundraising event for the School of Liberal Arts (now for the College of Arts and Sciences), *A Night Out*.
- Shepherded donation of television studio/lab, with subsequent upgrades, by Raycom Media and donations of architectural and construction services for the studio by Brown Chambliss Architects and W.K. Upchurch Construction.
- Established a contract to operate a writing center for master's students at the Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base. When sequestration forced its closure, the Air War College found donated funds to renew the contract.

Internationalization:

- Handled end negotiations for 3+1 agreement with Central South University of Forestry and Technology (China) for degree in Environmental Science and for proposed dual degree program in Environmental Science.
- Negotiated with Hubei University of Economics (China) to articulate core curriculum for proposed dual degree program in Business.
- Negotiated student and faculty exchange agreement in English and History with University of Lincoln (United Kingdom). History agreement accomplished.

Resources and Budget:

- As dean of the School of Liberal Arts: obtained approval for searches in 20 full-time faculty positions (including six new ones, losing one position), 2009-2014, when state appropriations fell by 19% (2008-2014).
- As dean of the College of Arts and Sciences: obtained approval for searches for 21 full-time positions (including seven new ones, losing two), 2015-17, when overall university revenue was flat.
- Oversaw various external grants to units and faculty within the School of Liberal Arts and College of Arts and Sciences, including AUM's first National Science Foundation grant.
- Established a laboratory for the new photography track in the B.A. in Fine Arts.
- Established a mini-language laboratory, with financial support from AUM's Confucius Institute.
- Largely completed establishment of a new small research building for the natural sciences.
- Negotiated moving the self-supporting Speech and Hearing Clinic to an improved off-campus facility with rent still covered by the University.
- Established an internal grants program in the School of Liberal Arts for faculty scholarship, student activities, community outreach, and visitors to campus, in order to commit funds with a more synoptic view of needs and opportunities. The program with modifications continued in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Finished every fiscal year with the budget in a positive balance.
- Provided key information on departmental expenses in negotiation of a new funding formula for academic units and negotiated with the other deans to produce a yet newer formula to replace it.

Other:

- All but established, with the Offices of Student Affairs and Diversity, College of Arts and Sciences Scholar of Diversity in Residence program. Unfortunately, budgetary trouble derailed implementation at the last minute.
- Ex officio, took part in various meetings/committees to produce the University's new strategic plan; served on strategic planning subcommittee for faculty scholarship/research.
- Ex officio, sat on University Tenure and Promotion Committee for two years until the Faculty Handbook was revised to release deans from service on the Committee. This work gave me a window on academic matters throughout the campus.
- Established a system for peer review of teaching, employing a faculty advisory committee in doing so.
- Oversaw creation of benchmarks for tenure where departments did not have them.
- Re-established the annual *Auburn University at Montgomery Liberal Arts Conference* as an annual conference on *Southern Studies*. This move raised the university's profile, converting a conference drawing participants solely from central Alabama to one drawing participants (in 2015) from 18 states, two countries, and thirty-seven institutions.

Service (abridged)
At Auburn University at Montgomery

Search Committees (These committees gave me a greater understanding of the units supervised by the position for which we searched.):

- Co-Chair, Search Committee for a Dean of the School of Education 2012-13
Co-Chair, Search Committee for a Provost 2011-12
Co-Chair, Search Committee for a Dean of the School of Business 2010-11
Search Committee for a Dean of Enrollment Management 2010-11

Other:

- Co-Chair, Graduate Council 2018-
Ad Hoc Committee to Revise Faculty Grievance Procedure 2021-
Faculty Grievance Committee 2018-2023
Chair, Graduate Advisory Board 2015
Board member, Confucius Institute at Auburn University at Montgomery 2014-
Ad Hoc Committee to propose revisions to AUM's tenure and promotion policy 2013-
Chair, Ida Belle Young Committee (oversaw programs supported by Ida Belle Young Endowment, with annual expenditure of \$400,000) 2011-17
Chancellor's Cabinet (Deans' representative) 2010-11
Banner Oversight Committee (formulated policy recommendations on the fundamental computer program that handles academic and financial matters of the campus) 2010-15

