

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 8/06-pres **Director**, T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, LSU Libraries Special Collections, LSU
- 7/04-8/06 **Interim Director**, T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, LSU
- 5/04-7/04 **Acting Director**, (Director's Maternity Leave) T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, LSU
- 6/01-7/04 **Assistant Director**, T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, LSU
- 4/01-6/01 **Acting Director**, (Director's Maternity Leave) T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, LSU
- 3/00-4/01 **Editor**, T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, LSU
- 9/99-5/03 **Private Consultant**, Oral Historian, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 9/99-3/00 **Archaeological Lab Technician**, Coastal Environments, Inc., Baton Rouge
- 9/98-3/00 **Contract Interviewer**, Williams Center for Oral History, Louisiana State University
- 4/99-6/99 **Field Lab Supervisor**, Univ. of CA at Berkeley, project in Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas
- 6/98-8/98 **Ethnographer**, Dept. of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg in conjunction with a National Geographic Photography Grant
- 5/98-7/98 **Field Lab Supervisor**, Univ. of CA at Berkeley, project in Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas
- 1997-1998 **Instructor** (Anthropology 101), Dept. of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Southern Miss.
- 1996-1997 **Oral Historian/Folklife Research Assistant**, Center for Oral History and Cultural Heritage, The University of Southern Mississippi.
- 1996-1998 **Interviewer** for South Mississippi Archaeological Projects and Field Schools, Dept. Of Anthropology and Sociology, The University of Southern Mississippi
- 1996-1998 **Collections Processor**, McCain Library and Archives, The University of Southern Mississippi
- 5/96-8/96 **Folklife Fieldworker**, A Taste of Pine Hills Traditions: Documenting South Mississippi Folklife, Center for Oral History and Cultural Heritage, The University of Southern Mississippi

EDUCATION

- 2001 Master of Arts, Dept. of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Southern Mississippi; Emphasis Historical Archaeology and Ethnography
- “Ethnoarchaeology of Rural African-American Houseyards, Natchez Mississippi.”
Unpublished Masters Thesis, University of Southern Mississippi.
- 1994 Bachelor of Arts, Department of History, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi.

HONORS/AWARDS

- 1998-99 Presidential Research Assistantship Awarded by The University of Southern Mississippi President Aubrey Lucas
- 1997 Stipend Awarded by the Committee on Service and Resources for Women

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Oral History Association, Nominating Committee Member
 Louisiana Folkife Society
 Society of Southwest Archivists
 Louisiana Historical Society
 New Orleans Oral History Roundtable
 Pointe Coupee Arts Council, Board Member

ORAL HISTORIAN AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS QUALIFICATIONS

- Oversee Collection Development and Processing for LSU Libraries Special Collections Williams Center for Oral History
 ongoing and new series; major emphasis on the history of the University, Louisiana Politics, Military, Civil Rights, Grassroots Environmental Movement, Women's History, and local community history
- Public Services
- Center Publications
- Public Programming/Outreach/Collaboration

AUTHORSHIP SAMPLESPublished Works:

Abraham, Jennifer and Dominica Ramirez. " 'A Grown Man Does That and Gets Paid For It:' Oral History as a Window into the Life and Character of William Haag, Jr." *University of Memphis, Anthropological Research Center, Occasional Papers*. Vol 26:15-26. 2005.

Frisch, Michael, Jennifer Abraham, Jeff Suchanek and Pamela Dean. *Oral History Online* (review). *Oral History Review*. University of California Press Journals. Vol 32. no. 2, P. 89-103. 2005.

Hunter, Donald G., and Jennifer M. Abraham. *The History and Archaeology of Babin Place Plantation, Ascension Parish, Louisiana*. Preserving Louisiana's Heritage No. 4. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District. 2003.

Hunter, Donald G., Kelly L. Orr, J. Mathew Compton, and Jennifer M. Abraham. *Historic Archaeology on the Batture: Data Recovery at Sites 16AN69 and 16AN70, Ascension Parish, Louisiana. Coastal Environments, Inc.* Draft Report. Submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District. Contract No. DACW29-97-D-0017, Delivery Order No. 0017. 2003.

