

Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. U.S. History	University of Houston	1990
M.A. Public History	University of Houston	1986
B.A. English/Fine Arts	Rice University	1981

**EMPLOYMENT**

California State University, Sacramento

Professor of History, 2003-present  
Department Chair, 2004-2010  
Co-Director, Oral History Program, 1994-2010  
Director, Public History Program, 2000-2004  
Associate Professor of History, 1997-2003  
Associate Director, Public History Program, 1997-2000  
Director, History Internship Program, 1994-2004  
Assistant Professor of History, 1994-1997

University of Houston

Lecturer, 1991-92  
Director, Oral History of the Houston Economy, 1990-92

Houston Community College

Lecturer, 1989-90

**COURSES TAUGHT**

History of American Capitalism/U.S. Business History  
Entrepreneurs and Regulators: Private Enterprise and Public Policy  
Readings in American Environmental History  
Research in 20th century Western Environmental History  
Readings in Public History/Public History Principles and Techniques  
American Environmental History  
United States History Survey (Part I and Part II)  
Seminar in Oral History  
Readings in 20th century Business-Government Relations  
Readings in American History through Fiction  
Energy, Technology and Society (proposed course)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

*Valley Life: An Environmental History of the Sacramento Metroplex* (University of Pittsburgh Press, Under Review) Co-edited volume with Lee M. A. Simpson.

*Dedication. Vision. Heart: The CalPERS Story* (The History Factory, 2007)

*Keeping the Promise: A History of the California Department of Justice* (Sacramento: California Department of Justice, 2006)

*Invisible Fuel: Natural and Manufactured Gas in American History, 1800-2000.* (New York: Twayne Publishers, 1999)

*Builders: Herman and George R. Brown* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 1998). Co-authored with Joseph A. Pratt.

*Offshore Pioneers: Brown & Root and the History of Offshore Oil and Gas* (Houston: Gulf Publishing, 1997). Co-authored with Joseph A. Pratt and Tyler Priest.

*Gas Pipelines and the Emergence of America's Regulatory State: A History of Panhandle Eastern Corporation, 1928-1993* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1996). Co-authored with Clarence M. Smith.

*From Texas to the East: A Strategic History of Texas Eastern Corporation.* Co-authored with Joseph Pratt (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 1993).

*Regulated Enterprise: Natural Gas Pipelines and Northeastern Markets, 1938-1954* (Columbus: Ohio State University Press, 1993).

### **Book Chapters**

“Recalling Rancho Seco: ,” in *Valley Life: An Environmental History of the Sacramento Metroplex* (University of Pittsburgh Press, Under Review) Co-edited volume with Lee M. A. Simpson.

### **Journal Articles**

“Natural Disasters in the Making: Fossil Fuels, Humanity, and the Environment,” in *Magazine of History: Environmental History Revisited* (October 2011, Volume 25, no 4).

Co-Editor of a themed issue of *The Public Historian* on the topic of “The Public and Private History of Eugenics” (Aug 2007, Vol. 29, No. 3).

Co-Author, "The Public and Private History of Eugenics," *The Public Historian* (Aug 2007, Vol. 29, No. 3: 5-17).

Edited a themed issue of *Journal of the West* on the topic of Energy in the West. (ABC-Clio: Santa Barbara, 2005).

"Natural Gas in California," *Journal of the West*. (ABC-Clio: Santa Barbara, 2005)

"History Beneath the Surface: Natural Gas Pipelines and the National Historic Preservation Act," *The Public Historian* 26, no. 1 (Winter 2004), pp. 105-21.

"California's joint doctoral program - taking history out of the classroom," *Education West* (February/March 2000).

"Writing Contract Business History," *The Public Historian* (Winter, 1999).

"The Texas-Northeast Connection: The Rise of the Post-World War II Gas Pipeline Industry." *The Houston Review* Vol. XII. No. 2:79-95. 1990.

"New Markets, Outmoded Manufacturing: The Transition from Manufactured Gas to Natural Gas by Northeastern Utilities after World War II." *Business and Economic History* Vol. 18:238-47. 1989.

### **Pamphlets and Reports**

*Natural Gas Comes to Iowa: What it Meant when the A-Line Arrived*, Privately published booklet for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Iowa State Historic Preservation Office for Section 106 compliance. December 2002.

### **Encyclopedia Articles**

"Notable Milestones in Natural Gas," *Handbook of Energy* (Elsevier, Forthcoming)

"Phillips Petroleum Company," *Encyclopedia of Oklahoma History and Culture* (Oklahoma Historical Society, 2007).

