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Southern Wesleyan University
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Education:

PhD program – Humanities
Faulkner University, Montgomery, AL

Completed 18 PhD-level credit hours – Policy Studies (Political Science)
Clemson University, Clemson, SC - 2013

Masters Degree: M.A. in History
Clemson University, Clemson, SC
Graduated: 2002 with **GPA of 4.0**
Thesis: *King of the Moonshiners: Lewis R. Redmond and the Making of a Folk Hero*

Bachelors Degree: B.A. in History; B.S. in Business Administration
Southern Wesleyan University, Central, SC
Graduated: 1993 as **Salutatorian, Summa cum Laude, with GPA of 3.798**

Associates Degree: A.S. in Management
Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, SC
Graduated: 1989 with **Honors, GPA of 3.97**

Teaching Experience:

August, 2008 – Present: Assistant Professor of History
Southern Wesleyan University, Central, SC

July, 2002 – August, 2008: Adjunct Professor of History
Southern Wesleyan University, Central, SC
- **NOTE:** I have taught over 100 classes in the Adult and Graduate Studies program (AGS).

August, 2006 - May, 2008: Middle and High School Teacher/(Vice Principal - 2006-2007)
Providence Christian Academy, Six Mile, SC
- Taught 6th - 12th grade; History classes (American and World), Bible classes, and Math classes. Served one year as Vice-Principal. Advised students on academic coursework, provided insight into the requirements and expectations of college work, advised parents, etc.

Spring Semester, 2004: Adjunct Professor of History
Erskine College, Due West, SC
- All duties associated with teaching traditional college students; taught *World Civilization II*.

August, 2002 – August, 2003: Middle and High School Teacher
Providence Christian Academy, Six Mile, SC
- Taught 8th, 9th, and 10th grade; Bible classes, Science class; Also served as Administrator for grades 7 and above, with special emphasis on discipline. Advised students on academic coursework, planned college visits, advised parents, etc.

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August, 2000 – May, 2002: Teaching Assistant

Clemson University History Department, Clemson, SC

- Served as Teaching Assistant for *World Civilization* and the *History of Technology* classes; graded papers, held conferences with students, filled in when professor was absent.

August, 1999 – July, 2000: Middle and High School Teacher

Oconee Christian Academy, Seneca, SC

- Taught 7th – 12th grade; History class, Bible class, Geography class, Computer class, and Math class; Advised students on academic coursework, coached Girls' JV basketball, advised parents, etc.

July, 1996 – June, 1999: Admissions Counselor

Southern Wesleyan University, Central, SC

- Recruited students; helped plan student schedules; worked with transfer students regarding coursework; designed brochures and T-shirts; counseled students; traveled throughout the Eastern United States.

Publications:

- I was featured in a **History Channel** production that debuted on September 23, 2007. Produced by Moore-Huntley Productions out of Boston, MA, the 2-hour special was titled, *Hillbilly: The Real Story*, and discussed the Scots-Irish and their impact on both the South and American culture as a whole. One section of the production focused on moonshining in the South, and my thesis topic (Lewis Redmond) was featured.
- I am featured on the TV documentary *The Outlaw Lewis Redmond* (winner of the Bill Arnold NC Film Award - 2008 Carolina Film & Video Festival). The documentary has been shown on both South Carolina and North Carolina Public Television, various PBS stations around the country, and the Documentary Channel (satellite).
- I am working on a manuscript, *King of the Moonshiners: Lewis R. Redmond and the Making of a Folk Hero* (based on my master's thesis at Clemson), for publication.
- Authored a chapter in *Where Have All Our Moonshiners Gone*, Seneca, SC: Published by Jerry Alexander, 2006. Mr. Alexander authored parts of this book and served as editor. His previous book, *The Cateechee Story*, won the South Carolina Genealogical Society's Annual Book Award.
- Authored seven devotionals for *Light From The Word*, the devotional book of The Wesleyan Church (Sept. - Nov., 2007)
- Authored *All Hail The Emperor*, a science fiction novel published in 2000 (available at amazon.com).

Presentations and Workshops:

Presented paper - "*The Strike of 1934: The Honea Path, SC Incident*" at the annual Honor Seminar of the Clemson University chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, April, 2002, Holtzendorf Hall, Clemson University, Clemson, SC.

