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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



The 2025-2026 academic year in the College of Arts & Sciences was marked by many highlights, including student success in the **Stokes School of Marine and Environmental Sciences** (SSoMES), which graduated its first full cohort of marine sciences and environmental and sustainability sciences majors. Forty-eight undergraduates joined 19 graduate students (12 M.S. students and 7 Ph.D. students). Total enrollment in SSoMES was more than 350 undergraduate majors and graduate students. In the **Department of Art & Art History,** Associate Professor **Karl Jahnke** and Assistant Professor **John Hill** led the USA Animation team in multiple successful juried film competitions. For example, for the second year in a row, they won the annual Statewide 48-hour film competition Jury Award. The **Department of Biology's** 12 full-time faculty members oversaw the teaching of 145 lectures/labs, generating more than 14,000 credit hours, with a best practices approach and a focus on undergraduate participation in research. Biology major **Anya Powell** received the prestigious Goldwater Scholarship. In the **Department of Chemistry, Bailey Baxter** was selected for a Goldwater Scholarship, and **Gabe Merchant** was selected for a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship.

In the **Department of Communication, Dr. Jung Hwa Choi,** Interim Chairperson, led a Study Abroad to South Korea. **Dr. George Bovenizer,** Assistant Professor of Broadcast Journalism, was the First Place winner in the "Open Paper Competition" (BEA-Radio and Audio Media Division) i 2026 for his paper "Turning Up the Volume on the Voice of a Black Broadcasting Pioneer: Jocko Maxwell's Con to Sports Radio and Negro Leagues Preservation" at the 2025 Broadcasting Education Association (BEA) 2025 conference. In the **Department of Earth Sciences,** adjunct Meteorology faculty **Mr. Alan Sealls** is serving as President of the American Meteorological Society (AMS), and **Dr. John Lanicci** was elected as Fellow of the AMS and has started his second year on AMS Council. Highlights in the **Department of English** include the publication of Professor **Richard Hillyer's** sixth monograph, *Literary Case Studies in Cowardice: Parolles, Waller, and Hirsch*, published by Palgrave Macmillan. Additionally, English Instructor and sports write **Mr. Zack Davis,** had an article recognized nationally i *This Year's Best Sports Writing*. In the **Department of History, Dr. Henry McKiven's** second book, *The Consequences of Confederate Citizenship: The Civil War Correspondence of Alabama's Pickens Family*, was published by Louisiana State University Press. **Dr. David Messenger,** Chairperson, also published *Civilian Bombing and Civil Defense in the Spanish Civil War: Bombs Along the Mediterranean* with the publisher Palgrave Macmillan.

Faculty members in the **Department of Mathematics & Statistics** published more than thirty peer-reviewed journal articles in addition to book chapters in statistics, applied statistics, combinatorics, algebra, number theory, theory, stochastic control, topology, dynamical systems, mathematical modeling, and interdisciplinary b research. Highlights in the **Department of Modern & Classical Languages & Literature** include **Dr. Susan McCready's** latest scholarly monograph, *Commemorative Acts: French Theatre and the Memory of the Great War*, published by the University of Toronto Press. Faculty members also published numerous peer-reviewed articles and book chapters while presenting research in the United States, Peru, the United Kingdom, Germany, Brazil, and Benin. The **Department of Music** celebrated, in March 2026, the opening of the **Geri and Gordon Moulton Jaguar**

Marching Band Complex, a state-of-the-art facility with full-size practice field. The establishment of the Mobile Big Band and Jimmy Buffett Memorial scholarships are also highlights for the Department. In the **Department of Philosophy,** the new monograph by **Dr. Allan Hillman,** *Leibniz's Moral Universe: from Metaphysics to Ethics*, was published by Palgrave-MacMillan. **Dr. Kevin Meeker,** Chairperson, received the Olivia Rambo McGlothren Outstanding Scholar Award, and he delivered the fall 2025 & Sciences Dean's Lecture titled "Intellectual Progress i the Age of AI."

In the **Department of Physics, Dr. Melanie Cochran, Dr. Martin Frank,** and Chairperson **Dr. Romulus Godang** were named "Top Profs" by the Mortar Board Honor Society. USA Physics faculty were also well represented in service to the professional community. **Dr. Arjun Dahal** and Dr. Godang chaired sessions at the SESAPS meeting. Faculty highlights in the **Department of Political Science & Criminal Justice** include **Dr. Nathan Micatka** authoring peer-reviewed publications in leading journals, including *Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Policy Studies Journal, PLOS One*, and *Social Science Quarterly.* **Dr. Katherine Meeker** published peer-reviewed articles in the *Journal of Criminal Justice* and the *Journal of Crime and Justice*, focusing on sexual assault, focal concerns theory, and bystander intervention. **Dr. Charles K. S. Wu** published peer-reviewed articles in *Global Studies Quarterly* and the *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs.*

Highlights in the **Department of Psychology** included faculty members publishing 74 peer-reviewed articles and five peer-reviewed book chapt **Dr. Molly Schadegg** published 17 peer-reviewed articles. **Dr. Joseph Currier** had 15 peer-reviewed articles and co-edited the *Handbook of training in spiritual and religious competencies in mental health professions*, which Oxford University Press published in fall 2026. **Dr. Phillip Smith** published 12 peer-reviewed articles. In the **Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work, Dr. Shuai Zhou,** Assistant Professor of Sociology, published seven peer-reviewed articles and one peer-reviewed book chapter. **Dr. Lesley Gregoricka,** Professor of Anthropology, published four peer-reviewed articles and two peer-reviewed book chapters. **The Department of Theatre & Dance** featured four productions in 2025-2026: *Charlotte's Web*, directed by **Ms. Christina Johnson,** who also designed the costumes and scenic elements; *The Importance of Being Earnest*, directed by **Mr. John Nara,** with costume design by Ms. Christina Johnson; the musical *Philemon*, directed by Mr. John Nara, with costume design by Ms. Christina Johnson; and, *Skeleton Crew*, directed by Mr. John Nara.

In the 2025-2026 academic year, full-time faculty research production was impressive. Indeed, faculty published seven monographs (one more than the previous year) and 255 peer-reviewed articles (20 more than the previous year). Additionally, they published 26 peer-reviewed book chapters, 20 book reviews, and delivered 495 research papers at national and international academic conferences (92 more than the previous year). 17 faculty members serve as the Editors of peer-reviewed journals while 44 faculty members serve on the editorial boards of peer-reviewed journals.

In 2025-2026, faculty-supervision of student research significantly increased for both undergraduate graduate students in the College of Arts & Sciences as compared to the 2024-2025 academic year. Our faculty members supervised 346 undergraduates in research projects as compared to 225 undergraduates the previous academic year. Our graduate faculty members supervised 436 graduate students in research projects as compared to 218 graduate students in the previous year.

New Grant submission and funding remained strong. 106 grant proposals were submitted, and 79 new grants wer awarded for a total of $17,453,128. This level of external research funding is outstanding.

For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026, the College raised a total of $2,991,881 in outright gifts and pledges, which includ 167 gifts from 131 donors

College of Arts & Science full-time faculty members were active in Community Engagement, generously dona 11,271 hours of their time and expertise in assisting the following events/organizations during the 2025-2026 academic year:

United Way, Mobile International Festival, Habitat for Humanity, Mobile Botanical Gardens, Africa Town Tombstone Marking, Loaves and Fish/Art Soup, Mobile

Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Museum of Art, Clotilda Descendants Association, History Museum of Mobile, Alabama Public Television, BELONG, Freedom University, Dreamer Resource Center, Mobile Bay Estuarine Program Science Advisory Committee, Alabama Art Educators Association, Mobile Opera, Mobile Police Department, Mobile Animation Film Festival, Alabama Junior Academy of Science, National Association of Long-Term Care Volunteers, Coalition for Social Work and Health, Dog River Clearwater Revival, Boy Scouts of America, Laces of Love, GEMS (Go Explore Math and Science), Maritime Museum Delta Exhibit Steering Committee, American Chemical Society, Knights of Columbus, Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Region IV, Chickasaw Civic Theatre, USA Regional Autism Network, Azalea Trail Maid, Public Relations Council of Alabama, Mobile Film Office, Heroes On the Water, American Association of Geographers Mountain Geography Specialty Group, Alabama Water Watch, Coastal Clean Up, Coastal Alabama GIS User Group, National Science Foundation, City of Daphne Environmental Advisory Committee, Mobile Area Writers Discord Group, Pensters, Mobile Writers Guild, Mobile Rock and Gem Show, Gulf of America Coastal Ocean Observing System Regional Association, Dora Franklin Finley African-American Heritage Trail, Alabama State Council on the Arts, Heart of Mary School, Project Homeless Connect, Schumann Music Club of Mobile, Alabama Historic Preservation Commission, Fairhope Historic Preservation Commission, Pensacola Preservation Guild, Gulf South Historical Association, City of Mobile Resilience Partners Quarterly Working Group, The Water Institute of the Gulf: Community Resilience Center—Implementation Committee, Mobile Boat Show, Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo, National Academies of Sciences, Gulf of Mexico University Research Consortium, Ecological Society of America, Rotary Club, Mobile Baykeeper, Mobile Math Circle, ASMS Math Festival and Middle School Math Olympiad, Society of Women Engineers, Alabama High School Regional Science Bowl, Gulf Shores Public Library, Mobile Latino Summit, La Habana-Mobile Society, Mobile Music Teachers Association, World Flute Society, International Trumpet Guild, American School Band Directors Association, Mobile Chamber Music Society, Visitation Monastery, First Light Community of Mobile, Montessori World Pre-School, The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, The Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers, League of Women Voters, Alabama Head Injury Foundation, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Autism Special Interest Group for the Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, and Family Center, Inc.

MISSION STATEMENT

The College of Arts and Sciences is the intellectual center of the University of South Alabama and is the foundation for establishing and building the quality of the University's academic programs. In the College of Arts and Sciences, students receive broad exposure to all areas of academic inquiry, as well as in-depth knowledge in their chosen field of study. The College provides every undergraduate student at the University, regardless of major, with the fundamentals of a liberal arts education to enhance students' knowledge and create an atmosphere in which students develop their own critical thinking, communication skills, and the tools with which to carry out independent inquiry. Such an education promotes a heightened sense of intellectual curiosity, an appreciation of the values and accomplishments of the sciences, arts and humanities, and a sense of awareness and responsibility for the well-being of their society. In achieving these educational goals, the College of Arts and Sciences will:

- offer a full range of subjects in the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, mathematics, and the natural sciences.
- encourage breadth of learning and training in the fundamentals of scholarship.
- create and apply knowledge in the arts and sciences through dedicated research, teaching, scholarship, and creative works.
- foster educational exchange within the University, the Mobile community, and society as a whole.
- maintain a community of teachers and scholars devoted to the preservation and discovery of knowledge and its transmission to students and to the public.
- promote an intellectual climate that encourages lifelong learning and open and free inquiry.
- encourage and support the application of knowledge in service to the University, the Mobile metropolitan area, and the wider society.
- promote diversity, tolerance, and mutual understanding among all members of the University community and society as a whole.
- emphasize the regional uniqueness of southwest Alabama, including its cultural heritage, its natural environment, and its strategic location as a port city on the Gulf of Mexico.
- prepare students to participate in the larger world beyond the region by giving them an awareness of the complexity of global issues and contexts.
- prepare students for meaningful and productive careers and contribute to the development of an educated work force responsive to the needs of the region.

A VISION FOR THE COLLEGE

The College of Arts and Sciences seeks to become the premier center for broad and interdisciplinary education on the Gulf Coast of the United States. We are a diverse community of artists, scholars, teachers, and learners, dedicated to humanistic inquiry, scientific exploration, and artistic creation. We foster the intellectual and ethical growth of our students, helping them to develop their individual voice and to find their purpose as citizens of the world.

SERVICE PHILOSOPHY

Students, members of the faculty and staff, and other visitors to the Dean's Office of the College of Arts and Sciences should find a high level of professionalism and a consistently friendly and helpful attitude. All communication should take place with sensitivity to racial, ethnic, religious and other characteristics of persons, and respect should be clearly evident in everything we say and do in our workplace.

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Patrick Shaw
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Kelsi Furman *Marine & Environmental Sciences*
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Charles Martin Associate Professor *Marine & Environmental Sciences*
Jonathan Perez Associate Professor *Biology*
Alison Robertson Professor *Marine & Environmental Sciences*
Corina Schulze Professor *Political Science & Criminal Justice*
Steven Schultze Professor *Earth Sciences*
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Charles Martin *Marine & Environmental Sciences*
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Jason Strickland *Biology*

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Justin Sanders *Physics*
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Linda Zoghby *Music*
Don Perine *Chemistry*

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James "Danny" Alford Assistant Professor *Music*
Nathan Chasen Assistant Professor *Biology*
Soohyun Park Assistant Professor *Political Science & Criminal Justice*
Shuai Zhou Assistant Professor *(joint appointment with Marine & Environmental Sciences), Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work*
Hai Lan Assistant Professor *Earth Sciences*
Mary Alison Evans Instructor (12m) *Mathematics & Statistics*
Jocelyn Cullity Associate Professor *Earth Sciences*
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Christina York Instructor (OYO) *English*
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Amy Selkirk Assistant Professor *Music*
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Johnny Stevens II *Communication*
Terri McDonald *Mathematics & Statistics*
Tyler Hanks *Modern & Classical Languages & Literature*

SPDA AWARDS

George Bovenizer *Communication*
Gabriel de Oliveira *Marine & Environmental Sciences*
Clayton Maddox *Music*
Mathias Muia *Mathematics & Statistics*

SDA AWARDS

Sarah Allred *Mathematics & Statistics*
Arjun Dahal *Physics*
Lesley Gregoricka *Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work*
Tracy Heavner *Music*
Marie Leonard *Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work*
Jeffrey Mudrock *Mathematics & Statistics*
Richard O'Brien *Chemistry*
Soohyun Park *Politcial Science & Criminal Justice*
Keya Saxena *Communication*
Fabian Terveck *Earth Sciences*
Kelly Urban *History*
Larry Yet *Chemistry*

FACULTY AWARDS

Kevin Meeker Dean's Lecturer Award *Philosophy*
Erica Ahlich Outstanding Service Award *Psychology*
Paramahansa Pramanik Early Career Faculty Award *Mathematics & Statistics*
Phil Carr Teaching Excellence Award *Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work*
Tray Hamil Teaching Excellence Award *Biology*
Larry Yet Teaching Excellence Award *Chemistry*
Nancy Kelley Excellence in Directed Studies Award *Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work*
Tuan Tran Excellence in Directed Studies Award *Biology*
Kern Jackson Excellence in Academic Advising Award *English*
Amy Sprinkle Excellence in Academic Advising Award *Marine & Environmental Sciences*
Jeffrey Krause Excellence in Graduate Student Mentoring Award *Marine & Environmental Sciences*

EMERITUS

Cornelius Pillen *Mathematics & Statistics*

SABBATICALS

Claire Cage Fall Semester 2025 *History*
Christina Lindeman Fall Semester 2025 *Art & Art History*
Ben Shamback Fall Semester 2025 *Art & Art History*
David Forbes Spring Semester 2026 *Chemistry*
Pat Cesarini Spring Semester 2026 *English*
Lesley Gregoricka Spring Semester 2026 *Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work*
Diane Gibbs Spring Semester 2026 *Art & Art History*
David Meola Spring Semester 2026 *History*

CHANGES

Jung Hwa Choi appointed Interim Chair (effective 8/15/2025) *Communication*
Christina Johnson appointed Interim Chair (effective 8/15/2025) *Theatre & Dance*
Frances Mujica appointed Assistant Professor of Instruction *Earth Sciences*
Phillip Smith appointed Interim Chair (effective 7/1/2026) *Psychology*
Kevin Meeker appointed Interim Chair (effective 1/1/2026) *Mathematics & Statistics,*
Robert Coleman promoted to Associate Dean (4/1/2026)

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

DEPARTMENT OF ART & ART HISTORY

Endowed Scholarship in Art (Freshman/Sophomore)
Betts, Meila
Hamilton, Rylei

Glass Art Endowed Scholarship
Eiland, Winston

Gordon B & Martha Kahn Endowed Schiolarship
Smith, Isaiah

Kate Seawell Endowed Scholarship in Art
Russell, Harper
Larenas-Salinas, Fernanda
Cunha Rohleder, Olivia

Mary Noland Glass Art Endowment
Heath, Evelyn S.

Port City Craftsmen Inc Endowed Scholars in Art & Art History
Betts, Meila
Heath, Evelyn S.
Larenas-Salinas, Fernanda

Robert Snell Scholarship in Art
Cunha Rohleder, Olivia
Hughes, Savannah

V. Gordon Moulton Memorial Scholarship in Glass Art
Eiland, Winston

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

Dr. Brian Axsmith Scholarship
Gibson, Lacie
Lamar, Aulani

John A. Freeman Biology Scholarship
Carreno, Giarella

Dr. David Nelson Scholarship in Biology
Bolen, Katie
Woods, Starr

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Brian Paul Fletcher, MD Chemistry Scholarship
Partain, Sarah

Chemistry Department Scholarship
Baxter, Bailey
Cravey, Julia
Gangasani, Manisha
Marmande, Mary Helene
Mason, Jonathan
Merchant, Gabriel
Orr, Lucille

Chemistry Department Endowed Scholarship
Merchant, Gabriel

T. G. Jackson Endowed Scholarship
Gangasani, Manisha

Wierzbicki-Salter Endowed Scholarship
Marmande, Mary Helene

Williams-Phillips-Van Hook Chemistry Scholarship
Baxter, Bailey

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

Alabama Broadcaster's Association Scholarshi
Rath, Ava Grace
Russ, Abby

Golson Film and Television Production Scholars
Campbell, Isabella
Chartier, Kayl

Michael S. Hanna Endowed Scholarship
Alvasado, Destani
Charlton, Brook
Larsen, Larissa
Lewis, Tinasha

Hansen & Aucoin Journalism Scholarship
Rogers, Sophia Grace

DEPARTMENT OF EARTH SCIENCES

Dr. Bill Williams Endowed Scholarship
Stratton, Jackson
Girouard, Annalise
Quinn, Jackson
Krontiras, Katherine
Piccarreto, Jared
Hendricks, Benjamin
Southwick, Finn
Campbell, Luke
Ramsdell, Gage
Tootle, Benjamin
Vogt, Morgan
Boyd, Alishyia
Patch, Ella

PowerSouth Energy Cooperative Endowed Scholarship
Quinn,
Jackson
Krontiras,
Katherine

Victoria L. Rivizzigno Endowed Scholarship in Geography
Efurd, Michael

Eugene Wilson Geography Scholarship Fund
Guthrie, Rebecca

Jan Bolton Scholarship
Pickett, Sierra
Hobbs, James

Dr. Glenn R. Sebastian Endowed Geography Scholarship
Nolen, Baylor
Robinson, Garrett

Senior Achievement Awards
Blackwell, Jonathan
Efurd, Michael
Guthrie, Rebecca
Vyas, Om

Outstanding GIS Student Award
Hobbs, James

Early Achievement Awards
Dekle, John *Geo 101 – Fall 2025*
Spradlin, Rylyn *Geo 101 – Spring 2026*
Trepagnier, Michael *Geo 101 – Spring 2026*
Hubbell, Katelyn *Geo 102 – Spring 2026*
Jones, Xavier *Geo 114 – Fall 2025*
Harville, Hollee *Geo 114 – Spring 2026*
Gordon, Gabe *Geo 115 – Fall 2025*
Moore, Camden *Geo 115 – Spring 2026*

Fearn Scholarship
Pickett, Sierra

Mobile Rock & Gem
Looney, Abbagale
Morgan, Emily

Elliott Hagler
Helms, Hayden
Looney, Abbagale
Morgan, Emily
Piburn, David
Taylor, Justin

Desk & Derrick
Gardner, Clarke

Green
Shows, Devon

Ruenitz
Hughes, Sam
West Evans, Amelia

Sedimentary Book Award
Looney, Abbagale

George Lamb Award
Cooper, Joshua
Looney, Abbagale

Denmark-Isphording Award
Piburn, David

Department of Earth Sciences continued

GY111 Rock Hammer Award
McKenna, Abigail
Shows, Devon
Surdyk, Sophie
Gardner, Clarke
Lett, Kaitlyn
Shoemaker, Sarah

GY 112 Hand Lens Award
Johnson, Shelby
Summers, Ella

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Shelley Memorial Graduate in Creative Writing
Thornton, Kaytlin

Stokes Graduate (Non-Fiction)
Thornton, Kaytlin

Stokes Graduate (Fiction)
Thornton, Kaytlin
Love- Rhodes, Hannah

Stokes Graduate (Poetry)
Van Derwood, Anna (Roe)

Stokes Incoming Graduate
Sylvester, John (J.P.)
Ingram Cox, Anna
King, Alexis

Father James F. Dorrill Graduate
Buckner, Jeremy

English Endowed Graduate Award
Van Derwood, Anna (Roe)

English Endowed First Year Graduate Student
Tran, Hanh-Nhan

Patricia Stephens Graduate Essay
Perkins, Honor

Bobby Holmes
Satterlee, Makayla

Stokes Undergrad
Laffiette, Jade *Creative Writing*
Chappell, Rebekah *Creative Writing – Southern Prose*
Chartier, Kayla *Creative Writing – Non-Fiction*
Roddy, Marina *Fiction, Poetry*

Shelley Memorial Undergrad (Creative Writing)
Martin, Nathan

China Barber
Stork, Ansleigh

Eddie Greene
Dicapua, Josie

Jane Wilson
Dunlap, Clara

Jean McIver
Roddy, Marina

Katherine Richardson
Grant, Micah

Freida Maisel
Sands, Molly

English Depart. Endowed Undergrad Award
Laffiette, Jade

EH 101 Essay
Oliver, Donny *Winner*
Southwick, Finn *Runner-Up*

EH 102 Essay
Ward, Abigail *Winner*
Hunt, Mae *Runner-Up*

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Melton McLaurin Fellowship
Jones, Tylarr
Rodgers, Austin
Bobe, Hayden

Janet Mahan Scholarship
Linley, Megan

Department of History continued

W. Robert Houston Award in Military History
Rodgers, Austin

Clarence Mohr Prize for Undergraduate Research
Woods, Nakeria

Stephanie Hardin Prize for Graduate Research
Pruit, Jeremy

Robert L. Brunhouse Award for Outstanding History Graduate Student
Lightsey, John

Richard Meikle Award for Outstanding Junior
Smee, Joseph

Howard F. Mahan Award for Outstanding Graduating Senior
Bobe, Hayden

Macy Wims Reid Tuition Scholarship
McGoogan, Steven

Montgomery Carlton Stallworth Scholarship
Green, Layla

Minnie Lee Wilkins Stallworth Scholarship
Woods, Nakeria

DEPARTMENT OF MARINE & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Angelia and Steven Stokes Undergraduate Scholarship in Marine Sciences
Guillen, Portillo, Alexa
Sullivan, Edward

Drs. Linda and Robert Shipp Undergraduate Scholarship in Marine and Environmental Sciences
Slack, Anya

George W. Barber Marine Sciences Scholarship
Button, Kellie Anne
Cox, Arthur
Holley, Mary
Saunchegraw, Caroline
Yates, Samantha

Richmond Dunlap Neely, Ersie Walker Neely and Joseph Neely Scholarship Fund
Hartley, Gabrielle

Ron Kiene Research Scholarship
Pritchett, Emma

Steven and Angelia Stokes Endowed Scholarship
Alonzo, Ian
Kinslow, Aaron

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

Department of Mathematics and Statistics Scholarship
Fryer, Hailey
McCain, Aiden
Newton, Ashlyn Nicole
Taylor, Morgan
Whatley, Benjamin
Wilson, Carleigh

Victorino S. Blanco Memorial Scholarship
McCain, Aiden

Dr. Patricia Crosby Burchfield Memorial Math Scholarship
Taylor, Morgan

Madhuri S. Mulekar Scholarship
Greene, Travis
Humphrey, Odin
McDonald, Brian

Mishra Memorial Scholarship
Fryer, Hailey
Wilson, Carleigh

Dr. Robert Lee Wilson Scholarship
Bosarge, Trinity

Joe and Audrey Shewmake Mathematics Scholarship
Fryer, Hailey

Chris Nash Scholarship
Taylor, Morgan

Chris Nash Award
Poirson, Noah
Edwards, Cole

DEPARTMENT OF MODERN & CLASSICAL LANGUAGES & LITERATURE

Felicia Cooley Award
Aviles, Mario

Mozur Scholarship
Robinson, Garret

International Students Endowed Scholarship
Jimenez, Isidora

Isabel Zarkrzewski Brown Award
May, Kearston

Margaret Pol Stock Foreign Language Scholarship
Shires, Andrew

USA Phi Sigma Iota Merit Scholarship
Price, Mackenzie

Chinese Language Award
Truss, Taniya
Melerine, Elaina

Erwin W. Goessling Scholarship in German
Shires, Andrew

Gabriela G. Blanco Spanish Language Scholarship
Cooper, Jayden
Temple, James

Patricia Lane Dyess Scholarship
Temple, James
Smith, Katherine

Nafisa Iqbal Memorial Endowed Scholarship for Study Abroad
Johnson, Liberty
Smith, Natalie

Jacqueline Quinn Gray Scholarship in French
Faulk, Kathrine
Brown, Katey Jo
Frost, Gabriel
Fryer, Gabriel
Price, Mackenzie

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Music Department Scholarships

Vocal Major
Dickson, Emily
Hoffmann, Marisol
Hudson, Ethan
Stoll, William
Thomas, Jere'
Thompson, Kendall
Triplett, Bella

Vocal Minor
Hunt, Raleigh
Tisko, Bayleigh
Westry, Alivia

Instrumental Major
Adams, Hermiley
Aguilera, Gustavo
Alexander, Jacob
Bagwell, Joy
Bodiford, Tristen
Bryars, Becca
Bullard, Aidan
Bumpers, Emma
Cao, An nhi
Clark, Gabriel
Courtney, Elizabeth Ann
Eldridge, Matthew
Fraley, Carter
Frank, Cooper
Hamm, Christopher
Harlin, Sarah
Harper, Preston
Hopper, Jhett
Jensen, Ilana
Kerr, Jonathan Grayson
Madera, Michael
Mercer, Evan
Miller, Drake
Montelara Demick, Nicasio
Nguyen, Paul
Orso, Kaylah
Philen, Micah
Roberts, Landon
Rogers, Jeff

Department of Music (Instrumental Major) continued

Ryland, Joshua
Salley, Bradley
Salter, Jaxson
Sansom, Nathan
Slater, Nathan
Snow, Elizabeth
Stanley, Malory
Stoll, William
Tanner, Simeon
Torres, Josue
Tran, Duyen
Van Cleave, Lydia
Vo, Andrew
Waites, Marshall
Wallace, Katie
Westland, Collin

Instrumental Minor

Alexander, Matthew
Badger, Michael
Badtke, Katelyn
Batman, Genevieve
Brewer, Steven
Bruno, Kira
Cabral, Sean
Covelli, Andrew
Criswell, Ella Grace
Guthrie, Rebecca
Hall, Christian
Kille, Shannon
Lawrence, Nicole
Lockwood, Erin
McCain, Collin
McKinley, Andrew
Merchant, Gabriel
Morrison, Caleb
Poage, Nathaniel
Pryor, Jacob
Powell, Jake
Sugg, Noah
Thompson, Aidan
Van den Bosch, Abigale
Ward, Addilynn Rebekah
Whiting, Josh

Presser Scholar
Waites, Marshall

Laidlaw Scholars
Hoffmann, Marisol
Waites, Marshall
Wallace, Katie

John W. Laidlaw Endowed Scholarship
Miller, Drake

Harper Scholarship
Roberts, John (Landon)

Faulkner Scholarship in Piano Performance
Van Cleave, Lydia

Hanlein Piano Scholarship
Cao, An Nhi

Joanne Wasserman Memorial Scholarship in Music (Piano)
Flowers, Luke

Chester Piano Scholarship
Bagwell, Joy
Demick, Nicasio Montelara

Ann Greer Adams Scholarship in Piano
Marmande, Mary Helene

Toomey Percussion Scholarship
Slater, Nathanael

Bartels Percussion Scholarship
Wright, Christopher (Ryan)

Papastefan Percussion Scholarship
Tanner, Simeon

Bohnet Scholarship (Flute)
Robinson, Jaishon

McGowin Scholarship (Strings)
Batman, Genevieve

Nita Sellers Mem Endowed Scholarship
Hudson, Ethan

Department of Music continued

Nita Sellers Scholarship Fund (Voice)
Thompson, Kendall

Rose Palmai-Tenser (Voice)
Petrie, Zach

Orland Thomas (Music Education)
Harlin, Sarah

Gruner Trombone Scholarship in Music
Sansom, Nathan

Alexis Atkins JMB Scholarship
Gregson, Jayda

Mellick Trumpet Scholarship in Music
Perry, Ryan

Jim and Jamie Self Endowed Award (Tuba)
Miller, Drake

Mobile Big Band Society Music Award
Bodiford, Tristen
Kerr, Jon-Grayson

Jimmy Buffett Memorial Scholarship in Music
Jensen, Ilana
Roberts, Landon

Aubrey Green Scholarships
Bodiford, Tristen
Tran, Duyen

Cromeans Scholarship
Harlin, Sarah
Hudson, Ethan
Slater, Nathanael
Snow, Elizabeth
Stanley, Malory
Stoll, William
Tanner, Simeon
Tran, Duyen
Vo, Andrew
Wallace, Katie

Jaguar Marching Band Scholarships
Adams, Adrian
Adams, Darieylle
Adams, Hermiley
Aguilera, Gustavo
Alexander, Jacob
Allday, Jude
Alvarez-Morales, Jordy
Amsbury, Zackary
Badger, Michael
Badtke, Katelyn
Ballard, Ashley
Bark, Ryleigh
Barlow, Wallace
Barnett, Abryel
Bartholomew, Gabrielle
Bentley, Rodney
Berry, Jeremiah
Bertch, Jennifer
Blackwell, JaydenLee
Blair, Cara
Blanchard, Nathaniel
Bodiford, Tristen
Bond, Gabrielle
Bowler, Alexander
Boyett, Claire
Brantley, Alexis
Brown, Anna
Brown, Katey
Bryars, Rebecca
Bullard, Aidan
Bumpers, Emma
Buxton, Ashlynn
Cabral, Sean
Cantley, Sydnee
Carter, Hayden
Carver, Sara
Cary, Aaron
Chatel, Luke
Chestang, Miyah
Chhoeun, Savannah
Cobb, Nathan
Comeaux, Camden
Cotton, Adrian
Course, Myles
Covelli, Andrew
Cox, Madelyn

Department of Music (JMB Scholarships) continued

Craig, Savannah
Criswell, Ella
Cummings, Tara
Danjanic, Dylan
Davidson, Ava
Day, Layla
Deason, Gabriel
Dennis, Riley
DeStarkey, Nikki
Deutsch, Ciera
Dewey, Kensen
Diep, Andrew
Diffey, Matthew
Dixon, Westley
Dowling, Carley
Dumpson, Mariah
Dunagan, Brad
Edgar, Sarah
Edmondson, Lydia
Edrington, Keely
Eldridge, Matthew
Ellzey, Jennifer
Evans, Hunter
Fields, Zoey
Fisher, Jaysaiah
Flores Torres, Victoria
Foltman, Jacob
Fraley, Carter
Frank, Cooper
Gallardo, Samantha
Galloway, Quentin
Gaugler, Sumerlyn
Gault, Ava
Gehl, Sean
Gichie, Gabrielle
Girouard, Annalise
Grafton, Layla
Grant, Micah
Green, Nevaeh
Green, Noah
Greer, Jaden
Gregson, Jayda
Grieco-Moitoso, Mackenzie
Guthrie, Rebecca
Hall, Adleigh
Hamner, Samuel
Hancock, Kameron
Hancock, Megan
Harlin, Sarah
Harper, James
Harris, Kennedy
Harrison, Quinton
Hatchett, Lily
Hawkins, McKenzie
Hendricks, Benjamin
Hendrix, Giselle
Hernandez, Ariel
Hobbs, Grayton
Hodge, Lorelei
Hodo, Wilson
Hollingsworth, Allie
Hopper, Jhett
Howell, Olivia
Hubbard, Heidi
Hunter, Abraham
Hurley, Meghan
Ingram, Hannah
Jackson, Colby
Jennings, Katherine
Jimenez, Wendy
Jimenez Reyes, Alexander
Johnson, Izaiah
Johnson, Joel
Jones, Aiden
Jones, Benjamin
Jones, Joel
Jones, Zoe
Jones, Jaden
Jordan, Samuel
Kan, Robert
Karns, Mason
Kelso, Bradley
Kerr, Jonathan
Kille, Shannon
Kilpatrick, Tristin
King, Alexander
King, Terry
King, Victor
Kinney, Michael
Knight, Gabrielle
Knight, Kirk
Ladner, Jaxon
Lawley, Jessica

Department of Music (JMB Scholarships) continued

LeBlanc, Carly
Leonard, Ryan
Lewis, Rivers
Lewis, Sarah
Lindsey, Alisha
Linzey, Emalee
Little, Lauren
Madera, Michael
Marks, Victoria
Marshall, Martha
Mason, Rachel
McCain, Collin
McCall, Megan
McDonald, Benjamin
McFall, Abigail
McGriff, Makaria
McKee, Abigail
McKiernan, Zachary
McKinley, Andrew
McKinley, Dakota
McKinley, William
McMahon, Carly
Mega, Hannah
Mendoza Torres, Josue
Mercer, Evan
Michael, Luke
Miller, Bailey
Miller, Charles
Miller, Nyla
Morgan, Jillian
Morrison, Caleb
Mundle, Travis
Mundle, Tyler
Murphy, Ella
Murphy, Ethan
Myers, Jacqueline
Myers, Mary
Myers, Rachel
Neal, James
Newell, Anjennica
Newkirk, Abigail
Nguyen, Kendall
Oliver, Andrew
Orso, Kaylah
Owens, Matthew
Parriman, Tyler
Patterson, Gavin
Patton, Isabella
Paul, Jacob
Perry, Ryan
Philen, Annalise
Philen, Micah
Phillips, Brianna
Piscopo, Peyton
Poage, Nathaniel
Pope, Emma
Posey, Alexa
Prentiss, Layla
Pryor, Jacob
Pulliam, Christian
Quinones, Alexa
Retherford, Marissa
Rice, Ariana
Riddlesperger, Rae
Rios, Laura
Roberts, Curtysha
Roberts, Gabrielle
Roberts, George
Roberts, John
Robinson, Brianna
Rogers, Campbell
Rogers, Sophia
Romoser, Hailey
Rosenbohm, Morgan
Rowley, Caleb
Ruiz Navarro, Jonathan
Ryland, Joshua
Salter, Everett
Salter, Jaxson
Sansom, Nathan
Schilling, Cameron
Schmale, Zachary
Schoen, Emily
Shapach, Darcy
Showers, Zola
Silvania, Genaro
Slater, Nathanael
Smith, Kayla
Smith, Sarah
Smith, Walker
Snow, Elizabeth
Spears, Graceson
Stallworth, Alexis

Department of Music (JMB Scholarships) continued

Stanley, Malory
Stewart, Mya
Stoll, William
Stone, Addison
Strassburg, Olivia
Stringer, Braydon
Styron, Lindsay
Sugg, Noah
Sullivan, Trevor
Summers, James
Summersell, Nicholas
Sutton, Avery
Tanner, Simeon
Tarver, Ro'Kehria
Taylor, Morgan
Taylor, Taleigh
Theriot, Ian
Thompson, Stella
Thornburg, Hannah
Thornhill, Emma
Tidwell, Roman
Tiller, Kaleigh
Tran, Brian
Tran, Duyen
Triplett, Ethan
Upton, Carter
Urquidez, Aidan
Van den Bosch, Abigale
Vann, Miniya-Grace
Vann, Sydney
Vinson, Haley
Waites, Marshall
Walker, Aeilya
Warren, Megan
Watts, Jackson
Weinstock, Mikaela
Westland, Collin
Wilkerson, Melanie
Williams, Jamera
Williams, Mckenzie
Williford, Braydon
Witte, Jaxson
Woulard Jr., Lawrence
Wright, Christopher

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Charles R. McGlothren, Jr. Memorial Scholarship in Philosophy

Allen, Wyatt
Alqudah, Laith
Billot, Aliyan
Oliver, Noah

Dr. Michael W. Meshad Endowed Scholarship for Pre-Med Students

Hart, Mason

Dr. George Sun Memorial Scholarship

Feagin, Payton

Jean F. and Julius E. Marx Scholarship

Tisko, Caden

John T. Crowder Endowed Scholarship Fund for Pre-law Students

Crusoe, Kistrall
Embrey, Macey
Weldon, Niklas

Julian Marx Pinebrook Scholarship

Chari, Ananya
Hall, Cole
Mehta, Dev
Patil, Suhas
Tarvin, Carmen
Weldon, Niklas

Les Radcliffe Memorial Scholarship

Billot, Aliyan

Renee McGlothren Memorial Scholarship in Philosophy

Lewis, Cameron

William T. and Susan P Youngblood Endowed Fund

Embrey, Macey

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

USA Foundation Scholarship Level 1
Van Duzee, Adrianne

USA Foundation Scholarship Level 2
Furlong, Lauren
Snyder, Bradley
Woodfin, Noah

Du Valle Scholarship
Guthrie, Michael
Ryan, Alexander

Jared Adkins Scholarship
Cramer, Theodore
Mirandy, Jaime

Promising Student Award
Davis, Claiborne
Glazner, William

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Criminal Justice and Political Science Endowed Scholarship
Buettner, Drewann
Coates, Brice
Langham, Summer
Price, Kenzie
Rolader, Madison

David L. Horton Memorial Award for Excellence in Political Science
Weaver, Kaylei

Dr. Joe and Cindy Molyneux Scholarship
Coym, William

Founders Award for Excellence in Political Science and Criminal Justice
Murray, Devin
Russell, Jonathan
Taylor, Taleigh

Ica Rose Miller Memorial Award
Westerfield, Ramani

MPA Endowed Alumni Scholarship
Fetcu, Anastasia
Speck, Anna Kathryn

Olivia Barlow Endowed Memorial Scholarship
Logan, Blair

Robert V. Barrow Scholarship for Excellence in Criminal Justice
Jones, Branah
Terrell, Savannah
Casnave, Kiyah

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student
Snow, Erin

Outstanding BBS Masters Student
Hearn, Haley

Pinnacle Award
Lockwood, Meaghan

Gulf Region Health Outreach Program (GRHOP) Health Capacity Undergraduate Scholarship
Fortenberry, Sarah

Gulf Region Health Outreach Program (GRHOP) Health Capacity Graduate Scholarship
Henderson, Rachel

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, ANTHROPOLOGY, & SOCIAL WORK

Outstanding Student in Sociology
Brown, Isabella R.

Outstanding Paper in Sociology
James, Yansean D.

USA Foundation, Sociology Undergraduate
Brown, Isabella R.
Newkirk, Abigail E.

Louise Austin McGrew Scholarship
Newkirk, Abigail E.

Department of Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work continued

USA Foundation, Social Work
Groves, Kaylee
Thomas, John

Outstanding Student in Social Work
Barnes, Shamarion

Outstanding Student in Anthropology
Splitt, Elijah

USA Foundation, Anthropology
Gillespie, Malik
Robinson, Shelby

Best Student Paper in Anthropology
Blake, McKenzie

Kilgore Holley Award
Robinson, Shelby

DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE & DANCE

Laidlaw Drama Design
Crenshaw, Caden *Fall, Spring*
Genard, Wesley *Fall, Spring*

Laidlaw Performance
Bryant, Autumn *Fall, Spring*
Crenshaw, Caden *Fall, Spring*
Genard, Wesley *Fall, Spring*
Phillips, Rachel *Fall, Spring*
Theodore, Ari *Fall, Spring*

Danny Conway
North, Courtney *Fall, Spring*

Gerrels/Jackson
Theodore, Ari *Fall, Spring*

Alabama Lyric Theatre
Pempel, Erin Rose *Fall, Spring*

Joe & MaryAnn Cromeans
Crenshaw, Caden *Fall, Spring*
Phillips, Rachel *Fall, Spring*

CENTER FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL STUDIES

The Center for Archaeological Studies (CAS) marked its 35th year of archaeological research, teaching, and public-service in the north-central Gulf coast region. For more than three decades, the Center has contributed to the documentation, interpretation, preservation, and public understanding of the region's rich and diverse cultural heritage. Through its research and service, CAS continues to examine the complex histories of the people, communities, and cultures that have shaped the Gulf Coast, while working to preserve these resources for future generations. The strength of the Center is the collaborative nature of its work. Faculty, staff, students, and volunteers work together across projects and disciplines to complete the mission for CAS. Throughout the year, their work encompassed archaeological field investigations, laboratory analysis, collections management, student training, public outreach, oral histories, and more. This synergy provides for unique experiences and innovative results.

New external funding for several projects in 2025-2026 (external funding: $61,902) included working with the Poarch Band of Creek Indians (PCI) to conduct cultural resource surveys and a survey and excavations at Bellingraths Gardens and Home. Ongoing projects include archaeological field surveys of the De Soto National Forest, the I-10 Mobile River Bridge Archaeological Project (I-10 MRBAP), and work to fulfill the new standards for the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAG

The Center for Archaeological Studies continues to provide a permanent, secure lab and work-study space for **Dr. Lesley Gregoricka's** bioarchaeological research. Her 2025-2026 projects housed in the CAS include collecting data and analyzing samples using skeletal collections housed in the CAS as part of her "Bioarchaeology of Bronze Age Social Systems" research program; the biogeochemical analysis of skeletal material from Kerma-period Nubia; and training undergraduate students in bioarchaeological techniques using skeletal remains as part of upper-division coursework, internships, volunteer work, and thesis research. She recently received a Faya Research Grant (AED100,000, or around $30,000) from the United Arab Emirates in order to study Neolithic skeletons from the cemetery of al-Buhais in the Emirate of Sharjah. This external grant was supplemented by $8,000 in internal funds, including the USA Faculty Development Council Grant, a Support and Development Award, and a Mahan-Brandon Fund for Research in Gender Studies. Gregoricka also uses the CAS to meet with members of the Mobile Police Department and Mobile County Sheriff's Office for the forens identification of human skeletal remains.

The Center also continues to support **Dr. Erin Nelson's** research, teaching, and public outreach projects. CAS provides workspace that supports the ongoing efforts to fulfill the new NAGPRA standards. During the NAGPRA collections review team completed an inventory of human remains curated at the University and is currently working to identify and inventory associated funerary objects in preparation for consultation wi tribal nations. The Center further provides workspace for Dr. Erin Nelson's archaeological research, which focuses on Native American archaeology of the Gulf Coast. Dr. Nelson is in the fifth and final year of the NSF-funded research project, "Pensacola Culture and the Mississippianization of the Northern Gulf Coast, ca. AD 1100-1700" (#2148034; $181,302). The NSF funding is supplemented by a competitive subsidy from the University of Missouri Research Reactor ($30,000) to conduct Instrumental Neutron Activation Analysis of archeological ceramics. The project examines the role of Native potters in the origins and development of the Pensacola culture and incorporates USA undergraduates, volunteers, and tribal partners. The project resulted in an invited chapter submission to the Oxford Handbook

of Mississippian Archaeology and two published articles in 2025-2026, one of which was nominated for the Patty Jo Watson Award for best article or book chapter on Southeastern Archaeology. The Center supports the teaching mission of the university by providing collections used to teach students artifact analysis and curation principles in classes such as Laboratory Methods in Archaeology and Archaeological Method and Theory. Dr. Nelson's Lab Methods students complete independent research projects and are encouraged to present their research at professional conferences. Three USA undergraduates will present their research at the Southeastern Archaeological Conference in November 2026, and two took part in the Gulf Scholars Conference in March 2026.

Beyond research and teaching, the Center supports the local community through outreach programs and volunteer opportunities. Beyond research and teaching, the Center for Archaeological Studies supports the local community through public outreach, educational programming, and volunteer opportunities that connect archaeology with broader audiences. During 2025–2026, Dr. Erin Nelson gave public talks at Gulf State Park and Red Beard's Outfitter, led an archaeology workshop for the Girl Scouts of America, and provided a lightboard presentation for the Poarch Band of Creek Indians (PBCI). Dr. Nelson also supervises University of South Alabama undergraduate **Madison Nicholson's** Gulf Scholars project, which focuses on developing interpretive and educational materials on the archaeology of Gulf State Park in collaboration with Gulf State Park and PBCI, including analysis of the Harry King donation. In January 2026, Dr. Nelson also assumed responsibility for supervising the Museum's Archaeology Volunteers group, continuing the long-standing program previously overseen by Dr. Waselkov. Since that time, volunteers have contributed to the analysis, organization, and rehabilitation of collections from several archaeological sites, including 1BA188 (Mary Ann Beach), 1BA37 (Vessel Point), and 1BA81 (Strongs Bayou). Volunteers also cataloged two recent artifact donations to the Museum and reincorporated recently returned materials from site 1MB94 (Old Mobile), formerly on loan to University of Florida researchers. These efforts provide valuable opportunities for community members to engage directly with archaeological collections.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge Archaeological Project has achieved several milestones including the analysis of over a half-million artifacts recovered from the 15 archaeological sites it investigated. Work continues on the technical report with synthetic chapters being drafted that examine technologies, foodways, health, and other aspects of everyday life. The goal is to understand how the past brought us to the present, and to use that knowledge to inform our future.

In 2025, **Dr. Greg Waselkov** continued to supervise volunteers working in curation, curating old project files, and contributed another 100 books and journals to the Center library until moving to Pennsylvania in January 2026. Afterwards, he continued to assist Dr. Nelson on occasion (and at a distance) with the ongoing NAGPRA collections review. Dr. Waselkov continues to serve the Alabama Archaeological Society as editor of the *Journal of Alabama Archaeology*, producing two issues a year. In 2025-2026, Dr. Waselkov published two peer reviewed articles: "Colonowares of the Gulf South" in the annual journal Ceramics in America, and "'I Have Been to the Country Above': Indigenous Revitalization in Late Sixteenth-Century Southeastern North America" (co-authored with **Ashley Dumas**) in the journal *Ethnohistory*. Dr. Waselkov participated in two filmed interviews, one with **Dr. Heidi Lyn** (USA Psychology Department) for her podcast, Thinking Animals, and with **Dr. Stephanie Harrison** (Assistant Superintendent of Instruction & Innovation, Gulf Shores City Schools) for an educational film on the ancient canal in Gulf Shores. He continues to serve the Center and the University of South Alabama as president of the Friends of Old Mobile, on the board of the Historic Blakeley Foundation, and as members of the editorial advisory committees of the Society of Bead Researchers (for the journal Beads) and the Association des archéologues du Quebec (for the journal *Archéologiques).*

As CAS reflects on 35 years of work, this anniversary provides an opportunity to recognize the faculty, staff, students, and volunteers whose contributions have helped shape the Center. Their collaborative efforts continue to strengthen CAS as a research center to remain as a source of knowledge, learning, and connection for years to come. The CAS continues to be an asset to the higher-education community, local, state, and federal agencies, and the public in fulfillment of its mission.

USA ARCHAEOLOGY MUSEUM

Since our opening on October 14, 2012, 94,881 people from all over the world have visited the Archaeology Museum. From May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, the Museum's impact was measured by its attendance, K-12 education, family friendly programs, academic lectures, and events, public engagement, whether it be in-person, online, in the media, through community service initiatives, partnerships, and campus connections.

The Museum's impact through social media continues to grow. The Museum's Facebook account *(@TheArchaeologyMuseum)* had a reach of 71.7k on Facebook and gained 209 new followers. The Museum's Instagram account *(@SouthArchaeology)* had a reach of 5.6k and gained 221 new follows. The Museum also opened a Sketchfab account featuring digitized artifacts. In addition, the Museum's YouTube Channel *(@USAArchaeology)* continued to add video content, including recorded lectures. Moreover, the Museum's webpage on the USA website has over 7.5 million annual views.

Dr. Kara Burns, Director, and **Jennifer (Jen) Knutson,** Assistant Director, continued to lead the Archaeology Museum. The Museum's Student Assistants, **Swarnim Duwadi** (summer), **Lilly Godwin, Margaret Joyce, Zoria King, David Paulk, Brooklynn Parker, Chelsea Scott-Powell,** and **Manasseh Underwood** (fall and spring) helped with the Museum's fieldtrip visits, tours, programming, special projects, gift shop retail sales, in addition to welcoming the Museum's daily guests. The Museum hosted one intern, **Savannah Hughes,** Art History. Additionally, USA student volunteers contribute 451 hours of their time assisting with K-12 field trips and Museum events. Student support for the Museum was invaluable in supporting the Museum's mission to continue as a resource and asset for the USA Campus Community and the greater Gulf Coast.

Special Museum projects this year included the public release of the Museum's "Virtual Archaeology" web page and collection, a 3D digitization project that began in December 2023 with Museum student assistant, **Rhiannon Black.** This virtual collection featured the artifacts excavated in Africatown's Lewis Quarters the Peter Lee home site by the College of William and Mary in 2010.

Museum Intern Savannah Hughes, researched USA's first Professor of Art, James E. Kennedy. She also helped to start the digitization of the Kennedy/Conlon Slide Library which is in process by Jana Herrmann at Jagworks, the institutional repository

Museum student assistant, Lilly Godwin, digitized the St. Stephen's Historical Document Collection in spring 2026 and work is in progress to make this collection available to the public.

The Museum hosted two exhibits in 2025-2026. From August 6 through September 7, the Museum hosted "Arts for Justice: Amplifying Youth Voices," by USA Health's Project Inspire, a youth empowerment and injury prevention program, who presented t created art gallery. This exhibit centered the voices of Project Inspire youth utilizing three forms of art: Pottery Murals, and Photovoice so that visitors could experience the values, thoughts, and emotions of local youth through their art.

The Museum also brought the national exhibit to campus, *INTO Light Project Alabama, Drug Addiction: Real People, Real Stories*, which opened in the Fall 2024 at the USA Student Center. By using the power of art and story, the

INTO Light Project hopes to change the conversation about SUD, erase stigma, and educate the public about the disease of addiction. The *INTO Light Project* exhibited the narratives and illustrated portraits of forty people in our state who have succumbed to substance use disorder (SUD). The exhibit continued in the 2025 Spring Semester at the Museum and included personal memorabilia or "artifacts" alongside the narrative and portraits. Furthermore, from May 2 through June 2, 2025, the *INTO Light Project Alabama* was exhibited at Government Plaza in downtown Mobile after its installation by **Jen Knutson** and Museum intern **Anna Jones.** The Museum also hosted most of the forty *INTO Light Project Alabama* families and national leadership team back to campus for a Gifted Gathering of the original portraits on June 27-28. All the while, engraved copies of the *INTO Light Project Alabama* continues to travel throughout the state and receive overwhelming support from our community at the local and state level. At a national level, the *INTO Light Project's* ultimate goal is for the exhibition to be hosted in every state.

By developing innovative programming that engages students of all ages and the public at large, the Museum continued to bring the Gulf Coast's rich past to life for present and future generations. The highlights of last year's accomplishments are as follows:

K-12 STUDENT IMPACT & SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

The Museum continued to bring students from local elementary, middle, and high schools as well as home schooled groups to campus for field trips by offering programs that align with the State of Alabama curriculum standards for students and their teachers each semester. The museum hosted twenty-one fieldtrips from schools in Mobile and Baldwin Counties and Mississippi as well as home school groups. A total of 1,614 K-12 students visited or were given instruction by the Museum during the Fall 2025, Summer 2025, and Spring 2026 Semesters. One notable field trip that was donor funded from Mobile County Training School with 100 students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades that began with a warm welcome from President Jo Bonner and USA cheerleader and mascot, Ms. Pawla. **Jen Knutson** also taught the Museum's "Human Osteology Lab" to 500 7th graders at Spanish Fort Middle School. Their ELA Department chair afterwards sent the following email:

"Ms. Knutson,

I wanted to take a minute to thank you for traveling to Spanish Fort Middle School to facilitate a bone lab for our 7th grade ELA students. These learners are still talking about this engaging activity days later, and parents have reported that their children came home explain the procedures and how much fun that had with this experience.

I also wanted to let you know that the field trip you coordinated for our school a few years ago was one of the most well-organized and educational trips I've experienced as an educator. I know you had your work cut out for you as you organized these activities for such a large group, but you did so seamlessly.

Thank you again, and I hope to cross paths again soon!

Warmly,
Kimberly Barnes"

The Museum continues to update its lesson plans and curriculum for K-12 students and hopes they are inspired to become the next generation of USA Jaguars!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY PROGRAMS & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Museum staff developed, led and/or participated in a number of special K-12 as well as public programs both at the Museum and off campus this year, engaging an estimated ***ninety-four thousand*** K-12 students and the public:

- *Alabama Coastal College Living History Day, Thomasville, Alabama*
- *Clotilda Descendants Association Landing Event and Ancestor Fest (LEAF)*
- *Colonial Day at the Mobile Museum of History*
- *Five Rivers Delta Woods and Waters Expo*
- *Friends of Old Mobile*
- *Girl Scouts of South Alabama, Hands on the Past*
- *INTO Light Project Alabama at Government Plaza*
- *Historic Franklin House and Gallery Opening*
- *Living History Day at Fort Conde*
- *Prism United, Human Osteology Lab*
- *Scouting America, Merit Badge Jubilee*

- *5th Annual Halloween at the Museum*
  About 650 people attended Halloween at the Museum this year featuring "Creepy Crawlies" with USA Department of Biology's Jason Strickland, Ph.D. to educate the public about insects, amphibians, and reptiles native to the Gulf Coast, Pumpkin Painting with the Center for Archaeological Studies, and the Trick or Treat Trail in the Museum's Native Plants Garden. *This year's event also had information tables by community organizations that provide services to families, such as Penelope House and Shell Health. The USA Student Social Work Organization, Student Anthropology Society, and the Biology Student Association also participated.*
- *Alabama Archaeology Day*
  This event is the core of the celebration of Alabama's Archaeology Month every October at the Museum and focuses on the Archaeology of Alabama's Gulf Coast. This year's Alabama Archaeology Day featured cultural demonstrations by the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Archaeology Laboratory activities with Anthropology faculty, Erin Nelson, Ph.D. and Linda Sanchez, Ph.D., Yaupon Holly tea-tasting with the USA Student Anthropological Society, atlatl practice, Native American games, and more.
- *Alabama Archaeological Society (AAS) Southwest Chapter Speaker Series*
  - "The Anthropology of Zombies: From History to Speculation" by Maranda Kles, Ph.D. 3
  - "Preserving History for a Better Tomorrow" by Ebony Howard, Esq.
  - "Let the Oppressed Go Free: Abolitionism in Colonial & Revolutionary America" by Nicholas Wood, Ph.D., co-hosted by USA Department of History
  - AAS members traveled to Washington and Chatom Counties for an Archaeological Site Visit to Stephen's Historical Park, in addition to touring the Chatom History Museum and the Washington County History Museum with Museum Curators Jennifer Faith and Sherri Bush.
- *Arkhaios Film Festival*
  For the third year, the Museum was selected as the host-site for the international Arkhaios Film Festival featuring Cultural Heritage documentaries. Additionally, Jen Knutson served as a jurist on the 2025 Arkhaios Film Festival Committee. The USA Center for Archaeological Studies, the Departments of Art and Art History and Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work all helped host the public and campus community for the following documentary film premieres:
  - *Chauvet Cave: The World's First Artists*
  - *The Stones Are Speaking*
  - *The Rise and Fall of the Incas*
  - *Vitrum: Rome's Glass Evolution*
  - *Neanderthals vs. Sapiens: Two of a Kind*
  - *Hunt for the Oldest DNA*

ONGOING MUSEUM COMMUNITY PROJECT

Historic Plateau/Africatown Cemetery Consultant

- Headstone Cleaning with Museum Student Assistants and the Dennison Descendants (December 2025
- Grant Application Facilitation in the Community and Writing for Partnership Projects
- Facilitated and Communicated with Oak and Laurel Cemetery Preservation, LLC's weekend site visit for a Cemetery Assessment Report (August 9-10, 2025)
- Consulted with the Africatown Heritage Preservation Foundation and the Cudjoe Kazoola Lewis, and the Lottie and James Dennison descendants on state archaeological/cemetery permitting, installation of new monuments and vault covers, restoration of existing headstones, and the effects of public visitation especially in regards to increasing international, national, state, and local visibility and the opening of the Africatown Welcome Center. (Ongoing)
- Cemetery Interpretive Signage Designer and Consultant (Ongoing)

UNIVERSITY CONNECTIONS

The Archaeology Museum continued to fulfill its mission to serve the USA community by offering a quality meeting space where departments and student organizations can hold programs and events. These events include department receptions, prospective faculty talks and tours, awards ceremonies, summer camps, as well as public lectures. In addition, the Museum collaborates with campus departments and programs to bring programing and events, both online and in-person, as well as on campus and in the greater Mobile community.

USA Departments and Programs Class Support

- The Museum lends itself to a wide array of disciplines and creatively crafts tours and programs that enable the faculty to use the museum as a resource for their classes and/or departments, including those from African American Studies, Anthropology, Art and Art History, Business, Career Development, Common Read, Continuing Education, Education, Engineering, English, Environmental Studies, Foreign Languages, Gender Studies, Geography, Geology, History, Innovation and Learning Center, Leisure Studies, Marine Ecology, Medicine, Museum Studies, Native American Studies, Nursing, Southbound Visits and Orientation, Sociology, Social Work, USA Summer Start Program, & Literatures and more have incorporated the Museum, its exhibits, and programs into their class tours and/or course curriculum. More than twenty-eight USA classes and Learning Communities visited the Museum for tours and projects related to coursework. Furthermore, twenty-one First Year Experience courses, CAS 100, held class at the Museum for guided tours to learn about Mobile's history, as well as careers in Archaeology and Museum Studies. These students completed Reflection Questions as an assessment of their experience.
- The USA Departments of History in addition to the Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work (SY/AN/SW) both host their annual student and faculty award and recognition events at the Museum. The former also hosts their annual "Mardi Gras Lecture" at the Museum. This year, SY/AN/SW Community Engagement Committee commemorated the Day of the Dead holiday at the Museum with a remembrance to notable sociologists and anthropologists as well as family members. The Day of the Dead offering was open to the local and campus community with many visitors who took part and left additions.

PASSAGE USA

- This year's PASSAGE interns included Olivia Mouney and Alex Hudson in the fall and Connor Matthews in the spring. In the fall, the Museum hosted PASSAGE students for pumpkin carving and knife safety instruction. In addition, the Museum also hosted PASSAGE's summer Pep Camp for a guided tour and pottery lesson.

THE USA ARCHAEOLOGY MUSEUM IN MEDIA 2025-2026

- *INTO Light Project*
  Sandy Stimpson (07 May 2025). 'The Nightly Newsletter with Mayor Sandy Stimpson'.
- *Atmore Magazine*
  Dees, Suwanee Diedre (5 Nov 2025). Native American Heritage: Spearpoints on Burnt Corn Creek. Atmore Magazine. (16).
- *Mobile Bay Parents Magazine Fall Events Listed (October 2025)*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Jen Knutson served a second term as president of the Florida Anthropological Society (FAS) who hosted the 77th Annual FAS Meeting on May 8-11, 2025 in Gainesville, Florida for 300 academics, professionals, and students in Archaeology and Anthropology.
- Knutson began her term as the 2nd vice-president of the Alabama Archaeological Society on August 1, 2025.
- Knutson, Jennifer C. (10 Feb. 2026) "The Road to Campbell Town: French Huguenots in British West Florida" Public Talk for the Pensacola Archaeological Society.

During the 2024–25 academic year, the GIS Program continued to demonstrate a strong commitment to student engagement and community outreach. Faculty collaborated to deliver advanced and innovative GIS and remote sensing methods, and the results speak for themselves. The program remains robust, growing, and a leader in the field.

The program welcomed **Dr. Hai Lan,** a specialist in remote sensing and computer programming. His expertise has enabled the program to expand and modernize its course offerings. A new GeoProgramming course has been added to the curriculum, and the Remote Sensing course has been updated to provide a more practical and streamlined experience.

Ten students earned the prestigious GIS Certificate during the 2025–26 academic year, a new record. Many recent graduates secured employment immediately after graduation or were accepted into fully funded graduate programs. These outcomes affirm the strength of the curriculum, the quality of resources, and the program's commitment to student success. This past spring semester marked the first time more than 100 seats were filled across GIS and remote sensing courses, reflecting strong demand for GIS-related careers and the field's interdisciplinary appeal. Enrollment for Fall 2026 courses is already at or near capacity, indicating that demand continues to grow.

At both national and international conferences, the G Program has been recognized as a leader in key areas of Geographic Information Science education. Throu the academic year, GIS-affiliated faculty applied for more than 1.5 million dollars in extramural funding. This momentum signals a continued shift toward increased grant acquisition and expanded research activity. These developments reflect the program's growing foo and increasing collaboration with other departments and community partners.

