

David K. Johnson

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Professor, Department of History, University of South Florida, 2019-present

Associate Professor, Department of History, University of South Florida, 2009-2019

Associate Chair, History Department, USF, 2009-2011

Director of Graduate Studies, History Department, USF, 2010-2011, Spring 2014

Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of South Florida, 2005-2009

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of South Florida, 2003-2005

EDUCATION

Ph.D., NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, U.S. History, 2000 (Advisor: Michael Sherry)

M.A., UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, 19th century European History, 1987 (Advisor: Jan Goldstein)

B.A., GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, History, 1983

PUBLICATIONS – BOOKS

[Buying Gay](#): How Physique Entrepreneurs Sparked a Movement, History of U.S. Capitalism Series, (Columbia University Press, 2019).

- [Winner](#) of Smithsonian's 2020 National Postal Museum Award for Scholarship in Postal History
- Assoc. of American Publishers 2020 PROSE Award [Finalist](#) in North American/U.S. History
- Business History Conference Hagley Prize in Business History [Finalist](#)
- Publishing Triangle's Randy Shilts Award for Gay Nonfiction [Finalist](#)
- American Library Association's 2020 *Over the Rainbow Roundtable* [Top Ten Selection](#)
- *Attitude* magazine (London) [List of 20 Best LGBTQ Reads of 2019](#)
- *The Advocate* (Los Angeles) [List of Best Queer Non-fiction Books of 2019](#)

Reviewed in *Publishers Weekly* (starred review), *Times Higher Education* (U.K.), *Times Literary Supplement* (London), *The National Review*, *The New England Quarterly*, *First Things*, *Foreword Reviews*, *Choice*, *Booklist*, *The Point*, *Hyperallergic*, *Sexuologie* (Germany), *Journal of Social History*, *Journal of Advertising & Society Quarterly*, *Journal of the History of Behavior Sciences*, *Business History Review*, *American Literature*, *The Advocate*, *Bay Area Reporter* (San Francisco), *Attitude* (London), *Lavender Magazine* (Minneapolis), *Watermark* (Orlando), *He Said Magazine* (Dallas), *Ambush Magazine* (New Orleans), *Queerty*.

[The United States Since 1945](#): A Documentary Reader, co-editor with Robert Ingalls, (Wiley-Blackwell, 2009).

The Lavender Scare: The Cold War Persecution of Gays and Lesbians in the Federal Government, (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2004; paperback 2006; [audiobook](#) 2019).

- Winner of Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Bigotry & Human Rights [Book Award](#), 2004
- Winner of the Iowa Center for the Book's [Herbert Hoover Book Award](#), 2005
- Winner of the Publishing Triangle's [Randy Shilts Award](#) for Gay Nonfiction, 2005
- Basis of 2017 documentary film "The Lavender Scare" by Josh Howard

Reviewed in *American Communist History*, *American Historical Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Studies*, *American Quarterly*, *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, *Bay Windows (Boston)*, *Chronicle of Higher Education*, *Dallas Morning-News*, *Diplomatic History*, *Feminist Review*, *Foreign Service Journal*, *Gay & Lesbian Review*, *Gender & History*, *GLQ*, *H-Net*, *In These Times*, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of the History of Behavioral Sciences*, *Journal of the History of Sexuality*, *Lambda Book Report*, *Legal Times*, *London Review of Books*, *Radical History Review*, *Revue d'histoire moderne & contemporaine*, *Times Literary Supplement*, *Washington Blade*.

Chapter reprinted as "The Federal Government's Campaign Against Homosexuals and Other 'Sex Offenders' During the McCarthy Era," in Dominick Cavallo (ed.), [Private Lives/Public Moments: Readings in American History, Volume 2](#) (Prentice-Hall, 2009), 164-177.

PUBLICATIONS – ARTICLES

"LGBTQ Business and Commerce," in [LGBTQ America: A Theme Study of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer History](#) (Washington: National Park Foundation, 2016)

"The Red Scare's Lavender Cousin: The Construction of the Cold War Citizen," in Leila J. Rupp and Susan K. Freeman (eds.), [Understanding and Teaching U.S. Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender History](#) (University of Wisconsin Press, 2014), 186-198.

