



**NORTHEASTERN
STATE UNIVERSITY**

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Newsletter
August 2023



Welcome to a New Academic Year



Welcome to another academic year at Northeastern State University. Our department, like others on campus, is always changing, growing, and looking for new ways to educate, inspire, and serve our students and the community.

This newsletter highlights student and faculty accomplishments from last year and what we are looking forward to the coming year.

We offer degrees in History and Social Studies Education along with a new Public History Certificate.

Please stop by and visit the department, we are located on the second floor of Wilson Hall. We would be delighted to see you. The latest information on department events and news is available on social media! Follow us on Facebook and Twitter or visit our website at <https://academics.nsuok.edu/history/default.aspx>

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New This Fall

Certificate in Public History



Department of History



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2020 – 2030

Certificate in Public History

Want to major in history?

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*Public History careers
might be right for you!*

Public History Certificate (12 credits)! This certificate enables students to be career-ready in often public-facing careers such as those in museums, archives, historic sites, historic preservation, and libraries. All of these workforce paths are in demand and with this multidisciplinary certificate students will be well prepared for their future endeavors.

To learn more visit https://academics.nsuok.edu/history/certificate_public_history/default.aspx

You can also visit with Dr. Michelle M. Martin, the coordinator of the Public History certificate program. She is located in 223 Wilson Hall. You can also reach her by email at marti328@nsuok.edu or at 918-444-5511.

Student Centered Research

The Mapping Tahlequah History Project is funded by a NEH Grant and co-directed by Dr. Corcoran, Dr. McIntosh (Geography), and Dr. King (OU). This project has employed seven NSU students. In April 2023 Mapping Tahlequah History held a Citizen Scholar Experience event that featured tours and speakers.

Follow MTH on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/MappingTahlequahHistory/>

MAPPING TAHLEQUAH HISTORY PRESENTS
A MAP-CENTRIC CITIZEN SCHOLAR EXPERIENCE

**MONDAY, APRIL 10
9 AM - 5 PM**

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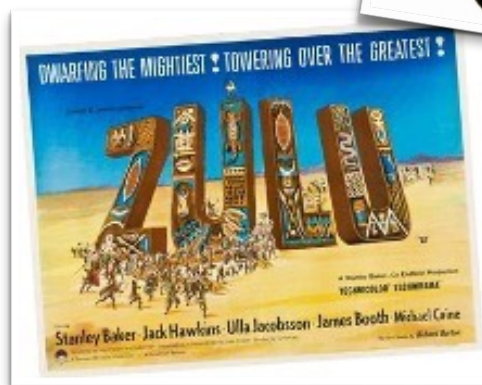
In April 2023, Dr. Corcoran collaborated with the Oklahoma History Center to organize 2023 History Day at NSU, the Region 6 competition for Oklahoma National History Day. He brought 108 secondary school students to campus to compete in a range of categories around the year's theme.

NHD
NATIONAL
HISTORY DAY®

*Lights... Camera...
Action... History!*

This past year history students participated in the department's Movie and Pizza Nights with Dr. Vovchenko. Students watched *Zulu* (1964), *The Darkest Hour* (2012), and *12 Years a Slave* (2013).

Follow our social media channels and visit us in the department for more information on this year's Movie and Pizza Nights!



Honor Societies

In April, three students were inducted into Phi Alpha Theta, American honor society for history.

Fifteen students were inducted into Pi Gamma Mu, international honor society in Social Sciences.

Three students were inducted into Triota, the Women's Gender, and Sexuality Studies honor society.



Photo: Jason Spears, Abby Baldwin, David Veith and Dr. Vovchenko at Phi Alpha Theta induction.

Student of the Month Recipients



History and Social Studies Education majors are eligible for this monthly award. Nominations may be submitted to Dr. Christine Hallman (hallman@nsuok.edu) by any student or faculty member and are voted on by the History faculty.

Nominations for the next round of awards are due August 31st.

September 2022

Jack Aldridge (History)

October 2022

Jenna Todd (Social Studies Education)

Nov 2022

Jaden McWilliams (Social Studies Education)

January 2023

Madalynn Klinka (History)

February 2023

Noah Franks (History)

March 2023

Isaac Carroll (History)

April 2023

Matt Davis (History)

Adventures in History

Dr. Corcoran's HIST 3883 History of Latin America along with Dr. McIntosh and Dr. Farmer visited Diego Rivera's America Exhibit at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art and ate a Cuban meal at Havana Tropical Grill Restaurant in Rogers, AR.



