

## **Michael Shane Powers**

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### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

History of the U.S. South, History of 19<sup>th</sup> century America, Louisiana History, History of the Gulf South, Latin American History, Transnational History

### **EDUCATION**

University of Arkansas PhD, History, May 2018

Dissertation: “‘The Commercial Union of the Three Americas:’ Major Edward A. Burke and Transnational New South Visionaries, 1870-1928”

Advisor: Daniel Sutherland

Clemson University M.A., History, August 2012

Thesis: “From Confederate Expatriates to New South Neo-Filibusters: Major Edward A. Burke and the Americas”

Advisor: Paul Anderson

University of Florida B.A. *magna cum laude*, History and Political Science, May 2010

### **ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

Angelo State University

Assistant Professor, 2020 - current

Instructor (Full-time), 2019 – 2020

University of Arkansas

Instructor (Full-Time), 2018-2019

Lecturer (Instructor of Record), 2014 – 2018

Graduate Teaching Assistant, 2013 –2014

Northwest Arkansas Community College, Instructor, 2016 - 2019

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Angelo State University

History of the United States to 1865, In Person & Online

History of the United States, 1865 to Present, In Person & Online

History of Texas

The American Civil War

U.S. Reconstruction

## University of Arkansas

Institutions & Ideas of World Civilization to 1500  
Honors Institutions & Ideas of World Civilization since 1500  
Early National and Antebellum America, 1789 – 1850  
Colonial Latin America  
Modern Latin America  
African American History Since 1877  
Rebellion to Reconstruction, 1850-1877

### **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS (EXTERNAL)**

Frances S. Summersell Center for the Study of the South Research Fellowship, University of Alabama, 2018

Baird Society Resident Scholar Fellow, Smithsonian Institution Libraries, 2017

Global South Fellowship, New Orleans Center for the Gulf South, Tulane University, 2016

Midlo Center Visiting Scholars Program, University of New Orleans, 2014

### **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS (INTERNAL)**

Faculty Research Enhancement Program Grant, Office of Sponsored Projects, Angelo State University, 2021

Lecturer Research Leave, University of Arkansas, 2018

James J. Hudson Research Fund, University of Arkansas, 2017

Diane D. Blair Fellowship in Southern History, University of Arkansas, 2015 and 2016

Jesse Taylor Jr. Endowed Scholarship in History, University of Arkansas, 2013 and 2014

### **PUBLICATIONS**

“New Orleans and the New South on a Global Stage: The 1884 World’s Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition,” accepted pending revisions, *Louisiana History*

### **BOOK REVIEWS**

Gregory Downs, *The Second American Revolution: The Civil War Era Struggle over Cuba and the Rebirth of the American Republic*, for *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*, 2020, Vol. 79, No. 2

William A. Link, editor, *United States Reconstruction Across the Americas*, for [H-Civil War](#), July 2020

Jason Berry, *City of a Million Dreams: A History of New Orleans at Year 300*, for *Journal of Southern History*, 2020, Vol. 86, No. 1

Richard Campanella, *Cityscapes of New Orleans*, for *International Social Science Review*, 2018, Vol. 94, Issue 3

Wendy Jean Katz, editor, *The Trans-Mississippi and International Expositions of 1898-1899: Art, Anthropology, and Popular Culture at the Fin de Siècle*, for [H-Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era](#), July 2018

Walter Fraga, *Crossroads of Freedom: Slaves and Freed People in Bahia, Brazil, 1870-1910*, for *Journal of Global South Studies*, 2017, Vol. 34, No. 2

Nathaniel Millet, *The Maroons of Prospect Bluff and Their Quest for Freedom in the Atlantic World*, for *American Nineteenth Century History*, 2015, Vol. 16, Issue 3

Brian Ward, Martyn Bone, and William A. Link, eds., *The American South and the Atlantic World*, for *American Nineteenth Century History*, 2015, Vol. 16, Issue 1

Earl J. Hess, *Kennesaw Mountain: Sherman, Johnston, and the Atlanta Campaign*, for *Civil War History*, 2014, Vol. 60, No. 3

#### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

[“The Politics of Acquisition: Commerce, Employment, and Theft,”](#) Panel Chair & Commenter, Louisiana Historical Association Conference, Virtual, April 2021

“*Eminente Caballeros:* New South Leaders in Central America,” Southern Historical Association Conference, Virtual, November 2020