- Winner of the 2015 Lambda Literary Award for [Best LGBT Anthology](#)

"America's Cold War Empire: Exporting the Lavender Scare," in Meredith L. Weiss and Michael J. Bosia (eds.) [Global Homophobia: States, Movements, and the Politics of Oppression](#) (University of Illinois Press, 2013), 55-74.

"[Physique Pioneers](#): The Politics of 1960s Gay Consumer Culture," *The Journal of Social History*, 43 (2010): 867-892.

"Washington, D.C.," "Lynn H. Womack," and "Donald Webster Cory" in Marc Stein (ed.) [Encyclopedia of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered History in America](#) (Gale, 2004).

"Franklin E. Kameny," in *Before Stonewall: Activists for Gay and Lesbian Rights in Historical Context*, ed. Vern Bullough, (Haworth Press, 2002), 209-218.

"The Kids of Fairytown: Gay Male Culture on Chicago's Near North Side in the 1930s," in [Creating a Place for Ourselves: Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Community Histories](#), ed. Brett Beemyn (Routledge, 1997), 97-118.

"Homosexual Citizens': Washington's Gay Community Confronts the Civil Service," *Washington History* 6 (Fall/Winter 1994-95), 44-63. Reprinted in William Eskridge and Nan Hunter (eds.) *Sexuality, Gender, and the Law*, (Foundation Press, 1997), 880-886.

PUBLICATIONS – BOOK REVIEWS

- American Historical Review* 124:4 (2019): 1476-1477, [review of Katie Batza, *Before AIDS: Gay Health Politics in the 1970s*](#).
- The Historian* 80:2 (2018): 373-5, [review of Douglas Charles, *Hoover's War on Gays: Exposing the FBI's 'Sex Deviate' Program*](#).
- Journal of the History of Sexuality* 26:2 (2017): 331-3, [review of Michael G. Long, *Gay is Good: The Life and Letters of Gay Rights Pioneer Franklin Kameny*](#).
- Journal of American History* 103:4 (2017): 1017-8, [review of Lillian Faderman, *Gay Revolution: The Story of the Struggle*](#).
- American Historical Review* 121:4 (2016): 1303-1304, [review of Brian Hoffman, *Naked: A Cultural History of American Nudism*](#).
- Notches: (re)marks on the history of sexuality*, [Interview with Heather White](#) on her book *Reforming Sodom: Protestants and the Rise of Gay Rights*, May 26, 2016.
- Journal of American History* 99:4 (2013): 1303, review of Stacy Braukman, *Communists and Perverts under the Palms: The Johns Committee in Florida, 1956-1965*.
- Journal of Social History* 46:2 (2012): 572-573, review of Carolyn Herbst Lewis, *Prescription for Heterosexuality: Sexual Citizenship in the Cold War Era*.
- American Historical Review* 117 (2012): 1261-1262, review of Whitney Strub, *Perversion for Profit: The Politics of Pornography and the Rise of the New Right*.
- Journal of Southern History* 78:4 (2012): 1035-1036, review of Brock Thompson, *The Un-Natural State: Arkansas and the Queer South*.
- Reviews in American History* 38 (2010): 743-47, review of David A. J. Richards, *The Sodomy Cases: Bowers v Hardwick and Lawrence v. Texas*.
- Journal of American History* 94: 4 (2008): 1326-1327, review of Steve Estes, *Ask & Tell: Gay & Lesbian Veterans Speak Out*.
- Pacific Historical Review*, 76:3 (2007): 495-496, review of Martin Meeker, *Contacts Desired: Gay and Lesbian Communications and Community, 1940s-1970s*.
- Journal of American History* 91:4 (2005): 1498-99, review of Nicholas Edsall, *Toward Stonewall: Homosexuality and Society in the Modern Western World*.
- Diplomatic History* 28:5 (2004): 781-784, "Feature Review: Sexual Politics and the Vietnam Quagmire," of Robert Dean, *Imperial Brotherhood: Gender and the Making of Cold War Foreign Policy*.
- Newsletter of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay History*, Winter 2001, review of John Donald Gustave-Wrathall, *Take the Stranger by the Hand: Same-Sex Relations and the YMCA*.
- Washington Blade*, July 1, 1994, 49, review of George Chauncey, *Gay New York: Gender, Urban Culture and the Making of the Gay Male World, 1890-1940*.