Now in its fifth year, the GIS Center collaborated projects with a variety of partners, including USA Health, the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, the GIS Association of Alabama, the Galápagos Science Center, the City of Mobile's Urban Blight Survey, the Mitchell College of Business, and the Mobile County Health Department. In each case, **Dr. Schultze** or other faculty worked alongside students, providing valuable hands-on experience. Over the course of the academic year, the Center facilitated twelve internships or directed studies, with even more opportunities anticipated in the coming year.

Following the successful hosting of a regional professional GIS meeting in February 2024, the GIS Center hosted the Coastal Alabama GIS Users Conference at the University Faculty Club in April 2025. More than 50 regional GIS professionals attended and heard presentations from Dr. Hai Lan on the use of AI and machine learning in GIS and remote sensing, along with talks from regional experts on topics ranging from urban development applications of GIS to updates in high-resolution landscape mapping datasets. Hosting this conference further the University of South Alabama GIS Center and the Geography and GIS Program as a regional hub for research and development in GIS. Additionally, Earth Science students **Katherine Krontiras,** whose project focused on Galápagos microclimates, and **Jackson Quinn,** whose project examined extreme heat at 2026 World Cup host cities, presented their research at the conference.

CENTER FOR GENERATIONAL STUDIES

OUR MISSION AND FOUNDATION

The Center for Generational Studies (CGS), a research center at the University of South Alabama (USA), was established in 2011 to actively seek community partnerships to support impactful ***intergenerational learning and research.*** A highlight of our sustained community engagement is the annual Legacy Leadership Institute, co-sponsored with the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission – Area Agency on Aging (AgeSouth), which has successfully trained over ***300 seniors*** as dedicated advocates and volunteers.

LEADERSHIP AND COLLABORATION

The Center is structurally led by faculty within the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, and is enriched by a broad network of affiliated faculty and community leaders who contribute their diverse expertise.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Director: Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks, *Professor and Department Chair, Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, USA*

Associate Director: Dr. Nancy Kelley, *Professor of Social Work and BSW Program Director, USA*

GENERATIONS FACULTY AND COMMUNITY FELLOWS

The CGS thrives on the scholarly contributions of our Faculty Fellows and the vital, experience-driven insights of our Community Fellows, whose participation ensures our work is both rigorous and relevant.

GENERATIONS FACULTY FELLOWS

- **Dr. Candace Bright Hall-Wurst,** *Associate Professor, East Tennessee State University*
- **Dr. Benjamin Hill,** *Professor of Psychology, University of South Alabama*
- **Dr. Lyn Holley,** *Professor of Gerontology, University of Nebraska Omaha*
- **Dr. Andrea Hunt,** *Professor of Sociology, University of North Alabama*
- **Dr. Kern Jackson,** *Director, African American Studies, University of South Alabama*
- **Dr. Leonard Mundy,** *Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of South Alabama*
- **Dr. Laura White,** *Associate Professor of Physical Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham*

GENERATIONS COMMUNITY FELLOWS

- **Dorothy Dorton,** *AARP Associate State Director of Outreach for Lower Alabama*
- **Barbara Hodnett,** *Community Health Advocate*
- **Frewin Osteen,** *Director of Supportive Services, Prichard Housing Authority*
- **Sarah Wraight,** *Sociology Adjunct Instructor, PhD Student, Stokes School of Marine and Environmental Sciences, University of South Alabama*
- **Dr. Jessica McCarty,** *Sociology Adjunct Instructor, University of South Alabama*

ADVANCING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AND RESEARCH

A core CGS priority is the ***professional development and direct support of student research.*** This year, we intensified efforts to connect students with research teams and highlight crucial scholarship opportunities. We are proud to recognize the 2025–2026 student recipients of the following prestigious scholarships and award

- *The AHEPA 310 Foundation Scholarship Program* – **Lilly Grace James**
- *SEAAAA Scholarships* – **Josh Edwards & Keya Jenkins**

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS: 2025–2026

The CGS fosters ***interdisciplinary, community-engaged research*** through collaborations across diverse fields and institutions. Our current projects are designed to address complex, real-world issues through a ***lifespan and intergenerational lens:***

Aging and Long-Term Planning

The CGS is partnering with the USA Center for Healthy Communities (CHC) to develop projects focused on effective long-term planning, particularly in communities facing significant health disparities. Work based on this collaboration was presented at the ***2025 annual meeting of the American Public Health Association in Washington DC.***

Dr. Nancy Kelley is working with the National Association of Long-Term Care Volunteers (NALTCV). ***Co-founder; Inaugural member*** of the Board of Directors. 2022-Present. ***Secretary (elected),*** August 2025-Present. ***Co-Chair,*** Research and Product Development Committee, August 2023-Present.

- Pilot study proposal submitted in August 2026 to CMS Civil Money Penalty (CMP) Reinvestment Program for one year award in the amount of $42,600. Research has shown that social isolation and loneliness in nursing home residents is associated with depression, reduced engagement in care activities, and lower overall quality of life. Trained companions represent an important but often underutilized resource for strengthening social connection within nursing homes when they are properly recruited, trained, and supported. While group activities are common, consistent one-to-one engagement is often limited. Nursing homes also face constraints in recruiting, training, and supporting companions who can build meaningful, ongoing relationships. This project addresses that gap by implementing a structured Companion Engagement Model across ten nursing homes as a pilot. The model is designed to support consistent, meaningful one-to-one engagement between residents and trained companions. It provides training, visit expectations, documentation tools, and evaluation methods to ensure visits are purposeful, supportive, and sustainable within participating communities.
- Proposal in progress for national nursing home survey: Do companion volunteers make a difference on quality measures for nursing home residents? Manuscript under revision: Falkowski, P. P., Kelly, C. M., **Kelley, N. J.** and Banman, A. Volunteer impact on nursing home quality measures: Do volunteers make a difference?
- In partnership with PeopleCare of New York (Jason Weiss, PhD), **Dr. Nancy Kelley** is exploring what matching practices lead to the most stable and effective caregiving relationships between older adults and paid nonfamily caregivers. Surveys and interviews of home care workers and care coordinators are underway; a process to survey and interview care receivers is being built.

Generational Perspectives on AI

Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks and **Munique Nascimento,** Graduate Assistant, are collaborating with engineering researchers from the Universities of Alabama, South Alabama, Arkansas, and North Dakota to investigate how ***age and other demographics influence the adoption and utilization of AI,*** especially within health information and healthcare applications. This ***NSF-funded*** project supports investigation of community acceptance of the technology as well as exploration of barriers to access

Generational Differences in Organizational Culture

Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks and **Dr. Jessica McCarty** have begun pilot investigation of intergenerational perspectives on governance and organizational culture within fraternal and lineage-based organizations. Traditional, fraternal, and lineage-based heritage organizations face significant policy friction over the admission, retention, and governance of transgender individuals. Because these institutions rely on historic single-sex status or specific lineage qualifications, applying modern definitions of gender identity creates intersecting legal, cultural, and organizational challenges.

Intergenerational Environmental Engagement

In partnership with the Gulf Coast Environmental Engagement Center (GCEEC), we are exploring how ***different age cohorts view and prioritize recycling*** to encourage initiatives that effectively incorporate an intergenerational perspective into environmental research.

CALL FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATION

The CGS remains dedicated to building robust collaborations that ***integrate lifespan and intergenerational perspectives*** into scholarly and community work. Faculty members passionate about this area of inquiry are encouraged to apply to become ***Generations Faculty Fellows***, and students are invited to seek recognition as ***Generations Scholars*** and to apply for available scholarships.

For more information on research projects or collaboration opportunities, please contact us at *generations@southalabama.edu* or reach out to the **Director, Dr. Hanks,** or the **Associate Director, Dr. Kelley.**

USA POLLING GROUP

The USA Polling Group conducted two projects from Fall 2025 to Summer 2026. The Polling Group currently has one project in progress and one possible future project.

PROJECTS CONDUCTED

Dr. Darbin, Neurology
Topic: Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) Patient Survey
Cost: $6,699.00
Timeframe: Spring 2026
Project: This project used a listed sample provided by Dr. Darbin to contact Parkinson's patients abou their attitudes and behaviors towards Deep Brain Stimulation surgery

AltaPointe Health
Topic: AltaPointe Health Needs Survey
Cost: $8,646.00
Timeframe: Summer 2026
Project: This project is an RDD and email based survey of people and health leaders in the Baldwin and Mobile County areas that examines community health needs.

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

Mobile County Emergency Management Agency (MCEMA)
Topic: MCEMA Client and Community Survey
Cost: $25,000.00
Timeframe: Summer 2026 – Summer 2027
Project: This project is focused on developing a survey for MCEMA to deploy to both clients and community members to help them with disaster preparedness and management.

PROJECTS SUBMITTED BUT NOT FUNDED

Phil Carr Grant – Survey of City of Mobile: $14,000.00.
Could not complete due to lack of infrastructure.

FUTURE PROJECTS

Community Health Needs Assessment for both Infirmary Health and USA Health will begin in spring 2027.

SUMMARY

During the 2024-2025 fiscal cycle, The USA Polling Group: Conducted two of three proposed projects, and generated a total of $40,345.

THE CENTER FOR HURRICANE INTENSIFICATION & LANDFALL INVESTIGATION

The South Alabama Mesonet falls under the umbrella of the Center for Hurricane Intensification and Landfall Investigation (CHILI) and is managed by **Dr. Sytske Kimball.** The network consists of 26 research grade weather stations in southern Alabama, southeast Mississippi, and northwestern Florida. The Mesonet serves a wide variety of partners in the community including the National Weather Service, emergency management, local fire stations, K-12 schools, agricultural entities, electrical cooperatives, and more. The stations report data in near real-time, every minute, on a dedicated website *http://chiliweb.southalabama.edu/*. Archived data are also available. Routine maintenance is performed by a team of full-time meteorologists and undergraduate student technicians.

A Direct Appropriation from the Federal Government was approved in 2024 to extend the South Alabama Mesonet by placing 20 stations in the data-sparse Alabama Blackbelt region, and to upgrade the current instrument suite on all stations as well. We would like to thank Mr. Nick Lawkis and Senator Katie Britt's office for their efforts in securing this award. Two full time staff were hired on this appropriation in 2025, including the managing director, **Mr. Austin Clark,** last February and **Mr. Cameron Clark,** the senior Mesonet technician, hired last July. The first new site on this grant was installed 13 April 2026 at Hyundai Motors Manufacturing Alabama (HMMA) in Montgomery County, and HMMA plan to sponsor that station annually. Additional sites have been identified and are in various stages of negotiation in Lowndes, Perry, Pike, Monroe, and Crenshaw counties. A number of existing Mesonet sites have also b upgraded with new instrumentation, including cameras and new soil sensors, capturing a number of unique atmospheric phenomena such as fog and drought. Finally, the appropriation has supported efforts for a new website, *https://mesonet.southalabama.edu,* planned for public launch later in 2026. The new website will have a modern aesthetic and user-customizable interface f Mesonet data and imagery, along with manual and automated data access capabilities.

The Mesonet was featured in a talk by Dr. Kimball at the 106th annual meeting of the American Meteorological Society in Houston, as well as in a talk and a poster presented by Mr. Austin Clark at the Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes symposium. Recent Mesonet collaboration presentations have also taken plac

the USA Office of Research and Economic Development, Alabama Forestry Commission, Alabama Emergency Management Agency, and Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Work on a number of research topics featuring the Mesonet are currently under way, including historic event reports (e.g., snowstorm in January of 2025), instrument comparisons (e.g., rain gauges, aspirated vs. vented radiation shields), AI-based data quality control, and economic return on investment for using Mesonet data within various sectors.

Apart from providing data for forecasting, emergency response, and real time decision support, the stations are also used for education in the Department of Earth Sciences' Meteorology program and in research for a variety of disciplines at the University of South Alabama and other institutions. Funding from Synoptic Data Inc. to maintain the weather stations was again renewed through August of 2026. Additional sources of private funding are also being investigated. Dr. Kimball is the Univers of South Alabama PI on a $5M NSF EPSCoR (Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) grant l by the University of Louisiana Lafayette, also including partners at Louisiana State University and the U.S. Geographical Survey. The project is called "Using Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Weather Forecasting" and makes use of South Alabama Mesonet observations to train machine learning modules in predicting weather parameters and meteorological phenomena like surface inversions and sea-breeze generated thunderstorms.

COASTAL WEATHER RESEARCH CENTER

Entering its 39th year of operation, the Coastal Weather Research Center is a self-supporting entity within the Department of Earth Sciences. Housed in the Science Laboratory Building—which will soon also serve as the new home for the Meteorology Program—the Center integrates a fully equipped meteorological laboratory, an information center, and an extensive climate archive to support both research and real-time operations. As the nation's only professionally operated, college-owned weather center, the CWRC plays a distinctive role in applied meteorology. It delivers daily forecasts, hazardous weather alerts, tropical weather updates, and other mission-critical information to nearly 100 businesses, industries, and municipal governments spanning Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Louisiana, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, and Massachusetts. Additionally, the CWRC offers advance planning and preparedness support to university administration and campus departments, enabling informed decision-making for university-held events ahead of hazardous weather.

With funding from the College of Arts and Sciences and the Department of Earth Sciences, one of the largest displays on campus—a 115-inch commercial screen—was installed in the Center last summer. The Synoptic Meteorology class has already begun utilizing the display, with expanded use anticipated as the Meteorology Program relocates to the Science Laboratory Building.

While the primary focus of the CWRC is to deliver exceptional services and products to its clients, along with ongoing outreach to expand its client base, the Center also maintains an active role in the USA Meteorology Program. Staff have conducted numerous tours and events, including those organized by the Office of Admissions, while the Center hosted the annual Meteorology Student Awards Ceremony. In addition, the Center engages in public outreach through talks and presentations, as well as the continued publication of the *Mobile Weather and Marine Almanac*.

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WAR & MEMORY

The USA Center for the Study of War and Memory faculty continues to promote interdisciplinary research in the study of war commemoration and to create meaningful and accessible humanities programming for the community. These are some of the highlights from the past academic year.

Public-facing activities included the Center's co-sponsorship of a screening of the 2024 film *The Count of Monte Cristo* as part of the Cinémathèque Albertine French film festival on campus. **David Messenger** (History) contributed to the online resource the Virtual Spanish Civil War Museum, *vscw.ca*, whose mission is "to make the history and legacies of the Spanish Civil War, both as an internal conflict and its international repercussions, available to the general public." The War and Memory podcast relaunched with an episode devoted to Daniela Spenser's *Echoes of Exile*. In it, Spenser talks about her book, which – part history, part memoir – traces the author's family in Eastern Europe during the Holocaust and the Cold War. Spenser's book appeared in the War, Memory, and Culture series from the University of Alabama Press. Also published in that series this year was Jennifer K. Ladino's, *Experiencing War Memorials: Environment, Affect, and Public Memory*, a volume of essays based on the Center's 2023 conference of the same name.

Center faculty continued to produce individual scholarship. **Susan McCready** (Modern and Classical Languages and Literature) celebrated the publication of her latest book, *Commemorative Acts: French Theatre and the Memory of the Great War* with the University of Toronto Press. She spoke about the book at the University of Alabama and on campus at USA. She was also interviewed for podcasts with the New Books Network and the Nineteenth-Century French Studies Association. **David Messenger** published his latest book with Palgrave MacMillan, *Civilian Bombing and Civil Defense in the Spanish Civil War: Bombs Along the Mediterranean London*.

CO-DIRECTORS

Susan McCready, *Professor of French*
David Messenger, *Professor of History*

USA STATISTICAL CONSULTING CENTER

During the 2025–26 academic year, the Statistical Consulting Center in the Department of Mathematics & Statistics made a substantial contribution to research productivity across the University of South Alabama. The Center's consultants **Dr. Madhuri Mulekar, Dr. Olivia Atutey,** and **Dr. Mathias Muia** worked on several projects and provided statistical guidance that helped improve project quality. The Center assisted 13 research projects this year, representing both new initiatives and ongoing collaborations. These projects involved faculty and clinicians from the College of Allied Health, College of Medicine and USA Medical Center, and College of Nursing, reflecting the Center's broad engagement across academic and clinical units. Consulting activities contributed directly to multiple manuscript submissions, scholarly presentations, and strengthened research proposals. The Center continues to support the University's academic and research mission by providing reliable statistical help that strengthens research work.

More information about the statistical consulting center is available at *http://www.southalabama.edu/colleges/artsandsci/mathstat/statconsulting.html*. The center is located at 411 University Blvd N, MSPB 325, Mobile, AL 36688. Contact: 251-460-6264 and *stat.consulting@southalabama.edu*.

STOKES CENTER FOR CREATIVE WRITING

In 2025-2026, the Stokes Center for Creative Writing experienced a transition to new personnel with a new Director / prose writer **Dr. Jocelyn Cullity** and Advisory Board Member / poet **Dr. Luke Jorgensen.**

Former Director, **Dr. Charlotte Pence,** had already kindly set up the Fall 2025 writers for the Center's Visiting Writers Series. Fall speakers included Gaylord Brewer and keynote writer for the year (as well as South's Common Read pick): Margaret Renkl.

Alabama writer, Margaret Renkl is recognized for essays focusing on southern culture, politics, and the natural world. She is the acclaimed author of *Late Migrations*, *Graceland, at Last*, and *The Comfort of Crows: A Backyard Year. Late Migrations* was the focus of her visit at South.

In Spring 2026, we showcased visiting writers Ka Price and Alexis Okeowo. We were pleased that the events were well attended by students, faculty, and the greater Mobile community. As in the Fall, these writers provided master classes and evening readings and gave students opportunities to engage over meals and other social gatherings. Interactions with nationally reno writers intellectually and creatively enriches the quality of education our students receive.

In tandem with South's greater ambition to reach more of the Gulf community and to also make as many high-school students aware of the rich creative writing program at South, we initiated a high-school contest, running a pilot of this contest at an underserved area high school with one of our Spring visiting speakers. The winner of the contest was invited to read before the visiting writer to the stage, and she was then invited with her high-school teacher for dinner with the writer and faculty. The pilot was a great success. An unanticipated outcome is that the high-school student, who will be a first-generation college student, has decided to attend South to take English with a concentration in Creative Writing.

In order to provide students with experiential learning and to enhance essential professionalization in the graduate program, The Stokes Center for Creative Writing annually provides funding for graduate students to attend the biggest and arguably most important cre writing conference in the country, AWP. This ye funding for two students and partial funding for a third student traveled to Baltimore to attend four intensive days of panels and readings that provide students with insights into industry trends, publishing advice, and craft instruction, as well as the opportunity to meet with editors at national and international presses that seek student work.

In addition to AWP, the Center continues to strengthen a relationship with Longleaf Writers Conference in Seaside, Florida. Two graduate students received scholarships to attend and participate in workshops led by renown writers, to meet one-on-one with agents, and to attend lectures.

Professionalization opportunities are vital to student success in the writing world after college. Therefore, we've initiated a third option, sending three students (two graduates, one advanced undergraduate) to Dairy Hollow Writers Colony in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, for a one-week retreat. Dairy Hollow provides professional writers with the time and quiet retreat space to their work and to engage with each other when time permits. Our students will receive craft instruction by an on-site professional writer for two hours in the morning, will learn how to "retreat" to write for the rest of the day, and will have the opportunity to engage with national and international practicing writers over evening meals.

Such professionalization opportunities are key to students' future success. Another professionalization experience for our students is the opportunity to work on *Oracle*. *Oracle*, a national literary magazine and registered student organization at University of South Alabama, provides students with professional experience in magazine design, layout, production, marketing, and distribution as well as editorial curation and staff management. The Stokes Center for Creative Writing supports *Oracle* by helping to cover the cost of the faculty advisor stipend and the submission system, Submittable, which is the primary method journals use in this country, especially for those seeking a blind-review process like that of *Oracle*.

This year produced another terrific issue that showcases students' editorial skills, led by graduate student and editor-in-chief **Hannah Rhodes,** who, in addition to her editing duties, helped to organize a "how-to-submit-your work" publishing workshop, and coordinated fundraising events. The launch of this year's issue gained solid attention and was well attended.

This year was also *Oracle*'s second iteration of the Rebecca Davis-Brown Award, a memorial prize honoring South alumna and poet Rebecca-Davis Brown. Graduating masters' student **Hanh-Nhan Tran** was the recipient of this year's award and read her winning poem, "Xa Từ Nước" (Far From Water)," at the launch event. Reba Davis, Rebecca's mother, read Rebecca's piece "Mantra," which was also published in the issue. The upcoming year will feature an exciting milestone for *Oracle*, as next spring we plan to launch the magazine's 25th issue.

During the spring semester, **Dr. Luke Jorgensen** worked with the local non-profit Light of the Village to run an outreach writing program in their afterschool program in Prichard. Alumna of the MA program in Creative Writing, **Kate Duthu,** helped to make this connection and facilitated the workshops. They worked with multiple different student groups, first through fifth grade and high school, on weekly projects. These writing sessions foster the creativity of students who often come from disadvantaged backgrounds and schools. Graduate student Hannah Rhodes offered excellent hands-on experience working in literary outreach. Dr. Jorgensen hopes to pilot a writing outreach internship for students in the MA program in the coming year.

The Center is particularly pleased to be able to offer a unique number of student scholarships. Scholarships range from $1,000 - $8,000. This year, we were delighted to honor eleven students for these awards. Stokes will also support an incoming graduate student with a stipend.

In line with South's marketing team, we updated Stokes logos to be more in line with South branding. We have completed the contracts for all visiting writers for the 2026-2027 academic year. Plans for next year include expanding the high-school contests to include more underserved student communities; strengthening ties with the local Mobile area to enhance our Visiting Writers Series' audiences at South; creating new advertising to increase the visibility of our Center's scholarships, both internally and externally; and forging new relationships with Gulf-located organizations, focusing on new opportunities for creativity.

We have five new graduate students in Creative Writing (3 this spring, 2026, and 2 so far for the fall of 2026). New advertising will target potential students in Louisiana and other states still to be determined.

Finally, in Spring 20206, the University of South Alabama's Eastern Shore speaker series "USA by the Bay" showcased **Dr. Ellen Harrington** and **Dr. Jocelyn Cullity,** representing the Stokes Center for Creative Writing, with their talk: "Stories Matter in a Digital World." The presentation at the USA Baldwin County Campus Performance Center in Fairhope was attended by over one hundred in the local community.

We worked to keep the Stokes Center for Creative Writing steadily humming along, and to keep much of the excellent accomplishments of our predecessors alive. We aim to continue to produce years of enrichment for the university, its students, and the surrounding communities. It has been an honor to take first steps this year.



DEPARTMENT OF

Art & Art History

It has been an exciting year in the Department of Art and Art History. We saw the combined number of Art and Art History majors between the BA and BFA programs increase to 195 for the 2025-26 academic year. We continue to have a thriving MFA program with 15 graduate students, including 5 exceptional artists graduating this spring. We look forward to a new cohort of undergraduate and graduate students this upcoming fall.

Department Chair: Dr. Kara Burns

Professors: Susan Fitzsimmons, Diane Gibbs, Matthew Johnson, Ben Shamback, Tony Wright

Associate Professors: Alma Hoffmann, Karl Jahnke, Dr. Christina Lindeman, Matthew Patterson, Dr. Elizabeth Rivenbark

Assistant Professors: John T. Hill, Rita Skiadas

Instructors: Kathleen Alexander, Cassandra Bakotic, Daniel Bass, Tiffany Beasley, David Bridwell, Scott Bruce, Brittney Carroll, Phillip Counselman, Jason Frostholm, Dr. Elizabeth Hawley, Mary Kilcrease, Yvonne LeBrun, José Molina, Megan Moore, Sanita Jetton, Leah Nichols, Molly Phalan, Rikki Rhodes, Jeremiah Roberts, Laura Roberts, Kevin Russell, Elizabeth Van Antwerp, Rachel Wright

Secretary: Maureena Walker

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Providing students with the opportunity to study art and architecture abroad remains a primary goal of the department. **Associate Professor Alma Hoffmann** and **Assistant Professor Margareta Skiadas** lead the USA Visual Arts in Paris program from May 12–26, 2025. This was our department's first trip to Paris; we look forward to returning to the city of lights in May 2027. Professionally, the Art and Art History faculty has had another exceptional year, with presentations, publications, and acceptances into national and international conferences, art shows and film festivals, as well as serving the department, college, university and the community.

ANIMATION

Associate Professor Karl Jahnke continues his position as Graduate Coordinator for the MFA in Creative Technologies and Practice. He teamed up with Assistant Professor John Hill and others to create the animated short films Animal Fighterz, Boxfrog Adventures, and a Bloody Break, which were accepted into 9 film festivals, including PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo in Palm Springs, California, and Lift-Off Global Network at Iver Heath, UK.

Assistant Professor John Hill's films were made both as an individual and as part of a team in 44 national and international film festivals, including his Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film), which was shown at the Ravenheart International Film Festival in Oslo, Norway, SI-FAN in Edinburgh, Scotland, Animest Bucharest International Film Festival in Bucharest, Romania, and the Dead Northern Horror Film Festival in York, UK, among others.

Additionally, **Associate Professor Karl Jahnke** and **Assistant Professor John Hill** have led the USA Animation team in multiple successful juried film competitions. For the second year in a row, they won the annual Statewide 48-hour film competition Jury Award. Each year Sidewalk hosts teams from across the state (and region) to attempt to complete a short film in only 48 hours. Each team is given a random film genre, a shared prop or plot device, and a required line of dialog in order to prevent them from using pre-made assets or pre-prepared film ideas. The Jury Award winner receives a certificate, a monetary prize, and full acceptance into the Sidewalk Film Festival. The Sidewalk Film Festival, in its 28th year, is the largest and most prestigious film festival in the state, held August 24th – 30th in Birmingham.

Of the 17 teams entered, 13 finished films qualified for awards. South students comprised two teams and took home three awards. A team of 4 Graduate students in the MFA in Creative Technologies and Practice, coordinated by **Associate Professor and Graduate Coordinator Karl Jahnke**, took home the Honorable Mention award for "Most Faithful to Genre" for their CGI animated short: "Medical Procedural Drama Season 48 Episode 67". Their assigned genre was "Medical Procedural". This team, named "Relationship Editors", included Graduate students **Terrell Griffith, Diana Dyer, Johnathan Clair,** and **Sydney Sullivan.** A team of 13 Undergraduate students in the Animation Concentration, coordinated by **Assistant Professor John T. Hill**, was awarded the Jury Prize for their 2D animated short "Scrambled in Space". Their assigned genre was Sci-Fi. They were also awarded the Honorable Mention prize for "Best Sound Effects." Student **Jami Davenport** was in attendance with his family at the screening and awards presentation in Birmingham and received the award. This team, named "Jazzy Sprinkles", included Undergraduate students **Lih Cunha Rohleder, Harper Russell, Nathan Vo, Kriner Kriner, Jami Davenport, Jalen Wilson, Remy Colbert, Adriana Vazquez Machado, Adrienna Edwards, Emily Brainerd, Brianna Lipford, Lilith Shamback,** and **Emma King.**

This is the second Jury Prize and third inclusion of a 48 Hour Short Film produced by the USA Animation team in the Sidewalk Film Festival, having won the top prize in October of 2025 for the short "Phobophobia" and the second-place prize in 2023 for "Porta Party".

ART HISTORY

Dr. Kara Burns, **Associate Professor of Art History**, continues to serve as the Chair of the Art and Art History Department and as Director of the USA Archaeology Museum. She attended the Annual Meeting of the Classical Association for the Midwest and South, held here in Mobile for the first time. She also worked with Dr. Elizabeth Rivenbark to incorporate the Museum Studies Minor program into the Department of Art and Art History and to secure new internship opportunities in the Gulf Coast Region for the Art History and Museum Studies programs.

Dr. Christina Lindeman, **Associate Professor of Art History**, was awarded a sabbatical for the fall of 2025.

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She spent time in London researching her next book. She presented a portion of this research at the Annual Meeting of ASECS (American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies) in Philadelphia.

Dr. Elizabeth Rivenbark, **Associate Professor of Art History**, was appointed Chair of the Museum Studies Minor program, which has officially become housed in the Department of Art and Art History. She looks forward to leading the program into the future. She also helped secure, along with Dr. Kara Burns, a new paid internship for the Art History and Museum Studies students at the United States Sports Academy in Daphne, Alabama. Our first intern begins at USSA this upcoming summer semester. They have also aligned with the Historic Franklin House and Gallery for an internship opportunity.

CERAMICS

Professor Tony Wright continues to donate his time to the Mobile community, creating bowls for Art Soup, the annual fundraiser for the Love All Pantry, which provides food for families in need in the Mobile area. He also encourages USA students and other Mobile artists to donate their time to this important charity. He also exhibited his ceramic vessel "Made Here: Southern Synergies '25" at the Professor/Student Exhibit at the Sell-Granata Art Gallery at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa.

GLASS

Associate Professor Matthew Patterson continues to garner commissions for his highly sought-after glass art. He also exhibited his glass sculpture "Catalyst" at The Glass Arts Society's Connections 205 in Arlington, Texas. All the while, he has continued to lead the department's highly anticipated and successful annual Pumpkin Sale.

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Professor Diane Gibbs won four awards for her design submissions: two Awards of Distinction and one Award of Excellence through the Communicator Awards and a Silver Award from Muse Creative Awards. She continues to promote the field of Graphic Design through her weekly podcast, while maintaining an impressive roster of national and international clients. She also took over the lead in organizing the department's annual Christmas Art Sale.

Associate Professor Alma Hoffmann was accepted into the Symposium V: The Art of Letters. The Art of Letters: Symbiosis V is an annual international mentoring, exhibition, and live artists' talks and presentations project led by Dorothy Lam based in Singapore. The application process consists of an inquiry email and an interview. After which, if selected, the applicant is paired with two or three designers and/or calligraphers under the mentorship of a master calligrapher. Associate Professor Hoffmann's mentor was Gabriela Soba. The mentorship resulted in the design and production of three oversize pieces (four feet by six feet) listed below. The exhibition opened for two weeks in November 2025 and remains posted on The Art of Letters website. She has also continued her role as design editor at Smashing Magazine, an international online magazine covering Web Design and Development. Her work was also accepted into 3 additional juried exhibitions.

Professor Matthew Johnson focused on his client work this year. He continues to maintain an extensive client list, both locally and nationally. He also designed the USA Way Banner for the College of Arts & Sciences.

PAINTING

Ben Shamback was awarded a sabbatical for Fall 2025. Twenty-two of his paintings were displayed in his 2026 Sabbatical Exhibition in the USA Visual Arts Gallery. Additionally, he had five paintings accepted into four national exhibitions.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Assistant Professor Rita Skiadas exhibited her photograph, "Taking Flight", in the online exhibition for the 2025 World Cyanotype Day. She also organized a workshop for the event.

SCULPTURE

Professor Susan Fitzsimmons's sculptures continued to feature in multiple publications. Her sculptures were also accepted into two juried exhibitions, one at the Mobile Museum of Art and the other at the Alabama Women's Council for the Arts in Huntsville, Alabama. Her work has also been featured in multiple curated and invitational exhibitions both locally and nationally, including the Hecksher Museum in Hepstead, Long Island, New York.

PEER REVIEWED EDITED VOLUMES: ESSAY COLLECTIONS, ANTHOLOGIES, EDITIONS OF PRIMARY WORK, AND CRITICAL APPARATUS

ALMA HOFFMANN

Art - Art Works in Publication
Hoffmann, A. "Visual Art Journal," Visual Art Journal, Visual Art Journal, Tilibisi, Georgia. (2025, September 5 - 2025, October).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Hoffmann, A. "Ampersand," New Christian Makers, New Christian Makers, Richmond, VA. (2025, April - 2026, April).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Hoffmann, A. "Micah 4," New Christian Makers, New Christian Makers, Richmond, VA. (2025, April - 2026, April).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Hoffmann, A. "Repent," New Christian Makers, New Christian Makers, Richmond, VA. (2025, April - 2026, April).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Hoffmann, A. "You Killed the Author of Life," New Christian Makers, New Christian Makers, Richmond, VA. (2025, April - 2026, April).

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

SUSAN FITZSIMMONS

Art - Art Works in Publication
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "Daily Lazy," Susan Fitzsimmons, Hyphae collective. (2025, September - Present).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "Contemporary Texas Sculpture," Susan Fitzsimmons, Texas Sculpture Group. Diana Roberts editor, James Surls, Gary Webernick, Brian Wedgworth, San Antonio, Texas. (2025, December 20 - Present).

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

ALMA HOFFMANN

Editorial Board Member, "The Site-Search Paradox: Why the Big Box always wins", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2026, March 11 - 2026, March 19).

Editorial Board Member, "A Designer's Guide To Eco-Friendly Interfaces", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2026, January - 2026, February).

Editorial Board Member, "Human Strategy In An AI-Accelerated Workflow", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2026, January - 2026, February).

Editorial Board Member, "The Accessibility Problem With Authentication Methods Like CAPTCHA", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, November - 2025, December).

Editorial Board Member, "Beyond The Hype: What AI Can Really Do For Product Design", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, July - 2025, August).

Editorial Board Member, "The Psychology Of Color In UX Design And Digital Products", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, July - 2025, August).

Editorial Board Member, "Can Good UX Protect Older Users From Digital Scams?", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, May - 2025, June).

Editorial Board Member, "Tiny Screens, Big Impact", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, May - 2025, June).

Editorial Board Member, "Why Designers Get Stuck in the Details and How to Stop", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, May - 2025, June).

Editorial Board Member, "Collaboration: The Most Underrated UX Skill No One Talks About", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, May).

Editorial Board Member, "What Does It Really Mean for a Site to Be Keyboard Navigable", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, April - 2025, May).

Editorial Board Member, "Fewer ideas: An Unconventional Approach to Creativity", Smashing Magazine. Professional. (2025, March - 2025, April).

JURIED PERFORMANCES, PRODUCTIONS AND RECITALS

JOHN HILL

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "BoneBat "Comedy of Horrors" Film Fest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Seattle, WA. (2026, April 11).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "Longleaf Studio Student Film Festival - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," Jacksonville State University Department of Theatre and Film and Longleaf Studio, Jacksonville, AL. (2026, April 3).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "George Lindsey UNA Film Festival - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," University of North Alabama, Florence, AL. (2026, March 5).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Clair, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "George Lindsey UNA Film Festival - Boxfrog Adventures (Short Film)," University of North Alabama, Florence, AL. (2026, March 5).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Milling, E., James, S., Clare, J., O'Gwynn, C., Robinson, C., Cunha Rohleder, L., Broner, J., Vittor, R., Smith, H., Davenport, J., Lorenzo, M., Smith, S., & **Hill, J. T.** "George Lindsey UNA Film Festival - Phobophobia (Short Film)," USA Animation Team, University of North Alabama, Florence, AL. (2026, March 5).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Midnight Monster Club Short Film Festival - Next Show in 90 MInutes (short film)," El Paso, TX. (2026, January 16).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Milling, E., James, S., Clare, J., O'Gwynn, C., Robinson, C., Cunha Rohleder, L., Broner, J., Vittor, R., Smith, H., Davenport, J., Lorenzo, M., Smith, S., & **Hill, J. T.** "Midnight Monster Club Short Film Festival - Phobophobia (Short Film)," USA Animation Team, El Paso, TX. (2026, January 16).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Atlanta Spotlight Awards Fest - Next Show in 90 MInutes (short film)," Atlanta Film Series, Atlanta, GA. (2025, December 6).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "St. Louis International Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," St. Louis, MO. (2025, November 15).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Simply Weird Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Atlanta, GA. (2025, November 10).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Buried Alive Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Atlanta, GA. (2025, November 9).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Spooky Empire Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Orlando, FL. (2025, October 31 - 2025, November 2).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Milling, E., James, S., Clare, J., O'Gwynn, C., Robinson, C., Cunha Rohleder, L., Broner, J., Vittor, R., Smith, H., Davenport, J., Lorenzo, M., Smith, S., & **Hill, J. T.** "YellowHammer Film Fest - Phobophobia (Short Film)," USA Animation Team, YellowHammer Film Fest / Troy University, Troy, AL. (2025, October 30).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Neter III, R.-A. T., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "George Lindsey UNA Film Festival - Catch That Battery (Short Film)," University of North Alabama, Florence, AL. (2025, February 27 - 2025, March 1).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "FilmQuest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Provo, UT. (2025, October 26).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Horror en las Montañas Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Xalapa and Veracruz, Veracruz, Mexico. (2025, October 3 - 2025, October 24).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Atlanta HorrorFest - Next Show in 90 MInutes (short film)," Atlanta Film Series, Atlanta, GA. (2025, October 19).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Hellifax Horror Fest - Next Show in 90 MInutes (short film)," Halifax, Nova Scotia. (2025, October 18).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Knoxville Horror Film Fest - Next Show in 90 MInutes (short film)," Knoxville, TN. (2025, October 18).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Brooklyn SCIFI Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Brooklyn, NY. (2025, October 6 - 2025, October 12).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Eerie Horror Fest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Eerie, PA. (2025, October 11).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Austin Horror Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Austin, TX. (2025, October 9 - 2025, October 11).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "animest Bucharest International Animation Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Bucharest, Romania. (2025, October 10).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Halloweenapalooza - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Ottumwa, IA. (2025, October 10).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Nashville Horror Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Nashville, TN. (2025, October 4).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Peaberry Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Canton, GA. (2025, October 3).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Hill, J. T. "Montreal International Animation Film Festival (ANIMAZE) - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Montreal, Quebec, Canada. (2025, October 2).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Dead Northern Horror Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," York, UK. (2025, September 27).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "HorrorFest International - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," St. George, UT. (2025, September 19).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Milwaukee Horror Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Milwaukee, WI. (2025, September 6).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Milling, E., James, S., Clare, J., O'Gwynn, C., Robinson, C., Cunha Rohleder, L., Broner, J., Vittor, R., Smith, H., Davenport, J., Lorenzo, M., Smith, S., & **Hill, J. T.** "Sidewalk Film Festival - Phobophobia (Short Film)," USA Animation Team, Sidewalk Film Center + Cinema, Birmingham, AL. (2025, August 18 - 2025, August 24).

Art - Arts Festival
Hill, J. T. "Sidewalk Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Sidewalk Film + Cinema, Birmingham, AL. (2025, August 23).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Sidewalk Film Festival |Alabama Film Spotlight Night - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Sidewalk Film + Cinema, Birmingham, AL. (2025, August 18).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Athens Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Athens, GA. (2025, August 14 - 2025, August 17).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Popcorn Frights Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Miami, FL. (2025, August 7 - 2025, August 17).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Portland Festival of Cinema, Animation & Technology - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Portland, Oregon. (2025, August 9).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Montgomery Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Sidewalk Film + Cinema, Montgomery, AL. (2025, August 1 - 2025, August 3).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Smith, H., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - A Bloody Break (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Clair, J., **Hill, J. T.**, Jahnke, K. R. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - Boxfrog Adventures (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Hill, J. T. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "First-Time Filmmaker Sessions Vol 6 - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," Lift-Off Global Network, Iver Heath, UK. (2025, June 16 - 2025, June 30).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Clair, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "First-Time Filmmaker Sessions Vol 6 - Boxfrog Adventures (Short Film)," Lift-Off Global Network, Iver Heath, UK. (2025, June 16 - 2025, June 30).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Atlanta ShortsFest - Next Show in 90 MInutes (short film)," Atlanta Film Series, Atlanta, GA. (2025, June 21).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Ravenheart International Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Oslo, Norway. (2025, June 11 - 2025, June 15).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "The ASIFA-East Animation Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," ASIFA East, New York, NY. (2025, May 18).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Frankenfilm Fest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Alcoa, TN. (2025, May 9).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "SI-FAN - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Edinburgh, Scotland. (2025, May 3).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hill, J. T. "Jersey Devil Film Fest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film)," Asbury Park, NJ. (2025, May 2).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, Jahnke, K. R. "Longleaf Studio Student Film Festival - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," Jacksonville State University Department of Theatre and Film and Longleaf Studio, Jacksonville, AL. (2026, April 3).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, Jahnke, K. R. "George Lindsey UNA Film Festival - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," University of North Alabama, Florence, AL. (2026, March 5).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Clair, J., **Hill, J. T.**, Jahnke, K. R. "George Lindsey UNA Film Festival - Boxfrog Adventures (Short Film)," University of North Alabama, Florence, AL. (2026, March 5).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Smith, H., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - A Bloody Break (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Clair, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "PSIAF Palm Springs International Animation Festival & Expo - Boxfrog Adventures (Short Film)," Palm Springs, CA, United States. (2025, June 30 - 2025, July 14).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Broner, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "First-Time Filmmaker Sessions Vol 6 - Animal Fighterz (Short Film)," Lift-Off Global Network, Iver Heath, UK. (2025, June 16 -2025, June 30).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Clair, J., **Hill, J. T.**, & Jahnke, K. R. "First-Time Filmmaker Sessions Vol 6 - Boxfrog Adventures (Short Film)," Lift-Off Global Network, Iver Heath, UK. (2025, June 16 -2025, June 30).

JURIED EXHIBITIONS

SUSAN FITZSIMMONS

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "ALWCA exhibition at Lowe Mill Gallery, 12/30 /2025-3/1/2025 in Huntsville," Susan Fitzsimmons and 3 other artists, Alabama Women's Council for the Arts, Huntsville, Alabama. (2025, December 30 - 2026, March 1).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "Mobile Museum of Art in the Plaza," Susan Fitzsimmons, Mobile Museum of Art and city of Mobile, Mobile Alabama. (2025, December - 2026, June).

DIANE GIBBS

Award of Distinction, Communicator Awards. (2025, June 1). **Gibbs, C. D.** &Pip.co.uk website in the Category of Features: Visual Appeal–Aesthetic

Award of Distinction, Communicator Awards. (2025, June 1). **Gibbs, C. D.** &Pip.co.uk website in the Category of Features: Website Design

Award of Excellence, Communicator Awards. (2025, June 1). **Gibbs, C. D.** &Pip.co.uk website in the Category of General Professional Services

Gibbs, C. D. Silver Award, Muse Creative Awards. (2025, October). Silver award for the design and layout of the book cover for "We Are Scotts".

ALMA HOFFMANN

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hoffmann, A. "Hide and Seek," Symbiosis V, The Art of Letters, Singapore. (2025, November - 2026, November).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hoffmann, A. "Rebellious," Symbiosis V, The Art of Letters, Singapore. (2025, November - 2026, November).

Art - Exhibition, Competitive
Hoffmann, A. "Tic Toc," Symbiosis V, The Art of Letters, Singapore. (2025, November - 2026, November).

MATTHEW PATTERSON

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Patterson, M. W. "Catalyst / Connections 2025," The Glass Arts Society / The University of Texas at Arlington Fine Arts Galleries, Arlington, TX. (2025, May 14 - 2025, May 17).

BEN SHAMBACK

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Shamback, B. J. (2025, October 16 - 2025, November 20). Portrait Society of Atlanta Fall Open Juried Exhibition, Portrait Society of Atlanta, Callendwalde Fine Arts Center, Atlanta, Georgia, Juror: Miriam Hoffman, National Juried Exhibition, 1 painting: Coelacanth Portrait.

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Shamback, B. J. (2025, September 26 - 2025, October 24). Painted Biennial, Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center, Cincinnati, Ohio, Juror: Manifest Jury Committee, National Juried Exhibition, 2 paintings: Monk with Rabbit Crucifix, Portrait with Blue Wagon

Art - Exhibition, Juried
S**Shamback, B. J.** (2025, September 1 - 2026, September 1). Allied Artists of America 112th Online Exhibition, Jurors: Gabriela Gonzalez Dellosso and Annie Patt, National Online Juried Exhibition, 1 painting: George Washington with Britanniadactylus

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Shamback, B. J. (2025, June 6 - 2025, July 17). Hudson Valley 92nd National Juried Exhibition, Lyme Art Association Gallery, Lyme, Connecticut, Jurors: Thomas Torak and Penny Billings, National Juried Exhibition, 1 painting: Louis Planche

MARGARITA SKIADAS

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Skiadas, M. "Taking Flight," World Cyanotype Day 2025, Online Exhibition. (2025, September 27 - 2025, October 3).

OTHER EXHIBITIONS

SUSAN FITZSIMMONS

Art - Exhibition, Curated
Fitzsimmons, S. G."Fitzsimmons, Hurricanes and Tornadoes, selected for permanent collection," Susan Fitzsimmons, Hecksher Museum, Hempstead, Long Island, NY. (2026, January - Present).

Art-Exhibition, Curated
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "Permanent Collection at UAB Abroms-Engle Institute for Visual Arts," Susan Fitzsimmons, University of Alabama Birmingham, Birmingham, Al. (2025, November 20 - Present).

Art-Exhibition, Curated
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "International Museum of Art and Science Permanent Collections Acquisition," Susan Fitzsimmons, International Museum of Art and Science, McAllen, Texas USA. (2023, January - Present).

Art - Exhibition, Invitational
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "In the Moment: Recent Acquisitions to AEIVA's Permanent Collection April 21–December 12, 2026 Opening: May 21, 5–7pm. AEIVA presents In the Moment: Recent Acquisitions to AEIVA's Permanent Collection, featuring work by seventeen artists acquired over the past three years, much of which will be on view at AEIVA for the first time. Works by Alabama artists such as Pinky/MM Bass, Celestia Morgan, and Susan Fitzsimmons are shown alongside works by a wide range of nationally-recognized artists, including Katherine Bernhardt, Mokha Laget, Futoshi Miyagi, and others. (2026, April 21 - 2026, December 12).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "Contextures," Just Above Midtown, Creative Time, International. (2024, October 15 - 2025).

Art - Art Works in Publication
Fitzsimmons, S. G. "Daily Lazy/ International Online review- Through Every glitch and Eruption," Susan Fitzsimmons, Thornton Dial, William Christenberry, Purvis Young Phillip Zach, Hyphae Collaborative, Greensboro Alabama. (2025, July - 2025, August).

DIANE GIBBS

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Creatives Ignite website and Podcast," Creatives Ignite, Creatives Ignite, Wilmer, AL, USA. (2025, March 23 - Present).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "All Youth Napa website," All Youth Napa, All Youth Napa, Napa, California, USA. (2025, March - Present).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Bella Capelli website updates and maintenance," Bella Capelli, Bella Capelli, Mobile, AL, USA. (2025, March - Present).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Collegiate Legacy," Collegiate Legacy, Collegiate Legacy, Fayetteville, GA, USA. (2025, March - Present).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "cdianegibbs.com website," diane gibbs, diane gibbs, Wilmer, AL USA. (2025, May - 2026, May).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Writing on the Souls of My Feet," Saundra Scribner Grace, Negative Capability Press, Mobile, Alabama, United States. (2025, November 1 - 2026, April 25).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "&Pip.co.uk website additions," &Pip, &Pip (Pippa Tanko), East Grinstead West, Sussex, UK. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Elisabeth Wells updated signs and business cards for her business," Elisabeth Wells, Elisabeth Wells, Mobile, AL, USA. (2026, January).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Art Sale Flyer 2025," Art & Art History Department, Art & Art History Department, Mobile, AL, USA. (2025, November - 2025, December).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Easy Heating & Cooling," Easy Heating & Cooling, Easy Heating & Cooling (Enoch Smith), Mobile, AL, USA. (2025, July - 2025).

Other
Gibbs, C. D. "Design as a Lifelong Habit," Type Speaks Podcast, Rae Nawrocki at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, USA. (2025, November 11).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Gibbs, C. D. "Tradeworks Ad for October playbill," Tradeworks, Tradeworks (Vickie Gibbs), Raleigh, NC, USA. (2025, October).

ALMA HOFFMANN

Art - Commissioned
Hoffmann, A. "Italia 26," Department of Art and Art History, Department of Art and Art History, Mobile, AL. (2025, September 3 - 2026, January).

Art - Exhibition, Juried
Hoffmann, A. "Gelato," Mobile Art Association, Mobile Art Association, Mobile, AL. (2025, April 17 - 2025, May 30).

MATTHEW JOHNSON

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Mural Image: Edits and Adjustments," Jeff Jones, Mobile, AL, USA. (2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Austin, TX Division (~98 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Cincinnati, OH Division (~95 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Cleveland, OH Division (~45 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Columbus, OH Division (~28 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Dallas, TX Division (~150 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Florida Division (~22 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Houston, TX Division (~115 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Indianapolis, IN Division (~38 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Nashville, TN Division (~70 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: North Carolina Division (~54 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: San Antonio, TX Division (~85 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Interactive Floor Plan Development: Washington D.C. Division (~34 house plans)," Drees Homes / The Drees Company, Fort Mitchell, KY, USA. (2025, March - 2026, March).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "USA Arts & Sciences: USA Way Banner design." (2026, February).

Other
Johnson, M. A. "Poster Design for Art and Art History Sophomore Review," Mobile. (2026, January).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Logo and Sign Design," Tara Foster, Coastal Steamer, Santa Rosa Beach, FL, USA. (2025, September - 2025, October).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "MACH Robotics: Logo Vectorization," Mobile, AL. (2025, September).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Memoir Book Design and Layout: Greene Family Stories Book 2," Linda Hamilton, Stories to Last, Oakland, MCA, USA. (2025, April - 2025, June).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Memoir Book Design and Layout: Greene Family Stories Book 1," Linda Hamilton, Stories to Last, Oakland, MCA, USA. (2024, April - 2025, June).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Mary G. Montgomery H.S.: Graduation Program Design & Layout 2025," Mary G. Montgomery H.S, Semmes, AL. U.S. (2025, May).

Commercial Art/Design - Commissioned
Johnson, M. A. "Memoir Book Cover Design Concepts: An Expanding Mind and a Shrinking World," Linda Hamilton, Stories to Last, Oakland, MCA, USA. (2025, May).

MATTHEW PATTERSON

Art - Commissioned
Patterson, M. W. "Multiple Works," Development and Alumni Relations, Mobile, AL. (2026, March).

Art - Commissioned
Patterson, M. W. "Multiple Works," Development and Alumni Relations, Mobile, AL. (2025, December).

Art - Commissioned
Patterson, M. W. "Seascape / Gift for Keynote Speaker, Robin Hayes - North American Airbus CEO," Office of Research and Economic Devlopment, Mobile, AL. (2025, October).

Art - Commissioned
Patterson, M. W. "Untitled/ Gift For Dr Marymont, Dean of the College of Medicine," South Alabama Medical Science Foundation, Mobile, AL. (2025, October).

Art - Commissioned
Patterson, M. W. "Pumpkins for the President's Cabinet," DevelopmentandAlumniRelations, Mobile, AL. (2025, August - 2025, October).

Art - Commissioned
Patterson, M. W. "Multiple Works / Office of the President," The Office of the President, Mobile, AL. (2025, March - 2025, August).

BEN SHAMBACK

Shamback, B. J. (2026, February 2 - 27). Benjamin J. Shamback 2026 Sabbatical Exhibition, University of South Alabama Visual Arts Gallery, 22 paintings.

Shamback, B. J. (2025, October 30 - December 1) Made Here: 2025 Alabama Visual Arts Network Exhibition, Gallery Vox, Birmingham, Alabama, Curated by John Oles, Regional Curated Exhibition, 2 paintings: Liles with Lily Painting, Our Lady of Marathon.

Shamback, B. J. (2025, June 7 - July 19). So Real: a Group Show of Southern Painters of Realism, LeMieux Galleries, New Orleans, Louisiana, Curated by Christy Wood, National Curated Exhibition, 4 paintings: Old Vincent, Floyd, Skull with Gold Foil, Plesiosaur with Gold Foil.

TONY WRIGHT

Wright, T. (2025, January 30 - February 2). Made Here: Southern Synergies '25 Professor/Student Exhibition. Sell-Granata Art Gallery. University of Alabama. Invitational Exhibition. Tuscaloosa, AL.

RECORDINGS

DIANE GIBBS

Gibbs, C. D. "Design as a Lifelong Habit," Type Speaks Podcast, Rae Nawrocki at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, USA. (2025, November 11).

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

KARA BURNS

Burns, K. K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "The Splendor of Roses", *Arts Journal.* Academic. (2025, May 19 - 2025, June 1).

ALMA HOFFMANN

Hoffmann, A. "The Grayscale Problem." (2025, August).

GRANTS AWARDED

ALMA HOFFMANN

Hoffmann, A. "Tribute Fund Scholarship Grant," Sponsored by Chicago Calligraphy Collective, External to the University, $500.00. (2025, December 1 - 2027, June).

MATTHEW PATTERSON

Scyphers, S. (Principal), Powers, S. (Co-Principal), Jackson, K. (Supporting), Patch, S. M. (Supporting), **Patterson, M. W.** (Supporting), Sprinkle, A. (Supporting), & Urban, K. (Supporting), "University of South Alabama - Gulf Scholars Program," Sponsored by National Academies / Sciences, Engineering, Medicine, External to the University. (2022, September 21 - 2027, August 31).

Patterson, M. W. "Arts and Humanities Seed Grant," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (2025, May - 2026).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DIANE GIBBS

Gibbs, C. D. (Author & Presenter), ARS 396 Professional Practices, "social media and website for artists," Art & Art History Department, University of South Alabama. (2025, November 11).

Gibbs, C. D. (Co-Chair), SECAC (formerly the Southeastern College Art Conference) 2025, "Creative Voice, Creative Process, Creative Habit: How Do We as Graphic Design Educators Motivate Ourselves and Stay Productive Within Our Own Work?," SECAC Cincinnati, Ohio. (2025, October).

Gibbs, C. D. (Author & Presenter), SECAC 2025, "Teaching Memorable Typography Lessons Everyday Through Analogies & Body Language," SECAC, Cincinnati, Ohio. (2025, October).

JOHN HILL

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), SLIFF - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q&A, ""Arkadin Shorts" Q/A," St. Louis International Film Festival, St. Louis, MO. (2025, November 15).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), FilmQuest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q&A, ""The Future is Just the Beginning Sci-Fi Shorts Block #8" Q/A," FilmQuest, Austin, TX. (2025, October 26).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), Austin Horror Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q&A, ""Saturday Morning Monsters Short Block #3" Q/A," Austin Horror Film Festival, Austin, TX. (2025, October 11).

Hill, J. T. (Leader), Chung, W. (Panelist), Shepherd, A. (Panelist), Shepherd, B. (Panelist), Sidewalk Film Festival - Panels, "Keyframes and Breakdowns: An Animation Conversation," Sidewalk Film Festival, Birmingham, AL. (2025, August 24).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), Sidewalk Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q&A, ""Animation Block" Q/A," Sidewalk Film Festival, Birmingham, AL. (2025, August 23).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), Athens Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q/A, Athens Film Festival, Athens, GA. (2025, August 15).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), Athens Film Festival - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q/A, Athens Film Festival, Athens, GA. (2025, August 14).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), Athens Film Festival YouTube - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Interview, "Athens Film Festival 2025 Creator Interviews | John Hill on Next Show in 90 Minutes," Athens Film Festival, Athens, GA. (2025, July 25).

Hill, J. T. (Discussant), Atlanta Shorts Fest - Next Show in 90 Minutes (Short Film) - Q&A, ""SHORTS 12: Dead Serious" Film block Q/A," Atlanta Shorts Fest, Atlanta, GA. (2025, June 21).

ALMA HOFFMANN

Hoffmann, A. College Art Association 114, "Choosing Words to Express Worship with Well Chosen Letters," College Art Association, Chicago. (2026, February 19).

Hoffmann, A. Symbiosis V, "Alma Hoffmann, Artist Talk," The Art of Letters, Singapore. (2025, November 22).

CHRISTINA LINDEMAN

Lindeman, C. K. (Author & Presenter), American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ASECS), "Unrealized Ambition: The Natural Science Illustrations of Gertrud Metz and Ann Lee," ASECS, Philadelphia, PA. (2026, April 9).

MATTHEW PATTERSON

Wu, S. (Author & Presenter), Dizbay-Onat, M. (Author), Venkiteshwaran, K. (Author), **Patterson, M. W.** (Author), Ding, L. (Author), AERA 2026, "Educating for climate literacy and justice: preparing teachers, students, communities, and institutions for sustainable futures," Los Angelas. (2026, April).

Stern, R. (Leader), & **Patterson, M. W.** (Other), Glass Art Society 2025 Texas / Blazing New Traditions, "Growing together," The University of Texas in Arlington, Arlington, Texas. (2025, May 17).

Statom, T. (Leader), & **Patterson, M. W.** (Other), Glass Art Society 2025 Texas / Blazing New Traditions, "Therman Statom Demonstration," SiNaCa Studios, Fort Worth Texas, Texas. (2025, May 15).



DEPARTMENT OF

Biology

USA Biology had another exciting year, providing our students a quality education with engaging experiential learning opportunities. A total of 12 full-time faculty members oversaw the teaching of 145 lectures/labs, generating >14,000 credit hours, with a best practices approach and a focus on undergraduate participation in research. Forty-eight undergraduates participated in projects at the lab bench or in the field with USA Biology faculty, eight of which presented their findings at national, regional, and local meetings, and six more will be participating in the SURF program this summer. We also congratulated this year's Goldwater recipient, **Anya Powell**, and three Senior Medallion awardees, **Olivia Andrews**, **Rani Badve**, and **Summer Biggs**, for their amazing achievements. Additionally, we awarded 76 BS degrees (51 in spring 2026) and 12 MS degrees (nine thesis and three non-thesis), with many of our graduates pursuing further education in various fields of biology, as well as medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, and optometry. This year, we had 403 undergraduate majors and 28 MS students enrolled in Biology.

Department Chair: Dr. Kelly M. Major

Professors: Dr. Kelly M. Major

Associate Professors: Dr. Jeremiah Henning, Dr. Juan Mata

Assistant Professors: Dr. Nathan Chasen, Dr. Laura Frost, Dr. Jonathan Pérez, Dr. Jason Strickland

Instructors: C. Leigh Delaney-Tucker, Tray Hamil, Jacquelyn Howell, Erin Itza, Dr. Rachel Rodenberg

Secretaries: Ms. Patricia Pigott

continued Departmental Highlights

Our faculty and students were involved in a range of research projects over the year, with support for 13 funded projects totaling over $9.6 million; our faculty were awarded $2.4 million in external research funds this academic year. Additionally, we published 15 articles in peer-reviewed journals, submitted an additional five manuscripts for review, and made 47 presentations at local, regional, and national meetings. Fall 2025 also marked the start of year three of the UTeach South program with an enrollment of >100 students and the graduation of our first three UTeach minors (including Biology majors, **Sean Gehl** and **Carter McKee**, and Math major, **Lala Tenner**) this spring.

As part of our commitment to student support and success, we were able to provide $3,650 in scholarships to five Biology students. **Lacie Gibson** and **Aulani Lamar** were awarded Brian J. Axsmith scholarships and **Gia Alumna Carreno** was awarded the John A. Freeman scholarship, while **Katie Bolen** and **Starr Woods** were provided awards from the David H. Nelson fund. **Lauren Dixon** was chosen by the faculty to be this year's Rawls Award recipient for the most engaged Biology senior.

Four Biology faculty members, **Mrs. Leigh Delaney-Tucker** and **Drs. Juan Mata**, **Tim Sherman**, and **Jason Strickland**, were chosen by their students to be "Top Profs" and **Mrs. Tray Hamil** was recognized by colleagues for her outstanding commitment to "excellence in teaching" during this year's Arts and Sciences Awards ceremony. We are beyond proud of their achievements and grateful for their continued commitment to the success of our students and USA Biology.

Finally, our faculty were involved in a range of service activities, logging more than 400 hours, demonstrating our commitment to the greater community. We assisted with events such as the Mobile Regional Science & Engineering Fair, GEMS (Go Explore Math and Science), the Gorgas Scholarship Competition, and the Alabama Junior Academy of Science. Our faculty members also fielded numerous inquiries about various organisms, with **Dr. Juan Mata** identifying mushrooms and fungi, and **Dr. Jonathan Pérez** participating in bird banding with the Banding Coalition of the Americas. **Drs. Jeremiah Henning** and **Laura Frost** were also active as volunteers with the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program and Mobile Botanical Garden.

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DR. NATHAN CHASEN

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Deraniyagala, A. S., Maier, W., Parra, M., Nanista, E., Sowunmi, D. O., Hassan, M., **Chasen, N.**, Sharma, S., Lechtreck, K. F., Cole, E. S., Bernardes, N., Chook, Y. M., & Gaertig, J. (2025). Importin-9 and a TPR domain protein MpH drive periodic patterning of ciliary arrays in Tetrahymena. *The Journal of Cell Biology, 224*(6).

