

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. History, Liberty University, 2023
- M.A. History, Liberty University, 2019
- B.S. History, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, 2016

EMPLOYMENT

- Assistant Professor of History, BSE Social Science Program Director, Arkansas State University, August 2025 – present
- Adjunct Instructor of History, Central Texas College, January 2025 – July 2025
- Assistant Professor of History, Temple College, August 2021 – July 2025
- Adjunct Instructor of History, Austin Community College, August 2023 – May 2025
- Secondary Social Studies Teacher, Lake Belton High School, Aug. 2019-May 2021
- Secondary Social Studies Teacher, Hearne High School, Aug. 2015-May 2019
- United States Army, Infantryman, March 1996-July 2014

PUBLICATIONS

- Jackson, Wesley. Review of The Texas Civil Rights Project: How We Built a Social Justice Movement, by Jim Harrington. *Journal of Texas History* 1, no. 3 (Summer 2026): [Page Numbers to be announced].
- Jackson, Wesley. *Beyond the Bayou: How Educational Opportunity Shaped Houston's Growth*. Denton, TX: University of North Texas Press, Pending Publisher Review.
- Jackson, Wesley. "The Growth of Human Capital and the Progressive Education Movement in Houston, Texas: A History of Houston Independent School District, 1876–1970." Ph.D. diss, Liberty University, 2023.
- Jackson, Wesley, "Plantation Towns Cultivated by the Arms of God: From Reconstruction to Redemption, 1860-1890", master's thesis, Liberty University, 2019.

COURSES CREATED AND TAUGHT

- U.S. History Since 1876
- U.S. History to 1876
- Methods & Materials for Teaching Social Studies in Secondary School
- Digital Technology for Social Studies Educator

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

- “From Brown to No Child Left Behind-Federal Education Policy, Black Schooling, and the Costs of Reform in Atlanta, Charlotte, and Houston.” Paper presented at the Annual conference for the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Norfolk, VA, TBD September, 2026
- “Legislating Without Listening: The Consequences of Top-Down Education Reform in Houston, Texas.” Paper presented at the Organization of American Historians annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, April 16, 2026.
- “Salt, Stone, and Trade: Indigenous Economic Systems in Pre-Contact Arkansas.” Paper presented at the Arkansas Historical Society annual conference at the University of Arkansas at Monticello campus, Monticello, AR, April 11, 2026.
- “Bridging the Mentorship Gap: Developing a Guidebook to Support Cooperating Teachers in Teacher Preparation Programs.” Paper presented at the Conference of Higher Education Pedagogy, at Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, VA, February 6, 2026
- “Disrupting Innovation: How Federal Oversight Undermined Houston’s Segregated Schools and What It Means for Today’s Educational Crisis,” Conference for the Alliance for Texas History, May 17, 2025
- “Impactful Teaching: Insights for Success” Change Initiatives Leadership Academy, Autin Community College. November 2024
- “Using Alternative Grading to Foster Student Success and Improve Student Learning,” Change Initiatives Leadership Academy Faculty Showcase, Austin Community College. August 2024.
- “Navigating the Uncharted: The Realities of Teaching Dual Credit” The Dual Credit Faculty Summit, hosted by ACC’s High School Programs Department, Austin Community College. February 2024.

SELECT PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- Early College Programs Coordinator: 2025-PRESENT
- Recruitment and Outreach Committee: 2025-PRESENT
- Assessment Committee: 2025-PRESENT
- Undergraduate Committee: 2025-PRESENT
- Faculty Hiring Committee: Assistant Professor of African American History Professor

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Organization of American Historians
Member 2024-Present
- Alliance for Texas History
Charter Member 2023-Present
- Association for the Study of African American Life and History
Member 2026-Present
- Southern Historical Association
Member 2024-Present
- Phi Alpha Theta National Honor Society
Member 2015-Present
- Arkansas Historical Association
Member 2025-Present

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