PUBLICATIONS – POPULAR PRESS

- “Richard Grenell’s Homosexuality, Wrong Reason to Distrust Him,” *Foreign Policy*, February 26, 2020.
- “Pete Buttigieg made history. Why has no one noticed?” *Washington Post*, February 11, 2020.
- “Post Office Honors Harvey Milk, Harbors Anti-Gay Past,” *Huffington Post*, May 23, 2014.
- “Frank Kameny: America’s First Gay Activist,” *Huffington Post*, October 13, 2011.
- “Striking Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell Ends Decades of Discrimination,” *Orlando Sentinel*, Oct 7, 2011
(with Hans Johnson).
- “Amendments Set Stage for Sectarian Strife, Discrimination,” *St. Petersburg Times*, July 28, 2011
(with Hans Johnson).
- History News Network, “[Purge of the Perverts’ Redux: The Foley Scandal](#),” October 2006.
- “Who was Sumner Welles?” *Bay Area Reporter* (San Francisco), December 5, 2002.
- “What was the Briggs Initiative?” *Outlook News* (Columbus), November 12, 2002.
- “The Human Rights Campaign Turns 20,” *HRC Quarterly*, Fall 2000.
- “Uncloseting Hitchcock,” *New York Blade*, February 19, 1999.

FILM CREDITS

[The Gay Rub: A Documentary](#) (2018), on-screen historian

Directed by Michael Saul, this film highlights a California-based LGBT public history project by poet Steven Reigns.

[The Lavender Scare](#) (2017), on-screen historian, “based on the book by David K. Johnson,”

Directed by Josh Howard, this film won 18 best documentary awards at film festivals worldwide. After a theatrical release in New York and Los Angeles, it was broadcast nationwide on PBS.

PUBLIC HISTORY EXPERIENCE

- Consultant, National Park Service, LGBTQ Heritage Initiative, 2015-16
- Film Consultant, *The Lavender Scare* (Josh Howard, Director & Producer), 2009-2017
- Oral Historian, Jewish Women’s Archives, Brookline, MA, 2002
- Historical Consultant, Human Rights Campaign, Washington, D.C., 2000
- Media Consultant, Active Learning Technologies/Prentice-Hall, 1999
- Research Project Manager, History Associates Incorporated, Rockville, MD, 1988-1992
- Research Assistant for Philip Cantelon, *The Story of MCI: The Early Years, 1968-1988*
(Heritage Press, 1993)

HONORS AND AWARDS

[Outstanding Faculty Award](#), University of South Florida, 2015

Pride Faculty Award for contributions to the LGBT Community, President's Advisory Committee on Issues of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, University of South Florida, 2011

Outstanding Research Achievement Award, University of South Florida, 2006

Randy Shilts Award for Gay Nonfiction, Publishing Triangle, New York, NY, 2005

Herbert Hoover Book Award (Best book in U.S. history, 1914-1964) Iowa Center for the Book, 2005

Outstanding Book Award, Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Bigotry & Human Rights, 2004

Gregory Sprague Prize, (Outstanding graduate student paper in LGBT history), Committee on Lesbian and Gay History of the American Historical Association, 2004

George Romani Prize, (Best 1st year graduate thesis), History Department, Northwestern University, 1993

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Humanities Institute Summer Grant, University of South Florida, 2018

[National Humanities Center Fellowship](#), Durham, North Carolina, 2014-2015, funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities

Proposal Enhancement Grant, University of South Florida, 2011

Fall Semester Sabbatical, University of South Florida, 2011

Visiting Scholar, [Leather Archives & Museum](#), Chicago, Illinois, 2011

CAS Matching International Travel Grant, University of South Florida, 2011

[Phil Zwickler Memorial Research Grant](#), Rare and Manuscript Collections, Cornell University Library, 2011 & 2006

Humanities Institute Summer Grant, University of South Florida, 2009

New Researcher Grant, University of South Florida, 2008

Faculty Research & Development Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Florida, 2006

CLAGS Fellowship, Center for Lesbian & Gay Studies, Graduate Center, City University of New York, 2000-2001

[Sexuality Research Fellowship](#), Social Science Research Council (SSRC), New York (Funds provided by the Ford Foundation), 1998-1999

