

Curriculum Vitae
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Education

George Washington University – Ph.D., History, 2010
George Washington University – M.Phil., History, 2009
Georgetown University – M.A., National Security Studies (with honors), 2003
University of Maryland – M.A., History (with thesis), 1998
United States Naval Academy – B.S., History (with honors and distinction), 1998
Southern Methodist University, University & Dedman College Scholarships, 1994
Lakeview Centennial High School, Graduated 4 out of 450, 1993

Fields of Study for the Ph.D.

Major Field: Military History
Minor Field: 20th Century United States History
Minor Field: 19th Century United States History

Fellowships and Research Grants

George C. Marshall/Baruch Fellowship, 2012
ABC-Clio Research Grant, 2010

Graduate Courses Taught

Globalization and International Security (SEC 6312)

This course examines how globalization affects the policies, economies, societies and militaries of both state and non-state actors on the regional and world stages. While globalization has had many benefits since the end of World War II, it has also created “haves and have nots,” radical religious and political ideologies, and ethnic conflict in regions affecting the national security of the developed world. This course conducts important studies that examine how the interconnected

world creates differing realities for various nation-states and regions, and what the potential is for future conflict.

Human Rights and National Security (SEC 6320)

This course gives students a clear understanding of what constitutes human rights. The course also explores why human rights and human security have become such major players in policy, as well as an important aspect of the work that non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other non-state actors conduct. Of particular importance to this course is conducting an analysis of the role of civil society (human rights NGOs, church groups, and grassroots groups). The course also features important writings by practitioners and experts in the field.

Undergraduate Courses Taught

Contemporary Security Issues in World Politics (CCSS 3315)

This course focuses on current major issues with an international dimension and global impact, and with salience for the emerging patterns of world politics. While engaging in critical analysis of current issues, it examines the broader conceptual context and analytic framework that explain interactions among nations.

American Government Politics and National Security (CCSS 3317)

This course introduces students to the study of politics and government and examines the basic ideological, structural, and procedural choices faced by any political system. Students study the foundations and traditions of American democracy and the structure, decision processes, and policy outcomes, especially defense policy outputs, of the American political system. Students also examine current policy issues that affect the military.

Politics and Culture of Latin America (CCSS 3325)

This course examines the historic, cultural, economic, social, and geographic traits that distinguish this region and shape its domestic political processes and interstate relations. Students explore selected Latin American political systems in detail. Students analyze issues such as political stability, civil-military relations, and democratization along with politico-economic concerns, such as developmental strategies, debt relief, and trade relations. The course also covers contemporary regional issues, such as democratization, arms control, and regional integration, with a particular emphasis on security concerns.

Cultural Competency and Contemporary Security Issues in Latin America (CCSS 4327)

This course focuses on current major issues within the Latin American region. While engaging in critical analysis of current issues, it examines the broader conceptual context and analytic framework that explain interactions within the region and the international arena.

Graduate Courses Developed

Security Issues in Africa I (SEC 6341)

This course examines political, military and social issues of the states of Sub-Saharan Africa. The focus of the course will be on the impact these issues have on world politics and particularly United States national security interests in that region. The course will address issues of the colonial legacy, the rise of African nationalism and the emergence of independent Africa. It will also address many of the difficulties of the post-colonial legacy. Finally, the course turns to the place of Sub-Saharan Africa in Washington's national security policy and potential outcomes for the future.

Undergraduate Courses Developed

Cultural Competency and Contemporary Security Issues in Africa (CCSS 4331)

This course focuses on current major issues within the African region. While engaging in critical analysis of current issues, it examines the broader conceptual context and analytic framework that explain interactions within the region and the international arena.

Research

“Every Citizen A Soldier: The U.S. Army's Campaign for Universal Military Training Following World War II,” Ph.D. dissertation: George Washington University, 2010.

“Recruitment, Enlisted”; “Recruitment, Officer”; and “Warfare, Submarine” in G. Kurt Piehler, ed., *Encyclopedia of Military Science*, 4 vols., Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, forthcoming.

“Civil War Reading List,” Angelo State University, http://www.angelo.edu/ASUMagazine/archives/2011/Fall/civil_war_reading_list.html, Fall 2011.

