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Teaching Experience

John K. Boardman, Jr. Professor of Politics, Washington and Lee University, VA 2009 (2020)-present
Assistant Professor (1999-2003); Associate Professor (2003-2009)

Courses: American National Government, Introduction to Political Philosophy, Race and Equality, Lincoln's Statesmanship, Statesmanship and Shakespeare's *Henry V*, Intro to African American Studies, Ralph Ellison and the American Dream, The Politics of Barack Obama, Civil Rights Literature, Lincoln and the American Founders, and George Washington and the Arts of Leadership.

Administrative appointment: Politics Department, Head *July 2013-present*
Politics Department, Acting Head *July 2010-June 2013*

Honored Visiting Graduate Faculty-MAHG, Ashland University, OH *Summer 2002-present*

Summer Courses: Civil War and Reconstruction; Sectionalism and Civil War; Race and Equality; History and Literature; Great American Texts: Abraham Lincoln and Ralph Ellison's *Invisible Man*

Worsham Teaching Fellow, Hillsdale College, Graduate School of Government, Washington, DC
Course: The Modern Civil Rights Movement (MLK, Malcolm X, and Black Power) *March-April 2021*
Course: Frederick Douglass *October-November 2020*

Graduate Faculty-MA in American History, Pace University-Gilder Lehrman Institute *August 2018*
Recorded 12 lectures (and online Q&A), "Race & Rights in America" for M.A. in American History.

Assistant Professor of Political Science/History, John Brown University, AR *August 1994-June 1999*
Courses: American Government, Political Theory, Constitutional Law, and American Studies.

Adjunct Professor of Political Science, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR *Summers, 1995-98*
Courses: Constitutional Law I and II.

Political Science Lecturer, Azusa Pacific University, CA *Sept. 1990-May 1992; Sept. 1993-Dec. 1993*
Courses: American Government and upper-level seminars on the *Federalist* and Abraham Lincoln.

Graduate Assistant, Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA *January-May 1989*
Helped teach Freshman course in American politics and political theory, "What is Political Power?"

Education

Ph.D. in Political Science, Claremont Graduate University (January 1994)

Dissertation: "The Role of Religion in Abraham Lincoln's Statesmanship"

Major concentrations: American Government, Political Theory, and Constitutional Law

M.A. cum laude in Politics, Claremont Graduate University (May 1991)

President, Pi Sigma Alpha (National Political Science Honor Society), Claremont Colleges Chapter

B.A. cum laude in Government, Claremont McKenna College (May 1987)

Government Department Prize; Distinguished Scholar; Dean's List

Honors Thesis: "The Statesmanship of Abraham Lincoln in the Second Inaugural Address"

Engineering/Politics Minor, 6 semesters, Harvey Mudd College September 1982-May 1985

Publications

Books

Author, *Lincoln and the American Founding* (Southern Illinois University Press, 2020)

Co-Editor with Marc Conner, *The New Territory: Ralph Ellison and the Twenty-First Century* (Univ Press Mississippi, August 2016): Introduction and Chapter, "In a Strange Country": The Challenge of American Inclusion"

Editor, *Lincoln and Liberty: Wisdom for the Ages* (University Press of Kentucky, 2015): Introduction and Chapter, "Lincoln, Liberty, and the American Constitutional Union"

Editor, *Ralph Ellison and the Raft of Hope: A Political Companion to Invisible Man* (UP Kentucky, 2004): Introduction, "Recovering the Political Artistry of *Invisible Man*" & Chapter, "Ralph Ellison's American Democratic Individualism"

Author: *Lincoln's Sacred Effort: Defining Religion's Role in American Self-Government* (2000)

Works in Progress

Book: "Lincoln, Race, and the Fragile American Republic"

Chapter: “The Declaration of Independence and the Civil War: Lincoln, Douglas, & the Secessionists”
(**invited/completed chapter** for forthcoming edited volume, *Interpreting Independence: The Declaration through the Generations*, 2022)

Book Chapters, 2003-2021

Foreword, *Red, White, and Black: Rescuing American History from Revisionists and Race Hustlers* (Post Hill Press, **2021**)

- “Malcolm X: From Apolitical Acolyte to Political Preacher,” in *History of American Political Thought*, 2nd edition, ed. Frost and Sikkenga (Lexington Books, **2019**), 721-32; rev. chapter of 1st ed. (2003)
- “Race and Individualism in Ralph Ellison’s Writings,” *Critical Insights: Invisible Man*, ed. Robert Evans (Salem Press-Grey House Publishing, **2018**), 152-61
- “The Political Implications of Ralph Ellison’s Writings,” *Critical Insights: Invisible Man*, ed. Robert Evans (Salem Press-Grey House Publishing, **2018**), 162-73
- “Liberal Education: Learning How to be Free,” in *Education in a Democratic Republic: Essays in Honor of Peter W. Schramm*, ed. Flannery and Tucker (Ashland, OH: Ashbrook Press, **2018**), 19-28
- “‘In a Strange Country’: The Challenge of American Inclusion” in *The New Territory: Ralph Ellison and the Twenty-First Century* (University Press of Mississippi, August **2016**)
- “Lincoln, Emancipation, and the New Birth of Freedom: On Remaining a Constitutional People” e-book and online anthology commemorating the sesquicentennial of the Emancipation Proclamation (U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the Lincoln Cottage), January **2013**
- “Lincoln, God, and Freedom: A Promise Fulfilled,” in *Lincoln and Freedom: Slavery, Emancipation, and the Thirteenth Amendment*, eds. by Holzer & Gabbard (Southern Illinois U Press, **2007**), 48-64
- “Lincoln’s Political Religion and Religious Politics,” in *Religion and the American Presidency: The Evolving Presidency*, eds. Mark J. Rozell and Gleaves Whitney (Palgrave Press/MacMillan, **2007**), 73-93; a revised version of “Lincoln’s Political Religion and Religious Politics,” in *Lincoln Revisited: New Insights from the Lincoln Forum*, eds. Harold Holzer, John Y. Simon, and Dawn Vogel (Fordham University Press, **2007**), 19-44
- “Forced into Gory Lincoln Revisionism,” in *Lincoln’s American Dream: Clashing Political Perspectives*, eds. Kenneth L. Deutsch and Joseph Fornieri (Potomac Books, **2005**), 202-207
- “Locke, Lincoln, and American Capitalism,” in *Champions of Freedom*, vol. 31, *Economic Theories and Controversies*, ed. Richard M. Ebeling (Hillsdale: Hillsdale College Press, **2004**), 101-12
- “America’s First Black President? Lincoln’s Legacy of Political Transcendence” in *Lincoln Reshapes the Presidency*, ed. Charles M. Hubbard (Mercer University Press, **2003**), 120-52

Journal Articles/Essays/Blog Articles, 1998-2021

- “Lincoln’s First Inaugural Address: Good Winners and Bad Losers,” We the Teachers Blog, Ashbrook Center (March 4, **2021**)
- “Lincoln vs. Douglas: Debating the Founders’ Legacy,” Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy, University of Missouri, *Starting Points*-online journal (February 12, **2021**)
- Interview about my book, *Lincoln, and the American Founding*, in *Lincoln Lore*, 24-27 (Winter **2020**)
- “A Review of the 1619 Project Curriculum,” Backgrounder, Heritage Foundation (December 15, **2020**)
- “Lincoln, the Founders, and the Rights of Human Nature,” *Lincoln Lore*, 3-9 (Summer **2020**)
- “Lincoln, the American Founding, and the Moral Foundations of a Free Society,” *RealClear Public Affairs* (online) (March 2, **2020**)
- “America was not Founded on White Supremacy,” *The American Mind* (online) (October 17, **2019**)
- “The Great Manipulators,” *The American Mind* (online) (April 1, **2019**)
- “Frederick Douglass to Robert Adams,” annotated entry, *Frederick Douglass: A Life in Documents*, Gilder Lehrman Institute (March **2018**), 65-67
- “Can American Political Thought be a Resource for Improving Race Relations in the U.S.?” University of Missouri, Discussant, *Starting Points*-online journal (February 1, **2017**)
- “Of Justice and Mercy in Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address,” *Journal of American Political Thought*, vol. 4 (Summer **2015**), 455-66
- “Abraham Lincoln’s Religion,” co-authored with Samuel W. Calhoun, *Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association*, vol. 33, no. 1 (Winter **2012**), 38-54 (Appendix/Notes, 54-74)

