

## *What is the Center's mission?*



The primary mission of Center is to document the history of LSU. Because the history of the state and university are closely intertwined, many broader Louisiana subjects are documented as well. Interviewees include war veterans, former governors, congressmen, state and local officials, and other political figures.

Documenting the Civil Rights Movement in Louisiana and the diverse cultures that comprise our state are also high priorities. In addition to these large projects, individuals or groups of individuals who possess unique knowledge about the state's culture or history are also of interest.

Public outreach is an important aspect of the Center's mission. Through training workshops, consultations, and collaborations with individual researchers, community groups, classes, and institutions, we enhance oral history collections throughout the state. Often, the collections that result from these collaborative efforts are donated to LSU Libraries for preservation and public access; in many cases copies are provided to libraries, schools, museums, providing access for members of the communities in which the oral histories were collected.