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Education

University of California, Los Angeles
Ph.D in American History, 2000

- Dissertation: *Suburban Xanadu: The Casino Resort on the Las Vegas Strip, 1945-1978*

University of Pennsylvania | Philadelphia, PA

Bachelor of Arts degrees in Anthropology and History, 1995, *magna cum laude*

Master of Arts degree in American History, 1995

- Masters Thesis: *Reflections in Blue: Jazz and Messianic and Quasi-Religious Movements*

Successfully completed training at Nevada Gaming Control Board Enforcement Academy 03-04,
“Protection of Games,” Spring 2003.

Employment

Director, Center for Gaming Research

University of Nevada Las Vegas

January 2001-present

- Responsible for maintaining and enhancing the Gaming Collection, the world’s largest collection of scholarly research and source documents on gaming and related areas
- Creator and manager of the Center website, <http://gaming.unlv.edu>

Adjunct Professor

Fairleigh Dickinson University- Atlantic City Extension

August-December, 2000

Surveillance Operator

Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort, Atlantic City, NJ

February-December, 2000

Site Director, Teacher, and Private Tutor

The Princeton Review -Los Angeles and Orange Counties, CA; Philadelphia, PA

1997-2000

- Received award for highest student evaluations in franchise, spring 1999

Graduate Student Researcher

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1997-1998

Courses Taught

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- “The History of Gambling.” GAM 495/HIS 498 . University of Nevada Reno, Spring 2008.
- “Economic and Social Aspects of Gaming and Gambling.” ECON 411/611. University of Nevada Reno, Fall 2007.
- “The History of Gambling.” HON 400, Section 3. University of Nevada Las Vegas, Spring 2007.
- “Writing True: Creative Non-Fiction.” Workshop at Winter Getaway, Cape May, New Jersey, January 2007.
- “United States History, Colonial Period to 1865.” HIS 101, Sections 11, 13. University of Nevada Las Vegas, Spring 2004.
- “Nevada and the Far West.” HIS 404. University of Nevada Las Vegas, Fall 2003.
- “History of Casino Gaming in the United States.” HMD 376b. University of Nevada Las Vegas, Fall 2003.
- “Hospitality Security and Asset Protection.” HMD 410. University of Nevada Las Vegas, Spring 2003.
- “History of Casino Gaming in the United States.” HMD 376b. University of Nevada Las Vegas, Fall 2002.
- “Communications for the Casino Management Professional.” Fairleigh Dickinson University, Atlantic City Extension, Fall 2000.
- “History of Casino Gaming in the United States.” Fairleigh Dickinson University, Atlantic City Extension, Fall 2000.
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Las Vegas Hilton (Colony Capital, LLC)

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New Wave Entertainment

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Publications

Books

Roll the Bones: The History of Gambling. New York: Gotham Books, 2006.

Cutting the Wire: Gambling Prohibition and the Internet. Reno: University of Nevada Press, 2005.

Suburban Xanadu: The Casino Resort on the Las Vegas Strip and Beyond. New York: Routledge, 2003.

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- “Ambient Frontiers: The El Rancho and Hotel Last Frontier: Strip Pioneers.” *eGambling: The Electronic Journal of Gaming Issues*, no. 3. (February 2001)
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- “Portrait of a Jazz Virtuoso: The Life, Music, and Legacy of Jimmy Blanton.” *Penn History Review* 2, no. 1 (June 1994). 1-7.

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“Gaming Art Gallery,” University of Nevada Las Vegas. URL:
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Presentations

Academic Conferences

“Penny Wise, Player Foolish? State Regulation, Slot Hold, and Consumer Preference.”
Association of Private Enterprise Educators Annual Conference. Las Vegas, Nevada, April
2010.

“Brush with Gruffness: Dealing with Difficult Interviewees.” Southwest Oral History
Association Annual Conference. Boulder City, Nevada. April 2010.

“Studying Gambling: Resources and Strategies.” Panel moderator, 14th International Conference on Gaming and Risk-Taking. Lake Tahoe, Nevada. May 2009.

“Analyzing Poker.” Panel moderator, 14th International Conference on Gaming and Risk-Taking. Lake Tahoe, Nevada. May 2009.