AUTHORSHIP SAMPLES (continued)

Ryan, Joanne, Thurston H.G. Hahn III, Sara A. Hahn, Jerame J. Cramer, Carey L. Coxe, Suzanne Turner, Jennifer M. Abraham and Katherine M. Roberts. *Highway 61 Revisited: Cultural Resources Survey, Testing and Data Recovery of Thompson Creek--Bains, Route LA-US 61 Four Lane Project, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana*. Coastal Environments, Inc. Prepared for the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. 2003.

Papa was a Boy in Gray: Memories of Confederate Veterans Related by Their Living Daughters (review). Mary W. Schaller. Thomas Publications, Gettysburg, PA, (2001). *Civil War Book Review* (11/01).

"Traditional Gardening Practices in the Piney Woods of South Mississippi". *Mississippi Folklife*. Volume 30, Nos. 1 & 2. (Sum. 1998).

Digital Audio-Visual Presentations

"A Lady in the South Could Only Do Certain Things:" LSU Home Management Residence, 1935-1945. " Audio Digital Presentation for Women's History Month presentation in Hill Memorial Lecture Hall in collaboration with the LSU Women's Center. April 1, 2005.

"I Been Here a Long Time:' Oral Histories of West Feliciana's African-American Community." Audio Digital Presentation for Black History Month, St. Francisville, Louisiana. February 26, 2005.

"Navigating Notions of Heritage and Promoting Preservation: The Role of LSU's T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History's Public Outreach Programs in the Development of Local Oral History

Projects Across Louisiana. PowerPoint presentation, organized symposium panel, Oral History Association, Washington, DC. October, 2003.

"We Just Kept Saying Equal": Oral Narratives of Women Who Integrated LSU, 1964-1973. PowerPoint Presentation first presented in honor of Women's History Month in conjunction with the Office for Multi Cultural Affairs and the African-American Culture Center, March 2003. Presentation continues showing in LSU classes, dorms, and East Baton Rouge schools.

"A Grown Man Does That and Gets Paid for it!": The T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History Presents William Haag, Jr. Digital audio-visual production presented at the William Haag Honorary Symposium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (3/6/02). Incorporated into a traveling exhibit for the Louisiana Division of Archaeology, continuously presented at state museums, libraries, and parish schools, and converted to a webpage <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/special/exhibits/haag/>

"Archiving Activism: Do Not Tear Up My Earth--Documenting Women's Voices In Louisiana. " Digital audio-visual production presented at Columbia University History Department Graduate Student Conference, New York, New York. April 2002. Also presented at Oral History Association Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO (10/16/01).

AUTHORSHIP SAMPLES (continued)Paper Presentations

“The Role of Special Collections in Documenting Natural Disasters” Keynote Presentation, Louisiana Archives and Manuscripts Association, Nicholls State University, November 17, 2006.

“Oral History and Project Planning.” Workshop presented at the annual Oral History Association Conference, Little Rock, Arkansas, October, 2006.

“Narrating Katrina and Rita through Oral History.” Chair and commentator, panel, Oral History Association Conference, Little Rock, Arkansas, October, 2006.

“Oral History and Special Collections” Powerpoint Presentation, Southern Archives Conference, Lafayette, Louisiana. April, 2006

“Yard Sweeping in Traditional Rural African-American Houseyards.” Paper presented at Rural Life Museum, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March, 2006.

“Documenting Disasters: The Role of Oral History in the Aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.” Panel Participant, Oral History Association, Providence, Rhode Island, 2005.

“Oral History, Community Identity, and Social Critique”, Chair, Oral History Association Conference, Providence, RI. 2005.

“Oral Histories of West Feliciana’s African American Community”, Oral History Association Conference, Providence, RI, 2005.

“Oral History and Preservation” PowerPoint presentation at Society of Southwest Archivists in Baton Rouge on roundtable entitled “Bridges of Memory: New Directions for Oral History.” May, 2005.

“Oral History and Archaeology”. Paper presented during Louisiana Archaeology Week at Baker Public Library (10/5/01), and at LA Archaeology Society (3/27/02).

"Bridging the Digs and the 'Dirt': Oral History and Historical Archaeology", Paper presented at the Southeastern Historical Archaeology Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (9/2000).

“Rural Domesticity on Turn of the 20th Century Farmsteads in South Mississippi.” Paper presented at Society for Historical Archaeology, Atlanta, Georgia (1998).

REFERENCES

Provided upon request