- “Lincoln and the Constitution: A Unionist for the Sake of Liberty,” *Journal of Supreme Court History*, vol. 35, no. 3 (January **2011**), 213-24
- “Lincoln, Race, and the Spirit of ’76,” in *Perspectives on Political Science* (Jan-March **2010**), 3-11
- “Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address: War and Remembrance,” in *On Principle* (Winter **2009**), 10-11
- “The *Dred Scott* Dissents: McLean, Curtis, Lincoln, and the Public Mind,” *Journal of Supreme Court History*, vol. 32, no. 2 (August **2007**), 133-51
- “Charnwood’s *Lincoln*: Biography as Civics Lesson,” in *Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association*, vol. 27, no. 2 (Summer **2006**), 24-41
- “The Separation of Ownership and Control in Modern Corporations: Shareholder Democracy or Shareholder Republic?” *63 Washington and Lee Law Review* 1593-98 (**2006**)
- “Bound for Glory: The Gospel of Racial Reconciliation in Flannery O’Connor’s ‘The Artificial Nigger,’” in *Perspectives on Political Science*, vol. 34, no. 4 (Fall **2005**), 202-210
- “The Prayers of a Self-Governing People: A Psalm for Election Day” in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* on-line essay (November 1, **2004**)
- “The Diversity of American Individualism: Doing Justice to Human Equality and Liberty,” in “Affirmative Action Symposium,” *Southern Illinois University Law Journal* 28 (Spring **2004**)
- “Equality, Liberty, and American Diversity,” in *On Principle* (Spring **2003**)
- “Should Christians Say ‘Amen’ to Religious Politics?” in *Religion & Liberty* (Nov./Dec. **2001**)
- “America’s Racial Divide: Of Debts Spoken and Unspoken,” in *On Principle* (June **2001**)
- “Lincoln Among the Reformers: Tempering the Temperance Movement,” in *Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association*, vol. 20, no. 1 (Winter **1999**), 1-34
- “Scalia Contra Common Law Adjudication,” in *Perspectives on Political Science*, (Winter **1999**), 11-14
- “Should America Be Blind to Race?” in *On Principle* (August **1998**)
- Review Essays/Book Reviews/ Encyclopedia Entries, 1996-2017
- Lincoln’s Political Thought*, Kateb, in *Nineteenth-Century Prose* (Spring **2017**), 163-70
- Lincoln and Religion*, Szasz and Szasz, on-line book review for *Civil War Monitor* (August **2015**)
- Founders’ Son: A Life of Abraham Lincoln*, Brookhiser, book review, in *Claremont Review of Books* (Spring **2015**) and “Upon Further Review,” an extended discussion with the author posted online (June **2015**)
- “Abraham Lincoln” entry, *Encyclopedia of Modern Political Thought*, ed. Gregory Claeys (CQ Press, fall **2013**)
- “On the 50th Anniversary of Martin Luther King, Jr.’s ‘I Have a Dream’ Speech,” online essay, Ashbrook Center, Ashland University (August **2013**)
- A Slaveholders’ Union: Slavery, Politics, and the Constitution in the Early American Republic*, George William Van Cleve, on-line book review, “Law & Liberty,” Liberty Fund (August **2012**)
- Lincoln’s Proclamation: Emancipation Reconsidered*, eds. William A. Blair and Karen Younger Fisher, in *Civil War History*, vol. 57, no. 2 (June **2011**), 188-90
- “What Shall We Do with the Negro?” *Lincoln, White Racism, and Civil War America*, Paul D. Escott, in *Studies in American Culture*, vol. 33, no. 1 (October **2010**)
- Lincoln on Race and Slavery*, Henry Louis Gates, in *Political Science Quarterly* (Spring **2010**), 150-51
- President Lincoln: The Duty of a Statesman*, William Lee Miller, in *Journal of Historical Biography* (Autumn **2009**), 82-85
- Abraham Lincoln: A Life*, Michael Burlingame, *A. Lincoln: A Biography*, Ronald C. White, Jr., and *Abraham Lincoln*, James McPherson, in *Books & Culture* (Nov/Dec **2009**), 16-18
- Lincoln at Peoria: The Turning Point*, Lewis A. Lehrman, in *Intercollegiate Studies Institute-Online*, (Winter **2009**)
- Lincoln Emancipated: The President and the Politics of Race*, ed. Brian R. Dirck, in *Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association*, vol. 29, no. 1 (Winter **2008**), 51-62
- The Emancipation Proclamation: Three Views*, Harold Holzer, Edna Greene Medford, and Frank J. Williams, in *Lincoln Lore* No. 1888 (Spring **2007**)
- The Intimate World of Abraham Lincoln*, C.A. Tripp, in *Claremont Review of Books* (Summer **2005**)
- Lincoln’s Moral Vision: The Second Inaugural Address*, James Tackach, *Lincoln’s Greatest Speech: The Second Inaugural*, Ronald C. White, Jr., and *Lincoln, Religion, and Romantic Cultural Politics*, Stewart Winger, in *The Claremont Review of Books-Online* (February **2005**)

- Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation: The End of Slavery in America*, Allen C. Guelzo, and "We Are Lincoln Men": *Abraham Lincoln and His Friends*, David Herbert Donald, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (May/June 2004)
- Return to Good and Evil: Flannery O'Connor's Response to Nihilism*, Henry T. Edmondson III, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* on-line "Book of the Week" (January 12, 2004)
- "Abraham Lincoln" and "James Madison" entries, in *Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart [Religion in Past and Present]*, 4th ed., vol. 5, "L-M" (2003)
- Losing the Race: Self-Sabotage in Black America*, John H. McWhorter, in *Society* (Nov./Dec. 2002)
- On Two Wings: Humble Faith and Common Sense at the American Founding*, Michael Novak, in *Religion & Liberty* (July/August 2002)
- Jazz Country: Ralph Ellison in America*, Horace A. Porter, and *Living with Music: Ralph Ellison's Jazz Writings*, Robert G. O'Meally, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (May/June 2002)
- Abraham Lincoln: A Constitutional Biography*, George Anastaplo, *Lincoln of Kentucky*, Lowell H. Harrison, and *Inside the White House in War Times: Memoirs and Reports of Lincoln's Secretary*, William O. Stoddard, in *Journal of Southern History* (November 2001)
- A Free Church, A Holy Nation: Abraham Kuyper's American Public Theology*, John Bolt, in *Religion & Liberty* (July/August 2001)
- The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr.*, ed. Clayborne Carson; *Dreamer: A Novel*, Charles Johnson; *The Shape of the River: Long-Term Consequences of Considering Race in College and University Admissions*, William G. Bowen and Derek Bok; *A Dream Deferred: The Second Betrayal of Black Freedom*, Shelby Steele; and *A Hope in the Unseen: An American Odyssey from the Inner City to the Ivy League*, Ron Suskind, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (September/October 2000)
- Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President*, Allen Guelzo, in *Religion & Liberty* (July/August 2000)
- Forced into Glory: Abraham Lincoln's White Dream*, Lerone Bennett, Jr., in *Claremont Review of Books* (Fall 2000)
- First Principles: The Jurisprudence of Clarence Thomas*, Scott Gerber, in *First Things* (October 1999)
- Thurgood Marshall: An American Revolutionary*, Juan Williams, and *A Defiant Life: Thurgood Marshall and the Persistence of Racism in America*, Howard Ball, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (July/August 1999)
- With Charity for All: Lincoln and the Restoration of the Union*, William C. Harris, in *The Historian* (Spring 1999)
- Closed Chambers: The Justices, Clerks, and Political Agendas That Control the Supreme Court*, Edward Lazarus, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (January/February 1999)
- The Taste for the Other: The Social and Ethical Thought of C.S. Lewis*, Gilbert Meilaender, in *Religion & Liberty* (September/October 1998)
- The Politics of Revelation and Reason*, John G. West, Jr., in *University Bookman* (Summer 1998)
- Official Negligence: How Rodney King and the Riots Changed Los Angeles and the LAPD*, Lou Cannon, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (July/August 1998)
- A Matter of Interpretation: Federal Courts and the Law*, Antonin Scalia et al., in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (July/August 1997)
- American Constitutionalism: From Theory to Practice*, Stephen M. Griffin, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (May/June 1997)
- Divided They Fell: The Demise of the Democratic Party, 1964-1996*, Ronald Radosh, in *Books & Culture: A Christian Review* (November/December 1996)