DR. JEREMIAH HENNING

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DR. JONATHAN PÉREZ

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DR. JASON STRICKLAND

Buontempo, M., Levretsky, P., Rautsaw, R., McFarland, L., Rosales-Garcia, R., **Strickland, J. L.**, Borja, M., Jones, J., Ramirez Chaparro, R., Bryson, R., Parkinson, C., & Harvey, M. (2026). Evolutionary history of ridge-nosed rattlesnakes (Crotalus willardi): a specialized and diverse montane species. *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, *217*(108522). https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ympev.2025.108522

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ABSTRACTS

DR. JASON STRICKLAND

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RECORDINGS

DR. LAURA FROST

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DR. NATHAN CHASEN

Chasen, N. M. (2026, May) *Unmasking the Trickster Trypanosome: Identifying the Secreted Proteins Used by Trypanosoma cruzi to Manipulate Human Cells*, Research & Scholarly Development Grant, $25,000.

DR. LAURA FROST

Tran, T. M., Henning, J. A., & **Frost, L. A.**, Rich, T., Audia, J., & Taylor, M. S. (2025, September). *High-resolution CSU-W1 E-TIRF Imaging System to Advance Plant Biology Research*, USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture, $499,855.00.

DR JEREMIAH HENNING

Henning, J. A. (2025, October). *MMORCC: Microbially-mediated Organismal Response to Climate Change*, National Science Foundation, $1,100,000.00.

Henning, J. A. (2025, September). *Alabama Science in Motion Program 2025-2026*, Alabama Department of Education, $516,000.00.

Pérez, J. H., & **Henning, J. A.** (2026, May). *Developing Tools to Assess the Impacts of Anthropogenic Disturbance on Sandy Beaches Using the Atlantic Ghost Crab*, Research & Scholarly Development Grant, $25,000.

Tran, T. M., **Henning, J. A.**, & Frost, L. A., Rich, T., Audia, J., & Taylor, M. S. (2025, September). *High-resolution CSU-W1 E-TIRF Imaging System to Advance Plant Biology Research*, USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture, $499,855.00.

DR. KELLY MAJOR

Parrish, C. W., & **Major, K. M.** (2026). *UTeach South*, Alabama STEM Council & Alabama Commission on Higher Education, $300,000.00 (additional funding for years 3 and 4; $3,135,861 TOTAL).

DR. JONATHAN PÉREZ

Pérez, J. H., & Henning, J. A. (2026, May). *Developing Tools to Assess the Impacts of Anthropogenic Disturbance on Sandy Beaches Using the Atlantic Ghost Crab*, Research & Scholarly Development Grant, $25,000.

Powers, S. P., de Oliveira, G., & **Pérez, J. H.** (2026, January). *University of South Alabama's Delta and Coastal Alabama Wildlife, Fisheries and Carbon Flux Observatory*, AL Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, $1,499,944.

ACTIVE

DR. LAURA FROST

Frost, L. A. (2025, February). *Diversification at a Glacial Pace: Understanding the Relative Contributions of Fragmentation and Hybridization on Pleistocene Diversification in North American Pondweeds (Potamogetonaceae)*, Research & Scholarly Development Grant, $25,000.

DR. JEREMIAH HENNING

Henning, J. A. (2024, October). Alabama Science in Motion program 2024-2025, Alabama Department of Education, State, $433,760.00.

Henning, J. A. (2023, November). Invasive Species Monitoring in the Three Mile Creek Watershed, Mobile Bay National Estuarine Program, $87,693.00.

Henning, J. A. (2023, August). Measuring the Impact of Recycled Glass sand on Coastal Beach Grasses and Ghost Crab physiology and Morphology, National Science Foundation - Tulane University subaward, $74,824.00.

DR. KELLY MAJOR

Parrish, C. W., & **Major, K. M.** (2023, May - 2027, April). *A Proposal to Implement a UTeach Program: UTeach South*, Alabama Commission of Higher Education (ACHE), $2,835,861.

DR. JONATHAN PÉREZ

Pérez, J. H. (2021, September). *BRC-BIO: Determining the Neural Mechanisms Regulating Photostimulation of Migratory Physiology and Behavior.* National Science Foundation, $478,878.

DR. JASON STRICKLAND

Hermance, M. E., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2022, June). *Intra-tick and Intra-host Infection Dynamics of a Tick-borne Bunyavirus*, National Institutes of Health, $2,645,413.00.

PENDING

DR. NATHAN CHASEN

Chasen, N. M. (2026-2031). *Uncovering the Hidden Host Cell Effectors of Trypanosoma cruzi*, National Institutes of Health - NIAID, $1,500,000.00.

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. NATHAN CHASEN

Chasen, N. M. (2025). Panel Participant, Molecular Parasitology Meeting XXXVI, Woods Hole, MA.

C. LEIGH DELANEY-TUCKER

Howell, J. S., Rodenberg, R. R., Camarda, S. L., Hamil, T. W., Itza, E. M., Linzmeier, B. J., O'Brien, R. A., Stojanovic, M., & **Delaney Tucker, C. L.** (2025). *Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

DR. LAURA FROST

Frost, L. A. (2026). *Hybridization or Evolutionary Artifact? Testing Alternative Causes of Locus Heterozygosity and Allele Divergence in Pondweeds (Potamogetonaceae),* Society of Systematic Biologists, Baton Rouge, LA.

Frost, L. A., Ramm, Z. T., & Mitchell, K. R. (2025). *Pondweeds350: a Phylogenomic Toolkit to Transform Hybrid Ddetection and Phylogenetic Inference for Potamogetonaceae (Alismatales),* Botanical Society of America, American Society of Plant Taxonomists, Palm Springs, CA.

Ramm, Z. T., & **Frost, L. A.** (2025). *Understanding the Role of Hybridization in North American Diversification Using Pondweeds (Potamogetonaceae),* Botanical Society of America, American Society of Plant Taxonomists, Palm Springs, CA.

Frost, L. A., Ramm, Z. T., & Mitchell, K. R. (2025). *Reflecting on the Utility of Nuclear Ribosomal Spacers for Hybrid Detection in Light of New Phylogenomic Tools for Pondweeds (Potamogetonaceae),* Society of Systematic Biologists, Athens, GA.

Ramm, Z. T. & **Frost, L. A.** (2025). *Understanding the Role of Hybridization in North American Diversification Using Pondweeds (Potamogetonaceae),* Society of Systematic Biologists, Athens, GA.

TRAY HAMIL

Howell, J. S., Rodenberg, R. R., Camarda, S. L., **Hamil, T. W.**, Itza, E. M., Linzmeier, B. J., O'Brien, R. A., Stojanovic, M., & Delaney Tucker, C. L. (2025). *Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

JACQUELYN HOWELL

Howell, J. S., Rodenberg, R. R., Camarda, S. L., Hamil, T. W., Itza, E. M., Linzmeier, B. J., O'Brien, R. A., Stojanovic, M., & Delaney Tucker, C. L. (2025). *Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Howell, J. S. (2025). *Implementation of Reference Sheets and Effectiveness in Reducing Testing Anxiety by Improving Study Habits*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Howell, J. S. (2025). *Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies For Engagement and Career Readiness*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

DR JEREMIAH HENNING

Caudle, D., Furman, K., & **Henning, J. A.** (2026). *Utilizing Fuzzy Cognitive Mapping to Assess Perceptions of Coastal Socio-ecological Stressors Along the Northern United States Gulf Coast*, Association of Southeastern Biologists, Mobile, AL.

Hankins, G., & **Henning, J. A.** (2026). *A Dynamic Duo: Isolating and Identifying Fungal Species Present on the Roots of Cypripedium*, Association of Southeastern Biologists, Mobile, AL.

Henning, J. A. (2026). *Don't Forget the Fun Guys: Integrating Native Fungi into Coastal Dune and Marsh Restoration to Improve Plant Survival and Coastal Resiliency*, University of Louisville Department of Biology, Louisville, KY.

Henning, J. A. (2026). *From Plant Microbiomes to STEM Classrooms: Understanding How Biodiversity Shapes System Function*, Middle Tennessee State University Department of Biology, Murfreesboro, TN.

Henning, J. A. (2026). *From Plant Microbiomes to STEM Classrooms: Understanding How Biodiversity Shapes System Function*, Tulane University Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, New Orleans, LA.

Henning, J. A. (2026). *From Exclusion of Deer Herbivory in the Midwest to Morning Glories in Coastal Dunes*, Tulane University Invited Speaker for the Retirement of Keith Clay, New Orleans, LA.

Thompson, I. C., & **Henning, J. A.** (2026). *Stronger Together: Building Coastal Marsh Resiliency with Mutualistic Fungal Endophytes*, Association of Southeastern Biologists, Mobile, AL.

Thompson, I. C., & **Henning, J. A.** (2026). *Stronger Together: Building Coastal Marsh Resiliency with Mutualistic Fungal Endophytes*, Society of Integrative and Comparative Biologists, Portland, OR.

Beitzel, K., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *The Impacts of Disturbance and Nutrient Addition on Coastal Dune Arthropod Communities and Trophic Interactions*, Grand Bay NERR Research Symposium, Grand Bay, AL.

Edmondson, E., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Kicking Waste in the Glass: the Impact of Glass Sand Substrate on Plant Community Assembly in Restored Dunes*, Office of Undergraduate Research Symposium, Mobile, AL.

Henning, J. A. (2025). *Don't Forget the Fun Guys: Integrating Native Fungi into Coastal Dune and Marsh Restoration to Improve Plant Survival and Coastal Resiliency*, Grand Bay NERR Research Symposium, Grand Bay, AL.

Powell, A., Perez, J. H., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Ghost Crabs Take the Spotlight: Ambient Artificial Light Pollutions' Effect on Atlantic Ghost Crabs (Ocypode quadrata)*, Office of Undergraduate Research Symposium, Mobile, AL.

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Skinner, K., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Bottles, Butterflies, and Biomass Recycled Glass Sand, Microbial Additions, and Herbivory Effects on Milkweed Growth*, Office of Undergraduate Research Symposium, Mobile, AL.

Tannehill M., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Uptake and Distribution of Microplastics in Native Gulf Coast Plant Species*. Office of Undergraduate Research Symposium. Mobile, AL.

Tannehill M., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Uptake and Distribution of Microplastics in Native Gulf Coast Plant Species*, Microplastics REU Poster Symposium, Mobile, AL.

Thompson, I. C., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Stronger Together: Building Coastal Marsh Resiliency with Mutualistic Fungal Endophytes*, Grand Bay NERR Research Symposium, Grand Bay, AL.

Wiggs, A. W., & **Henning, J. A.** (2025). *Buried Bioindicators: A Geospatial View of Anthropogenic Disturbances and their Effect on Ghost Crab (Ocypode quadrata) Burrow Architecture*, Office of Undergraduate Research Symposium, Mobile, AL.

ERIN ITZA

Howell, J. S., Rodenberg, R. R., Camarda, S. L., Hamil, T. W., **Itza, E. M.**, Linzmeier, B. J., O'Brien, R. A., Stojanovic, M., & Delaney Tucker, C. L. (2025). *Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Itza, E. M. (2025). *From Data to Graph: Building Graphing Skills in a Biology Lab Course*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

DR. KELLY MAJOR

Major, K. M. (2025). *Boosting Student Engagement Through Transparent Assignments and Application of NACE Competencies in the Laboratory Setting*, UTeach STEM Educators Conference, Reno, NV.

Major, K. M., & Parrish, C. (2025). *Garnering Institutional Administrative Engagement with UTeach*, UTeach STEM Educators Conference. Reno, NV.

Clontz, S., Hudson, G., **Major, K.**, Tallent, H., & Walter, M. (2025). *Designing Glass Labyrinths: Transparent Teaching and Professional Readiness from Curriculum to Classroom*, Conference on Teaching and Learning , Mobile, AL.

LaCross, L., Carr, P., Leonard, M., **Major, K.**, & Pavelescu, A. (2025). *Teaching and Learning Challenges in 2025: Professionalism, AI, and Student Buy-in*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, Mobile, AL.

DR. JUAN MATA

Mata, J. L. (2025). *Shiitake! What have I learned from Lentinula taxonomy.* Mobile Botanical Garden - USA Lecture Series. Mobile, AL.

Mata, J. L. (2025). *Shiitake! Review & Update on Lentiunula Taxonomy.* Gulf South Mycological Association. Summer Foray, Alexandria, LA.

Mata, J. L. (2025). *Shiitake! How many Lentinula species are there?* Gulf Coast Festival Fungi Festival. Weeks Bay Plantation, Fairhope, AL.

DR. JONATHAN PÉREZ

Jackson, M., Strickland, J. L., & **Pérez, J. H.** (2026). *Disentangling the Neural Mechanisms of Migration from Reproduction in White-crowned Sparrows (Zonotrichia leucophrys leucophrys)*, Association of Southeastern Biologists and TriBeta Regional Convention, Mobile, AL.

Jackson, M., & **Pérez, J. H.** (2025). *Disentangling the Neural Mechanisms of Migration from Reproduction in White-crowned Sparrows (Zonotrichia leucophrys)*, Academic Research Conference, Livingston, AL.

Pérez, J. H. (2025). *Timing Life Understanding How Birds Time Major Changes in Behavior and Physiology*, Department of Biological Sciences, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AK.

DR. RACHEL RODENBERG

Howell, J. S., **Rodenberg, R. R.**, Camarda, S. L., Hamil, T. W., Itza, E. M., Linzmeier, B. J., O'Brien, R. A., Stojanovic, M., & Delaney Tucker, C. L. (2025). *Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness*, Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

DR. JASON STRICKLAND

Tagert, A., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2026). *A Bite of Insight: Gene Expression in Ticks and Hosts for Understanding Viral Transmission*, Association of Southeastern Biologists and TriBeta Regional Convention, Mobile, AL.

Jackson, M., **Strickland, J. L.**, & Pérez, J. H. (2026). *Disentangling the Neural Mechanisms of Migration from Reproduction in White-crowned Sparrows (Zonotrichia leucophrys leucophrys)*, Association of Southeastern Biologists and TriBeta Regional Convention, Mobile, AL.

Golladay, E. E., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2026). *Gene Expression Dynamics of Venom Replenishment Across Time in Centruroides vittatus*, Association of Southeastern Biologists and TriBeta Regional Convention, Mobile, AL. (2026, March).

Vogler, G., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2026). *Shimmering Scorpions: Understanding Fluorescence with Genomics*, Association of Southeastern Biologists and TriBeta Regional Convention, Mobile, AL.

Strickland, J. L. (2025). *All about Bats, University of South Alabama Archaeology Museum*, Archaeology Museum, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Golladay, E. E., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2025). *Gene Expression Dynamics of Venom Replenishment Across Time*, University of South Alabama 3MT Competition, Mobile, AL.

Tagert, A., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2025). *A Bite of Insight: Gene Expression in Ticks and Hosts for Understanding Viral Transmission*, University of South Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium Mobile, AL.

Pettway, A., & **Strickland, J. L.** (2025). *From Strike to Sequence: Comparative Genomics and Venom Evolution in Black-tailed Rattlesnakes*, University of South Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Mobile, AL.



DEPARTMENT OF

Chemistry

Last year the Department of Chemistry graduated eight chemistry majors (**Alyssa Albers**, **Isabella Baker**, **Adrianna Burage**, **Riley Cork**, **Manisha Gangasani**, **Gabriel Merchant**, **Kyndall Ransom**, & **Ethan Zibas**). We are very proud of our graduates, commend them on all their accomplishments, and wish them the best in their plans as graduates of our program. Our graduates have gone on to a variety of roles in industry, graduate school, and the health professions.

Over the 2025-2026 academic year, 36 undergraduate students were involved in research under the direction of the Chemistry faculty, including participation in SURF, university honors, as paid or volunteer research assistants, and directed studies research. Five students presented or were co-authors on presentations at local, regional, and national conferences.

Department Chair: Dr. Jason Coym

Professors: Dr. James Davis, Dr. David Forbes, Dr. Alexandra Stenson, Dr. Richard Sykora

Associate Professors: Dr. Jason Coym, Dr. Hans Schanz, Dr. Larry Yet,

Assistant Professors: Dr. Christian Oertli, Dr. Milorad Stojanovic, Dr. Moustafa Zagho

Professors - Instruction: Dr. Richard O'Brien

Assistant Professors - Instruction: Sayakkarage Ranelka Fernando, Dr. Donald Perine

Instructors: Ms. Josie Clements

Research Technician I: Dr. E. Alan Salter

Research Technologist: Ms. Margaret Crowley

Chemistry Stockroom Managers: Ms. Jessica Taylor, Mr. Taylor Hood

Laboratory Manager: Ms. Josie Clements

Secretary: Ms. Rebecca Hoffman

Clerk: Ms. Brenda Braggs

continued Departmental Highlights

During the 2025-2026 academic year, seven students were awarded scholarship funds through five different scholarship opportunities within the Department. The chemistry majors who were named recipients of the renewable Chemistry Department Scholarship were **Julia Cravey** & **Lucy Orr**. These funds provided $2,500 of paid tuition per student, per year. Also, during the academic year 2025-2026, one-time endowed awards were presented to five students. The recipient of the Wierzbicki-Salter Scholarship in Chemistry was **Mary Helene Marmande**, and the recipient of the Chemistry Endowed Scholarship was **Gabe Merchant**. **Manisha Gangasani** received the T.G. Jackson Endowed Scholarship Award, and **Bailey Baxter** was awarded the Williams-Phillips-Van Hook Chemistry Scholarship. The Brian Paul Fletcher, MD Chemistry Scholarship was awarded to **Sarah Partain**.

Two Chemistry majors were selected for highly competitive national awards in 2025-2026. **Bailey Baxter** was selected for a Goldwater Scholarship, and **Gabe Merchant** was selected for a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship.

During the 2025-2026 academic year **David Forbes**, **Richard O'Brien**, and **Moustafa Zagho** were named a 'Top Prof' by the USA Chapter of the Mortar Board Society. Additionally, **Larry Yet** was selected by the College of Arts & Sciences as recipient of the Excellence in Teaching Award, Fall 2025.

During the 2025-2026 academic year, our faculty members were authors on a number of published works in peer-reviewed publications. Of the published work by members of the Department, seven had undergraduate researchers listed as co-authors. Noteworthy would be the publications highlighting the collaborative activities within the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Engineering, and of course the Chemistry Department. As stated above and documented below, the faculty members from the Department of Chemistry participated in many national/ local professional meetings and local research symposia.

Faculty members of the Department of Chemistry, during the last academic year were funded via a variety of both internal and external awards, many of which were collaborative in nature. Specifics on what was awarded and is currently active are detailed below.

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DEPARTMENT OF

Communication

Highlights of the 2025-2026 academic year include **Dr. Jung Hwa Choi** starting to serve as an Interim Chair, **Dr. Nhung Nguyen** (Journalism) and **Dr. Keya Saxena** (Communication Studies) joining the Department as tenure-track Assistant Professors. In summer 2026, **Dr. Jung Hwa Choi** led a Study Abroad program to South Korea. The Department had a successful Career Day in the fall semester, and the Department improved its recruitment outreach at USA Day in the spring 2026 semester.

Department Chair: Dr. Jung Hwa Choi (Interim)

Associate Professors: Dr. Jung Hwa Choi

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Dr. Jung Hwa Choi is serving as the Interim Chair of the Communication Department and as the Graduate Coordinator for the department. During the academic year, she has advised 43 undergraduate students and 101 graduate students, while also chairing a master's thesis. Dr. Choi has contributed to her field as a reviewer for conference papers for the American Academy of Advertising and the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. She has also served as an ad hoc reviewer for The Korean Association of Advertising and Public Relations and is a member of the Membership Committee of the American Academy of Advertising. At the university level, Dr. Choi serves as the Chairperson of the Board of Student Media.

Ms. Katherine Koury advised 65 undergraduate students and supervised two Directed Studies. She served as Program Director for the Study Aboard-USA Communication and Promotion program in Greece. To enhance her professional knowledge and instructional skills, Ms. Koury attended five professional development workshops and seminars, including *Teaching Smarter with Design PLUS, AI and Career Readiness, and AI in Action: Transforming Everyday Workflows*. Ms. Koury serves as Chair of the Communication Awards Committee and the Facilities Committee. She is also a member of the Communication Graduation Recognition and Awards Ceremony Committee and the USA Day Committee. In recognition of her dedication and impact, Ms. Koury received the Diamond of Resilience Award, which recognizes a Black faculty or staff member who has inspired and influenced students through perseverance in the face of adversity.

Dr. Nhung Nguyen published articles in the peer reviewed academic journal, including "Consumers' Emotional Responses to AI-generated versus Human-generated Content: The Role of Perceived Agency, Affect and Gaze in Health Marketing" in the *International Journal of Human-computer Interaction*, "Pride, Not Prejudice: A Cross-cultural Big Data Analysis of Consumer Reactions to Rainbow-Washing in Advertising" in the *International Journal of Advertising*, and "Climate Change is Real, But I Don't Wanna Talk About It": Unraveling the Spiral of Silence Effects Regarding Climate Change Among Midwestern American Farmers" in the *Environmental Communication*. Dr. Nguyen served as a panelist at the AEJMC Pre-Conference panel titled "Leveraging AI in Social Media Content Development." She also presented her paper, "Public Engagement in Vietnam's Tobacco Tax Campaign: The Politics of Health Advocacy and the Symbolic Public Participation in an Authoritarian System" at the International Association for Media and Communication Research. In addition, Dr. Nguyen serves as a faculty advisor of the Vietnamese Student Association.

Dr. Max Romanowski published one peer-reviewed article, "Movies That Heal: The Sincere Fincher," in the *Popular Culture Studies Journal*. He had a peer-reviewed book chapter accepted, "Control Freak – Dimensions of the digital Auteur," in *ReFocus: The Films of David Fincher*. Dr. Romanowski served as a panelist at the Society for Cinema and Media Studies conference on the panel titled "Can Content Be Art? Television in the Era of Streaming." He presented at the National Communication Association conference in Denver, Colorado, with the presentation "Remember You Must Die: Memento, Photography, and Death." In addition to his active research agenda,

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Dr. Romanowski serves on several committees, including as a Building Safety Coordinator and as department representative for United Way. He also serves as faculty advisor for JagTV and the South Alabama Film Society.

Dr. Keya Saxena served as an invited manuscript reviewer for *Women's Studies in Communication.* She is the recipient of the Support and Development Award sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of South Alabama. Dr. Saxena was also awarded funding for the "Cornell Center on Global Democracy's Inaugural Community of Practice 2026," sponsored by Cornell University. In addition, she serves on the master's thesis committees of two graduate students and is the faculty advisor for *Due South.*

Ms. Megan Sparks advised 91 undergraduate students and served as Internship Coordinator. To enhance her professional knowledge and instructional skills, she participated in 13 professional workshops, trainings and conferences. Ms. Sparks also served as a panelist at the Conference on Teaching and Learning for the session titled "Leveling Up Beyond the Classroom: Connecting Coursework and Careers." She serves as Chair for Graduate Recognition and Awards Ceremony and the USA Day, and also serves as the Building Safety Coordinator for Communication. In addition, Ms. Sparks serves as a LevelUp mentor.

Mr. Johnny Stevens taught 167 students. He serves as an advisor and academic mentor for Second Year Experience (SYE) students and as faculty advisor for WJGR "The Prowl" 97.1 FM. In addition to his teaching and advising responsibilities, Mr. Stevens is actively involved in the community. He serves as a board member of Alabama Media Professionals, the Public Relations Council of Alabama, and the John M. Will Scholarship Fund. He also serves as the faculty representative for the Mobile Film Office.

Dr. April DuPree Taylor serves as the Course Director for CA 110 Public Speaking. In this role, she oversaw instruction for 835 CA 110 students during the 2025-2026 academic year and supervised four teaching assistants for CA 110 sections. Dr. Taylor participated in the Central State Communication Association conference as a panel presenter. In addition, she presented "Tools for Effective Delivery in Public Speaking" at the SURF Conference and "Assessing Wellness to Build Community in the Classroom" at the First-Year Experience workshop. She served as Chair of the Accreditation and Assessment Committee and as Student Marshall for Commencement ceremonies. Dr. Taylor also served on several college and university level committees. Her college level committee service included African American Studies, Archaeology Museum Advisory, Commencement Ceremonies Arts and Sciences Representative, Community Engagement, Gender Studies, and the Summer Professional Development Award Committee. Her university level committee service included the Athletics Council, Commencement Ceremonies, Community Engagement, Social Justice and Perseverance Scholarship, and the University Admissions and Records Committee.

Ms. Melissa Walter taught 240 students and advised 45 undergraduate students during the 2025-2026 academic year while persevering through significant life-threatening challenges. She served as a Conference Paper Reviewer for CoTL and Innovation in Learning Center, reviewing five conference proposals for inclusion in CoTL 2026. In addition, Ms. Walter participated in Quality Matters professional development to exchange evidence-based strategies and peer-reviewed standards, supporting continuous improvement and excellence in online course design and digital pedagogy. She also managed the department's social media presence on Facebook and Instagram as a member of the Publications and Website Committee.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. GEORGE BOVENIZER

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Bovenizer, G. H. (2025). Mamie "Peanut" Johnson: A Narrative and Media Analysis of the Black Female Baseball Pioneer Who Broke the Pitching Gender Barrier. *Studies in American Culture*, *47*(1), 120-141.

DR. NHUNG NGUYEN

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Revising to Resubmit)

Nguyen, N. T. T. Publicity and public interest when stem cell communication is mediatized in an emerging biomedical market. Journal of Applied Journalism and Media Studies.

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Diwanji, V. S., Geana, M., Pei, J., **Nguyen, N. T. T.**, Izhar, N., & Chaif, R. H. (2025). Consumers' emotional responses to AI-generated versus Human-generated content: The role of perceived agency, affect and gaze in health marketing. *International Journal of Human–Computer Interaction*, *41*(19), 12270--12290. https://doi.org/10.1080/10447318.2025.2454954

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Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Vu, H. T., **Nguyen, N. T. T.**, Izhar, N., & Diwanji, V. (2025). "Climate change is real, but I don't wanna talk about it": Unraveling the spiral of silence effects regarding climate change among midwestern American farmers. *Environmental Communication*, *19*(8), 1378--1393. https://doi.org/10.1080/17524032.2025.2477260

DR. MAX ROMANOWSKI

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Sheldon, Z., & **Romanowski, M. C.** (2026). Movies That Heal: The Sincere Fincher. *Popular Culture Studies Journal*, *14*(1).

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Submitted)

Romanowski, M. C. Remember You Must Die: Memento, Photography, and Death. *Film Quarterly*.

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. MAX ROMANOWSKI

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Accepted)

Sheldon, Z., & **Romanowski, M. C.** (2026). Control Freak: Dimensions of the Digital Auteur. *ReFocus: The Films of David Fincher*. Edinburgh University Press.

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. MAX ROMANOWSKI

Book, Scholarly-New (Submitted)

Romanowski, M. C. *I'm Dreaming of a TV Christmas: Calendrical Experience and Collective Narratives from Dickens to Netflix*. Routledge.

NON PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, PREFACES, INTRODUCTIONS, AND AFTERWARDS

DR. MAX ROMANOWSKI

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Accepted)

Romanowski, M. C. (2026). The Film is the Talking: The Paradox of Analyzing David Lynch. *Camera-Style*.

NON PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. GEORGE BOVENIZER

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)

Bovenizer, G. H. (2026). Henry "Hank" Aaron: Growing up in Mobile, Alabama. *Chapter in book*, *Henry Aaron* (pp. pp. 15–19). Phoenix, AZ: Society for American Baseball Research, Inc. (SABR). https://sabr.org/ebooks

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. GEORGE BOVENIZER

Bovenizer, G. H. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Better Journalism", Peer reviewed journal. Academic. (2022, January – 2026, May).

SCHOLARLY DIGITAL ARCHIVE, DATABASE, MAP. ETC.

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GRANTS AWARDED

DR. KEYA SAXENA

Saxena, K. "Support and Development Award," Sponsored by College of Arts & Sciences at the University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $1,500.00. (2026 - Present).

Saxena, K. "Cornell Center on Global Democracy's inaugural Community of Practice 2026," Sponsored by Cornell University, External to the University. (2026 - Present).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. GEORGE BOVENIZER

Bovenizer, G. H. (Author & Presenter), BEA 2025, "Turning Up the Volume on the Voice of a Black Broadcasting Pioneer: Jocko Maxwell's Contributions to Sports Radio and Negro Leagues Preservation," Broadcasting Education Association, Las Vegas, NV. (2026, April 18).

Bovenizer, G. H. (Author & Presenter), Joint Journalism and Communication History Conference, "Seeking a Lost Voice: Jocko Maxwell's Role in Black Sports Broadcasting and Negro Leagues Preservation," co-sponsored by the American Journalism Historians Association and the History Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), New York, NY. (2026, March 27).

Bovenizer, G. H. (Presenter), CoTL 2025, "Navigating the Misinformation Maze: Decoding Disinformation, Misinformation, and Deepfakes," ILC at University of South Alabama, University of South Alabama. (2025, May 13).

DR. NHUNG NGUYEN

Nguyen, N. T. T. Pre-Conference Panel on Aug. 6th: Leveraging AI in Social Media Content Development, "Leveraging AI in Social Media Content Development," AEJMC, San Francisco- USA. (2025, August 6).

Nguyen, N. T. T. International Association for Media and Communication Research, "Public Engagement in Vietnam's Tobacco Tax Campaign: The Politics of Health Advocacy and the Symbolic Public Participation in an Authoritarian System," IAMCR , Galway, Ireland. (2025, July 2).

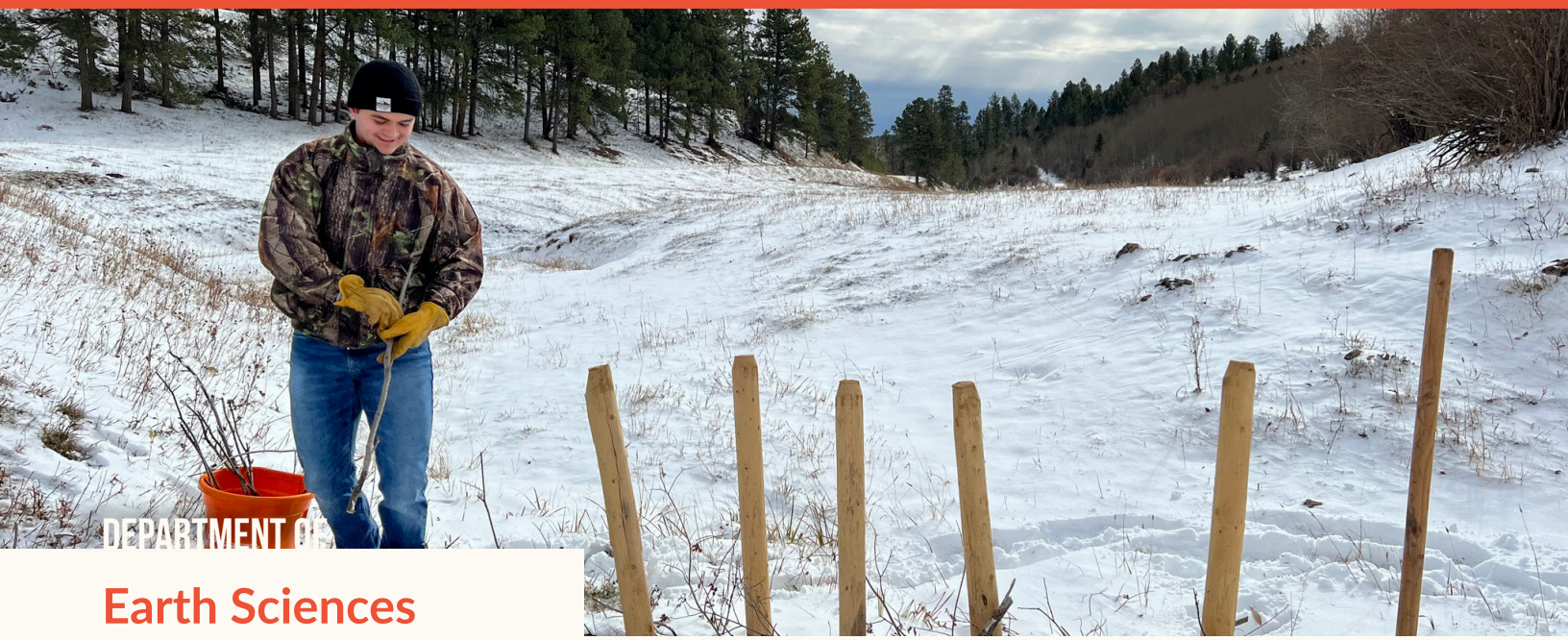
DR. MAX ROMANOWSKI

Romanowski, M. C. (Panelist), Tracy, C. (Panelist), Redmon, A. (Panelist), Alberti, J. (Other), Society for Cinema and Media Studies, "Panel Title: Can Content be Art? Television in the Era of Streaming || Paper Title: "Artistic Integrity in a Galaxy Far, Far, Away: Andor, Disney Plus, and the Myth of Prestige Television"," Chicago, IL. (2026, March 28).

Romanowski, M. C. National Communication Association, "Remember You Must Die Memento, Photography, and Death," Denver, Colorado. (2025, November 21).

MEGAN SPARKS

Estis, J. (Coordinator/Organizer), Rand, A. M. (Panelist), Rinne, C. (Panelist), & **Sparks, M. S.** (Panelist), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Leveling Up Beyond the Classroom: Connecting Coursework and Careers," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (2025, May).



DEPARTMENT OF

Earth Sciences

The 2025–2026 academic year was another exciting and productive year for the Department of Earth Sciences. We are pleased to welcome **Dr. Hai Lan** to our Geography faculty. **Dr. Lan** is a remote sensing expert who will be teaching and researching in the area of satellite observations and modeling.

As always, we were pleased to present endowed scholarships and awards to many of our talented and deserving students at our annual award ceremonies. Winners are listed elsewhere in this document. Of course, we congratulate all graduating seniors and wish them the very best in the next stage of their careers.

We are excited about the renovations taking place in the Science Laboratory Building for Meteorology faculty offices which will reunite the Meteorology faculty and the South Alabama Mesonet with the Coastal Weather Research Center and the Meteorology Broadcast Studio. The new space will consist of a computer lab for

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Professors: Dr. Alex Beebe, Dr. Sytske Kimball, Dr. John Lanicci

Associate Professors: Dr. David Allison, Dr. Carol Sawyer, Dr. Steven Schultze

Assistant Professors: Dr. Ben Linzmeier, Dr. Frances Mujica, Dr. Fabian Terbeck, Dr. Jake Wiley

Instructors: Ms. Samantha Camarda, Dr. Hai Lan, Mr. Jordan McLeod, Ms. Lee Yokel

Secretary: Mrs. Catherine Champion

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Meteorology classes, 4 faculty offices, and a South Alabama Mesonet lab/office to house the South Alabama Mesonet staff members. The projected move-in date will be fall 2026. In August the formal opening of the Electronic Map Wall took place at the Coastal Weather Research Center. The map wall will be used in Synoptic Meteorology, the Meteorology senior capstone course, and for student weather briefings. The map wall will provide synergy with Coastal Weather Center and the South Alabama Mesonet and will benefit student formal and informal education.

Our faculty continue to be active in publishing their work, writing grant proposals, presenting at conferences, and supporting our students. While the specifics are listed elsewhere in this report, we wanted to highlight a few of them. We are extremely proud of adjunct Meteorology faculty **Mr. Alan Sealls** who is currently serving as President of the American Meteorological Society (AMS). And we congratulate **Dr. John Lanicci** who was elected as Fellow of the AMS and who started his second year on the AMS Council. Senior Meteorology student **Brenden Kuzminski** obtained a DoD SMART Scholarship for graduate study at LSU. **Dr. Jake Wiley** secured a research and educational partnership with Climavision which will lead to student internship opportunities and educational resources for Radar Meteorology.

In August, five students (four Geography Majors and one Education major) traveled with **Drs. Carol Sawyer** and **Frances Mujica** to the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State to assist in collecting data on residents' and visitors' earthquake preparedness. The research and travel were supported by a Cascadia Region Earthquake Science Center grant. For two students, it was their first time flying; none had visited the region before. During the trip, students distributed over 500 survey flyers in six towns and visited Olympic National Park. Research from the project will be published in the next year with all the students listed as co-authors.

In March 2026, Geography Major **Sierra Pickett** was a co-presenter on the preliminary results of a project on Olympic Peninsula residents' and visitors' earthquake preparedness at the 2026 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers in San Francisco, California. Her travel was supported by the Gulf Scholars Program.

Dr. Schultze continued his research in the Galápagos Islands in partnership with the Galápagos Science Center (GSC). He traveled to Puerto Baquerizo Moreno in March 2026 to work with the GSC on his project examining microclimatic differences across various plant zones on San Cristóbal Island. This research project, ongoing since 2023, has been approved to continue through 2028. It has already led to several poster presentations at regional, national, and international conferences, with multiple Earth Science undergraduate students contributing to the work.

The Geography and GIS program hosted GIS Day in January 2026, featuring **Dr. Hui Wang**, Assistant Professor of Geography at Appalachian State University, as the keynote speaker. His talk focused on the use of GIS to solve spatial problems encountered in everyday life. GIS Day also included several recent program alumni who met with current students. In a "speed-dating" style format, students had the opportunity to ask graduates about navigating professional careers and graduate school. We plan to continue the GIS Day tradition in 2027.

In May 2025, **Dr. Schultze** led a group of students to Munich and Bremen/Hamburg as part of the USA Geography in Germany program. Fourteen students participated in a wide range of activities, including hiking in the Alps, visiting the Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial, attending a performance at the Elbphilharmonie, and touring the world-renowned Klimahaus and Auswandererhaus museums. Due to high demand, including interest from students at other universities, the program is scheduled to run again in May 2026 in collaboration with **Dr. David Meola**, a history professor.

The Meteorology program was pleased to host the annual student-organized conference, the Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes Symposium (SeCAPS). Meteorology Club faculty advisor **Dr. James Wiley** and his team of students did a fabulous job organizing a hugely successful conference that welcomed several prominent speakers from the field of Meteorology including Alabama weather celebrity Mr. James Spann.

Retired faculty member **Dr. Bill Williams**, who has appeared on television and radio in the Mobile market for 47 years, was inducted into the Alabama Broadcasters

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Association Hall of Fame. **Dr. Bill Williams** has been associated with South since 1967 and continues to remain actively involved with the Coastal Weather Research Center (see center reports below).

The Weather Channel's Jim Cantore visited the University of South Alabama this year along with National Weather Service Director Ken Graham. Following a university- and community-wide presentation hosted by **Mr. Alan Sealls** about disaster preparedness and resilience, they visited the Coastal Weather Research Center for an interactive Q&A session with Meteorology majors.

One of the department's priorities is recruiting new majors in all three disciplines. The faculty's efforts in this area are highly appreciated as they go above and beyond their regular job descriptions. Earth Sciences faculty participated in College Preview Days, USA Day, The Mobile Rock and Gem Show, as well as multiple other events in the community. **Ms. Lee Yokel** helped organize another successful edition of the annual Mobile Regional Science Fair.

USA GIS CENTER AND GIS PROGRAM

During the 2025–26 academic year, the GIS Program continued to demonstrate a strong commitment to student engagement and community outreach. Faculty collaborated to deliver advanced and innovative GIS and remote sensing methods, and the results speak for themselves. The program remains robust, growing, and a leader in the field.

The program welcomed **Dr. Hai Lan**, a specialist in remote sensing and computer programming. His expertise has enabled the program to expand and modernize its course offerings. A new GeoProgramming course has been added to the curriculum, and the Remote Sensing course has been updated to provide a more practical and streamlined experience.

Ten students earned the prestigious GIS Certificate during the 2025–26 academic year, a new record. Many recent graduates secured employment immediately after graduation or were accepted into fully funded graduate programs. These outcomes affirm the strength of the curriculum, the quality of resources, and the program's commitment to student success. This past spring semester marked the first time more than 100 seats were filled across GIS and remote sensing courses, reflecting strong demand for GIS-related careers and the field's interdisciplinary appeal. Enrollment for Fall 2026 courses is already at or near capacity, indicating that demand continues to grow.

At both national and international conferences, the GIS Program has been recognized as a leader in key areas of Geographic Information Science education. Throughout the academic year, GIS-affiliated faculty applied for more than 1.5 million dollars in extramural funding. This momentum signals a continued shift toward increased grant acquisition and expanded research activity. These developments reflect the program's growing footprint and increasing collaboration with other departments and community partners.

Now in its fifth year, the GIS Center collaborated on projects with a variety of partners, including USA Health, the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, the GIS Association of Alabama, the Galápagos Science Center, the City of Mobile's Urban Blight Survey, the Mitchell College of Business, and the Mobile County Health Department. In each case, **Dr. Schultze** or other faculty worked alongside students, providing valuable hands-on experience. Over the course of the academic year, the Center facilitated twelve internships or directed studies, with even more opportunities anticipated in the coming year.

Following the successful hosting of a regional professional GIS meeting in February 2024, the GIS Center hosted the Coastal Alabama GIS Users Conference at the University Faculty Club in April 2025. More than 50 regional GIS professionals attended and heard presentations from **Dr. Hai Lan** on the use of AI and machine learning in GIS and remote sensing, along with talks from regional experts on topics ranging from urban development applications of GIS to updates in high-resolution landscape mapping datasets. Hosting this conference further establishes the University of South Alabama GIS Center and the Geography and GIS Program as a regional hub for research and development in GIS. Additionally, Earth Science students **Katherine Krontiras**, whose project focused on Galápagos microclimates, and **Jackson Quinn**, whose project examined extreme heat at 2026 World Cup host cities, presented their research at the conference.

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COASTAL WEATHER RESEARCH CENTER

Entering its 39th year of operation, the Coastal Weather Research Center is a self-supporting entity within the Department of Earth Sciences. Housed in the Science Laboratory Building, which will soon also serve as the new home for the Meteorology Program, the Center integrates a fully equipped meteorological laboratory, an information center, and an extensive climate archive to support both research and real-time operations. As the nation's only professionally operated, college-owned weather center, the CWRC plays a distinctive role in applied meteorology. It delivers daily forecasts, hazardous weather alerts, tropical weather updates, and other mission-critical information to nearly 100 businesses, industries, and municipal governments spanning Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Louisiana, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, and Massachusetts. Additionally, the CWRC offers advance planning and preparedness support to university administration and campus departments, enabling informed decision-making for university-held events ahead of hazardous weather.

With funding from the College of Arts and Sciences and the Department of Earth Sciences, one of the largest displays on campus, a 115-inch commercial screen, was installed in the Center last summer. The Synoptic Meteorology class has already begun utilizing the display, with expanded use anticipated as the Meteorology Program relocates to the Science Laboratory Building.

While the primary focus of the CWRC is to deliver exceptional services and products to its clients, along with ongoing outreach to expand its client base, the Center also maintains an active role in the USA Meteorology Program. Staff have conducted numerous tours and events, including those organized by the Office of Admissions, while the Center hosted the annual Meteorology Student Awards Ceremony. In addition, the Center engages in public outreach through talks and presentations, as well as the continued publication of the *Mobile Weather and Marine Almanac*.

THE SOUTH ALABAMA MESONET

The South Alabama Mesonet falls under the umbrella of the Center for Hurricane Intensification and Landfall Investigation (CHILI) and is managed by **Dr. Sytske Kimball**. The network consists of 26 research grade weather stations in southern Alabama, southeast Mississippi, and northwestern Florida. The Mesonet serves a wide variety of partners in the community including the National Weather Service, emergency management, local fire stations, K-12 schools, agricultural entities, electrical cooperatives, and more. The stations report data in near real-time, every minute, on a dedicated website *http://chiliweb.southalabama.edu/*. Archived data are also available. Routine maintenance is performed by a team of full-time meteorologists and undergraduate student technicians.

A Direct Appropriation from the Federal Government was approved in 2024 to extend the South Alabama Mesonet by placing 20 stations in the data-sparse Alabama Blackbelt region, and to upgrade the current instrument suite on all stations as well. We would like to thank Mr. Nick Lawkis and Senator Katie Britt's office for their efforts in securing this award. Two full time staff were hired on this appropriation in 2025, including the managing director, **Mr. Austin Clark**, last February and **Mr. Cameron Clark**, the senior Mesonet technician, hired last July. The first new site on this grant was installed on 13 April 2026 at Hyundai Motors Manufacturing Alabama (HMMA) in Montgomery County, and HMMA plan to sponsor that station annually. Additional sites have been identified and are in various stages of negotiation in Lowndes, Perry, Pike, Monroe, and Crenshaw counties. A number of existing Mesonet sites have also been upgraded with new instrumentation, including cameras and new soil sensors, capturing a number of unique atmospheric phenomena such as fog and drought. Finally, the appropriation has supported efforts for a new website, https://mesonet.southalabama.edu, planned for public launch later in 2026. The new website will have a modern aesthetic and user-customizable interface featuring Mesonet data and imagery, along with manual and automated data access capabilities.

The Mesonet was featured in a talk by **Dr. Kimball** at the 106th annual meeting of the American Meteorological Society in Houston, as well as in a talk and a poster presented by **Mr. Austin Clark** at the Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes symposium. Recent Mesonet collaboration presentations have also taken place with the USA Office of Research and Economic Development,

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Alabama Forestry Commission, Alabama Emergency Management Agency, and Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Work on a number of research topics featuring the Mesonet are currently under way, including historic event reports (e.g., snowstorm in January of 2025), instrument comparisons (e.g., rain gauges, aspirated vs. vented radiation shields), AI-based data quality control, and economic return on investment for using Mesonet data within various sectors.

Apart from providing data for forecasting, emergency response, and real time decision support, the stations are also used for education in the Department of Earth Sciences' Meteorology program and in research for a variety of disciplines at the University of South Alabama and other institutions. Funding from Synoptic Data Inc. to maintain the weather stations was again renewed through August of 2026. Additional sources of private funding are also being investigated. **Dr. Kimball** is the University of South Alabama PI on a $5M NSF EPSCoR (Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) grant led by the University of Louisiana Lafayette, also including partners at Louisiana State University and the U.S. Geographical Survey. The project is called "Using Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Weather Forecasting" and makes use of South Alabama Mesonet observations to train machine learning modules in predicting weather parameters and meteorological phenomena like surface inversions and sea-breeze generated thunderstorms.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. HAI LAN

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Yang, C. P., & **Lan, H.** (2025). Digital Twins. *International Encyclopedia of Geography: People, the Earth, Environment and Technology.*

DR. JOHN LANICCI

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Wiley, J. E., **Lanicci, J. M.**, & McLeod, J. T. (in press). Performance of NCEP Operational Model Products as "Contestants" in a University Weather Forecasting Contest. *Journal of Operational Meteorology.*

DR. BEN LINZMEIER

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Sarathi, A., Faulkner, P., **Linzmeier, B. J.**, Ali, A. K., Othman, H., & Ussi, A. (2026). Seasonal and gendered patterns in subsistence fishing and shellfish gathering: insights from Mfumbwi (Zanzibar) for archaeological interpretation and contemporary fisheries management. *Frontiers in Environmental Archaeology, 4.* https://doi.org/10.3389/fearc.2025.1732658

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Schultze, S. R., Martin, J., West, K., Swinea, L., & **Linzmeier, B. J.** (2025). Urban Microclimates in Action! High-Resolution Temperature and Humidity Differences Across Diverse Urban Terrain. *Atmosphere, 16*(4), 416. https://doi.org/10.3390/atmos16040416

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Wiley, J. E., Lanicci, J. M., & **McLeod, J. T.** (in press). Performance of NCEP Operational Model Products as "Contestants" in a University Weather Forecasting Contest. *Journal of Operational Meteorology.*

DR. STEVEN SCHULTZE

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Lloyd, R., Henning, J. A., **Schultze, S. R.**, Nelson, D., & Chupp, A. (2025). Burrow Persistence and Spatial Distribution of Federally and State-Protected Gopher Tortoise (Gopherus polyphemus) Populations in Southwest Alabama. *Animal Conservation,* 1-14.

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DR. JAKE WILEY

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Wiley, J. E., Lanicci, J. M., & McLeod, J. T. (in press). Performance of NCEP Operational Model Products as "Contestants" in a University Weather Forecasting Contest. *Journal of Operational Meteorology.*

PEER REVIEWED TEXTBOOKS

DR. STEVEN SCHULTZE

Schultze, S. R. "Unnamed Climate Change and Wine Book" Johns Hopkins University Press.

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

DR. ALEX BEEBE

Research Report (Published)
Beebe, D. (2026). *Twelvemile Creek Restoration Project Monitoring.* Mobile Bay National Estuary Program.

Research Report (Published)
Beebe, D. (2025). *Eightmile Creek Sediment Loading and Watershed Model.* Mobile Bay National Estuary Program.

Research Report (Published)
Beebe, D. (2025). *Schoolhouse Branch TSS and Turbidity Regression Model.* Mobile Bay National Estuary Program.

DR. BEN LINZMEIER

Technical Report for State Ethics Committee (Published)
Landrum, R., **Linzmeier, B. J.**, & Carr, P. J. *A Visual and pXRF Analysis of Bricks and Cinder Blocks for the Alabama Ethics Commission.*

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. ALEX BEEBE

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Gulf and Caribbean Research". (2021 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Environmental Earth Sciences". (2018 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Ecological Engineering". (2015 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Environmental Engineering Science". (2015 - Present).

DR. CAROL SAWYER

Editorial Board Member, "Annals of the American Association of Geographers", American Association of Geographers, Papers, (2021, April 22 - 2025).

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. BEN LINZMEIER

Ad Hoc Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Academic, (2025, January - 2025, February).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, Earth and Planetary Science Letters, Academic, (2022, November 30 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, ICES Journal of Marine Science, Academic, (2021, December 18 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, PLoS One. (2021, November 19 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, Geology. (2021, July 17 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, Communications Earth and Environment, Academic, (2021, June 11 - Present).

DR. FABIAN TERBECK

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Topologies of Threat: Modeling the Spatial Logic of Armed Actors", National Science Foundation, Academic, (2026, March 16 - 2026, April 15). NSF Electronic Proposal Review Request - Proposal No. - 2612126

Invited Manuscript Review, "Eurasian Geography and Economics", Academic, (2025, September 19 - 2025, October 17).

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. ALEX BEEBE

Linzmeier, B. J. (Principal), **Beebe, D.** (Co-Principal), & Allison, D. T. (Co-Principal), "Carbon capture and storage site assessment," Sponsored by US Department of Energy - DOE, External to the University, $253,868.00. (2023, September 1 - 2026, August 31).

Kelley, B. (Principal), Davis, T. (Co-Principal), Scyphers, S. B. (Co-Principal), & **Beebe, D.** (Co-Principal), "Three Mile Creek Headwater Bioswales," Sponsored by Mobile Bay National Estuary Program, External to the University, $349,133.00. (2025, November - 2027, January).

Linzmeier, B. J. (Principal), **Beebe, D.** (Co-Principal), & Allison, D. T. (Co-Principal), "Carbon capture and storage site assessment," Sponsored by US Department of Energy - DOE, External to the University, $253,868.00. (2023, September 1 - 2026, August 31).

Beebe, D. "Fly Creek Restoration Monitoring," Sponsored by Mobile Bay National Estuary Program, External to the University, $14,606.00. (2025, December - 2026, June).

Beebe, D. "Schoolhouse Branch TSS and Turbidity Regression Modeling," Sponsored by Mobile Bay National Estuary Program, External to the University, $7,729.62. (2024, September - 2025, September).

DR. SYTSKE KIMBALL

Kimball, S. K. "Expansion and Upgrade of the South Alabama Mesonet," Sponsored by NOAA-NWSPO, External to the University, $3,000,000.00. (2024, October 1 - 2027, September 30).

Kimball, S. K. "Weather Station Services," Sponsored by Poarch Band of Creek Indians, External to the University, $6,300.00. (2025, January 1 - 2026, December 31).

Kimball, S. K. "Teaming Agreement between Synoptic and University of South Alabama," Sponsored by Synoptic Data PBC, External to the University, $65,280.00. (2025, May 1 - 2026, August 31).

DR. HAI LAN

Lan, H. "Model–Data Integration for Scalable Nitrogen Use Efficiency Monitoring," Sponsored by Taylor Geospatial Institute, External to the University, $20,000.00. (2026, April - Present).

Lan, H. "Model–Data Integration for Scalable NUE Monitoring using AWS," Sponsored by Amazon, External to the University, $121,525.00. (2026, January - Present).

Liang, D. (Principal), & **Lan, H.** (Co-Principal), "An open-source platform for curation and fusion of remote sensing data to enhance nutrient management and monitoring," Sponsored by USDA, Private, $800,000.00. (2026 - 2029).

DR. BEN LINZMEIER

Linzmeier, B. J., Mujica, F. C. (Co-Principal), & Schultze, S. R. (Co-Principal), "Soil lead distribution in Mobile, Alabama", Sponsored by US Environmental Protection Agency, External to the University, $150,000.00. (2024, April 1 - Present). **Federal funding rescinded**

Linzmeier, B. J. (Principal), Beebe, D. (Co-Principal), & Allison, D. T. (Co-Principal), "Carbon capture and storage site assessment", Sponsored by US Department of Energy - DOE, External to the University, $253,868.00. (2023, September 1 - 2026, August 31).
Federal funding freeze

DR. FRANCES MUJICA

Linzmeier, B. J., **Mujica, F. C.** (Co-Principal), & Schultze, S. R. (Co-Principal), "Soil lead distribution in Mobile, Alabama", Sponsored by US Environmental Protection Agency, External to the University, $150,000.00. (2024, April 1 - Present). **Federal funding rescinded**

DR. STEVEN SCHULTZE

Linzmeier, B. J., Mujica, F. C. (Co-Principal), & **Schultze, S. R.** (Co-Principal), "Soil lead distribution in Mobile, Alabama", Sponsored by US Environmental Protection Agency, External to the University, $150,000.00. (2024, April 1 - Present). **Federal funding rescinded**

DR. FABIAN TERBECK

Terbeck, F. J. "2025-6 Arts And Sciences Support and Development Award," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $1,350.00. (2026, January 13 - 2026, December 18).

Terbeck, F. J. "Arts and Sciences Summer Professional Development Award," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $4,000.00. (2025, May 1 - 2025, October 31).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

SAMANTHA CAMARDA

Howell, J. S. (Presenter), Rodenberg, R. R. (Presenter), **Camarda, S. L.** (Presenter), Hamil, T. W. (Presenter), Itza, E. M. (Presenter), Linzmeier, B. J. (Presenter), O'Brien, R. A. (Presenter), Stojanovic, M. (Presenter), & Delaney Tucker, C. L. (Presenter), CoTL, "Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness," University of South Alabama. (2025, May).

DR. SYTSKE KIMBALL

Clark, A. (Author & Presenter), & **Kimball, S. K.** Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes Symposium, "Data-derived products of the South Alabama Mesonet," University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama. (2026, March 28).

Clark, A. (Author & Presenter), & **Kimball, S. K.** Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes Symposium, "What's new SAM," University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama. (2026, March 28).

Kimball, S. K. 106th Annual Meeting of the American Meteorological Society, "Comparison of Automated and Manual Rain Gauges as a function of rainfall rates and wind speed," American Meteorological Society, Houston, Texas. (2026, January 26).

Kimball, S. K. Alabama Water Resources Conference, "A Comparison of Rain Gauges and Soil Sensors at the South Alabama Mesonet," Alabama Water Resources, Orange Beach, Alabama. (2025, September 4).

Kimball, S. K. Mesonet Community Meeting, "A Comparison of Rain Gauges and Soil Sensors at the South Alabama Mesonet," AASC, Albany, New York. (2025, July 23).

DR. HAI LAN

Lan, H. AGU Fall Meeting 2025, "Shipping Nitrogen Emissions Enhance Ocean Productivity in Nitrogen-Limited Regions: Insights from Satellite Observations," AGU, New Orleans, LA. (2025).

DR. JOHN LANICCI

Wiley, J. E. (Principal), & **Lanicci, J. M.** (Co-Principal), "A Machine Learning Approach to Atmospheric Sounding Analysis," Sponsored by University of South Alabama Office of Research and Economic Development, Internal to the University, $17,610.00. (2025, May 15 - 2026, May 14).

DR. BEN LINZMEIER

Linzmeier, B. J., Hoffmann, R. (Author), & Kitajima, K. (Author), "Unpacking complex biomineralization pattern in belemnite rostra," San Antonio, Texas. (2025, October).

Howell, J. S. (Presenter), Rodenberg, R. R. (Presenter), Camarda, S. L. (Presenter), Hamil, T. W. (Presenter), Itza, E. M. (Presenter), **Linzmeier, B. J.** (Presenter), O'Brien, R. A. (Presenter), Stojanovic, M. (Presenter), & Delaney Tucker, C. L. (Presenter), CoTL, "Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness," University of South Alabama. (2025, May).

Linzmeier, B. J. "Revealing paleobiology and paleoclimatology with 10 micrometer spots," University of California - Davis, Davis, California. (2025, May).

DR. FRANCES MUJICA

Mujica, F. C. (Author), Sawyer, C. F. (Author), Pickett, S. (Presenter), Nolen, B. (Author), Shearer, L. (Author), Tidwell, G. (Author), James, L. (Author), Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, "Who is ready for a Cascadia earthquake? Results from a survey on the Olympic Peninsula, Washington," San Francisco, CA. (2026, March 20).

Mujica, F. C. (Author), Sawyer, C. F. (Author & Presenter), Pickett, S. (Author), Noland, B. (Author), Tidwell, G. (Author), Sherer, L. (Author), & James, L. (Author), 2025 Annual CRESENT Meeting, "Who is prepared? Preliminary results from an earthquake perception survey on the Olympic Peninsula," Seattle. (2025, October).

DR. CAROL SAWYER

Mujica, F. C. (Author), **Sawyer, C. F.** (Author), Pickett, S. (Presenter), Nolen, B. (Author), Shearer, L. (Author), Tidwell, G. (Author), James, L. (Author), Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, "Who is ready for a Cascadia earthquake? Results from a survey on the Olympic Peninsula, Washington," San Francisco, CA. (2026, March 20).

Mujica, F. C. (Author), **Sawyer, C. F.** (Author & Presenter), Pickett, S. (Author), Noland, B. (Author), Tidwell, G. (Author), Sherer, L. (Author), & James, L. (Author), 2025 Annual CRESENT Meeting, "Who is prepared? Preliminary results from an earthquake perception survey on the Olympic Peninsula," Seattle. (2025, October).

Sawyer, C. F. Conference of Teaching and Learning, "Creating Active Participation Opportunities in Large Enrollment Lecture Courses: Observations in Learning Using Pear Deck," USA Innovation in Learning Center, Mobile, AL. (2025, May 14).

DR. STEVEN SCHULTZE

Krontiras, K., Kratsch, K., Martin, J., Narvaez, N., Tasipanta, L., Laso, F., de Oliveira, G., & **Schultze, S. R.** High Resolution Study of Microclimatic Differences in Various Plant Zones on San Cristóbal Island, Galápagos Islands, Ecuador. SeCAPS, Mobile, AL, (2026, March).

Quinn, J., & **Schultze, S. R.** Extreme Heat Will Impact the 2026 FIFA World Cup. SeCAPS, Mobile, AL, (2026, March).

Krontiras, K., Kratsch, K., Martin, J., Narvaez, N., Tasipanta, L., Laso, F., de Oliveira, G., & **Schultze, S. R.** High Resolution Study of Microclimatic Differences in Various Plant Zones on San Cristóbal Island, Galápagos Islands, Ecuador. American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, (2025, December).

Quinn, J., & **Schultze, S. R.** Extreme Heat Will Impact the 2026 FIFA World Cup. University of South Alabama Undergraduate Student Research Symposium, Mobile, AL, (2025, October).

DR. FABIAN TERBECK

Terbeck, F. J. GISAA - CDG GIS Annual Meeting, "Climate Change and Neighborhood Filtering at the Urban Wildland Interface," GIS Association of Alabama, Mobile. (2026, April 9).

Terbeck, F. J. Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, "The Impact of Proximity on School Segregation," American Association of Geographers, San Francisco. (2026, March 19).

Terbeck, F. J. Suburb Workshop for the EU ERC project "Seeing and Being Seen: Representation in Proportional Systems", "Identifying Suburbs," Spanish National Research Council, Madrid. (2025, November 7).

DR. JAKE WILEY

Lanicci, J. (Author & Presenter), McLeod, J. (Author), & **Wiley, J. E.** American Meteorological Society's 22nd Major Weather Impacts Conference, "The Record-Breaking U.S. Gulf Coast Snowstorm of January 2025: Analysis and Impacts," American Meteorological Society, Houston, TX. (2026, January 27).

Wiley, J. E. (Author & Presenter), American Meteorological Society's 35th Conference on Education, "Storm Chasing in the Classroom: Replacing A Traditional Final Exam with A Severe Weather Forecast Simulation to Engage and Comprehensively Evaluate Students," American Meteorological Society, Houston, TX. (2026, January 27).

Lanicci, J. (Author & Presenter), McLeod, J. (Author), & **Wiley, J. E.** American Meteorological Society's 35th Conference on Education, "Twenty Years of "Peppe": A Weather Exercise that Introduces Students to the Concepts of Probability, Decision Thresholds, and Cost/Loss Ratio," American Meteorological Society, Houston, TX. (2026, January 27).