“No More Full House: How Nevada Bounced Back in the 1980s.” Presented at 14th International Conference on Gaming and Risk-Taking. Lake Tahoe, Nevada. May 2009.

“Different Audiences, Different Approaches: Teaching Gambling Across the Colleges.” Presented at 14th International Conference on Gaming and Risk-Taking. Lake Tahoe, Nevada. May 2009.

Conferee, “Autonomy and Entanglement in Homer’s Odyssey.” Sponsored by the Liberty Fund. Hermosa Beach, California. May 2009.

“Casino Culture for Anthropologists.” Keynote address, Society for Cross-Cultural Research Annual Conference. Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2009.

Conferee, “Property Rights and the Environment.” Sponsored by the Liberty Fund and PERC. Big Sky, Montana. September 2008.

“Free Market Casinos? Casino Regulation, Consumer Confidence, and Barriers to Entry.” Association for Private Enterprise Education 2008 conference. Las Vegas, Nevada. April 2008.

Conferee, “The Place of Liberty in the Processes of Economic and Institutional Change.” Sponsored by the Liberty Fund. Hermosa Beach, California. November 2007.

“The Revolutionary Ridotto.” Presented at 13th International Conference on Gaming and Risk-Taking. Lake Tahoe, Nevada. May 2006.

“The Life of a Carnival Con Artist: Honest John Kelly.” Presented at 2006 Far West Popular and American Culture Associations Conference. Las Vegas, Nevada, January 2006.

“Author Meets Critics: David G. Schwartz, Cutting the Wire.” 2005 Social Science History Association Conference. Portland, Oregon, November 2005.

“Art for Gamblers’ Feet: Casino Carpet from Coast to Coast.” Presented at 2005 Far West Popular and American Culture Associations Conference. Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2005.

“Creating a Gaming Destination: Lessons from Monte Carlo, Las Vegas, and Atlantic City.” Closing Keynote address, International Conference on Gaming Industry and Public Welfare. Macau, China. December 2004.

Part of roundtable, “The Influence of Eric Monkkonen on Criminal Justice History.” 29th Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association. Chicago, Illinois. November 2004.

- “The Inherently Global Business of Gaming.” Managing Globalization conference sponsored by University of Southern Mississippi. Long Beach, Mississippi. October 2004.
- “Moving the Line: A Post-Frontier Re-interpretation of American Gaming.” Presentation at 2004 Western History Association Annual Meeting. Las Vegas, Nevada. October 2004.
- “Suburban Xanadu: The Rise of the Las Vegas Strip and Urban Redevelopment.” Presentation at 2004 Western Political Science Association Conference. Portland, Oregon. March 2004.
- “Culture of Chance.” Presentation at Nevada Library Association/Mountain Plains Library Association Conference 2003. Lake Tahoe, Nevada. November 2003.
- “Creating an Enduring Tribute.” Presentation at the 12th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking. Vancouver, BC, Canada. May 2003.
- “Graduate Gaming Research.” Symposium chaired at the 12th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking. Vancouver, BC, Canada. May 2003.
- "God is Still in Control: Analyzing a Real Memorial at a Faux New York." Presentation at the 2003 Popular Culture Association/American Cultural Association National Conference. New Orleans, LA. April 2003.
- "Booking for the Marks: The Shared Carnival Roots of Casino Gambling and Professional Wrestling." Luncheon Keynote Address, 2003 Far West Popular Culture Association Conference. Las Vegas, NV, February 2003.
- “Frank Sinatra and the Cool Consensus: Looking at the Rat Pack, Race, and America.” 34th Annual Conference, American Italian Historical Association. Las Vegas, NV, October 2001.
- “Welcome to Paradise.” 11th International Conference on Gambling and Risk-Taking, Las Vegas, NV. June 2000
- “A Fun Night Out: Shifting Cultural Constructions of Gambling, the Slot Machine, and the Casino Resort.” 10th International Conference on Gambling and Risk-Taking, Montreal, Canada, May 1997.

Gaming and Professional Conferences

- “Creating Identity: Using F & B as a Marketing Tool.” Panelist. Global Gaming Expo. Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2009.
- “Research and Ethnic Marketing.” Co-presented with Bill Zender at Player Development Summit/Casino Marketing Conference 2009. Las Vegas, Nevada, July 2009.
- “Las Vegas, Gaming, and the New Media.” The Digital Future Is Now Business Seminar, Presented by CBSRadio Digital Media. Las Vegas, Nevada, May 2009.