Dissertation Year Fellowship, The Graduate School, Northwestern University, 1997-1998

Smithsonian Institution Predoctoral Fellowship, National Museum of American History, Washington, D.C., 1996-1997

Moody Grant, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, 1997

Harry S. Truman Library Institute Research Grant, 1996

Teaching Assistantship, Northwestern University, 1993-1995

University Fellowship, The Graduate School, Northwestern University, 1992-1993

INVITED LECTURES

University of Lynchburg, Annual Gender Studies Lecture, "[Gays and Presidential Politics from the Cold War to Pete Buttigieg](#)," March 17, 2020. [Cancelled due to COVID-19]

Reynolda House Museum of American Art, "[Buying Gay](#): How Physique Entrepreneurs Sparked a Movement," October 5, 2019.

Jewish Museum Milwaukee, "[The Lavender Scare](#)," January 17, 2019.

Ohio State University, Women's, Gender & Sexuality Workshop, "Gay Citizen-Consumers: How Physique Magazines Sparked a Movement," November 17, 2017.

University of Michigan, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, "The Lavender Scare: Washington's Deviant Bureaucrats," October 26, 2017.

EPIC 2017 (Ethnography in Industry), Montreal, "[Consumer Culture and Political Resistance: How Gay Entrepreneurs Sparked a Movement](#)," October 23, 2017.

University of South Florida, History Department Lecture Series, "Buying Gay: Physique Magazines, Censorship, and the Rise of the Gay Movement," October 13, 2016.

Stanford University, The Scandinavian Consortium for Organizational Research, "The Physique Era: Building and Consolidating a Gay Consumer Market, 1951-1967," April 6, 2015.

The National Humanities Center, "Buying Gay: Physique Magazines, Censorship, and the Rise of the Gay Movement," Durham, North Carolina, March 12, 2015.

Otterbein University, Visiting Humanities Scholars Program, "The Politics of Physique Magazines: Gay Consumer Culture Before Stonewall," October 28, 2014.

University of Lausanne, [New Narratives of the Cold War Conference](#), Keynote address, July 17, 2014.

University of Minnesota, American Studies Department, "Buying Gay: Consumer Culture and Community Before Stonewall," April 19, 2013.

University of Tampa, Honors Program Symposia, "The Lavender Scare and the Origins of the Gay Rights Movement," November 1, 2012.

US Environmental Protection Agency, Office of General Counsel, Washington, D.C., Special Emphasis and Diversity Programs, "The Legacy and Impact of the Lavender Scare," June 28, 2012.

Yale University, Research Initiative on the History of Sexualities, "Buying Gay: Consumer Culture and Community Before Stonewall," March 29, 2012.

Brooklyn College, Shirley Chisholm Center, The LGBT Minor Inaugural Lecture Series, "The Mattachine Society: Cold War Origins of the Gay Rights Movement," April 2009.

Chicago History Museum, [OUT at CHM](#) Lecture Series, "Sexual Politics: From the Lavender Scare to Larry Craig," January, 2008.

University of Iowa, Sexuality Studies Program, "Homosexuality and Presidential Politics from Joe McCarthy to Larry Craig," November 2007.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Great Plains Art Museum, "Nebraska's Lavender Scare: Senator Kenneth Wherry and the Cold War 'Purge of the Perverts,'" October 2005.

The National Archives, Washington, D.C., "The Lavender Scare: The Forgotten Purges," June 2004

CONFERENCE PAPERS

American Historical Association Annual Meeting, "The Lavender Scare: Reflections After 15 Years," Chicago, January 2019.

Beyond Stonewall: New Histories of Religion and Sexuality in America, Princeton University, "The Wrath of God in *After The Wrath of God*," Princeton, New Jersey, March 11, 2017.

Gay American History@40 Conference, The New School, "The Physique Era: Building and Consolidating a Gay Consumer Market, 1951-1967," New York City, May 6, 2016.

Social Science History Association Conference, "DSI: The 1960s Gay Consumer Culture Revolution," Toronto, Canada, November 6, 2014.

Business History Conference, "DSI: The 1960s Gay Consumer Culture Revolution," Frankfurt, Germany, March 14, 2014.