Lectures and Conferences 2018-2021

- Menard Family George Washington Forum, Ohio University (Athens, OH) (November 30, 2021)
Lecture: "The 1619 Project as Missed Opportunity"
- 26th Annual Lincoln Forum, Gettysburg, PA (November 17, 2021)
Lecture: "Lincoln and the American Founding," and Panelist: "Lincoln and African Americans"
- Hillsdale College-Kirby Center, Washington, DC (October 21-22, 2021)
Co-instructor: Civil Rights in America (3 lectures)
- Center for Reflective Citizenship, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, TN (September 20, 2021)
Constitution Day Lecture: "Lincoln and the American Founding"

Faculty/Staff Lecture, “The 1619 Project as Missed Opportunity”
Duke University, NC (September 16, 2021)
 Constitution Day Lecture: “Lincoln and the American Founding”
Assumption University, MA (September 15, 2021)
 Constitution Day Lecture: “The 1619 Project as Missed Opportunity”
King’s College, NY (September 9, 2021)
 Constitution Day Discussion (with David Blight): “Frederick Douglass and the Constitution”
Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy, University of Missouri (September 8, 2021)
 Kinder Forum Lecture: “Lincoln and the American Founding”
Marshall Program, Claremont Institute, Newport Beach, CA (August 2014-2021)
 Seminar Teacher: Lincoln and the Constitution (2 sessions)
Publius Program, Claremont Institute, Newport Beach, CA (June/July 2011-2021)
 Seminar Teacher: Lincoln, Emancipation, and American Self-Government (3-4 sessions)
Lincoln Group of DC, Washington, DC. (June 15, 2021)
 Monthly Public Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founding, and an America Worth Saving”
Abraham Lincoln Institute, 24th Annual Symposium, Ford’s Theatre, DC (April 19, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founding, and the Challenge of Self-Government”
Center for Political and Economic Thought, St. Vincent College, Latrobe, PA (April 13, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln and the American Founding”
Lone Star College (April 6, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founders, and the Challenge of Self-Government”
University of Virginia, Program for Constitutionalism and Democracy
 Lecture: “Frederick Douglass on Race, Liberty, and the American Creed” (March 31, 2021)
Jack Miller Center (March 30, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founders, and an America Worth Saving”
Honors College, Azusa Pacific University (March 23, 2021)
 Frederick Douglass Fellowship Distinguished Lecture Series: “Lincoln, the Founding, and the Challenge of Self-Government”
New Jersey Constitutional Republicans (March 19, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln and the American Founding”
Supreme Court Historical Society (March 10, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founders, and the Challenge of Self-Government”
Political Science Department, Baylor University
 Lecture: “The 1619 Project as Missed Opportunity” (February 26, 2021)
 Class Lecture: “Frederick Douglass on Abraham Lincoln” (February 22, 2021)
Civics Symposium, “We the Educators,” Civic Spirit-Hillel International
 Moderator: Martin Luther King, Jr., “Letter from a Birmingham Jail” (October 17, 2021)
 “Of Justice and Mercy in Lincoln’s 2nd Inaugural Address” (August 3, 2021)
 “Ralph Ellison’s ‘In a Strange Country’: The Challenge of American Inclusion” (February 23, 2021)
“Third Thursdays at Hoover’s” Presidential Library and Museum (February 18, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln, Race, and the Challenge of Self-Government”
President’s Day Webinar, Ashbrook Center, Ashland, OH (February 15, 2021)
 Webinar: “What Made Abraham Lincoln a Great President?”
President’s Day Lecture, Kinder Institute, University of Missouri (February 12, 2021)
 Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founding, and the Challenge of Self-Government”
Black History Month Address, The King’s College, New York (February 11, 2021)
 Lecture: “Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American”
Black History Month Lecture, James Madison Program, Princeton University (February 9, 2021)
 Lecture: “Ralph Ellison: The Black American Novel as Cultural Commentary”

Cabinet Conversations, Ford's Theatre, Washington, DC (January 27, 2021)
 Co-Discussant (with Prof. Kate Masur): "In Lincoln's Words: Inaugural Addresses"

Scholar Talks, Bill of Rights Institute, Washington, DC (January 21, 2021)
 Interview: "Abraham Lincoln's Political Philosophy"

"Race, Justice, and Leadership in America" Lecture Series, School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership, Arizona State University (November 16, 2020)
 Lecture: "Lincoln, Race, and the Fragile American Republic"

Prejudice, Discrimination, & Anti-racism Lecture Series, Washington and Lee University (Nov. 8, 2020)
 Panelist: "Statues and Monuments"

"Community or Disunity?" Lecture Series, Benson Center for the Study of Western Civilization, University of Colorado-Boulder (October 27, 2020)
 Lecture: "The 1619 Project: A Missed Opportunity"

McConnell Center, University of Louisville, Kentucky (October 19, 2020)
 Lecture: "Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American"

Mary and James Beaumont Endowed Lincoln Legacy Lecture Series, Center for Lincoln Studies, University of Illinois-Springfield (October 14, 2020)
 Lecture: "Lincoln and the American Political Tradition"

"Critical Conversations," Hamilton Forum, Middlebury College (October 1, 2020)
 Debate: "1619 or 1776: Was America Founded on Slavery?"

John Marshall International Center for the Study of Statesmanship, Univ of Richmond (Sept. 25, 2020)
 Conference Panelist: "Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln: Champions of Free Speech"

Constitution Day, The College of the Holy Cross (September 17, 2020)
 Lecture: "Lincoln and the American Founding"

William F. Buckley, Jr. Program, Yale University (September 16, 2020)
 Lecture: "The 1619 Project: A Missed Opportunity"

Hillel Civic Engagement Speaker Series, Washington and Lee University (September 10, 2020)
 Lecture: "Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln: Champions of Free Speech"

Washington and Lee University Alumni Gathering, Washington, DC (February 22, 2020)
 Guest Lecture: "Lincoln and the American Founding"

Ashbrook Scholars Colloquium, Ashland University (February 7, 2020)
 Lecture: "Malcolm X: From Apolitical Acolyte to Political Prophet"

Ashbrook Center/Ashland University, Flagstaff, AZ (October 31-November 2, 2019)
 Moderator: Seminar on Lincoln and the American Founding w/Ashbrook Center Graduate Faculty

Ashbrook Center/Ashland University, Washington, DC (October 26, 2019)
 Discussion Leader: Seminar on Lincoln and the American Founding at the NY Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC (where Abraham Lincoln rented a family pew as president)

Constitution Day Panel, Washington and Lee University (September 17, 2019)
 Organizer and panelist: "The 1619 Project, the Spirit of '76, and the U.S. Constitution"

American Political Science Association-Annual Convention, Washington, DC (August 31, 2019)
 Discussant: "Identity and Political Correctness in American Political Thought"

Institute for Responsible Citizenship, Washington, DC (July 23, 2019)
 Lecture: "Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American"

Ashland University, Masters of American History and Government (July 14, 2019)
 Plenary Session Lecture: "Lincoln and the American Founding"

Cosmos Club, Washington, DC (May 17, 2019)
 Lecture: "Lincoln, the Founding, and the Preservation of America"

Natural Law Workshop, California State University-Berkeley School of Law (February 19, 2019)
 Class Lecture: "Lincoln, the American Founding, and Natural Rights"

Panel Discussion, "The Real Martin Luther King," School of Civic and Economic Thought and

Leadership, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (January 22, 2019)

Paper: "Of Color, Character, and the Beloved Community"

Catholic High School, Baton Rouge, LA (January 15, 2019)

Guest Lecture-Skype, 2 class sessions: Ralph Ellison, "In a Strange Country"

Political Theory Institute, American University, DC (November 8, 2018)

Book Panel Discussion: Presentation, "The Political Thought of the Civil War"

American Political Science Association-Annual Convention, Boston (August 31, 2018)

Paper: "Lincoln and the American Founders"

Discussant: "The New Left and Identity Politics"

Abraham Lincoln Institute, Ford's Theatre, DC (March 17, 2018)

Moderator: Speakers' panel, 21st Annual Symposium

Constitutional Studies Program, Notre Dame University (February 21, 2018)

Lecture: "Words Fitly Spoken: Abraham Lincoln & Ralph Ellison as Writers of Social Responsibility"

Kirby Center, Hillsdale College, Washington, DC (February 13, 2018)