“Analyzing the Costs and Benefits.” NCRG at the Global Gaming Expo. Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2008.

“Retail, Dining, and Entertainment: Striking a Balance.” Global Gaming Expo. Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2008.

“The Long Game: Gambling, Technology, and Change.” Server-Based Gaming for Casinos USA. Las Vegas, Nevada. June 2008.

“The Over/Under of Gaming Regulation.” American Bar Association Section of Administrative and Regulatory Law, Spring Meeting. Las Vegas, Nevada. April 2008.

Panel Moderator, “Gaming Expansion: Push and Pull Factors in 2008 and Beyond.” Global Gaming Expo. Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2007.

Panel Member, “The Casino Real Estate Macro Discussion.” Casino Real Estate conference. Las Vegas, Nevada, June 2007.

Panel Member, “The Las Vegas Panel.” Casino Real Estate conference. Las Vegas, Nevada, June 2007.

“Player Loyalty: Lessons from Gambling History.” Chair’s address for Casino Marketing: Creating Effective Player Loyalty Programs, Marketing, and Sponsorships. Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2007.

“Casino Marketing: Ancient History, Yesterday, and Today.” Paper given in seminar on casino marketing at the Global Gaming Expo. Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2006.

“Looking to the Future: The Wire Act and Internet Gaming.” Session chaired at Global Gaming Expo, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2005.

“Legal Limbo: The Wire Act and Internet Gaming.” Session chaired at Global Gaming Expo, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2004.

“The Federalization of Gaming: A Historical Perspective.” Paper given in seminar on the federal regulation of Internet gaming at the Global Gaming Expo. Las Vegas, NV September 2003.

"History of World Gaming, with a Focus on Australia." Chairman's address at 12th Annual Gaming and Casinos Australia Conference. Gold Coast, Australia, March, 2003.

"History of Gaming and Casinos." Chairman's address at 7th Annual Gaming and Casinos Asia Pacific Conference. Singapore, June, 2002.

“The Buggy Myth” Paper presented at 23rd Annual Conference of the Southwest/Texas Popular Culture Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico. February 2002.

“Gaming History: Asset or Liability?” Seminar delivered at Global Gaming Expo Training and Development Institute. Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2001.

“History of the Las Vegas Strip.” Lecture delivered at ALI-ABA Course of Study Conference "The Gaming Industry: Current Legal, Regulatory, and Social Issues." Las Vegas, NV, March 2001.

Legislative Testimony

Committee on Business Regulation, Florida House of Representatives. Workshop on HJR 471. Tallahassee, Florida, March 29, 2007.

Committee to Study Gaming Options for New Hampshire. Special joint legislative committee. Concord, New Hampshire, October 11, 2005.

Guest Lectures

“Casino History in Las Vegas.” Guest Lecture for Transylvania University, visiting class in Las Vegas, May 2010.

“History of Casino Design.” Guest Lecture for undergraduate design students, Concordia University (Montreal, Canada). Las Vegas, Nevada, May 2010.

“Las Vegas Casinos: History and Current Practices.” Guest Lecture for visiting Sociology of Gambling class, George Brown College (Toronto, Ontario). Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2010.

“Interactive Gambling History.” Guest Lecture for SOC 442: Sociology of Gambling. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, September 2009.

“The Industry: Historical and Statistical Background.” Lecture for KDI group. Las Vegas, Nevada, July 2009.

“Gambling Research: The Essential Resources.” Talk for UNLV Gaming Management Association. Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2009.

“From Cowboys to Caesars: The Evolution of Visual Culture on the Las Vegas Strip.” Visual Culture Group. Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2009.

“Gambling: Past, Present, and Future.” Gaming Regulators Symposium. Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2009.

“The History and Success of Las Vegas,” Presentation for the Australia Club Managers Tour, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2008.

“They Did It Their Way: How Organized Crime Dominated and Departed the Gambling Business.” First Monday Lecture for Liberty Fund. Indianapolis, Indiana, October 2008.

