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## Academia

INSTITUTE FOR POLITICAL HISTORY  
SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY  
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McKENDREE COLLEGE

Director of Programs, 2009-present  
PhD in American & Comparative History, 2011  
MA in American History, 2004  
BA, *summa cum laude*, in History and Secondary Education, 2002

## Books

*Protecting the First Citizen of the Republic: Presidential Security from Thomas Jefferson to Theodore Roosevelt*, manuscript in progress.

*Political Conspiracies in America: A Reader*. Indiana University Press, 2008 (with Donald T. Critchlow and John Korasick).

## Essays

WHITE HOUSE HISTORY. "Aping Monarchy: The Failed Attempt to Establish a Livery at the White House," forthcoming.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE U. S. PRESIDENCY, ed. Nancy Beck Young. "James A. Garfield," "William McKinley," and "U. S. Presidential Powers Compared with Executive Authority Abroad." Facts on File, forthcoming.

DICTIONARY OF LITERARY BIOGRAPHY: AMERICAN RADICAL AND REFORM WRITERS, ed. Hester Lee Furey. "Albert Parsons." vol. 345, pp. 246-253. Gale/Cengage Learning, 2008.

HISTORY NEWS NETWORK. "Shattering the Old Symbol of the White House." On the symbolic change of the White House upon President Barack Obama's election and inauguration. December 15, 2008. Available online at <http://hnn.us/articles/57569.html>.

CIVIL WAR HISTORY. "What Disturbed the Unitarian Church in This Very City?: Alton, the Slavery Conflict, and Western Unitarianism." 54:1 (March 2008), pp. 5-34 (with Lewis Perry). Received a 2009 Article Award from the Illinois State Historical Society.

MISSOURI HISTORICAL REVIEW. "The Most Serious Senator': A Reconsideration of Forrest C. Donnell of Missouri and the North Atlantic Treaty." 101:2 (January 2007), pp. 78-98.

## Encyclopedia Articles

THE OXFORD ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN POLITICAL AND LEGAL HISTORY, eds. Donald T. Critchlow and Philip R. Vandermeer, "William McKinley," "Presidential Assassinations," and "U. S. Secret Service." Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN HISTORY, ed. Donald T. Critchlow, Gary Nash, general editor. Vol. X, "Department of Homeland Security," "Presidential Elections," "George W. Bush," "Condoleezza Rice," "Donald Rumsfeld," "Newt Gingrich," "Jesse Helms," "Hillary Clinton," "Environmental Policy," "Global Warming," "Hurricane Katrina," and "Foreign Policy." Facts on File, 2010.

**Encyclopedia Articles (continued)**

CULTURE WARS: AN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ISSUES, VIEWPOINTS, AND VOICES, ed. Roger Chapman. "Conspiracy Theories," "Oliver Stone," and "Phyllis Schlafly." M. E. Sharpe, 2009.

**Book Reviews**

THE HISTORIAN. *The Social Contract in America: From the Revolution to the Present Age*, by Mark Huilling. 71: (Fall 2009), pp. 606-607.

AMERICAN NINETEENTH CENTURY HISTORY. *Troubled Waters: Steamboat Disasters, River Improvements, and American Public Policy, 1821-1860*, by Paul F. Paskoff. 10 (March 2009), pp.111-12.

THE JOURNAL OF THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF HISTORIANS. *Stealing Lincoln's Body*, by Thomas J. Craughwell. 16 (April 2008), pp. 147-50.

H-CIVWAR, H-NET REVIEWS. "A Dutiful Son and a Disturbed Mother: New Perspectives on Robert and Mary Todd Lincoln." An assessment of *The Madness of Mary Lincoln*, by Jason Emerson (April 2008). Available online at <http://www.hnet.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=14406>

**Academic Fellowships and Grants**

John Francis Bannon Endowment Travel Award (2010)  
*Saint Louis University Department of History*

Academic Enhancement Fund Research Award (2009)  
*Saint Louis University Department of History*

Brennan Dissertation Fellowship (2008)  
*Saint Louis University Graduate Student Association*