Lecture: "Frederick Douglass on Race, Liberty, and American Self-Government"

Liberty Fund Colloquia (1995-2021)

"Great American Debates: *Federalist*/Brutus, Hayne/Webster, & Lincoln/Douglas" (October 7-9, 2021)

"Henry Clay, the American System, and the Politics of Liberty" (February 27-29, 2020)

"American Character" (April 11-14, 2019)

"Grace, Responsibility, and Liberty in Flannery O'Connor's Writings" (November 1-4, 2018)

"American Exceptionalism and the Pursuit of Liberty" (March 9-11, 2018)

"Political Restraint in a Democratic Age: The Presidency of Calvin Coolidge" (December 7-10, 2017)

Discussion Leader, "Liberty & Responsibility in the Political Thought of Douglass" (March 9-12, 2017)

Discussion Leader, "Pursuit of Liberty in Zora Neale Hurston and Ralph Ellison" (July 14-17, 2016)

"Liberty, the Constitution, and Executive Power" (January 21-24, 2016)

"Walker Percy on Alienation, Liberty, and the Modern World" (December 3-6, 2015)

"Liberty, Equality, and Meritocracy" (October 22-25, 2015)

"Liberty, Civil War, and the Reasons Americans Fought" (June 18-20, 2015)

"Liberty and the Color Line in the Post-Civil War Period" (February 6-9, 2014)

Discussion Leader, "Liberty & Responsibility in Ellison and Robert Penn Warren" (April 24-27, 2008)

"Liberty and Responsibility in Faulkner's Snopes Trilogy" (March 16-19, 2006)

"Liberty, Slavery, and the Human Condition" (January 13-16, 2005)

"The Genesis of Liberty" (March 25-28, 2004)

Director, "Liberty, Responsibility, and American Individualism in *Invisible Man*" (Nov. 6-9, 2003)

"Socratic Leadership Seminar" (October 17-19, 2003)

"Moral/Political Liberty in Dostoevsky's *The Devils* & Conrad's *Under Western Eyes*" (May 2-5, 2002)

"Shakespeare and Hume: English Liberty in the Cradle" (July 17-August 4, 2001)

"The Scottish Enlightenment: Liberty, Equality, and Exchange" (June 7-10, 2001)

Director, "Freedom, Servitude, and the Good Life in Literature and Philosophy" (March 1-4, 2001)

"Liberty, Individuality, and Responsibility in the Writings of Frederick Douglass, Booker T.

Washington, W.E.B. Du Bois, and Ralph Ellison" (January 18-21, 2001)

"Religious Liberty and American Constitutionalism" (August 17-20, 2000)

"Progress, Modernity, and Liberty in Flaubert and Cather" (April 16-19, 1998)

"Liberty and the Moral Implications of Wealth" (April 10-13, 1997)

"Individual Liberty and Public Virtue in *Cato's Letters*" (October 17-20, 1996)

"Liberty and Politics in the Writing of C.S. Lewis" (August 17-20, 1995)

2017

Mercer University, Macon, Georgia (November 13, 2017)

Lecture: "Frederick Douglass on Race, Liberty, and the American Creed"

Ashland University, Masters of American History and Government (July 16, 2017)

Plenary Session Lecture: "Frederick Douglass on Race, Liberty, and the American Creed"

Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, MI (May 12, 2017)

Invited Lecture: Remarks upon the dedication of a statue of Frederick Douglass

Morehead St. University, KY (April 10, 2017)

Guest lecture and reading group moderator: “Frederick Douglass”

University of Virginia, Program for Constitutionalism and Democracy

Lecture: “Frederick Douglass on Race, Liberty, and the American Creed” (March 27, 2017)

Washington and Lee University Alumni Gathering (March 2, 2017)

Panelist: Student Association for Black Unity, Panel on Black Lives Matter

Washington and Lee University Alumni Gathering, Winston-Salem, NC (February 19, 2017)

Guest Lecture: “Trump’s Presidency and the Prospects for a Constitutional Reset”

John Chavis Lecture, Washington and Lee University (February 8, 2017)

Co-presenter (with Marc Conner): “The New Territory: Ralph Ellison and the 21st Century”

2016 “The Election and Its Meanings: An Interpretive Panel,” Washington & Lee University (Nov. 17, 2016)

Panelist: “We Have Taken the Measure of Donald Trump—the Next 4 Years Will Take Ours”

“Thinkin’ Like Lincoln,” Kendal at Lexington, VA (October 19, October 26, and November 2, 2016)

Lecturer: “Gettysburg Address,” “Second Inaugural Address,” & “Lincoln and the American Founding”

Princeton University, James Madison Program (September 29, 2016)

Panelist: Book Panel on the Princeton Pre-Read of *Our Declaration* by Danielle Allen

Bill of Rights Institute, Newseum, DC, Summer Seminar for High School Students (July 12, 2016)

Seminar Teacher: The Declaration of Independence and Lincoln’s Defense of the Declaration

Institute for Responsible Citizenship, Washington, DC, Alumni Reunion (June 26, 2016)

Keynote Lecture: “Trusting Our Principles: The Challenge of Racial Exceptionalism”

Library of Congress, Ralph Ellison Library (June 6-7, 2016; May 22, 2014; March 16-17, 2012)

Co-director and participant: Ralph Ellison Seminars I, II, and III

Princeton University, James Madison Program, “Lincoln and American Statesmanship” Conference, (May 16-17, 2016)

Panelist, “From *Redeemer President* to *Redeeming the Great Emancipator*: Allen Guelzo as a Historian of Lincoln’s Ideas”

Institute for Honor Symposium, Washington and Lee University (March 18-19, 2016)

Director and panelist: “The Press and the Presidency: The Battle for Public Opinion in War, Peace, and the Digital Age”

Christopher Newport University, Dean William Parks Colloquium Series (February 22, 2016)

Lecture, “Lincoln, the Founding, and the Preservation of America”

National Archives, Washington, DC (February 18, 2016)

Panel Discussant, “The Relevance of Lincoln”

Rockbridge Christian Academy, Lexington, VA (January 7, 2016)

Guest lecture, “Causes of the Civil War”

2015 Northern Illinois University, Tocqueville Forum—Reflecting on Race (November 19, 2015)

Lecture: “Lincoln, the Founding, and the Preservation of America”

Lincoln Fellows Program, Claremont Institute, Newport Beach, CA (August 2013-2015)

Seminar Teacher: “Lincoln’s Two Greatest Speeches” & “Golden Rule of American Self-Government”

Bill of Rights Institute, Arlington, VA, Summer Seminar for High School Students (July 14, 2015)

Seminar Teacher: The Declaration of Independence and Lincoln’s Defense of the Declaration

Lexington Rotary Club (May 28, 2015): Lecture: Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address

Morgan Library, New York, “Lincoln Speaks” Exhibit (April 28, 2015)

Moderator: Conversation between Historians (Richard Brookhiser and David S. Reynolds)

Marshall University, WV, Amicus Curiae Lecture Series on Constitutional Democracy (April 16)

Lecture: “War and Remembrance in Abraham Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address”

Institute for Honor Symposium, Washington and Lee University (March 20-21, 2015)

Director and panelist: “From Civil War to a Civil Society: Achieving Peace with Honor”

Lincoln Memorial, Washington, DC, “Lincoln’s Lasting Legacy” (March 7, 2015)

Brief Remarks: “Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address”

Luncheon Speech, Willard Hotel: “War and Remembrance in Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address”

National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA (February 12, 2015)

Panel Remarks: “Lincoln’s Legacy and the 13th Amendment”

American Enterprise Institute, Program on American Citizenship (February 12, 2015)

Webcast interview: Frederick Douglass on Lincoln and Emancipation

2014

American Political Science Association (Annual Convention), 1992-2014

Paper (co-author, Carl Michael Scott): “Two Visions of Democratic Culture in Ralph Ellison’s ‘The Little Man at Chehaw Station’” (August 27-30, 2014)

Panelist, “Lincoln, the Constitution, and the Fragile American Republic” (Sept. 2-5, 2010)

Panelist, “Abraham Lincoln: The 200th Anniversary of His Birth” (September 2-6, 2009)

Paper, “The Possibilities & Pitfalls of Political Salvation in Ralph Ellison’s *Juneteenth*” (Sept. 1-4, 2005)

Paper, “Bound for Glory: The Gospel of Racial Reconciliation in Flannery O’Connor” (Sept. 2-5, 2004)