“Ten Thousand Years of Gambling History in an Hour.” Guest Lecture for SOC 442: Sociology of Gambling. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, September 2008.

Instructor, 1-day gambling history/introduction, University of Macau academic program at UNLV International Gaming Institute. June 2007.

“The History of Casino Hospitality,” Guest Lecture for visiting group from Southern New Hampshire University. March 2008.

Instructor, Kangwon Land Casino academic program at UNLV International Gaming Institute. December 2007.

“The History and Success of Las Vegas,” Presentation for the Australia Club Managers Tour, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2007.

“Gambling and Culture: A Brief Overview.” Presentation for 2007 Anthropology Colloquium Series. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, October 2007.

“Gambling History, Ancient and Recent.” Guest Lecture for SOC 442: Sociology of Gambling. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, September 2007.

“How Las Vegas Draws Tourists.” Presented to visiting class from University of Hanover. July 2007.

“The Past, Present, and Future of Las Vegas.” Ainsworth technology program at UNLV International Gaming Institute. July 2007.

Instructor, University of Macau academic program at UNLV International Gaming Institute. June 2007.

“A Short History of Gambling.” Guest Lecture for Transylvania University, visiting class in Las Vegas, May 2007.

Instructor, Kangwon Land Casino academic program at UNLV International Gaming Institute. May 2007.

“Learning in Las Vegas,” Guest Lecture for January Term 131, St. Mary’s College of California, visiting class in Las Vegas, January 2007.

“The History and Success of Las Vegas,” Presentation for the Australia Club Managers Tour, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2006.

“The History of Poker.” Honors College Athenaeum series. University of Nevada Las Vegas. September 2006.

Instructor, 2006 Casino Resort Academy, sponsored Korean Ministry of Culture and Tourism, Korean Casino Association and RCC company. June 2006.

Instructor, University of Macau academic program at UNLV International Gaming Institute. June 2006.

“Primary Research in Gaming.” Presentation for GAM 474 (Gaming independent study), University of Nevada Las Vegas. January 2006.

“All about Suburban Xanadu” Lecture for History 176 (United States since 1877), University of Missouri, Rolla. November 2005.

“Building a Better Babylon: The Evolution of the Casino Resort.” Lecture for Graduate Lecture Series. University of Nevada Las Vegas. October 2005.

“Getting Started with Gaming Research.” Guest Lecture for HOA 763, Graduate Seminar in Casino Topics. University of Nevada Las Vegas, September 2005.

“History of Las Vegas Gaming.” Guest Lecture for SOC 442: Sociology of Gambling. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, September 2005.

“The Long History of Casinos” for visiting teachers from Macau Casino Career Center. Atlantic City, NJ. February 2005.

“Gambling History. Guest Lecture for ECON 411/611: Casino Gaming. University of Nevada Reno, November 2004.

“History of Gambling.” Guest Lecture for SOC 442: Sociology of Gambling. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, September 2004.

“Getting Started with Gaming Research.” Guest Lecture for HOA 763, Graduate Seminar in Casino Topics. University of Nevada Las Vegas, September 2004.

“Inventing the Las Vegas Strip.” Guest lecture for GEO 312: Viva Las Vegas, Ryerson University class visiting Las Vegas, NV. September 2003.

“Introduction to Gaming Research.” Guest Lecture for HOA 763, Graduate Seminar in Casino Topics. University of Nevada Las Vegas, September 2003.

"Goodfellas or Good Public Relations? Rethinking Las Vegas's Past." University Forum Lecture, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. February 2002.

"How the Casino Resort Destroyed Las Vegas." Guest Lecture for Graduate School of Fine Arts, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA. January, 2002.

“Protecting the Casino.” Guest Lecture delivered for PUA 735 (Public Regulation of Gaming), University of Nevada Las Vegas, October 2001.

“Casino Gaming in Atlantic City, 1978-2001.” Guest lecture delivered to PUA 736 (Public Impacts of Gaming), University of Nevada, Las Vegas. March 2001.

“History of the Casino Resort” Guest lecture delivered to hospitality students at Atlantic County Vocational Technical School, Mays Landing, NJ, December 2000.

“Casino Surveillance and Security” Guest lecture delivered to Casino Management class at School of Hotel Administration, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH. November 2000.