Queer Places, Practices, and Lives: A Symposium in Honor of Samuel Steward, Ohio State University, "The Adonis Male Club: Physique Magazines, Censorship, and the Making of the Gay Male Community," Columbus, Ohio, May 19, 2012.

Sexual Cultures Conference, Brunel University, "Pen Pal Clubs, Physique Magazines, and the Making of the Gay Male Community," London, United Kingdom, April 28, 2012.

European Social Science History Conference, "Commerce and Community Before Stonewall: Gay Book Clubs and 'the Freedom to Read,'" Glasgow, Scotland, April 14, 2012.

International Society for Cultural History and Cultural Studies, Queer Studies Easter Symposium, "Physique Pioneers: The Politics of 1960s Gay Mass Consumption," Mexico City, April 2007.

American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, "'Crying Shame': The Courts, Gay Rights, and Civil Service Reform in the 1960s," Chicago, November 2001.

University of Chicago, The Future of the Queer Past Conference, "The Lavender Scare: Gays, Lesbians, and the U.S. National Security State," Chicago, November 2001.

University of Chicago, Sawyer Seminar on Sexual Identities and Identity Politics, "Surviving the Purges: Washington's Gay & Lesbian Communities in the 1950/60s," Chicago, April 1998.

Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, "Shifting Images of Gays and Lesbians in the Federal Civil Service," San Francisco, CA, April 1997.

National Gay and Lesbian Journalists Association, Chicago, Chicago Gay History Panel, August 1997.

American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Committee on Lesbian and Gay History, Chicago, "'Fairytown': Gay Male Culture in 1930s Chicago," January 1995.

North American Lesbian and Gay Studies Conference, University of Iowa, "Queer Life/Queer Words: The Culture of Gay Male Desire in 1930s Chicago," Iowa City, Iowa, November 1994.

Washington, D.C., Historical Studies Conference, "Franklin Kameny: America's First Gay Activist," Washington, D.C. February 1992.

PANELS AND ROUNDTABLES

Chair, "[Queer Histories of Washington, D.C.](#)," Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. April 4, 2020. [Cancelled due to COVID-19]

Panelist, "Before Harvey: An Exploration of LGBTQ+ History," [Harvey Milk Festival](#), Sarasota, Florida, May 9, 2019.

Chair, "Queer Encounters with the U.S. Legal System in the 20th Century," American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, January 2019.

Panelist, Filmmakers Forum, Queer Screen – Mardi Gras Film Festival, Sydney, Australia, September 23, 2017.

Chair, "Gay Purges, the University, and the South: Queer History and the Archives," Organization of American Historians, New Orleans, April 8, 2017.

Panelist, "The Lavender Scare: A Conversation with David Johnson and Josh Howard," Historical Society of Washington, D.C. and the Newseum, Washington, D.C., June 5, 2016.

Discussant, "Opera Rap: On McCarthyism and the Lavender Scare," Cincinnati Opera, March 15, 2016.

Moderator, "Academic Freedom, Civil Rights, and the Johns Committee," Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, University of South Florida, November 12, 2015.

Commentator, "Unexpected Mappings of LGBTQ Communities," Oral History Association Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL, October 15, 2015

Panelist, "Reel in the Closet," Tampa International Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, October 10, 2015.

Panelist, "History, Social Change and the LGBT Community," New College of Florida, October 3, 2013.

Chair and Commentator, "Sexing Up the Long 1950s: New Narratives in U.S. Gender and Sexuality Studies" at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2012

Welcoming Speaker, Anything But Safe: Sex, Sexuality and Gender Conference, University of South Florida, 2009

Chair, "Cold War Sweep: Chasing Teachers from Florida Closets and California Classrooms," History of Education Society, Annual Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida, November 2008.

Discussant, "Queer Film: From Margin to Mainstream," USF Tampa Library and Tampa Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, October 2008.

Speaker, Tampa Bay Business Guild, "Jay Leno discovers Gay History," May 2006.

Panelist, "Queer Theory and the Disciplines," University of South Florida, April 2006.

Chair, "Sexuality and Southern Responses," Florida Conference of Historians, March 2005.

Roundtable Panelist, Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA, the Practice of History, "Gender, Sexuality, and the Politics of the McCarthy Era," April 2005.