Discussant, “Frederick Douglass’s Natural-Rights Constitutionalism” (August 29, 2003)

Paper, “Slavery, Self-government, and the Good Life in Kazuo Ishiguro’s *The Remains of the Day*” (August 28-September 1, 2002)

Chair/Discussant, “Shelby Steele’s Contribution to Contemporary Political Discourse” (Aug. 31, 2001)

Paper, “Roundtable on Harry V. Jaffa’s *Crisis of the House Divided*” (September 2-5, 1999)

Chair, “The American Literature of Democracy” (August 28-31, 1997)

Paper, “Roundtable on Antonin Scalia’s *A Matter of Interpretation*” (August 28-31, 1997)

Panelist, “Roundtable on Lord Charnwood’s *Abraham Lincoln*” (August 29-September 1, 1996)

Discussant, “Evangelicals and the Natural Law” (September 3-6, 1992)

John Handley High School, Winchester, VA, “An Evening with Lincoln” (November 20, 2014)

Lecture: “War and Remembrance in Abraham Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address”

Supreme Court Historical Society, Leon Silverman Lecture Series, DC (November 13, 2014)

Lecture: “Justice and Justices in Lincoln’s Civil War Presidency”

University of Virginia, Program for Constitutionalism and Democracy

Lecture: “Frederick Douglass on Race, Liberty, and the American Creed” (October 24, 2014)

Institute for Honor Symposium, Washington and Lee University (March 29, 2014)

Class of 1960 Professor of Ethics and Politics Inaugural Lecture: “George Washington and Abraham Lincoln: Honor and the American Presidency”; symposium director and panelist

American Enterprise Institute, Program on American Citizenship (March 18, 2014)

Webcast interview: Lincoln and Slavery

Convocation/Founders’ Day Address, Washington and Lee University (January 20, 2014)

“Ever Mindful of the Past: Building an Honorable Community”

2013

Claremont Institute, New York City (October 17, 2013)

Panel Remarks: “Abraham Lincoln and American Politics 150 Years after the Gettysburg Address”

UCLA, Center for Liberal Arts and Free Institutions (October 10 & 12, 2013)

Lecture: “Ralph Ellison’s ‘In a Strange Country’: The Challenge of American Inclusion”

Discussion Leader: Flannery O’Connor’s short stories

Azusa Pacific University (October 9, 2013)

Koch Distinguished Lecture: Frederick Douglass

Ashland University, Masters of American History and Government (July 14, 2013)

Plenary Session Lecture: “Ralph Ellison and the Civil Rights Movement”

“Civil War on the Homefront,” Alumni College, Washington and Lee University (July 5-6, 2013)

Lectures: “Lincoln and the Gettysburg Address” and “Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address”

Lincoln Group of DC, Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Library, Washington, DC (January 5, 2013)

Panel Remarks: “Lincoln, Emancipation, and a New Birth of Freedom”

- 2012**
- President Lincoln's Cottage at the Soldiers' Home, Washington, DC (January 3, 2013)
Panel Remarks: "Lincoln, Emancipation, and a New Birth of Freedom," Emancipation 150 Panel
- University of Colorado, Colorado Springs (November 13, 2012)
Lecture: "Lincoln, Emancipation, and a New Birth of Freedom"
- Kendal at Lexington, VA (June 5, 2012)
Lecturer: "Frederick Douglass"
- Bridgewater University: (April 10, 2012)
Lincoln Society of Virginia-Lincoln Symposium: "War and Remembrance in Abraham Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address"
- Ralph Ellison Symposium, Washington and Lee University (March 16-17, 2012)
Lecture: "'In a Strange Country': The Challenge of American Inclusion"
- Christopher Newport University, Center for American Studies (February 23, 2012)
Conference Lecture, "Lincoln and the Challenge of American Republicanism"
- 2011**
- Roanoke College, Roanoke, VA (November 2, 2011)
Annual Fowler Lecture: "Lincoln and Race"
- University of Illinois-Springfield (October 13, 2011)
Lincoln Legacy Lecture Series: "War and Remembrance in Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address"
- University of Nebraska, Omaha (September 16, 2011)
Constitution Day Lecture: "Lincoln and the Constitution"
- Montclair State University, NJ (April 18, 2011)
Lecture: "War and Remembrance in Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address"
- Model United Nations, 5th Annual Rockbridge County High School Conference (March 4, 2011)
Opening Address, Washington and Lee University
- Panel Discussion, Washington and Lee University (January 20, 2011)
"President Obama's July 2009 NAACP Speech"
- Panel Discussion, Washington and Lee University (January 16, 2011)
"Reflections on the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr."
- 2010**
- Princeton University, James Madison Program, "Natural Law, Natural Rights, and the American Republic" Conference (May 17-18, 2010)
Panelist, "Lincoln and Natural Rights"
- "Lincoln's Greatest Hits," Kendal at Lexington, VA (January 14, 21, and 28, 2010)
Lecturer: "Lincoln and Union," "Lincoln and Emancipation," and "Lincoln and Reconstruction"
- 2009**
- "UCLA Celebrates Lincoln," UCLA (November 20, 2009)
Lecture: "War and Remembrance in Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address"
- Eastern University, PA, "The Last Best Hope of Earth: A Symposium on the Bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's Birth" (October 24, 2009)
Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation"
- Skidmore College, New York (October 16, 2009)
Lecture: "Lincoln and the Constitution: A Unionist for the Sake of Liberty"
- "Lincoln for the Ages" Conference, Washington and Lee University (September 25-26, 2009)
Conference Director and Panel Moderator
- Illinois College, Jacksonville, IL (May 10, 2009)
Commencement Speech: "What the Times Require"
- Supreme Court Historical Society, Leon Silverman Lecture Series, DC (April 28, 2009)
Lecture: "Lincoln and the Constitution: A Unionist for the Sake of Liberty"
- Ford's Theatre, "Living Lincoln Series," Washington, DC (April 20, 2009)
Scholars Panel: "Race and Emancipation in the Age of Lincoln"
- Library of Virginia, Richmond, VA (April 4, 2009)
Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation: A Promise Fulfilled"

Houghton College, Houghton, NY (April 2, 2009)

Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation: A Promise Fulfilled"

Library of Congress, Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Symposium, DC (March 4, 2009)

Paper: "'That Disturbing Element': Lincoln, Race, and the Spirit of '76"

University of Pennsylvania (February 19, 2009)

Black History Month Lecture: "Abraham Lincoln: Pragmatic Politician or Inspired Prophet?"

Villanova University, PA, "The Better Angels of Our Nature" Conference (February 12-13, 2009)

Paper: "Abraham Lincoln: A Unionist for the Sake of Liberty"

Circa History Guild, Alpharetta, GA (February 6, 2009)

Lecture: "Lincoln, Race, and the Spirit of '76"

2008

Panel Discussion, Washington and Lee University (October 27, 2008)

"The Obama Candidacy: What Does it Mean to (Black) America?"

Emporia State University, KS, Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Symposium (October 13, 2008)

Zimmerman Memorial Lecture: "Race, Slavery, and the Spirit of '76 in the Lincoln-Douglas Debates"

Undergraduate Summer Scholars Program, Washington and Lee University (July 2006-08)

Seminar: "The *Dred Scott* Dissents: Of Slavery, Self-government, and the Public Mind"

Congressional Academy for American History and Civics, Gettysburg Hotel, PA (July 8, 2008)

Lecture: "Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation"

Princeton University, Lehrman American Studies Center/ISI, Summer Institute (June 14, 2008)

Lecture: "Liberty as a Principle: How Lincoln Reclaimed the Spirit of '76"

Christopher Newport University, VA, Program in Faith and Politics (March 6, 2008)

Distinguished Speakers Series, Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation: A Promise Fulfilled"

Heritage Foundation, DC, Black History Month Lecture (February 12, 2008)

Lecture: "Race, Memory, and the American Creed: The Challenge of Black History Month"

2007

University of Virginia, Program for Constitutionalism and Democracy

Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation: A Promise Fulfilled" (November 2, 2007)

Lecture: "Lincoln and the Challenge of American Republicanism" (March 30, 2007)

University of Alaska-Anchorage, Polaris Lecture Series (October 11, 2007)

Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation"

"The Life and Times of Abraham Lincoln," Washington and Lee University (July 1-6, 2007)

Alumni College, Lead Lecturer:

- "Lincoln's Place in American History: Still 'Of the People, By the People, For the People'?"
- "The Lincoln-Douglas Debates: Defining How a Majority Rules"
- "The First and Second Inaugural Addresses: Preserving the Union, Restoring the Union"
- "Lincoln the Writer"

University of Kentucky College of Law, Federalist Society Chapter (April 10, 2007)

Lecture: "Lincoln's Legacy as a Lawyer and President: Looking to, and Beyond, the Constitution"

Frederick (Md.) Historic Sites Consortium, Master Docent Series Workshop (Feb. 17, 2007)

Lecture: "*Dred Scott*, Its Dissenters, and the Public Mind"

The Lincoln Group of DC (January 16, 2007)

Lecture: "Lincoln, God, and Emancipation"

2006

Hillsdale College, Center for Constructive Alternatives, "American Novel" Conference (Nov. 15, 2006)

Lecture: "Ralph Ellison, Race, and the American Novel"

Rochester Institute of Technology, NY, "Living in Tocqueville's America" Conference (Oct. 28, 2006)

Lecture: "Tocqueville and Ellison on Race and Belonging"

Hillsdale College, Dreamers Camp (August 8, 2006)

Lecture: "The Liberal Arts: Learning How to be Free"

Virginia Military Institute, Summer Undergraduate Research Institute Seminar (July 12, 2006)

Lecture: "The *Dred Scott* Dissents: McLean, Curtis, Lincoln, and the Public Mind"

- Supreme Court Historical Society, Leon Silverman Lecture Series, DC (May 11, 2006)
Lecture: "The *Dred Scott* Dissents: McLean, Curtis, Lincoln, and the Public Mind"
- Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission-Scholarly Advisory Board, DC (February 13, 2006)
Panel Discussant, "Lincoln and Race"
- North Carolina State University, Park Scholarships Speaker Series (January 17, 2006)
Lecture: "Ralph Ellison and the Civil Rights Movement"
- 2005**
Kiwanis Club, Lexington, VA (November 29, 2005)
Lecture: "To Be a Constitutional People"
- Knox College, Galesburg, IL, Lincoln Studies Center (September 16, 2005)
Lecture: "Frederick Douglass's Emancipation of Abraham Lincoln"
- Grand Valley State University, Hauenstein Center, Religion and the Presidency" (Nov. 18-19, 2004)
Paper, "Lincoln's Political Religion and Religious Politics"
- 2004**
Philadelphia Society, Fall Meeting, "Black History and Conservative Principles" (Oct. 1-2, 2004)
Paper, "The Diversity of American Individualism in Ralph Ellison's Writings"
- Virginia Military Institute, Spring Lecture for the Friends of Preston Library (April 23, 2004)
Lecture: "Ralph Ellison and the Raft of Hope: A Discussion of the Social and Political Significance of Ralph Ellison and *Invisible Man*"
- Illinois College, Inaugural Symposium, "Religion & the American Civil War" (April 15-16, 2004)
Paper, "Lincoln's Political Religion & Religious Politics"
- Lincoln Club of Delaware, Wilmington, DE, 75th Annual Lincoln Dinner (February 12, 2004)
Keynote Address: "Frederick Douglass's Emancipation of Abraham Lincoln"
- 2003**
Southern Illinois University Law School, "Affirmative Action After the Michigan Decision: A Conversation" (November 18, 2003)
Paper, "The Diversity of American Individualism: Doing Justice to Human Equality and Liberty"
- University of Chicago, "Lincoln and Democracy in America" Conference (May 9-11, 2003)
Lecture: "Lincoln and the Challenge of American Republicanism"
- Abraham Lincoln Institute of the Mid-Atlantic Symposium, Library of Congress, DC (March 22, 2003)
Lecture: "Frederick Douglass's Emancipation of Abraham Lincoln"
- Hillsdale College, "Economic Theories and Controversies" Conference (February 2-7, 2003)
Lecture: "Locke, Lincoln, and American Capitalism"
- 2002**
7th Annual Lincoln Forum Symposium, Gettysburg, PA (November 16-19, 2002)
Lecture: "Lincoln's Political Religion and Religious Politics"
- South Central Modern Language Association, Annual Meeting, TX (October 31-November 2002)
Paper, "Bound for Glory: The Gospel of Racial Reconciliation in Flannery O'Connor"
- "Celebrating Heritage and Culture" Program, Washington and Lee University (February 12, 2002)
Lecture: "America's First Black President? Frederick Douglass on the Lincoln Presidency"
- Ralph Ellison Symposium, Washington and Lee University (Feb. 1-2, 2002)
Director, "*Invisible Man* Turns Fifty: Ralph Ellison and the Literature of American Politics"
Chair, "*Invisible Man* and the Literature of Democratic Responsibility"
Paper, "Ralph Ellison's American Democratic Individualism"
- 2001**
Saint Vincent College, PA, Government and Political Education Lecture (November 7, 2001)
Lecture: "Ralph Ellison's America: On the Politics of Prejudice, Perseverance, and Possibility"
- "Heroes in Memoriam: Remembering Robert E. Lee," Washington and Lee University (Oct. 12, 2001)
Panel Remarks: "Abraham Lincoln and the Crucible of American Memory"
- Lincoln Memorial University, TN, Abraham Lincoln Symposium (April 26-28, 2001)
Lecture: "Abraham Lincoln as the First Black President? Frederick Douglass on Lincoln's Presidency"
- 2000**
Ashland University, OH, John M. Ashbrook Center for Public Affairs
Lecture: "Lincoln's Sacred Effort: Religion's Role in American Self-Government" (October 13, 2000)
Lecture: "Charnwood's *Life of Lincoln*" (March 7, 1998)

- 1998** Abraham Lincoln Association Annual Symposium, Springfield, IL (February 12, 1998)
Lecture: "Lincoln Among the Reformers: Tempering the Temperance Movement"
- 1997** University of Virginia, Miller Center of Public Affairs (June 13, 1997)
Lecture: "Religious Rhetoric in Abraham Lincoln's Statesmanship"
Arkansas Political Science Association, Annual Meeting (Feb. 21, 1997)
Paper, "Self-government as Political Subtext in Kazuo Ishiguro's *Remains of the Day*"
- 1993** Heritage Foundation, Salvatori Center for Academic Leadership
"Foundations of American Liberty" Colloquium (July 11-20, 1993)
- Seminars for High School Teachers 2004-2021** Webinars, Ashbrook Center-Ashland University
Discussion Leader: Abolition and Pro-Slavery Documents (November 13, 2021)
Discussion Leader: Lincoln, "Fragment on the Constitution and Union" (August 28, 2021)
Discussion Leader: Lincoln, "Fragment on the Constitution and Union" (August 3, 2021)
- Wisconsin Council for the Social Studies (December 16, 2020)
Lecture: "The 1619 Project: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly"
Newberry Library, Chicago, IL (August 11, 2020)
Webinars: "The Founders and Race" and "Lincoln and Race"
Weekend Seminar, Ashbrook Center-Ashland University, Philips Collection, DC (Aug. 6-8, 2021)
Discussion Leader: Jacob Lawrence, "The American Struggle" Exhibit
Pace University/Gilder-Lehrman Institute (June 17-July 13, 2020)
Question/Answer Meetings, 6 Sessions: "Race and Equality in America" (July 26-28, 2021)
Constituting America (June 16, 2020)
Co-Panelist: *Federalist* No. 39 (Democracies vs. Republics)
Ashbrook Center/Ashland University, One-Day Seminar in Richmond, VA (October 23, 2019)
Discussion Leader: "Causes of the Civil War" with 21 K-12 teachers
Visions of America, Center for the History of Liberty, Norman, OK (June 14-16, 2019)
Lecture: "Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American"
Panelist: "How to Use Literature to Teach History" (Ralph Ellison and Colson Whitehead)
Bill of Rights Institute, High School Teacher Workshop, Arlington, VA (February 8-10, 2019)
Discussion Leader: Frederick Douglass's speeches and writings; 16 history teachers
Ashbrook Center, Ashland University Online Webinars for High School Teachers (2014-2021)
Co-teacher: "A House Divided: The Constitutional Crisis of the Civil War," May 12, 2021
Discussion Leader: Martin Luther King, Jr., "Letter from a Birmingham Jail," April 21, 2021
Discussion Leader: "Abraham Lincoln: Philosopher Statesman" (3 sessions), April 10, 2021
Discussion Leader: "American Mind: Frederick Douglass," March 31, 2021
Co-teacher: "Emancipation Proclamation," March 17, 2021
Co-teacher: "Lincoln's Fragment on the Constitution and Union," January 16, 2021
Co-teacher: Civil War and Reconstruction (2 sessions), May 16, 2020
Co-teacher: "Ralph Ellison," May 2, 2020
Ashbrook Student Scholars Program, "Ralph Ellison," Ashland University, February 8, 2020
Co-teacher: "Lincoln, Fragment on the Constitution and Union," January 22, 2020
Co-teacher: "Frederick Douglass," January 11, 2020
Co-teacher: "Martin Luther King Jr. vs. Malcolm X," April 6, 2019
Co-teacher: "Abraham Lincoln vs. Stephen Douglas," December 1, 2018
Co-teacher: "Frederick Douglass cf. William Lloyd Garrison," November 10, 2018
Co-teacher: "Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, and Marcus Garvey," April 18, 2018
Co-teacher: "Letter from a Birmingham Jail," February 15, 2017 (62 high school teachers)
Co-teacher: "*Dred Scott v. Sandford*," October 15, 2016 (100 teachers)
Co-teacher: "American Presidents: Abraham Lincoln," December 12, 2015 (40-50 teachers)
Co-teacher: "Was the Constitution Pro-Slavery or Anti-Slavery?" October 25, 2014 (60 teachers)
Lead Teacher: "Slavery and the Civil War," February 22, 2014 (80-100 teachers)