Service (abridged)
At Mississippi University for Women

Search Committees (These committees gave me a greater understanding of the position for which we searched.):

- Search committee for a director of the MUW Global E-College 2008-9
Search committee for dean of the College of Arts and Sciences 2005-6
Chair, Search Committee for positions in U.S. history 2007-8
Chair, search committee for position in modern European history 1996-7
Search committee for position in U.S. history 1994-5
Search committees for positions in English and Political Science 1993-2005

Student programs and activities:

- Chair, Provost's task group on academic dishonesty 2008

Faculty Advisor, Phi Alpha Theta.....	2003-9, 1992-7
Organized roundtable discussion of graduate study in history for MUW undergraduates.....	1992-7

Retention:

University Faculty Advisors Corps (duties included service in the University Advising Center, planning for freshman student experience, including Freshman Seminar, required for all freshmen)	1994-2005
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Assessment and accreditation:

Institutional Effectiveness Committee (charged with preparing report for re-accreditation by SACS)	2001-2
Drafted report and statement of History program goals and strategies for SACS.....	1992-3

Internationalization:

Provost's task group on internationalizing the campus	2008
Academic Standards Board (hears cases of academic dishonesty)	2007-9
Organized eighteen-event "Focus on France" speaker, film, and concert series. (This series founded what has become an annual international program.)	1997-8
Chair, committee to reform International Studies Minor (drafted revised minor)	1997
Chair, International Education Focus Group (to foster international awareness and international study).....	1996-7

Faculty concerns:

University Faculty Research Committee (recommends funds for internal grants) (substitute member)	Spring, 2006
Chair, University Tenure, Promotion and Post-Tenure Review Committee (This work gave me a window on academic matters throughout the campus.).....	2004-5
University Tenure, Promotion and Post-Tenure Review Committee.....	2002-3
Faculty Senate, 1997-2000.	

Other:

University committee to devise a new name for the university	2008-9
Working group for the renovation of Fant University Library (engaged in discussions with the architect and the State of Mississippi Bureau of Buildings and Grounds).....	2007
Participated in workshop on "Course Redesign," led by Carol Twigg of the National Center for Academic Transformation	2007
Chair, committee to devise an interdisciplinary studies major	2006-7
Organized public lecture series by faculty from Emory and Louisiana State Universities on ancient epic	1998
Honors Program and College Committee (advised director, vetted all honors thesis proposals and all honors theses)	1992-6

Extramural Service

Instruction:

Reviewer, grant proposals to Improve Teachers' Mastery of Content (K-12) submitted to the Alabama Commission of Higher Education	2015
Social Studies Framework Revision Committee, Mississippi Department of Education.....	2008-9
College Readiness History Task Force, Institutions of Higher Learning Board (state-wide body)	2008-9
Application Review Committee, Mississippi School for Math and Science	2000-1
Referee for the Dwight D. Eisenhower Professional Development Program (to improve secondary school teaching).....	1999-2000, 1996-7

Scholarship:**As referee:**

Referee for article submitted to <i>Speculum</i>	2018
Referee for article submitted to the <i>Journal of Medieval History</i>	2016
Referee for article submitted to <i>History Compass</i>	2014
Referee for chapters of proposed work on history as a field for University of Toronto Press	2014
Referee for article submitted to <i>Fourteenth-Century England</i>	2013
Referee for article submitted to the <i>Journal of Medieval History</i>	2013
Referee for proposed reader in medieval history with Broadview Press.....	2004
Referee for three chapters of a proposed history of medieval Europe with Longman's	2002
Referee for four chapters of proposed history of Western Civilization textbook with Longman's ...	2001
Referee for six chapters of proposed history of Western Civilization textbook with Longman's.....	2000
Referee for article submitted to <i>Mediaeval Studies</i>	1995

As organizer of conferences sessions:

Organizer of session at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies (Kalamazoo, MI) on "Episcopal Start Ups and Flops" I, II, and III.....	2017
Organizer of three sessions at the International Congress on Medieval Studies (Leeds, UK) on "Bishops and the Secular Clergy: at Home and on the Move"	2016
Organizer of session at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies (Kalamazoo, MI) on "Bishops and Their Men" and "Bishops as Patrons in High and Late Medieval England".....	2008
Organizer of session at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies (Kalamazoo, MI) on "Bishops and Their Men".....	2007
Organizer of session at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies (Kalamazoo, MI) on "Accountability in High- and Late-Medieval Governance, Lay and Ecclesiastical...	2006
Organizer of session at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies (Kalamazoo,, MI) on "Gender, Land, and Lordship in English Bishops' Registers"	1997
Organizer of session at the Southern Historical Association on "Responses to the Plague in Late-Medieval Europe".....	1995

Other:

Schallek Committee (to award a full fellowship and five smaller awards to graduate students working on Britain, ca. 1350-1500.	
K-12 Committee, Medieval Academy of America, 2017-2020.	
Board member, Alabama Humanities Alliance (formerly the Alabama Humanities Foundation, the state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities	2016-2021
Grants and Programs Committee	2016-
Chair	2017, 2021
Internal Relation Committee	2021
Board member, Episcopus: Society for the Study of Bishops and the Secular Clergy in the Middle Ages.....	2018-
External examiner, Ph.D. thesis, University of York (United Kingdom).....	2016
External reviewer, application for tenure and promotion, Whitman College.....	2016
Editorial Board, <i>Tabularium Historiae</i>	2016-
President of Episcopus: Society for the Study of Bishops and the Secular Clergy in the Middle Ages.....	2015-2018
Participant in a colloquium to advise the University of York (United Kingdom) on digitizing the registers of the archbishops of York	2012
Vice President of Episcopus.....	2011-14
Committee to draft a constitution for Episcopus.....	2010-11
External reviewer, application for tenure and promotion, Loyola Marymount University	2009

External grants (for service projects)

Associate Project Director, Mississippi Humanities Council grant to found annual symposium

in Political Science and History, "Politics Past and Present" [initial theme: environmental policy]	2008
Project Director, Mississippi Humanities Council grant to bring to campus "Caution! Hot Coffee May Cause Burns!': The American Legal Tradition in a New Millennium," a public lecture by Polly Price (Emory University Law School).....	2000
Associate Project Director, Mississippi Humanities Council grant to bring to campus (and to Delta State University) "Rome and the Barbarians as Seen in Roman Coins"	1997
Project Director, Mississippi Humanities Council Humanities Teacher Award grant for Professor Thomas C. Richardson	1996
Project Director, Mississippi Humanities Council grant for "An Evening with Four Civil-War Era Personalities," a Chautauqua event.....	1992