Dyer, H. (Author & Presenter), & **Wiley, J. E.** American Meteorological Society's 25th Student Conference, "A Pilot Study of Objective Classification of Elevated Mixed Layer Environments," American Meteorological Society, Houston, TX. (2026, January 25).

Floden, H. (Author & Presenter), **Wiley, J. E.** (Author), American Meteorological Society's 25th Student Conference, "Investigating the Impacts of Various Cyclone Tracks on Lake Michigan Lake-Effect Snow," American Meteorological Society, Houston, TX. (2026, January 25).

Wiley, J. E. 15th Annual South Alabama Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Chasing Storms in Class: A Severe Weather Simulation," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (2025).

Wiley, J. E. (Author), Lanicci, J. M. (Author & Presenter), & McLeod, J. T. (Author), 15th Annual South Alabama Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Teaching the Synoptic Meteorology I/II Capstone as a Learning Community," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (2025).

Wiley, J. E. (Author & Presenter), Geosciences Colloquium Series, "Beyond the Bands: Analyzing The Synoptic Fingerprints of Lake-Effect Snow," Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS. (2025, October 24).

LEE YOKEL

Yokel, L. S. CoTL Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Enhancing Relevancy in Undergraduate STEM Labs: Strategies for Engagement and Career Readiness," University of South Alabama, University of South Alabama. (2025, May 13).





DEPARTMENT OF

English

This has been a year of transition in the Department of English as we welcomed two new creative faculty, **Jocelyn Cullity**, whose specialties are fiction and screenwriting, and **Luke Jorgensen**, whose specialty is poetry. Both **Dr. Cullity** as the Stokes Center Director and **Dr. Jorgensen** as the faculty advisor for the *Oracle Fine Arts Review* have made a wonderful impact in their brief time at USA. **Dr. Cullity**'s new historical novel *The Nurse at Baker Hospital* is forthcoming from Regal Press this fall. Impressively, **Richard Hillyer** published his sixth monograph, *Literary Case Studies in Cowardice: Parolles, Waller, and Hirsch*, with Palgrave Macmillan in the fall. English Instructor **Zack Davis**, a sportswriter, had an article recognized nationally in *This Year's Best Sports Writing*, and **Kern Jackson** received the Arts and Sciences award for Excellence in Service last fall. In February, **Dr. Cullity** and **Ellen Harrington** gave a USA By the Bay Lecture focused on "Why Stories Still Matter" focused on the importance of reading

Department Chair: Dr. Ellen Harrington

Professors: Dr. Nicole Amare, Dr. Larry Beason, Dr. Richard Hillyer, Dr. Becky McLaughlin, Dr. Justin St. Clair

Associate Professors: Dr. Pat Cesarini, Dr. Jocelyn Cullity, Dr. Annmarie Guzy, Dr. John Halbrooks, Dr. Kern Jackson, Dr. Chris Raczkowski, Dr. Patrick Shaw, Dr. Laura Vrana

Assistant Professors: Dr. Luke Jorgensen

Senior Instructors: Christopher Cowley, Heather Dail, Dr. Doris Frye, Maura Lang, Dr. Karen Peterson

Instructors: Dr. Jennifer Arras, Carson Barnett, Jeremy Buckner, Zack Davis, Dylan Gibson, Caleb Humphries, Jacobie Lewis, Robert O' Berry, Dr. Jessica Owsley, Lisa Roddy, Dr. Stephanie Volf, Christine York

Journalist In Residence: Cynthia Tucker

Secretaries: Shawn Ash, Dorothy Rewerts

continued Departmental Highlights

Southern writers, even in the digital world. We will certainly miss Nicole Amare, who retired in January after more than twenty years in the English Department, and our former creative writers **Charlotte Pence** and **Caleb Johnson**, as well as **Debbie Outlaw**, who retired after several years as our accounting clerk.

Department of English publications this year include eight peer-reviewed journal articles and essays in collections, plus creative works including poems and essays. In creative writing, **Luke Jorgensen**, published seven poems, two of them in the *Bennington Review*. **Jocelyn Cullity**, **Annmarie Guzy**, **Richard Hillyer**, **Becky McLaughlin**, **Robert O'Berry**, **Ellen Harrington**, **Karen Peterson**, and **Laura Vrana** published essays in journals and edited collections. Many faculty members remain active in grants and national professional service. **Kern Jackson** serves as Co-PI on an Institute of Museum and Library Services grant and on a Mellon Foundation grant focused on oral history in Africatown. **Jessica Owsley** was selected as a LevelUP Fellow, and **Jenny Arras**, **Chris Cowley**, and **Lisa Roddy** serve as Second-Year Experience Fellows. **John Halbrooks** has built a podcast studio with the LevelUP Program Accelerator Grant, and **Pat Cesarini**, **Ellen Harrington**, **Becky McLaughlin**, **Chris Raczkowski**, **Patrick Shaw**, and **Justin St. Clair** received internal grant funding to support research projects. **Laura Vrana** is the Associate Editor of the *Journal of Ethnic American Literature*, and **Ellen Harrington** continues as book review editor of *Conradiana*. **Annmarie Guzy** serves on the editorial board of *Honors in Practice*, and **Nicole Amare** serves on the editorial board of *Business and Professional Communication Quarterly*. In addition, this year, English faculty gave more than twenty professional presentations, primarily at national conferences or in invited readings or speaking engagements.

This was a strong year for events sponsored by the Stokes Center and the English Department for the university community and our students. Through the Stokes Center for Creative Writing, **Jocelyn Cullity**, **Luke Jorgensen** and the Creative Writing Committee featured nationally recognized writers, including poet Gaylord Brewer, Common Read Common World author Margaret Renkl, poet Karisma Price, and nonfiction author Alexis Okeowo for public events and classroom visits. Creative students hosted an Open Mic on campus, and **Dr. Cullity** started a new poetry contest for high school students sponsored by the Stokes Center. In the fall, English Graduate Program, under the leadership of **John Halbrooks**, honored **Jocelyn Cullity** with the Hamner Lecture. Our Community Engagement Committee, chaired by **Laura Vrana**, hosted a Radical Readings Soapbox event in the Humanities courtyard, and **Jenny Arras** sponsored a spring scholarship workshop for English students. In spring, the English Department also ran a series of classes and events as part of the Spring Series on Nature and Sustainability. This innovative series, chaired by **Becky McLaughlin**, hosted events focused on nature and the environment, partnering with the Common Read, the Departments of Philosophy and Biology, and our campus Sustainability Committee, and featuring Kathleen Dean Moore (virtual), Amy Leach, and David George Haskell. These fascinating interdisciplinary events were a great success.

The English Department houses undergraduate programs in English, creative writing, and professional writing and editing, and MA concentrations in literature and creative writing, plus the Freshman Composition program, led by Patrick Shaw. Composition classes continue to function as the launching point for the LevelUP QEP at the university. **Ellen Harrington** co-chaired the Common Read Common World on campus, bringing a series of events and service activities around Alabama author Margaret Renkl's *Late Migrations* to the campus for an impactful year for the CRCW program that included about ten campus events. English faculty have developed classes for Start South, the Summer Bridge program, the Summer Start program, the CompPAL program, and other initiatives. Our Community Engagement Committee led by **Laura Vrana** and **Jenny Arras** continues working with faculty to support a rich and varied curriculum and meaningful campus events. The Career Pathways Committee, chaired by **Doris Frye**, supports career development for English majors with dedicated events and workshops. Our graduate program led by **John Halbrooks** continues to support creative and critical work and career development for our students. Finally, our student recognition event in April, put together by **Becky McLaughlin**, **Karen Peterson**, and **Jocelyn Cullity** working with **Dorothy Rewerts** and **Shawn Ash**, marked the close to a notable year of student achievements with scholarships and awards for more than a dozen students.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. JOCELYN CULLITY

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)
Cullity, J. (2026). Blurring Borders and the Journey into Disability Writing. *Johns Hopkins University*

DR. ANNMARIE GUZY

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Accepted)
Guzy, A. M. (in press). The visual rhetoric of classroom cosplay. *Journal of the National Collegiate Honors Council.*

DR. RICHARD HILLYER

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)
Hillyer, R. (2025). "'Lucretius Whole': Waller's 'Unlimited Praise for the Philosophy of Epicurus'". *Restoration*, *49*(1).

DR. LUKE JORGENSEN

Poem in Literary Review (Published)
Jorgensen, L. L. (2026). The Bureau of Hunger (No. 1 & 2 ed., vol. Vol. 42). Anchorage, Alaska: *Alaska Quarterly Review.*

Poem in Literary Review (Published)
Jorgensen, L. L. (2026). Bureau of Want. Charlottesville, Virginia: *Meridian.* https://readmeridian.org/article/short-prose-prize-runner-up-luke-jorgensens-bureau-of-want/

Poem in Literary Review (Accepted)
Jorgensen, L. L. (in press). The Bureau of Prophets (No. 9 ed.). Arizona: *Shō Poetry Journal.*

Poem in Literary Review (Published)
Jorgensen, L. L. (2025). The Growth of the Bureau of Infinite Growth (36th ed., pp. 153). Atehns, Ohio: *New Ohio Review.*

Poem in Literary Review (Published)
Jorgensen, L. L. (2025). The Bureau of Routine (Issue 14: All the Words ed., pp. 13). Bennington, Vermont: *Bennington Review.*

Poem in Literary Review (Published)
Jorgensen, L. L. (2025). The Bureau of Words (Issue 14: All the Words ed., pp. 12). Bennington, Vermont: *Bennington Review.*

Poem Reprinted in Craft Textbook (Published)
Jorgensen, L. L. (2025). The Bureau of Mercy (pp. 70-71). Albuquerque, New Mexico: *University of New Mexico Press.*

DR. BECKY MCLAUGHLIN

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)
McLaughlin, B. R. (2025). "'Promptings from the Unconscious': Murder and Repression in Joyce Carol Oates's 'Tell Me You Forgive Me?'". *L'Esprit Literary Review*, *4*(2), 196-203.

ROBERT O'BERRY

Ding, L., **O'Berry, R.**, Tallent, H., et al. (2026). Learning with large language models: Beyond prompt engineering. *Education and Information Technologies.* https://doi.org/10.1007/s10639-026-13924-2

DR. KAREN PETERSON

Journal Article, Professional Journal (Published)
Bowman, A. F., Parrish, C. W., & **Peterson, K. W.** (2025). Perceived Challenges and Successes of Teaching Team-based Learning in an Online Setting. *Journal of Educators Online*, *22*(4). http://thejeo.com/archive/archive/2025_223~2/25rea0023_jeo_sept_30_bowmanpdf

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. ELLEN HARRINGTON

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)
Harrington, E. B. (2026). Fatherhood, Fidelity, and Women's Autonomy in Joseph Conrad's *Chance and Victory. Conrad and Femininity: Echoes and Resonances* (pp. 95-108). Leiden, The Netherlands: Brill.

DR. LAURA VRANA

Vrana, L. (Forthcoming Fall 2026.) Poetic Reconstructions: Contemporary Experiments in Representing African American War Experiences. In Jennifer James & Steven Trout (Eds.), *"That Pageant Terrible" Cultural Representations of African American War Experience from the American Revolution to the Twenty-First Century.* Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press.

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. JOCELYN CULLITY

Book (Accepted)

Cullity, J. (2026). *The Nurse at Baker Hospital.* Regal House Publishing.

DR. RICHARD HILLYER

Book, Scholarly-New (Published)

Hillyer, R. (2025). *Literary Case Studies in Cowardice: Parolles, Waller, and Hirsch.* Cham, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan.

NON PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, PREFACES, INTRODUCTIONS, AND AFTERWARDS

ZACK DAVIS

Davis, Z. (2025). One Must Imagine the Detroit Mechanix Happy. In H. Abdurraqib (Ed.) *The Year's Best Sports Writing 2025* (pp. 301-310). Triumph Books.

DR. RICHARD HILLYER

Poetry - Print Journal

Hillyer, R. "Killing Time," *Oracle Fine Arts Review 23*, Spring 2025, Mobile, AL. (2025).

Poetry - Anthology

Hillyer, R. "The Junk Food Chain," *We Did It First: Poems from Poets of Mobile, Alabama*, Mobile, AL. (2025).

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

HEATHER DAIL

Dail, H. N. (2025). The Sandbar. In C. Pence (Ed.), *We Did It First: Poems from Poets of Mobile, Alabama* (p. 20). Mobile Arts Council.

ZACK DAVIS

Davis, Z. (2025). *Mudpuppy Miracle: How the UNC-Asheville Ultimate Team Weathered Helene.* Ultiword.com

Davis, Z., Diffendal, T., & Alegria, R. (2025). *D-III College Regionals 2025: Weekend 1 Preview (Women's Div.).* Ultiworld.com.

Davis, Z., Diffendal, T., & Alegria, R. (2025). *D-III College Regionals 2025: Weekend 2 Preview (Women's Div.).* Ultiworld.com.

Browne, A., **Davis, Z.**, Alegria, R., & Diffendal, T. (2025). *D-III College Championships 2025: Pool Previews (Women's Div.).* Ultiworld.com

Davis, Z. (2025). *D-III College Championships 2025: Day One Centering Pass (Women's Div.).* Ultiworld.com

Davis, Z. (2025). *D-III College Championships 2025: Day Two Centering Pass (Women's Div.).* Ultiworld.com

Diffendal, T., **Davis, Z.**, & Browne, A. (2025). *D-III Women's 2025 All-American First Team.* Ultiworld.com

Browne, A., Diffendal, T., & **Davis, Z.** (2025). *D-III Women's 2025 All-American Second Team.* Ultiworld.com

Raynor, K., & **Davis, Z.** (2025). *D-III Women's 2025 Defensive Player of the Year.* Ultiworld.com

Browne, A., & **Davis, Z.** (2025). *D-III Women's 2025 Rookie of the Year.* Ultiworld.com

Diffendal, T., & **Davis, Z.** (2025). *D-III Women's 2025 Breakout Player of the Year.* Ultiworld.com

Davis, Z. (2025). *The Line: Seven All-Time Snubs to Dubs.* Ultiworld.com

Gerhart, G., **Davis, Z.** , Zheng, F., & Browne, A. (2025). *Club Regionals 2025: Mega-Preview (Women's Div.).* Ultiworld.com

Davis, Z. , Lee, T., Diffendal, T., & Raynor, K. (2026). *Women's D-III College Primer 2026.* Ultiworld.com

DR. LUKE JORGENSEN

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Jorgensen, L. L. (2025). The Bureau of Mercy (pp. 70-71). Albuquerque, New Mexico: *University of New Mexico Press.*
Book Review (Published)

Jorgensen, L. L. (2025). Book Review: Alan Michael Parker's Bingo Bango Boingo. *Identity Theory.* https://www.identitytheory.com/section/blog/book-rate/

DR. LAURA VRANA

Vrana, L. (Forthcoming Fall 2026). Contemporary Black Women Poets. In *Poetry Criticism*. Gale-Cengage/Layman-Poupard.

BOOK REVIEWS IN SCHOLARLY JOURNALS

DR. PATRICK CESARINI

Review, Journal (Published)
Cesarini, J. P. (2025). The Colonial Construction of Indian Country: Native American Literatures and Federal Indian Law, by Eric Cheyfitz. *Studies in American Culture*, *4*(1), 152-153.

DR. JUSTIN ST. CLAIR

Book Review (Published)
St. Clair, J. M. (2025). Good Night and Good Luck. *Los Angeles Review of Books.* https://lareviewofbooks.org/article/good-night-and-good-luck/

Book Review (Published)
St. Clair, J. M. (2025). Testing the Soundness. *Los Angeles Review of Books.* https://lareviewofbooks.org/article/testing-the-soundness/

DR. LAURA VRANA

Vrana, L. (Fall 2025). [Review of the book Black Speculative Feminisms: Memory and Liberated Futures in Black Women's Fiction]. *Modern Philology*, 123.2.

Vrana, L. (Jan. 2026). [Review of the book The Politics of Collecting: Race and the Aestheticization of Property]. *ASAP/Reviews*, Jan. 2026.

EDITORSHIP OF PEER REVIEWED BOOKS OR PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

DR. LAURA VRANA

Vrana, L. E. Associate Editor, *Journal of Ethnic American Literature*

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. JOCELYN CULLITY

Cullity, J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Maisie and Heather". (2025 - 2026).

DR. ELLEN HARRINGTON

Harrington, E. B. Editorial Board Member, "The Conradian", Joseph Conrad Society UK. Academic. (2026 - Present).

Harrington, E. B. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "College Literature". (2016 - Present).

Harrington, E. B. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Conradiana: A Journal of Joseph Conrad Studies". (2007 - Present).

DR. LAURA VRANA

Vrana, L. Associate Editor, *Journal of Ethnic American Literature.* (January 2022 - Present).

RECORDINGS

DR. KERN JACKSON

Glassbrook, D., **Jackson, K. M.**, Skoda, K., & Finley, E. "Medicine and the Movement: The Story of Dr. Escous B. Goode of Alabama," Mobile Medical Museum, Mobile, AL. (2026 - Present).

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. ELLEN HARRINGTON

Harrington, E. B. Associate Editor, "Conradiana: A Journal of Joseph Conrad Studies". Academic. (2013 - Present).

DR. CHRIS RACZKOWSKI

Raczkowski, C. T. Served as a reviewer for the *Journal of American Studies* (Cambridge University Press).

Raczkowski, C. T. Currently Reviewing a book manuscript, *Revisionist Crime Fiction in the United States*, for Manchester University Press.

DR. PATRICK SHAW

Shaw, P. J. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Scotia: American-Canadian Review of Scottish Studies", Old Dominion University Institute of Scottish Studies. Academic. (2025).

DR. LAURA VRANA

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Broadside Press.* (2026, February - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Contemporary Literature.* (2025, November - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Ohio State University Press.* (2025, August - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *University of Virginia Press.* (2024, August - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *liquid blackness: journal of aesthetics and black studies.* (2024, March - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Clemson University Press.* (2023, August - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Publication of the Modern Language Association.* (2022, November - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Book History.* (2022, October - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *College Literature.* (2022, October - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *MELUS: The Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States.* (2021, November - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Literature.* (2021, May - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Criticism: A Quarterly for Literature and the Arts.* (2019, November - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Studies in American Culture.* (2018, March - Present).

Vrana, L. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Ethnic American Literature.* (2017, August - Present).

GRANTS AWARDED

AWARDED

DR. PATRICK CESARINI

Cesarini, J. P. "Arts and Sciences Seed Grant for the Humanities," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, Internal to the University, $1,800.00. (2026 - Present).

CHRISTOPHER COWLEY

Cowley, C. M. "Faculty Fellow," Sponsored by Second Year Experience, $2,500.00. (2025, August 15 - 2026, April 20).

Cowley, C. M. "Common Read Faculty Fellow," Sponsored by Common Read/Common World, $500.00. (2025, July 1 - 2025, July 30).

DR. JOHN HALBROOKS

Halbrooks, J. (Co-Principal), & Kozelsky, M. V. (Co-Principal), "LevelUp Program Accelerator Grant," Sponsored by USA, Internal to the University, $7,430.00. (2024 - 2026).

DR. ELLEN HARRINGTON

Harrington, E. B. "Arts and Humanities Seed Grant: Gazing Back in Graphic Novel Adaptations of Heart of Darkness," Sponsored by ORED, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (2025, June - 2025, September).

DR. ELLEN HARRINGTON

Harrington, E. B. "Arts and Humanities Seed Grant: Gazing Back in Graphic Novel Adaptations of Heart of Darkness," Sponsored by ORED, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (2025, June - 2025, September).

DR. KERN JACKSON

Jackson, K. M. (Co-Principal), Carr, P. J. (Co-Principal), & Boykin, F. (Principal), "Realizing the future from the past and honoring those who fill the breech: African American Document material, and misallany at Bishop State Community College," Sponsored by The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), Federal, $91,494.45. (2025, September 23 - 2025, December 21).

Tovine, T. (Principal), Fiskio, J. (Co-Principal), Davis, J. (Co-Principal), **Jackson, K. M.** (Co-Principal), Womack, J. (Co-Principal), "Sharing the Africatown Story," Sponsored by Mellon Foundation, Private, $500,000.00. (2025, July 31 - Present).

Scyphers, S. (Principal), Powers, S. (Co-Principal), **Jackson, K.** (Supporting), Patch, S. M. (Supporting), Patterson, M. W. (Supporting), Sprinkle, A. (Supporting), Urban, K. (Supporting), "University of South Alabama - Gulf Scholars Program," Sponsored by National Academies / Sciences, Engineering, Medicine, External to the University. (2022, September 21 - 2027, August 31).

DR. BECKY MCLAUGHLIN

McLaughlin, B. R. "Workshopping Scripts at the Austin Film Festival and Writers Conference," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $2,350.00. (2025, October - 2025, November).

DR. JESSICA OWSLEY

Owsley, J. S. "LevelUP Fellows Program," Sponsored by Office of Academic Enhancement, Internal to the University. (2025, August - Present).

DR. CHRIS RACZKOWSKI

Raczkowski, C. T. (Principal), "Seed Grant to Support the Arts and Humanities," Sponsored by Office of Research and Economic Development, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (2025, July 1 - 2026, June 30).

DR. PATRICK SHAW

Shaw, P. J. (Principal), "Humanities Seed Grant," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (2025, July - 2026, June).

DR. JUSTIN ST. CLAIR

St. Clair, J. M. (Principal), Cesarini, J. P. (Supporting), McLaughlin, B. R. (Supporting), "The Cultural Record: An Educational LP and Symposium on Roots Music and Collective Memory," Sponsored by Alabama Humanities Alliance, External to the University, $10,000.00. (2024, October 1 - 2025, September 30).

NOT FUNDED

DR. KERN JACKSON

James-Todd, T. (Principal), **Jackson, K. M.** (Co-Principal), Davis, J. (Co-Principal), "Making a Way: Using Photovoice to Identify Strategies and Solutions for Environmental Justice in Africatown," Private, $175,000.00. (2025 - Present).

Scyphers, S. B. (Principal), Ahlich, E. M. (Co-Principal), Williams, A. (Co-Principal), Shelley-Tremblay, J. F. (Co-Principal), **Jackson, K. M.** (Co-Principal), "IMPACT-AL: Investigating Mental Health and Preparing Against Climate Threats in Alabama's Gulf Coast," Sponsored by National Academies of Sciences, Federal, $999,439.00. (2024 - Present).

CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW

DR. PATRICK SHAW

Shaw, P. J. (Principal), "NEH Collaborative Grant," Sponsored by National Endowment for the Humanities, External to the University, $223,827.00. (2026, January 1 - 2027, December 31).

Wu, S., Cleary, J., Patch, S., Ding, Lu, **Shaw, P.** Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Directorate for STEM Education (IUSE: EDU) External to the University, $400,000.00 (2026, September 1 – 2029, August 31).

DR. JUSTIN ST. CLAIR

St. Clair, J. M. (Principal), "Pynchon's Retransmissions," Sponsored by Seed Grant to Support the Arts and Humanities, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (2026, March 1 - Present).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. LARRY BEASON

Beason, L. (June 20, 2026) (Author & Presenter), National Conference of the Assembly for Teaching English Grammar, "'This meme doesn't meme very much': Using Grammar and Rhetoric to Analyze Social Media" (submitted for consideration)," Assembly for Teaching English Grammar, New Orleans. LA.

HEATHER DAIL

Dail, H. N., Conference on Teaching and Learning, ""Using Google Drive to Create an Integrative Writing Experience"," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (May 2025).

DR. ANNMARIE GUZY

Guzy, A. M. (Presenter), 2025 National Collegiate Honors Council Annual Conference, "Mensa foundation research on giftedness across the lifespan: A primer for postsecondary honors students, faculty, and staff," National Collegiate Honors Council, San Diego, CA. (November 9, 2025).

Guzy, A. M. (Author & Presenter), Popular Culture Association in the South/American Culture Association in the South 2025 Conference, "Female agency and the postmodern prometheus: body horror in Frankenhooker, May, and Lisa Frankenstein," Popular Culture Association in the South/American Culture Association in the South, Huntsville, AL. (October 10, 2025).

DR. JOHN HALBROOKS

Halbrooks, J. V., Science and Sensibility, "The Giant as Anomaly: Enlightenment, Science, and the Body in Hilary Mantel's The Giant, O'Brien," London Arts-Based Research Center, Online. (October 12, 2025).

Halbrooks, J. V., Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Helping Students Focus: Experiences from the Field," USA, Mobile, AL. (May 13, 2025).

DR. ELLEN HARRINGTON

Harrington, E. B. (Author & Presenter), Shaw, P. J. (Author & Presenter), President's Council, University of South Alabama, "Communication Strategies for Administrators." (March 2, 2026).

Harrington, E. B. (Author & Presenter), Cullity, J. (Author & Presenter), USA By the Bay Eastern Shore Speakers Series, ""Stories Matter in a Digital World"," Fairhope, AL. (February 5, 2026).

Harrington, E. B., The Resonance of Joseph Conrad-Korzeniowski in Contemporary Culture: 3rd Conrad Symposium, ""Gazing Back: Women in Graphic Novel Adaptations of Heart of Darkness by Anyango and Mairowitz and by Kuper."," Polish Academy of Sciences Scientific Center, Paris, France. (September 26, 2025).

Harrington, E. B., Joseph Conrad Society (UK) Annual International Conference, ""Rendering Women in Kish's and Kuper's Heart of Darkness." Joseph Conrad Society (UK), Rome, Italy. (July 5, 2025).

DR. KERN JACKSON

Jackson, K. M. (Author & Presenter), Global Souths Conference, "Outside the Margins: Where We Are and Who We Are: The Global South, Historical Memory, and the Future of Precarious Communities," University of Louisiana - Lafayette Department of English, Lafayette, LA. (March 13, 2026).

Jackson, K. M., Philips Black Employee Resource Group, "Fireside Chat: The Usefulness of Cultural Paradigms with Prof. Kern Jackson," Royal Philips, virtual. (February 26, 2026).

Jackson, K. M., All Things Africatown - 2nd Annual: OWAMBE Black History Moth Festival Author's Forum, "Authors Forum," All Things Afrcatown Inc., Mobile Museum of Art. (February 6, 2026).

Jackson, K. M., Via Center: AARP Mobile for a Special Black History Month Program, "Oral History of the Mobile, Alabama Down the Bay Community," "American Association of Retired Persons: Mobile Council, 1717 Dauphin St, Mobile, AL 36604. (February 2, 2026).

Jackson, K. M., Interfaith Service Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Springhill College, St. Joseph Chapel on the Spring Hill College campus. (January 12, 2026).

Jackson, K. M., Archdiocese of Mobile: Black Catholic History Program, "Testimony: "Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman: On the Road to Sainthood, Embracing the Witness of Black Catholic"," Archdiocese of Mobile: Department of Multicultural Ministry, Prince of Peace Catholic Church. (November 15, 2025).

Jackson, K. M., "Documentary titled "Tides of Resilience"," ASEM Gulf Scholars Research Program, University of South Alabama: ILC. (July 21, 2025).

DR. BECKY MCLAUGHLIN

McLaughlin, B. R., Symposium on "American Poetry", "Entwining Individualism with Self-Erasure: Jones Very's Impossible Project," American Literature Association 2026, Salem, MA (March 28, 2026).

ROBERT O'BERRY

O'Berry, R. Conference on Teaching and Learning (COTL), 2025. AI in the Curriculum: Teaching Cross-Disciplinary Writing with AI (presented with Hunter Tallent)

DR. KAREN PETERSON

Peterson, K. W. (Author & Presenter), LaCross, L. (Author), Alafoo, M. (Author), Southern Regional Faculty and Instructional Development Consortium, "From Chaos to Community: A Capacities Approach to Faculty Development," SRFDIC, Auburn University. (March 10, 2026).

DR. PATRICK SHAW

Shaw, P. J., Ancient Rhetoric & the Modern World Symposium., ""Science and Democracy in American Cold War Rhetoric."," Global Discourse, Liverpool, UK. (October 2025).



DEPARTMENT OF

History

The Department of History had an excellent 2025–2026 academic year. We distributed $14,100 of Department of History money in the form of scholarships and awards to students in our program. Our twelve faculty held eleven different research grants, five external to the University, that cover an extensive range of history, from dealing with urban history in Mobile, to those that study the history of zoos in France. **Dr. Henry McKiven** led the way in publications with his second book, *The Consequences of Confederate Citizenship: The Civil War Correspondence of Alabama's Pickens Family*, with Louisiana State University Press. Our chair, **Dr. David Messenger,** published *Civilian Bombing and Civil Defense in the Spanish Civil War: Bombs Along the Mediterranean* (Palgrave Macmillan). History faculty contributed eight peer-reviewed article and book chapters in edited volumes. Faculty also contributed greatly to conferences, in the form of presentations, book reviews and reviewing manuscripts for academic journals and publishers.

Department Chair: Dr. David A. Messenger

Professors: Dr. Claire Cage, Dr. Mara V. Kozelsky, Dr. Henry McKiven, Jr., Dr. Harrison Miller

Associate Professors: Dr. Timothy Lombardo, Dr. David Meola, Dr. Michele Strong, Dr. Kelly Urban, Dr. Rebecca Williams

Assistant Professors: Dr. Clayton Vaughn-Roberson

Instructors: Dr. Robert Faust

Secretary: Michelle I. Cagle

continued Departmental Highlights

We hosted many on-campus events, including the Stallworth Lecture in Southern History in fall with Dr. Claudio Saunt of the University of Georgia speaking on the removal of native Americans from the south in the 19th century, and the Mahan Lecture in spring with Dr. Renata Keller of the University of Nevada-Reno talking about the impact of the Cuban Missile Crisis on Latin America as a whole. Our chair, **Dr. David Messenger,** served on a committee organized by the Mobile County Public School System to choose textbooks for social studies for the next ten years, and the Department sponsored museum exhibits at the Mobile Museum of Art and the Mobile County Training School in Africatown. Undergraduate students from our university were invited to have posters outlining their research at the annual Alabama Historical Association meeting in Fairhope, AL and this included **Nakeria Woods,** who in summer 2025 held a SURF research experience advised by **Dr. Timothy Lombardo** on the memory of Martin Luther King Jr. in American society. Under the leadership of our Recruitment and Retention Committee, chaired by **Dr. Rebecca Williams,** we hosted a weekly coffee hour for students in our student lounge on our floor of the Humanities Building, which encouraged our students to stay in the Department between classes, meet with other fellow majors and minors, and increase the sociability of the Department overall. This committee also hosted two afternoon events, one focused on career preparation for history majors and one advertising our internship program.

It is also worth noting that our faculty direct or co-direct two minor programs in the College of Arts and Sciences-Gender Studies (**Dr. Claire Cage**), Jewish and Holocaust Studies (**Dr. David Meola**) - and that our staff person, **Michelle Cagle,** provides support for all these programs in addition to the Department.

Our Department remains strong and focused on the work ahead in our desire to produce strong graduates, superb scholars who become leaders on campus, in the community and in our fields nationally and internationally. We continue to emphasize that history and the skills of research and writing and critical thinking that it gives you can lead to many different and divergent career paths.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. HARRISON MILLER

Miller, H. S. Zero-Sum versus Positive-Sum Conceptions of Wealth in Traditional China. Journal of Philosophical Economics.

DR. KELLY URBAN

Urban, K. L. Politicosis: Health Activism and the Politics of Tuberculosis in Cuba. CHEST: Official Publication of the American College of Chest Physicians.

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. DAVID MEOLA

Meola, D. A. (2025). Heinrich Heine eulogizes the German-Jewish writer Ludwig Marcus and the Society for Jewish Culture and Jewish Studies (1844). Cultural Journalism in Germany, 1815-1848: A Critical Anthology, eds. Sean Franzel and Michael Swellander. Rochester: Camden House.

Meola, D. A. (2025). "The German Confederation, and then the Grand Duchy of Baden, pass press laws of differing liberality (1819 and 1831),". Cultural Journalism in Germany, 1815-1848: A Critical Anthology, eds. Sean Franzel and Michael Swellander. Rochester: Camden House.

DR. DAVID MESSENGER

Messenger, D. A. (2025). El Espionaje Aliado y la Compañía Nazi Sofindus. La Espana Espiada: Redes de Inteligencia durante la Segunda Guerra Mundial (pp. 107-127). Madrid, Spain: Catedra.

DR. KELLY URBAN

Urban, K. L. Soldiers and Parasites: The Politics of Public Health Reform in Cuba, 1935–1960. Cuban Constituencies. University of Florida Press.

DR. REBECCA WILLIAMS

Williams, R. R. (2026). "The Miracles of Jesus". In S. R. Burge (Ed.), Jesus, Son of Mary, in Muslim Thought (pp. 59-85). Atlanta, GA: Society of Biblical Literature Press. https://cart.sbl-site.org/books/066711P

Williams, R. R. (2025). "'The Light That Was With You Yesterday Has Left You': The Conception of Muḥammad as Late Antique Tale in the Qurʾan and Sīra". In A. Başol, D. Birnstiel, & M. Djahani (Eds.), *Muḥammad's Ḥiǧāz in Focus: Philological Contributions* (pp. 229-258). Berlin, Germany: EB Verlag. www.ebverlag.de

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. HENRY MCKIVEN

McKiven, H. (2025). The Consequences of Confederate Citizenship: The Civil War Correspondence of Alabama's Pickens Family. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2025.

DR. HENRY MCKIVEN

Miller, Harry. Meet Me at the RASCAL. Montclair: Sagging Meniscus Press, 2024.

DR. DAVID MESSENGER

Messenger, D. A. (2026). Civilian Bombing and Civil Defense in the Spanish Civil War: Bombs Along the Mediterranean (pp. 133). Cham , Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan.

DR. KELLY URBAN

Urban, K. L. (2023). Radical Prescription: Citizenship and the Politics of Tuberculosis in Twentieth-Century Cuba. Chapel Hill, NC: University of North Carolina Press. https://uncpress.org/book/9781469673080/radical-prescription/

NON PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, PREFACES, INTRODUCTIONS, AND AFTERWARDS

DR. TIMOTHY LOMBARDO

Lombardo, T. J. (2026). Preface to the 2026 Paperback Edition. *Blue-Collar Conservatism: Frank Rizzo's Philadelphia and Populist Politics*, with a new preface by the author (2026 Paperback Edition, pp. ix - xix). Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press. https://www.pennpress.org/9781512829181/blue-collar-conservatism/

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

DR. TIMOTHY LOMBARDO

Lombardo, T. J. (2025). "How Frank Rizzo, a High School Dropout, Became Philadelphia's Toughest Cop and a Harbinger of MAGA Politics" (September 4, 2025) *The Conversation*. https://theconversation.com/how-frank-rizzo-a-high-school-dropout-became-philadelphias-toughest-cop-and-a-harbinger-of-maga-politics-263229

BOOK REVIEWS IN SCHOLARLY JOURNALS

DR. MARA KOZELSKY

Kozelsky, M. V. (2025). Kozelsky, Mara (Summer 2025) A History of Tatarstan: The Russian Yoke and the Vanishing Tatars. By Kees Boterbloem. New York: Lexington Books, 2023. 313pp. Appendix. Notes. Bibliography. Chronology. Glossary. Index. Paper. Slavic Review. (vol. 84, pp. 217-19). Slavic Review. https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/slavic-review/article/abs/kees-boterbloem-a-history-of-tatarstan-the-russian-yoke-and-the-vanishing-tatars-new-york-lexington-books-2023-xviii-313pp-appendix-notes-bibliography-chronology-glossary-index-maps-12000-hard-bound-4500-ebook/6978C05248D871F4F5BCBBFE79FCE073

DR. TIMOTHY LOMBARDO

Lombardo, T. J., Roediger, D. (in press). Review of An Ordinary White: My Anti-Racist Education by David Roediger (vol. Fall 2025/Spring 2026). Middle West Review.

Lombardo, T.J., Barrett, M. E. (2025). Review of Nelson Rockefeller's Dilemma: The Fight to Save Moderate Republicanism by Marsh E. Barrett. H-Diplo Roundtable on Nelson Rockefeller's Dilemma: The Fight to Save Moderate Republicanism (38th ed., vol. XXVI, pp. 10 - 13). H-Diplo. https://hdiplo.org/to/RT26-38

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. CLAIRE CAGE

Cage, E.C., Editorial Review Board Member, French Historical Studies. (2021-Present)

DR. KELLY URBAN

Urban, K. L. Editorial Board Member, "Gulf South Historical Review", Gulf South Historical Association. Academic. (January 2025 - Present).

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. CLAIRE CAGE

Cage, E.C., Ad Hoc Reviewer. (2018-Present).

DR. HENRY MCKIVEN

In **H. McKiven** (Ed.), Manuscript review of Shades of Complicity for LSU Press. This is a book manuscript. I spent about 6 weeks reviewing the manuscript and writing the report. The book is about the Pickens family during reconstruction, so some of my time was in the archives checking citations.

DR. DAVID MESSENGER

Messenger, D. A., Ad Hoc Reviewer. (2025-2026)

DR. KELLY URBAN

Urban, K. L. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Bulletin of the History of Medicine". (June 2025).

DR. REBECCA WILLIAMS

Williams, R. R. Ad Hoc Reviewer, ""The Effect of Paradigm Shift on the Sīrah Texts: The Example of the Poisoning Narrations of Muhammad"", Al-Qantara: Revista de Estudios Arabe. Academic. (February 12, 2025 - August 15, 2025).

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK REPUBLISHED IN NEW FORMAT (PAPERBACK OR HARDBACK)

DR. TIMOTHY LOMBARDO

Lombardo, T.J., Reviewer, City College of New York. (May 2025 - September 2025). External Tenure Reviewer for the History Department at the City College of New York

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. MARA KOZELSKY

Gurt, D. (Supporting), **Kozelsky, M. V.** (Principal), Vaughn-Roberson, C. (Co-Principal), Morini, R. S. (Supporting), "We Are Here: Digital Story Mapping Historical Communities on the Eastern Shore," Sponsored by Alabama Humanities Alliance, External to the University, $12,500.00. (October 1, 2024 - December 15, 2025).

Halbrooks, J. V. (Co-Principal), **Kozelsky, M. V.** (Co-Principal), "LevelUp Program Accelerator Grant," Sponsored by USA, Internal to the University, $7,430.00. (2024 - 2026).

DR. DAVID MEOLA

Meola, D. A., "Friends and Revolutionaries in Germany before 1848," Sponsored by USA College of Arts & Sciences Seed Grant to Support the Arts & Humanities, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (May 2025 - April 2026).

DR. DAVID MESSENGER

Messenger, D. A. (Principal), Gurt, D. (Co-Principal), Morini, R. S. (Co-Principal), "Immersive Civic Learning through Local and Community History: Urban Renewal and Oral History in Southern Alabama," Sponsored by David Matthews Center for Civic Life, Jean O'Conner Snyder Internship Program, External to the University, $10,000.00. (September 1, 2025 - August 31, 2026).

Messenger, D. A. (Principal), "University of South Alabama Seed Grant for the Arts and Humanities," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, Office of Research and Economic Development, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (May 10, 2025 - August 15, 2025).

Gurt, D. (Co-Principal), **Messenger, D. A.** (Co-Principal), "Immersive Civic Learning Through Local and Community History," Sponsored by David Mathews Center for Civic Life, Jean O'Conner Snyder Internship Program, External to the University, $10,000.00. (August 2024 - July 2025).

DR. KELLY URBAN

Scyphers, S. (Principal), Powers, s. (Co-Principal), Jackson, K. (Supporting), Patch, S. M. (Supporting), Patterson, M. W. (Supporting), Sprinkle, A. (Supporting), **Urban, K.** (Supporting), "University of South Alabama - Gulf Scholars Program," Sponsored by National Academies / Sciences, Engineering, Medicine, External to the University. (September 21, 2022 - August 31, 2027).

Urban, K. L. (Principal), "Seed Grant to Support the Arts and Humanities," Sponsored by The Office of Research and Economic Development, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (February 2026 - January 2027).

Urban, K. L. (Principal), "Support and Development Award," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, Internal to the University, $1,500.00. (January 2026 - December 2026).

Urban, K. L. (Principal), "Faculty Productivity Grant," Sponsored by The Office of Research and Economic Development, Internal to the University, $3,000.00. (January 2026 - May 2026).

DR. CLAYTON VAUGHN-ROBERSON

Gurt, D. (Supporting), Kozelsky, M. V. (Principal), **Vaughn-Roberson, C.** (Co-Principal), Morini, R. S. (Supporting), "We Are Here: Digital Story Mapping Historical Communities on the Eastern Shore," Sponsored by Alabama Humanities Alliance, External to the University, $12,500.00. (October 1, 2024 - August 15, 2025).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. CLAIRE CAGE

Cage, E. C., The Global Consortium for French Historical Studies, "Contagion and Controversy: Animal Experiments and Infectious Disease at Paris Zoos," Society for French Historical Studies, Paris. (July 2025).

Cage, E. C., "Detecting Deception: Malingering and Legal Medicine in Modern France," Baylor University, Waco, TX. (May 2025).

DR. MARA KOZELSKY

Hunter, M. V. (Coordinator/Organizer, co-presenter), CoTL, "Navigating AI with Digital Humanities," May 12, 2026.

Kozelsky, M. V. (Coordinator/Organizer, co-presenter), Alabama Historic Association, "Fairhope's African American History," Fairhope, AL. (2025).

Kozelsky, M. V., Southern Conference for Slavic Studies, ""The Sea of Azov in the Longue Duree"." (March 2025).

DR. TIMOTHY LOMBARDO

Lombardo, T. J. (Discussant), Urban History Association Conference, "Multiracial Municipal Politics," Urban History Association, Los Angeles. (October 2025).

Lombardo, T. J. (Chair), Urban History Association Conference, "New Perspectives on Conservatism in New York City," Urban History Association, Los Angeles. (October 2025).

DR. DAVID MEOLA

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DR. DAVID MESSENGER

Messenger, D. A., Association for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies Annual Conference, ""Underground Memories: Bombs Shelters as Memory Sites for the Civil War in Spain," Association for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, College Park, MD. (June 10, 2025).

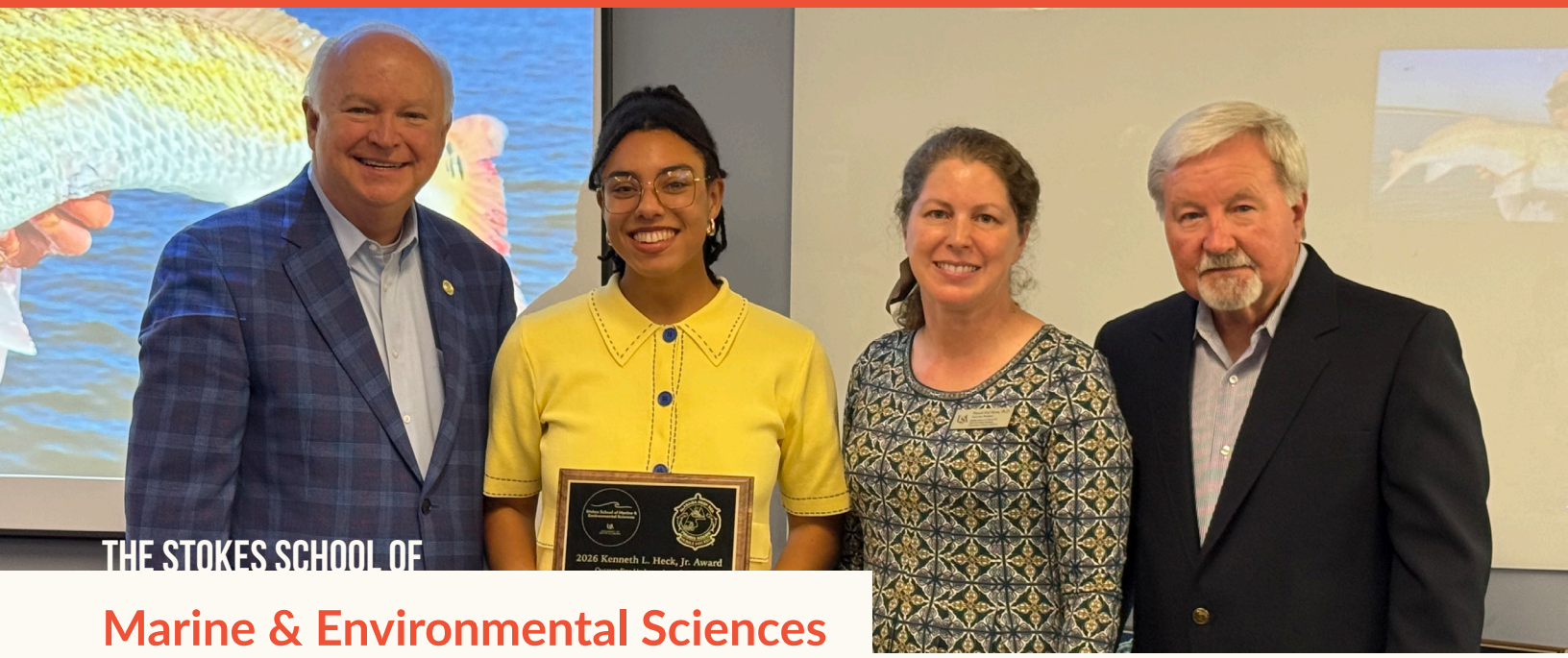
DR. KELLY URBAN

Urban, K. L. (Discussant), 43rd Annual Gulf South History and Humanities Conference, "Comments on 'Zionism, Satanism, Religious Fundamentalism and Nationalism' Panel," Gulf South Historical Association, New Orleans, LA. (October 10, 2025).

DR. CLAYTON VAUGHN-ROBERSON

Vaughn-Roberson, C., Alabama Historical Association Annual Meeting, "We Are Here: Historical Landmarks on the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay Alabama," Alabama Historical Association, Fairhope, AL. (April 10, 2026).

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Marine & Environmental Sciences

The 2025-2026 academic year marked a major milestone in the young history of the Stokes School of Marine and Environmental Sciences (SSoMES). We celebrated our fourth full year of our status as a School within the College of Arts and Sciences and graduated our first full cohort of marine sciences and environmental and sustainability sciences major. Forty-eight undergraduates joined 19 graduate students (12 MS students and 7 Ph.D. students). Total enrollment in SSoMES was just over 350 undergraduate majors and graduate students (104). A remarkable achievement given 4 years ago total enrollment was around 50 graduate students. In addition to the undergraduate majors, SSoMES also supports some 40 undergraduate minors. Our building name changed as well from the Education and Outreach building (EOB) to the Gulf and Coastal Sciences Building, which better reflects the work that is done in the majority of the building as well as USA path to being the Flagship of the Gulf.

Department Director: Dr. Sean Powers

Associate Director: Dr. John Lehrter

Professors: Dr. Ruth Carmichael, Dr. Brian Dzwonkowski, Dr. Jeffrey Krause, Dr. John Lehrter, Dr. Sean Powers, Dr. Delbert “Lee” Smee, Dr. John Valentine

Associate Professors: Dr. Ronald Baker, Dr. Marshall Bowles, Dr. Jeremiah Henning, Dr. Brandi Kiel Reese, Dr. Heidi Lyn, Dr. Alison Robertson, Dr. Steven Scyphers

Assistant Professors: Dr. Mark Albins, Dr. Gabriel de Oliveira, Dr. Abbey Hotard, Dr. Charles Martin, Dr. Molly Miller, Dr. Katrina Phillips, Dr. Amy Sprinkle

Research Assistant Professors: Dr. Kelsi Furman, Dr. Zhilong Liu

Program Manager: Ashley Martin

Financial Operations Specialist II: Julie Herman

Secretary: Jordan Johnson

continued Departmental Highlights

The School now occupies all of the third and first floors and most of the second floor. Visitors and students are welcomed by a beautiful lobby that features environmental sculptures and a 600-gallon circular saltwater tank. The tank features environments and species that are the focus of research projects. Over 35,000 square feet of newly renovated student, teaching and research space and offices. Coupled with our facilities at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab, USA Marine and Environmental Sciences will have the world class facilities and equipment needed for our world class faculty and students.

Angelia and Steven Stokes continue to be visionary partners for the School. Their gifts are used to further develop and equip research facilities on campus, invest in novel research ideas, support undergraduate and graduate fellowships and retain exceptional faculty. The Gulf Scholars program supported by a grant from the National Academy of Sciences Gulf Environment Benefit continues to attract undergraduate from across the University. The program funded by the National Academy of Sciences was established to train the next generation of scientists, engineers, business people, and artists to be wise stewards of the Gulf of Mexico. The program welcomed its third cohort of 9 scholars who are making positive impacts to our delicate coastal environment.

Our academic programs now include a BS in Marine Sciences and a BS in Environmental and Sustainability Sciences, minors in Marine Sciences, Environmental Sciences and cross-campus minor in Sustainability. The School has five graduate programs a Ph.D. in Marine Sciences, a Ph.D. in Environment and Society, M.S. in Marine Sciences, M.S. in Marine Conservation and Resource Management, and a M.S. in Environmental Sciences with tracks in Environmental Informatics, Environmental Policy, and Environmental Chemistry and Toxicology.

The Stokes School of Marine and Environmental Sciences (SSoMES) continued to excel in graduate education and research. Faculty members averaged close to five peer-reviewed publications a year (60 for the department) and directed extramural grant expenditures of approximately $400,000 per faculty member with nearly 5 million in new awards this past year and already 12 million in this fiscal year. The grant funding stems from a diversity of federal, state and industry sources. The School currently manages a research portfolio of $30 million in grants. This funding allowed marine sciences faculty members to continue research on some of the most important issues in marine ecology/oceanography (harmful algae blooms, habitat restoration, water quality, and biogeochemistry) and focus on resolution of some of the most controversial subjects in the management of marine ecosystems including the current management of fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico, global climate change, and sustainability of coastal development.

Our 104 graduate students continue to excel in their professional development as the next generation of marine and environmental sciences scientists. Interest in the program remains high with three applicants for every open spot and substantially more inquiries than faculty can accommodate. Several of our recent Ph.D. graduates have accepted academic positions at other institutions—a key metric of a successful program.

We have several major projects that will come to fruition this upcoming summer. We are excited to see the completion of an outdoor teaching facility on property donated by the USA Foundation to the School located in Aloe Bay on Dauphin Island scheduled for this August. The construction of the dock and boat house that will be used for teaching was funded by a grant from the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources through the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act funding. The outdoor facility (South Beach) will host field classes and provide access to a safe in water environment for students to learn and recreate. Second, our campus home (GCS) will receive an upgrade to the landscaping and exterior entrance ways, creating a more welcoming and inspiring landscape for our students to gather. The latter project is made possible through the latest gift of Dr. Steven Stokes and his wife Angelia. We look forward to continued growth in 2026–2027 and continued growth in enrollment, research and service opportunities.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. MARK ALBINS

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DR. RONALD BAKER

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DR. KELSI FURMAN

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Dzwonkowski, B. (2025). *Impact of moisture disequilibrium on coastal ocean-atmosphere interaction from three tropical cyclones during the onset of the fall transition of 2017 in the Mississippi Bight, American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting.*

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Dzwonkowski, B. (2025). *Investigating a prolonged, widespread hypoxic event over the Mississippi-Alabama shelf in the Northern Gulf.*

Abstract (Accepted)
Dzwonkowski, B. (2025). *Nitrogen availability and control of primary production, nutrient removal efficiency and outwelling in a river-dominated estuary.*

Abstract (Accepted)
Dzwonkowski, B. (2025). *Riding the waves: Evaluating wind estimates from a low-cost wave buoy in the Mississippi Bight, BOATS Symposium.*

RECORDINGS

DR. ALISON ROBERTSON

Unraveling cause and effect amidst event response: Unusual sawfish mortalities and abnormal fish behavior in the Florida Keys. . https://www.pbs.org/show/changing-seas/ " PBS Series Changing Seas, Public Broadcasting Service, Florida Keys, FL. (April 2025).

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. RONALD BAKER

Baker, R. Associate Editor, "Estuaries and Coasts". (November 2020 - Present).

Baker, R. Associate Editor, "Reviews in Fish Biology and Fisheries". (June 2019 - Present).

Baker, R. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Reviewer of multiple papers for over 40 international journals". (2005 - Present).

DR. RUTH CARMICHAEL

Carmichael, R. H., Laurie, K. Editor, "Rotundicauda Red List Assessment". (2025 - Present).

Carmichael, R. H. Associate Editor, "Estuarine Coastal & Shelf Science". Professional. (2013 - Present).

Carmichael, R. H. Associate Editor, "Aquatic Biology". Professional. (2012 - Present).

Carmichael, R. H. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Proposal reviews (> 12 different institutions or agencies)". Professional. (2005 - Present).

DR. GABRIEL DE OLIVEIRA

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Geomatics, Natural Hazards and Risk". Academic. (March 2026 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Global Change Biology". Academic. (March 2026 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Remote Sensing Applications: Society and Environment". Academic. (March 2026 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Environmental Monitoring and Assessment". Academic. (January 2026 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Theoretical and Applied Climatology". Academic. (January 2026 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "International Journal of Applied Earth Observation and Geoinformation". Academic. (November 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Rural Studies". Academic. (November 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Agricultural and Forest Meteorology". Academic. (October 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Sustainable Development". Academic. (October 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Land Degradation & Development". Academic. (September 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "International Journal of Climatology". Academic. (July 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Dynamics of Atmospheres and Oceans". Academic. (June 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Perspectives in Ecology and Conservation". Academic. (May 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal for Nature Conservation". Academic. (April 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Geophysical Research - Atmospheres". Academic. (February 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Acta Amazonica". Academic. (January 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Environmental Technology & Innovation". Academic. (January 2025 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "International Journal of Applied Earth Observation and Geoinformation". Academic. (July 2024 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Coastal Conservation". Academic. (January 2024 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of South American Earth Sciences". Academic. (January 2024 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Remote Sensing Applications: Society and Environment". Academic. (August 2023 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Environmental Pollution". Academic. (January 2023 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Annals of the American Association of Geographers". Academic. (August 2022 - Present).

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Nature Communications". Academic. (January 2022 - Present).

DR. BRIAN DZWONKOWSKI

Dzwonkowski, B. Associate Editor, "Gulf and Caribbean Research", Gulf and Caribbean Research. (2025 - Present).

DR. JEFFREY KRAUSE

Krause, J. W. Associate Editor, "Limnology and Oceanography Letters", Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography. Academic. (January 14, 2016 - Present).

DR. JOHN LEHRTER

Lehrter, J. C. Associate Editor, "Marine and Freshwater Research". Academic. (June 20, 2018 - Present).

DR. CHARLES MARTIN

Martin, C. W. Editor, "Estuaries and Coasts". (2026 - Present).

Martin, C. W. Associate Editor, "PLoS ONE". (2020 - Present).

Martin, C. W. Editor, "Aquatic Invasions". (2017 - Present).

Martin, C. W. Associate Editor, "BioInvasions Records". (2015 - Present).

DR. SEAN POWERS

Powers, S. P. Associate Editor, "Associate Editor (Marine Fisheries Aquaculture and Living Resources Section) Frontiers in Marine Sciences". (2022 - Present).

Powers, S. P. Editor, "Subject Matter Editor (Marine and Coastal Sciences), Ecoshpere, Ecological Society of America". (2017 - Present).

DR. ALISON ROBERTSON

Marine Ecology Progress Series (1)
Toxicon (1)
Harmful Algae (2)
Limnology and Oceanography (1)
Scientific Reports (1)
Toxins (2)
Analytical Biochemistry (1)
Environmental Toxicology & Chemistry (1)

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. MARK ALBINS

Powers, S. P. (Principal), **Albins, M. A.** (Co-Principal), "Greater Amberjack Abundance, Distribution, and Movement in U.S. Waters in the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant, External to the University, $8,000,000.00. (2021 - 2026).

DR. RONALD BAKER

Lehrter, J. C. (Principal), **Baker, R.** (Co-Principal), "Building Resilience for Oysters, Blue Crabs, and Spotted Seatrout to Environmental Trends and Variability in the Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by NOAA RESTORE, Federal, $3,500,000.00. (2026 - 2031).

Baker, R., "Walker Island Restoration Monitoring," Sponsored by NFWF, Federal, $393,000.00. (2024 - 2027).

Baker, R. (Principal), "Project Greenshores Post-Execution Monitoring," Sponsored by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NOAA, External to the University, $237,180.00. (2022 - 2027).

Baker, R. (Principal), Webb, B. M. (Principal), "Alabama Comprehensive Living Shoreline Monitoring," Sponsored by NOAA RESTORE, External to the University, $3,879,800.00. (March 2021 - December 2027).

Baker, R. (Principal), "Graveline Bay Marsh Restoration," Sponsored by NOAA - via Moffatt and Nicholl, External to the University, $70,725.00. (2022 - 2026).

Baker, R. (Principal), "Emerging image analysis techniques to improve trophic ecology studies in the northern Gulf of Mexico and beyond: development of an online otolith identification tool.," Sponsored by NOAA RESTORE - ALCoE, External to the University, $149,849.25. (2023 - 2025).

Baker, R. (Principal), "Implementing Nature-Based Solutions for Habitat and Coastal Resilience in Mississippi Sound," Sponsored by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NOAA, External to the University, $363,392.00. (2023 - 2025).

Scyphers, S. B. (Principal), **Baker, R.** (Co-Principal), Patch, S. M. (Co-Principal), "Perdido Watershed Habitat and Community Resilience Initiative: Incorporating Nature Based and Hybrid Solutions Across Alabama and Florida," Sponsored by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NOAA, External to the University, $1,226,513.00. (2023 - 2025).

Baker, R., "Evaluating the effectiveness of Living Shorelines for fisheries habitat in Pensacola Bay, Florida," Sponsored by Pensacola & Perdido Bays Estuary PRogram, Federal, $33,038.00. (September 2024 - May 2025).

DR. RUTH CARMICHAEL

Kiel Reese, B., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "Gulf of Mexico Division, Tracking wastewater for health and resilience in Alabama," $2,100.00. (2025 - 2030).

Kiel Reese, B., Dzwonkowski, B., Ni Chadhain, S. M., Liu, Z., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "Tracking wastewater for health and resilience in Alabama," Sponsored by US Environmental Protection Agency, $5,865,725.00. (January 2021 - December 2029).

Carmichael, R. H., "Alabama Restoration Plan II: Enhancing capacity for the Alabama marine mammal stranding network restoration project," $2,432,389.00. (2020 - 2029).

Carmichael, R. H., "National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program," $369,976.00. (2025 - 2028).

Carmichael, R. H., "Gulf of Mexico Environmental Justice Grants Program, Gulf Coast Environmental Engagement Center," $100,879.00. (2024 - 2028).

Carmichael, R. H., "Dauphin Island Sea Lab's Manatee Sighting Network & Research Program," $182,461.00. (2024 - 2027).

Carmichael, R. H., "Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program, Coastal Connections: Linking Dolphin Health, Zoonotic Pathogens, and Community Engagement in Southern Alabama," $59,708.00. (2025 - 2026).

Carmichael, R. H., "DISL/FDA joint graduate fellowship program," $150,000.00. (2021 - 2026).

Carmichael, R. H., "National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program, Supplement," $10,464.00. (2024 - 2025).

Carmichael, R. H., "Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program, Stranding response for manatees in the northern Gulf of Mexico," $49,755.00. (2024 - 2025).

Kiel Reese, B., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "Healthy and Resilient Gulf of Mexico 2020 RFA, Advanced microbial source tracking for community health in Alabama (Kiel-Reese PI $498,144; Carmichael portion of award $185,683). Collabor," $185,683.00. (2022 - 2025).

Carmichael, R. H., "National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program," $316,262.00. (2022 - 2025).

Carmichael, R. H., "Alabama Center of Excellence, Assessing the function and vulnerability of forested wetlands in the Mobile-Tensaw-Apalachee River Delta," $195,427.00. (2021 - 2025).

Carmichael, R. H., "Alabama Center of Excellence, Monitoring and predicting responses of a sentinel marine megafauna to climate change and implications for the tropicalization of the northern Gulf of Mexico," $496,987.00. (2021 - 2025).

Carmichael, R. H., "Assessment of Alabama estuarine bottlenose dolphin populations and health," $3,059,229.00. (2019 - 2025).

DR. GABRIEL DE OLIVEIRA

Powers, S. P. (Principal), **de Oliveira, G.** (Co-Principal), Perez, J. H. (Supporting), "University of South Alabama's Delta and Coastal Alabama Wildlife, Fisheries and Carbon Flux Observatory," Sponsored by ADCNR, External to the University, $1,499,944.00. (2026 - Present).

de Oliveira, G., "Deforestation and fire in the Vale do Javari Indigenous Land, Brazilian Amazon," Sponsored by Faculty Development Council Grant Program- University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $4,800.00. (April 2026 - October 2026).

Quaresma, C. (Principal), **de Oliveira, G.** (Co-Principal), "Advanced Center for Climate and Socioenvironmental Research for the Sustainability of the Amazon (Collaborative)," Sponsored by Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), Other, $998,821.00. (January 2025 - December 2029). (Total amount of the collaborative project, but no funds will be awarded to USA).