MEDIA APPEARANCES & INTERVIEWS

Watermark (Orlando), "[Historian David K. Johnson follows Lavender Scare with Buying Gay](#)," August 15, 2019.

CNN Tonight with Don Lemon, [June 14, 2019](#).

CBS Sunday Morning with Mo Rocca, "[The Lavender Scare](#)," [June 9, 2019](#).

"[David K. Johnson: Making History](#)," *Creative Loafing: Visit Tampa Bay/Official Visitors Guide 2019*

"[Between the Covers: Fellows Discuss Their Publications](#)," National Humanities Center.org, 2019

AEGIS: The Otterbein Humanities Journal, Spring 2015, p 6-11.

Against the Grain, Pacifica Radio KPFA (Berkeley, CA), "[Homophobia as Federal Policy](#)" July 15, 2014.

German Lopez, "[The homophobic history of the Post Office](#)," *Vox*, May 28, 2014.

Backstory with the American History Guys podcast, "[Outed: Sexuality in America](#)" January 31, 2014.

Illinois Public Radio (WILL-FM) on "[Stonewall Riots 40th Anniversary](#)," April 25, 2011.

Southern Calif. Public Radio (KPCC-FM) "Homosexuals in History" [Airtalk](#) Larry Mantle, May 4, 2006.

Columbus NPR Radio (WOSU—FM), Open Line with Fred Andrle, April 13, 2006.

Gulf Coast Live with Ryan Warner, Ft. Meyers (WGCU – FM), February 2, 2005.

Pacifica Radio's WBAI - FM (New York, New York), "Beyond the Pale," June 27, 2004.

Out-FM, progressive LGBT Radio in New York City, (WBAI – FM), May 3, 2004.

Radioactivity with Rob Lorei in Tampa (WMNF- FM), April 21, 2004.

St. Petersburg Times, On Campus, "Being Gay in America: A Historian's View," September 9, 2004.

MEDIA MENTIONS

NBCnews.com, "[16 Must-read Books for LGBTQ History Month](#)," October 24, 2019.

National Review, "[The Overreach of LGBT Activism](#)," July 5, 2019.

Los Angeles Magazine, "[The Damron Address Book, A Green Book for Gays](#)," June 25, 2019.

NBCNews.com, "[Lavender Scare bill to address midcentury purging of gay federal workers](#)," May 9, 2019

Foreign Policy, "[Congress Wants State Department to Reckon with 'Lavender Scare'](#)," May 2, 2019.

TeenVogue, "[United States Government's Anti-Gay Lavender Scare, Explained](#)," April 26, 2019

MEDIA MENTIONS (CONT.)

Mentalfloss.com, "[The Lavender Scare: When the U.S. Government Prosecuted Employees for being Gay](#)," January 22, 2019.

Washington Post, "[Tom Gallagher, Foreign Service officer, quit to live openly gay, dies](#)," July 20, 2018.

Tampa Bay Times, "Tech Data Sending Record 700 Employees to March in Pride," June 21, 2018.

History.com, "[How LGBT Civil Servants Became Public Enemy No 1 in the 1950s](#)," June 5, 2018.

Atlanta Jewish Times, "['Lavender Scare' Reveals Ugly History](#)," October 3, 2017.

Watermark (Orlando), "[Lavender Scare exposes America's homosexual witch hunt](#)," August 31, 2017.

Smithsonian Magazine, "[State Department Apologizes for the 'Lavender Scare'](#)," January 10, 2017.

Slate, "[Kerry Lavender Scare Apology Obscures State Department Shameful History](#)," January 10, 2017.

NPR.org, "[State Department Apologizes for Decades of Anti-LGBT Discrimination](#)," January 9, 2017.

The Advocate, "[The Lavender Scare's New Relevance](#)," January 3, 2017.

Vice, "[Here's Why the Lavender Scare Still Matters](#)," June 26, 2016.

The Daily Beast, "[How the CIA Came Out of the Closet](#)," July 31, 2015.

NPR Weekend Edition, "[Suspicious?](#) In 'United States of Paranoia,' It's Not Just You," Sept 7, 2013.

Salon, "[Before Edward Snowden: 'Sexual deviates' and the NSA](#)," July 1, 2013.

MSNBC.com, "[Obama's 'insider threat' crackdown on leaks](#)," June 21, 2013.