Publications

- Power over Distance in Thirteenth-Century English Diocesan Administration* [working title for a monograph: a current project].
- Reading History* [a guide for early undergraduates]. University of Toronto Press. 2022. pp. 127.
- "My Favorite LRS Volume." *Lincoln Record Society News Review*, no. 16. Autumn, 2020. 4-5.
- "Evidence Regarding Bishops' Use of Hall and Chamber in Later Thirteenth-Century English Bishops' Registers, with Observations Regarding Notarial Influence." In *Princes of the Church: Bishops and their Palaces*. Ed. David Rollason. London. Routledge. 2017. pp. 216-224.
- Editor. *Sources for the History of Western Civilization*. Peterborough, Ontario. Broadview Press. 2003. 2 vols. pp. 728, 688 (since acquired by University of Toronto Press). Second edition of volume I, Toronto, Ontario. University of Toronto Press. 2015. pp. 528.
- The Shaping of Western Civilization*. First edition. Toronto, Ontario. Broadview Press/University of Toronto Press. 2008. pp. 306. Second edition, with additional chapters. Toronto, Ontario. University of Toronto Press. 2013. pp. 592.
- Bishops, Clerks, and Diocesan Governance in Thirteenth-Century England: Reward and Punishment*. Cambridge. Cambridge University Press. 2012. Paperback edition, 2014. pp. 313.
- "Reward, Punishment, and Accountability in 13th-Century Diocesan Administration—and What the Modern University Can Tell Us." *Historically Speaking* 13:5. November, 2012. 5-6.
- "Peter of Leicester, Bishop Giffard of Worcester, and the Problem of Benefices in Thirteenth-Century England." *Catholic Historical Review* 95. 2009. 453-473.
- "History and the Other Disciplines." *Historically Speaking* 5:2. November, 2003. 10-11.
- Commentaries on Sources for the History of Western Civilization, With Questions for Students* (a volume for instructors). Peterborough, Ontario. Broadview Press. 2003. pp. 195 (since acquired by University of Toronto Press).
- "The Date and Authorship of Robert Grosseteste's *Rules for Households and Estates*." *Historical Research* 74. 2001. 106-116.
- Coauthor, *Splendors of Versailles: Teachers' Guide*. No place of publication. National Geographic Society Education Foundation and Entergy. 1997.
- "Bishops, Archdeacons and Communication Between Centre and Locality in the Diocese of Lincoln, ca. 1214-99." *Thirteenth Century England* 5. Eds. P.R. Coss and S.D. Lloyd. Woodbridge. Boydell and Brewer. 1995. 195-206.
- "Edward I." *Medieval France: An Encyclopedia*. Eds. William W. Kibler, Grover A. Zinn, et al. New York. 1995. 313-314.
- "Sending, Joining, Writing and Speaking in the Diocesan Administration of Thirteenth-Century Lincoln." *Mediaeval Studies* 55. 1993. 151-182.
- "Officiales and the Familiae of the Bishops of Lincoln, 1258-99." *The Journal of Medieval History* 16. 1990. 39-53.

Reviews

- Philip Perry, *Essay on the Life and Manners of Robert Grosseteste*, ed. Jack P. Cunningham (Woodbridge: Boydell