“Louisiana Democrats Confront the Octopus: The Louisiana State Lottery in Postbellum Politics,” Louisiana Historical Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, April 2018

“‘The Commercial and Industrial Unity of the Three Americas:’ Visions of Latin America and the U.S. South in the Late Nineteenth Century,” Southern Historical Association Conference, St. Petersburg, FL, November 2016

“When Historians Engage in Digital History, Do They Make a Sound?: The Fulbright Project and the Historical Profession,” Panelist, Arkansas Association of College History Teachers Conference, Little Rock, AR, October 2016

“A Cosmopolitan South: The Visual Culture of the 1884-1885 New Orleans World’s Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition,” Southern Studies Conference, Auburn University at Montgomery, February 2016

“From Reconstruction to Redemption: Louisiana Politics and the Shift to the New South,” Graduate History Conference, Louisiana State University, March 2015

“Renegades or Redeemers? Bourbon Democrats in the New South,” Phi Alpha Theta Arkansas Regional Conference, University of Arkansas, February 2015

“Dusty Desperados, Bellicose Bandits, and Misty Mountaintops: The American West in Popular Culture,” Mid-America Conference on History, Fort Smith, AR, September 2014

“‘Miseries in the Name of Liberty’: Anti-Americanism in Latin America and New World Exceptionalism,” Southwestern Social Science Association, San Antonio, TX, April 2014

### **INVITED TALKS**

“San Angelo’s Civil War,” interviewee and contributor to provide expertise on Civil War memory, *San Angelo Live!*, San Angelo, TX, July 2020, [sanangelolive.com/news/san-angelo/video/2020-07-11/san-angelos-civil-war](https://sanangelolive.com/news/san-angelo/video/2020-07-11/san-angelos-civil-war)

“Boundary Crossings: Transnational New Orleans and the Gulf South,” Humanities Months: Exploring Boundaries in Human Life, History, and Society, Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX, November 2019

“America on a Global Stage: The United States and World’s Fairs,” Monthly Speaker Series, Bella Vista Public Library, Bella Vista, AR, April 2018

“Dixie’s Dream of El Dorado: The New South and Latin America,” Middle Georgia State University, Macon, GA, March 2018

“Confederate Expatriates as *Yanquis* in Latin America: Southern Ties with Latin America in the Nineteenth Century,” Northwest Arkansas Civil War Roundtable, Springdale, AR, January 2018

### **NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

“The Smithsonian Institution in the 1884 New Orleans World’s Fair,” Smithsonian Institution Archives, October 2017, [siarchives.si.edu/blog/smithsonian-institution-1884-new-orleans-worldsfair](https://siarchives.si.edu/blog/smithsonian-institution-1884-new-orleans-worldsfair)

“Black Lives Matter: Historical Antecedents of Race and Power,” Podcast Host, The Fulbright Project: Discussion on Politics and History, August 2016, [fulbrightprojectblog.wordpress.com](https://fulbrightprojectblog.wordpress.com)

“A \$20 for Your Thoughts: Andrew Jackson & Political Symbolism,” The Fulbright Project: Discussions on Politics and History, May 2016, [fulbrightprojectblog.wordpress.com](https://fulbrightprojectblog.wordpress.com)

### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

Tenure Track Assistant Professor of 20<sup>th</sup> c. Civil Rights History Search Committee, Committee Member, Angelo State University, 2021

Certificate of College Teaching and Learning in Hispanic Serving Institutions, ESCALA Educational Services, HSI Faculty Development, Angelo State University, 2021

Culturally Responsive Pedagogy Training, Panel Participant, Faculty Learning Commons & HSI Faculty Development, Angelo State University, 2021

Judge, National History Day Competition, 2017, 2020 - 2021

Faculty Mentor for Honors College First Generation Mentoring Program, Honors College, University of Arkansas, 2018-2019

Adopt-A-Professor, University Housing, University of Arkansas, 2018-2019

A.P. Grader, U.S. History, College Board, 2016 – present

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Railway Museum of San Angelo, Board of Trustees Member, San Angelo, Texas, 2021 - present

### **LANGUAGES**

Spanish: reading proficient, speaking functional

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Southern Historical Association

Louisiana Historical Association

Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era

### **REFERENCES**

Jason Pierce, Professor  
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