“Gambling History and Public Policy” Guest lecture delivered for Public Policy 10A, University of California, Los Angeles, October 1997.

Community Outreach/Professional Speaking

“Preparing Research for Publication and Presentation.” Presentation for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2010.

“Half-Hour Gambling History.” Presentation for American Technion Society. Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2010.

“What’s Happening in Las Vegas.” Presentation for Israeli business editors. Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2010.

“A Criminal Business: The History of Organized Crime.” Lecture for Elderhostel program, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, February 2010.

“Casinos in Las Vegas.” Talk for Temple Bet Kennesset Bamidbar’s Men’s Club. Las Vegas, Nevada, January 2010.

Featured theme enrichment lecturer, Crystal Serenity’s “Adventures of Tycho” cruise. Venice, Italy, to Athens, Greece, September-October, 2009.

“Seven Things You Should Know About Las Vegas.” Keynote dinner speech, Peace Hawks Reunion 2009, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2009.

“Preparing Research for Publication and Presentation.” Presentation for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, July 2009.

“Inside Special Collections’ Casino Collections.” Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors’ Club Annual Meeting, keynote presentation. Las Vegas, Nevada, June 2009.

“Architecture and Neon in Las Vegas.” Clark County Centennial Roundtable discussion. Las Vegas, Nevada, May 2009.

“Recession Lessons in the Age of Malaise: The 1980s Comeback in Perspective.” Las Vegas Visitors and Convention Authority Leisure Speakers Series. Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2009.

“Three Days That Changed Vegas.” Leadership Henderson. Las Vegas, Nevada. March 2009.

- “Gambling, History, and Technology.” RAY group (Finnish gaming industry). Las Vegas, Nevada. January 2009.
- “Gambling History and Casino Security.” “Professor’s Choice” lecture for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Program. Las Vegas, Nevada. October 2008.
- “Inside the Gaming Collection.” Educational seminar presented at 16th Annual Convention of the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club. Las Vegas, Nevada. June 2008.
- “Seven Quick Things You Should Know About Casinos,” Text and Academic Authors Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, June 2008.
- “Sports Betting in America,” panelist for IRS Advanced Wagering Seminar, Las Vegas, Nevada, May 2008.
- “Seven Things You Should Know About Casinos,” Meritum Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, May 2008.
- “Careers in Academia,” talk for Career Day, Gwendolyn Woolley Elementary School, North Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2008.
- “Gaming—Current Issues in Legislation and Regulation,” panel moderator for Chamber of Commerce program, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2008.
- “Seven Things You Should Know About Casinos,” Presentation Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2008.
- “Preparing Research for Publication and Presentation.” Presentation for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2008.
- “Seven Things You Should Know About Casinos,” Presentation for National Association of Realtors, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2007.
- “Seven Things You Should Know About Casinos,” Presentation for Spring Manufacturers Institute Convention, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2007.
- “Gambling History for the Casino Professional,” executive seminar conducted for Tatts Pokies, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2007.
- “Preparing Research for Publication and Presentation.” Presentation for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2007.
- “From Illegal Gambling to Gaming and Entertainment,” Presentation for Nordic Frontiers, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2006.
- “A Win/Wynn History” Presentation for Suzuki Motor Corporation of America Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2006.

- “Research: Publications and Presentations.” Presentation for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2006.
- “A Brief History of Las Vegas: What Casinos Don’t Want You to Know.” Presentation for the Virginia Transportation Construction Alliance Winter Meeting. January 2006.
- “A Brief History of Gambling.” Lecture sponsored by the University of Missouri, Rolla History and Political Science Department, November 2005.
- “Las Vegas Gaming History.” Lecture for Elderhostel program, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, September 2005.
- “Research: Publications and Presentations.” Presentation for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, April, 2005.
- “What You Don’t Know about Las Vegas Gambling.” Lecture for Elder Hostel program, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, April 2005.
- “Casino Surveillance and Security.” Lecture for Elderhostel program, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, April 2005.
- Panel member for discussion of gambling history, Leadership Las Vegas. Las Vegas, NV. October 2004.
- “Rollers High and Low: The History of Gambling and Las Vegas.” Presentation for Agenda Group. Las Vegas, NV. October 2004.
- “Building a Desert Xanadu: The History of the Las Vegas Strip.” Presentation for 2004 Mensa Annual Gathering. Las Vegas, NV. July 2004.
- “Gambling on the Internet.” Presentation for 2004 Mensa Annual Gathering. Las Vegas, NV. July 2004.
- “Photographic Documentation: The Best Way to Collect Neon?” Presentation at COLLECTING NEON: How, Why, and the Alternatives, sponsored by Nevada State Museum & Historical Society. Las Vegas, NV. April 2004.
- “Leadership and Innovation: The Strip as a Case Study.” Presentation for Service Corps of Retired Executives. Las Vegas, NV. December 2003.
- “How the Strip Became a Road to Success.” Presentation for Palmetto GBA Train the Trainer Seminar. Las Vegas, NV. October 2003.
- “Digital Dice and Virtual Bookies: The Challenges of Online Gaming.” Presentation for Association of Information Technology Professionals meeting. Las Vegas, NV. July 2003.