- Press, 2022) in *The Medieval Review* [online], TMR 24.05.01, posted May 13, 2024.
- The Register of Simon Sudbury, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1375-1381*, ed. F. Donald Logan (Woodbridge: Boydell, 2020) in *Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies* 98 (2023), 298-299.
- Episcopal Power and Personality in Medieval Europe, 900-1480*, eds. Peter Coss, Chris Dennis, Melissa Julian-Jones, and Angelo Silvestri (Turnhout, Belgium: Brepols Publishers, 2020) in *The Medieval Review* [online], TMR 21.11.10, posted November 10, 2021.
- Ian Forrest. *Trustworthy Men: How Faith and Inequality Made the Medieval Church* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2018), in *Reviews in History* (online publication of the Institute of Historical Research, University of London), 2019, <https://reviews.history.ac.uk/review/2338>; DOI: 10.14296/RiH/2014/2338.
- Roisin Cossar, *Clerical Households in Late Medieval Italy* (I Tatti Studies in Italian Renaissance History) (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2017) in *Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies* 93 (2018), 1182-1183.
- S.T. Ambler, *Bishops in the Political Community of England, 1213-1272* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017) in *The Mediaeval Journal* 7 (2017), 156-158.
- Craig M. Nakashian, *Warrior Churchmen of Medieval England, 1000-1250: Theory and Reality* (Woodbridge: Boydell Press, 2016) in *Sehepunkte: Rezenensionsjournal für die Geschichtswissenschaften* [online] 17:9 (2017) 15.09.2017.
- Robert Grosseteste as Bishop of Lincoln: The Episcopal Rolls, 1235-1252*, ed. Philippa M. Hoskin (Woodbridge: Boydell Press, 2015) in *English Historical Review* 131 (2016), 1481-1483.
- Hugh M. Thomas, *The Secular Clergy in England, 1066-1216* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014) in *American Historical Review* 121 (2016), 309-310.
- English Episcopal Acta 43: Coventry and Lichfield 1215-1256* and *English Episcopal Acta 44: Coventry and Lichfield 1258-1295*, ed. Jeffrey H. Denton and Philippa Hoskin (Oxford: Oxford University Press), in *Archives* 67 (2016), 81-83.
- The Prelate in England and Europe, 1300-1500*, ed. Martin Heale (Woodbridge: York Medieval Press, 2014) in *The Medieval Review* [online]. TMR 15.09.33, posted September 24, 2015.
- Elizabeth Gemmill, *The Nobility and Ecclesiastical Patronage in Thirteenth-Century England* (Suffolk: Boydell & Brewer, 2013) in *The Medieval Review* [online]. TMR 14.03.21, posted March 13, 2014.
- Understanding Medieval Primary Sources: Using Historical Sources to Discover Medieval Europe*, ed. Joel T. Rosenthal (New York: Routledge, 2012) in *The Medieval Review* [online]. 12.06.31, posted June 31, 2012.
- Peter D. Clarke, *The Interdict in the Thirteenth Century: A Question of Collective Guilt* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007) in *The Journal of British Studies* 48 (2009), 177-179.
- Records of Convocation I: Sodor and Man 1229-1877*, ed. Gerald Bray (Woodbridge: Boydell Press, 2005) in *The Sixteenth Century Journal* 38 (2007), 618-620.
- The Winchester Pipe Rolls and Medieval English Society*. ed. R. Britnell (Woodbridge: Boydell Press, 2003) in *The Medieval Review* [online]. 05.01.35, posted January 15, 2005.
- James McEvoy, *Robert Grosseteste* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000) in *History: Reviews of New Books* 30 (2001), 27.
- English Episcopal Acta 18 Salisbury 1078-1217*, ed. B.R. Kemp (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), in *The Medieval Review* [online]. 98.08.08.
- Michael Haren, *Sin and Society in Fourteenth-Century England: A Study of the Memoriale Presbiterorum* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000) in *History: Reviews of New Books* 29 (2001), 68.
- William M. Aird, *St Cuthbert and the Normans* (Woodbridge: Boydell Press, 1998); and *Symeon of Durham: Historian of Durham and the North*, ed. David Rollason (Stamford: Shaun Tyas, 1998) in *Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies* 75 (2000), 888-890.
- Michael Thompson, *Medieval Bishops' Houses of England and Wales* (Aldershot: Ashgate Press, 1998) in *Albion* 31 (1999), 610-611.
- Nicholas Vincent, *Peter des Roches: An Alien in English Politics* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1996), in *The Catholic Historical Review* 84 (1998), 84-85.
- Society Publications 84 (1996), in *The Catholic Historical Review* 84 (1998), 88-89.

Papers Delivered

“Episcopus and the Secular Clergy—A View from Thirteenth-Century England,” for Roundtable on “Episcopus Twenty Years On,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2024.

“Robert Grosseteste, the Countess of Lincoln, and the Rules for Households and Estates: a problem of dates,” at