Dr. Silver's HIST 4503: Old South class (left) toured the Hunter's Home where they focused on Old South memory and public history. Students learned about the process of researching enslaved people who lived and labored there along with the difficulty of reconstructing the past with limited sourcing. Students also realized the need for sites to be as authentic as possible to represent the history of the enslaved people at Hunter's Home.

Vanessa Adams Harris, Director of Outreach and Alliances at the John Hope Franklin Center for Reconciliation (right), addresses students in Dr. Anderson's U.S. History course during a recent visit to Reconciliation Park in Tulsa. Students explored how memories of Greenwood, a historic African American residential and business district, are preserved in the downtown landscape and memorials.



Faculty Accomplishments



Dr. Iain Anderson directed the M.A. in American Studies Program for a fifth year.

Dr. Dave Corcoran participated in the Latin American Talk Series sponsored by Central New Mexico Community College and the Latin American & Iberian Institute of the University in Mexico. His talk was titled 1960s Colombia: Cold War & Culture.

Dr. Suzanne Farmer published an article ““Patterns of Social Relationships and their Outcomes: The Case of Ireland,” and presented “The Stock of a Nation”: The Emergence of Competing Tory Political Economies in Late-Seventeenth-Century England at the Western Conference on British Studies.

Dr. Michelle Martin received the Linda Williams Reese Award for Outstanding Dissertation on Oklahoma History from the Oklahoma Historical Society, and was selected as a Mellon Applied History Fellow at the Center for the American West at the University of Colorado Boulder.

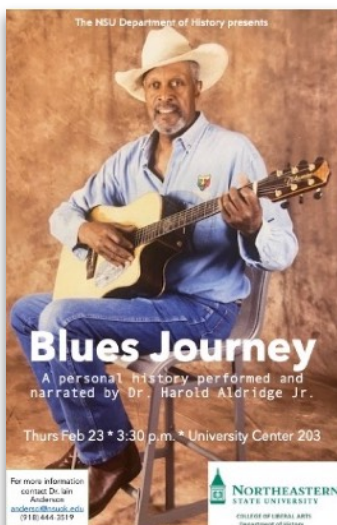
Dr. Lindsay Silver is revising her manuscript *The Life and Death of Kate Townsend: Gender and Power in New Orleans Prostitution, 1858-1883*. She also oversaw two History interns this summer.

Dr. Denis Vovchenko published two articles: “In Search of a Common Enemy: Russo-Turkish Cooperation and Its Discontents (1908-1923)” and “From Ethnic Hatred to Religious Solidarity: the Rise and Fall of Russophobia in Greece (1830-1924).”

Congratulations to Dr. David Corcoran and Mr. Jack Anthony Reavis on their Top 10 Riverhawks Awards!

A Special Thanks to our adjunct faculty who provide an invaluable service to our department! Thank you Mr. Norman Carlisle, Mr. Marcus Edison, Dr. Russell Lawson, Mr. Jack Reavis, and Dr. Arley Ward!

Community Outreach



The department sponsored an evening of historical music and storytelling with Dr. Harold Aldridge, NSU emeritus professor of Psychology. He grew up in Taft, one of Oklahoma's historic all-Black towns and is an author, filmmaker, musician, and horseman.

Dr. Aldridge narrated, played the guitar, and sang songs representative of blues history. Attendees left with a greater appreciation of the variety of American musical tradition and the role the blues played in sustaining communities of color.

Welcome to Our New Faculty

Dr. Lindsay Silver and Dr. Michelle M. Martin



Lindsay Silver joined the department in 2022 and is a Michigan native who spent the last 10 years in the South and the West. She earned her BA in History and MA in American Culture at the University of Michigan-Flint and PhD in American History at Louisiana State University. Dr. Silver joined our department last year. Her current book project, under advance contract with LSU Press is titled: "The Life and Death of Kate Townsend: Gender and Power in New Orleans Prostitution, 1858-1883." Her research interests include intersections of gender, race, and sexuality in American culture during the 19th century. As of summer 2023, she is the internship coordinator for the department.



Joining the department this year is Michelle Martin, a Michigan native. She completed her BA and MA degrees in history at Western Michigan University. From 1997-2015 she taught history at the community college and university levels and worked as a museum professional and historical consultant to the television and film industries in Kansas and Oklahoma. She earned her doctorate in history at the University of New Mexico in 2022. She specializes in Native American History, U.S. West, American History Pre-contact to 1925, Interracial Marriage and Family in North America, and Public History. Her current project explores interracial marriage in the Mvskoke Nation during the Indian Territorial period. Dr. Martin coordinates the Public History certificate program.