Presented paper - "TV Time: A History of Televised Time Travel" at Southern Wesleyan University's Faculty Colloquium, September 18, 2009, Central, SC.

Presented paper - "TV Time: A History of Televised Time Travel" during the Panel: *Constants, Variables, and Lost* at the annual conference of the *Popular and American Culture Associations of the South*, October, 2009, Wilmington, NC.

Reviewer – Chapter 26 of *Panorama* by Ross Dunn and Laura J. Mitchell, McGraw-Hill, NY, 2015

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Featured Speaker at the following:

- *Lewis R. Redmond: King of the Moonshiners*, Monthly Meeting of the Clemson Association for Women Professionals, Clemson, SC. January, 2009.
- *Lewis R. Redmond: King of the Moonshiners*, Tamasee DAR's 90th Anniversary Celebration, Tamasee, SC. January, 2009.
- *The Cold War*, Tri-County Home Educators, Walhalla, SC. May, 2012
- *Lewis R. Redmond: King of the Moonshiners*, Transylvania County Historical Society, Brevard, NC. October, 2012.
- *The World Wars*, Tri-County Home Educators, Walhalla, SC. March 2013.
- *Lewis R. Redmond: King of the Moonshiners*, The Pendleton District Historical Association, Central, SC. March, 2013.
- *A Brief History of Islam*, Trinity Wesleyan Small Groups, May 5, 2014
- *How to Annoy Your Professors*, Oconee Christian Academy (Senior class), May 12, 2014

Professional Organizations:

American Historical Association

Faculty Development Experiences:

- Completed the "eSWU" course (Southern Wesleyan University's online training course)
- Attended Southern Wesleyan's annual AGS Faculty Workshop every year it was offered.
- Attended Southern Wesleyan's traditional Faculty Workshops.
- Attended all training seminars in my years at Providence Christian Academy.

References: Available upon request

Awards and Fellowships:

Teaching Assistantship – Clemson University History Department, August 2000 – May 2002
Phi Alpha Theta – National History Honor Society
Alpha Chi – National Honor Society
Alpha Zeta Beta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society
Dean's List – All undergraduate semesters
National Dean's List – 1988 and 1989
Who's Who – 1992
Junior Class Marshall (Southern Wesleyan University)
Class Salutatorian (high school and Southern Wesleyan University)
Dowden –Tegen Scholarship (Southern Wesleyan University)

Other activities:

- Assistant Cross Country Coach, Southern Wesleyan University, 1998 & 1999 seasons
- Head Coach - Girl's JV Basketball Team, Oconee Christian Academy, 1997
- Assistant Coach - Men's Varsity Basketball Team, United Christian Academy, 1992
- Judge (one of three) for the South Carolina DAR history essay contest (5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades), Spring, 2010.
- Served on two Honors Project committees
- Chair of one Honors Project committee
- Class Sponsor, Class of 2012, Southern Wesleyan University
- Served on various administrative faculty committees, Southern Wesleyan University
- Alpha Chi Honor Society, Assistant Sponsor, 2011 – 2013, Southern Wesleyan University
- Alpha Chi Honor Society, Sponsor, 2013 - present, Southern Wesleyan University

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Classes taught:

I have taught the following college courses (traditional and adult students):

<i>Survey of American History</i>	<i>Survey of World Civilization</i>
<i>College and the Working Adult</i> (seminar)	<i>World Civilization I</i>
<i>Tools and Techniques of Self-Management</i> (seminar)	<i>World Civilization II</i>
<i>America in a Changing World</i>	<i>American Religious History</i>
<i>Ancient History</i>	<i>Medieval History</i>
<i>History Seminar</i>	<i>Readings in History</i>
<i>Contemporary Europe</i>	<i>Freshman Seminar</i>
<i>History of South Carolina</i>	<i>Honors Freshman Seminar</i>
<i>Personal Wholeness I</i>	<i>Economic Geography</i>
<i>Personal Wholeness II</i>	<i>History of the South</i>
<i>World War II</i>	<i>Military History</i>
<i>Warfare in the Age of Industry</i>	<i>The Everyday History of Modern America</i>
<i>Introduction to Public Policy</i>	<i>Latin American History</i>

I designed curriculum modules for the AGS version of *Survey of World Civilization*, *College and the Working Adult* seminar, and *History of the South to Reconstruction*.

I also served as Teaching Assistant for *World Civilization* and *History of Technology* classes at Clemson University.