Politifact, "[Pam Bondi says women care most about jobs](#)," August 29, 2012.

GlobalPost, "[State Department makes sea change on LGBT rights](#)," February 11, 2012.

Libération (Paris), "[Hoover the Rainbow](#)," November 19, 2011.

New York Post, "[The Double life of J. Edgar Hoover](#)," November 6, 2011.

Washington Post, Aaron Belkin, "[A Sting He Didn't Deserve](#)," September 1, 2007.

Seattle Weekly, "[Worst Scandal in NSA History Blamed on Defectors' Homosexuality](#)," July 18, 2007.

New York Times, Frank Rich, "[Just How Gay is the Right?](#)" May 15, 2005.

Los Angeles Times, David J. Garrow, "[Once in the Closet, Now in the Courts](#)," August 15, 2004.

National Public Radio, "[Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me!](#)" Dec 13, 2003.

TEACHING FIELDS

Modern U.S. political culture; U.S. since 1945; the cold war; modern American social movements; gender and sexuality; consumer culture; gay and lesbian history

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate Courses

U.S. Since 1945	Theory of History
U.S. Since 1877	Gender and Sexuality in U.S. History
The 1960s in American Memory	Gay and Lesbian U.S. History
Cold War America	History of AIDS

Graduate Seminars

History of Consumer Culture	Modern American Social Movements
Cold War Culture	U.S. Since 1945
Gender and Sexuality in U.S. History	U.S. Research Seminar

HONORS COLLEGE THESES SUPERVISION

AlaEldean Elmunaier, 2017	“Sixties Activism at the University of South Florida: A View from Both Sides.”
Kathleen Maguire, 2006	“Rhetoric of Hope: The Freedom Songs of the Civil Rights Movement”

M.A. THESES AND COMMITTEE SUPERVISION (Partial)

R. Nathanael Morris, 2016	M.A. Thesis: “Surfing the Tide of Sex Anarchy: How Sexual Co-Revolutionaries Remade Evangelical Marriage, 1960-1980.” Now in Ph.D. History program, Washington University, St. Louis
Dave Nauman, 2015	Winner of the Leland Hawes Essay Prize in Florida History
Jeffrey T. Perry, 2011	Now Assistant Professor of History at Tusculum University
Naomi R. Williams, 2009	Winner of the Leland Hawes Essay Prize in Florida History Now Assistant Professor at Rutgers University
Kyle Burke, 2009	Now Assistant Professor at Hartwick College and author of <i>Revolutionaries for the Right: Anti-communist Internationalism and Paramilitary Warfare in the Cold War</i> (UNC Press, 2018)
Michael Johnson, Jr. 2008	M.A. Thesis: “A Cultural Criticism of The Logo Channel’s Commercial Success on American Cable Television” (outside committee member) Now Assistant Professor at California State University-Northridge

M.A. THESES AND COMMITTEE SUPERVISION (Cont.)

- Cyrana Wyker, 2008 Women and Gender Studies (outside committee member)
M.A. Thesis: "Woman in Wargasm: The Politics of Women's Liberation
in The Weather Underground Organization"
- Christopher Dean Lee, 2007 Now Ph.D. from University of Michigan and Instructional/Social Studies
Consultant with Oakland School District (Michigan) and co-author of [*Let
the Music Play: Harnessing the power of Music for History Classrooms*](#)
- Janice Law, 2005 Now Lecturer at University of Tampa

Ph.D. DISSERTATION SUPERVISION

In Progress

Ronald Arbisi, Department of History, ABD (chair), Ph.D. Dissertation: "A Consumers' Underground: Consumer Culture, Cannabis and the War on Drugs"

Lina Chaves, Department of History, ABD (chair), Ph.D. Dissertation: "Naked in the Sun: The Business and Culture of Nudism in Postwar Florida."

Michael Losasso, Department of History, ABD (chair), Ph.D. Dissertation, "'The Unknown War': Soviet-American Film Collaboration During the Era of Détente."

Completed

Keegan Shepherd, Department of History, Ph.D. Dec 2017 (chair)
Dissertation: "Measuring Up: Standardized Testing and the Struggle for Postwar American Identity, 1945-1990."

