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Academic Employment

August 2024-Present	Assistant Professor of History, Texas A&M University
January 2021-August 2024	Assistant Professor of History, Nicholls State University

Education

Ph.D., History, 2015- 2020 University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Dissertation: “The Fabric of Civil War Society: Uniforms, Badges, and Flags, 1861 to 1939”

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Books

The Fabric of Civil War Society: The Effect of Uniforms, Badges, and Flags, 1859-1939, Louisiana State University Press, forthcoming February 21, 2024.

‘The Suffering and Groans of the Wounded and Dying Were Terrible to See and Hear’: Auditory Experiences of Civil War Suffering, in progress.

Edited Books

Shae Smith Cox, Evan Rothera, and Michael S. Green (eds.): *A Companion to Abraham Lincoln*, Wiley-Blackwell, forthcoming 2027.

Book Chapters and Essays

“Lincoln and His Relationships with Women,” in *A Companion to Abraham Lincoln*, Wiley-Blackwell, (eds.) Shae Smith Cox, Evan Rothera, and Michael S. Green, forthcoming 2027.

“Outfitting the Lost Cause: The Recreation of Memory, Identity, and Southern Sectionalism through Civil War Uniforms, 1865-1920s,” in *Buying and Selling Civil War Memory in Gilded Age America*, eds. James Marten and Caroline E. Janney, University of Georgia Press, 2021.

Online Publications

Smithridge, 64 Parishes, Aug. 5, 2024, <https://64parishes.org/entry/smithridge>

Essential Civil War Curriculum, Sept. 2024, [Decorations, Medals, and Recognitions of Valor](#)

Professional Service (Selected)

January 2025-Present	Southern Historical Association Communications Committee Member
January 2023-2025	<i>Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association</i> , Program Committee Chair
January 2022-Present	<i>Society of Civil War Historians</i> , Executive Council Member
July 2022-Present	<i>Society of Civil War Historians</i> , Outreach Committee Member
July 2022-Present	<i>Society of Civil War Historians</i> , Early Career Committee Member and Chair
June/July 2020	<i>Society of Civil War Historians</i> , Micro-Grant Relief Committee

Conference Presentations (Selected)

- Roundtable “Reckoning with the Past: Constructing Campus Histories and Confronting Complex Legacies,” Southern Historical Association, November 2025, St. Petes, Florida.
- Moderator/Chair, History Beyond the Essay: Community Based Public History and Pedagogy, H-net Teaching Conference, August 20, 2024, Virtual.
- Paper: “Tending to ‘the fires of patriotism’: Caring for the Legacy of the Grand Army of the Republic,” on the Panel: “Care for him who shall have borne the battle”: The Limitations of Pension Care in Post-Civil War America,” *Society of Civil War Historians (SCWH)*, June 2024, Raleigh, North Carolina.

- Paper: “‘Custodian of the Crosses of Honor’: Badges of the United Daughters of the Confederacy,” on the Panel: “Badges, we don’t need no stinking badges”: Civil War Memory in Unexpected Places, *British Association for American Studies*, April 2023.
- Round Table: A Community History of Smith Ridge Louisiana, Louisiana Historical Association (LHA), March 2023, Alexandria, Louisiana.
- Paper: “The Suffering and Groans of the Wounded and Dying Were Terrible to See and Hear”: An Auditory History of Civil War Suffering, Presented on the Panel: “See No Evil, Hear No Evil, Feel no Evil: Women, Senses, and Emotion in the Civil War Era,” *Society of Civil War Historians*, June 2022.
- Southern Historical Association, The SAWH Professional Development Committee “Navigating the Job Market in the Academy and Beyond,” November 2021.

Public History Contributions (Selected)

- Spring 2025, Supervised the Student-led exhibit Remembering and Honoring the Aggie Experience for HIST 303 (History and Memory) at Texas A&M University
- Fall 2023, Supervised the Student-led Exhibit for Museum Studies, The Fabric of Civil War Society, Ellender Memorial Library, Nicholls State University
- Summer 2023, Normandy Academy Historical Guide for the National WWII Museum, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2021-2023, Oral Historian, BOEM Center for Excellence Grant, Human Dimension Support Faculty, Nicholls State University

Public Talks and Media Contributions (Selected)

- February 2025, Center for Civil War Studies and Virginia Tech Webinar, *The Fabric of Civil War Society: Uniforms, Badges, and Flags, 1859-1939*
- 2024-2025 Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities Teaching Fellow, Specialty: Reconstruction
- September 2024, Kentucky History Live Lecture, *The Fabric of Civil War Society: Uniforms, Badges, and Flags, 1859-1939*
- August 24, 2024, Watkins Museum of History Live Lecture, *The Fabric of Civil War Society: Uniforms, Badges, and Flags, 1859-1939*
- March 2024, LSU Facebook Live Lecture, *The Fabric of Civil War Society: Uniforms, Badges, and Flags, 1859-1939*
- March 2023, Public Lecture: The Methods of Memory Machines: Remembering the Civil War Through Objects, Civil War Round Table of Central Louisiana
- April 2022, Our Only “Felt” History: Civil War Series Lecture, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith
- September 2021, Constitution Day/Rothbaum Lecture, East Central University

Awards and Grants

October 2023, College of Liberal Arts Travel Grant, Nicholls State University (\$500)
 August 2023, Nominated for the "Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award"
 April 2023, Winner of the Student Organization “Advisor of the Year” Award.
 January 2023, Nominated for the "Student Affairs Faculty Merit Award" and "Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award."
 October 2022, College of Liberal Arts Travel Grant, Nicholls State University (\$450)
 July 2021, BOEM Center for Excellence Grant, Human Dimension Support Faculty, Nicholls State University (\$30,000)
 May 2021, Digital History Grant, Co-Investigator, Nicholls State University (\$6,000)
 April 2021, Outstanding Non-STEM Dissertation Award, UNLV (\$1,000)
 Fall 2020, College of Liberal Arts Best Dissertation Award, UNLV