Mataveli, G. (Principal), **de Oliveira, G.** (Co-Principal), "SAMBBI: Toward a New Generation of Biomass Burning Emissions Inventories (Collaborative)," Sponsored by Sao Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP), Other, $100,000.00. (January 2025 - December 2028). (Total amount of the collaborative project, but no funds will be awarded to USA).

de Oliveira, G., "Shaping Public Policies for the Mobile-Tensaw Delta, Alabama," Sponsored by American Geophysical Union (AGU) - Local Science Partners Program (LSPP), Other, $9,000.00. (January 2023 - January 2027).

Ribeiro, J. (Principal), **de Oliveira, G.** (Co-Principal), "Modeling the Environmental Impacts of Deforestation, Wildfires, Pasture, and Monoculture in the Brazilian Amazon: An AI-Assisted Analysis (Collaborative)," Sponsored by Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), Other, $99,500.00. (January 2025 - December 2026). (Total amount of the collaborative project, but no funds will be awarded to USA).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), "Empowering Future Scientists: A Gulf Coast Environmental Scholars Symposium for K-12 Students in Mobile, Alabama," Sponsored by U.S. National Academy of Sciences, Other, $10,000.00. (October 2025 - September 2026).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), Sousa, T. (Co-Principal), "CAPES Program for International Scientific Cooperation," Sponsored by Brazilian Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES), Other, $14,350.00. (February 2026 - July 2026).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), Lehrter, J. (Co-Principal), "Quantifying water and carbon fluxes over terrestrial ecosystems in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta," Sponsored by Alabama's Center of Excellence (ALCoE)/Dauphin Island Sea Lab (DISL), State, $150,000.00. (January 2024 - June 2026).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), Silva, T. (Co-Principal), "CAPES Program for International Scientific Cooperation," Sponsored by Brazilian Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES), Other, $15,700.00. (September 2025 - May 2026).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), Silva, D. (Co-Principal), "CAPES Program for International Scientific Cooperation," Sponsored by Brazilian Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES), Other, $15,700.00. (September 2025 - May 2026).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), Borges, U. (Co-Principal), "CNPq Program for International Scientific Cooperation," Sponsored by Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), Other, $16,844.00. (October 2025 - January 2026).

Lehrter, J. (Principal), **de Oliveira, G.** (Co-Principal), "A Mobile-Tensaw Delta network of eddy covariance flux towers," Sponsored by Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, State, $150,000.00. (January 2023 - December 2025).

de Oliveira, G. (Principal), Santos, C. (Co-Principal), "CNPq Program for International Scientific Cooperation," Sponsored by Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), Other, $16,844.00. (May 2025 - October 2025).

de Oliveira, G., "George S. Wiese Distinguished Fellowship," Sponsored by Tel Aviv University/Office of International Affairs, Other, $14,000.00. (April 2025 - August 2025).

de Oliveira, G., "Gulf Research Program Early Career Fellowship," Sponsored by National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM), Other, $76,000.00. (September 2023 - August 2025).

DR. BRIAN DZWONKOWSKI

Kiel Reese, B., **Dzwonkowski, B.,** Ni Chadhain, S. M., Liu, Z., Carmichael, R. H., "Tracking wastewater for health and resilience in Alabama," Sponsored by US Environmental Protection Agency, $5,865,725.00. (January 2021 - December 2029).

Dzwonkowski, B., "Expanding the availability of real-time wave data to support rip current prediction in the Mississippi Bight," Sponsored by NOAA National Ocean Service, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS), Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System Regional Association, External to the University, $269,930.00. (October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2029).

Dzwonkowski, B., "NOAA National Ocean Service, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS), Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System Regional Association, "Expanding the availability of real-time wave data to support rip current prediction in the Mississippi Bight"," $28,607.00. (October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2029).

Liu, Z. (Principal), Lehrter, J. C. (Co-Principal), **Dzwonkowski, B.** (Co-Principal), "Advancing Water Quality Modeling to Community and Habitat Level," Sponsored by US EPA GCEEC, Internal to the University, $249,999.00. (June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2028).

Dzwonkowski, B., "NOAA National Ocean Service, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System," $47,000.00. (February 1, 2025 - January 31, 2028).

Dzwonkowski, B., "NOAA RESTORE Science Program, Extended LOI, "Building resilience for oysters, blue crabs, and spotted sea trout to environmental trends and variability in the Gulf of Mexico"," $200,000.00. (2026).

Dzwonkowski, B., "NOAA RESTORE Act, State of Alabama, "Coastal Alabama Water Quality and Sediment monitoring," $551,408.00. (September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2026).

Dzwonkowski, B., "Coastal monitoring from Alabama's Real-Time Coastal Observing System (ARCOS)," Sponsored by NOAA National Ocean Service, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS), Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System Regional Association, External to the University, $81,000.00. (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2026).

Dzwonkowski, B., "Coastal monitoring from Alabama's Real-Time Coastal Observing System (ARCOS)," Sponsored by NOAA National Ocean Service, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS), Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System Regional Association, External to the University, $120,000.00. (July 2021 - June 2026).

Wu, S., Liu, Z., **Dzwonkowski, B.,** "Infrastructure integrity assessment of floating cage oyster farms in the northern Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by NOAA, Mississippi Alabama Sea Grant Consortium, External to the University, $28,607.00. (February 2024 - January 2026).

Dzwonkowski, B., Lehrter, J. C., Lowe, L., "Building a framework for Science Core Carpentry from a Marine Sciences Lab," Sponsored by NASA Transform to OPen Science (TOPS) program, External to the University, $209,446.00. (May 2023 - May 2025).

DR. KELSI FURMAN

Scyphers, S. B., **Furman, K. L.,** Powers, S. P., "AL Creel Fishing Effort Survey," Sponsored by ADCNR, External to the University, $299,241.00. (November 2025 - Present).

Scyphers, S. B., Powers, S. P., **Furman, K. L.,** Rice, N., Kelley, B., "Planning Grant for a Community Science Synthesis Center in Mobile, AL," Sponsored by National Academies of Sciences - Gulf Research program, External to the University, $225,000.00. (2025 - Present).

Furman, K. L., McPherson, M., Brugnone, N., "Advancing qualitative data analysis efficiency with artificial intelligence for fisheries management," Sponsored by National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis Gulf Ecosystem Initiative, $123,278.00. (September 2025 - August 2027).

Furman, K. L., Kasperski, S., "Developing management-ready fishery ecosystem plans for the Gulf Council through Public Engagement and Synthesis," Sponsored by Gulf Council (formerly Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council), $283,997.00. (January 2026 - May 2027).

Powers, S. P., **Furman, K. L.,** Drymon, M., Andres, M., Dance, M., Ellis, R., Griffin, L., Higgs, J., Hoenig, J., Lamont, M., Plumlee, J., Rooker, J., Saillant, E., Stevens, P., Streich, M., Wells, D., "Synthesizing knowledge and filling critical data gaps in the management of multi-jurisdictional finfish: cobia and tripletail," Sponsored by Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, $4,982,163.00. (March 2026 - March 2027).

Furman, K. L., "Integrating the functional importance of biodiversity in management of U.S. marine ecosystems," Sponsored by Smithsonian Institution Marine Global Earth Observatory, $14,201.00. (September 2025 - December 2025).

DR. ABBEY HOTARD

Hotard, A. E. (Principal), Zhou, S. (Co-Principal) " Through Our Eyes: Stories of Health and Resilience in Mobile, Alabama," Sponsored by Gulf Coast Environmental Engagement Center, Internal to the University, $121,568. (Notified of Selection; Anticipated May 1, 2026 – April 30, 2028).

Hotard, A. E. (Principal), "Contribution to Government and Household Thrusts of CHEER Hub," Sponsored by University of Delaware, External to the University, $79,604.00. (September 1, 2024 - August 31, 2027).

Hotard, A. E. (Principal), "Seed Proposal for Parametric Insurance Survey," Sponsored by University of Delaware, External to the University, $39,924.00. (February 1, 2026 - January 31, 2027).

Powers, S. P. (Principal), Scyphers, S. B. (Principal), Martin, C. W. (Co-Principal), **Hotard, A. E.** (Co-Principal), "Characterizing socio-environmental conditions at public access sites," Sponsored by NOAA, Federal, $1,488,000.00. (2024 - 2027).

DR. BRANDI KIEL REESE

Kiel Reese, B., Carmichael, R. H., "Gulf of Mexico Division, Tracking wastewater for health and resilience in Alabama," $2,100.00. (2025 - 2030).

Kiel Reese, B., Dzwonkowski, B., Ni Chadhain, S. M., Liu, Z., Carmichael, R. H., "Tracking wastewater for health and resilience in Alabama," Sponsored by US Environmental Protection Agency, $5,865,725.00. (January 2021 - December 2029).

Kiel Reese, B. (Principal), "Community-Led Evaluation and Analysis of R-CARD for Water quality (CLEAR Water)," Sponsored by Gulf Coast Environmental Equity Center, External to the University, $149,000.00. (2026 - 2028).

Labonté, J. (Principal), **Kiel Reese, B.** (Co-Principal), Bowles, M. (Co-Principal), Meile, C. (Co-Principal), "Collaborative Research: Ecological significance and impact of viral infections on sulfate reducing microbial communities," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $397,905.00. (2025 - 2028).

Smee, D. L. (Principal), **Kiel Reese, B.** (Co-Principal), Moss, E. (Co-Principal), "RaMP: Biological Opportunities and Training in Science (BOATS)," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $2,512,858.00. (2023 - 2028).

Krause, J. W. (Principal), **Kiel Reese, B.** (Co-Principal), "Quantifying the effect of sediment microbial activity in facilitating silica sequestration during early diagenesis (QUALIFIED)," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $975,767.00. (2023 - 2026).

Kiel Reese, B. (Co-Principal), "Volatile Sources and Sinks across the Mariana Forearc," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $344,156.00. (2022 - 2026).

Kiel Reese, B., Carmichael, R. H., "Healthy and Resilient Gulf of Mexico 2020 RFA, Advanced microbial source tracking for community health in Alabama (Kiel-Reese PI $498,144; Carmichael portion of award $185,683). Collabor," $185,683.00. (2022 - 2025).

DR. JEFFREY KRAUSE

Krause, J. W., "Understanding Indirect Controls on Silicon Isotope Distribution in Surface Marine Sediments," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $589,519.00. (October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2028).

Krause, J. W. (Principal), Kiel Reese, B. (Co-Principal), "Quantifying the effect of sediment microbial activity in facilitating silica sequestration during early diagenesis (QUALIFIED)," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $975,767.00. (2023 - 2026).

Krause, J. W. (Principal), Robertson, A. (Co-Principal), Hoadley, K. (Co-Principal), "Using optical and metabolomic approaches to predict the nutritional quality of plankton communities for shellfish consumption under multi-stressor climate conditions," Sponsored by Alabama Center of Excellence, State, $421,757.00. (January 1, 2022 - 2025).

DR. JOHN LEHRTER

Lehrter, J. C. (Principal), Baker, R. (Co-Principal), "Building Resilience for Oysters, Blue Crabs, and Spotted Seatrout to Environmental Trends and Variability in the Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by NOAA RESTORE, Federal, $3,500,000.00. (2026 - 2031).

Liu, Z. (Principal), **Lehrter, J. C.** (Co-Principal), Dzwonkowski, B. (Co-Principal), "Advancing Water Quality Modeling to Community and Habitat Level," Sponsored by US EPA GCEEC, Internal to the University, $249,999.00. (June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2028).

Dzwonkowski, B., **Lehrter, J. C.,** Lowe, L., "Building a framework for Science Core Carpentry from a Marine Sciences Lab," Sponsored by NASA Transform to OPen Science (TOPS) program, External to the University, $209,446.00. (May 2023 - May 2025).

DR. ZHILONG LIU

Wu, S. (Principal), Venkiteshwaranand, K., Shaban, M., and **Z. Liu** (Co-Principal), "Floating Wetland Islands for Nutrient Removal and Habitat Creation in Alabama and Mississippi", Sponsored by US EPA, Sponsored Research $999,206 (September 1, 2026 – August 31, 2029).

Liu, Z. (Principal), Lehrter, J. C. (Co-Principal), Dzwonkowski, B. (Co-Principal), "Advancing Water Quality Modeling to Community and Habitat Level," Sponsored by US EPA GCEEC, Sponsored Research, $249,999.00. (June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2028).

Wu, S. (Principal), **Liu, Z.,** Dzwonkowski, B., "Infrastructure integrity assessment of floating cage oyster farms in the northern Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by NOAA, Mississippi Alabama Sea Grant Consortium, Sponsored Research, $197,119.00. (February 2024 - January 2026).

DR. CHARLES MARTIN

Martin, C. W. (Co-Principal), "Habitat associations and population assessment of southern flounder in Alabama coastal waters: 2024," Sponsored by Alabama Department of Coastal and Natural Resources, State, $86,940.00. (2024 - Present).

Martin, C. W., "Clam-seagrass coordinated network experiment," Sponsored by Florida Sea Grant, External to the University, $91,816.00. (2026 - 2027).

Martin, C. W., "Enhancing hydrologic connectivity in Justin's Bay (Mobile Bay)," Sponsored by NOAA Restore, External to the University, $179,886.00. (2025 - 2027).

Scyphers, S. B., **Martin, C. W.,** "Characterizing socio-environmental conditions at public access site," Sponsored by NOAA, External to the University, $1,488,000.00. (2024 - 2027).

Valentine, J. F., **Martin, C. W.,** "North central Gulf of Mexico, integrated multi-trophic aquaculture (IMTA) demonstration, research, training, and outreach," Sponsored by Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, External to the University, $5,367,000.00. (2020 - 2027).

Martin, C. W., "Coastal riparian structure database development," Sponsored by NOAA, External to the University, $90,000.00. (2025 - 2026).

Martin, C. W., Sponsored by Alabama Department of Transportation, External to the University, $182,620.00. (2024 - 2026).

Martin, C. W., "Habitat associations and population assessment of southern flounder in Alabama coastal waters: 2024," Sponsored by Alabama Center of Excellence, External to the University, $149,889.00. (2024 - 2026).

Martin, C. W., "Hitchhikers on plants: relationships between non-native species and plant complexity," Sponsored by United States Geological Survey, External to the University, $180,000.00. (2024 - 2026).

Martin, C. W., "National invasive plant horizon scan," Sponsored by United States Geological Survey, External to the University, $150,000.00. (2024 - 2026).

Martin, C. W., "Support for climate resilience training and education at the Weeks Bay Reserve - internships," Sponsored by NOAA, External to the University, $116,384.00. (2024 - 2026).

Martin, C. W., "Support for coastal resilience through restoration and resilience - internships"," Sponsored by NOAA, External to the University, $104,800.00. (2024 - 2026).

Looby, V., **Martin, C. W.,** "FishSounds Fisheries: developing the capacity and cyberinfrastructure required to passively monitor fish populations. Ecosystems and Ocean Science and contribution Framework," Sponsored by Fisheries and Oceans Canada, External to the University, $174,817.00. (2023 - 2026).

Powers, S. P., **Martin, C. W.,** "Oligohaline habitat use of juvenile southern flounder in Alabama coastal waters: 2025," Sponsored by Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources, External to the University, $80,282.00. (2025).

Martin, C. W., "Coastal rivers as unrecognized winter fish habitat: quantifying oligohaline habitat use in Pensacola and Perdido Bays," Sponsored by Pensacola and Perdido Bays and Estuaries Program, External to the University, $48,348.00. (2024 - 2025).

DR. MOLLY MILLER

Rabideau, B. D. (Principal), West, K. N. (Co-Principal), Reichert, W. M. (Co-Principal), Davis, J. H. (Co-Principal), Stevens, T. (Co-Principal), Rich, T. (Co-Principal), Venkiteshwaran, K. (Co-Principal), Robertson, A. (Co-Principal), Ni Chadhain, S. M. (Co-Principal), **Miller, M.** (Co-Principal), "Continued Development of Next Generation CO2 Capture Processes for Naval Applications," Sponsored by Office of Naval Research, Federal, $6,819,879.00. (September 21, 2024 - September 20, 2026).

DR. KATRINA PHILLIPS

M. Fuentes, S. Barco, W. Klajbor, C. Sasso, D. Nowaceck, J. Lefcheck, A. DiMatteo, K. Hart, D. Klemm, L. Thomas, **K. Phillips,** A. Paxton, J. Roberts, M. Rasser. "Synthesizing impacts and developing analytical frameworks to evaluate the impacts of future energy installations on sea turtles in the Gulf". National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis Gulf Ecosystem Initiative. (submitted 19 Feb 2026).

DR. SEAN POWERS

Powers, S. P., "Estimation of reef fish abundance and biomass in Coastal Alabama using fisheries independent surveys:," Sponsored by Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Marine Resources Division., External to the University, $910,600.00. (2026 - Present).

Powers, S. P., "Sheepshead (Archosargus probatocephalus) movement, spawning dynamics, and population status in coastal Alabama. Gulf States Fisheries Management Commission,," Sponsored by Alabama Marine Resource Division, External to the University, $304,477.00. (2026 - Present).

Powers, S. P., "Towards Ecosystem Management of Artificial Reef Network. National Fish and Wildlife Foundation,," Sponsored by Gulf Environmental benefit Fund via subcontract from Alabama Marine Resources Division., External to the University, $1,534,000.00. (2026 - Present).

Powers, S. P. (Principal), de Oliveira, G. (Co-Principal), Perez, J. H. (Supporting), "University of South Alabama's Delta and Coastal Alabama Wildlife, Fisheries and Carbon Flux Observatory," Sponsored by ADCNR, External to the University, $1,499,944.00. (2026 - Present).

Scyphers, S. B., Furman, K. L., **Powers, S. P.,** "AL Creel Fishing Effort Survey," Sponsored by ADCNR, External to the University, $299,241.00. (November 2025 - Present).

Scyphers, S. B., **Powers, S. P.,** Furman, K. L., Rice, N., Kelley, B., "Planning Grant for a Community Science Synthesis Center in Mobile, AL," Sponsored by National Academies of Sciences - Gulf Research program, External to the University, $225,000.00. (2025 - Present).

Scyphers, S. (Principal), **Powers, S.** (Co-Principal), Jackson, K. (Supporting), Patch, S. M. (Supporting), Patterson, M. W. (Supporting), Sprinkle, A. (Supporting), Urban, K. (Supporting), "University of South Alabama - Gulf Scholars Program," Sponsored by National Academies / Sciences, Engineering, Medicine, External to the University. (September 21, 2022 - August 31, 2027).

Powers, S. P., Furman, K. L., Drymon, M., Andres, M., Dance, M., Ellis, R., Griffin, L., Higgs, J., Hoenig, J., Lamont, M., Plumlee, J., Rooker, J., Saillant, E., Stevens, P., Streich, M., Wells, D., "Synthesizing knowledge and filling critical data gaps in the management of multi-jurisdictional finfish: cobia and tripletail," Sponsored by Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, $4,982,163.00. (March 2026 - March 2027).

Powers, S. P. (Principal), Albins, M. A. (Co-Principal), "Greater Amberjack Abundance, Distribution, and Movement in U.S. Waters in the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant, External to the University, $8,000,000.00. (2021 - 2026).

Powers, S. P., Martin, C. W., "Oligohaline habitat use of juvenile southern flounder in Alabama coastal waters: 2025," Sponsored by Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources, External to the University, $80,282.00. (2025).

Powers, S. P., "Greater Amberjack abundance estimate in the southeast United States.," $250,000.00. (2023 - 2025).

DR. ALISON ROBERTSON

Parsons, M. (Principal), **Robertson, A.** (Co-Principal), Emerging climate-related stressors in the Florida Keys (Co-Principal), Environmental Protection Agency, Federal, $431,192 budgeted for Robertson of $750,000 total. (September 02, 2025 – Sept 01, 2027).

Robertson, A., (USA; Principal) Understanding the health and impacts of the endangered smalltooth sawfish *Pristis pectinata*. Havenworth Coastal Conservation Foundation: A project of the Ocean Foundation. $20,000 (Sept 2024 – December 2025)

Robertson, A. (USA; Principal) Investigations on the effect of environmental drivers of marine benthic algae and their toxins on fish. Bonefish Tarpon Trust $280,350 (July 01, 2024 – August 31, 2025)

Robertson, A. (PI: DISL/USA), Parsons ML. (PI; FGCU), Boucek, R. (BTT), Catasus, A. (FGCU) NOAA Event Response – Erratic fish behavior and elevated benthic dinoflagellate abundances in the Lower Florida Keys. HAB Event Response Program, NCCOS, NOAA. $25,000; $14,000 to Robertson (March 2024 – February 2025).

Robertson, A. (USA; Principal), Parsons, ML. (Co-PI), Evaluating HAB drivers of Erratic Fish Behavior in the Lower Florida Keys. Bonefish Tarpon Trust and Fish America Foundation. $44,193 to Robertson (April 2024 – July 2024).

Robertson, A. (USA; Principal), Investigations of an Unusual Sawfish Mortality Event in Florida, Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (June 2024-August 2024). $48,350.

Wu, S. (Principal; USA Engineering), Venkiteshwaran, K., **Robertson, A.,** (and others), REU: Multidisciplinary Approach to Address Microplastic Issues in the Gulf Coast, $465,552 to USA; Robertson portion includes support for one undergraduate per year plus research expenses, DISL field trips, and 0.2 months of Summer Salary. (January 2025 – December 2028).

Robertson, A. (Principal), "Building capacity to assess Ciguatera Poisoning in the Pacific Islands," Sponsored by Hawaii SeaGrant College Program at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, State, $172,850.00. (January 2025 – December 2027).

Rabideau, B. D. (Principal), West, K. N. (Co-Principal), Reichert, W. M. (Co-Principal), Davis, J. H. (Co-Principal), Stevens, T. (Co-Principal), Rich, T. (Co-Principal), Venkiteshwaran, K. (Co-Principal), **Robertson, A.** (Co-Principal), Ni Chadhain, S. M. (Co-Principal), Miller, M. (Co-Principal), "Continued Development of Next Generation CO2 Capture Processes for Naval Applications," Sponsored by Office of Naval Research, Federal, $6,819,879.00. (September 21, 2024 – September 20, 2027).

Lehrter, J. (PI), Robertson, A., (Co-PI), Partyka, M (Co-PI), Dzwonkowski, B. (Co-PI). Water and Sediment Quality Baseline Monitoring in Coastal Alabama. (January 2024 – Dec 2027) Alabama Restore Act Council. $ 3,095,792 Total.

Parsons, MP. (PI), Co-PIs: **Robertson, A.,** Erdner, D. (Co-PI), Anderson, D., Smith, TB "R21: Impacts of Hurricane Dorian on coastal seafood resources and safety" National Institutes of Health and Environmental Sciences. May 1, 2020 – April 31, 2025. $74,000 of $275,000

Parsons, MP. (Director), Sobol, RW. (Co-Director), **Robertson, A.** (Co-PI & Research Core Lead), and Co-PIs Erdner, D., Richlen, ML., Anderson, D., Pierce, J., Smith, TB. Ciguatera Center for Oceans and Human Health, Sponsored by National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, Federal, $800,800 to AR (January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2025).

Parsons, MP. (Director), Sobol RW. (Co-Director), **Robertson, A.** (Co-PI & Research Core Lead) and Co-PIs Erdner, D., Richlen, ML., Anderson, D., Pierce, J., Smith, TB. Greater Caribbean Center for Ciguatera Research, Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $563,794.00 to AR. (September 2019 – August 2026).

Robertson, A. (Director), CoPIs: Parsons, MP. (Co-PI), Smith, TB. (Co-PI), Anderson, D., Erdner, DE., Richlen, ML. (Co-I). Partnerships in International Research and Education (PIRE), CiguaPIRE: Advancing Global Strategies and Understanding on the Origin of Ciguatera Fish Poisoning in Tropical Oceans, Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $ US 2,478,019 to AR @ DISL and USA ($5,014,781 total award) (September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2025).

Krause, J. W. (Principal), **Robertson, A.** (Co-Principal), Hoadley, K. (Co-Principal), "Using optical and metabolomic approaches to predict the nutritional quality of plankton communities for shellfish consumption under multi-stressor climate conditions," Sponsored by Alabama Center of Excellence, State, $421,757.00. (January 1, 2022 – April 2026).

DR. STEVEN SCYPHERS

Scyphers, S. B., Furman, K. L., Powers, S. P., "AL Creel Fishing Effort Survey," Sponsored by ADCNR, External to the University, $299,241.00. (November 2025 - Present).

Scyphers, S. B., Powers, S. P., Furman, K. L., Rice, N., Kelley, B., "Planning Grant for a Community Science Synthesis Center in Mobile, AL," Sponsored by National Academies of Sciences - Gulf Research program, External to the University, $225,000.00. (2025 - Present).

Scyphers, S. (Principal), Powers, s. (Co-Principal), Jackson, K. (Supporting), Patch, S. M. (Supporting), Patterson, M. W. (Supporting), Sprinkle, A. (Supporting), Urban, K. (Supporting), "University of South Alabama - Gulf Scholars Program," Sponsored by National Academies / Sciences, Engineering, Medicine, External to the University. (September 21, 2022 - August 31, 2027).

Kelley, B. (Principal), Davis, T. (Co-Principal), **Scyphers, S. B.** (Co-Principal), Beebe, D. (Co-Principal), "Three Mile Creek Headwater Bioswales," Sponsored by Mobile Bay National Estuary Program, External to the University, $349,133.00. (November 2025 - January 2027).

Grabowski, J. H., **Scyphers, S. B.,** "Examining social impacts in the American Lobster fishery," Sponsored by NOAA Sea Grant, External to the University, $100,000.00. (2023 - 2025).

Scyphers, S. B. (Principal), Baker, R. (Co-Principal), Patch, S. M. (Co-Principal), "Perdido Watershed Habitat and Community Resilience Initiative: Incorporating Nature Based and Hybrid Solutions Across Alabama and Florida," Sponsored by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NOAA, External to the University, $1,226,513.00. (2023 - 2025).

Scyphers, S. B., Gray, S., Shepard, C., Bergh, C., Hughes, A. R., Harlan, S. L., ""Collaborative Modeling the Benefits, Consequences, and Trade-offs of Mangroves and Seawalls for Coastal Communities"." Sponsored by NOAA – Adaptation Science (AdSci), External to the University, $278,171.00. (2023 - 2025).

Duffy, E., **Scyphers, S. B.,** Canonico, G., ""Integrating the Functional Importance of Biodiversity in Management of US Marine Ecosystems."" Sponsored by Lenfest Ocean Program, External to the University, $85,361.00. (2022 - 2025).

Drymon, M., **Scyphers, S. B.,** Alexander, K., Baker, S., Barry, S., Camp, E., Collins, A., Fluech, B., Gaines, G., Gorstein, M., Krueger, S., Lively, J., Muehlstein, E., Picariello, L., Plotkin, P., Zangroniz, A., ""Extending our Reach: a Multi-State Collaborative Approach to Reef Fisheries Extension"," Sponsored by NOAA Sea Grant, External to the University, $182,942.00. (2021 - 2025).

DR. LEE SMEE

Smee, D. L., "Essential information for conserving essential fish habitat in Texas," Sponsored by Harvey Weil Sportsman Conservation Award, Corpus Christi Rotary Club, $7,500.00. (November 2012 - Present).

Smee, D. L., "Intraspecific variation increases recruitment of eastern oysters," Sponsored by TAMU-CC College of Science and Technology Research Enhancement Grant, $2,600.00. (June 2012 - Present).

Smee, D. L., "Pesticides affect blue crab mortality and behavior," Sponsored by TAMU-CC Research Enhancement Grant, $5,000.00. (June 2012 - Present).

Smee, D. L. (Co-Principal), Overath, R. D. (Principal), "Understanding Variation in a Behavioral Trait in the Hard Clam," Federal, $8,375.00. (2007 - Present).

Smee, D. L. (Principal), Kiel Reese, B. (Co-Principal), Moss, E. (Co-Principal), "RaMP: Biological Opportunities and Training in Science (BOATS)," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $2,512,858.00. (2023 - 2028).

Smee, D. L., "Creating resilient oysters for reef restoration and assessing disease infection rates.," Sponsored by Mississippi Alabama Sea Grant, External to the University, $199,675.00. (2024 - 2027).

Smee, D. L., "Using machine learning to guide oyster aquaculture site selection.," Sponsored by NOAA, External to the University, $483,642.00. (2024 - 2027).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. RONALD BAKER

Baker, R. (Author & Presenter), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Dissolved oxygen may limit the suitability of salt marsh as Essential Fish Habitat," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Bland, A. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Ecological barriers to oyster development on breakwater structures," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Rodriguez, A. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "High-resolution seagrass mapping at restoration sites using UAS," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Ramsden, S. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Modeling sportfish behavior and habitat selection at living shorelines," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Henry-Jack, T. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Oyster Horizons: Spatial prioritization for oyster restoration at Alabama Living Shorelines," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Hofheinz, K. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Quantifying fisheries habitat enhancement of living shorelines," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Plumlee, J. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Recruitment phenology correlates with long-term changes to temperature and hydrology in a dynamic northern Gulf of Mexico estuary," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Hura, E. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), 28th Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Conference, "Sex-specific differences in habitat use for Cynoscion nebulosus in a dynamic estuary," Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation, Richmond VA. (November 2025).

Hura, E. (Author & Presenter), **Baker, R.** (Author), American Fisheries Society Meeting, "Sex-specific differences in habitat use for Cynoscion nebulosus in a dynamic estuary," AFS, San Antonio TX. (August 2025).

Baker, R. (Author & Presenter), American Fisheries Society Meeting, "Show us your otoliths!: an online image analysis tool for identifying otoliths," AFS, San Antonio TX. (August 2025).

DR. MARSHALL BOWLES

Maiti, K., Mahmood, M., **Bowles, M. W.,** AGU/ASLO Ocean Sciences 2026, Edinburgh, UK., "Seasonal Variability in Sediment Carbon Accumulation and its Impact on Benthic-Pelagic Coupling in the Northern Gulf of Mexico Continental Shelf." (2026).

DR. RUTH CARMICHAEL

Carmichael, R. H., Association of Southeastern Biologists, ""One Ocean One Health: Marine mammal case studies from the northern Gulf of Mexico." (2026).

Woodrey, M., Anderson, R., Iglay, R., Evans, K., Jones, L., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "Breeding tidal marsh bird abundance estimates: Implications for monitoring and conservation." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., "Changes in latitude and changes in attitude: Shifts in distribution and the culture of conservation for manatees in the U.S. outside of Florida." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., Coast & Environment Seminar, "Sharing the Gulf with Manatees!." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., Conservation of Mammals in the Southeastern United States/ 31st Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Bat Diversity Network, "Changes in latitude and changes in attitude: Shifts in distribution and the culture of conservation for manatees in the U.S. outside of Florida." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., Gulf of America Alliance, Tropicalization of the Gulf Webinar Series,, "Changes in latitude and changes in attitude: Shifts in distribution and the culture of conservation for manatees in the U.S. outside of Florida." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., Manatee Research Symposium, "Changes in latitude and changes in attitude: Shifts in distribution and the culture of conservation for manatees in the U.S. outside of Florida." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., Ocean Sciences, "First use of LA-ICP-MS to analyze trace metals in dolphin skin: informing movement ecology and contaminant exposure risk." (2026).

Carmichael, R. H., (CERF) Biennial Conference, Richmond, VA (2), "Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation." (2025).

Vendl, C., Ridge, K., Hall, Y., Bloodgood, J., Diaz Clark, C., Russell, M., Hayes-Gaustella, L., Kiel Reese, B., **Carmichael, R. H.,** 5Wildlife Disease Association, "Dead but not forgotten: Drivers of cetacean necrobiome and their importance in understanding carcass decomposition and circumstances of death." (2025).

Morris, H., Cloyed, C., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "A comparative assessment of the environmental drivers shaping marine megafauna distributional shifts" (H. Morris, C. Cloyed, R.H. Carmichael; poster)." (2025).

Azadi, S., Russell, M., Diaz Clark, C., Slavich, E., **Carmichael, R. H.,** Vendl, C., "Blubber thickness as a trophic health indicator in stranded bottlenose dolphins along the Alabama coast." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., Boardwalk Talk, Dauphin Island Sea Lab, "Manatees in the northern Gulf." (2025).

Woodrey, M., Anderson, R., Iglay, R., Evans, K., Jones, L., **Carmichael, R. H.,** Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation (CERF) Biennial Conference, "Changes in latitude and changes in attitude: Shifts in distribution and the culture of conservation for manatees in the U.S. outside of Florida" "Breeding tidal marsh bird abundance estimates: Implications for monitoring and conservation." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation (CERF) Biennial Conference, "Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., DISL Research Experiences for Undergraduates, "DISL REU Program 2026." (2025).

Payan Arias, P.D., Corde, S.C., **Carmichael, R. H.,** DISL REU Poster Symposium, Dauphin Island, AL, "No Wake, Just Woke: Evaluating Dock Sign Placement and Public Reporting of Manatees in Coastal Alabama." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., Fowl River Area Community Association, "Sharing the Gulf with Manatees"." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., "Manatee Habitat Cruise." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Research Symposium, "Changes in latitude and changes in attitude: Shifts in distribution and the culture of conservation for manatees in the U.S. outside of Florida." (2025).

Azadi, S., Russel, M., Diaz-Clark, C., **Carmichael, R. H.,** Vendl, C., International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine, "Biological and Methodological Factors Influencing Blubber Thickness Measurements in Stranded Bottlenose Dolphins (Tursiops truncatus) Along the Alabama Coast." (2025).

Payan Arias, P.D., Corde, S.C., **Carmichael, R. H.,** Manatee Research Symposium, University of Florida, FL, "No Wake, Just Woke: Evaluating Dock Sign Placement and Public Reporting of Manatees in Coastal Alabama." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., MarVet Mississippi 2025, Marine Animal Medicine Externship course, Mississippi Aquarium, Gulfport, MS, invited speaker/ lecture, "An introduction to the Dauphin Island Sea Lab" "One Ocean One Health: Marine mammal case studies from northern Gulf." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., NOAA NMFS Human Interaction Workshop, "An introduction to the Dauphin Island Sea Lab and the Marine Mammal Research Program." (2025).

Carmichael, R. H., Pelican's Nest Science Lab, "Horseshoe crab ecology." (2025).

Russell, M., Ponti, M., Diaz-Clark, C., Cloyed, C., **Carmichael, R. H.,** Bloodgood, J., "Strandings from the sky: Detecting bay, sound and estuarine marine mammal strandings using UASs." (2025).

Johnson, T., **Carmichael, R. H.,** Russell, M., Vendl, C., "The hot new accessory: Bottlenose dolphin splenic response to estuarine stressors." (2025).

Watts, E., Corde, S., Hieb, E., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "Using citizen-sourced photo-identification data to track repeated and cross-habitat movement and behavior trends in manatees." (2025).

Corde, S., Watts, E., Hieb, E., **Carmichael, R. H.,** "What gets reported? A novel method for quantifying bias in community-sourced data." (2025).

DR. GABRIEL DE OLIVEIRA

de Oliveira, G., National Forum on Nature-based Solutions, "A framework to assess carbon–water co-benefits of Nature-Based Solutions in the Mobile–Tensaw Delta," U.S. National Academy of Sciences, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (March 2026).

de Oliveira, G., LI-COR Kickoff Workshop for the University of South Alabama's Delta and Coastal Alabama Wildlife, Fisheries, and Carbon Flux Observatory: Eddy Covariance Training and Applications, "University of South Alabama's Delta and Coastal Alabama Wildlife, Fisheries and Carbon Flux Observatory," Mobile, Alabama, USA. (February 2026).

de Oliveira, G., Understanding and Addressing Energy Affordability in the United States, "Biophysical impacts of land-cover conversion: linking carbon storage loss, land surface temperature increases, and energy burden in the U.S. Gulf Coast," U.S. National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C., USA. (February 2026).

de Oliveira, G., VI RIPERC Workshop on Climate Resilience, "Forest degradation and resilience in Amazonia," Foz do Iguacu, Parana, Brazil. (December 2025).

de Oliveira, G. 2025 American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, "Exploratory Analysis of Satellite-Derived Carbon and Water Fluxes in Amazon Forests Using Eddy Covariance Data From ATTO," New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. (December 2025).

de Oliveira, G., 14th Brazilian Workshop on Micrometeorology, "New approaches and paths to understanding forest degradation and resilience in Amazonia by combining flux tower and satellite data," Maceio, Alagoas, Brazil. (October 2025).

de Oliveira, G., 2025 Amazon Tall Tower Observatory (ATTO) Workshop, "Longitudinal Gradient and Changes of Carbon-Water Exchange Dynamics in Terra Firme and Campina Forests," Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil. (September 2025).

de Oliveira, G., Gulf Research Program 10-Year Fellowship Reunion Event, "From Swamp to Sky: Tracing Water and Carbon in Alabama's Mobile Tensaw Delta," Corpus Christi, Texas, USA. (August 2025).

DR. BRIAN DZWONKOWSKI

Dzwonkowski, B., Liu, Z., Fournier, S., Carwithen, R., Lockridge, G., Park, K., Rao, D., Nwankwo, U., Dauphin Island Sea Lab Seminar Series,, "Coastal ocean response (or lack thereof) to hurricanes: The Curious Case of Hurricane Nate.," Dauphin Island Sea Lab, Dauphin Island, Al. (2026).

Dzwonkowski, B., "Grappling with the role of physical processes on shelf dissolved oxygen dynamics in regions of freshwater influence. Spring Seminar Series,," Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences, Gloucester Point, VA, (2026).

Liu, Z. (Author & Presenter), Pashazadeh, A. (Author), Wu, S. (Author), **Dzwonkowski, B.** (Author), Aquaculture America 2026, "Infrastructure Integrity Assessment of Floating Oyster Farms in the Northern Gulf of America," World Aquaculture Society, Las Vegas, NV. (February 17, 2026).

Pashazadeh, A. (Author & Presenter), Liu, Z. (Author), **Dzwonkowski, B.** (Author), Wu, S. (Author), 2026 Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting, "Infrastructure Integrity Assessment of Floating Oyster Farms in the Northern Gulf of America," National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, Washington, D.C. (January 11, 2026).

Dzwonkowski, B., Bi-weekly NOAA Rip Current/Wave Modeling Meeting, "Expandign the availability of real-time wave data to support rip current prediction in the Mississippi Bight, Bi-weekly NOAA Rip Current/Wave Modeling Meeting." (2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., Fall Seminar Series, "Grappling with the role of physical processes on shelf dissolved oxygen dynamics in regions of freshwater influence,," Texas A&M University, Texas A&M University at Galveston, TX. (2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., Rao, D., Lockridge, G., Fournier, S., GCOOS Simmer Seminar Series Webinar, "Understanding the role of Salinity stratification in Marine heatwaves during hurricane season," GCOOS, Webinar. (2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., Puzhankara, A., Fournier, S., Lehrter, J. C., Liu, Z., Rao, D., Lockridge, G., Gordon Research Conference on Coastal Ocean Dynamics,, "Grappling with the role of physical processes on shelf dissolved oxygen dynamics in regions of freshwater influence," Gordon Research Conference, New London, NH. (2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., Water Resources Mid-Year Meeting,, "Monitoring dissolved oxygen conditions in the Mississippi Bight.," Gulf of America Alliance, Webinar. (2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, "Impact of moisture disequilibrium on coastal ocean-atmosphere interaction from three tropical cyclones during the onset of the fall transition of 2017 in the Mississippi Bight." (December 16, 2025).

Krishna Manoharan Channakkattu, S. (Author & Presenter), Liu, Z. (Author), Lehrter, J. C. (Author), **Dzwonkowski, B.** (Author), AGU 2025 Fall Meeting, "First Implementation of Coupled SCHISM-CGEM Model in Coastal Estuarine Ecosystems: A Case Study in St. Andrews Bay, Florida," American Geophysical Union-AGU, New Orleans, LS. (December 15, 2025).

Lehrter, J. C. (Author & Presenter), Liu, Z. (Author), Sreeshylam, H. (Author), **Dzwonkowski, B.** (Author), AGU 2025 Fall Meeting, "Nitrogen Availability and Control of Primary Production, Nutrient Removal Efficiency and Outwelling in a River-dominated Estuary, Mobile Bay, Alabama," American Geophysical Union-AGU, New Orleans, LS. (December 12, 2025).

Pashazadeh, A. (Author & Presenter), Liu, Z. (Author), Wu, S. (Author), **Dzwonkowski, B.** (Author), ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition (IMECE) 2025, "Infrastructure Integrity Assessment of Floating Oyster Farms in the Northern Gulf of America," American Society of Mechanical Engineers - ASME, Memphis, TN. (November 16, 2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., GCOOS fall meeting, Webinar, "Alabama Real-time Coastal Observing System." (November 13, 2025).

Dzwonkowski, B., NOAA Rip Current/Wave Modeling Meeting, Virtual meeting, "Expandign the availability of real-time wave data to support rip current prediction in the Mississippi Bight." (September 18, 2025).

DR. KELSI FURMAN

Cadle, D. (Author & Presenter), **Furman, K. L.** (Author), Henning, J. (Author), Association of Southeastern Biologists, "Utilizing fuzzy cognitive mapping to assess perceptions of coastal socio-ecological stressors along the Northern United States Gulf Coast," Mobile, AL. (March 26, 2026).

Klajbor, W. (Author & Presenter), **Furman, K. L.** (Author & Presenter), Brugnone, N. (Author & Presenter), NOAA Fisheries Office of Science and Technology Seminar Series, "Advancing qualitative data analysis efficiency with artificial intelligence for fisheries management," Virtual. (January 22, 2026).

Furman, K. L. (Author & Presenter), Dauphin Island Sea Lab Seminar Series, "Fostering knowledge co-production for marine social-ecological systems," Dauphin Island, AL. (January 16, 2026).

Furman, K. L. (Author & Presenter), Kasperski, S. (Author & Presenter), Brugnone, N. (Author & Presenter), Gulf Council Outreach and Education Technical Committee Meeting, "Developing management-ready fishery ecosystem plans for the Gulf Council through public engagement and synthesis," Virtual. (December 11, 2025).

Furman, K. L. (Panelist), Local Catch Network Local Seafood Summit, "Pier-to-Peer Knowledge Sharing Panel," Gulf Shores, AL. (November 11, 2025).

DR. ABBEY HOTARD

Khan, N. A. (Author & Presenter), Andresen, A. (Author), **Hotard, A. E.** (Author), Trainor, J. (Author), American Society for Public Administration, "To Return or Not: Home Habitability Perceptions on Post-Disaster Decision-Making," Hollywood, California. (March 2026).

Hotard, A. E. (Author & Presenter), Ross, A. D. (Author), Southern Political Science Association Meeting, "Community through the Lens of Capital: How household resources shape relocation perceptions and pathways," New Orleans, Louisiana. (January 2026).

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DR. BRANDI KIEL REESE

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DR. JEFFREY KRAUSE

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DR. JOHN LEHRTER

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C. M. (Author & Presenter), Liu, Z. (Author), Krishna Manoharan Channakkattu, S. (Author), **Lehrter, J. C.** (Author), AGU 2025 Fall Meeting, "Development of a Coastal Ocean Modeling Framework for Quantification of Marine CO2 Removal Through Olivine Weathering," American Geophysical Union-AGU, New Orleans, LA. (December 15, 2025).

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DR. ZHILONG LIU

Liu, Z. (Author & Presenter), Pashazadeh, A. (Author), Wu, S. (Author), Dzwonkowski, B. (Author), Aquaculture America 2026, "Infrastructure Integrity Assessment of Floating Oyster Farms in the Northern Gulf of America," World Aquaculture Society, Las Vegas, NV. (February 17, 2026).

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DR. KATRINA PHILLIPS

Phillips, K. F., Ceriani, S. A., Adkins, J., Mansfield, K. L., Addison, D. S., Shamblin, B. M., Komoroske, L. M., 44th Annual Symposium on Sea Turtle Biology and Conservation, "Is foraging site heritable? Investigating loggerhead foraging site selection through whole genome analyses." (2026).

DR. SEAN POWERS

Powers, S. P., 54 th Annual Benthic Ecology Meeting,, "Restoration of late Pleistocene oyster shell ridges as a tool to enhance coastal fisheries.," Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences, (2026).

Powers, S. P., Hightower, C.L., Southern Division American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting,, "Biotelemetry of Adult Red Drum, Sciaenops ocellatus, Along the Northern Gulf Coast.," New Orleans, LA. (2026).

Powers, S. P., Coffill-Rivera, M.E., Cope, J.M., Southern Division American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting,, "Incorporating Environmental Effects into Stock Assessment: A Case Study using Spotted Seatrout.," New orleans, L.A. (2026).

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DR. ALISON ROBERTSON

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Yang, K., *Dietrick, S., **Robertson, A.** (2025) Evaluating the co-occurrence of marine toxins and anthropogenic contaminants in marine sediment in a Ciguatera endemic region, 21st International Conference on Harmful Algae, Punta Arenas, Chile, October, 19 – 24, 2025

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Robertson, A. (2025) Global Impacts and Challenges of Ciguatera Poisoning. Lecture to Marine Sciences students at the University of Queensland. August 21, 2025, Virtual

Wu,, S., Wang, J., Venkiteshwaran, K., Dizbay-Onat, M., **Robertson, A.,** Henning, J., Ding, L., Song, J. (2025). REU SITE: Interdisciplinary Research to Address Microplastics in the Gulf Coast Region. 2025 ASEE Annual Conference & Exposition Conference, Montreal, Canada, June 22 – 25, 2025.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF

Mathematics & Statistics

The Department of Mathematics and Statistics continued to make meaningful progress during the 2025–26 academic year. Based on the Faculty Activity Reports submitted to date, faculty demonstrated strong engagement across teaching, research, presentations, mentoring, curriculum development, and service to both the department and the broader academic community.

Instructional activity remained a central strength. Faculty taught a wide spectrum of courses, ranging from developmental and service-level offerings such as Intermediate Algebra, Essentials for Precalculus, Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry, Finite Mathematics, Math in Society, Calculus and Its Applications, Calculus I–III, Differential Equations, Discrete Math Structures, Statistical Reasoning and Application, and Applied Probability and Statistics, Complex Variables, Financial Mathematics I and II, Number Theory, to upper-level and graduate courses including Foundations of Mathematics, Advanced Calculus, Real Analysis, Numerical Analysis, Cryptography, Graph Theory,

Professors: Dr. Andrei B. Pavelescu, Dr. Vasiliy Prokhorov

Associate Professors: Dr. Huybrechts Frazier Archard Bindele, Dr. Maria (Audi) Byrne, Dr. Steven C. Clontz, Jr., Dr. Mark A. Colarusso, Dr. Elena Pavelescu, Dr. Armin Straub

Assistant Professors: Dr. Sarah E. Allred, Dr. Olivia A. Atutey, Dr. Gayan S. Abeynanda, Dr. Joanna Furno, Dr. Kevin M. Grace, Dr. Chase L. Holcombe, Dr. Joshua D. Lioi, Dr. Jeffrey A. Mudrock,

Assistant Professors (continued): Dr. Mathias Muia, Dr. Jayasinghage (Ruchira) Perera, Dr. Shashika Petta Mestrige, Dr. Paramahansa Pramanik, Dr. Aparna Upadhyay

Senior Instructors: Dr. Jacob A. Dasinger, Ms. Sonna L. Farmer, Ms. Sheila R. Wattier, Mr. James (Jamie) R. Adams

Instructors: Ms. Sridevi Chilukuri, Ms. Mary (Alison) Evans, Ms. Humaira Khair, Ms. Terri McDonald, Ms. Nelita C. Pereira De Andrade, Ms. Laurelin O. Waites

continued Departmental Highlights

Combinatorial Enumeration, Environmental Statistics, Theory of Statistics, Special Topics, Statistical Computing and Graphics, Statistics in Research I and II, Analyzing Categorical Data, Algebra I and II, Complex Analysis, Financial Mathematics I and II, as well as directed studies and thesis supervision. **Dr. Prokhorov, Dr. Andrei Pavelescu,** and **Dr. Elena Pavelescu** were active in the department's outreach and enrichment efforts through the Mobile Mathematics Circle and related programs. Together they helped organize Math Circle events, Olympiads, and the ASMS–USA Math Festival for students in the region.

Beyond the classroom, faculty contributed in a number of important instructional roles. These included course coordination, program leadership, statistical consulting, first-time course preparations, HyFlex and online course development, and ongoing curriculum refinement. The most recent FARs highlight continued commitment to foundational mathematics instruction, particularly through high-enrollment sections of Precalculus Algebra, Precalculus Trigonometry, Essentials for Precalculus, Intermediate Algebra, Finite Mathematics, Linear Algebra I, and the calculus sequence. Faculty also continued to expand instructional materials, including lecture notes, videos, guided practice, and digital assignments, while strengthening Canvas course structures and other student support resources.

Several faculty members played key roles in supporting these large instructional efforts. Contributions included coordination of multi-section courses, development of advising systems, and broader programmatic support. Faculty such as **Dr. Abeynanda** and **Mr. Adams** were especially involved in these areas, while instructors including **Ms. Khair, Ms. McDonald,** and **Ms. Pereira De Andrade** contributed significantly to high-enrollment teaching that is essential to the department's mission.

Faculty activity extended well beyond teaching. The reports collectively document more than thirty peer-reviewed journal publications, in addition to book chapters and a range of submitted and ongoing work. Research areas represented include statistics, applied statistics, combinatorics, algebra, number theory, graph theory, stochastic control, topology, dynamical systems, mathematical modeling, and interdisciplinary biomedical research.

Recent FARs also reflect continued work in mathematics education and number theory. In particular, faculty are participating in a collaborative, NSF-supported project examining the use of artificial intelligence in undergraduate mathematics and computing education, with current efforts focused on reviewing and analyzing existing literature in the field.

Faculty also remained active in professional service, contributing as editors, reviewers, and organizers for a wide variety of journals and academic venues. This level of engagement reflects both the visibility of the department and the trust placed in its faculty by the broader mathematical community.

In addition, faculty secured a number of grants supporting research, professional development, travel, and student engagement. These awards contribute directly to the department's scholarly activity and its ability to provide meaningful opportunities for students.

Presentations were another area of strong participation, with faculty delivering talks at conferences, colloquia, seminars, and workshops at the regional, national, and international levels.

Student involvement in research also remained a priority. Faculty supervised undergraduate research projects, served on thesis committees, and collaborated with students on ongoing scholarly work, helping to foster academic development and research experience.

Faculty also contributed to departmental operations through administrative roles, including course coordination and other responsibilities that support day-to-day instructional activities.

This report highlights the high level of engagement across all areas of faculty responsibility. The accomplishments described here demonstrate a continued commitment to teaching excellence, active scholarship, student development, and professional service. The department looks forward to building on this momentum in the coming years.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

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DR. OLIVIA ATUTEY

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Muia, M. N., **Atutey, O. A.,** Abeykoon, C. S. (2026). Minimax Lower Bounds for Uniform Estimation of Covariate-Dependent Copula Parameters. *MDPI Mathematics, 14*(5 (914)), 21.

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DR. STEVEN CLONTZ

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DR. MARK COLARUSSO

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DR. CHASE HOLCOMBE

Yao, Y., **Holcombe, C. L.,** Thomas, T., Chakraborti, S., Parton, J. (in press). PH1XBAR. *Journal of Quality Technology.*

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DR. JEFFREY MUDROCK

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DR. MATHIAS MUIA

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DR. PARAMAHANSA PRAMANIK

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DR. APARNA UPADHYAY

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DR. STEVEN CLONTZ

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DR. PARAMAHANSA PRAMANIK

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Ellington, C., **Pramanik, P.,** Robinson, H. K. (2025). MetaScoreLens: Evaluating User Feedback Across Digital Entertainment Systems. ArXiv.

Powell, A., **Pramanik, P.** (2025). Genomic influence of a key transcription factor in male glandular malignancy. ArXiv.

Pramanik, P., Graff, J., DeCaro, M. (2025). Dissecting multi-level pricing schemes in the context of eCW client engagement. ArXiv.

Pramanik, P. (2025). Optimal feedback control in social networks in a McKean-Vlasov-Friedkin-Johnsen system. ArXiv.

Yusuf, A., **Pramanik, P.** (2025). Predictive significance of CD276/B7-H3 expression in baseline biopsies of advanced prostate carcinoma. ArXiv.

Valdez, I., **Pramanik, P.** (2025). Exploring the interplay of adiposity, ethnicity, and hormone receptor profiles in breast cancer subtypes. ArXiv.

Pramanik, P., Dong, L. (2025). Impact of random monetary shock: a Keynesian case. ArXiv.

DR. VASILIY PROKHOROV

Prokhorov V. (2026). Hadamard-Type Asymptotics for Products of Best Rational Approximation Errors. 32.pp Math ArXiv: 2604.03854

DR. ARMIN STRAUB

Straub, A. (2026). Review of the article “Applications via series accelerations of new identities involving Catalan-type numbers” by Campbell, J., & Kiliç, E. (2025). Mathematical Reviews, MR4661168.

Straub, A. (2026). Review of the article “F4-Appell series in p-adic settings and their connections to algebraic curves” by Azharuddin, S., & Kalita, G. (2025). Mathematical Reviews, MR4896814.

Straub, A. (2025). Review of the article “Eisenstein series part of the primitive representations for even-rank quadratic forms” by Kane, B., & Xue, L. (2024). Mathematical Reviews, MR4831733.

Straub, A. (2025). Review of the article “Dwork crystals III: From excellent Frobenius lifts towards supercongruences” by Beukers, F., & Vlasenko, M. (2023). Mathematical Reviews, MR4675075.

EDITORSHIP OF PEER REVIEWED BOOKS OR PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

DR. STEVEN CLONTZ

Editor, *Topology Proceedings*.

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

JAMIE ADAMS

Editorial Board Member, *Alabama Journal of Mathematics*.

DR. HUYBRECHTS BINDELE

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Guest Editor, *Mathematics*.

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Editorial Board Member, *The American Mathematical Monthly*.

Editorial Board Member, *The Ramanujan Journal*.

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

JAMIE ADAMS

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *2026 Conference on Teaching and Learning*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *2026 ASEE Annual Conference & Exposition*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Teaching & Learning Inquiry, the journal of the ISSOTL*.

DR. SARAH ALLRED

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Discrete Mathematics*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Workshop Proposal, Banff International Research Station*.

DR. OLIVIA ATUTEY

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Statistical Analysis and Data Mining*.

DR. HUYBRECHTS BINDELE

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Nonparametric Statistics*.

Associate Editor / reviewer activity, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*.

Reviewer for multiple statistics journals including *Journal of Multivariate Analysis*, *Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference*, *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, *Communications in Statistics: Theory and Methods*, and others.

DR. MARIA BYRNE

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Infectious Disease Modeling*.

DR. MARK COLARUSSO

Reviewer for *SIGMA*.

DR. JOANNA FURNO

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *p-Adic Numbers, Ultrametric Analysis and Applications*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Mathematical Reviews*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Contemporary Mathematics Proceedings Volume*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Difference Equations and Applications*.

DR. KEVIN GRACE

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *European Journal of Combinatorics*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics*.

DR. CHASE HOLCOMBE

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Quality Technology*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Communications in Statistics - Theory and Methods*.

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Communications in Statistics Part B: Simulation and Computation.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Quality Engineering.*

DR. JEFFREY MUDROCK

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Electronic Journal of Combinatorics.*

DR. MATHIAS MUIA

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *MDPI Mathematics.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Medical Internet Research.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Statistical Theory & Practice.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Statistics & Probability Letters.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Mathematics (WILEY).*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation.*

DR. ANDREI PAVELESCU

Invited manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Supercomputing.*

DR. ELENA PAVELESCU

Invited manuscript reviewer, *Australasian Journal of Combinatorics.*

DR. PARAMAHANSA PRAMANIK

Guest Editor, *Mathematics.*

Associate Editor, *Journal of Comprehensive Pure and Applied Mathematics.*

Ad hoc reviewer for numerous journals including *European Journal of Control, Journal of Mathematical Biology, Mathematics, Entropy, Axioms, Information, Scientific Reports, Symmetry, Open Mathematics, Analytics,* and others.

DR. ARMIN STRAUB

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Proceedings of the Edinburgh Mathematical Society.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Bulletin of the London Mathematical Society.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Bulletin of the Australian Mathematical Society.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Combinatorics and Number Theory.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Acta Arithmetica.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Rocky Mountain Journal of Mathematics.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *The Ramanujan Journal.*

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Combinatorial Theory.*

DR. APARNA UPADHYAY

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Algebra.*

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, *MathSciNet.*

GRANTS AWARDED

JAMIE ADAMS

Chaudhury, S. R. (Principal), **Adams, J. R.** (Co-Principal), Lasey, R. (Supporting), "Motivating Academics for Growth, Innovation, and Collaboration in STEM," Sponsored by National Science Foundation (Award No. 2417167), External to the University, $184,224.00. (August 14, 2024 - September 30, 2026).

DR. SARAH ALLRED

Allred, S. E. (Co-Principal), Mudrock, J. A. (Co-Principal). Hemanshu Kaul 2026 Visit to the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Sponsored by University of South Alabama College of Arts and Sciences, $1,480.00.

DR. MARIA BYRNE

West, C. W. (Principal), **Byrne, M. A.** (Co-Principal), Gossen, A. N. (Co-Principal), Pavelescu, A. B. (Co-Principal), Steward, E. J. (Co-Principal), Carr, N. T. (Co-Principal). S-STEM: STEM STARs - A Partnership to Build Persistence to Math-Intensive Degrees in Low-Income Students. Sponsored by National Science Foundation, $4,999,979.00.

DR. STEVEN CLONTZ

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (Principal), Furno, J., Pavelescu, E. Summer Conference on Topology and Its Applications 2025. Sponsored by National Science Foundation, $30,000.00.

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (Principal), Parrish, C. (Co-Principal), Estis, J. (Co-Principal), Chaudhury, S. (Co-Principal). Transforming Lower Division Mathematics Through Team-Based Inquiry Learning. Sponsored by National Science Foundation, $653,896.00.

DR. JOANNA FURNO

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (Principal), **Furno, J.,** Pavelescu, E. Summer Conference on Topology and Its Applications 2025. Sponsored by National Science Foundation, $30,000.00.

Furno, J. (Co-Principal), Pavelescu, E. (Co-Principal). SWARMS: Supporting Women to Achieve Research in Mathematics at South. Sponsored by MAA Tensor Women & Mathematics Grant Program, $5,994.00.

Furno, J. (Principal). LEAPS-MPS: Limits in Mating and in Several Complex Variables. Sponsored by National Science Foundation, $248,978.00.

DR. CHASE HOLCOMBE

Holcombe, C. L. (Principal). Advancing Nonparametric Two-Sample Testing with Statistically Equivalent Blocks: Multivariate Extension, Process Monitoring, and Life-Testing Applications. Sponsored by University of South Alabama College of Arts and Sciences, $3,500.00.

DR. JEFFREY MUDROCK

Mudrock, J. A. (Principal). Broadening Participation in Mathematical Research. Sponsored by University of South Alabama Faculty Development Council Grant Program, $4,914.00.

Allred, S. E. (Co-Principal), **Mudrock, J. A.** (Co-Principal). Hemanshu Kaul 2026 Visit to the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Sponsored by University of South Alabama College of Arts and Sciences, $1,480.00.

DR. MATHIAS MUIA

Muia, M. N. (Principal). Arts and Sciences Summer Professional Development Award 2026. Sponsored by University of South Alabama, $2,600.00.

DR. ANDREI PAVELESCU

Pavelescu, A. B. (Principal). AMS-Simons Research Enhancement Grant. $10,800.00.

West, C. W. (Principal), Byrne, M. A., **Pavelescu, A. B.,** et al. NSF S-STEM Grant. $4,999,979.00.

Prokhorov, V. A., **Pavelescu, A. B.,** Pavelescu, E. Mobile Math Circle. $5,000.00.

DR. ELENA PAVELESCU

Pavelescu, E. Dolciani Mathematics Enrichment Grant. $3,536.00.

Pavelescu, E. AMS-Simons Grant. $10,800.00.

Prokhorov, V. A.(Principal), Pavelescu, A. B., **Pavelescu, E.,** "The Mobile Math Circle," Sponsored by Alabama Space Grant Consortium, External to the University, $5,000.00. (October 1, 2025 - May 15, 2026).

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (Principal), Furno, J., **Pavelescu, E.,** "Summer Conference on Topology and Its Applications 2025," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $30,000.00. (January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025).

Furno, J. (Co-Principal), **Pavelescu, E.** (Co-Principal), "SWARMS: Supporting Women to Achieve Research in Mathematics at South," Sponsored by MAA Tensor Women & Mathematics Grant program at the Mathematical Association of America, External to the University, $5,994.00. (2023 - December 2025).