“The George C. Marshall Research Library, Lexington, Virginia,” Society for Military History, <http://www.smh-hq.org/grad/archives/marshall.html>, Summer 2010.

“Adoption and Adaptation: The Corps System in the Army of Northern Virginia,” M.A. thesis: University of Maryland, 1998.

Book Reviews

Kreiser, Lawrence A. Jr. *Defeating Lee: A History of the Second Corps, Army of the Potomac*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2011. Reviewed for *Michigan War Studies Review*, vol. 2012, no. 25 (April 2012), 1-3.

Interviews

Interviewed by Dillon Brollier, Staff Writer, *Ram Page*, Angelo State University for article on the Civil War Speakers Series. Article published in the Friday, January 27, 2012 issue of the Angelo State University newspaper. "Civil War Series Analyzes Battle of Gettysburg," vol. 78, no. 15, Friday, January 27, 2012, 2.

Interviewed by Lisa Dees, Staff Writer, *Ram Page*, Angelo State University for article on the Civil War Speakers Series. Article published in the Friday, October 14, 2011 issue of the Angelo State University newspaper. "Series Presents Insight on Causes, Effects of Civil War," vol. 78, no. 8, October 14, 2011, 2.

Interviewed by Preston Lewis, Director, Communications & Marketing, Angelo State University for article on the American Civil War 150th anniversary commemoration. Article published as cover story in the Fall 2011 issue of the Angelo State University magazine. "Déjà Blue and Gray," vol. 4, no. 3 (Fall 2011), 14-17.

Presentations

"Some Myths and Realities about Robert E. Lee," Civil War Speakers Series, Angelo State University, October 11, 2011. (178 attendees)

"A Virtual Staff Ride of Gettysburg," Civil War Speakers Series, Angelo State University, January 24, 2012. (227 attendees and televised locally)

"Mission Command and Military Leadership for 2020," Keynote Address, Arnold Air Society Induction Ceremony, Angelo State University, May 2, 2012. (71 attendees)

References

Ronald H. Spector, Professor of History, George Washington University
Lawrence J. Korb, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
Craig L. Symonds, Professor of History (retired), United States Naval Academy
Robert S. Ehlers, Director, Center for Security Studies, Angelo State University

Conferences Attended

79th Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, "The Politics of War," Arlington, Virginia, May 10-13, 2012.

The Texas A&M University System Third Annual Military Friendly Symposium, "Serving Veterans and the Military Community in Texas Higher Education," Killeen, Texas, September 28-30, 2011.

125th Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, “History, Society, and the Sacred,” Boston, Massachusetts, January 6-9, 2011.

77th Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, “Causes Lost and Won,” Lexington, Virginia, May 20-23, 2010.

Professional Memberships

Phi Alpha Theta
Semper Fidelis Society
Society for Military History
American Historical Association
Golden Key National Honor Society
Organization of American Historians

University Service

Created, extensively revised, and gained approval for Stage 1, Stage 2, Stage 3, and Stage 4 of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools academic assessment for the Bachelor of Cultural Competence and Security Studies and Master of Security Studies degree programs

Faculty Advisor for Angelo State University Student Veterans Association

Faculty Advisor for Angelo State University Veterans Educational & Transitional Services (VETS) Action Team

Graduate Thesis Advisory Committee, Robert E. Stiles, 2012

Military Experience

Headquarters Marine Corps Combat Development Command, 2003–2004
Expeditionary Force Development Center, 2001–2002
III Marine Expeditionary Force Command Element, 2000
III Marine Expeditionary Force Tactical Exercise Program, 1999
Marine Corps Combat Service Support Schools, Honor Graduate, 1999
United States Marine Corps, The Basic School, Honor Graduate, 1999
USNA Company, Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., 1998

Military Awards

Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal
Meritorious Unit Commendation
National Defense Service Medal (2)
Sea Service Deployment Ribbon

Athletic Distinctions

Collegiate All–American Pistol Team, Honorable Mention, 1998

Collegiate National Championship Pistol Team, 1995 and 1996

Navy International Pistol Team Vice-President, 1997–1998

Navy International Pistol Team Member, 1995–1998