

GARY EDWARD WILSON

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

History Instructor Adjunct – 2006 - 2010, 2021 to present; temporary full-time – 2010 - 2011; full-time – 2011 - 2020, all at College of the Mainland; developed 1301 and 1302 U.S. History (for face to face courses); created online 1301 and 1302 U.S. History courses, as well as Hybrid 1301 and 1302 courses, and master 1301 and 1302 U.S. History courses.

Director, Library (Interim), Lee College; January, 2005 – December, 2005

Dean, Learning Resource Center and Distance Education, Galveston College; August, 2004 – December, 2004; Responsible for the operation of the library, media, print center, tutoring, testing, and distance education; retired after almost 25 years working at Galveston College.

Director of the Learning Resource Center, Galveston College; June, 2003 – 2004; Responsible for the operation of the library, media, print center, and skills enrichment center. Hired manager for the skills enrichment center and assisted in the implementation of an on-line placement exam for students.

Assistant Dean of Library and Media Services, Galveston College; 1985 – 2003; Responsible for the operation of the library, media, and print center. Assisted in the design of a new library, coordinated the conversion from a card catalog to an electronic catalog.

Coordinator of Library Services, Galveston College; 1982 – 1985; Responsible for the operation of the library. Implemented the first computer usage and electronic databases in the library.

Public Services Librarian, Galveston College, 1980 – 1982; Responsible for reference services. Compiled the first subject bibliographies for use by students and faculty.

EDUCATION

Masters of Library Science	University of North Texas	1980
Doctorate of Philosophy (History)	University of North Texas	1979
Masters of Arts (History)	University of North Texas	1975
Bachelor of Arts (History)	Texas Wesleyan College	1971

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (at COM and GC)

Planning Committee (COM)	2011-2012
Technology Educational Resources (COM)	2011-2012
Online Course Review Committee, chair (COM)	2012-
Distance Education Committee (COM)	2012-
Distance Education Executive Committee (COM)	2012-
QEP subcommittee of special events, chair (COM)	2013-
Institutional Effectiveness Committee (COM)	2013

Student Activity Fee Committee (COM)	2014-
History Search Committee (COM)	2014
Library Search Committee (COM)	2015
Academic Affairs Council	2003-2004
Dean's Council	2003-2004
Technology Steering Committee	1988-1999
Employee Compensation Committee	1992-1998
Committee for Instructional Services	1990-2004
(Secretary)	1991-1992
(Chair)	1994, 1996, 1998, 2000-2001
Humanities Committee	1989-1997
Committee for Institutional Effectiveness	1991-1994
Committee on Institutional Effectiveness, Chair	1992-1994
Learning Resources Center Committee, Ex-officio, Galveston College	1981-1990
Council of Academic Library/Learning Resources	1981-2005
(Secretary)	1983
(Chair)	1988
Library Committee	2005
Library Facilities Planning Committee (ad hoc), Chair	1986-1989
Planning Committee	1984-1986
Instructional Technology Committee	1984-1985
Reorganization Committee (ad hoc), Chair	1984
Steering Committee on Self-Study for Southern Association Reaccreditation, editor	1981-1984
Southern Association Visiting Team to Galveston Independent School District Middle Schools	1983
Computer Committee	1983-1984
Curriculum Committee	1982-1983
Public Relations Committee	1982-1984
Employee Benefits Committee	1981-1982
Teaching Fellow Textbook Committee, University of North Texas	1977-1979
History Faculty Library Committee, University of North Texas	1978-1979
History Faculty Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, University of North Texas, Secretary	1978-1979

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

History Assistant Professor	College of the Mainland	2011-present
History Instructor (temporary full-time)	College of the Mainland	2010-2011
History Instructor (Adjunct)	College of the Mainland	2006-2010
History Instructor (part-time)	Texas A&M at Galveston	1984-1985
History Teaching Fellow	University of North Texas	1976-1979
Graduate History Assistant	University of North Texas	1975-1976

PRESENTATIONS/PANELIST

American Intervention Panelist (COM)	2012
Causes of the Civil War Panelist (COM)	2012
Constitution Day Panelist (COM)	2012, 2014

Distance Education Round Table Panelist (COM)	2012
Faculty Brown Bag Presenter (COM)	2012
Speaker, Norwegian Cruise Lines	Summer, 2008-09
Speaker at Second Friday luncheon (Galveston College)	February, 2004
Library Student Orientations (50-100 annually)	1980 – 2005
Guest Lecturer for Humanities Classes (3-5 per semester)	1995 – 2004