Congressional Research Award (2008)  
*Dirksen Congressional Center*

Travel and Research Award (2008)  
*White House Historical Association*

Thomas H. Critchlow Award (2007-2008)  
*Institute for Political History*

Phi Alpha Theta Doctoral Scholarship (2007)  
*Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society*

King V. Hostick Dissertation Award (2007)  
*The Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and the Illinois State Historical Society*

Richard S. Brownlee Grant (2004)  
*The State Historical Society of Missouri*

**Honors and Awards**

Article Award, Illinois State Historical Society (2009)

Third Place, Graduate Student Association Research Symposium (2003)

Second Place, Phi Alpha Theta Jackson Purchase Regional History Conference (2002)

**Honors (continued)**

The Graduating History Education Honor Student, McKendree College (2002)

The Graduating Secondary Education Honor Student, McKendree College (2002)

**Conference Participation & Invited Lectures**

POLICY HISTORY CONFERENCE. "Congressional Opposition to Secret Service Appropriations in the Second Administration of Theodore Roosevelt," Columbus, Ohio, June 5, 2010.

HUMANITIES FORUM CONFERENCE. "*In re Neagle* and the Origins of American Presidential Protection," Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri, April 16, 2010.

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN HISTORIANS ANNUAL MEETING. "Congressional Resistance to Presidential Protection, 1901-1907," Washington, D. C, April 10, 2010.

AMERICAN HISTORY FORUM. "From Executive Mansion to White House: Securing the Symbol of the Presidency, 1901-1903," Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri, February 11, 2010.

POLICY HISTORY CONFERENCE. "Political Economy in the Nineteenth Century," Chair. St. Louis, Missouri, May 2008.

POLICY HISTORY CONFERENCE. "Presidential Protection during the Civil War and Reconstruction," St. Louis, Missouri, May 2008.

CONFERENCE ON ILLINOIS HISTORY. "'The Last Act of the South': Assassination and Conspiracy as Political Tools Following Abraham Lincoln's Death," Springfield, Illinois, October 2005.

MID-AMERICA CONFERENCE ON HISTORY. "Intersecting Ideologies: Conservatism, Anticommunism, Isolationism, and Senator Forrest Donnell of Missouri, 1945-1951," Missouri State University, Springfield, Missouri, October 2004.

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM. "'The Gallows Will Become Glorious like the Cross': The Irony of Henry David Thoreau's Defense of John Brown," Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri, March 2003.

PHI ALPHA THETA JACKSON PURCHASE REGIONAL HISTORY CONFERENCE. "The Party that HUAC Tried to Crash: Communism, Americanism, and Post-War Ideology," Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky, February 2002.

**Media Appearances**

Participant, roundtable discussion on HBO's series *Boardwalk Empire*, "Prohibition is About to Begin," held at the Four Seasons Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, sponsored by HBO and the *St. Louis Business Journal*, September 13, 2010. <http://stlouis.bizjournals.com/stlouis/stories/2010/09/20/story2.html?b=1284955200^3953481>

**Related Professional Activities**

Chair, Local Arrangements Committee, Business History Conference, St. Louis, Missouri (2011)

Program Committee, Business History Conference, St. Louis, Missouri (2011)

Chair, Policy History Conference Executive Council (2010 to present)

Program Committee Member, Policy History Conference, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio (2010)

**Related Professional Activities (continued)**

Conference Coordinator, Policy History Conference, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia (2006)

Co-Chair, Graduate Student Association Research Symposium, St. Louis, Missouri (2005)

Lectures and Colloquia Committee Member, Department of History, Saint Louis University (2004-2005)

Representative, Department of History, Saint Louis University, Graduate Student Association (2003-2005)

Graduate Student Association Research Symposium Committee, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri (2004)

**Research Interests**

American Presidency, American Political History, Political Ideology, Law Enforcement, Conspiracy, and Radicalism

**Associations and Professional Activities**

Business History Association (2011)

Pike County, Missouri Historical Society (2009)

The Abraham Lincoln Association (2006)

The State Historical Society of Missouri (2004)

American Historical Association (2002)

Organization of American Historians (2002)

Phi Alpha Theta (2000)