[Now an editor at [*Lady Science Magazine*](#)]

Chelsea Watts, Department of History, Ph.D. Dec 2016 (chair)
Dissertation: "Nothin' But a Good Time: Hair Metal and the Rise of Conservatism in the 1980s."

[Now Associate Professor of Humanities at [*College of Central Florida*](#)]

Cyrana Wyker, Public History, Middle Tennessee State University, Ph.D. Spring 2016 (outside member),
Dissertation: "Queering Collective Memory: Public History and the Future of the Queer Past."

[Now Lecturer at Middle Tennessee State University]

Taylor J. Mitchell, Department of English, 2011 (committee member)
Dissertation: "Cold War Playboys: Models of Masculinity in *Playboy's* Literature"

[Now Assistant Professor of Humanities, [*Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University*](#)]

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Historical Profession

Advisory Board Member, [Mattachine Society of Washington](#), a national LGBT archival activist organization

Advisory Board Member, [Mapping the Gay Guides](#), a national queer digital history project

Chair, John D'Emilio LGBT History Dissertation Award, Organization of American Historians (OAH) 2018-2019

Featured Guest, "[Queer America: The Lavender Scare.](#)" Teaching Tolerance Podcast, Education Division of the Southern Poverty Law Center, 2018

Manuscript Reviewer:

- Book Publishers: University of North Carolina Press, University of California Press, Oxford University Press, University of Chicago Press, Palgrave Macmillan, University of Illinois Press, Bedford/St Martin's, University of Massachusetts Press, Beacon Press, Routledge.
- Journals: *The Public Historian*, *Radical History Review*, *Gender & History*, *GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies*, *Journal of the History of Sexuality*, *Feminist Studies*, *The Historian*, *Left History*, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of Homosexuality*, *Journal of Lesbian Studies*.

Participant, LGBTQ Digitization Project, Phase I Meeting, Washington, D.C., May 2017.

A collaboration of the ONE Archives, Los Angeles, and the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History to develop a collaborative digital archives of LGBTQ materials.

Webinar Leader, "1960s in American Memory," America in Class, National Humanities Center, March 2016

Contributor, *Historians of Anti-Gay Discrimination Brief*, 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for *Kitchen v. Herbert* and *Bishop v. Smith*, March 2014.

Contributor, Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender History, [Making the Framework FAIR: California History-Social Science Proposed LGBT Revisions to the FAIR Act](#), 2013

Member, Organization of Historians (OAH), LGBT Task Force, 2011

Member, Nonfiction Book Award Committee, The Publishing Triangle (New York), 2009, 2006

Member, Advisory Planning Committee for Antioch University's Sexuality and Identity Institute, 2007

Associate Scholar, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Policy Institute, 2006

Presenter, Florida Humanities Council, Florida Center for Teachers, Cold War Workshop, May 2005

Reader, College Board Advanced Placement U.S. History Exam, 2002-2004

University Service

Member, CAS Tenure & Promotion Committee, 2019-2020

Member, SHUM Tenure & Promotion Committee, 2019-2020

Member, Diversity Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, USF, 2015-2017

Member, Bias Response Workgroup, Office of Student Affairs, 2015-2016

Member, Sabbatical Committee, USF, 2012-2014

University Service (cont.)

Member, President's Committee on Issues of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, USF, 2006-2012

Member, Search Committee, Department of Humanities and Cultural Studies, USF, 2009

Panelist, Internal Awards Program, Research Council, USF, 2009

Founder, LGBT History Collection, Special Collections, Tampa Library, USF, 2006

Departmental Service

Member, Graduate Committee, 2019-2020

Member, Ad Hoc Governance Document Revision Committee 2017-2018

Chair, Florida History Search Committee (Instructor), Summer 2017

Director of Graduate Studies, 2010-2011 and Spring 2014

Member, Executive Council (elected position), 2009-2011, 2012-2014, 2015-2017, 2019-2020

Chair, Executive Council, (elected position) 2012-2013, 2015-2017

Member, 19th and 20th Century European History search committee (tenure track), 2012-2013

Member, US. Search Committee (visiting line), 2011

Chair, Graduate Committee, 2010-2011 and Spring 2014

Associate Chair, 2009-2011

Member, Ad Hoc Doctoral Program Committee, 2009-2010