"Petroleum," *Encyclopedia of the Age of the Industrial Revolution, 1700-1920* (Greenwood Publishing Group Forthcoming, 2007).

"Capitalism," *History of World Trade Since 1450* (New York: MacMillan Reference USA, 2005)

"History of the Natural Gas Industry," *Encyclopedia of Energy*, Vol. 4 (Elsevier, Inc., 2004), pp. 207-18.

“Phillips Petroleum Company,” *Encyclopedia of the Great Plains*, ed. David Wishart (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2004).

“Oil Industry: Historical Overview,” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 122-26.

“Oil Industry: Technological Change,” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 126-29.

“Oil Industry: Property Rights,” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 129-31.

“Oil Industry: Industrial Organization,” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 131-35.

“Manufactured and Natural Gas Industry,” *EH.Net Encyclopedia*. (Posted Fall 2001)

"Alexander Ector Orr." *American National Biography*. Oxford University Press, 1998.

"Eugene Francis Moran." *American National Biography*. Oxford University Press, 1998.

### **Book Reviews**

*Business History Review*, Forthcoming. Steven Fenberg, *Unprecedented Power: Jesse Jones, Capitalism, and the Common Good* (

*Journal of Southern History*, May 2011. James L. Hunt, *Relationship Banker: Eugene W. Stetson, Wall Street, and American Business, 1916-1959*. (Macon, Ga.: Mercer University Press, 2009)

*Western History Quarterly*, Autumn 2011. Leah S. Glaser, *Electrifying the Rural American West: Stories of Power, People, and Place*. (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2009)

*Technology & Culture*, July 2010. Paul Lucier, *Scientists and Swindlers: Consulting on Coal and Oil in America, 1820-1890* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008)

*Journal of Historical Biography*, Autumn 2009. David Nasaw. *Andrew Carnegie* (Toronto: Penguin Canada, 2006).

*EH.Net*. August, 2005. Mark Eifler, *Gold Rush Capitalists: Greed and Growth in Sacramento* (University of New Mexico Press, 2002).

*Agricultural History*. Oct, 2005. *Conserving Words: How American Writers Shaped the Environmental Movement* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2004).

*Business History*. April 2005. *Markets in Historical Contexts: Ideas and Politics in the Modern World*, eds. Mark Bevir and Frank Trentman (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2004).

*EH.Net*. Summer 2003. Hugh S. Gorman, *Redefining Efficiency: Pollution Concerns, Regulatory Mechanisms, and Technological Change in the U.S. Petroleum Industry*. Akron, Ohio: The University of Akron Press, 2001.

*Journal of Southern History*. May, 2003. *The Second Wave: Southern Industrialization from the 1940s to the 1970s*. Ed. Philip Scranton. (Athens, Ga., and London: University of Georgia Press, 2001)

*Pacific Historical Review*. February 2003. Diana Davids Olien and Roger M. Olien, *Oil in Texas: The Gusher Age, 1895-1945* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2002).

*ISIS*. September, 2002. Davis Dyer and Daniel Gross, *The Generations of Corning: The Life and Times of a Global Corporation*. (Oxford/New York: Oxford University Press, 2001).

*Journal of Economic History*. June, 2002. Martin V. Melosi, *Effluent America: Cities, Industry, Energy, and the Environment*. (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2001).

*Public History Review*. Forthcoming. *Sense of History: The Place of the Past in American Life* (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2001)

*Business History*. October 2001. Richard F. Hirsch. *Power Loss: The Origins of Deregulation and Restructuring in the American Electric Utility System* (Cambridge: The MIT Press, 1999).

*EH.Net*. Summer 2001. Paul MacAvoy. *The Natural Gas Market: Sixty Years of Regulation and Deregulation* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2001).