- the Georgia Medieval Group, at Clayton State University, March, 2022.
- “Geographic Information Systems and Doing Business in the Rolls and Register of Oliver Sutton, Bishop of Lincoln, 1280-1299,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2019.
- Participant, Roundtable on “Making the Most of the Medieval: Collective Strategies for K-16 Cooperation,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2019.
- “The Problem of Bishops’ Exercise of Power Over Distance in Thirteenth-Century England” (contribution to roundtable on work on medieval bishops and secular clergy in its early stages),” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2018.
- “How Bishops Used Their Halls and Chambers in Later Thirteenth-Century England,” at the conference of the Haskins Society, Northfield, MN, November, 2015.
- “Some Evidence Regarding the Use of Episcopal Hall and Chamber in Later Thirteenth-Century English Bishops’ Registers,” at the conference “Princes of the Church and their Palaces,” Bishop Auckland, England, July, 2015.
- Participant, Roundtable on "Masculinity and Clerical Piety," at the International Medieval Congress, Leeds, England, July, 2015.
- “Bishops’ clerks, bishops’ households, and identity in thirteenth-century England,” at the conference “Religious Men in the Middle Ages: Networks and Communities,” Lincoln, England, July, 2014.
- “Honor, Anger, and Aggression by Clergy in Thirteenth-Century England,” at the conference “Ecclesia et Violencia: Violence Against the Church and Violence within the Church in the Middle Ages,” Bydgoszcz, Poland, September, 2013.
- “What did a Clerk Get when he Got a Benefice in Thirteenth-Century England?” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2011.
- “Bishops’ Grants of Pensions ‘quousque beneficium providerimus’ in Thirteenth-Century England,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2008.
- “Frustrated Patrons in Thirteenth-Century England,” at the Southern Branch of the North American Conference of British Studies’ conference, Birmingham, AL, November 2006.
- “Peter of Leicester, Bishop Giffard of Worcester, and the Problem of Benefices in Thirteenth-Century England,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2006.
- “The Emergence of the Commissary General at Lincoln: Social or Institutional Conflict?” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 2005.
- “The Case of the Disappearing Magistri: Archidiaconal Officials and the Familia of the Bishops of Lincoln in the Thirteenth Century,” at the International Medieval Congress, Leeds, England, July, 2001.
- “The Date and Authorship of Robert Grosseteste’s Rules,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 1999.
- “Ambiguous Loyalties: Archidiaconal *Officiales*, Archdeacons, and the Bishops of Lincoln in the Thirteenth Century,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 1997.
- “A Rhetoric of Command: English Royal Administration and the Rolls of the Bishops of Lincoln, ca. 1214-1299,” at the Southern Historical Association’s conference, Orlando, FL, November, 1993.
- “Bishops, Archdeacons and Communication Between Center and Locality in the Diocese of Lincoln, ca. 1214-99,” versions presented at
 The Annual Conference on Thirteenth-Century England, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England, September, 1993;
 The Southwestern Social Science Association’s Conference, New Orleans, LA, March, 1993;
 The Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 1992.
- “Sending, Binding, Writing and Speaking in the Diocesan Administration of Thirteenth-Century Lincoln,” at the Medieval Association of the Pacific’s conference Davis, CA, March, 1991.
- “Unfamiliar *familiares*: Some Evidence from Hereford, Worcester, and Lincoln Dioceses, 1258-1350,” at the Southern Branch of the North American Conference on British Studies, Norfolk, VA, November, 1988.
- “Unfamiliar *familiares*: Some Evidence from Hereford and Worcester Dioceses, 1275-1350,” at the Annual Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May, 1988.
- “Lanfranc’s Position in the English Church: A Closer Look,” at the Charles Homer Haskins Society’s conference, Houston, TX, November, 1985.

Popular Lectures

- “Why is the French Cooking So Good and English Cooking So Bad? The History of Cooking in Late-Medieval and

“Early Modern Europe,” Auburn University at Montgomery	2024
“How to Succeed in your History Class,” Auburn University at Montgomery	2021
“Bishop Bighead, the Countess, and a Medieval Mystery,” at Auburn University at Montgomery.....	2019
“College: A Four-Year Slog, and Why You Should Do It”:	
St. Jude Educational Institute, Montgomery, AL	2013
Homewood High School, Homewood, AL.....	2013
Tarrant High School, Tarrant, AL	2013
Daphne High School, Daphne, AL.....	2012
Blacksher High School, Uriah, AL.....	2012
Tanner High School, Tanner, AL	2011
Montgomery Academy, Montgomery, AL.....	2011
Shelby High School, Shelby, MS	2008
Moss Point High School, Moss Point, MS	2008
Address to Phi Kappa Phi initiates, Auburn University at Montgomery.....	2013
“Legal Expansion, the Jury, and the Common Law in the Middle Ages,” at Auburn University at Montgomery, later broadcast on Montgomery cable television.....	2010
“Friendship and Affection in the Middle Ages,” at Auburn University at Montgomery, later broadcast on Montgomery cable television	2011
“World War I,” Daphne High School, Daphne, AL.....	2013
“The U.S. Constitution: An Ancient Document?”:	
Sunriser Rotary Club, Montgomery, AL.....	2011
Sons of the American Revolution, Montgomery, AL.....	2010
Address to Honors Day Convocation, Delta State University.....	2009, 1999
“Biology, History, and the Black Death in Late-Medieval Europe”:	
Good Questions (Mini-College), Auburn University at Montgomery	2016
West Point, MS Rotary Club	2008
Mississippi University for Women.....	2004
“The U.S. Constitution: A Medieval Document?”:	
Mississippi University for Women.....	2008
Ridgeland High School, Ridgeland, MS.....	2007
Picayune High School, Picayune, MS	2007
“Universities: Medieval and Modern,” at Mississippi University for Women (address as Mississippi Humanities Council Humanities Teacher of the Year Award honoree).....	2001
“Marie Antoinette, Versailles, and the French Revolution”:	
Heritage Academy, Columbus, MS (in the George M. Hazard Lecture Series).....	2001
Hinds Community College, MS	1998
Mississippi University for Women.....	1997
“Countesses, Bishops, and the Problems of a Medieval Source,” at Millsaps College, MS.....	1999