Master of American History and Government, John M. Ashbrook Center, Ashland University

“Great American Texts: Ralph Ellison” (July 11-16, 2021; July 14-19, 2019)
 “Sectionalism & Civil War”: 2-credit seminar for high school teachers (2002-06, 2011, 2021)
 “Civil War & Reconstruction”: Co-instructor (Summers: 2008-10, 2012-16, 2020)
 “The Great Triumvirate,” John C. Calhoun lectures: Co-instructor (April 2020)
 “Civil War Literature”: Co-instructor (July 7-12, 2019)
 “Great American Texts: Lincoln” (July 15-20, 2018 and July 16-21, 2017)
 “History and Literature: Race and Equality”: Co-instructor (July 11-13, 2018; July 11-14, 2017)
 “Civil War & Reconstruction”: Co-instructor, week-long seminar (2008-10; 2012-16)
 “Race & Equality in America”: Co-instructor, week-long seminar, high school teachers (2003-12)
 “Lincoln & the Civil War”: Weekend seminar instructor for high school teachers (March 8, 1998)
 [formerly NEH Summer Institutes, “Teaching American History”]

Bill of Rights Institute, High School Teacher Workshop, Wichita, KS (June 8-10, 2018)

Discussion Leader: Frederick Douglass’s speeches and writings; 16 history teachers

Liberty Fund/Ashbrook Center Colloquium, Springfield, IL

Discussion Leader: Lincoln, Slavery, and the Constitution (Oct. 12-14, 2018; Oct. 13-15, 2017;
 April 1-3, 2016; May 29-31, 2015; Jan. 30-Feb. 2, 2015; Dec. 5-7, 2014; March 1-3, 2013)

Liberty Fund/McConnell Center (University of Louisville, KY), Cincinnati, OH

Discussion Leader: Lincoln, Slavery, and the Constitution (Feb. 1-4, 2018; Jan. 30-Feb. 2, 2014)

Ashland University, Saturday Seminar, Ashbrook Center

Discussion Leader: Lincoln’s speeches and writings

Palm Beach, FL (Feb. 25, 2017); Ford’s Theatre, Washington, DC (Jan. 16, 2016);
 Ashland, OH (April 25, 2015); and Escambia, FL (August 29, 2015)

Christopher Newport University, Workshop on American Representative Government (July 29, 2017)

Seminar Leader: Representative Government in Theory and Practice

Lincoln Cottage, Washington, DC, Alleghany Foundation/Ashbrook Center Colloquium

Discussion Leader: Lincoln, Slavery, and the Constitution (April 29-May 1, 2016)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” Gilder-Lehrman Institute/Wichita, KS Public Schools

Discussion Leader: Reconstruction, 2 sessions, high school teachers (December 12, 2014)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” Gilder-Lehrman Institute, Tulsa, OK (April 19-20, 2013)

Directed a seminar on Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass

“Teaching American History Workshop,” Gilder-Lehrman Institute, Washington, D.C (June 13, 2012)

Directed a Newseum seminar for Tulsa high school teachers on Civil Rights & Freedom of the Press

Presidential Academy for American History and Civics, Ashbrook Center, Ashland University

“The American Revolution, the Civil War, and the Civil Rights Movement”—

(Philadelphia, Gettysburg and Washington, DC) <http://presidentialacademy.org/>

Director and co-instructor for 55-60 high school teachers from across the U.S. (July 2006-July 2011)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” University of Nebraska, Omaha

Directed a seminar for high school teachers on Race, Citizenship, and the Constitution (Sept. 16, 2011)

Hillsdale Center for Teacher Excellence, hosted by Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, TN

Seminar: “Lincoln vs. Taney: *Dred Scott* and the Moral Meaning of the Founding” (Oct. 8, 2010)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” NEH Workshop/St. Louis, Missouri

Directed a seminar for high school teachers on Lincoln’s 2nd Inaugural Address (June 17, 2010)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” Gilder-Lehrman Institute/Des Moines Public Schools

Directed a 3-day seminar for teachers on Civil Rights and the Constitution (June 14-16, 2010)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” Gilder-Lehrman Institute/NYC Dept of Education

Directed a two-day seminar for high school teachers on Civil Rights and the Constitution in the 20th Century (April 14-15, 2009)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” Gilder-Lehrman Institute/NYC Dept of Education

Keynote lecture, “Rights and Responsibilities in American History: Race & Identity” (Nov. 4, 2008)

“Teaching American History Workshop,” James Madison Program, Princeton University
Lecture: “American Dream or Nightmare? Martin Luther King, Jr., and Malcolm X on the Black Experience in America” for Millburn New Jersey Consortium (September 24, 2008) and Mercer County Consortium (September 25, 2008)

“Teaching American History in Indiana,” sponsored by the James Madison Program
Co-directed a two-day seminar for high school teachers in Anderson, Indiana: “*Uncle Tom’s Cabin* and the Writings of Abraham Lincoln” (March 3-4, 2008)

“Teaching American History Series,” University of Alaska-Anchorage
Keynote lecture, “Lincoln, God, and Emancipation,” and workshop leader for weekend seminar on Abraham Lincoln for high school teachers (October 11-13, 2007)

“Teaching American History in Delaware,” Raymond Wolters, Director, University of Delaware
“W.E.B. Du Bois, Martin Luther King Jr., & the American Civil Rights Movement”:
Seminar co-instructor for high school teachers (July 17-22, 2005)

“Abraham Lincoln, Slavery, and Secession: Understanding the Civil War,” Hillsdale College
Hoogland Center for Teacher Excellence: Seminar Series on Teaching American Civics—
Lecture and Discussion, “Lincoln’s Constitutionalism” (July 23-24, 2004)

Manuscript Reviewer *Political Science Reviewer* (2019); *Journal of American Political Thought* (2018, 2017, 2015, 2012); Univ of **Notre Dame** Press (2017); U Press of **Kentucky** (2011, 2007); **Yale** University Press (2008); **Oxford** University P (2005); **Cambridge** University Press (2005); Univ of **Nebraska** Press (2005); *Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association* (2005); **Earhart** Foundation Grant Reviewer (2004)

Dept Review/ Tenure Reviewer External Reviewer: **Wofford College**, Government and International Affairs Department (April 2019)
Brigham Young University, Political Science Department (2011)
Amherst College, American Studies and Black Studies Departments (2005)
Sewanee-The University of the South, Political Science Department (2004)

Opinion- Editorials “Speaking the Truth: Heed the Words of Frederick Douglass” (March 12, 2021), *Persuasion* (online)
“Lincoln, the Founding, and the Rule of Law,” Black Community News-online (Center for Urban Renewal and Education [CURE]) (July 4, 2020)
“Frederick Douglass’s July 4th Oration, 1852,” Black Community News-online (CURE) (July 2, 2020)
“Why Juneteenth is a Uniquely American Holiday,” *Daily Signal* Podcast, Heritage Foundation (June 18, 2020)
Los Angeles Times, “‘Invisible Man’ Helped Americans to See Each Other” (February 29, 2004)
Los Angeles Times, “Ellison’s ‘Invisible’ Still Walk Among Us” (April 14, 2002)
Richmond Times-Dispatch, “Juneteenth: Liberty is Secured by Fits and Starts” (June 19, 2001)
Christian Science Monitor, “Juneteenth: American Democracy in Theory and Practice” (June 19, 2000)