*The Public Historian*. Fall 2001. Carlos Schwantes. *Visions and Enterprise: Exploring the Phelps Dodge Corporation* (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2000)

*Business History*. January 2002. Kevin G. Wilson, ed. *Deregulating Telecommunications: U.S. and Canadian Telecommunications, 1840-1997* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2000)

*Western Historical Quarterly*. Spring 2001. Roger M. Olien and Diana Davids Olien, *Oil and Ideology: The Cultural Creation of the American Petroleum Industry* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2000)

*Agricultural History*. Spring 2001. *California and the Fictions of Capital* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999)

*EH Net*, March, 1999. David Rosenbaum, ed. *Market Dominance: How Firms Gain, Hold, or Lose It and the Impact on Economic Performance* (Westport, CT: Praeger, 1998)

*The Public Historian*. Winter, 1998. James Williams. *Energy and the Making of Modern California* (Akron: University of Akron Press, 1997)

*Technology and Culture*. April, 1998. "King of the Wildcatters": *The Life and Times of Tom Slick, 1883-1930* (Texas A&M University Press, 1996)

*H-Net Reviews*. July, 1997. Werner Troesken, *Why Regulate Utilities? The New Institutional Economics and the Chicago Gas Industry, 1849-1924* (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan, 1996)

*Journal of American History*. December, 1995. Erwin C. Hargrove, *Prisoners of Myth: The Leadership of the Tennessee Valley Authority, 1933-1990* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1994)

*The Public Historian*. Summer, 1995. Simon W. Freese and Deborah Lightfoot Sizemore, *A Century in the Works: Freese and Nichols Consulting Engineers, 1894-1994* (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 1994)

*H-Net Reviews*. August, 1995. Mark H. Rose, *Cities of Light and Heat: Domesticating Gas and Electricity in Urban America* (University Park, PA: The Pennsylvania State University Press, 1995).

*Journal of Southern History*. August, 1995. Lester G. Lindley, *Contract, Economic Change, and the Search for Order in Industrializing America* (New York: Garland Pub, 1993)

*Journal of American History*. Summer, 1993. Vol. 80. No.2: 679-80. Lynne Pierson Doti & Larry Schweikart, *Banking in the American West: From Gold Rush to Deregulation* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1991).

### **MANUSCRIPTS EDITED**

History of Brooklyn Union Gas Company (New York: Brooklyn Union Gas Company, 1995)

### **MANUSCRIPTS EVALUATED**

Cambridge University Press  
 Journal of Southern History  
*The Public Historian*  
 Texas A&M University Press  
 University of Oklahoma Press

## **PRESENTATIONS**

"Retiring Workers: CalPERS' Investment Policies in Historical Perspective" History/HRS Faculty Forum, CSU, Sacramento, Fall 2011

"The Public Image of Natural Gas," American Society for Environmental History. Houston, March 18, 2005.

"Buried Pipelines: Does a Gas Pipeline Have Historic Significance," National Council for the Promotion of History. Houston, Texas. April 25, 2003.

Chair of session: "Dick Cheney Versus Hiram Johnson: Utility Regulation in Texas and California." Thirteenth Annual Envisioning California Conference. Sacramento. October 5, 2001.

"Writing Business History." Presented at the Focus on Writers Conference – 2001. CSU, Sacramento. October 27, 2001.

Moderator of session: "Preserving our Story: Public and Community History and People of Color." Race, Gender and Power: People of Color along the American River. CSU, Sacramento. February 14, 2001.

"Public History in the Academy." Panel Session. California Council for the Promotion of History. Northstar-at-Tahoe. September 21-24, 2000.

"Anti-Trust and Common Carriers: When is Deregulation more Regulation?" Business History Conference. Glasgow, Scotland. July 4-6, 1997.

"Regulating a Natural Resource: The Legacy of Natural Gas Shortages in the 1970s." American Society for Environmental History. Baltimore, March 4-7, 1997.

Discussant for session: "Anti-Trust Discourse and Competition in the Oil Industry." Business History Conference. Fort Lauderdale, FL. March 17-19, 1995.

Chair of session: "Business and Gender." Economic and Business History Society. Santa Fe, NM. April., 1994.

"Entrepreneurship and Shipbuilding during World War II: Herman and George Brown's Brown Shipbuilding Company." Texas State Historical Association. Austin, Texas. March, 1994.

"An American Offshore Entrepreneur in the North Sea: The Case of Brown & Root." Society for the History of Technology. Uppsala, Sweden. August 19, 1992.

Discussant for session: The Government as Innovator: Canada and the U.S. Business History Conference. Toronto. March 23, 1991.

"Regulated Enterprise: Natural Gas Pipelines and the Competition for Northeastern Markets, 1938-1954." Dissertation Session. Business History Conference. Toronto. March 22, 1991.  
 "Politics, Power, and Money: Buying the Big and Little Big Inch Pipelines." Texas State Hist. Assoc. Austin. March 2, 1990.

"Historic Preservation Organizations in Harris County: Their Origin and Function." Houston Archaeology and Historical Commission. June 19, 1987.