DR. PARAMAHANSA PRAMANIK

Sarkar, C. (Principal), Chakroborty, D. (Co-Principal), Herrera, E. A. (Co-Principal), **Pramanik, P.** (Co-Principal). Investigating a novel molecular link between obesity and colorectal cancer progression. Sponsored by U.S. Department of Defense, $616,000.00.

Sarkar, C. (Principal), Chakroborty, D. (Co-Principal), Herrera, E. A. (Co-Principal), Honkanen, R. E. (Co-Principal), **Pramanik, P.** (Co-Principal). Novel Approaches to Block Metastatic Progression in Colon Cancer. Sponsored by American Cancer Society, $946,000.00.

Dasgupta, S. (Principal), Carter, J. (Co-Principal), **Pramanik, P.** (Co-Principal). Mitochondrial DNA in extracellular vesicles for early detection and recurrence prediction in triple negative breast cancer racial disparity. Sponsored by National Institute of Health, $423,500.00.

DR. VASILIY PROKHOROV

Prokhorov, V. A. (Principal Investigator), Pavelescu, A. B., Pavelescu, E. The Mobile Math Circle. Sponsored by Alabama Space Grant Consortium, $5,000.00.

DR. APARNA UPADHYAY

Upadhyay, A. (Principal). A&S Support and Development Award 2025. Sponsored by College of Arts & Sciences and Department of Mathematics & Statistics, University of South Alabama, $2,400.00.

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. SARAH ALLRED

Allred, S. E., Ellingham, M. (2026). Forbidding the Subdivided Claw as a Subgraph Or Minor. 75th Meeting of the Alabama Association of College Teachers of Mathematics, Mobile, AL.

Allred, S. E., Mudrock, J. A. (2025). Enumerative Chromatic Choosability. Math Department Colloquium, University of South Alabama.

Allred, S. E. (2025). Unavoidable Induced Subgraphs of Large Graphs. 39th Summer Topology and Its Applications Conference, University of South Alabama.

Allred, S. E. (2025). Unavoidable Structures in Large and Infinite Graphs. KdVI DMQI Seminar, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL.

DR. OLIVIA ATUTEY

Atutey, O. A. (2026). A Comparative Assessment of Mixed-Model Boosting Techniques for Hierarchical Regression. Central Botswana Mathematics and Statistical Sciences Conference IV.

Atutey, O. A. (2025). Robust Empirical Likelihood Variable Selection for the High Dimensional Single-index Regression Model. American Statistical Association Joint Statistical Meetings.

Atutey, O. A. (2025). Robust Estimation and Selection for the Semi-Varying Coefficient Model. The 10th Workshop on Biostatistics and Bioinformatics.

DR. STEVEN CLONTZ

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (2026). Topology, Set Theory, and the pi-Base. 59th Spring Topology and Dynamics Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (2026). Research Success Panel: Building a Successful Research Program. ILC, University of South Alabama.

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (2025). GitHub: So Easy, a Mathematician Can Do It. code4math Convenings.

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (2025). Formalized Topology Workshop. Student & Early Career Workshop, Mobile, AL.

Clontz, Jr., S. C. (2025). SumTopo Student & Early Career Workshop. Student & Early Career Workshop, Mobile, AL.

DR. MARK COLARUSSO

Presentation at Southeastern Fall Sectional Meeting of AMS, Special Session on Combinatorics and Geometry Related to Representation Theory, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, October 3-5, 2025.

Presentation at Central Fall Sectional Meeting of AMS, Special Session on Interactions between Geometry, Combinatorics, and Flag Varieties, St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO, October 18-19, 2025.

Presentation at Southeastern Spring Sectional Meeting of AMS, Special Session on Noncommutative Algebras, Quantum Groups, and Related Topics, Georgia Southern University (Armstrong Campus), Savannah, GA, March 28-29, 2026.

DR. JOANNA FURNO

Furno, J. (2026). Convergence in the Hausdorff Metric for Filled Julia Sets. 75th Meeting of the Alabama Association of College Teachers of Mathematics, University of South Alabama.

Furno, J. (2025). Geometric Limits of Julia Sets for Polynomial Skew Products. Special Session on Fractal Geometry and Dynamical Systems, AMS Fall Southeastern Sectional Meeting, Tulane University.

DR. KEVIN GRACE

Grace, K. M. (2025). Matroid adjoints, minors, and matrix patterns. Louisiana State University Combinatorics Seminar, Online.

DR. CHASE HOLCOMBE

Holcombe, C. L. (2025). Statistically Equivalent Blocks in Multivariate Hypothesis Testing with Applications to Life-testing. Joint Statistical Meetings, Nashville, TN.

Holcombe, C. L. (2025). Old Tools, New Purpose: Statistically Equivalent Blocks in Multivariate SPC. International Symposium on Statistical Process Monitoring, Naples, Italy.

DR. JEFFREY MUDROCK

Mudrock, J. A. (2026). The Game of NIM. Alabama School of Mathematics and Science and University of South Alabama Statewide Math Fest, Mobile, AL.

Mudrock, J. A. (2026). Let's Keep Coloring: Two Years of the Coloring Research Group of South Alabama. University of South Alabama Mathematics and Statistics Colloquium, Mobile, AL.

Allred, S. E., Fritz, A., Hudleston, K., McCain, A., **Mudrock, J. A.,** Taylor, M. O. (2026). Enumerative Chromatic Choosability of Multipartite Graphs. 2026 Joint Mathematics Meetings, Washington D.C.

Bowdoin, M., Chi, Y., Ellington, C., Ives, B., Lee, S., Morrissette, F., **Mudrock, J. A.** (2025). An Ohba-like Result for Flexible List Coloring. 2025 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Allred, S. E., Fritz, A., Hudleston, K., McCain, A., **Mudrock, J. A.,** Taylor, M. (2025). Enumerative Chromatic Choosability of Multipartite Graphs. 2025 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Bowdoin, M., Chi, Y., Ellington, C. B., Ives, B., Lee, S., Morrissette, F., **Mudrock, J. A.** (2025). Maximizing Satisfied Requests in List Coloring. 2025 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Allred, S. E., **Mudrock, J. A.** (2025). Enumerative Chromatic Choosability. Math Department Colloquium, University of South Alabama.

Mudrock, J. A. (2025). On Maximizing Satisfied Vertex Requests in List Coloring. Illinois Institute of Technology Discrete Applied Math Seminar, Zoom.

DR. MATHIAS MUIA

Muia, M. (2026). Uniform Asymptotic Theory for Local Likelihood Estimation of Covariate-Dependent Copula Parameters. American Statistical Association AL-MS Chapter Annual Conference, University of Mississippi.

Muia, M. (2026). Minimax Lower Bounds for Uniform Estimation of Covariate-Dependent Copula Parameters. Probability and Statistics Seminar, University of Mississippi.

Muia, M. (2026). Uniform Asymptotic Theory for Local Likelihood Estimation of Covariate-Dependent Copula Parameters. Department of Mathematics and Statistics Colloquium, University of South Alabama.

Muia, M. (2025). Local Polynomial Estimation of Covariate-Dependent Copula Parameters. AMS Fall Southeastern Sectional Meeting, Tulane University.

DR. ANDREI PAVELESCU

Carr, P., Major, K., **Pavelescu, A. B.,** Messenger, D., Leonard, M., LaCross, L. (2025). Teaching and Learning Challenges in 2025: Professionalism, AI, and Student Buy-In. Conference on Teaching and Learning (CoTL), Mobile, AL.

DR. ELENA PAVELESCU

Pavelescu, E. (2026). Graphs and their Complements. Mathematical Association of America State Dinner, Mobile, AL.

DR. PARAMAHANSA PRAMANIK

Pramanik, P. (2025). Construction of an optimal strategy: an analytic insight through Path integral control driven by a McKean-Vlasov opinion dynamics. Department of Mathematics, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

DR. VASILIY PROKHOROV

Prokhorov, V. A. (2026). Best Rational Approximation, Pade Approximants, and Hankel Operators. Colloquium talk, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, University of South Alabama.

Prokhorov, V. A. (2026). Hadamard-Type Asymptotics for Products of Best Rational Approximation Errors. Trojan Math Seminar, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Troy University.

DR. ARMIN STRAUB

Straub, A. (2026). Gessel-Lucas congruences, constant terms, and modular forms. Southern Regional Number Theory Conference, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge.

Straub, A. (2025). Numbers à la Apéry and their remarkable properties. Quebec-Vermont Number Theory Seminar, Université de Montréal, Montréal, Canada.

Straub, A. (2025). Gessel-Lucas congruences for sporadic sequences. AMS Fall Southeastern Sectional Meeting, Tulane University, New Orleans.

Straub, A. (2025). Diagonal and constant term representations of sequences. AN25 - The Third Joint SIAM/CAIMS Annual Meetings, Montréal, Canada.

DR. APARNA UPADHYAY

Upadhyay, A. (2026). The asymptotics of tensor powers of twisted Foulkes modules. Southern Regional Algebra Conference, Hammond, LA.

Upadhyay, A. (2025). The asymptotics of tensor powers of modular representations. AMS Fall Eastern Virtual Sectional Meeting.

Upadhyay, A. (2025). Tensor products of modular representations of finite groups. Department of Mathematics Colloquium, University of Denver.

Upadhyay, A. (2025). Ordinary character of the twisted Foulkes modules. AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting, Denver.

Upadhyay, A. (2025). On tensor powers of modular representations. AWM Research Symposium, Madison, WI.

Upadhyay, A. (2025). Tensor powers of some symmetric group representations. SE Lie Theory Workshop XV, Charleston, SC.



DEPARTMENT OF

Modern and Classical Languages and Literature

The Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures (MCLL) remains steadfast in its dedication to student success, both within the classroom and in the global community. Through a rigorous curriculum and diverse co-curricular activities, we foster an environment where learners develop the linguistic, cultural, and literary fluencies essential for global citizenship. As a community of scholars, our mission is to produce research that investigates, challenges, and expands our collective understanding of human culture.

In August, MCLL welcomed **Notalsia Whiting** as an Instructor of Spanish. She has quickly become a valued member of the department, contributing significantly to our collective initiatives. This year also marked a significant transition with the retirement of **Terri Rice** after thirty years of exemplary teaching and service to the College. In September 2025, we celebrated her stellar career with a retirement reception. While her departure is bittersweet, her legacy of excellence remains a cornerstone of our department.

Department Chair: Dr. Zoya Khan

Professors: Dr. Susan McCready

Associate Professors: Dr. Zoya Khan, Dr. Harry L. Roddy, Dr. Eleanor ter Horst, Dr. Matthew Pettway, Dr. Christine Rinne

Assistant Professors: Dr. Cinthya Torres

Instructors: Mr. Tyler Hanks, Mr. Chase Krebs, Mr. Cody Rawlinson, Ms. Notalsia Whiting

Secretary: Ms. Alyxandria Hicks

continued Departmental Highlights

Our faculty continue to lead at the state level through the Alabama World Languages Association (AWLA). **Cody Rawlinson** currently serves as President, **Chase Krebs** serves as Treasurer, and Instructor Emerita **Kristy Britt** continues to guide the organization as Executive Director.

The summer of 2025 saw three highly successful study abroad programs. **Cody Rawlinson** led students to Madrid, Spain, while **Tyler Hanks** guided a cohort to Dijon, France, and **Harry Roddy** led the department's faculty-led program to Dresden, Germany. Looking ahead to the coming summer, **Matthew Pettway** will lead the program to Spain, **Tyler Hanks** will return to France, and **Harry Roddy** will lead the program to Leipzig, Germany.

Our commitment to career readiness reached a new milestone in October 2025 with our inaugural Career Day. This event featured professionals from Airbus, Children's and Women's Hospital, the Mobile County Public School System, UMS-Wright, the Japanese Society of Alabama, and the Hispanic American Business Association of the Gulf Coast. Additionally, 19 students completed the Graduate Certificate in Spanish for Healthcare Professionals, completing practicums in locations ranging from Mobile and Atlanta to international settings such as Cuenca, Spain and La Plata, Argentina.

MCLL faculty continue to contribute to global academic discourse, publishing numerous peer-reviewed articles and book chapters while presenting research in the United States, Peru, the United Kingdom, Germany, Brazil, and Benin. A special milestone was the publication of **Dr. Susan McCready**'s scholarly monograph, *Commemorative Acts: French Theatre and the Memory of the Great War* by the University of Toronto Press. **Dr. McCready** continues her role as editor of *Dix-Neuf*, which published six peer-reviewed articles in its Summer 2024 volume. **Dr. Eleanor ter Horst** continues to edit the *Goethe Yearbook*, overseeing the publication of twelve peer-reviewed pieces in the 2024 volume.

In April, **Dr. Cinthya Torres** was recognized by the Student Government Association (SGA) for Excellence in Teaching. In May, **Dr. Christine Rinne** was awarded the "Honorary Soldier Award" by the United States military for her dedicated support of higher education for service members and veterans.k.

Our students continue to excel in research and leadership. Abigail Ward completed an Honors Thesis under the supervision of **Harry Roddy**, and **Milena Mata** was selected for a year-long internship at the University of Castilla-La Mancha in Toledo, Spain, where is currently serving as a teaching assistant. Eleven students joined Phi Sigma Iota (PSI), the international honor society. Under the guidance of advisor **Eleanor ter Horst**, PSI students organized the annual Poetry FLAM, the International Potluck, and a Foreign Languages Essay Contest that engaged over 50 students from the Alabama School of Math and Science, Baker, Barton, Alma Bryant, and Murphy high schools.

Campus life was further enriched by the French, German, and Spanish clubs, which hosted movie nights and conversation tables. **Christine Rinne** coordinated our participation in the Mobile International Festival, while **Harry Roddy** oversaw various activities in the Language Resource Center, including Hispanic Heritage Month events. Finally, **Susan McCready** organized a semester-long French film festival made possible by a prestigious grant from the Albertine Foundation.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. CINTHYA TORRES

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)

Torres, C. E. (2025). Rooted Resistance and Vegetal Life in the Poetry of Ana Varela Tafur. Ecozon@: European *Journal of Literature, Culture and Environment*, *16*(2), 22-36. https://ecozona.eu/issue/view/291

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. MATTHEW PETTWAY

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)

Pettway, M. "Mars is Oggún: African-Cuban Spirituality and the Divine Masculine in the Poetry of Plácido" *Cambridge Latinx Literature in Transition Latinx Pasts: Decolonising the Archive 1444-1886*, Vol. 1 (vol. 1). Cambridge, United Kingdom: Cambridge University Press. https://www.cambridge.org/

DR. ELEANOR TER HORST

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)

ter Horst, E. E. (in press). Gendered Poetics: Friedrich Schiller's "Elegie" as Response to Sophie Mereau's "Schwarzburg.". *The Reinvention of Patriarchy.*

DR. CINTHYA TORRES

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)

Torres, C. E. (2027). Soy Sontone: An Indigenous Memoir on Extractivism in the Peruvian Amazon. *The Amazon River Basin: Extractivisms, Indigenous Perspectives and an Aesthetics of Resistance.* Florida: University Press of Florida.

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

Book, Scholarly-New (Published)

McCready, S. (2025). *Commemorative Acts: French Theatre and the Memory of the Great War* (pp. 194). Toronto, ON: University of Toronto Press.

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

Recording (Published)

McCready, S., & Stamm, G. (2026). Commemorative Acts Interview. New Books Network. https://newbooksnetwork.com/commemorative-acts.

EDITORSHIP OF PEER REVIEWED BOOKS OR PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

McCready, S. Editor, *Dix-Neuf*, Academic, (2023 - Present). *Dix-Neuf* is the journal of the UK-based Society of Dix-Neuviémistes.

DR. ELEANOR TER HORST

ter Horst, E. E. Editor, *Goethe Yearbook*, Goethe Society of North America. Academic. (2022, July - Present).

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. ZOYA KHAN

Khan, Z. Editorial Board Member, *The Latin Americanist*

Khan, Z. Editorial Board Member, *Studies in American Culture*

Khan, Z. Invited External Peer reviewer for " La homoseualidad en la obra de Raúl Gómez Jattín," *The Latin Americanist* (October 2025).

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

McCready, S. Editorial Board Member, *Scènes Francophones*, Bucknell University Press / University of Delaware Press. (2023 - Present).

McCready, S. Editor, *Dix-Neuf*, *Vol 29*, Academic, (2023 - Present).

DR. CINTHYA TORRES

Torres, C. E. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Proponiendo una nueva nación latinoamericana: Soledad Acosta de Samper y Clorinda Matto de Turner," *The Latin Americanist*, (2025, August - 2025, October).

Torres, C. E. Editorial Review Board Member, *El Cid Journal at The Citadel* (Undergraduate Academic Journal), Charleston, South Carolina. (2025, March - Present).

Torres, C. E. Editorial Review Board Member, *Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies*, Tuscaloosa, AL. (2024, June - Present).

RECORDINGS

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

McCready, S., Belenky, M., & Mesch, R. (Eds.), *NCFS Unbound*. H France Salon.

McCready, S., & Stamm, G. (2026). *Commemorative Acts Interview*. New Books Network. https://newbooksnetwork.com/commemorative-acts

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. ZOYA KHAN

Khan, Z. Journal article for *The Latin Americanist*.

Khan, Z. Journal article for The Annals, issue of *The Latin Americanist*.

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

McCready, S. Editor, *Dix-Neuf*, *Vol 29*, Academic, (2023 - Present).

McCready, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Discoveries from the Archives: Marie Krysinska's Plays", *Nineteenth-Century French Studies*. (2026).

McCready, S. E. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "NCFS Conference". (2026, March).

McCready, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "SDN Prize", *Society of Dix-Neuviémistes*. (2026, February).

DR. MATTHEW PETTWAY

Pettway, M. J. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Despuntes del satanismo en la poesía venezolana de entre-siglos (1896-1933): disidencias y reinvenciones entre el decadentismo y las vanguardias", *Revista Aletria de Literatura*, Academic, (2026, February).

DR. CHRISTINE RINNE

Rinne, C. Reviewer, Journal Article, *The German Quarterly*. (2026, February - 2026, March).

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

McCready, S. (Principal), "French Film Festival," Sponsored by Albertine Foundation, External to the University, $1,825.00. (2025, August 19 - 2025, December 16).

DR. MATTHEW PETTWAY

Pettway, M. J. (Principal), "Summer Professional Development Award," Sponsored by College of Arts and Letters, Internal to the University, $5,000.00. (2022, June 1 - Present).

Pettway, M. J. (Principal), "The Seed Grant," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, Internal to the University, $1,500.00. (2025, September).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. ZOYA KHAN

Khan, Z. 29th Annual Conference on the Americas., "Towards a Regenerative Cosmopolitanism: The Body, The Local and The World in 21st-Century Bolivian Literature," American Council University System of Georgia, Dahlonega, GA. (2026, February 21).

Khan, Z. South Atlantic Modern Languages Association (SAMLA), "Escaping the Shadow or Erasing the Body? The Home and the World in 98 segundos sin sombra," SAMLA, Atlanta, GA. (2025, November 13).

Khan, Z. PCAS/ACAS Annual Conference, "A Patched-Up New York: American Cityscapes, Wallace Stevens, and Julio Cortázar in Rivero Santa Cruz's 'El hombre de la pierna,'" American Culture Association of the South/ Popular Culture Association of the South, Huntsville, AL. (2025, October 9).

CHASE KREBS

Krebs, C. H. (Author & Presenter), Rawlinson, C. L. (Author & Presenter), & Whiting, N. L. (Author & Presenter), AWLA 2026, "Motivation: How to actually 'do' it in the classroom," Alabama World Languages Association, Mobile, AL. (2026, February 7).

DR. SUSAN MCCREADY

McCready, S. Nineteenth-Century French Studies, "Lucie, Interrupted, or What Emma Might Have Learned Had She Stayed for the Third Act of the Opera," University of Nevada - Reno. (2025, October).

McCready, S. University of Alabama, "Commemorative Acts: French Theatre and the Memory of the Great War," University of Alabama. (2025, October 8).

McCready, S. 50 Years of Contemporary French Civilization, "Decision Point: La Comédie-Française in 1940," North Carolina State University. (2025, September).

DR. MATTHEW PETTWAY

Pettway, M. (Presenter), "Crying Out to a Silent God: The Sexual Vulnerability of Enslaved Men in Colonial Cuba," University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa. (2026, March).

Pettway, M. (Author & Presenter), "Manzano at the Crossroads: African Spirituality and Black Liberation in A Cuban Slave Narrative," University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa. (2026, March).

Pettway, M. (Author & Presenter), African Studies Association, "An African in Exile: Memory, Third-Gender Identity, and Kinship in Sixteenth- Century Portugal," African Studies Association, Atlanta, GA. (2025, November).

Pettway, M. (Author & Presenter), "Forging an African Conception of the Human: Rape and Restoration in Brazilian Slave Society," The Universalist Unitarian Church of Mobile, Mobile, AL. (2025, November).

Pettway, M. (Presenter), Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, "Life and Legacy of Tomás Fernández Robaina," ASWAD, St. Luis, MO. (2025, October).

Pettway, M. (Author & Presenter), Afro-Futurism 2.0, "Rethinking Manhood through an African Lens: The Ethics of Resistance to Homoerotic Violence in Colonial Brazil," Black Speculative Arts Movement, Dakar, Senegal. (2025, September).

CODY RAWLINSON

Rawlinson, C. L. (Author & Presenter), Krebs, C. H. (Author & Presenter), & Whiting, N. L. (Author & Presenter), AWLA 2026, "Motivation: How to actually "do" it in the classroom," Alabama World Languages Association, Mobile, AL. (2026, February 7).

DR. CHRISTINE RINNE

Rinne, C. R. Alabama World Language Association annual conference, "Padlet in the World Language Classroom," Alabama World Language Association, Mobile, AL. (2026, February).

Rinne, C. R. Alabama World Language Association annual conference, "Volltanken: Connecting, Imagining, and Integrating," Alabama World Language Association, Mobile, AL. (2026, February).

Rinne, C. R. German Studies Association annual conference, "Desperation and Dreams: Narrating Vienna's First Serial Murders," German Studies Association, Arlington, VA. (2025, September).

Rinne, C. R. German Studies Association annual conference, "panel commentator - Returning to the Scene of the Crime: Serial Crimes and Seriality (1): Restoring or Questioning Social and Political Order," German Studies Association, Arlington, VA. (2025, September).

Rinne, C. (Panelist), Estis, J. (Coordinator/Organizer), Rand, A. M. (Panelist), & Sparks, M. S. (Panelist), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Leveling Up Beyond the Classroom: Connecting Coursework and Careers," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (2025, May).

Rinne, C. (Panelist), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Using Padlet and Perusall to Increase Student Engagement," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (2025, May).

DR. ELEANOR TER HORST

ter Horst, E. E. German Studies Association Conference, "Grenze (Limit, Boundary, Border)," German Studies Association, Arlington, VA. (2025, September).

DR. CINTHYA TORRES

Torres, C. E. 2025 - 73 Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, "Other Cartographies: Extraction, Indigenous Land Rights, and Conservation in the Amazon Basin," Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, Las Vegas, Nevada. (2026, March).

Torres, C. E. 2025 - SAMLA 97 South Atlantic Modern Language Association, "Rewriting the Canon: Indigenous Knowledges and Literary Production in Amazonia," South Atlantic Modern Language Association, Atlanta, Georgia. (2025, November).

Torres, C. E. IILI 2025 - Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana, ""Imágenes e imaginarios de la guerra del Acre y frontera amazónica en la narrativa de Jaime Vásquez Izquierdo"," Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana at University of Pittsburgh, Lima, Peru. (2025, July).

NOTALSIA WHITING

Whiting, N. L. (Author & Presenter), Krebs, C. H. (Author & Presenter), & Rawlinson, C. L. (Author & Presenter), AWLA 2026, "Motivation: How to actually "do" it in the classroom," Alabama World Languages Association, Mobile, AL. (2026, February 7).







THE DEPARTMENT OF

Music

The Department of Music had an outstanding year of concerts, presentations, research/creative activity, guest performances, and recruiting. The department experienced a growth in live audiences while maintaining the live streaming of all student and faculty performances. Some of the academic year's highlights include: a successful season of performances by the Jaguar Marching Band and Pep Bands; the Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble's first-place win at the South East Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference; vocal students' performances with Mobile Opera and participating in regional NATS competition in Statesboro, GA; USA Opera Theatre's production of *Yeomen of the Guard* (Gilbert and Sullivan); the increased success of the MM in Performance and Music Education programs; greater student retention and participation in music ensembles for the 2025-2026 academic year; the establishment of the Mobile Big Band and Jimmy Buffett Memorial scholarships; increased concert opportunities for students and faculty

Department Chair: Dr. Laura M. Moore

Professors: Dr. Andra Bohnet, Dr. David Durant, Dr. Tracy Heavner, Dr. Robert Holm, Dr. Thomas Rowell, Dr. Peter Wood

Associate Professor: Dr. William Petersen

Assistant Professors: Dr. Robert Abend, Dr. Danny Alford, Dr. Clayton Maddox, Dr. Brian Nozny, Dr. Amy Selkirk, Dr. Megan Zuhowski, Ms. Linda Zoghby

Secretaries: Matthew Greenwood, Allison Harris, Peggy Doyle

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as well as nationally and internationally recognized guest artist performances. Both instrumental and vocal music students enjoyed regional and national recognition in performance competitions and composition. Department of Music graduates continue to be accepted into top-flight graduate music programs or have been successful in their performance, music education, or music industry careers. The Geri and Gordon Moulton Jaguar Marching Band Complex, a state-of-the-art facility with full-size practice field, was opened in March 2026. Performance, composition, and research/creative activity by the music faculty continued in international, national, and regional venues as well as a variety of community arts and innovative education and technology programs. The Department of Music enjoys partnerships with the Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile and Baldwin Pops Band, Mobile Arts Council, and the Mobile and Baldwin County Public Schools. The Department of Music has made a lasting impression throughout the states of Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida.

In his fourth year as Assistant Professor in the Department of Music, **Dr. Robert Abend** has maintained an active presence on campus, throughout the region, and within the broader professional community. As Director of the Jaguar Marching Band, he led the ensemble through a full season of performances, including all home football games, regional exhibition performances, and numerous university and community events. The Jaguar Pep Band also had a successful season, performing at home basketball games and representing the university at the Sun Belt Conference Championships in Pensacola, Florida. Dr. Abend remained active as a conductor, clinician, and adjudicator, with engagements at the local, state, and national levels. He presented at major conferences including the Midwest Clinic International Band and Orchestra Conference and the College Band Directors National Association Southern Division Conference. In addition, he contributed to media outreach efforts highlighting the growth of the program and the opening of the new Jaguar Marching Band Complex. Within the university, Dr. Abend continues to serve in key leadership roles as chair of the Department of Music Recruitment and Retention Committee and the Curriculum and Assessment Committee. He also participated in multiple faculty search committees and university service initiatives. Through ongoing recruitment efforts, including clinics, school visits, and audition events, Dr. Abend has continued to strengthen relationships with regional band programs and support the growth and visibility of the Department of Music.

During **Dr. Danny Alford's** first year at the University of South Alabama, he was primarily engaged with his students in the trombone studio: developing a friendly, professional, and collegial culture, preparing them for juries, barriers, junior/senior recitals, recording sessions to audition for summer festivals, and simply getting to know the students in his studio and how to best teach each of them as individuals. Dr. Alford directed the USA Trombone Choir which performed each semester, as well as at the USA Holiday Concert in the Mitchell Center. Dr. Alford won a sub-list audition with the Pensacola Symphony Orchestra and auditioned for the Northwest Florida Symphony. He also performed with the Mobile Symphony Orchestra, for their Holiday Concert in December and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 1 in January. He recently performed a jazz concert with the Georgia Symphony Orchestra and Schumann's Symphony No. 4 with the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra. Dr. Alford has been active with the USA Faculty Brass Quintet. The quintet has performed a full recital for Mobile Chamber Music at Central Presbyterian Church, a full recital at USA, a Ceremony of Life at USA, and a Ceremony of Retirement at the U.S. Coast Guard Aviation Training Center, along with performances at other churches throughout Mobile. Dr. Alford served as co-chair of the department's Recruitment and Retention Committee.

Dr. Andra Bohnet has maintained an active performance schedule in both the classical and more eclectic musical realms. In July, she directed the Boxwood 2025 Flute Choir (Canada) and performed one of her new arrangements, *Peace, Love, and Joy.* The USA Flute Choir also performed this arrangement on their concert in November 2025. Dr. Bohnet participated in the "Just Flutes Festival" in Birmingham, England in August 2025. She gave a workshop "Irish Flute Playing for the Classical Flutist" at the 53rd Annual Convention of the National Flute Association in Atlanta, GA in August 2025. And, of course, Dr. Bohnet continues to perform frequently on and around the USA campus as recitalist, assisting artist, conductor of the USA Flute Choir, and as the principal flutist with the Mobile Symphony Orchestra. She also performed as principal flutist with Mobile Opera *(Die Fledermaus* and *Die Zauberflöte).*

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Dr. David Durant, Professor of Music, had his work *Three Drums* for fixed audio performed by Patti Cudd at the Electronic Music Midwest Festival in March 2026 at Lewis University in Romeoville, Illinois. In January 2026, Durant performed his original composition *A Place with No Wind* for solo piano at the Comprov Festival at The Ohio State University. Two of Durant's works for trumpet, *PIN TRIO* and *Unveiled*, were released on CD in late 2026 as part of *Ivano Ascari: Nuove Musiche per Tromba No. 12*. During the early months of 2026, Durant composed a new work titled *Vessel of Voices* for fixed media using 7th-order ambisonics. This piece is scheduled to be featured in August 2026 at Virginia Tech University's Cube Fest, to be presented in "The Cube," a three-story, 140-speaker immersive performance space.

Dr. Tracy Heavner had an active year teaching, publishing research, and participating in performance related activities. In the area of teaching, Dr. Heavner supervised four student teachers and one graduate music education student portfolio. In the area of research, Dr. Heavner published ten papers in the following publications: Ala Breve, Band Director.Com, Bandworld, Best Saxophone Website Ever, Clarinet and Saxophone Journal of Great Britain, and School Band and Orchestra Plus. He also received a College of Arts and Sciences Support and Development Award to perform at the International PeruSax Saxophone Festival in Cajamarca, Peru in September 2026. In the area of performance activity, Dr. Heavner performed a solo saxophone recital, served as an adjudicator, and also performed a concert, all at the 2025 PeruSax International Saxophone Festival Ensemble held at the Escuela Superior de Musica Publica Jose Maria Valle Riestra, in Piura, Peru.

Pianist **Dr. Robert Holm** performed two different faculty recitals on campus, and solo programs in Hawaii, Alaska, Mississippi, and Boaz, Alabama. A piano trio recital and three collaborative duo piano recitals were given locally. On campus, Holm performed programs with nine guest artists, for five faculty recitals, and for 12 student recitals. Holm performed with pre-college flutists in three recitals in Birmingham, for a voice recital in Mobile, and for a violin studio recital in Mobile. He performed with eight instrumental ensembles on campus, gave master classes in Huntsville, Boaz, and Spanish Fort, and adjudicated for the Music Federation in Niceville, Florida. Seven concerts with Mobile Symphony were given, including a program in Monroeville. Holm also performed in concert with Mobile Youth Symphony and accompanied instrumentalists for their concerto competition and for finalists in the Alabama Bandmasters Association SoloFest competition. Holm directed two degree recitals and two optional student recitals, and gave presentations for the Mobile Music Teachers Association and for the USA Summer Piano Camp, featuring music by the Mendelssohns and Schumanns.

During the 2025-2026 academic year, **Dr. Clayton Maddox** distinguished himself through a variety of musical engagements both within and beyond the university setting. Dr. Clayton Maddox was active as the tuba player for the Alias Brass Company in several performances throughout the United States. He was also active as the tuba player for the USA Faculty Brass Quintet and gave a spring chamber recital at USA. He was invited to do a residency at the University of Florida where he taught masterclasses and gave a solo recital. Dr. Maddox led the USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble in several performances this year, including an "Oktubafest" concert and the USA Brass Ensembles concert in the fall and spring semesters. In March 2026, Dr. Maddox took the USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble to Athens, Georgia to perform a recital as part of the University of Georgia's Southeastern Regional Tuba and Euphonium Conference (SERTEC). At the conference, he coordinated and conducted the inaugural Historic Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Mass Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble on a concert. Dr. Maddox's tuba and euphonium students also took 1st place in the SERTEC Chamber Ensemble Competition. During the Fall 2025 semester Dr. Maddox was one of the three band directors who led the Jaguar Marching Band. He conducted the USA University Band in the spring and presented a concert that celebrated works by a diverse range of composers. Dr. Maddox gave a faculty tuba solo recital during the fall semester that not only highlighted compositions by diverse artists but also featured collaborative performances with undergraduate student **Drake Miller** and part-time brass faculty member, **Ms. Kimiko Yamada.**

During the 2025-2026 academic year, **Dr. Laura Moore** was active in preparing choruses for Mobile Opera's productions of *Die Fledermaus* and *Die Zauberflöte.* She presented professional education sessions for teachers in Baldwin County and Mobile County and served as adjudicator for choirs and solo/ensemble contest in

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Alabama, and for solo piano in the Mobile Music Teachers Association contest. As a collaborative pianist, Dr. Moore was invited to perform multiple times with the Mobile Opera, including as sole accompanist for the regional Madame Rose Palmai-Tenser Scholarship Competition, as well as for faculty and student performances on campus. She also worked with singers in recordings and coachings. The two USA choirs performed 5 concerts during the year. Dr. Moore presented Take Note!, a series of pre-concert talks for the Mobile Symphony performances. Service to the university and profession included serving as President for the USA chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, and chair of Region 8 for the National Association of Schools of Music. Dr. Moore also facilitated the 10-year re-accreditation process for the Music Department.

Dr. Brian Nozny has participated in a variety of creative activities in the 2025 – 2026 academic year. As a percussionist he worked with several regional groups including the Mobile Symphony Orchestra, the Pensacola Symphony Orchestra, and as Principal Percussionist for Sinfonia Gulf Coast in Destin, FL. Dr. Nozny also performed in a chamber music setting with the USA Percussion Ensemble on their fall and spring concerts, as well as at the May 8th LODA Artwalk in downtown Mobile. Dr. Nozny was also a featured clinician at the Magnolia Day of Percussion in Hattiesburg, MS as well as an adjudicator for the festival's soloist competition. As a composer and arranger, Dr. Nozny had over twenty performances of his works throughout the nation, including a performance of *Have You Ever Seen the Grand Canyon* at the Texas All-State 5A Percussion Ensemble at the Texas Music Educators Association Convention. Dr. Nozny contributes to professional and university service in numerous ways. Locally he continues serving the USA Department of Music as the curator for the annual Alabama All-State Etude videos and as the advisor for the USA chapter of Phi Boota roota. This year he also served on the Recruiting, Music Technology, and Community Engagement departmental committees. Dr. Nozny also continues to serve on the board for the Mobile Chamber Society. Finally, Dr. Nozny continues his role as a reviewer of new literature for the Percussive Arts Society Journal *Percussive Notes*.

Dr. Will Petersen continued service as Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Music during the 2025-2026 Academic Year. He helped to shepherd the opening of the Jaguar Marching Band Complex in March 2026; this included working with Dr. Rob Abend, Director of the Jaguar Marching Band, and the USA Office of Development in the securing of the complex's naming by Geri Moulton. In the fall of 2025, Dr. Petersen served as an adjudicator for the inaugural Sound of the Island Marching Band Festival in Orange Beach. In February 2026, the University of South Alabama was selected as the host school for the 2027 College Band Directors National Association Athletic Bands Symposium. Dr. Petersen continued service as the Alabama State Chair of the College Band Directors National Association. Dr. Petersen remains active with the Jaguar Marching Band, assisting in the day-to-day teaching and administration of the JMB. In addition, he continued instruction in both the undergraduate and graduate areas including MUS 201, MUT 362, MUE 501, MUE 585, and MUE 560. Dr. Petersen continued in 2025-2026 serving as the Director of the USA Jazz Ensemble, with significant gains in ensemble performance during the Fall 2025 semester.

Dr. Thomas L. Rowell, Professor of Music, continues to maintain an active performance career in addition to his teaching duties in the USA Department of Music. He gave a full faculty recital at USA in September 2026. He performed the roles of Lord Evelyn Oakleigh in Cole Porter's *Anything Goes* and John Adams in *1776* with Chickasaw Civic Theatre. He directed and produced a two-hour scenes program with USA Opera Theatre in Fall 2025 and was conductor and stage director for USA Opera Theatre's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Yeomen of the Guard* in Spring 2026. Dr. Rowell completed his third term as president of the Alabama Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing and continues to serve as Southeastern Region Governor-Elect. Dr. Rowell also was lead editor for the Department of Music' ten-year reaccreditation document for the National Association of Schools of Music. He serves as the voice of the USA Jaguar Marching Band at home football games. Dr. Rowell's voice students and graduates continue to be successful in participating and winning in state, regional, national, and international programs.

During the 2025-2026 academic year, **Dr. Amy Selkirk** was active as a performing musician and double reed clinician. She organized a Double Reed Day at the University of South Alabama, attended by 25 students, where she

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performed in a recital and taught a masterclass. She also presented double reed clinics to students at several high schools across Mobile and Baldwin Counties and taught an oboe masterclass at the University of Southern Mississippi. As an oboist, Dr. Selkirk was invited to perform multiple times with the Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Opera Orchestra, Meridian Symphony Orchestra, Mississippi Gulf Coast Symphony, Panama City Symphony, and Sinfonia Gulf Coast. She performed a recital program featuring works by female composers for the oboe and English horn at the University of South Alabama and as part of the Lenten Concert Series at St. James Episcopal Church in Fairhope, Alabama. Dr. Selkirk also performed as a guest soloist with the USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble and the USA Percussion Ensemble and appeared on faculty and student recitals. Dr. Selkirk coached the USA Woodwind Ensembles through their fall and spring concerts. Service to the university and profession included participation on student recital and departmental committees, coaching for the Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, and work with the Oboe Repertoire Review Group for the Alabama Bandmasters Association All-State Solo Festival.

Dr. Peter Wood was very active during the 2025-2026 school year. In September he traveled to Europe, where he performed and presented at the International Trumpet Guild (ITG) European Regional Conference in Varaždin, Croatia. He attended the summer 2025 ITG Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, where his trumpet student, **Ryan Perry,** won a conference scholarship. While there, Wood also coordinated all conference reporting activities, participated in meetings of the ITG Board of Directors, and performed in the Festival of Trumpets concert. He performed a faculty solo trumpet recital on the USA campus in October and coordinated the USA Faculty Brass Quintet in a faculty recital in April. In addition to his solo and chamber music performances, Wood played numerous concerts with the Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Opera Orchestra, and Pensacola Symphony Orchestra. Wood completed his thirteenth year as ITG Publications Editor, a position in which he is responsible for curating the quarterly, peer-reviewed *ITG Journal,* the leading academic journal in the field of trumpet performance and teaching. He also authored six articles that were published in the *ITG Journal.* Wood's trumpet students have excelled and remain highly motivated and enthusiastic, with one playing a senior recital. Wood was actively engaged in service activities this year, working on the College of Arts and Sciences Tenure Committee and on several committees within the USA Music Department, including the Assistant Professor of Clarinet search committee, Scholarship Committee (chair), and Undergraduate Curriculum/Assessment Committee. He also coached the high brass section for the Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, assisted with school music programs throughout the region, taught weekly private trumpet students, and contributed to the USA Music Department's annual series of Alabama All-State Preparation videos.

Putting a bow on 34 years of teaching in the University of South Alabama Department of Music, **Linda Zoghby** presented vocal performance MM student **Kathleen Farrell** in recital. Also, during this school year, Miss Zoghby contributed as artistic and musical coach to several graduate and undergraduate voice majors, helping to further their musical and performance understanding and ability. Retiring this year after 34 years of teaching at USA, Linda leaves her active association with the University grateful, blessed, and enriched by the work and the spirit which this University offers.

This year **Dr. Megan Zuhowski** participated in musical activities both on campus and in the community. Outside of USA, Dr. Zuhowski sang the role of Adele in Strauss's *Die Fledermaus* with Mobile Opera and continued as part of the choir and handbell ensembles with Cottage Hill Presbyterian Church. On campus she presented a faculty recital and was a featured soloist with the Wind Ensemble. Dr. Zuhowski served as the assistant director for USA Opera Theatre, which presented a scenes program in the fall and Gilbert and Sullivan's *Yeomen of the Guard* as their main-stage production in the spring. She taught diction for singers, two music business courses, and song literature, in addition to seven studio voice students. In October, Dr. Zuhowski was initiated into Alabama Chapter L of the Philanthropic Educational Organization, a nationally recognized group of women who raised money for women's education through various projects and programs. She also serves on their recruitment committee. Dr. Zuhowski continued her membership in NATS and served as an adjudicator during the Student Auditions in February. Her students performed well, many earning finalist status in their categories. In April she joined the Alabama Music Teachers Association and one of her students participated in the voice auditions, winning first place.

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International Conference on e-Commerce, e-Administration, e-Society. e-Education, and e-Technology Editorial Board (May 1, 2025–April 30, 2026).

International Institute of Social and Economic Sciences Academic Conference Editorial Board (May 1, 2025–April 30, 2026).

International Journal of Arts and Sciences Editorial Board (May 1, 2025–April 30, 2026).

DR. PETER WOOD

Wood, P. J. Editorial Board Member, "International Trumpet Guild Journal," International Trumpet Guild. Professional. (March 1, 2013 - Present).

JURIED PERFORMANCES, PRODUCTIONS AND RECITALS

DR. ROBERT ABEND

Music - Adjudicating
Abend, R. D. "Adjudicator," Illinois Marching Band Championships, University of Illinois, Champaign, IL. (October 25, 2025).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Summer Concert No. 2," An Arbor Civic Band, Ann Arbor, MI, USA. (June 25, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "WMU Band Directors Symposium," Western Michigan University School of Music, Kalamazoo, MI, USA. (June 16, 2025 - June 19, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags at the Sunbelt Conference Basketball Tournament (Women's)," Jaguar Pep Band, Pensacola, FL, USA. (March 3, 2026 - March 7, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags at the Sunbelt Conference Basketball Tournament (Men's)," Jaguar Pep Band, Pensacola, FL, USA. (March 6, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Winter Bands Concert," USA Wind Ensemble Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 26, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Spring Band Concert," USA Symphony Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 28, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Winter Bands Concert," USA Symphony Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 26, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Holiday Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Fall Concert 2," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 18, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Fall Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (September 30, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Pillans Middle School Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 27, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Grand Bay Middle School Band, Grand Bay, AL, USA. (February 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Baker High School Bands, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 11, 2026).

Music Conducting - Guest Conductor, Regional, All-State, or Professional Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Foley High School Winter Band Camp," Foley High School Wind Ensemble, Symphony Band, and Concert Band, Foley High School, Foley, AL, USA. (February 10, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Baker High School Bands, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 4, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Daphne High School Wind Ensemble, Daphne, AL, USA. (February 4, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Davidson High School Bands, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 30, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Denton Middle School Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 29, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Murphy High School Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 28, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Abend, R. D. "Clinician," Causey Middle School Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 22, 2025).

Music - Adjudicating
Abend, R. D. "Adjudicator," Azalea City Marching Band Competition, Semmes, AL. (September 27, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Mystic Stripers Mardi Gras Parade," Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 12, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "University of South Alabama Wall of Honor Ceremony," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 21, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Mobile Veterans Day Parade," Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 11, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Eastern Shore Classic Marching Band Competition Exhibition Performance," Jaguar Marching Band, Daphne AL, USA. (October 25, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Hoover High School Marching Band Competition - Exhibition Performance," Jaguar Marching Band, Hoover, AL, USA. (October 18, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "Jackson Fire Prevention Parade," Jaguar Marching Band, Jackson, AL, USA. (October 8, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA at Auburn University," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Auburn, AL, USA. (September 13, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA at Troy University," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Troy, AL, USA. (October 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Southern Miss," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 27, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Troy," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 27, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Southern Miss," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 25, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. UL Monroe," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 25, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Louisiana," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 14, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Marshall," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 4, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Georgia State," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 31, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Coastal Carolina," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 29, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Louisiana," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 17, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Arkansas State," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 15, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Arkansas State," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 8, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. North Alabama," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 14, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. North Texas," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 14, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Holiday Concert," Jaguar Marching band, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Memphis," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 11, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Spring Hill," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 8, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Akron," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 3, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA vs. Georgia Southern," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 10, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA vs. Louisiana," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 1, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. Agnes Scott," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 29, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA Jags vs. West Florida," Jaguar Pep Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 28, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA vs. Tulane," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (September 6, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA vs. Arkansas State," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 14, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA vs. Coastal Carolina," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (September 20, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "USA vs. Morgan State," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (August 30, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Abend, R. D. "University of South Alabama Convocation," USA Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (August 18, 2025).

DR. DANNY ALFORD

Music - Adjudicating
Alford, J. D. "ITA Marsteller Competition Judge," Individual Competitors, International Trombone Association. (December 9, 2025 - January 22, 2026).

Music – Clinician or Consultant
Alford, J. D. "Guest Artist Residency," Dr. Justin Croushore and the Morehead State University Trombone Studio, Morehead, KY (October 8, 2025)

Music – Clinician or Consultant
Alford, J. D. "Guest Artist Residency" Brad Kerns and the University of Kentucky Trombone Studio, Lexington, KY (October 6, 2025)

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Alford, J. D. "Dreams," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 17, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Alford, J. D. "Holiday Concerts Christmas Around the World," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Alford, J. D. "Holiday Concerts Christmas Around the World," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Monroeville, AL, USA. (December 12, 2025).

Music – Clinician or Consultant
Alford, J.D. "Alabama All-State Audition Clinic," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL (November 15, 2025)

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Alford, J. D. "USA Brass Ensembles Spring Concert," USA Trombone Choir, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 12, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Alford, J. D. "USA Trombone Choir Spring Concert," USA Trombone Choir, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 9, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Alford, J. D., Wood, P. J., Maddox, Jr, C., Wood, J. G., Perry, R. "USA Faculty Brass Quintet Recital," USA Faculty Brass Quintet, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 2, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Alford, J. D. "Holiday Music of the Renaissance and Baroque," Titan Brass, Mobile Chamber Music, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 15, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Alford, J. D. "USA Holiday Concert," USA Trombone Choir, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Alford, J. D. "USA Trombone Choir Fall Concert," USA Trombone Choir, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 30, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Alford, J. D., Wood, P. J., Maddox, Jr, C., Wood, J. G., Perry, R."USA Celebration of Life Ceremony," USA Faculty Brass Quintet, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 28, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Alford, J. D. "USA Percussion Ensemble Fall Concert," USA Percussion Ensemble, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 26, 2025).

DR. ANDRA BOHNET

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Bohnet, A. C. "Boxwood Flute Choir," Boxwood Flute Choir, Boxwood Flute Festival, Lunenburg, NS, Canada. (July 25, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Commissioned
Bohnet, A. C. "Peace, Love, & Joy," Boxwood Flute Choir, Boxwood Flute Festival, Lunenburg, NS, Canada. (July 25, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Bohnet, A. C. "Friends of Kelly Via," Kelly Via Flute Choir, National Flute Association, Atlanta, GA. (August 8, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Bohnet, A. C. "Concert," Music at Yoga Retreat with Garish, Above and Beyond Yoga, Martinsburg, West Virginia, USA. (August 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #6," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 3, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (May 3, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #6," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 2, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (April 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (April 19, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #5," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (April 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #5," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 11, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "The Magic Flute," Mobile Opera Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL. (March 29, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (March 29, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "The Magic Flute," Mobile Opera Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL. (March 27, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #4," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (March 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #4," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 14, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (March 8, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (March 1, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (February 22, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (February 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (February 8, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (February 1, 2026)

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (January 25, 2026)

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #3," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 18, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (January 18, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #3," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 17, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Christmas Concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobille, AL. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Christmas Concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobille, AL. (December 13, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Christmas Concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Monroeville, AL. (December 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Young People's Concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobille, AL. (December 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (December 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (November 30, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (November 23, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (November 16, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #2," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 9, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (November 9, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #2," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 8, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (November 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Die Fledermaus," Mobile Opera Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL. (October 26, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (October 26, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Die Fledermaus," Mobile Opera Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL. (October 24, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #1," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (October 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #1," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 11, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (October 5, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (September 28, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (September 21, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (September 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (September 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (August 24, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (July 13, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (June 29, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (June 22, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (June 15, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (June 8, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (June 1, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #6," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (May 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Subscription Concert #6," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (May 11, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Traditional Irish Session," McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope, AL. (May 4, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "Educational Outreach Concert - Magnolia Springs," Mobile Symphony Orchestra String and Wind Quintet, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Magnolia Springs, Alabama. (March 13, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "Educational Outreach Concert - Summerdale Elementary," Mobile Symphony Orchestra String and Wind Quintet, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Summerdale, Alabama. (March 13, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "Educational Outreach Concert - Alba," Mobile Symphony Orchestra String and Wind Quintet, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Grand Bay, Alabama. (January 9, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "Educational Outreach Concert - Grand Bay," Mobile Symphony Orchestra String and Wind Quintet, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Bay Minette, Alabama. (January 9, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "Educational Outreach Concert - LeFlore HS," Mobile Symphony Orchestra String and Wind Quintet, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Prichard, Alabama. (January 9, 2026).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with University/ Other Ensemble
Bohnet, A. C. "Doppler: Fantasie Pastorale Hongroise, op. 26," USA Wind Ensemble, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (April 28, 2026).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Bohnet, A. C. "Cohen: Hallelujah," USA Flute Choir + Alumni, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (April 16, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Bohnet, A. C. "Spring Concert - USA Flute Choir and Celtic Crúe," Flute Choir and Celtic Crúe, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (April 16, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Bohnet, A. C. "Uebayashi: Au Dela du Temps," Robinson/ Bohnet/Harvey, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (March 19, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Bohnet, A. C. "Morris: Coping," Bohnet/Selkirk,/Holm, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (March 17, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "St. Patrick's Day Concert," Scott Cox and Company, McSharry's Irish Pub, Fairhope., AL, USA. (March 17, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "St. Patrick's Day Concert," Scott Cox and Company, Westminster Village, Spanish Ft., AL, USA. (March 17, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "St. Patrick's Day Yoga Class Performance," Above and Beyond Yoga and Salt Studio, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 11, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Bohnet, A. C. "Stardew Valley," Mobile Symphony, Mobile Symphony, Mobile, AL. (January 29, 2026).

Master Teacher
Bohnet, A. C. "Flute Studio Recital," USA Flute Studio, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (January 28, 2026).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Bohnet, A. C. "Christmas Cantata Service," St. Paul's Chancel Choir, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Bohnet, A. C. "Christmas Cantata Service," Spring Hill Presbyterian Choir, Spring Hill Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Christmas Concert," Mobile Singing Children, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Mobile, AL. (December 6, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Bohnet, A. C. "President's Holiday Concert," Celtic Crúe, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Bohnet, A. C. "Fall Concert - USA Flute Choir and Celtic Crúe," Flute Choir and Celtic Crúe, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (November 17, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Bohnet, A. C. "Peace, Friendship, & Joy," USA Flute Choir, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (November 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Bohnet, A. C. "Concert - All-State Clinic," USA Faculty, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (November 15, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Bohnet, A. C. "Faculty Flute Recital," Andra Bohnet, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (September 2, 2025)

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Bohnet, A. C. "Concert," Elsewhen Symphony Orchestra, Elsewhen Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (July 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Spring Concert," Mobile Singing Children, Christ Episcopal Church, Mobile, AL. (May 10, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Bohnet, A. C. "Spring Concert," Mobile Singing Children, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mobile, AL. (May 9, 2025).

DR. DAVID DURANT

Music Composition - Major Work, Commissioned
Durant, D. Z. "Vessel of Voices for fixed media," Virginia Tech's The Cube, Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, VA, USA. (March 1, 2026 - April 30, 2026).

Music Composition - Major Work, Performance
Durant, D. Z. "Three Drums with fixed audio," Patti Cudd, Electronic Music Midwest, Romeoville, IL, USA. (March 14, 2026).

Music Composition - Major Work, Commissioned
Durant, D. Z. "Bats in the Morning 2026," David Z. Durant, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA. (January 18, 2026).

Music Composition - Major Work, Performance
Durant, D. Z. "Bats in the Morning 2026 for solo piano," David Z. Durant, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA. (January 18, 2026).

DR. TRACY HEAVNER

Heavner, T. L. (2025). Solo Saxophone Recital, PERUSAX International Saxophone Festival, Escuela Superior de Musica Publica Jose Maria Valle Riestra, Piura, Peru, September 16.

Heavner, T. L. (2025). Adjudicator, PERUSAX International Saxophone Festival Competition, Escuela Superior de Musica Publica Jose Maria Valle Riestra, Piura, Peru, September 16 and 18.

Heavner, T. L. (2025). Concert with the PERUSAX International Saxophone Festival Ensemble, Plaza de Armas de Piura, Peru, September 18.

Heavner, T. L. (2025). Adjudicator, University of South Alabama Concerto Competition, Laidlaw Performing Arts Center, Mobile, Alabama, Fall.

Heavner, T. L. (2025). Adjudicator, University of South Alabama Concert Honor Band Saxophone Auditions, Laidlaw Performing Arts Center, Mobile, Alabama, Fall.

Heavner, T. L. (2025). University of South Alabama All-State Saxophone Masterclass, Laidlaw Performing Arts Center, Mobile, Alabama, November 15.

Heavner, T. L. (2025). Soprano Saxophone and Flute, University of South Alabama Board of Trustees Christmas Reception, Stallworth House, Mobile, Alabama, December 11.

DR. ROBERT HOLM

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Holm, R. E. "Solo Faculty Recital for Arcadia Retirement Residence," Robert Holm, piano, Arcadia Retirement Residence, Honolulu, HI. (February 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Holm, R. E. "Solo Faculty Recital at Loussac Public Library, Anchorage," Robert Holm, piano, Loussac Public Library, Anchorage, AK. (May 30, 2025).

Music - Adjudicating
Holm, R. E. "Northwest Florida Federation Festival," NW FL precollege pianists, NW FL Federation, Niceville, FL. (February 28, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Holm, R. E. "Solo Faculty Recital for Festival South 2025," Robert Holm, piano, Parkway Heights United Methodist Church, Hattiesburg, MS. (June 20, 2025).

Music Performance - Master Class
Holm, R. E. "Collegiate Master Class at Snead State Community College," Robert Holm, piano, Snead State Community College, Boaz, AL. (February 7, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Holm, R. E. "Solo Faculty Recital at Snead State Community College," Robert Holm, piano, Snead State Community College, Boaz, AL. (February 7, 2026).

Music Performance - Master Class
Holm, R. E. "Master class with students of Susan Hoop," Robert Holm, piano, Susan Hoop piano studio, Madison, AL. (February 6, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Holm, R. E. "MSO Christmas Concert runout," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Coastal Community College Auditorium, Monroeville, AL. (December 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative piano with flute studio of Barbara Harrington," Holm with flute students of Barbara Harrington, Barbara Harrington, Birmingham, Alabama. (May 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Holm, R. E. "Church Pianist," Robert Holm, piano, Spring Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, AL. (May 1, 2025 - April 30, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Holm, R. E. "MSYO concerto competition collaborator," Youth Symphony instrumentalists, Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, Larkins Center, Mobile. (April 21, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Alabama Bandmasters Association Red Band Concert," Concert Band and Holm, Outlaw/Mobile Convention Center, Mobile, AL. (April 18, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Alabama Bandmasters Association Solo Fest Finalists," Instrumental Finalists and Holm, Outlaw/Mobile Convention Center, Mobile, AL. (April 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Performance at Spring Hill Temple for Holocaust Memorial Service," Holm, violinist Enen Yu, cellist Guo-Sheng Huang, Spring Hill Temple, Mobile, AL. (April 13, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Holm, R. E. "MSO Subscription Concert #5," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Saenger Theater, Mobile. (April 11, 2026 - April 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Holm, R. E. "MSO Subscription Concert #4," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Saenger Theater, Mobile. (March 14, 2026 - March 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Piano Duo Recital at St. Francis at the Point Anglican Church Recital Series," Holm and pianist Benjamin Rollings, St. Francis at the Point Anglican, Point Clear, AL. (January 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Piano Duo Recital at Steinway Gallery-Eastern Shore," Holm and pianist Benjamin Rollings, Steinway Gallery-Eastern Shore, Spanish Fort, AL. (January 10, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Recital with baritone Tim Kennedy," Kennedy and Holm, Somerby Retirement Home, Mobile AL. (December 31, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative piano with violin students of Sylvia Suarez," Holm with violin students of Sylvia Suarez, Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, Larkins Center, Mobile, AL. (December 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Holm, R. E. "MSO Christmas Concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Saenger Theater, Mobile. (December 13, 2025 - December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Holm, R. E. "Pianist for Spring Hill Baptist's This is Christmas," Spring Hill Baptist choir and orchestra, Spring Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 13, 2025 - December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Recital with Handbells," Spring Hill Baptist Church adult handbell choir and Holm, Spring Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, AL. (December 6, 2025).

Music Performance - Master Class
Holm, R. E. "Master Class with Pre-College Mobile MTA Piano Virtuoso Competition winners," Holm and pre-college pianists, Steinway Gallery--Eastern Shore, Steinway Gallery, Spanish Fort, AL. (November 1, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Recital with Eastern Shore Choral Society members," Eastern Shore Choral Society members, Eastern Shore Choral Society, St. James Episcopal Church, Fairhope, AL. (August 3, 2025).

Music Performance - Juried/Invited
Holm, R. E. "Solo Performance at Alabama Music Teachers Association State Convention," Robert Holm, piano, Alabama Music Teachers Association State Convention, University of Mobile, Prichard, AL. (June 5, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative piano with violin students of Sylvia Suarez," Holm with violin students of Sylvia Suarez, Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, Larkins Center, Mobile, AL. (May 22, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Holm, R. E. "MSYO Concert pianist," Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra, Saenger Theater, Mobile, AL. (May 4, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Tubist Jake Alford," Alford and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (April 20, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Marshall Waites, Sr. Trombone Recital," Waites and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (April 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Flute Candidate No. 3, Emily Nazario," Nazario and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (April 10, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Kaylah Orso, Jr. Clarinet Recital," Orso and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (April 7, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Flute Candidate No. 2, Pamela Bereuter," Bereuter and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (April 6, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Ryan Perry, Sr. Trumpet Recital," Perry and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (April 4, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Jon-Grayson Kerr, Sr. Trombone Recital," Kerr and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (April 3, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Flute Candidate No. 1, Mallory Harrison," Harrison and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (April 2, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Jaishon Robinson, Sr. Flute Recital," Robinson and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (March 19, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Faculty Recital with oboist Amy Selkirk" Webb and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (March 17, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Faculty Recital with clarinetist Rachael Webb--CANCELLED," Webb and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (March 16, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Clarinet Candidate No. 4, Eric Schultz" Schultz and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (March 5, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Clarinet Candidate No. 3, Natalie Groom" Groom and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (March 3, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Clarinet Candidate No. 2, Carmen Borregales" Borregales and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (March 1, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with Clarinet Candidate No. 1, Anne Glerum," Glerum and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (February 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Holm, R. E. "Solo Faculty Recital USA Musical Arts Series," Robert Holm, piano, USA Dept. of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile, AL. (February 24, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Piano Duo Recital at USA," Holm and pianist Benjamin Rollings, USA Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile, AL. (February 2, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Guest Faculty Recital with flutist Tim Hagen--CANCELLED," Hagen and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (January 27, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "William Stoll, Sr. Horn Recital," Stoll and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (January 16, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Clarinet Studio Recital," Various Clarinet students, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (December 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Trumpet Studio Recital," Various trumpet students, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (December 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Tuba Studio Recital," Various tuba students, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (December 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Trombone Studio Recital," Various trombone students, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (December 6, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Mallory Stanley, Sr. Euphonium Recital," Stanley and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (November 21, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Gabe Clark, Sr. Clarinet Recital," Clark and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (November 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Percussion Ensemble Concert Performance," USA Percussion Ensemble, University of South Alabama Music Department, Laidlaw Recital Hall. (October 27, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Faculty Recital with trumpeter Peter Wood and hornist Jodi Wood," Peter Wood, Jodi Wood, and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (October 16, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Faculty Recital with tubist Clayton Maddox," Maddox and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (September 23, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Faculty Recital with vocalist Thomas Rowell," Rowell and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (September 22, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Holm, R. E. "Collaborative Faculty Recital with flutist Andra Bohnet," Bohnet and Holm, USA Department of Music, Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile. (September 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Jaleel Hughes, Sr. trumpet recital," Hughes and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (August 28, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Holm, R. E. "Solo Faculty Recital for USA Piano Camp: The Mendelssohns and the Schumanns," Robert Holm, piano, USA Laidlaw Recital Hall, Mobile, AL. (June 23, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Trumpet Studio Recital," Various trumpet students, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (May 4, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "USA Tuba Studio Recital," Various tuba students, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (May 4, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Harrison Howell, Sr. Bass Trombone recital," Howell and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (May 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Mark Sayler, Sr. Tuba recital," Sayler and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (May 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Holm, R. E. "Javier Fernandez, M.M. Tuba recital," Fernandez and Holm, USA Department of Music, USA Recital Hall. (May 1, 2025).

