# Cody H. Smith Curriculum Vitae

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### **EDUCATION**

2014: Oklahoma State University, PhD.: Area Specialties: United States History, American West, Public History. Dissertation Title: "Dust and Metal: Men of the American West in Heavy Metal Music."

2007: University of North Texas, M.A.: Area Specialty: Military History, Minor Specialties: Classical Civilization, Native American History, Texas History.

2004: University of Texas, B.A.: Major: History, Minor: Classical Civilization.

### PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2014-2017: Assistant Professor of History, College of the Mainland (Texas City, TX)

2013-2014: Adjunct Faculty, History Department, Tarrant County College Northwest Campus (Fort Worth, TX)

2007: Adjunct Faculty, History Department, Collin County Community College Preston Ridge Campus (Frisco, TX)

### PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICATION WORK

### **Editorial Board Work**

2014: *The Scabbard and Blade*, a fledgling press/journal/e-journal from the only military organization in the Association of College Honor Societies, Scabbard and Blade. Plan is to have the press and journal operational by January 2015.

#### **Articles**

2012: Smith, Cody H. "Cowboys From Hell: The American Cowboy, Lawman, and Outlaw in Heavy Metal Lyrics." *Journal of the West*, Vol. 50, No. 4 (2011), 44-52.

### **Museum Exhibits**

2011: "Call of Duty: Sports Stars and Servicemen" for the Texas Sports Hall of Fame that showcased Hall members that served in the armed forces. Pictures of the exhibit can be seen online at <a href="https://www.tinyurl.com/TXSHOFCOD">www.tinyurl.com/TXSHOFCOD</a>

## **Manuscripts in Submission**

2013: Story idea: "Snowblind: The History of Drugs in Heavy Metal Music Lyrics." Submitted to *Rolling Stone Magazine*.

## **Manuscripts in Preparation**

2013: Buy Me a Beer and I'll Tell You a War Story: Amazing Stories from World War II Servicemen. Edited collection of stories from American service men and women in World War II. Letters have been sent out to prospective authors.

2013: "Run to the Hills!: The Portrayal of the American Indian in Heavy Metal Music." Article for a western or popular culture journal.

2013: "Lost in the Lone Star State: Robert E. Lee in Texas" Article for a Texas, military, or western journal.

### AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS

2013: O.A. Hilton Memorial Scholarship supported by the Raymond Estep History Scholarship Fund (\$2000), Oklahoma State University History Department, for excellence in a scholarly paper.

2012: Robberson Trust Summer Dissertation Fellowship (\$5,000 + 6 credit hours), Oklahoma State University Graduate School, for outstanding post-comp, doctoral students.

2012: O.A. Hilton Scholarship Award (\$1400), Oklahoma State University History Department, for excellence in a scholarly paper.

2010: Berlin B. Chapman Scholarship (\$500), Oklahoma State University History Department, for excellence in a scholarly paper.

### **INTERNSHIPS**

2011: Texas Sports Hall of Fame, Waco, Texas, Summer Museum Internship working with curator and collections / exhibit department.

### **CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

### **Area Chair**

2015: Area: Music: Traditional, Political, Popular. Southwest Popular / American Culture Association, February 11-14.

# **Papers Pending**

2014: "Reiten mit dem Teufel (Riding with the Devil): German Heavy Metal Music and Representations of the Dalton Gang," Western History Association, October 15-18. (Accepted into conference)

## **Papers Presented**

2014: "Lone Justice: Bass Reeves, the Man that Fit the Clichés of Anthrax's Heavy Metal Version of the American West Lawman," Southwest Popular / American Culture Association, February 19-22.

2013: "You Tell 'Em I'm Coming...And Hell's Coming With Me!: The Earp Brothers in Heavy Metal Lyrics," Missouri Valley History Conference, March 7-9.

2013: "Stone Cold Crazy Horse: The Images and History of Crazy Horse in Heavy Metal Music," Southwest/Texas Popular Culture Association and American Culture Association Conference, February 13-16.

2013: "Lost in the Lone Star State: Robert E. Lee in Texas," Texas Tech History Graduate Student Conference, February 9.

2011: "Run to the Hills!: The Portrayal of the American Indian in Heavy Metal Music," Mid-America Conference on History, September 22-24.

2010: "Cowboys From Hell: The American Cowboy, Lawman, and Outlaw in Heavy Metal Lyrics," Mid-America Conference on History, September 23-25.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# **College of the Mainland (Assistant Professor)**

American History to 1877 (Fall 2014) (Dual Credit – Fall 2014) American History from 1877 (Fall 2014)

# **Tarrant County College District (Adjunct)**

American History to 1877 (Fall 2013, May Semester 2014, Summer 2014) American History from 1877 (Fall 2013)

# Oklahoma State University (PhD Instructing Associate)

Survey of American History (Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014)

# Oklahoma State University (Graduate Associate)

Survey of American History with Discussion Section (Fall 2010, Fall 2011 – two classes) Survey of American History with no Discussion Section (Spring 2011, Spring, 2012)

# Oklahoma State University (Tutor to Student Athletes)

History (Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2010, Fall 2010) Government (Fall 2009)

# **Collin County Community College District (Adjunct)**

American History to 1877 (Fall 2007)

# **University of North Texas (Teaching Assistant)**

Western Civilization to 1500 (Fall 2006, Spring 2007)
American History since 1865 (Spring 2007)
Experimental online American History course (Fall 2007)
History Help Center and History Library (Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007)

### AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

American History Surveys

American Military

American West

Classical Civilizations

Film and History

Military History

Museum Studies

Music and History

Native American History

North American Borderlands

**Public History** 

**Texas History** 

### Western Civilizations

### DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

### **Search Committees**

2013-2014: Student informal sit-in on interview processes for Medieval History, African-American History, and Public History positions, Oklahoma State University.

2006-2007: Student informal sit-in on interview processes for numerous positions including Middle East History, American Military History, and Texas History, University of North Texas.

### HISTORICAL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2012: National History Day, served as a judge for theatrical and video historical presentations.

2011: Texas Sports Hall of Fame, consulted on existing exhibits.

2011: Sheerar Museum of Stillwater History, organized the records of the Payne County Historical Society.

2010: Sheerar Museum of Stillwater History, consulted on existing exhibits and researched new exhibit plans for a grant proposal.

### MEDIA COVERAGE

2011: "Call of Duty: Sports Stars and Servicemen" for the Texas Sports Hall of Fame, KCEN, Waco, Texas.

# PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Council on Public History

Phi Alpha Theta

Texas State Historical Association

University of Texas Exes – Life Member

Western Historical Association

# **LANGUAGES**

# Spanish

Reading: Good-Excellent

Writing: Fair-Good

Speaking: Fair-Good