"Historic Preservation and Harris County: Approaching an Integrated Policy." Southwestern Historical Association. San Antonio. March 21, 1986.

### **CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION**

Local Sponsor/Host, Business History Conference Annual Conference, 2008.

### **ORAL HISTORY**

Co-Director, Oral History of Locke Project, Fall 2005-2008.

Conducted interviews for the Greek-American Oral History Project, Fall 2005-2007.

Conducted a workshop on oral history interviewing techniques and project planning to the American River Conservancy oral history project volunteer group, January 21, 2006.

Conducted an 8-hour interview with California State Senator Dede Alpert for the California State Government Oral History Program, Fall 2005.

Conducted an 23-hour interview with Steve Larson for the California State Government Oral History Program, Spring 2004.

Conducted an 8-hour interview with B. B. Blevins for the California State Government Oral History Program, Summer and Fall 2003.

Conducted an 9-hour interview with Richard A. Bilas for the California State Government Oral History Program, Summer 2003.

Conducted a 4-hour interview with Bill Jones for the California State Government Oral History Program, Summer 2003.

Conducted interviews of 27 persons about the history of the California Public Employees Retirement System, May, 2000-December 2000.



Conducted a 9-hour interview with California State Senator Gary K. Hart for the California State Government Oral History Program, September-December, 2000.

Conducted a workshop on oral history interviewing techniques and project planning to the Gold Discovery Park oral history project volunteer group, August, 2000.

Contracted with the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) to conduct oral history interviews of current and former employees, May, 2000-Present.

Presented a lecture/workshop on oral history interviewing techniques to the Capital City Golf Historians of Sacramento, July, 1998.

Contracted with the Dixon Public Library to conduct 35 oral history interviews on both video and audiotape, May, 1998-present.

Presented a lecture to The Affiliates (of CSUS) titled, "Oral History and It's Uses," January, 1998.

Contracted with the Army Corps of Engineers to direct and conduct a video and oral history project for Beale Air Force Base, July-December, 1997.

Presented an oral history workshop for the Association for California Records and Research (ANCRR) at CSU, Chico, April, 1997

Presented an oral history workshop for the "Cosumnes Archaeology Working Group," February, 1997.

Presentation and workshop on oral history interviewing techniques at the California State Railroad Museum, Sept. 1996.

Conducted an oral history workshop for junior and senior High School teachers of the San Juan Unified School District, July, 1996.

Director, Oral History of the Houston Economy. Conducted interviews for a business biography of Herman and George R. Brown. Interviews included: Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson, John Connally, August Belmont IV, Herbert Brownell, Harold Geneen, and Senator Lloyd Bentsen.

### **AWARDS – GRANTS**

Research and Creative Activity Award, 2001-2002. 9 units of assigned time. California State University, Sacramento.

Pedagogy Award, 2001-2002. 3 units of assigned time. California State University, Sacramento.

President's Award for Research and Creative Activity, 1998-1999, California State University, Sacramento.

Summer Fellowship and 3 units of assigned, the CSUS Research and Creative Activity Subcommittee, 1997-98.

Research Assistant funding, Department of History, CSUS, 1995-1996.

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Member, California State Archives Advisory Committee, 2000-Present

Member, Dorothy Dumke Fellowship committee, 1998-Present

Executive Committee (Dept. of History), 1998-Present.

U.S. Division Coordinator (Dept. of History), 1998-Present.

Member of departmental committee, "Committee to Study the History Department's ARTP Procedures," 1997.

Reviewer of applications for the Research, Scholarship & Creative Activity Reward Programs, 1996-97.

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee (Dept. of History), 1996-present.

Participant, Center for California Studies planning session for its Eighth Annual Envisioning California Conference, 1996.

Academic Senator, 1995-97.

Member, selection committee for the California Executive Fellows program of the Center for California Studies, 1995

Participated in Learning Communities Workshop and course offering, 1995.

Chair, Committee for Restructuring the Major (History), 1995.

Advisor for undeclared majors in an experimental program for the Advising Center, 1994-95.

Participated in all phases of negotiation and planning for a joint-Ph.D. program in Public History with UCSB, 1994-present.

Member, Public History graduate admissions committee, 1994-present

**PUBLIC SERVICE** (also see Oral History)

Editorial Board, *The Public Historian*. 2003-2005

Local Arrangements Committee, Western History Assoc., 1998

Read papers for State History day competition, May 1997.

Ad Hoc Minority Recruitment Committee, National Council on Public History (NCPH), 1995-97