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EDUCATION

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| PhD | University of Memphis, History
Dissertation: "The Road to Respect: African Americans
And the Fight for Equal Education in Jonesboro, Arkansas
Since 1920" | August 2022 |
| MA | Arkansas State University, History | August 2010 |
| BS | Arkansas State University, Interdisciplinary Studies
Magna Cum Laude | May 2008 |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| Arkansas State University
Assistant Professor of History
Director, Social Science Education Program | August 2022-Present |
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- Developer and Facilitator for following courses:
 - Methods and Materials for Teaching High School Social Studies
 - Digital Technologies for Teaching High School Social Studies
 - Internship/Student Teaching University Supervisor
 - Observe, mentor, assess social studies majors during their clinical experiences in secondary schools.
 - Advisor
 - Serve as main advisor for all BSE Social Science majors
 - Coordinate and lead three additional BSE advisors
 - Assessment Coordinator
 - Implement six program assessments for NCSS national recognition status
 - Collect and analyze data for yearly assessment reports to University Assessment Office for CAEP accreditation
 - Collect and analyze data from six program assessments for SPA assessment reports

Arkansas State University

August 2019-May 2022

Instructor of History

Co-Director, Social Science Education Program

- Developed and facilitated the following courses:
 - U.S History to 1876 (in-person, online, hybrid)
 - U.S. History Since 1876 (in-person, online, hybrid)
 - Methods and Materials for Teaching High School Social Studies (in-person and hybrid during Covid-19 pandemic)
 - Digital Technologies for Teaching High School Social Studies (in-person and hybrid during Covid-19 pandemic)
 - Special Topics: American Diversity (in-person and hybrid during Covid-19 pandemic)
- Co-Director Responsibilities:
 - Advisor for BSE majors
 - Implement assessments and collect data for annual assessment reports
 - Observe student teachers/interns during clinical experiences in secondary schools

University of Memphis

Teaching Assistant

August 2016-August 2019

- Taught two sections of Tennessee History (online)
- Tutor in History Education Resource Center
- Grader for U.S. History survey courses

Trumann High School

High School Teacher

August 2012-May 2016

- Developed and facilitated Advanced Placement United States History, 11th grade United States History, Sociology, Psychology, African American History

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dissertation, University of Memphis

2022

Advisor: Aram Goudsouzian

- “The Road to Respect: African Americans and the Fight for Equal Education in Jonesboro, Arkansas since 1920”

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Papers Accepted

McNamee, Heather, "Of Incendiary Origin: Night Riding in Craighead County, Arkansas," To be published in: *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*. (forthcoming)

Conference Papers

"Something Must Be Done: Black Education Activism as a Fight for Student Mental and Emotional Health," Association for the Study of African American Life and History Conference, Montgomery, Alabama, September 2022.

"Reflective Images: A Kaleidoscope of Change and Impact of LGBTQ+ Community in Arkansas," National Humanities Conference, Los Angeles, California, November 2022.

"Segregated Lives, Segregated Histories: The Opportunities and Pitfalls of County Histories in Arkansas," Arkansas Historical Association Conference, June 2021.

"Not Just Flyover Country: The Struggle for Black Education Equality in Arkansas," Association for the Study of African American Life and History, virtual conference, September 2020.

"R.E.S.P.E.C.T: The Post-Desegregation Fight for Equal Education in Jonesboro Public Schools," Arkansas Historical Association Conference, April 2020. (Conference canceled due to Covid-19 pandemic.)

Digital/Public History Projects

"Reflective Images: A Kaleidoscope of Change and Impact of LGBTQ+ Community in Arkansas," Researcher, writer, program co-coordinator, 2021-present. Website accessible from: <https://arkansashumanitiescouncil.org/initiatives/lgbtq/>

AR History Podcast, host and producer, Arkansas Humanities Council, Available from: <https://anchor.fm/arhistorypodcast> , 2021.

"E. Boone Watson" *Encyclopedia of Arkansas*, Available from: <https://encyclopediaofarkansas.net/entries/edomae-boone-watson-15013/>, February 2021.

"C.T. Carpenter," *Encyclopedia of Arkansas*, Available from: <https://encyclopediaofarkansas.net/entries/cornelius-tyree-carpenter-14209/>, February 2020.

"Teach Your Heart Out: Those Kids Need You," *Activist History Review*, Available from: <https://activisthistory.com/2018/12/12/teacher-your-heart-out-those-kids-need-you/> , December 2018.

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Workshop, “Teaching History: A Skills Based Approach,” Cross County High School, Cherry Valley, Arkansas, August 2022.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

NCSS SPA Assessment Training

National Council for Social Studies, Philadelphia, December 2022

Description: Training to collect, analyze, and interpret program data for SPA recognition reports through the NCSS.

NAPDS Conference

National Association for Professional Development Schools, Chicago, February 2022

Attended sessions about implementing professional development schools and building connections between Educator Preparatory Programs and secondary schools.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Council for the Social Studies, 2019-Present

Arkansas Historical Association, 2019-Present

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

ASTATE Professional Development Institute

Co-organizer

Organize an annual professional development institute for Arkansas teachers. It is held every June.

Early College Programs Faculty Liaison for History Department

Advise and mentor dual credit/concurrent teachers in area high schools. Collect assessment data for National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP) accreditation.

College of Education Diversity Committee

Chair, Professional Development subcommittee

Organize a series of roundtable discussions and resource-sharing sessions for College of Education faculty. Established College of Education Diversity Action Plan.

Chair, History Department Recruitment and Community Outreach Committee

Attend university and department-sponsored recruiting events, collaborate with university recruiters, visit regional schools to meet with high school students interested in majoring in history.

History Department Assessment Committee

Collect and analyze department assessment data for university Assessment Office and special accreditation and recognition.

Chair, Bachelor of Science in Social Science Admission Committee

Ensure paperwork requirements have been fulfilled, organize BSE Social Science Admission Panel for student admission meetings.

Faculty Liaison, Student Support Services First-in-the Pack

Support first-generation college students in College of Liberal Arts and Communication, meet and advise them, attend special events aimed at retaining and supporting these students.

Black History Month Planning Committee

Develop programming for Black History Month including lectures, panel discussions, and special events.