DR. CLAYTON MADDOX

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Concert Clinic," Alias Brass, International Trumpet Guild Conference, Salt Lake City, UT, USA. (May 31, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Duncan Oklahoma Recital," Alias Brass Company, Chisholm Trail Arts Series, Duncan, Oklahoma, USA. (March 28, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Van Buren Arkansas Recital," Alias Brass Company, Arts on Main, Van Buren, Arkansas, USA. (March 27, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Tabernash Colorado Concert," Alias Brass, Winter Park Concert Series, Tabernash, Colorado, USA. (February 27, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Middle Park High School Outreach Concert," Alias Brass, Middle Park High School Band, Granby, Colorado, USA. (February 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "West Grand High School Outreach Concert," Alias Brass, West Grand High School Band, Kremmling, Colorado, USA. (February 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Metropolitan State University," Alias Brass, Metropolitan State University Visiting Artist Series, Denver, Colorado, USA. (February 25, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. Alias Brass Company, Lafayette College, Lafayette, Pennsylvania, United States. (February 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. Alias Brass Company, Pawling Concert Series, Pawling, NY, United States. (December 5, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. Alias Brass Company, University of Connecticut Hartt School of Music, Hartford, Connecticut, United States. (December 4, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. Alias Brass Company, Partnership for the Performing Arts, Brookings, Oregon, United States. (November 16, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. Alias Brass Company, Camerata Musica, Richland, Washington, United States. (September 20, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Brass Quintet Recital," Alias Brass, Art Town Concert Series/University of Nevada - Reno, Reno, Nevada, USA. (July 31, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Maddox, Jr, C. "Professional Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble at the Southeastern Regional Tuba and Euphonium Conference," South East Regional Professional Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, United States. (March 6, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Solo Recital at the University of Florida," University of Florida, Gainesville Florida, USA. (October 11, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Solo Recital at the Eastman Academy," Eastman Winds/Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma, USA. (July 25, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "Concert at SERTEC," The Historically Black Colleges and Universities Combined Tuba Euphonium Ensemble, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, United States. (March 6, 2026).

Music Performance - Master Class
Maddox, Jr, C. "Metropolitan State University Chamber Class," Alias Brass, Metropolitan State University, Denver, Colorado, USA. (February 23, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Maddox, Jr, C. "Metropolitan State University Brass Techniques Class," Alias Brass, Metropolitan State University, Denver, Colorado, USA. (February 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Maddox, Jr, C. "University of Florida," Masterclass at the University of Florida, Gainesville Florida, USA. (October 11, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Maddox, Jr, C. "Masterclass at the Eastman Academy," Eastman Winds/Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma, USA. (July 24, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "Concert at SERTEC," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, University of Georgia, Anthens, GA, United States. (March 5, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Maddox, Jr, C. "Solo Competition at the Southeastern Regional Tuba and Euphonium Conference," Solo Tuba Artist, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, United States. (March 3, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "Concert at Mary G. Montgomery High School," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, Semmes, AL. (November 12, 2024 - November 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Faculty Tuba Recital," Mobile, Alabama, USA. (September 23, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Faculty Brass Spring Recital," Faculty Brass Quintet, Mobile, Alabama, United States. (April 2, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., **Maddox, Jr, C.,** Alford, J. D., Wood, J. G. "Holiday Brass Quintet Concert," Titan Brass, Mobile Chamber Music, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (December 16, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Chamber Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Christmas Concert," USA Faculty Brass Quintet, Mobile Chamber Music Society, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 15, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Collaborative Recital
Maddox, Jr, C. "Mobile Tuba Christmas," Harvey Phillips Foundation, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 13, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., **Maddox, Jr, C.,** Alford, J. D., Wood, J. G., Perry, R. "USA Celebration of Life Ceremony," USA Faculty Brass Quintet, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 28, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. ""National Anthem" at the Order of Polka Dots," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, Order of Polka Dots, Mobile, AL. (February 5, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "Brass Ensembles Recital Fall 2025," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (November 23, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "Octubafest Concert Fall 2025," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (October 29, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. Texas State University (Men's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (February 19, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. University of Buffalo (Men's Basketball)," Jag Band, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (February 7, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. Georgia Southern (Women's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (January 24, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. Georgia State University (Women's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (January 22, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. University of Louisiana Monroe (Men's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (January 10, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. University of Mobile (Men's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (December 29, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. Florida A&M University (Women's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (November 30, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. Florida Atlantic University (Women's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (November 20, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Maddox, Jr, C. "USA vs. Alcorn State University (Men's Basketball)," Jag Band, Department of Music, Mobile, AL, United States. (November 6, 2025).

Music - Adjudicating
Maddox, Jr, C. "MCPSS District Band Assessment," Mobile County Schools, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 4, 2026 - February 5, 2026).

DR. LAURA MOORE

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Spring Choral Concert," USA Concert Choir and University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (April 30, 2026).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Americana - Spring Concert," Eastern Shore Choral Society, Spanish Fort, AL. (April 21, 2026).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Americana - Spring Concert," Eastern Shore Choral Society, Fairhope, AL. (April 19, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Moore, L. M. "State Choral Performance Assessment - District IV," Alabama Vocal Association, Oxford, AL. (April 10, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Moore, L. M. "Marisol Hoffmann, Junior Voice Recital," Mobile, AL. (April 3, 2026).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "The Magic Flute," Mobile Opera Chorus, Mobile, AL. (March 27, 2026 - March 29, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Moore, L. M. "State Choral Performance Assessment - District VII," Alabama Vocal Association, Fairhope, AL. (March 24, 2026).

Music Performance - Master Class
Rowell, T. L., **Moore, L. M.** "East Mississippi Community College Voice Master Class," East Mississippi Community College, Scooba, MS USA. (March 18, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Moore, L. M. "Sonata Contest," Mobile Music Teachers Association, Mobile, AL. (March 7, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Moore, L. M. "Ethan Hudson Senior Voice Recital," Mobile, AL. (March 5, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Winter Choral Concert," USA Concert Choir and University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (March 3, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Moore, L. M. "Alabama Young Voices Auditions," Alabama chapter of American Choral Directors Association, Spanish Fort, AL. (February 14, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Moore, L. M. "Choir Clinic - Faith Academy," Mobile, AL. (February 12, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Moore, L. M. "Choir Clinic - Baker High School," Mobile, AL. (February 4, 2026).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Mozart & Salieri," Mobile Opera Chorus, Mobile, AL. (January 31, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Moore, L. M. "Madame Rose Palmai-Tenser 2026 Scholarship Competition," Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL. (January 10, 2026).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "We Need a Little Christmas," Eastern Shore Choral Society, Spanish Fort, AL. (December 16, 2025).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "We Need a Little Christmas," Eastern Shore Choral Society, Fairhope, AL. (December 14, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Holly Jolly Jaguars - 2025 Holiday Concert," USA Concert Choir and University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Holiday Choral Concert," USA Concert Choir and University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (December 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Moore, L. M. "Fall 2025 Honors Recital," Mobile, AL. (December 1, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Moore, L. M. "Choir Clinic - Spanish Fort High School," Spanish Fort, AL. (November 11, 2025).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Die Fledermaus," Mobile Opera Chorus, Mobile, AL. (October 24, 2025 - October 26, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "University of South Alabama Choral Festival Exhibition Choir," University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (October 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Workshop Leader
Rowell, T. L., **Moore, L. M.** "First Annual USA Choral Festival," USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (October 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Moore, L. M. "Voice Studio Master Class," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (October 13, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Fall Choral Concert," USA Concert Choir and University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (October 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Master Class
Rowell, T. L., **Moore, L. M.** "Shelton State Community College Voice Master Class and Choir Clinic," Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa, AL USA. (September 25, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Zuhowski, M. E., **Moore, L. M.** "Megan Zuhowski Faculty Voice Recital - For Barbee," Mobile, Alabama, USA. (September 8, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Moore, L. M. "Christina Bakhoum - Recording," Mobile, AL. (August 27, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Faculty/Professional
Moore, L. M. "Sunday Summer Soiree," Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL. (August 24, 2025).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Sounds of America," Eastern Shore Choral Society, Baldwin Pops, Fairhope, AL. (May 26, 2025).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Sounds of America," Eastern Shore Choral Society, Baldwin Pops, Spanish Fort, AL. (May 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Keyboard, Student
Moore, L. M. "Twenty Fourth Annual Young Musicians Concert," The Schumann Music Club, Mobile, AL. (May 17, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Moore, L. M. "Spring Choral Concert," USA Concert Choir and University Chorale, Mobile, AL. (May 1, 2025).

DR. BRIAN NOZNY

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Iris," Brian McDermott, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA. (April 25, 2026).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Skeleton Key," Claflin University Percussion Ensemble, Claflin University, Orangeburg, SC, USA. (March 26, 2026).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Numerology," Overland Park Oxford Middle School Percussion Ensemble, Kansas Music Educators Association, Wichita, KS, USA. (February 27, 2026).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Have You Ever Seen the Grand Canyon?," All-State 5A Percussion Ensemble, Texas Music Educators Association, San Antonio, TX, USA. (February 14, 2026).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Sharps," University of Central Arkansas Percussion Ensemble, Dr. Blake Tyson, Conway, AR, USA. (November 11, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Skeleton Key," Cannon Camp, Appalachian State University / Dr. Brady Spitz, Boone, NC (online). (July 7, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Clinic," Dr. Brian Nozny, Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, TX, USA (online). (September 26, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Clinic," Dr. Brian Nozny, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO, USA (online). (September 24, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Iris," Gary Gordon, Columbus State University, Columbus, GA. (October 25, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Nozny, B. T. "May 15, 2026 Concert," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Destin, FL, USA. (May 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Nozny, B. T. "February 7, 2026 Concert," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Destin, FL, USA. (February 7, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Nozny, B. T. "January 8, 2026 Concert," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Destin, FL, USA. (January 8, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Nozny, B. T. "December 13, 2025 Concert," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Destin, FL, USA. (December 13, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Magnolia State Percussion Festival," Brian Nozny, Percussive Arts Society - Mississippi Chapter, Hattiesburg, MS. (April 11, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Nozny, B. T. "Magnolia State Percussion Festival Virtual Solo Competition," Various, Percussive Arts Society - Mississippi Chapter, Hattiesburg, MS. (April 11, 2026).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. ""Wait for It"," Kentric Stevens for USA Opera Theatre, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (November 9, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. ""Wait for It"," Kentric Stevens for USA Opera Theatre, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (November 7, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Commissioned
Nozny, B. T. "JMB Show 1 Percussion Music," University of South Alabama "Jaguar Marching Band", Dr. Will Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (June 1, 2025 - August 15, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Commissioned
Nozny, B. T. "JMB Show 2 Percussion Music," University of South Alabama "Jaguar Marching Band", Dr. Will Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (June 1, 2025 - August 15, 2025).

Music Composition - Other Work or Arrangement, Performance
Nozny, B. T. "Coin," Matthew Greenwood, Gulf Breeze Presbyterian Church, Pensacola, FL. (July 13, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Nozny, B. T. "St. Paul's Episcopal Church Service," St. Paul's Episcopal Church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 5, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Nozny, B. T. "Mahler Symphony No. 2," Pensacola Symphony Orchestra, Pensacola Symphony Orchestra, Pensacola, FL, USA. (March 7, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Nozny, B. T. "Stardew Valley - Symphony of Seasons," Stardew Valley - Symphony of Seasons Orchestra, Stardew Valley - Symphony of Seasons, Mobile, AL. (January 29, 2026).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with University/ Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "Blues for Gilbert," USA Percussion Studio, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (January 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Freelance
Nozny, B. T. "Spring Hill Presbyterian Church Holiday Service," Freelance Group, Spring Hill Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Nozny, B. T. "Alabama High School All-State Band Audition Clinic Faculty Recital," Brian Nozny, USA Dept of Music, Mobile, AL. (November 15, 2025).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with University/ Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "Simulacrum by Jordan Nobles," USA Percussion Ensemble, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (October 27, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Nozny, B. T. "Metamorphosis," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 11, 2025 - October 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Nozny, B. T. "Symphonie Fantastique," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 17, 2025 - May 18, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Robertsdale High School Percussion Ensemble Visit," Robertsdale High School, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (March 26, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Baker High School Visit," Baker High School, Greg Puckett / Cheyenne Higgs, Mobile, AL. (February 5, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "High School All-State Clinic 2026," Brian Nozny, USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL. (November 15, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Drumline Consultation," Fairhope High School, Mrs. Meredyth Petersen, Fairhope, AL, USA. (October 23, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Drumline Consultation," Faith Academy, Mr. Anthony Young, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 20, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Drumline Consultation," Fairhope High School, Mrs. Meredyth Petersen, Fairhope, AL, USA. (July 29, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Nozny, B. T. "Covenant Academy Drumline Workshop," Covenant Academy, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (June 12, 2025).

Music - Adjudicating
Nozny, B. T. "Azalea Marching Festival," Various, Mary G Montgomery High School, Semmes, AL. (September 27, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "Spring 2026 Concert," University of South Alabama Percussion Ensemble / Jaguar Steel, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 30, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "USA Day 2026," University of South Alabama Jaguar Steel Steel Band, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 21, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "President's Holiday Concert," University of South Alabama Percussion Ensemble, University of South Alabama President's Office, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "Fall 2025 Concert," University of South Alabama Percussion Ensemble, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 27, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Nozny, B. T. "Eastern Shore Classic Marching Band Competition 2025," Jaguar Drumline, Daphne High School, Daphne, AL. (October 25, 2025).

DR. WILLIAM PETERSEN

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Gautier High School Wind Ensemble," Gautier High School Wind Ensemble, Gautier, MS, USA. (March 9, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Stone High School Symphonic Band," Stone High School Symphonic Band, Wiggins, MS, USA. (February 28, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Ocean Springs High School Wind Ensemble," Ocean Springs High School Wind Ensemble, Ocean Springs, MS, USA. (January 27, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Eastern Shore Classic Exhibition," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Daphne, AL, USA. (October 25, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Hoover Invitational Marching Festival Exhibition," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Hoover, AL, USA. (October 18, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Troy University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Troy, AL, USA. (October 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Auburn University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Auburn, AL, USA. (September 13, 2025).

Music - Adjudicating
Petersen, W. H. "Sounds of the Island Marching Band Festival," Orange Beach, AL, USA. (September 27, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Baker High School Concert Band," Baker High School Concert Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Baker High School Symphonic Band," Baker High School Symphonic Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Baker High School Wind Ensemble," Baker High School Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Robertsdale High School Wind Ensemble," Robertsdale High School Wind Ensemble, Robertsdale, AL, USA. (February 14, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Robertsdale High School Symphonic Band," Robertsdale High School Symphonic Band, Robertsdale, AL, USA. (February 11, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Robertsdale High School Wind Ensemble," Robertsdale High School Wind Ensemble, Robertsdale, AL, USA. (February 11, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Davidson High School Concert Band," Davidson High School Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 10, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Davidson High School Symphonic Band," Davidson High School Symphonic Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 10, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Mattie T. Blount High School Symphonic Band," Mattie T. Blount High School Symphonic Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 9, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Daphne High School Wind Ensemble," Daphne High School Wind Ensemble, Daphne, AL, USA. (February 4, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Petersen, W. H. "Clinician for the Daphne High School Wind Ensemble," Daphne High School Wind Ensemble, Daphne, AL, USA. (January 30, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Wind Ensemble Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 28, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Jazz Ensemble Concert," USA Jazz Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 16, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Wind Ensemble Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 26, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA Fall Commencement," USA Fall Commencement Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 12, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA Holiday Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA Holiday Concert," USA Jazz Ensemble, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Symphony Band Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 20, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Jazz Ensemble Concert," USA Jazz Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 13, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Symphony Band Concert," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (September 30, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA Spring Commencement," USA Spring Commencement Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 9, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Jaguar Marching Band Building Dedication Ceremony," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 6, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Mystic Stripers Mardi Gras Parade," Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 12, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Mobile Veterans Day Parade," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 11, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "Jackson Fire Prevention Parade," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Jackson, AL, USA. (October 8, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA University Convocation," Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL USA. (August 18, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA Holiday Concert," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Georgia Southern University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 22, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. University of Louisiana Lafayette football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 1, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA Homecoming Pep Rally," Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL USA. (October 31, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Arkansas State University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 14, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Coastal Carolina University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (September 20, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Tulane University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (September 6, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Petersen, W. H. "USA vs. Morgan State University football game," Jaguar Marching Band, William Petersen, Mobile, AL, USA. (August 30, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., **Petersen, W. H.** "Commencement ceremony performance," Mobile Brass Quintet, UMS-Wright High School, Mobile, AL USA. (May 22, 2025).

DR. THOMAS ROWELL

Other
Rowell, T. L. "Gilbert and Sullivan's The Yeomen of the Guard," USA Opera Theatre, University of South Alabama Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (April 24, 2026 - April 26, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Rowell, T. L. "Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Yeomen of the Guard," USA Opera Theatre, University of South Alabama Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (April 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L. "Milton High School Choir Clinic," Milton High School, Milton, FL USA. (April 8, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Rowell, T. L., Harvey, A. "Graduate Recital," USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (March 28, 2026).

Music Performance - Master Class
Rowell, T. L., Moore, L. M. "East Mississippi Community College Voice Master Class," East Mississippi Community College, Scooba, MS USA. (March 18, 2026).

Music – Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L., Zuhowski, M. E. "Faith Academy Voice Master Class and Choir Clinic," Faith Academy, Mobile, AL USA. (March 10, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Rowell, T. L. "Southeastern Region NATS Student Auditions," National Association of Teachers of Singing, Statesboro, GA USA. (March 12, 2026 - February 14, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Rowell, T. L. "Alabama AVA District VII Solo and Ensemble Assessment," Daphne, AL USA. (February 26, 2026).

Music - Adjudicating
Rowell, T. L. "Alabama NATS Student Auditions," National Association of Teachers of Singing, Mobile, AL USA. (February 19, 2026 - February 21, 2026).

Music Performance - Major Participant, Oratorio/Opera/Musical
Rowell, T. L. "1776," Chickasaw Civic Theatre, Chickasaw, AL USA. (January 15, 2026 - January 25, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L. "Theodore High School Choir," Theodore High School, Mobile, AL USA. (December 9, 2025).

Other
Rowell, T. L. "Holly Jolly Jaguars," USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (December 4, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Rowell, T. L., Moore, L. M. "Holiday Concert: University Chorale/USA Concert Choir," University Chorale/USA Concert Choir, Mobile, AL USA. (December 2, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Rowell, T. L. "USA Christmas Tree Lighting," USA Opera Theatre, Mobile, AL. (November 19, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Rowell, T. L., Zuhowski, M. E. "The All-American Storybook: USA Opera Theatre Scenes Program," USA Opera Theatre, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (November 7, 2025 - November 9, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L. "Baker High School Choir Clinic," Baker High School, Mobile, AL USA. (October 24, 2025).

Music Performance - Workshop Leader
Rowell, T. L., Moore, L. M. "First Annual USA Choral Festival," USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (October 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Rowell, T. L., Harvey, A. "Graduate Recital," USA Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (October 13, 2025).

Music - Adjudicating
Rowell, T. L. "Alma Bryant Showcase," Alma Bryant High School, Bayou La Batre, AL USA. (October 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Rowell, T. L. "Vaudeville Comes to Cotesworth," Cotesworth Cultural and Heritage Center, Carrollton, MS USA. (October 4, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L. "Carrollton Pilgrimage," Village of Carrollton, MS, Carrollton, MS USA. (October 3, 2025 - October 4, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L. "Baker High School Choir Clinic," Baker High School, Mobile, AL USA. (September 26, 2025).

Music Performance - Master Class
Rowell, T. L., Moore, L. M. "Shelton State Community College Voice Master Class and Choir Clinic," Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa, AL USA. (September 25, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Rowell, T. L., Holm, R. E. "Faculty Voice Recital," University of South Alabama Department of Music, Mobile, AL USA. (September 22, 2025).

Music Performance - Major Participant, Oratorio/Opera/Musical
Rowell, T. L. "Anything Goes," Chickasaw Civic Theatre, Chickasaw, AL USA. (September 4, 2025 - September 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with Professional Ensemble
Rowell, T. L. "Mobile Opera Fundraiser," Mobile Opera, Mobile Opera, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (August 24, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Rowell, T. L. "Alma Mater," University of South Alabama Jaguar Marching Band, Mobile, AL USA. (August 18, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Rowell, T. L. "Baker's Dozen Voice Workshop," Baker's Dozen: Baker HS, Mobile, AL USA. (July 25, 2025).

Music Performance - Freelance
Rowell, T. L. "Chickasaw Civic Theatre Awards Presentation," Chickasaw Civic Theatre, Chickasaw, AL USA. (June 28, 2025).

DR. AMY SELKIRK

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Beethoven and Blue Jeans," Mississippi Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra, Gulfport, MS. (April 18, 2026).

Music Performance - Opera Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "The Magic Flute," Mobile Opera Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (March 27, 2026 - March 29, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Selkirk, A. M. "Link Up: The Orchestra Sings," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Destin, FL. (March 11, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Selkirk, A. M. "Crescendo! 2026: A Cultural & Culinary Extravaganza," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Pink Martini, Sandestin, FL. (March 1, 2026).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with Professional Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "Gabriel's Oboe," Panama City Symphony, Panama City, FL. (February 14, 2026 - February 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber," Panama City Symphony, Panama City, FL. (February 14, 2026 - February 15, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Selkirk, A. M. "Dreams," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (January 17, 2026 - January 18, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Selkirk, A. M. "Simply the Best: The Music of Tina Turner," Sinfonia Gulf Coast, Destin, FL. (January 8, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Holiday by the Bay," Panama City Symphony, Panama City, FL. (December 13, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Peppermint Pops," Meridian Symphony Orchestra, Meridian, MS. (December 6, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Beach Home for the Holidays," Panama City Symphony, Panama City Beach, FL. (November 29, 2025).

Music Performance - Opera Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Die Fledermaus," Mobile Opera Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (October 24, 2025 - October 26, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "It's Magic! Joan Ellison Swings In High Fidelity," Mississippi Gulf Coast Symphony, Gulfport, MS. (October 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Selkirk, A. M. "Metamorphosis," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (October 11, 2025 - October 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Selkirk, A. M. "Symphony and Soul," Panama City Symphony Orchestra, Panama City, Florida. (September 20, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Selkirk, A. M. Spring Hill Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL. (April 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Opera Orchestra Member
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Opera Theatre Spring 2026 Production: Gilbert and Sullivan's The Yeomen of the Guard," USA Opera Theatre Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (April 24, 2026 - April 26, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Woodwind Ensembles Spring Concert," USA Woodwind Ensembles, Mobile, AL. (April 8, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Selkirk, A. M. "Double Reed Clinic," Baker High School, Mobile, AL. (March 20, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Faculty Oboe Recital," Amy Selkirk, Robert Holm, Andra Bohnet, Mobile, AL. (March 17, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Selkirk, A. M. "Double Reed Clinic," Daphne High School, Daphne, AL. (March 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Selkirk, A. M. "St. James Episcopal Church: Lenten Concert Series," Amy Selkirk, Mary Katherine Kilgore, Fairhope, AL. (March 10, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Selkirk, A. M. "Double Reed Clinic," Davidson High School, Mobile, AL. (March 9, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student
Selkirk, A. M. "Ethan Hudson, bass-baritone, Senior Voice Recital," Ethan Hudson, Laura Moore, Amy Selkirk, Landon Roberts, Mobile, AL. (March 5, 2026).

Music Performance - Full Collaborative Recital
Selkirk, A. M. "Double Reed Day Opening Recital," USA Double Reed Studio, Alexandra Harvey, guest artist Jeff Keesecker, Mobile, AL. (January 24, 2026).

Music Conducting - Non-Professional Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "Participant Double Reed Choir Finale Concert," USA Double Reed Day Participant Double Reed Choir, Mobile, AL. (January 24, 2026).

Music Performance - Master Class
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Double Reed Day Oboe Masterclass," Mobile, AL. (January 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Selkirk, A. M. "Fairhope Wind Ensemble Oboe Sectionals," Fairhope High School Wind Ensemble, Fairhope, AL. (January 9, 2026).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Selkirk, A. M. "Sanctuary Choir Christmas Concert with Orchestra," First United Methodist Church of Pensacola, Pensacola, FL. (December 21, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Selkirk, A. M. Gulf Breeze United Methodist Church, Gulf Breeze, FL. (December 21, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Selkirk, A. M. Spring Hill Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL. (December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Selkirk, A. M. Cottage Hill Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL. (November 23, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Symphony Band Fall Concert," USA Symphony Band, Mobile, AL. (November 20, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Woodwind Ensembles Fall Concert," USA Woodwind Ensembles, Mobile, AL. (November 19, 2025).

Music - Clinician or Consultant
Selkirk, A. M. "USA All-State Clinic," Mobile, AL. (November 15, 2025).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with University/ Other Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "Outreach Concert at Mary G. Montgomery High School," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, Semmes, AL. (November 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with University/ Other Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "2025 Octubafest Concert," USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, Mobile, AL. (October 29, 2025).

Music Performance - Guest Artist/Soloist with University/ Other Ensemble
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Percussion Ensemble Fall Concert," USA Percussion Ensemble, Mobile, AL. (October 27, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Selkirk, A. M. "USA Faculty Flute Recital," Amy Selkirk, Andra Bohnet, Robert Holm, Mobile, AL. (September 2, 2025).

DR. PETER WOOD

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J. "Trumpet ensemble member," Croatia International Trumpet Festival Ensemble, International Trumpet Guild, Varaždin, Croatia. (September 6, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J. "Trumpet ensemble member," ITG Festival of Trumpets Ensemble, International Trumpet Guild, Salt Lake City, UT, USA. (May 31, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Classical subscription concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 11, 2026 - April 12, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Opera orchestra performance - Mozart's "The Magic Flute"," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 27, 2026 - March 29, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Classical subscription concert," Pensacola Symphony Orchestra, Pensacola Symphony Orchestra, Pensacola, FL, USA. (March 8, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J. "Mardi Gras pops concert," Mardi Gras Orchestra, Nereids Mardi Gras organization, Biloxi, MS, USA. (January 24, 2026).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Classical subscription concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 17, 2026 - January 18, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., Maddox, Jr, C., Alford, J. D., Wood, J. G. "Holiday Brass Quintet Concert," Titan Brass, Mobile Chamber Music, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (December 16, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Wood, P. J. "This is Christmas performances," Springhill Baptist Church Orchestra, Springhill Baptist Church, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 13, 2025 - December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Christmas pops concerts," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 12, 2025 - December 14, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Young Persons concerts," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (December 12, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Wood, P. J., Perry, R. "All Souls Concert," Ad hoc orchestra, Cathedral of the Nativity, Biloxi, MS, USA. (November 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Opera orchestra performance - Strauss's "Die Fledermaus"," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile Opera, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 24, 2025 - October 26, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member, Principal
Wood, P. J. "Orchestra performance - Gulda's Cello Concerto," Meridian Symphony Orchestra, Meridian Symphony Orchestra, Meridian, MS, USA. (September 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Symphony Orchestra Member
Wood, P. J. "Classical subscription concert," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 17, 2025 - May 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., Maddox, Jr, C., Wood, J. G., Perry, R. "Commencement ceremony performance," USA Brass Quintet, US Sports Academy, Daphne, AL USA. (May 2, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., Maddox, Jr, C., Alford, J. D., Wood, J. G., Perry, R. "Faculty Brass Quintet Recital," USA Faculty Brass Quintet, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (April 2, 2026).

Music Performance - Church Pianist/Organist/ Choir Director/Musician
Wood, P. J. "Numerous weddings, funerals, and church services," Trumpet soloist, Various churches in the Mobile region, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 1, 2025 - April 30, 2026).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., Maddox, Jr, C., Alford, J. D., Wood, J. G., Perry, R. "USA Celebration of Life Ceremony," USA Faculty Brass Quartet, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 28, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Wood, P. J., Holm, R. E., Wood, J. G. "Faculty Trumpet Recital," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 17, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Faculty/Professional
Wood, P. J., Petersen, W. H. “Commencement ceremony performance,” Mobile Brass Quintet, UMS-Wright High School, Mobile, AL USA. (May 22, 2025).

LINDA ZOGHBY

Music - Adjudicating
Zoghby, Linda. "Alabama NATS Student Auditions," National Association of Teachers of Singing, Mobile, AL USA. (February 19, 2026 - February 21, 2026).

DR. MEGAN ZUHOWSKI

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Zuhowski, M. E. "The Yeoman of The Guard," USA Opera Theatre, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 26, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Zuhowski, M. E. "The Yeoman of The Guard," USA Opera Theatre, Mobile, AL, USA. (April 24, 2026).

Music - Clinician
Zuhowski, M. E. (Music-Clinician), Recruitment/Clinic, USA, Faith Academy. (March 10, 2026).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Zuhowski, M. E. "All American Story Book," USA Opera Theatre, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 9, 2025).

Music Conducting - University or Other Ensemble
Zuhowski, M. E. "All American Story Book," USA Opera Theatre, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 7, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Zuhowski, M. E. "Aspen Jubilee/Goodnight Moon," USA Wind Ensemble, Mobile, AL, USA. (November 18, 2025).

Music Performance - Major Participant, Oratorio/Opera/Musical
Zuhowski, M. E. "Die Fledermaus," Mobile Opera, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (October 26, 2025).

Music Performance - Major Participant, Oratorio/Opera/Musical
Zuhowski, M. E. "Die Fledermaus," Mobile Opera, Mobile, Alabama, USA. (October 24, 2025).

Music Performance - Full Solo Recital
Zuhowski, M. E., Moore, L. M. "Megan Zuhowski Faculty Voice Recital - For Barbee," Mobile, Alabama, USA. (September 8, 2025).

Music Performance - Collaborative Musician, Student Ensemble
Zuhowski, M. E. "National Anthem," USA Commencement Band, Mobile, Al, USA. (May 9, 2025).

OTHER PERFORMANCES, PRODUCTIONS AND RECITALS

DR. LAURA MOORE

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "An American in Paris," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (April 12, 2026).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "An American in Paris," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (April 12, 2026).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "Beethoven & Blue Jeans," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (March 15, 2026).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "Beethoven & Blue Jeans," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (March 14, 2026).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "Metamorphosis," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (October 12, 2025).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "Metamorphosis," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (October 11, 2025).

Moore, L. M., USA Odyssey Program, "Oratorio: It's not just Messiah!," Mobile, AL. (May 30, 2025).

Moore, L. M., USA Odyssey Program, "Oratorio: It's not just Messiah!," Mobile, AL. (May 23, 2025).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "Symphonie Fantastique," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (May 18, 2025).

Moore, L. M., Mobile Symphony Take Note!, "Symphonie Fantastique," Mobile Symphony Orchestra, Mobile, AL. (May 17, 2025).

Moore, L. M., USA Odyssey Program, "Oratorio: It's not just Messiah!," Mobile, AL. (May 16, 2025).

Moore, L. M., USA Odyssey Program, "Oratorio: It's not just Messiah!," Mobile, AL. (May 2, 2025).

DR. WILLIAM PETERSEN

Petersen, W. H., USA By the Bay, Eastern Shore Series, "The Rise of the Jaguar Marching Band," Fairhope, AL. (April 9, 2026).

RECORDINGS

DR. ROBERT ABEND

Abend, R. D. (2026). Tuebor Suite, Conductor. *Jet Set (LP).* Fenton, MI: Apollo Studios.

DR. DAVID DURANT

Durant, D. Z. (2025). PIN Trio for Trumpets. *Ivano Ascari Nuove Musiche per Tromba #12*. Trento, Italy: Olivotto Marco.

Durant, D. Z. (2025). Unveiled for trumpet and fixed audio. *Ivano Ascari Nuove Musiche per Tromba #12*. Trento, Italy: Olivotto Marco.

DR. ROBERT HOLM

Holm R., piano, and Ivano Ascari, trumpet. “Nuove Musiche per Tromba vol. 12” Italy, July 1, 2025.

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. TRACY HEAVNER

Heavner, T. L. (2026). University of South Alabama Seed Grant to Support the Arts and Humanities in the Amount of $1500 Perform at the International PeruSax Saxophone Festival, Cajamarca, Peru, September 14-17, 2026.

DR. CLAYTON MADDOX

Maddox, Jr, C., "2026 Arts and Sciences Summer Professional Development Award.," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, Internal to the University, $2,600.00. (May 1, 2026 - October 1, 2026).

DR. BRIAN NOZNY

Nozny, B. T. (Principal), "Dorothy and Wallace Hanna Endowed Professorship in Performing Arts #1," Sponsored by The McNeese Foundation, Internal to the University, $6,666.00. (May 5, 2022 - Present).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. ROBERT ABEND

Abend, R. D., Midwest Clinic, "Four Pillars of a Successful Band Director," Midwest Clinic International Band and Orchestra Conference, Chicago, IL. (December 19, 2025).

Abend, R. D., CBDNA Southern Division Conference, "Featured Marching Band Session," College Band Directors National Association, Tampa, FL. (February 21, 2026).

Abend, R. D., USA by the Bay Speaker Series, "The Rise of the Jaguar Marching Band," Fairhope, AL. (April 9, 2026).

DR. CLAYTON MADDOX

Maddox, Jr, C., Southeastern Regional Tuba and Euphonium Conference, "ITEA Student Chapter Open Meeting," University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. (March 5, 2026).



THE DEPARTMENT OF Philosophy

This year was another eventful year for the Philosophy Department. **Dr. Delaney Verjinski** published "Political Injustice and the Limits of Anger as a Response to Tragedy. Virtuous Responses to Suffering, Tragedy, and Evil", (pp. 106-121), New York: Routledge. She also gave several talks around the country, including one on "Academic Neurorights" at the University of Arizona Academic Freedom Conference and the Alabama Philosophical Society. **Dr. Allan Hillman** published his book *Leibniz's Moral Universe: from Metaphysics to Ethics* (pp. 306). New York, NY: Palgrave-MacMillan. **Dr. Samuel Baker's** "Aristotle on the Unity of Ethical Knowledge." was conditionally accepted at Elenchus and he received a grant to present a paper on Aristotle at Oxford University. In the Fall, **Dr. Kevin Meeker** won the University wide Olivia Rambo McGlothren Outstanding Scholar Award and presented the Dean's Lecture on Intellectual Progress in the Age of AI.

Department Chair: Dr. Kevin M. Meeker

Professor: Dr. Kevin M. Meeker

Associate Professors: Dr. Samuel H. Baker, Dr. T. Allan Hillman

Assistant Professors: Dr. Delaney T. Verjinski, Dr. Alexander C. Whalen

Secretary: Polly M. Garner

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. SAMUEL BAKER

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Conditionally accepted)
Baker, S. H., Fernandez, P. (awaiting unconditional acceptance). Aristotle on the Unity of Ethical Knowledge. *Elenchos.*

DR. KEVIN MEEKER

Meeker, Kevin., "(Mostly) Modal Musings on McCain's Oeuvre", International Journal for the Study of Skepticism 26, 1 (2026): 1-10.

Meeker, Kevin., "Reviving 'Reason'", Hume Studies 50, 1 (2025): 221.

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. KEVIN MEEKER

Meeker, Kevin., "In the Shadow of Scepticism: Reasoning about Religion in Hume's Dialogues", in Hume's Dialogues concerning Natural Religion: A Critical Guide, ed. Paul Russell (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2026): 140-158.

DR. DELANEY VERJINSKI

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)
Verjinski, D. T. (2026). Political Injustice and the Limits of Anger as a Response to Tragedy. *Virtuous Responses to Suffering, Tragedy, and Evil* (1st ed., pp. 106-121). New York: Routledge. https://www-taylorfrancis-com.libproxy.usouthal.edu/chapters/edit/10.4324/9781003627067-9/political-injustice-limits-anger-response-tragedy-delaney-verjinski?context=ubx&refId=9eb3193c-b05b-4574-89dd-f755beab7d1c

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. T. ALLAN HILLMAN

Book, Scholarly-New (Published)
Hillman, T. A. (2026). *Leibniz's Moral Universe: from Metaphysics to Ethics* (pp. 306). New York, NY: Palgrave-MacMillan.

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. SAMUEL BAKER

Baker, S. H. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy". (April 2025 - May 2026).

DR. DELANEY VERJINSKI

Verjinski, D. T. "Philosophy & Public Affairs." (September 29, 2025).

Verjinski, D. T. "Philosophy for a Better Life." (August 7, 2025 - March 15, 2025).

GRANTS AWARDED

FUNDED

DR. SAMUEL BAKER

Baker, S. H., "Presentation on Aristotle at Oxford and Collaboration in England," Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (April 2026 - April 2027).

NOT FUNDED

DR. DELANEY VERJINSKI

Verjinski, D. T. (Co-Principal), Schmitt, S. (Co-Principal), "Opening Market Society," Sponsored by PPE Research Consortium via John Templeton Foundation, External to the University. (2026 - 2027).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. DELANEY VERJINSKI

Verjinski, D. T., Virtues and Vices of Having Children, "Children as Accessories," Christopher Newport University, Norfolk, VA. (March 13, 2026).

Verjinski, D. T., Moral Philosophy Workshop, "Children as Accessories," Freedom Center at the University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ. (February 28, 2026).

Verjinski, D. T., Markets & Society Conference, ""The Puzzle of Divinely Inspired Entrepreneurship"." (October 2025).

Verjinski, D. T., Alabama Philosophical Society, ""Academic Neurorights"." (September 2025).

Verjinski, D. T., University of Arizona Academic Freedom Conference, ""Academic Neurorights"." (September 2025).

DR. ALEXANDER WHALEN

Whalen, A. C. (Author & Presenter), Alabama Philosophical Society Annual Meeting, "What's Luck Got To Do With It?," Alabama Philosophical Society, Pensacola, FL. (September 6, 2025).



THE DEPARTMENT OF

Physics

In the year from May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026, the Physics faculty worked tirelessly to provide high quality educational experiences to University of South Alabama students. Faculty members routinely provided problem-solving sessions and astronomy viewings for service courses. The department continued to offer approximately 20 hours per week of free tutoring, staffed by upper division physics majors, for all the service courses. **Dr. Albert Gapud** was the supervisor for the tutoring program. **Drs. Melanie Cochran, Martin Frank,** and **Romulus Godang** were named "Top Profs" by the Mortar Board Honor Society.

Strong records of achievement among the Physics majors were recognized by the award of scholarships. **Daniel Smith** was awarded the Helminger Fellowship for Summer research that also funded his travel to give a presentation at the Southeast Section of the American Physical Society meeting in Harrisonburg, VA. **Adrianne Van Duzee** received the USA Foundation Level 1 Scholarship while **Lauren Furlong, Bradley Snyder,** and **Noah Woodfin** received the USA Foundation Level 2 Scholarship. **Michael Guthrie** and **Alexander Ryan** received DuValle Scholarships. **Jaime Mirandy** and **Theodore Cramer** received Jared Adkins Memorial Scholarships. **Claiborne (Clai) Davis** and **William Sean Glazner** received the Promising Student Award.

Department Chair: Dr. Justin M. Sanders

Professors: Dr. Romulus Godang, Dr. Jianing Han, Dr. C. Merrill Jenkins

Associate Professors: Dr. Arjun Dahal, Dr. Martin Frank, Dr. Albert Gapud, Dr. Justin M. Sanders

Instructors: Mr. Michael Boleman, Dr. Melanie Cochran, Ms. Marija Novovic

Secretary: Ms. Tina Zdenek

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The department's research activities continued this year—much of it supported by external research grants. **Dr. Arjun Dahal** continued his research in photocatalysis using nanomaterials supported by the NSF Division of Chemistry. **Dr. Martin Frank's** research on the NOvA experiment, supported by NSF, continued. **Dr. Gapud** spent several weeks in Summer 2025 at the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory in Tallahassee, FL supported by travel grants from the lab. **Dr. Godang** along with collaborators at the University of Mississippi was awarded a grant from the Department of Energy to hold a summer workshop at University of Mississippi for members of the Belle II Experiment. **Dr. Godang** continued his DOE grant to support his participation in the Belle II experiment in Japan. **Dr. Jenkins** continued his grant from the Department of Energy to support his participation in the Mu2e Experiment at Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory.

Members of the physics faculty actively participated in professional conferences. **Drs. Dahal, Gapud, Godang,** and **Jenkins** gave presentations at the meeting of the Southeastern Section of the American Physical Society (SESAPS). **Drs. Dahal, Frank,** and **Gapud** also presented at the Global Summit (formerly the March Meeting) of the American Physical Society (APS). Faculty attended overseas meetings as well: **Dr. Godang** presented at the international Belle II Meeting in Japan, **Dr. Frank** at the Neutrino Telescopes meeting in Italy, and **Dr. C. Merrill Jenkins** at the Mu2e Collaboration meeting in Italy. **Drs. Frank, Godang,** and **Jenkins** gave presentations at their respective particle physics collaboration meetings. **Drs. Frank** and **Gapud** gave colloquium talks at other institutions. **Ms. Marija Novovic** attended USA's Conference on Teaching & Learning (COTL).

Continuing the department's collaboration with the University of Southern Mississippi and Southeastern Louisiana University, the department along with the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, hosted the 33rd USA/USM/SELU Miniconference on Math & Science. **Drs. Frank, Dahal, Gapud,** and **Godang** comprised the physics contingent on the local organizing committee for the Miniconference, and **Dr. Sanders** gave a presentation.

Dr. Dahal received an internal College of Arts & Sciences grant to partially support the Physics Department Colloquium series, and as Chair of the Colloquium Committee arranged for three speakers: **Dr. E. Craig Dukes,** University of Virginia; **Dr. Thejesh N. Bandi,** University of Alabama; and **Samuel "Alex" Campell,** PhD candidate at University of Alabama and USA physics graduate.

USA Physics faculty are well represented in service to the professional community. **Drs. Dahal** and **Godang** chaired sessions at the SESAPS meeting. **Dr. Gapud** was a sorter for contributed papers at the APS Global Summit. **Dr. Godang** serves as chair of the review committee of the BABAR collaboration. Several members of the faculty reviewed papers for peer-reviewed journals: **Dr. Dahal** for *Journal of Alloys and Compounds;* **Dr. Frank** for *Physics of the Dark Universe;* **Dr. Gapud** for *European Physical Journal B;* **Dr. Godang** for *Physical Review Letters and Physical Review D;* **Dr. Han** for the journals *Academia Quantum*, *Entropy*, *Photonics*, *Optics*, *Journal of Quantum Information Science*, and *Quantum Report;* and **Dr. Sanders** for *The Physics Teacher.* **Dr. Dahal** is the editor of the newsletter for the Association of Nepali Physicists in America, and **Dr. Han** is on the editorial board of *Journal of Quantum Information Science.* **Drs. Dahal, Frank,** and **Godang** served on graduate committees for students at USA and other institutions.

The department's long-standing encouragement of undergraduate research was continued this year. **Dr. Dahal** had three students working in his lab, **Dr. Frank** had four, and **Dr. Gapud** had one. **Dr. Godang** mentored an Honors student project and had an additional student working in his lab. Physics major **Daniel Smith** gave two contributed talks at both SESAP and the APS Global Summit. **Theodore Cramer** gave a poster presentation at SESAPS, while **Bradley Snyder** and **Carolyn Lippold** gave talks at the Miniconference,

The Society of Physics Students (SPS) under the leadership of their co-advisors **Drs. Frank** and **Cochran** and president **Michael Guthrie** continued activities. Students socialized at monthly meetings. They hosted the Fall and Spring Physics Department picnics. SPS organized a trip to the Deep South Star Gaze in Norwood, LA.

As in the past, USA Physics faculty members have served the university community and the general public. **Dr. Dahal** is advisor for the USA Nepali Student Association. **Dr. Frank** is advisor for the Sailing Club and the Honors Community Association in addition to SPS. **Dr. Gapud** is advisor for the USA Filipino Cultural Society. **Dr. Godang** serves as an

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officer and student advisor of the local chapter of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society and the newly formed Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers and is a Committee Member for the Indonesian Physics Society.

In October, the department had its annual Tuesday Evening Physics program organized by the Recruitment Committee (**Dr. Godang,** chair). **Drs. Dahal, Frank, Gapud, Han, Jenkins,** and **Sanders** gave presentations. Nineteen students from four high schools attended one or more of the sessions. In March, the department hosted the 30th Annual Physics Teacher/Student Workshop organized by the Recruitment Committee. **Drs. Gapud** and **Godang** gave presentations to the teachers. **Mr. Michael Boleman, Ms. Marija Novovic,** and **Dr. Melanie Cochran** engaged the students with hands-on experiments, and **Drs. Frank** and **Jenkins** spoke to the students about physics careers and toured the department's research laboratories. The workshop concluded with a Physics Demonstration session for both students and teachers with **Drs. Dahal, Han,** and **Sanders.** A total of 8 teachers and 25 students from coastal Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida attended.

Outreach and service activities to the community continued this year. Among these were presentations at the Honors College retreat (**Frank** and **Dahal**); astronomy night at Montessori World Preschool (**Sanders** and **Gapud**); astronomy night at Bellingrath Gardens (**Jenkins** and **Godang**), Speaker's Bureau presentations Cottage Hill Christian Academy (**Gapud**) and the Dumas Wesley Community Center After School Achievement program (**Frank**).

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. MARTIN FRANK

Acero, M. A. et al. (NOvA Collaboration), **Frank, M. J.** (2025). Measurement of d^2σ dqdE_avail in charged current νμ-nucleus interactions at {E_ν} = 1.86 GeV using the NOvA Near Detector. *Phys. Rev. D*, *111*(5), 052009.

Acero, M. A. et al. (NOvA Collaboration), **Frank, M. J.** (2025). Dual-Baseline Search for Active-to-Sterile Neutrino Oscillations in NOvA. *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, *134*(8), 081804.

Acero, M. A. et al. (NOvA Collaboration), **Frank, M. J.** (2025). Monte Carlo method for constructing confidence intervals with unconstrained and constrained nuisance parameters in the NOvA experiment. *JINST*, *20*(2), T02001.

DR. ALBERT GAPUD

Ding, L., O'Berry, Tallent, Chhetri GC, **Gapud, A. A.** (2026). Learning with large language models: beyond prompt engineering. *Education and Information Technologies.* https://doi.org/10.1007/s10639-026-13924-2

DR. ROMULUS GODANG

I.Adachi et al. (2025) Search for *P*ccc (4459)0 and *P*ccc (4338)0 in ϒ(1S, 2S) Inclusive Decays at Belle, *Phys. Rev. Lett. 135*, 041901

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Measurement of the CP asymmetry in D+→π+ π0 decays at Belle, P*hys. Rev. D. 112*, *L031101*

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Measurement of the branching fraction of Λ+→pK0 at Belle. *Phys. Rev. D. 112*, *012013*

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Measurement of the time-integrated CP asymmetry D0→K0SK0S decays using opposite-side flavor tagging at Belle and Belle II, *Phys. Rev. Lett. 135*, *041901*

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Search for a Dark Higgs Boson Produced in Association with Inelastic Dark Matter at the Belle II Experiment, *Phys. Rev. Lett. 135*, *131801*

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Test of lepton flavor universality with measurements of RD+ and RD *+ using semileptonic B tagging at the Belle II experiment, *Phys. Rev. D. 112*, *032010*

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Search for B0 → K_0τ + τ − Decays at the Belle II Experiment, *Phys. Rev. Lett. 135, 151801*

I. Adachi et al. (2025). Measurement of the time-integrated CP asymmetry in D0→ π0π0 decays at Belle II, *Phys. Rev. D. 112, 012006*

I. Adachi et al. (2025) Determination of |Vcb| using B → D l ν decays at Belle II, *PhysRev. D. 112, 112009*

NON PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, PREFACES, INTRODUCTIONS, AND AFTERWARDS

DR. ROMULUS GODANG

Cochran, J. Jaffe D., Kinoshita K., Cedric S,...**Godang, R.** et al. (2025) The Research Report submitted to Department of Energy, U.S. Belle II Operations First Quarterly Report.

Cochran, J. Jaffe D., Kinoshita K., Cedric S,...**Godang, R.** et al. (2025) The Research Report submitted to Department of Energy, U.S. Belle II Operations Second Quarterly Report.

Cochran, J. Jaffe D., Kinoshita K., Cedric S,...**Godang, R.** et al. (2025) The Research Report submitted to Department of Energy, U.S. Belle II Operations Third Quarterly Report.

Cochran, J. Jaffe D., Kinoshita K., Cedric S,...**Godang, R.** et al. (2025) The Research Report submitted to Department of Energy, U.S. Belle II Operations Fourth Quarterly Report.

ABSTRACTS

DR. ARJUN DAHAL

Abstract (Published)

Dahal, A. P., Cramer, T., Nelson, R., Dhital, C. (2026). *Two-Dimensional Island Growth of ZnO on Monolayer WS_2.* Bulletin of the American Physical Society. https://summit.aps.org/smt/2026/events/MAR-Y37/13

Abstract (Published)

Dahal, A. P., Cramer, T. (2025). *Physical Vapor Deposition of Ultrathin ZnO on Monolayer WS_2.* Bulletin of the American Physical Society. https://meetings.aps.org/Meeting/SES25/Session/G04.4

DR. ROMULUS GODANG

Godang, R (October 23-25, 2025) "The 92nd Southeastern Section of the American Physical Society Conference", James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA

Barnerjee, S. et al. 2026, "The Belle II Summer Workshop at the University of Louisville," Funded by the Department of Energy for $10,000

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. ARJUN DAHAL

Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Alloys and Compounds". Academic. (August 2025 - September 2026).

DR. MARTIN FRANK

"Physics of the Dark Universe." (June 2025 - September 2025). I reviewed a high-energy phenomenology article about magnetic monopoles.

DR. ALBERT GAPUD

Invited manuscript reviewer for *Frontiers in Education: Digital Education* (one manuscript ID 1574477, March 2025).

Invited manuscript reviewer for *The European Physical Journal B* (one manuscript EPJB-D-25-00184, March 2025).

DR. ROMULUS GODANG

Invited manuscript reviewer "Observation of orbitally excited B+c states, by R. Aaij, A. S. W. Abdelmotteleb, C. Abellan Beteta, et al. (LHCb Collaboration). Published in *Phys. Rev. Lett. 135, 231902, 2025*

Invited manuscript reviewer "Search for eta_c(2S) to ppbarK+K- and measurement of chi_{cj} to ppbarK+K- in psi(3836) radiative decays" by M. Ablikim et al. (BESIII Collaboration). Published in *Phys. Rev. D. 111, 072001, 2025*

Invited manuscript reviewer "Study of B_c(1P)^+ states in the B_c^+ gamma mass spectrum" by R. Aaij, A.S. W. Abdelmotteelb, C. Abellan Beteta, et al. (LHCb Collaboration). Published in *Phys. Rev. D. 112, 112003, 2025*

Invited manuscript reviewer "Measurements of the branching fractions of Chi_cJ to phi phi eta' and phi K+K-eta" by M. Ablikim et al. (BESIII Collaboration). Accepted for publication in *Phys. Rev. Lett*, *2026*

DR. JIANING HAN

Han, J. Editor, "Quantum Technologies with Cold Atoms". Professional. (January 2025 - Present). This is a special issue of the journal: *Atoms*.

Han, J. Editorial Board Member, Journal of Quantum Information Science. Professional. (July 30, 2020 - Present).

Han, J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Rydberg level EIT/EIA as quantum detector of MW and THz Signals", *Academia Quantum*. Professional. (October 30, 2025 - November 1, 2026).

Han, J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Tunable electromagnetically and optomechanically induced transparency in a spinning optomechanical system", *Entropy*. Professional. (February 5, 2026 - March 1, 2026).

Han, J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Red Pitaya based frequency stabilization of a 1560-nm fiber laser to 780-nm rubidium atomic transition via single-pass frequency doubling", *Photonics*. Professional. (December 9, 2025 - January 1, 2026).

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DR. JUSTIN SANDERS

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DR. ARJUN DAHAL

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DR. MARTIN FRANK

Frank, M. J. (2024-2027), *"Magnetic Monopole Search with NOvA and Undergraduate Particle Physics Education with Fermilab and CERN at the University of South Alabama,"* Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $197,657.00.

DR. ALBERT GAPUD

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DR. ROMULUS GODANG

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DR. JUSTIN SANDERS

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DR. ARJUN DAHAL

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Mason, J. T. (Author & Presenter), **Dahal, A. P.** (Author), Zagho, M. M. (Leader), Gulf Coast Polymer Conference, "Environmentally Resistant Two-Step Polydopamine/ Glucosamine Antifouling Surface Modification of Poly(vinylidene fluoride) Microfiltration Membranes," Tulane University, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana. (November 8, 2025).

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DR. MARTIN FRANK

Frank, M. J. (2024) Exotics WG, *"Slow Monopole Update,"* NOvA Collaboration Meeting, Fermilab.

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DR. ALBERT GAPUD

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DR. ROMULUS GODANG

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DR. JIANING HAN

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DR. MERRILL JENKINS

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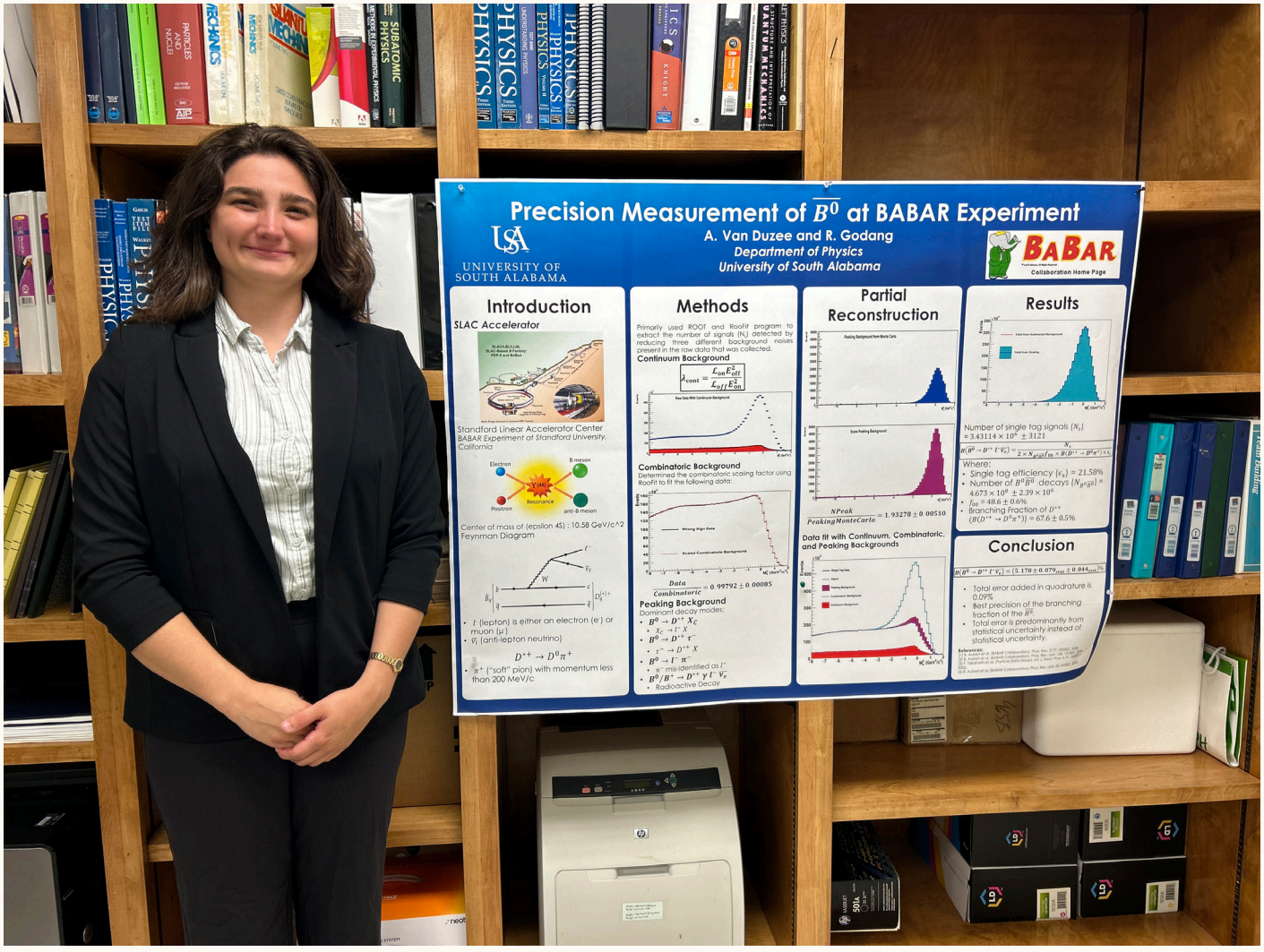
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DR. JUSTIN SANDERS

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THE DEPARTMENT OF

Political Science & Criminal Justice

The Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice (PSCJ) experienced a dynamic year of innovation, growth, and continued excellence in teaching, research, and service. The department expanded its footprint in community engagement, curriculum development, and interdisciplinary scholarship, while fostering a strong sense of belonging and academic rigor across its programs.

FACULTY TRANSITIONS

The 2025–2026 academic year was characterized by strategic faculty stabilization alongside continued growth-driven staffing challenges for the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice. Following a prior year of significant leadership transition and faculty turnover, this year focused on strengthening core instructional capacity while adapting to sustained increases in student demand across all programs.

Department Chair: Dr. Jaclyn Bunch

Associate Professors: Dr. Jaclyn Bunch, Dr. Scott Liebertz, Dr. Corina Schulze, Dr. Thomas Shaw

Assistant Professors: Dr. Dalten Fox, Dr. Katherine Meeker, Dr. Nathan Micatka, Dr. Soohyun Park, Dr. Alexis Rockwell, Dr. Xiaohong Wang, Dr. Kuan-Sheng Wu

Instructor: Dr. Jeffrey Rush

Secretary: Mrs. Camille Wilson

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We were pleased to successfully fill two critical tenure-track lines that had previously represented areas of vulnerability within the department. **Dr. Nate Micatka** joined the department, filling the line vacated by **Dr. Philip Habel,** and brings a strong research and teaching portfolio in political behavior and public policy. Additionally, **Dr. Soohyun Park** was hired to fill a line that had been temporarily supported through a one-year-only appointment following a previously unsuccessful search to replace **Dr. Fisher.** Dr. Park's expertise in public management and organizational behavior strengthens both the MPA program and broader departmental offerings.

Despite these successful hires, the department faced continued staffing challenges. A national search for a one-year-only Criminal Justice Assistant Professor of Instruction was unsuccessful, reflecting broader market constraints in recruiting qualified candidates in high-demand applied fields. As a result, the department relied heavily on strategic adjunct hiring to ensure continuity of instruction and maintain course availability for students.

This need was particularly pronounced given the sustained and rapid growth of the Criminal Justice program across both traditional and online modalities, which now exceed the department's previous historic enrollment peak in 2009. To meet this demand, the department onboarded a number of highly qualified part-time faculty who bring both academic and practitioner expertise into the classroom, including:

- **Dr. Peak** (Criminal Justice and Emergency Management)
- **Dr. Smith** (Criminal Forensics)
- **Dr. Arnett** (Armed Conflict/ Security Studies)

These adjunct faculty joined existing and new instructional contributors supporting Political Science and Public Administration, including **Mrs. Douglas, Dr. Hall,** and **Dr. Washington,** whose efforts have been critical in sustaining course offerings amid growing enrollment pressures and expanding MPA program needs. Additionally, we welcomed **Ms. Scanland,** who also plays a key role in the development and co-launch of the Research and Grants Management certificate program.

Collectively, these transitions reflect both the department's resilience and its strategic responsiveness. While successful tenure-track hires have strengthened long-term capacity, the continued reliance on part-time faculty underscores the need for additional permanent lines to sustain program quality, support student success, and align staffing with the scale and trajectory of departmental growth.

CURRICULAR INNOVATION & PROGRAM GROWTH

During the 2025–2026 academic year, the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice continued to advance a bold, student-centered agenda of curricular innovation and program expansion. Building on the momentum of the previous year, the department further aligned its academic offerings with workforce demand, interdisciplinary collaboration, and flexible delivery models that increase access and student success.

The Criminal Justice program—across both traditional and online modalities—continued its rapid expansion, ***now exceeding the department's previous historic enrollment peak in 2009***. This sustained growth reflects both increased student demand and the success of strategic program delivery, particularly in online and HyFlex formats. ***As enrollment pressures intensify, the department has prioritized course accessibility, instructional coverage, and student progression through the major.***

The CJ Online (ONLN) program remains a central driver of this growth, with enrollment continuing to climb and approach critical mass for long-term program sustainability. In response, the department has expanded HyFlex course offerings, refined course rotations, and strengthened advising structures to better support fully online students. These efforts ensure that online learners receive the same level of engagement, rigor, and access as their on-campus peers.