Fellowships and Research Grants Held

Summer Research Stipend, National Endowment for the Humanities	2004
Various in-house research grants, Mississippi University for Women.....	1994-2006
Department of History Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara	1990-1
Alumni Affiliates' Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara	1990-1
Graduate Humanities Research Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara	1989-90
Interdisciplinary Humanities Center Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara	1989-90
John Pine Memorial Scholar, Phi Alpha Theta	1989-90
Chancellor's Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara	1988-9
University of California Regents Special Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara.....	1984-8
Phi Alpha Theta Graduate Scholar	1984-5
Distinguished Freshman Scholar, Michigan State University	1980-4

Honors

William Winter Scholar, Natchez Literary and Cinema Festival	2002
Humanities Teacher of the Year, Mississippi Humanities Council.....	2001
Lancaster Prize (For best dissertation in humanities and the fine arts), University of California, Santa Barbara	1991-2
Mayberry Prize (Outstanding graduate student in Department of History), University of California, Santa Barbara	1989-90
Phi Beta Kappa.....	1983
Phi Alpha Theta.....	1983

Member

Medieval Academy of America
Episcopus: Society for the Study of Bishops and the Secular Clergy in the Middle Ages
Canterbury and York Society
Lincoln Record Society

Courses taught

Auburn University at Montgomery (semesters):

History:

Freshman:	Western Civilization I (in-person, online, and hybrid) Western Civilization II (in-person, online, and hybrid) World History I (in person, online) World History II (in person, online)
Sophomore:	History Workshop (a course on the discipline) From the Crusades to the Black Death: Medieval Europe in the High and Late Middle Ages
Upper-level:	Greek Civilization (undergraduate and graduate) (online) The Fall of Rome and the Rise of Christendom (undergraduate) Early Modern Europe, ca. 1500-ca. 1750 (undergraduate and graduate) (online)

Mississippi University for Women (semesters):

History:

Freshman:	Western Civilization/History of Civilization to ca. 1600 (including honors sections) Western Civilization/History of Civilization ca. 1600-present (including honors sections)
Junior:	Introduction to Historical Thinking and Research (for History majors) The Graeco-Roman World to ca. AD 200 Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages/Rise of Christianity and the Fall of Rome (i.e., ca. 200-1000) Europe in the High and Late Middle Ages (i.e., ca. 1000-1500) Early Modern Europe, ca. 1500-1750 Europe, ca. 1648-1815 Women in European History: Antiquity to the Time of the French Revolution
Senior:	Medieval England, ca. 1066-1529 The Problem of the Italian Renaissance Capstone Course (for History seniors)

Religious Studies:

Junior: Women in Western Religions to 1500
Medieval Christianity

No discipline:

Freshman: Freshman Seminar (required of all incoming freshmen)

Junior Honors Seminar: Influential Books of the Graeco-Roman World
Junior Seminar (formerly required of all juniors; team taught)

University of California, Santa Barbara (quarters):

History:

Freshman: Western Civilization to ca. 1000
Introduction to History (for History majors)

Junior: Research Seminar in Medieval Europe

Graduate: Lab for Teaching Assistants

Teaching Assistant (led weekly discussions, graded all student work; including honors sections, in which I also determined the reading) for
Western Civilization to ca. 1000
Western Civilization ca. 1000-1715
Western Civilization ca. 1715-present