Guest Commentator & Podcasts Free Mind Podcast, Benson Center, University of Colorado-Boulder, CO (September 14, 2021)
Interview: “The Life and Writings of Frederick Douglass”
“The American Idea Podcast, Ashbrook Center, Ashland University, OH (September 22, 2021)
Interview: “Lincoln’s Second Inaugural Address”
“We the People” Podcast, National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA (September 17, 2021)
Panel: “The Legacy of the American Founding”
Bill of Rights Institute, Washington, DC (September 7, 2021)
Interview: Ralph Ellison’s *Invisible Man*
Public Discourse: The Journal of the Witherspoon Institute (online) (August 28, 2021)
Interview: “Fighting for Free Speech on Campus: A Conversation with Lucas Morel”
“The American Idea” Podcast, Ashbrook Center, Ashland University, Ohio (August 25, 2021)
Interview: “What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?”
“We the People” Podcast, National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA (June 19, 2021)
Panel: “Juneteenth”
Liberty Matters-online journal (Liberty Fund, July 2021)
Commentator: “Understanding Jefferson: Slavery, Race, and the Declaration of Independence”

The Jimmy Sensenberger Show (710 KNS) (July 5, 2021)

Guest commentator: “The Declaration of Independence and Frederick Douglass

Academic Freedom Alliance, Panel Discussion (March 11, 2021)

Seth Leibsohn Radio Show (February 12, 2021)

Guest commentator: “Why Lincoln Still Matters”

National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA (November 23, 2020)

Podcast and C-SPAN Broadcast: America’s Town Hall, “Shakespeare and the Making of America”

James Wilson Institute on Natural Rights and the American Founding, DC (November 17, 2020)

Interview: “The 1619 Project and Its Challenge to the American Founding”

Lifelong Learning Series-Alumni College, Washington and Lee University (November 8, 2020)

Panelist: “Monuments and Statues” in “Prejudice, Discrimination & Anti-Racism” Fall Lecture Series

Jack Miller Center, Bala Cynwyd, PA (October 1, 2020)

Panelist: “1619 vs. 1776: Why was America Founded?”

McConnell Center, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY (September 9, 2020)

Podcast: “Lincoln and the American Founding”

Jeff Schatten, “Demystifying Organizations” Podcast (July 15, 2020)

Interview: “Should Washington and Lee Remove Lee from Its Name?”

“America’s Town Hall,” National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA (July 1, 2020)

Podcast (with David Blight): Frederick Douglass; interviewed by Jeffrey Rosen

Interview about the “1619 Project,” National Association of Scholars (November 21, 2019)

Podcast: interviewed by David Randall on my critique of the lead essay by Nikole Hannah-Jones

“Breaking Down the 1619 Project, Pt. 4,” Ricochet Podcast (September 29, 2019)

Podcast: Interviewed by Steve Hayward of Power Line Blog

“Great Books” Discussion of Ralph Ellison’s *Invisible Man* (September 10, 2019)

Podcast: Interviewed by John H. Miller of *National Review*

“We the People” Discussion of Lincoln-Douglas Debates, National Constitution Center (Aug. 23, 2019)

Podcast: Interviewed by Jeffrey Rosen (with Sidney Blumenthal)

Seth Leibsohn Radio Show (November 20, 2018)

Guest commentator on 155th Anniversary of the Gettysburg Address

WFXR Fox 21/27 Morning News (March 20, 2015)

Guest commentator on “150th Anniversary of the Surrender at Appomattox”

Virginia Public Radio, Harrisonburg-WMRA (November 3, 2003)

Guest commentator on “Whose Democracy Is it?”

Virginia Public Radio, Roanoke Station-WVTF (June 19, 2001)

Guest commentator on the “Juneteenth” holiday

Wisconsin Public Radio (December 13, 2000)

Guest commentator on the U.S. Supreme Court ruling *Bush v. Gore* and the 2000 Presidential election

CNN’s “TalkBack Live” (May 30, 2000)

Guest television commentator on the subject, “Was Abraham Lincoln a Racist?”

New Hampshire Public Radio, Harrisonburg Radio Station Link-WMRA (December 16, 1999)

Guest commentator on “Public Financing of Campaigns”: debate on one-hour program, “The Exchange”

Cited in the following newspapers and magazines:

Washington Post Magazine, “The Invisible Manuscript” (August 19, 2007), p. 49

New York Post, “Turning Their Barack on GOP” (June 7, 2007)-online

New Yorker, “Angels and Ages: Lincoln’s Language and Its Legacy” (May 28, 2007), p. 34

New Yorker, “The Conciliator: Where is Barack Obama Coming From?” (May 7, 2007), p. 53

Honors, Grants, & Fellowships

Appointment to the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission: member of 33-person committee that will plan the July 2026 celebration of the 250th anniversary of the birth of America; commission created by Congress (H.R. 4875; Pub. L. 114-196) and signed into law by President Obama (July 22, 2016)

Honorary member, Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), inducted January 2016

Honorary degree, Illinois College (May 10, 2009)

Commencement Speech: “What the Times Require”

John K. Boardman, Jr. Professor of Politics, Washington and Lee University July 2020-present

Class of 1960 Professor of Ethics and Politics, Washington and Lee University July 2013-June 2016

Lewis G. John Term Professor, Washington and Lee University July 2010-June 2013

Director, Institute for Honor, Washington and Lee University Fall 2013-Spring 2016

Faculty: Sabbatical Research Support, Washington and Lee University (2020-21)

Lenfest/Glenn Summer Research, Washington & Lee (2000, 2002, 2008-2011, 2013-15, 2017, 2019-20)

James Madison Program, Princeton University, Garwood Visiting Fellow (2008-09)

H.B. Earhart Sabbatical Research Fellow (2004)

Class of '62 Fellow, Washington and Lee University (2003-04)

Pre-Tenure Leave, Washington and Lee University (Fall 2001)

Pew Summer Research Fellow, John Brown University (1997)

Graduate: Henry Salvatori Fellow (1993-95)

H.B. Earhart Research Fellow (1988-89, 1992)

Lynde and Harry Bradley Fellow (1987-88, 1990-91)

Undergraduate: Hughes de Azatlan Scholar (1982-85), Harvey Mudd College (pre-transfer to CMC)

Professional Associations & Service

Abraham Lincoln Association, Board Member (2010-2018)

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, Board of Scholarly Advisors (2007-2010)

Abraham Lincoln Institute, Board Member (current); President (2009-11) and Vice President (2008-09);

Legacy Award Committee Chair (2019-21)

Academic Freedom Alliance, Founding Member and Academic Committee Member (2021-present)

American Political Science Association (current)

C-SPAN 2021 Historians Survey-Presidential Leadership (June 2021)

James Madison Memorial Fellowship Program, Reader (2002)

Journal of American Political Thought, Editorial Board member and external reviewer (2012-2019)

Library of Congress-Civil War Sesquicentennial Exhibition Advisory Committee (2010-2015) and

“With Malice Toward None” Lincoln Exhibition Advisory Committee (2008-2010)

Lincoln Prize Award Jury, Gilder-Lehrman Institute (chair, 2014-15; 2013-14; 2008-09)

Lincoln Studies Center, Knox College, Board of Advisors (2002-06)

Master of Arts in American History & Government Advisory Board, Ashland University (2005-2018)

Nau Book Prize Committee, John L. Nau III Center for Civil War History (2021)

Omicron Delta Kappa, Voting Faculty Member (2017-21); ad hoc committee, review of chapter rituals (fall 2017)

Supreme Court Historical Society, Trustee (2002-present), Book Award Committee (chair, 2014, and 2007), and Publications Committee (2004-present)

U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission: various committees (2017-present)

Washington and Lee University:

Advisory/Tenure & Promotion Committee (Aug. 2021-Jan. 2022; Aug. 2019-May 2020)

Africana Studies Program, Core Faculty (current)

Courses and Degrees Committee (Fall 2009-Spring 2012)