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Education:

1995 Ph.D., University of Houston-Latin American History

1990 M.A., University of Houston-Mexican History

1986 B.S., University of Houston-Political Science

Professional Experience:

2014-present **Chair: Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences**

1995-present **Professor of History/Political Science-Sul Ross State University:**

Courses Taught-Undergraduate and Graduate levels

U.S. History to 1877
U.S. History Since 1877
World History to 1500
World History Since 1500
The History of Texas
Federal Government
State Government
The History of Pre-Columbian and Colonial Mexico;
The History of Modern Mexico: 1821- Present;
The History of Mexican Americans;
The History of the Modern Middle East;
The History of World Religions;
The History of Modern Terrorism; The
Cold War 1945-1991.
Totalitarianism in the 20th Century
The History of Immigration and Ethnicity in the United States;
The History of Native Americans;
The History of African Americans;

The American Revolution and Constitution: 1763-1788 ;
Jacksonian America: 1815-1848
America between Depression and War: 1920-1945
The History of the Ancient World
The History of the Middle Ages
The History of the Reformation and Renaissance
The History of Europe 1648-1815
The History of Europe 1815-1914
American Political Thought
Constitutional Law and Civil Liberties
American Foreign Policy
The Presidency

1993-1994

Instructor-University of Houston-Clear Lake:

1992-1993

Fulbright-Hays Fellow: Dissertation research

Mexico City, San Luis Potosí, and local archives.

1991-1995-adjunct history professor at San Jacinto Junior College

1990-adjunct history professor at Texas Southern University

1989-1995

Teaching Assistant: University of Houston.

Professional Associations:

Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars 1990-present

I served as president of the Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars 2006-2008 World History Association of Texas

Honors, Awards, and Listings:

Fulbright-Hays Fellow, Research in Mexico, 1992-1993

University of Houston Fellowships, 1990-1992

Teacher of the Year Award Sul Ross State University 1998

University Service

Faculty Advisor: The Baptist Student Ministries

Teacher of the Year Award Committee

Tenure and Promotion Review Committee

Scholarship Committee

Publications:

Books: “For God and Revolution! Priest, Peasant and Agrarian Socialism in the Mexican Huasteca.” University of New Mexico Press, 2013.

Article, “The City of San Luis Potosí,” The Encyclopedia of the U.S.-Mexican War, Macmillan Press, 1997.

Article, “The State of San Luis Potosí,” The Encyclopedia of the U.S.-Mexican War, Macmillan Press, 1997.

Article, “José María Bocanegra,” The Encyclopedia of the U.S.-Mexican War, Macmillan Press, 1997.

Research and Professional Presentations :

“The United States and the Rise of Mexican Nationalism,” Presented to the Southwestern Council for Latin American Studies; Monterrey, Mexico: March 1990.

“Peasant Nationalism and the Struggle for Social and Human Rights in the Mexican Countryside,” Presented to the Southwestern Council for Latin American Studies; Fort Worth, Texas: March 1995.

“Los Orígenes Económicas y Sociales de la Rebelión de la Huasteca en Los Años 1846-1848,” Presented to the V Congreso de los Historiadores Regionales; Ciudad Juárez, Mexico: November, 1995.

“The Human and Ecological Impact of the Spanish Conquest on the Mexican Huasteca: A Regional Perspective on the Columbian Exchange,” Presented to the World History Association of Texas; Austin, Texas: March, 1997.

“Peasant Nationalism in Modern World History: A Comparative Analysis of Subaltern Social Movements in India, China, Peru and Mexico,” Presented to the World History Association of Texas; Seguin, Texas: April, 1998.

“Catholic Jihad and Islamic Crusades: A Comparison Between the Cristero Movement in Mexico, 1926-1929 and the Mujahadeen Movement in Afghanistan 1979-1990,” Presented to The World History Association of Texas, San Antonio, April 1999.

“The Ecological Impact of the Spanish Conquest on the Mexican Huasteca” presented to the

Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars in Veracruz, Mexico, March 8, 2005

“The Impact of NAFTA on Mexican Immigration to the United States” at the Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars in Albuquerque, New Mexico on March 2, 2006.

“The African Historical Presence in the Huasteca Potosina” at the Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars on March 9, 2007 in Merida Yucatan.

“For God and Revolution! Uncovering the Social Origins of Agrarian Unrest in the Mexican Huasteca” presented to the Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars, Antigua, Guatemala, March 2013.

“Transnational Agribusiness and the Restructuring of Mexican Agriculture; 1942-Present” presented to the Southwest Council of Latin American Scholars, San Diego, March 2014.

Community Service

Kiwanis Club of Alpine (President 1999-2001)

Vice President-Big Bend Youth Soccer Association 2005-2008

Numerous presentations to Alpine/Big Bend community on issues pertaining to the Middle East, Islam and Christianity, and immigration