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

BPA Judge	2012, 2014
State Employee Charitable Campaign, College Coordinator	2000 – 2004
Galveston Historical Society Member	1982 – 2004
Clear Lake Presbyterian Church (Member)	1988 – present
United Way, Galveston College Coordinator	1991 – 1999
United Way Allocations Committee (Galveston)	1996
First Presbyterian Church, Galveston (Deacon, Elder)	1981 – 1988

HONORS

Recipient of the National Endowment for the Humanities Landmarks Workshop Grant (COM)	2012
Exemplary Online Course Awards (COM)	2011-2014
Exceptional Service Award, Galveston College	1984
Alpha Lambda Sigma (honorary Library Science Society) University of North Texas	1982
Beta Phi Mu (International Library Science Society) University of North Texas	1982
“Most Outstanding History Graduate Student Award” University of North Texas	1978-1979
Phi Alpha Theta (International History Honor Fraternity) University of North Texas	1975
Army Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service	1974
Good Conduct Medal (US Army)	1974
Alumni Scholarship Texas Wesleyan College	1966-1970

FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES

State Employee Charitable Campaign, College Coordinator	2000 – 2004
United Way, Galveston College Coordinator	1991 – 1999
United Way Allocations Committee (Galveston)	1996
TIF (Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Grants)	1999, 2001

PUBLICATIONS

- “COM Professor Traces Story of One World War II Veteran” Galveston Daily News, December 30, 2013, Section B, page 1.
- “James Austin Sylvester” Texas Handbook, Austin: Texas State Library, 1996. Vol. 6, p. 185.
- “Jane Adeline Smith Wilson” ed. Texas Handbook. Austin: Texas State Library, 1996. Vol. 6, pp. 1006-07.

- “The Ordeal of William H. Cowdin and the Officers of the Forty-Second Massachusetts Regiment: Union Prisoners in Texas.” East Texas Historical Journal, number 23 (1985): 16-26.
- “Diary of a Union Prisoner in Texas.” Ed. Southern Studies; An Interdisciplinary Journal of the South, number 1, 23 (spring 1984): 103-19.
- “Fred Killebrew” <http://www.grunt.com/corps/newsletter/9483/>.
- “James Austin Sylvester: Captor of Santa Anna.” Texas Libraries, number 1, 44 (January 1983): 5-7.
- American Hostages in Moslem Nations, 1784-1796; The Public Response.” Journal of the Early Republic, Number 2, 2 (summer 1982); 123-41.
- “The Diary of John S. Tucker: Confederate Soldier from Alabama.” Ed. The Alabama Historical Quarterly, number 1, 43 (spring 1981): 5-33.
- “The First American Hostages in Moslem Nations, 1784-1789.” The American Neptune, number 3, 41 (July 1981): 208-23.
- “Galveston: 19th Century Homes.” Contributor. Galveston Historical Foundation, 7 (spring 1981): 1-32.
- “Hostage Among the Comanche’s: The Ordeal Of Jane Wilson.” Red River Valley Historical Review, number 2, 5 (spring 1980): 4-12.
- “This Isn’t the First U.S.-Moslem Crisis.” Ft. Worth Star Telegram, Tuesday evening, January 15, 1980, p. 15A.

UNPUBLISHED WORKS

- “Galveston College Institutional Self-Study Report, 1984.” Editor, p. 275
- “Galveston College Institutional Self-Study In-House Manual.” Editor, (fall, 1981), p. 27
- “Demagoguery in the Election of 1800.” Master’s Thesis, p. 144
- “American Prisoners in the Barbary Nations, 1784-1816.” Doctoral Dissertation, p. 339
- My Life, Autobiography of Gary Wilson with genealogy and illustrations, p. 310

PAPER READ

- “The First American Prisoners in Algiers, 1784-1796,” Southwestern Social Sciences Convention, Ft. Worth, Texas, spring 1979

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Historical Association
 Organization of American Historians
 Texas Community College Teachers Association
 The Southern Historical Association

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

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| Noncommissioned Officer | U.S. Army | 1971-1974 |
| Frameman (full-time position) | | Southwestern Bell Telephone
1968-1970 |