“UNLV Special Collections for Collectors.” Educational seminar presented at 11th Annual Convention of the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club. Las Vegas, NV. June 2003.

“Gaming’s Impact on Municipalities: Three Case Studies.” Presentation to the Association for Government Leasing and Financing Spring Conference 2003. Las Vegas, NV. May 2003.

"All about the Gaming Collection." Presentation at "Special Collections or Where to Go For the Weird Stuff," a panel sponsored by the Southern District of the Nevada Library Association. Las Vegas, NV. April 2003.

"The Secret History of Las Vegas Casinos." Keynote address, 2003 Western Conference of Painting and Decorating Contractors of America Councils. Las Vegas NV. April 2003.

"Betting on the Wire: How Gambling Has Kept Pace with Communications Technology." Keynote address, Third Annual Research and Ideas Conference, Las Vegas, NV. April 2003.

"Learning the history of Las Vegas." Guest Lecture for Leadership Las Vegas Youth, "Living in Southern Nevada" program, Las Vegas, NV. February, 2003.

“Research Ethics” and “Publishing a Good Research Paper.” Presentations for the UNLV McNair Scholars Institute. Las Vegas, NV, March-April, 2002.

"History of Las Vegas." Guest Lecture for Leadership Las Vegas Youth, "Living in Southern Nevada" program, Las Vegas, NV. February, 2002.

"Growth of Casino Gaming in the United States." Lectures for Elder Hostel program, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. November and December, 2001.

Professional Service

Member, UNLV Faculty Senate Program Review Committee, 2010-

Member, UNLV Libraries Scholarship Criteria Review Committee, 2010

Co-chair, University Libraries Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2009-10

Member, Steering Committee, International Association of Gambling Researchers

Member, UNLV University Grievance Committee, 2008-2010

Member, University Libraries External Relations Committee, 2006-2008

Member, University Libraries Safety Committee, 2006-2007

Member, University Libraries Undergraduate Research Award Committee, 2005-7

Faculty Senator, University of Nevada Las Vegas, 2003-2006

Member, University Libraries Task Force on Faculty Workload, 2005

Mentor and speaker, UNLV McNair Scholars program, 2002-2010

Member, University Leadership Assessment and Campus Affairs committees, 2001-3

Member, University Libraries Professional Development Committee, 2001-2003; co-editor of semi-annual professional development newsletter

Member, search committee for Public Services Librarian in the Humanities, UNLV Libraries, 2002.

Member of Global Gaming Expo 2004 Advisory Board—responsible for liaison between gaming industry tradeshow and academic community.

Associate editor for *UNLV Gaming Research and Review Journal*.

Contributing editor, *Casino Connection*.

Member of Editorial Board, *Gaming Law Review and Economics*.

Member, Neon Museum Acquisitions Committee, Las Vegas, NV, 2001-2003; chair of subcommittee that undertook Neon Survey and administered \$10,000 in grant funds

Member, Las Vegas Centennial Celebration Commission, 2001-2005; advisor for historical issues

Member, Alpha Phi Theta, undergraduate history honor society, 1994-1995

Volunteer for Clark County Reads, an elementary school literacy initiative (www.clarkcountyreads.org)

Member, Las Vegas Track Club Scholarship Committee

Volunteer pace leader, 2006-10 Las Vegas Marathon

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