The ***Master of Public Administration (MPA)*** program continues to serve as a cornerstone of departmental growth and innovation, with strong enrollment, expanded curricular pathways, and increased interdisciplinary integration. The ***Criminal Justice concentration*** has now completed its early implementation phase and continues to demonstrate strong enrollment demand, reinforcing its role as a key component of the program's future growth. The program made significant progress in expanding its portfolio of academic programs, with multiple new offerings advancing through approval and implementation stages in alignment with workforce demand and student interest:

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- The ***Law, Ethics, and Leadership concentration*** received approval from the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) and was successfully implemented in Fall 2025. This concentration strengthens the department's offerings at the intersection of governance, law, and public service, providing students with a structured pathway into legal, regulatory, and leadership careers.
- The MPA program's flexible delivery model, across traditional, HyFlex, and online modalities, continues to differentiate it regionally and supports a diverse student population, including working professionals, military-affiliated students, and adult learners.

The ***Accelerated Bachelor's to Master's (ABM)*** program gained meaningful traction during the 2025–2026 academic year, with continued growth in student participation and pipeline development. The program remains a key recruitment and retention tool, allowing high-achieving undergraduate students to transition seamlessly into graduate education while reducing both time and cost to degree completion.

The department continues to build a comprehensive and scalable program pipeline designed to support ***stackable credentials*** and multiple entry points into public service careers:

- A ***Certificate in Research and Grants Administration*** is currently progressing through the approval process and is scheduled to be presented at the September ACHE meeting, with implementation anticipated for Spring 2027. This certificate responds directly to workforce needs in grant writing, program evaluation, and research administration across public, nonprofit, and healthcare sectors.
- Following certificate approval, the department will advance the development of a Res***earch and Grants Administration minor*** at the undergraduate level and a graduate concentration within the MPA program, creating a fully integrated academic pathway in this high-demand area.

Additional interdisciplinary programs are actively in development and will move through approval processes in the coming academic year:

- A ***minor, certificate, and graduate concentration in Environmental Policy and Emergency Management***, further expanding the department's footprint in sustainability, disaster preparedness, and intergovernmental coordination.
- Undergraduate ***minors in Public Policy, Pre-Law, and Public Administration***, designed to broaden access to career pathways and support students across multiple majors seeking applied policy and governance training are all in development and will be seeking approvals this coming year.

The department is also advancing new initiatives focused on community impact and applied learning:

- A ***Certificate in Victim Advocacy*** is currently in development and has received support through a LevelUp Program Accelerator grant. This program is designed to connect academic training with community-based services, preparing students for careers in victim services, nonprofit advocacy, and justice system support roles
- The department also made significant progress in developing new programmatic initiatives that will shape its future trajectory. These include the co-development and launch planning of a ***Research and Grants Management certificate program***, which aligns with growing demand for grant writing, program evaluation, and administrative capacity across public and nonprofit sectors. This initiative reflects a strategic effort to build stackable credentials and expand career pathways for students across majors.

Collectively, these efforts demonstrate the department's continued commitment to innovation, access, and workforce alignment. By expanding program offerings, strengthening delivery models, and investing in forward-looking curriculum development, the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice is positioning itself as a regional leader in public service education while preparing students to succeed in an increasingly complex and evolving professional landscape.

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NEW COURSES & INSTRUCTIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

The department continued to expand its curriculum through the introduction of new and highly relevant courses that reflect evolving workforce needs, emerging policy challenges, and innovative pedagogical approaches. These additions strengthen both undergraduate and graduate offerings while reinforcing the department's commitment to applied learning, career readiness, and interdisciplinary education:

- ***The Policy Process*** and ***U.S. Social Policy*** equip students with critical thinking, policy analysis, and systems-level reasoning skills, preparing them for careers in government, public affairs, and policy advocacy
- ***Criminal Justice Policy Evaluation*** and ***Police Culture*** develop analytical, ethical reasoning, and data literacy competencies, enabling students to assess institutional performance and contribute to evidence-based reform in justice systems
- ***Health Service Research*** builds quantitative reasoning, research design, and applied problem-solving skills, directly supporting careers in healthcare administration, public health, and policy analysis
- ***Emergency Management*** strengthens decision-making, leadership, and crisis response competencies, aligning with career pathways in disaster preparedness, public safety, and intergovernmental coordination
- ***Forensic Testimony*** enhances communication, professionalism, and applied legal knowledge, preparing students for roles that require expert analysis and courtroom or investigative engagement
- ***Human Performance Improvement*** develops organizational analysis, strategic thinking, and performance management skills, applicable across public, nonprofit, and private sector leadership roles
- ***Fundamentals of Research Administration & Grants Management*** and ***Nonprofit Management*** cultivate project management, financial literacy, grant writing, and stakeholder engagement competencies, directly aligned with high-demand roles in research administration, nonprofit leadership, and public sector funding environments
- ***Advanced Study: International Relations*** advances global awareness, analytical reasoning, and diplomatic communication skills, supporting careers in international affairs, security studies, and global policy
- ***Gaming and Politics*** continues to serve as an innovative honors seminar, integrating experiential learning, teamwork, and strategic decision-making. Through simulation and applied theory, students develop leadership, adaptability, and complex problem-solving skills in dynamic environments

These courses reflect a deliberate shift toward a curriculum that is both intellectually rigorous and professionally aligned. By embedding competencies such as critical thinking, communication, teamwork, data analysis, and leadership across course offerings, the department ensures that students graduate not only with disciplinary knowledge, but with the practical skills and applied experiences necessary to succeed in competitive and evolving career fields.

SIGNIFICANT ENGAGEMENTS & AWARDS

The Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice continued to demonstrate a strong culture of faculty-student collaboration and undergraduate research engagement. Faculty mentored more than 30 undergraduate and graduate students on projects spanning public policy, judicial behavior, environmental governance, political socialization, healthcare administration, criminal justice reform, and international relations. These collaborations resulted in conference presentations, honors theses, research papers, and ongoing publication efforts, reinforcing the department's commitment to experiential learning and scholarly mentorship.

Several students presented research at professional conferences or advanced significant independent projects during the academic year. Undergraduate and graduate students participated in faculty-led research on topics such as political influence on judicial opinion, racial disparities in policing, environmental governance, foster care and criminality, public opinion and abortion policy, and the durability of educational systems under conflict conditions. Students also contributed to applied healthcare and public administration research through thesis development, survey research, and data analysis initiatives.

The department awarded approximately $9,900 in departmental scholarships to outstanding undergraduate and graduate students during the 2025–2026 academic year. These scholarships recognized excellence in Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Public Administration while supporting student retention, academic achievement, and professional development.

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Faculty continued to receive recognition for scholarly excellence, professional leadership, and public engagement. **Dr. Scott Liebertz** continued his national leadership role within the Southwestern Political Science Association as Past President, while faculty across the department served as invited manuscript reviewers and editorial board members for leading journals in political science, criminal justice, public administration, healthcare policy, and policing studies.

Department faculty maintained a significant commitment to civic and professional engagement, collectively contributing more than 150 hours of professionally related community service and an additional 75 hours of civic service during the academic year. Faculty supported community organizations, professional associations, media outreach, public education initiatives, and policy-related engagement activities throughout the region and beyond.

The department also continued to expand opportunities for students to engage in applied and career-focused experiences. Faculty supported honors theses, graduate capstone projects, conference participation, and collaborative research opportunities that connected classroom learning to real-world policy, governance, justice, and nonprofit challenges. These experiences remain central to the department's mission of preparing students for leadership and service across public, nonprofit, legal, and research-oriented professions.

SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS BY FACULTY MEMBER

Dr. Jaclyn Bunch continued to demonstrate significant interdisciplinary scholarly productivity, public engagement, and institutional leadership throughout the 2025–2026 academic year. As Chair of the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice, Associate Director of the USA Survey Research Center, and Co-Director of the Center for Public Policy, she helped secure and manage multiple externally funded research initiatives supporting healthcare, neuroscience, and public policy research. These included Community Health Needs Assessments for USA Health and Infirmary Health, collaborative research on minimally invasive spine procedures and patient perceptions of surgical care, and ongoing survey research supporting regional healthcare stakeholders. Her scholarship increasingly bridges public administration, healthcare governance, emergency response systems, and public opinion. During the year, she presented original research at the Southern Political Science Association examining increases in obstetric-related 911 emergencies following the Dobbs decision and presented nationally at both the Congress of Neurological Surgeons and the Council of State Neurosurgical Societies on patient perceptions of non-specialist spine surgery and minimally invasive spinal procedures.

In addition to her scholarly activity, **Dr. Bunch** expanded the department's public-facing engagement through a continuing Politics and Media lecture series and invited presentations focused on healthcare access, media literacy, and political information processing. She also served as an invited manuscript reviewer for journals spanning healthcare policy, ethics, policing, and political science, including *Political Research Quarterly*, *Health Care Analysis*, *Business Ethics, the Environment & Responsibility*, and *Baylor University Medical Center Proceedings*. Beyond research and service, Dr. Bunch continued to lead major curricular and programmatic initiatives within the department, including implementation of the Law, Ethics, and Leadership concentration, development of the Research and Grants Administration certificate pipeline, expansion of HyFlex instruction, and advancement of interdisciplinary public service programming. Her leadership has played a central role in positioning the department for sustained enrollment growth, expanded graduate offerings, and increased regional impact.

Dr. Dalten Fox continued to strengthen the department's profile in public administration, environmental governance, and policy scholarship throughout the 2025–2026 academic year. His research focused on collaborative governance, political identity, and public engagement, culminating in a peer-reviewed publication in *Administrative Theory & Praxis* examining strategic framing, participatory storytelling, and equity implementation in divisive political environments. He also presented original research at the Southern Political Science Association exploring narrative policy learning and coalition-building through the Owyhee Initiative, further advancing his work at the intersection of environmental governance and public administration.

In addition to his scholarly contributions, **Dr. Fox** played a significant role in the continued expansion of the MPA program and the department's interdisciplinary

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curriculum initiatives. He contributed to the development of Environmental Policy and Emergency Management programming as well as the emerging Research and Grants Administration initiatives, while also supporting externally funded Community Health Needs Assessment research projects. Dr. Fox remained actively engaged in student mentorship, advising undergraduate and graduate research on topics including environmental politics, religion and environmentalism, judicial behavior, and public opinion. His growing role within the department reflects both strong scholarly momentum and a commitment to applied, student-centered public service education.

Dr. Scott Liebertz maintained a highly active year of research, mentorship, and professional leadership during the 2025–2026 academic year. He co-authored a peer-reviewed publication in *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law, and Society* examining perceptions of defendant culpability and prosecutor gender, continuing a strong pattern of faculty-student scholarly collaboration. He also presented research at the Southwestern Social Science Association conference examining comparative political leadership in Bangladesh and remained deeply engaged in national disciplinary service through manuscript review work for journals including *Political Behavior, Perspectives on Politics, Policing and Society,* and *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health.*

Beyond his scholarly activity, **Dr. Liebertz** continued to play a major role in student mentorship and professional leadership within the discipline. As Past President of the Southwestern Political Science Association, he remains a visible contributor to the broader political science community while continuing to mentor undergraduate and graduate students on research related to immigration, foster care policy, religion and politics, comparative leadership, and political behavior. He also contributed to departmental teaching innovation initiatives, including presentations on HyFlex instruction and student success strategies, reinforcing the department's commitment to accessible, high-impact learning environments.

Dr. Nathan Micatka had an exceptionally productive first year in the department, quickly establishing himself as a strong scholar in political behavior, public policy, and political participation. During the 2025–2026 academic year, he authored or co-authored multiple peer-reviewed publications in leading journals including *Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Policy Studies Journal, PLOS One,* and *Social Science Quarterly.* His research examined voter turnout, adolescent political socialization, institutional trust, ranked-choice voting, welfare participation, and long-term political engagement, contributing meaningful scholarship to the fields of political behavior and public policy.

Dr. Micatka also maintained an active conference and mentorship profile, presenting research at both the Southern Political Science Association and Midwest Political Science Association conferences. In addition, he served as a manuscript reviewer on projects related to political violence, disability and representation, and youth political attitudes. Within the department, he actively mentored undergraduate and graduate students on projects related to public opinion, media effects, abortion policy, and political socialization, while strengthening the department's methodological and quantitative research capacity through both scholarship and instruction.

Dr. Katherine Meeker continued to build a strong scholarly portfolio centered on trauma-informed justice systems, victim advocacy, and gender-based violence research during the 2025–2026 academic year. She published research in both the *Journal of Criminal Justice* and the *Journal of Crime and Justice,* focusing on sexual assault, focal concerns theory, and bystander intervention. In addition, she presented research at the American Society of Criminology examining trauma-informed victim service collaborations and community-academic partnerships designed to improve support systems for victims and survivors.

Beyond her scholarly work, **Dr. Meeker** played a significant role in curriculum and program development within the department. She helped lead the development of the proposed Certificate in Victim Advocacy, which received support through a LevelUp Program Accelerator grant, and continued advancing professionalization and career-readiness initiatives within the Criminal Justice curriculum. Dr. Meeker also remained deeply engaged in undergraduate mentorship, supporting numerous student research projects focused on gender, victimization, abuse, and public perceptions of consent and power within justice systems.

Dr. Soohyun Park contributed meaningful scholarship in public administration and organizational behavior

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during her first year in the department. Her co-authored publication in *Public Management Review* examined street-level discretion, organizational behavior, and the structural dynamics shaping public sector decision-making. Her research contributes to broader conversations surrounding public management, organizational performance, and administrative behavior within complex institutional environments.

In addition to her publication activity, **Dr. Park** presented research at the American Society for Public Administration conference examining the relationship between task uncertainty, red tape, and employee performance in public organizations. She also served as an invited reviewer for both *Public Management Review* and the Academy of Management, contributing to national scholarly conversations in management and public administration. Beyond her research contributions, Dr. Park has supported the continued growth of the MPA program through teaching, curriculum support, and engagement with the department's expanding public administration initiatives.

Dr. Alexis Rockwell continued to excel in applied criminal justice research, grant leadership, and student mentorship throughout the 2025–2026 academic year. She remains Co-Principal Investigator on the $500,000 National Institute of Justice-funded CIT-NET initiative, which focuses on crisis intervention and mental health response training within law enforcement settings. During the year, she co-authored research examining bystander intervention and student safety needs, contributed to technical reports focused on policing and organizational assessment, and presented scholarship at the American Society of Criminology conference. She also maintained active scholarly service as a reviewer for multiple policing and criminal justice journals.

In addition to her research contributions, **Dr. Rockwell** continued to play a central role in departmental innovation and student engagement. She contributed to the expansion of HyFlex instruction and online learning initiatives while mentoring undergraduate and graduate students on projects related to procedural justice, mental health and justice systems, body-worn camera policies, and education systems under conflict conditions. Her work continues to bridge academic research, public policy, and applied criminal justice practice, strengthening both the department's research profile and its commitment to experiential learning.

Dr. Jeffrey Rush continued to bring extensive practitioner expertise and national engagement into both scholarship and instruction during the 2025–2026 academic year. He contributed a peer-reviewed book chapter on police systems in Virginia and remained highly active in professional training and conference participation, presenting on topics including human trafficking, officer wellness, online criminal justice education, and contemporary policing culture. His presentations at the Southern Criminal Justice Association and Federal Law Enforcement Training Center highlighted his continued leadership in applied criminal justice practice and professional development.

In addition to his professional contributions, **Dr. Rush** continued to strengthen the department's experiential and career-focused curriculum through practitioner-centered instruction and mentorship. His work in online teaching innovation, coupled with his real-world law enforcement experience, provides students with direct exposure to contemporary challenges in policing, investigations, and justice administration. He also remained actively engaged in mentoring students and supporting departmental initiatives designed to connect classroom learning with professional application and workforce readiness.

Dr. Corina Schulze continued advancing her research at the intersection of gender, punishment, and the criminal legal system during the 2025–2026 academic year. Her scholarship focused on death penalty outcomes, gender bias, and comparative sentencing analysis, including publicly available research through the Women's Executions Project examining how gender shapes death sentence outcomes. She also collaborated on research examining mayoral partisanship and the appointment of women police chiefs, presenting this work at the Southern Political Science Association conference.

In addition to her scholarly activity, **Dr. Schulze** remained deeply engaged in student mentorship and public-facing scholarship. She supported multiple honors theses and undergraduate research projects examining intersectionality, victimhood, judicial opinion, and gender dynamics within criminal justice systems. Her continued work in areas

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related to equity, advocacy, and representation strengthens both the department's research profile and its commitment to socially engaged scholarship and student development.

Dr. Charles K. S. Wu continued to distinguish himself as one of the department's most internationally engaged and prolific scholars during the 2025–2026 academic year. His peer-reviewed publications examined public opinion, defense resilience, strategic signaling, and East Asian geopolitics, with work appearing in *Global Studies Quarterly* and the *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs*. His scholarship explored topics including casualty sensitivity, self-defense willingness in Taiwan, and how the Russo-Ukrainian War shaped public perceptions of presidential performance and democratic resilience. In addition to his academic publications, Dr. Wu contributed influential public scholarship through *The Diplomat* and *East Asia Forum*, publishing analyses on geopolitical stability, social media transparency, constitutional governance, and defense resilience within U.S.-Taiwan-China relations. Collectively, his work continues to position both Dr. Wu and the department within significant international policy and security conversations.

Dr. Wu also maintained an extensive national and international conference presence, presenting research at the American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, and Southern Political Science Association, as well as international forums examining trilateral U.S.-Taiwan-China relations and Indo-Pacific security. His presentations explored alliance credibility, wartime resilience, urgency and self-defense behavior, and the broader implications of strategic signaling in East Asia. Beyond his research and presentations, Dr. Wu remained actively engaged in professional service through editorial and manuscript review work for *SAGE Open*, *Global Studies Quarterly*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, and *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*. He also continued mentoring students interested in comparative politics, foreign policy, and international affairs, further strengthening the department's global and comparative politics profile.

Dr. Xiaohong Wang continued to strengthen the department's research profile in comparative politics, race and representation, and public policy during the 2025–2026 academic year. Her scholarship focused on racial disparities in policing, political representation, and identity politics, with ongoing research examining how racial representation in local government influences policing outcomes. This work was presented at both the American Economic Association and Southern Economic Association conferences and is currently under revise-and-resubmit review at *The Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*. She also collaborated on research examining mayoral partisanship and the appointment of women police chiefs, presenting these findings at the Southern Political Science Association conference.

In addition to her research activity, **Dr. Wang** contributed substantially to the department's growing emphasis on data-driven policy analysis and comparative political research. She served on the editorial board for the Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms, and Optimization (EAAMO) conference and reviewed scholarship related to civilian oversight and police legitimacy for *PNAS*. Dr. Wang also remained actively engaged in student mentorship and curriculum development, supporting undergraduate research and helping advance coursework focused on public policy, political behavior, and analytical methods. Her work continues to strengthen the department's interdisciplinary approach to governance, equity, and institutional analysis.

Dr. Thomas Shaw continued to provide substantial leadership in applied research, survey methodology, and public policy analysis during the 2025–2026 academic year as Director of the USA Survey Research Center. Alongside collaborative work with Dr. Jaclyn Bunch and other faculty, he secured and managed multiple externally funded healthcare and public policy initiatives, including Community Health Needs Assessments for USA Health and Infirmary Health as well as neuroscience and healthcare perception research projects. His work continues to strengthen the department's role as a regional leader in survey research, applied policy analysis, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

Dr. Shaw also remained highly active in scholarship and student mentorship. He co-presented nationally at both the Congress of Neurological Surgeons and the Council of State Neurosurgical Societies on patient perceptions of spine surgery and minimally invasive procedures. In addition, he mentored graduate student research across

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healthcare administration, ethics, emergency services, political behavior, and international education systems, supporting the department's strong culture of applied and student-centered research. Through his continued leadership of the Survey Research Center and collaborative research infrastructure, Dr. Shaw remains central to the department's research productivity, graduate education, and external engagement efforts.

LOOKING FORWARD

As the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice prepares for the 2026–2027 academic year, we do so with strong momentum, sustained enrollment growth, and an increasingly ambitious vision for the future of public service education at the University of South Alabama. Building on continued expansion within both the Criminal Justice and MPA programs, the department remains focused on increasing access, strengthening interdisciplinary collaboration, and developing professionally aligned pathways that respond directly to workforce and community needs.

The coming year will represent a major phase of implementation and program development. Following successful launch and approval of the Law, Ethics, and Leadership concentration and the Environmental Policy and Emergency Management track, the department will continue advancing a broad portfolio of new academic initiatives. A Certificate in Research and Grants Administration is scheduled for ACHE review in September, with implementation anticipated for Spring 2027, followed by the development of corresponding undergraduate and graduate pathways. Additional minors in Public Policy, Public Administration, and Pre-Law, along with expanded Environmental Policy and Emergency Management programming and a proposed Certificate in Victim Advocacy, will continue moving through development and approval processes. Collectively, these initiatives position the department to offer a robust ecosystem of stackable credentials and interdisciplinary opportunities that support both enrollment growth and regional workforce demand. Our Accelerated Bachelor's to Master's (ABM) program also continues to gain traction as an important recruitment and retention mechanism for high-achieving students interested in careers in government, public policy, criminal justice, healthcare administration, and nonprofit leadership. As more students transition into graduate coursework, the department remains committed to building clear, affordable, and accelerated pathways into advanced public service education.

At the same time, continued enrollment growth has intensified the need for additional full-time faculty capacity, particularly within Public Administration and Criminal Justice. While the department has successfully expanded offerings through HyFlex instruction, online delivery, and strategic adjunct support, long-term sustainability and accreditation stability will require additional tenure-track investment. The department remains committed to strategic growth that balances innovation with instructional quality, student support, and faculty mentorship.

Finally, we look forward to continuing to expand faculty research productivity, external funding activity, and community engagement efforts. Through collaborative research initiatives, public-facing programming, applied learning opportunities, and continued curricular innovation, the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice is well-positioned to continue serving as a regional leader in interdisciplinary public service education, policy engagement, and student success.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. DALTEN FOX

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DR. SCOTT LIEBERTZ

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DR. KATHERINE MEEKER

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DR. NATHAN MICATKA

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Donovan, T., **Micatka, N. K.,** Tolbert, C. (2025). Can nonpartisan primaries boost turnout and lessen demographic disparities? *PLOS One.* https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0335840

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DR. SOOHYUN PARK

Choi, H., **Park, S.,** Lee, S. (2025). Unpacking street-level discretion: a systematic review of its conceptualizations, antecedents and consequences. *Public Management Review*, 1-25. https://doi.org/10.1080/14719037.2025.2559852

DR. ALEXIS ROCKWELL

Meeker, K. A., **Rockwell, A. R.,** Buettner, D. E. Perceptions of peers: An alternative examination of bystander interventions. *Journal of Crime and Justice.*

DR. XIAOHONG WANG

Wang, X. Racial Representation in Local Government and Racial Disparities in Policing. Revise & Resubmit at *The Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization.*
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DR. KUAN-SHENG WU

Wu, K.-S., Yeh, Y.-Y., Weng, T.-W. (2025). Dying to Win? Casualty Sensitivity, Partnership, and Willingness for Self-Defense in Taiwan. *Global Studies Quarterly, 5*(3).

Wu, K.-S., Lin, H.-Y., Yeh, Y.-Y. (2025). The Ripple Effect: How the Russo–Ukrainian War Shaped Public Perception of Presidential Performance in Taiwan. *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs 12*(2), 268-283.

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. JEFFREY RUSH

Rush, J.P., *Police Systems in Virginia* (with Jerry Steckmeister) in *Virginia's Criminal Justice System* (2026), Carolina Academic Press.

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

DR. ALEXIS ROCKWELL

Technical Report (Published)

Rockwell, A. R., Meeker, K. A. (2025). *Mobile Police Department's Physical Fitness Score Comparisons.* University of South Alabama's Center for Public Policy.

Broadcast Media (Published)

Rockwell, A. R., McFarland, A. (2025). *Criminal justice expert weighs in on Prichard police bat incident*. Mobile, AL: WKRG News 5. https://www.wkrg.com/mobile-county/criminal-justice-expert-weighs-in-on-prichard-police-bat-incident/

DR. CORINA SCHULZE

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Schulze, C. S. (2025). Predicting death sentence outcomes from a comparative sample of men and women: Accounting for gender in quantitative studies. *The Women's Executions Project*.

DR. KUAN-SHENG WU

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Wang, Austin Horng-En, Yao-Yuan Yeh, **Charles K. S. Wu,** and Fang-Yu Chen. 2026. "How Social Media Transparency Strengthens Geopolitical Stability in East Asia." The Diplomat, January 8. https://thediplomat.com/2026/01/how-social-media-transparency-strengthens-geopolitical-stability-in-east-asia/

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. JACLYN BUNCH

Bunch, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Baylor University Medical Center Proceedings". Academic. (2025 - 2026).

Bunch, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Business Ethics, the Environment & Responsibility". Academic. (2025 - 2026).

Bunch, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Health Care Analysis". Academic. (2025 - 2026).

Bunch, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "International Journal of Police Science and Management". Academic. (2025 - 2026).

Bunch, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Political Research Quarterly". Academic. (2025 - 2026).

DR. DALTEN FOX

Fox, D. W. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "What influences Participation in Coastal Governance? Exploring the Impact of Political Identity and Trust.", Coastal Management Journal. Academic. (February 1, 2026 - February 7, 2026).

DR. SCOTT LIEBERTZ

Liebertz, S. S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "The Causes of Opposition to Teaching About Racism", Political Behavior. (February 2026 - March 2026).

Liebertz, S. S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "American Public Support for Higher Education in the Trump Era", Perspectives on Politics. (January 2026 - March 2026).

Liebertz, S. S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Promoting or Undermining Police Legitimacy: The Influence of Cultural and Spiritual Leaders in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia", Policing and Society. Academic. (January 2026 - February 2026).

Liebertz, S. S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Sources that Informed Abortion Attitudes in a Diverse Sample of Adults in the United States", Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health. Academic. (November 2025 - December 2025).

Liebertz, S. S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Rewards, Sanctions, and Trust in the Police: Evidence from Field and Survey Experiments in Colombia", Policing and Society. Academic. (July 2025 - August 2025).

DR. SOOHYUN PARK

Park, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Government Responsiveness and Citizens' Coproduction Willingness", Public Management Review. Academic. (January 25, 2026).

DR. ALEXIS ROCKWELL

Rockwell, A. R. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Cultural and institutional barriers to mental health support for police officers in the United Kingdom", Police Practice and Research: An International Journal. Academic. (October 20, 2025).

Rockwell, A. R. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Moral Injury, Posttraumatic Stress, and Resilience among Law Enforcement Professionals in Wisconsin", Police Practice and Research: An International Journal. Academic. (September 3, 2025).

Rockwell, A. R. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Policing and Religion: A Scoping Review", Police Practice and Research: An International Journal. Academic. (September 3, 2025).

Rockwell, A. R. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Echoes of Silence: How police officers make sense of sexual harassment and the implications for individuals and organizations", Policing: an International Journal. Academic. (May 22, 2025 - July 1, 2025).

Rockwell, A. R. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Barriers to engaging with mental health support for police officers in the United Kingdom", Police Practice and Research: An International Journal. Academic. (May 6, 2025).

DR. XIAOHONG WANG

Wang, X. Editorial Board Member, "Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms, and Optimization 2025 conference", EAAMO. Academic. (May 1, 2025 - October 1, 2025).

DR. KUAN-SHENG WU

Wu, K.-S. Editorial Board Member, "Sage Open". (2024 - Present).

ABSTRACTS

DR. JACLYN BUNCH

Bunch, J. A., Shaw, T. C., Menger, R. P. (2025). *Patients Feel Misled About Non-Surgeons Performing Spine Surgery* (vol. 72, pp. 251). Neurosurgery.

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DR. THOMAS SHAW

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DR. KATHERINE MEEKER

Meeker, K. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Effects of trauma informed interview training for police and sexual assault investigators on knowledge and behavior: A randomized experiment using standardized actors.", Journal of Experimental Criminology. Academic. (October 2025 - November 2025).

Meeker, K. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Elderly Caregiving-Related Homicides committed by Family Caregivers and Other Relatives in Japan", International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice. Academic. (September 2025 - October 2025).

DR. NATHAN MICATKA

Micatka, N. K. Manuscript Reviewer, "Meeting Students Where They Are: A Field Experiment of Classroom Interventions for Voter Turnout among College Students." (January 5, 2026).

Micatka, N. K. Manuscript Reviewer, "Trends and Associations between Preferred Institutional Influence, Expectations and Emotional Outcomes among Adolescents in the US: Results from Monitoring the Future." (December 2025).

Micatka, N. K. Manuscript Reviewer, "Ableism at the Ballot Box? Disabled Candidates in an Open-list PR System." (November 2025 - December 2025).

Micatka, N. K. Manuscript Reviewer, "Trends and Associations between Preferred Institutional Influence, Expectations and Emotional Outcomes among Adolescents in the US: Results from Monitoring the Future." (August 2025).

Micatka, N. K. Manuscript Reviewer, "Does Inflammatory Rhetoric Boost Support for Political Violence? Considering the Role of Geographic Context." (July 2025).

DR. SOOHYUN PARK

Park, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Cognitive Versatility in Scenario Planning: Discovering the Structural Mechanisms of Team Sensemaking under Uncertainty", Academy of Management. Academic. (February 13, 2026).

Park, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Employee Capabilities as Drivers of Intrapreneurial Behavior and Innovation: Evidence from a Public-Sector Entrepreneurial Ecosystem", Academy of Management. Academic. (February 13, 2026).

Park, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "More than Just a Tool: How Leader Humor Mitigates Leader-Directed Objectification to Sustain Employees' Leadership Aspirations", Academy of Management. Academic. (February 13, 2026).

Park, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Temporary Organizations and Disasters: Examining Affective Commitment among Military Firefighters", Academy of Management. Academic. (February 13, 2026).

Park, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "The Organizational Demography of the US Public Sector, 2002-2022", Academy of Management. Academic. (February 13, 2026).

Park, S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Thinking Resilience: A New Construct And its Application In Management", Academy of Management. Academic. (February 13, 2026).

DR. XIAOHONG WANG

Wang, X. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Does Civilian Oversight Impact Police Legitimacy?", PNAS. Academic. (February 24, 2025 - September 30, 2026).

DR. KUAN-SHENG WU

Wu, K.-S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Advances in Psychological Science Open". (2025 - Present).

Wu, K.-S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Conflict Management and Peace Science". (2025 - Present).

Wu, K.-S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Global Studies Quarterly". (2025 - Present).

Wu, K.-S. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Humanities and Social Sciences Communications". (2025 - Present).

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. JACLYN BUNCH

Shaw, T. C. (Co-Principal), **Bunch, J. A.** (Co-Principal), "Deep Brain Stimulation Survey," Sponsored by USA - Neurosurgery, $6,699.00. (May 2026 - Present).

Shaw, T. C. (Co-Principal), **Bunch, J. A.** (Co-Principal), Fox, D. W. (Supporting), "Community Health Needs Assessment - USA Health," Sponsored by Infirmary Health, External to the University, $32,292.00. (February 2026 - Present).

Shaw, T. C. (Co-Principal), **Bunch, J. A.** (Co-Principal), Fox, D. W. (Supporting), "Community Health Needs Assessment - Infirmary," Sponsored by Infirmary Health, External to the University, $32,292.00. (February 2025 - Present).

Bunch, J. A., Liebertz, S. S., Shaw, T. C., Fox, D. W., "LevelUp Program Accelerator," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, $5,000.00. (August 2025 - May 2026).

Bunch, J. A. and Shaw, T.C. “Minimally Invasive Spinal Procedures”, Sponsored by the CSNS, $10,000 (August 2025 – May 2026)

DR. SCOTT LIEBERTZ

Liebertz, S. S., "Second Year Experience Data Analysis Faculty Fellow," Sponsored by Office of Student Academic Success, Internal to the University, $7,000.00. (May 2025 - September 2025).

Liebertz, S. S., "Second Year Experience Student Mentor Faculty Fellow," Sponsored by Office of Student Academic Success, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (May 2025 - September 2025).

DR. KATHERINE MEEKER

Meeker, K. A., Rockwell, A. R., "Bridging Academia and Advocacy: Victim Service Agencies' and Student Perspectives on Developing a University-Based Victim Studies Certificate," Sponsored by LevelUp 2025 LevelUP Program Accelerator, Internal to the University, $5,000.00. (August 2025 - February 2027).

DR. ALEXIS ROCKWELL

Rockwell, A. R. (Principal), Stefurak, J. R. (Co-Principal), "Critical Incident Training (CIT-NET)," Sponsored by National Institute of Justice, Internal to the University, $500,000.00. (August 2022 - Present).

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Bunch, J. A. (Co-Principal), **Shaw, T. C.** (Principal), "1974 Campaign," Sponsored by Office of Alumni Relations, External to the University, $4,681.68. (2019 - Present).

Bunch, J. A. (Co-Principal), **Shaw, T. C.** (Principal), "Title IX Campus Climate Sexual Victimization Survey, Year 6," External to the University, $1,800.00. (2019 - Present).

Bunch, J. A. (Principal), **Shaw, T. C.** (Co-Principal), "United Way / Airbus Flying Challenge Evaluation Year 5," External to the University, $4,269.63. (2019 - Present).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. JACLYN BUNCH

Bunch, J. A., Legacy Leadership, "Health Care and the Hidden Politics of Access: What Older Adults in Alabama Need to Know," Center for Generational Studies, Mobile, AL. (March 24, 2026).

Bunch, J. A., Educational Service Series, "Seeing Clearly in a Noisy World: Media Bias, Trust, and How We Process Information," Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Mobile, Mobile, AL. (February 8, 2026).

Bunch, J. A. (Author & Presenter), Southern Political Science Association, "Increase in Obstetric-Related 911 Emergencies After the Supreme Court Dobbs Decision," SPSA, New Orleans. (January 2026).

Bunch, J. A., Politics and Media Lecture Series, Center for Continuing Education, Mobile, AL. (December 2025).

Bunch, J. A., Politics and Media Lecture Series, Center for Continuing Education, Mobile, AL. (November 2025).

Bunch, J. A. (Author & Presenter), Shaw, T. C. (Author & Presenter), Menger, R. P. (Author & Presenter), Congress of Neurological Surgeons, "Patients Feel Misled About Non-Surgeons Performing Spine Surgery," CNS, Los Angeles. (October 2025).

Bunch, J. A. (Author & Presenter), Shaw, T. C. (Author & Presenter), Menger, R. P. (Author & Presenter), Congress of Neurological Surgeons, "What Do Patients Think About Non-spine Surgeons Performing Spine Surgery? And Do They Care?," CNS, Los Angeles. (October 2025).

Bunch, J. A. (Author & Presenter), Shaw, T. C. (Author & Presenter), Menger, R. P. (Author & Presenter), Council of State Neurosurgical Societies, "Patients Feel Misled About Non-Surgeons Performing Spine Surgery," CSNS, Los Angeles. (October 2025).

Bunch, J. A., Politics and Media Lecture Series, Center for Continuing Education, Mobile, AL. (October 2025).

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Bunch, J. A. (Leader), Shaw, T. C. (Panelist), Rockwell, A. R. (Panelist), Rush, J. P. (Panelist), Liebertz, S. S. (Panelist), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Empowering Student Success Through HyFlex Instruction: Lessons from the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice," Innovation Learning Center, Mobile, AL. (May 14, 2025).

DR. DALTEN FOX

Fox, D. W. (Author & Presenter), Southern Political Science Association 2026 Conference, "Exploring Narrative Policy Learning in Unlikely Alliances: The Case of the Owyhee Initiative," SPSA, New Orleans, LA. (January 2026).

DR. SCOTT LIEBERTZ

Liebertz, S. S. (Author & Presenter), Southwestern Social Science Association Conference, "Khaleda Zia and Sheikh Hasina Wajed: A Brief Comparison of Bangladesh's Two Female Prime Ministers," Southwestern Social Science Association, Nashville, TN. (April 4, 2026).

Bunch, J. A. (Leader), Shaw, T. C. (Panelist), Rockwell, A. R. (Panelist), Rush, J. P. (Panelist), **Liebertz, S. S.** (Panelist), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Empowering Student Success Through HyFlex Instruction: Lessons from the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice," Innovation Learning Center, Mobile, AL. (May 14, 2025).

DR. KATHERINE MEEKER

Meeker, K. A., Rockwell, A. R., American Society of Criminology, "Strategically Developing Community-Academic Collaborations for Trauma-Informed Victim Services and Evaluation Research," Washington D.C. (November 13, 2025).

DR. NATHAN MICATKA

Micatka, N. K. (Author & Presenter), Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, "Unequal Beginnings, Unequal Voices: Adolescent Welfare Program Perceptions and Adult Political Attitudes," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. (April 2026).

Micatka, N. K. (Author & Presenter), Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, "Unequal Beginnings, Unequal Voices: Adolescent Welfare Program Perceptions and Adult Political Attitudes," Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA. (January 2026).

DR. SOOHYUN PARK

Park, S. (Author & Presenter), American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), "From Fog to Focus: Perceived Task Uncertainty, Red Tape, and Individual Performance," American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), Hollywood, CA. (March 2026).

DR. ALEXIS ROCKWELL

Rockwell, A. R. (Author & Presenter), Meeker, K. A. (Author), American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, "Assessing College Students' Safety Needs: A Mixed-Methods Approach Using Qualitative and Quantitative Data," American Society of Criminology, Washington, D. C. (November 2025).

Bunch, J. A. (Leader), Shaw, T. C. (Panelist), **Rockwell, A. R.** (Panelist), Rush, J. P. (Panelist), Liebertz, S. S. (Panelist), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Empowering Student Success Through HyFlex Instruction: Lessons from the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice," Innovation Learning Center, Mobile, AL. (May 14, 2025).

DR. JEFFREY RUSH

Rush, J.P., Conference Attendance, "Traumas of Law Enforcement," Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS), Biloxi, MS, USA. (February 2026).

Rush, J.P., Continuing Education Program, "Human Trafficking," Federal Law Enforcement Training (FLETC), Huntsville, AL, USA. (January 2026).

Rush, J.P., Continuing Education Program, "Wounded Blue," Pelham, AL Police Department, Pelham, AL, USA. (January 2026).

Rush, J.P., Conference Program, "Classroom Techniques for Teaching Criminal Justice," Southern Criminal Justice Association, Charleston, SC, USA. (September 2025).

Rush, J.P., Conference Program, "Online is Different than the Classroom, so why don't we act like it," Southern Criminal Justice Association, Charleston, SC, USA. (September 2025).

Rush, J.P., Conference Program, "Sociio-politial and Cultural Crises: How One Agency Doubled in Size in the Five Years Since George Floyd.," Southern Criminal Justice Association, Charleston, SC, USA. (September 2025).

Rush, J.P., Conference Program, "We're Teaching, But Are They Learning," Southern Criminal Justice Association, Charleston, SC, USA. (September 2025).

DR. CORINA SCHULZE

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DR. THOMAS SHAW

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DR. KUAN-SHENG WU

Wu, K.-S., Huey, J., Linley, M., Coym, W., Student Panel Global Discussion, ILC, South Alabama (2026).

Wu, K.-S. (Author & Presenter), Yeh, Y.-Y. (Author), Weng, T.-W. (Author & Presenter), Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, "Crying Wolf? Sense of Urgency and Public Willingness for Self-Defense," Vancouver. (April 14, 2026).

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THE DEPARTMENT OF

Psychology

SCHOLARLY MISSION

During the 2025–2026 academic year, the Department of Psychology demonstrated substantial scholarly productivity, national visibility, and professional service engagement. Faculty produced ***80 unique peer-reviewed journal articles across all stages of publication,*** including ***over 60 articles published or in press,*** reflecting sustained research output across clinical, cognitive, and neuroscience domains. In addition, faculty contributed ***five peer-reviewed book chapters*** and ***one scholarly book currently in press,*** further extending the department's impact in major edited volumes and academic presses. Editorial influence remained strong, with faculty holding ***5 editorial leadership roles*** across peer-reviewed journals. Research dissemination was extensive, with faculty and trainees delivering ***92 presentations at national and international conferences,*** including papers, posters, symposia, and invited talks at major professional meetings. These efforts were supported by a robust funding portfolio, with ***14 active grants totaling approximately $17.5 million,*** including ***approximately $1.5 million in new***

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funding secured during the reporting period. Faculty also demonstrated substantial professional service contributions, providing ***over 900 hours of documented service*** to national organizations, editorial boards, professional societies, accreditation bodies, and community partners through roles including journal editorships, executive committee service, conference review panels, and leadership positions in major psychological associations. In addition, faculty contributed ***over 200 hours of civic service*** beyond their professional roles, including leadership positions in community foundations, school-based coaching and mentorship, youth and science outreach activities, and nonprofit board service. Collectively, these metrics reflect a highly productive and externally engaged department, with strong integration of faculty scholarship, student training, professional service, and meaningful community impact.

HEALTH CARE MISSION

This has been another year of sustained growth, clinical productivity, and community impact for the Psychology Clinic. During the 2025–2026 academic year, the clinic processed 484 referrals and assigned 529 new clients, reflecting strong and increasing demand for services. A total of 256 unique clients were served by student clinicians, including 171 new and 85 returning clients, across 1,877 completed appointments. In addition, faculty contributed direct care to 9 clients across 55 appointments. Clinical service delivery remained both intensive and diverse. Student clinicians provided 3,532 hours of direct client services and managed 2,557 scheduled appointments, with a notably low no-show rate of 131 appointments. The majority of services were therapy-focused, with 1,376 counseling and psychotherapy sessions delivered, complemented by 159 intakes, 131 assessments, 53 assessment feedback sessions, and a range of specialized services including group therapy (117 sessions), athlete assessments, vocational rehabilitation evaluations, and law enforcement evaluations. These figures reflect both the breadth of training opportunities and the clinic's responsiveness to community needs.

Financially, the clinic demonstrated continued strength and stability. Total revenue invoiced reached $61,406, with $62,615.75 collected during the reporting period. As in prior years, the vast majority of revenue was generated through student-delivered services. Assessment and therapy services remained the primary financial drivers, each contributing over $23,000 in collected revenue, with additional support from partnerships such as the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services and the USA Police Department.

The CCP Ph.D. students continue to provide high-quality, supervised clinical care while maintaining strong collaborative relationships with community partners, including Strickland Youth Center, Stanton Road Clinic, The Poarch Creek Band of Indians, USA Department of Neurosurgery, USA Health System clinics, the USA Police Department, and the Alabama Department of Vocational Rehabilitation. These partnerships ensure that students receive diverse, applied training experiences while extending critical mental health services throughout the region.

The Psychology Clinic also continues to expand its integration of clinical service and research. Ongoing initiatives include group-based interventions, parent training programs, and specialized assessment services, alongside faculty- and student-led research aimed at reducing violence and improving mental health outcomes in schools, correctional settings, and the broader community. Collectively, these efforts reflect the Department's enduring commitment to clinical excellence, workforce development, and meaningful public engagement."

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DR. MARK YATES

Dickinson, D., & **Yates, M.** (2026). Grounding verbs in action: The facilitative effect of potential physical interactions with verbs. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review, 33*(1), 34.

DR. KIMBERLY ZLOMKE

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PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. JOSEPH CURRIER

Knabb, J., **Currier, J. M.,** & Fox, J. (in press). Acceptance and commitment therapy for spiritual bypass. In J. Fox & C. Cashwell (Eds.) *Working with Spiritual Bypass: A Guide for Mental Health Professionals.* New York, NY: Routledge.

DR. MOLLY SCHADEGG

Book, Chapter in Scholarly Book-New (Published)
Skaf, S., **Schadegg, M.,** Simon, N. (2024). Combining Pharmacotherapy with PE for PTSD. *CBT: Science Into Practice* (pp. 231-244). Springer Nature Switzerland. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-72720-7_12

DR. LISA TURNER

Johnson, R. B., Stefurak, T., Dixon, V. & **Turner, L. A.** (expected 2026). Mixed methods research and pluralism in social and psychological sciences. In F. J. Wertz, L. I. Harlow, & R. T. Fouladi (Eds), *A Quarter Century of Psychological Methodology: Progress, Critique, and Future* (pp.). Guilford.

DR. MARK YATES

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DR. KIMBERLY ZLOMKE

Pasquariello, J., McKenzie, J., Lepre, M, & **Zlomke, K.** (in press). *Behavior Management Training.* In Encyclopedia of Psychotherapy, 2nd edition. Elsevier.

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. JOSEPH CURRIER

Currier, J. M., Fox, J., & Vieten, C. (in press). *Handbook of training in spiritual and religious competencies in mental health professions.* Oxford University Press.

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

DR. JOSHUA FOSTER

Foster, J. Reviewer, *Evolution and Human Behavior*

Foster, J. Reviewer, *Journal of Personality*

Foster, J. Reviewer, *Personality and Individual Differences*

DR. HEIDI LYN

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)
Broadway, M., Shelley, J. K., Serafin, B. S., Howard, V. A., Samuelson, M. M., **Lyn, H.** (2025). Individualized Use of Signature Whistles by Bottlenose Dolphins *(Tursiops truncatus)* During an Introduction. *Zoo Biology, 44*(6), 562-571. https://doi.org/10.1002/zoo.70015

Journal Article, Academic Journal (Published)
Pamperin, K. M., **Lyn, H.,** Suffoletta, D. T., Lewis, J. N., Giordano, R. M., Johnson, L., Solangi, M. (2025). Staying Close to Home: Assessing Site Fidelity Patterns of Bottlenose Dolphins *(Tursiops truncatus)* in the Mississippi Sound. *Aquatic Mammals*, *51*(6), 485-497. https://doi.org/10.1578/am.51.6.2025.485

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Winkler, S. L., Laumer, I. B., **Lyn, H.,** Cartmill, E. A. (2025). Bonobos tend to behave optimistically after hearing laughter. *Scientific Reports*, *15*(1). https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-025-02594-8

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EDITORSHIP OF PEER REVIEWED BOOKS OR PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

DR. ERICA AHLICH

Ahlich, Erica. Editor, Journal Editor, *Appetite.* (August 2025 - Present). Executive Editor

DR. JOSEPH CURRIER

Currier, Joseph. *Spirituality in Clinical Practice.*

DR. BENJAMIN HILL

Hill, Benjamin. Co-Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Sport Behavior.* (2018-Present).

DR. JACK SHELLEY-TREMBLAY

Shelley-Tremblay, Jack. Action Editor, *Journal of the Alabama Academy of Science.*

Shelley-Tremblay, Jack. Topical Advisory Panel Member, *Brain Sciences.*

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. ERICA AHLICH

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (February 2026). APPETITE-D-26-00276

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (February 2026). APPETITE-D-26-00334

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (February 2026). APPETITE-D-26-00328

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (January 2026). APPETITE-D-25-02576

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (January 2026). APPETITE-D-26-00013

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (January 2026). APPETITE-D-26-00058

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (January 2026). APPETITE-D-26-00012

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (December 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01037R1

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (December 2025). APPETITE-D-25-00010R4

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (December 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02561

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (December 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02526

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (December 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02540

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (November 2025). APPETITE-D-25-00010R3

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (November 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02233

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (November 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02354

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (November 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02367

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (November 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02472

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (October 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02152

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (October 2025). APPETITE-D-25-02276

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (September 2025). APPETITE-D-25-00010R2

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (September 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01936

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (September 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01985

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (September 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01876

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (August 2025). APPETITE-D-25-00040R1

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (August 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01746

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Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (August 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01687

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (July 2025). APPETITE-D-25-00010R1

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (July 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01569

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (July 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01599

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (June 2025). APPETITE-D-24-00378R3

Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (May 2025). APPETITE-D-25-00010

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Ahlich, E. M. Editorial Board Member, "Appetite". (May 2025). APPETITE-D-25-01037

Ahlich, E. Editorial Review Board Member, Appetite. (2023 - 2025).

DR. JORDAN ALBRIGHT

Albright, J. Invited to Serve as an Associate Editor for School Mental Health – Accepted the offer; In process of being added to the system.

DR. JOSEPH CURRIER

Currier, J. Editorial Board Member, *Death Studies*

Currier, J. Editorial Board Member, *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality*

Currier, J. Editorial Board Member, *Traumatology*

DR. JOSHUA FOSTER

Foster, J. Editorial Board Member, *Evolution and Human Behavior*

Foster, J. Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Personality*

Foster, J. Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Research in Personality*

DR. BENJAMIN HILL

Hill, B. Editorial Board Member, "Journal of Psychology and AI" (2024-Present).

Hill, B. Editorial Board Member, "Applied Neuropsychology: Adult. (2018-Present).

Hill, B. Editorial Board Member, "Journal of Attention Disorders". (2014-Present).

DR. HEIDI LYN

Lyn, H. Editorial Board Member, "Frontiers in Psychology - Comparative", Review Editor. (2014 - Present).

DR. JACK SHELLEY-TREMBLAY

Shelley-Tremblay, Jack. Associate Editor, Brain Sciences.

DR. KIMBERLY ZLOMKE

Zlomke, K. Editorial Board Member, "Advances in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities". Academic. (2017 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Editorial Board Member, "Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics". Academic. (2014 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Editorial Board Member, "Journal of Child and Family Studies". Academic. (January 2013 - Present).

ABSTRACTS

DR. BENJAMIN HILL

Lin, S., Milam, A., Kiselica, A.M., Aita, S.L., Saeed, M., Webber, T., Woods, S.P., Borgogna, N., Walker, K., Kamath, V., Visscher, K., Murchison, C., Geldmacher, D.S., Roberson, E., **Hill, B.D,** & Del Bene, V. (2026, February). *Validating Cognitive Variability as an Outcome Measure with Cerebrospinal Fluid and Amyloid PET Biomarkers of Alzheimer's Disease.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Ikonomou, V., Phelps, H., Aulakh, S., Bhatia, S., Sherman, J., Marsh, R., **Hill, B.D.,** & Scarisbrick, D. (2026, February). *Preliminary Examination of Variability in Pre- and Post-Neuropsychological Performance in Awake Craniotomy Patients.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Sullivan, S., Ikonomou, V., Wagaman, B., Campbell, I., Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Reames, C., Santa Maria, M., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *The Relationship Between Childhood Lead Exposure and Neuropsychological Functioning in Young Adulthood.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Campbell, I.A., Wagaman, B., Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Sullivan, S., Reames, C., Ikonomou, V., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *Getting Off Track: Correlational Tractography of White Matter Integrity and Cognitive Intra-Individual Variability in Older Hispanic Adults.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Wagaman, B., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Reames, C., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *To Catch a Thief: An Evaluation of Agreement Between Four TOMM Scoring Methods in an International Compensation-Seeking Sample.* Katherine Hernandez1, Adan Ton-Loy1, Bailey Wagaman1, Vasilios Ikonomou2, Ivan Campbell1, Celeste Reames1, Benjamin D. Hill1

Ton Loy, A., Renicks, B., Thomas, D., Hernandez, K., Wagaman, B., Sullivan, S., Campbell, I., Ikonomou, V., Reames, C. & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *Comparison of Failure Rates on the MENT to Traditional PVTs in an International Sample of Workers' Compensation Claimants.* Katherine Hernandez1, Adan Ton-Loy1, Bailey Wagaman1, Vasilios Ikonomou2, Ivan Campbell1, Celeste Reames1, Benjamin D. Hill1

Reames, C., Gomien, K., Maher, E., Burch, E., Shelley-Tremblay, J., & **Hill, B.** (2026, February). *Setting the Mood: The Relationship Between Resting State Electroencephalogram Alpha Beta Ratios and Emotional State.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Wagaman, B., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Hernandez, K., Sullivan, S., Ton Loy, A., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *Utilizing Publicly Available AI for Psychological Test Coaching.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Hernandez, K., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Ton Loy, A., Sullivan, S., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *A Hierarchical Approach to Neuropsychological Factors in Chronic Pain.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Sullivan, S., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Reames, C., **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *Cognitive Variability, Global Cognitive Functioning, and Verbal Fluency Change in Cognitively Normal Older Adults.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Ton Loy, A., Ikonomou, V., Sullivan, S., Hernandez, K., Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Reames, C., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *Examining Loss of Consciousness, Depression, and Cognitive Intra-Individual Variability in Hispanic and White Samples.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Reames, C., Gomien, K., Shelly-Tremblay, J., **Hill, B.,** Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Hernandez, K., Sullivan, S., & Ton Loy, A. (2025, November). *Electroencephalogram Biomarkers of Verbal Fluency: The Role of Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation in Modulating Cognitive Performance in Depressed College Students.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. ERICA AHLICH

Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor. (February 2026).

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Ahlich, E. M. Editor, "Appetite", Executive Editor (July 2025).

DR. JORDAN ALBRIGHT

Albright, J.A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, “Improving Counselor Supervision and Documentation Through the Integrated Supervision Casenote”, Qeios. Academic. (February 2026).

Albright, J.A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, “Understanding Early Childhood Mental Health Challenges Schools: Educator Perspective to Inform Implementation”, School Mental Health. Academic. (February 2026).

Albright, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, ""“It’s the Wild West Out There”: Autistic Adults’ Experiences of Seeking Connection Through Dating Apps", Autism in Adulthood. Academic. (January 2026).

Albright, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Facilitators and barriers for sustainment of school-wide positive behavior support in Sweden: a mixed-methods study", BMC Public Health. Academic. (November 2025).

Albright, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Benefits of Interprofessional Collaboration for Promoting School-Based Mental Health", School Mental Health. Academic. (September 2025).

Albright, J. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Barriers and Opportunities in Transition Programming for Students with Autism in Saudi Arabia: Educator Perspectives through the Lens of Kohler’s Taxonomy", Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders. Academic. (August 2025).

DR. BENJAMIN HILL

Hill, B., Invited manuscript reviewer for *Clinical Psychology Review.*

Hill, B., Invited manuscript reviewer for *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*.

Hill, B., Invited manuscript reviewer for *Neuropsychology*

DR. HEIDI LYN

Lyn, H. Associate Editor, “Animal Behavior and Cognition”. Academic. (January 2025-Present).

Lyn, H. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "WIREs Cognitive Science". Academic. (August 2020 - Present).

Lyn, H. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Cognition". Academic. (June 2020 - Present).

Lyn, H. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Gulf and Caribbean Research". Academic. (June 2020 - Present).

Lyn, H. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Journal of Comparative Psychology". Academic. (January 2020 - Present).

DR. MOLLY SCHADEGG

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Anxiety Disorders. Academic. (October 2025).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Anxiety Disorders. Academic. (July 2025).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Harvard Review of Psychiatry. Academic. (2025).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Psychiatric Practice. Academic. (2024).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Alpha Psychiatry. Academic. (2023).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Obsessive-Compulsive and Related Disorders. Academic. (2022).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Cognitive Therapy and Research. Academic. (2021).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Personality Assessment. Academic. (2020).

Schadegg, M. Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Anxiety Disorders. Academic. (2019).

DR. KIMBERLY ZLOMKE

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies", Conference Reviewer. Academic. (2016 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Society for Pediatric Psychology". Academic. (2016 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Mindfulness". Academic. (October 2015 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Associate Editor, "Journal of Child and Family Studies", Springer. (August 2015 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Journal of Autism and Developmental Disabilities". (2014 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Research in Developmental Disabilities". (2012 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology". (2010 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Behavior Analyst". (2010 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Behavior Modification". (2010 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Child Psychiatry and Human Development". (2010 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings". (2010 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Journal of Child and Family Studies". (2010 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Journal of Primary Prevention". (2009 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Journal of Pediatric Psychology". (2008 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Personality and Individual Differences". (2008 - Present).

Zlomke, K. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis". (2003 - Present).

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. ERICA AHLICH

Zlomke, K. (Principal), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Supporting), Albright, J. A., Tittler, M. V., Currier, J., Smith, P. N., McDermott, R. C., "South Alabama HOPES: Health-Oriented Psychology Education for Substance Use Recovery," Sponsored by Health Resources Services Administration, $1,350,000.00. (August 2025 - Present).

DR. JORDAN ALBRIGHT

Albright, J. A. (Principal), "Modeling Social Adversity: Developing a Controlled Experimental Method to Study Minority Stress in Autistic Individuals," Sponsored by University of South Alabama Office of Research and Economic Development, Internal to the University, $25,000.00. (2026 - 2027).

Zlomke, K. (Principal), Ahlich, E. M. (Supporting), **Albright, J. A.,** Tittler, M. V., Currier, J., Smith, P. N., McDermott, R. C., "South Alabama HOPES: Health-Oriented Psychology Education for Substance Use Recovery," Sponsored by Health Resources Services Administration, $1,350,000.00. (August 2025 - Present).

Albright, J. A. (Co-Principal), Neal, A. (Co-Principal), "Rural Providers' Confidence with Autism and Gender Diversity," Sponsored by University of South Alabama Gender Studies Program Mahan-Brandon Research Fund, Internal to the University, $1,000.00. (May 2025 - Present).

Albright, J. A. (Principal), Shank, S. (Co-Principal), Tittler, M. V. (Supporting), "Using a Community-Partnered Approach to Understand and Address Race-based Autism Diagnostic Disparities in Mobile," Sponsored by Office of Research and Economic Development; Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Office of Development and Alumni Affairs; Division of Academic Affairs, Internal to the University, $9,908.00. (August 15, 2024 - August 15, 2025).

2026-2028: Bagaria, S. (PI), & Singh, B. (Co-PI). "Developing a global training program in ethnographic methods to enhance R/S competencies for mental health professionals (Ethnos-MH)." Funded at $1,195,353 via John Templeton Foundation (#63556). Role: Consultant.

DR. JOSEPH CURRIER

2025-2028: Zlomke, K. (Director) & **Currier, J. M.** (Co-Director). "The South Alabama HOPES: Health-Oriented Psychology Education for Substance Use Recovery." Funded via the Human Resources and Health Administration's (HRSA) Graduate Professional Education Program (HRSA-25-067) at $1,348,438. Role: Co-Director

2025-2028: Usset, T. (PI), Fantus, S. (Co-PI), Klee, A., Griffin, B., Kondrath, S., Harris, J. I., Pyne, J., Golden, K., & **Currier, J. M.** "Understanding delivery of spiritual care across the Veterans Health Administration." Funded at $1,143,385 via John Templeton Foundation (#63600). Role: Co-Investigator.

2025-2028: Sandage, S. (PI), & Owen, J. (Co-PI). "Training and treatment integration research for virtue and flourishing in mental healthcare: A team science project." Funded at $5,220,961 via John Templeton Foundation (#63654). Role: Consultant.

2025-/2026: **Currier, J. M.,** Gutierrez, D., Kaufman, C., Pargament, K., Pearce, M., & Rosmarin, D. "Advancing the global reach and impacts of mental health training programs in spiritual and religious competencies." Funded via John Templeton Foundation (#63446) at $259,849. Role: Principal Investigator.

2024-2026: Fox, J., Granello, P., & **Currier, J. M.** "A sequential-explanatory approach to understanding the forms and functions of lectio divina in the everyday lives of Christians." Funded via Templeton World Charity Foundation's "Science of Religious and Spiritual Exercises" (#32530) at $500,000. Role: Co-Principal Investigator.

2023-2025: **Currier, J. M.** & Davis, E. B. "The nature, expressions, and functions of divine forgiveness in theistic relational spirituality." Funded via John Templeton Foundation and Florida State University's "Divine Forgiveness Project" (#61927) at $228,638. Role: Principal Investigator.

DR. BENJAMIN HILL

2025-2026: **Hill, Benjamin.** Funding for a graduate assistant psychometrist, Department of Neurology, USA Health System, $25,000 per year

2013-2026: **Hill, Benjamin.** Funding for a graduate clinical assistant, University of South Alabama, Athletic Department, $11,000 per year.

2024-2026: **Hill, Benjamin.** Neuropsychological Intra-individual Variability in Traumatic Brain Injury: Evaluation of Biopsychosocial Contributors, Fred Wright VA VISN1 Career Development Award, $254,324

2024-2026: **Hill, Benjamin.** Funding for two graduate assistants, Ogden & Epker, $15,000 per year per student ($30,000 total).

DR. HEIDI LYN

Lyn, H., "Joyful by Nature: Continuation and Supplement," Sponsored by Templeton World Charity Foundation, External to the University, $161,355.00.
(June 30, 2024 - Present).

Lyn, H., "Bottlenose Dolphin behavior in the Gulf of Mexico," Sponsored by Institute for Marine Mammal Studies, External to the University, $18,000.00.
(April 2024 - Present).

Lyn, H. (Co-Principal), Villegas, J. (Co-Principal), "The Influence of Positive Affect on Burst Pulse Vocalizations in Bottlenose Dolphins," Sponsored by Dolphin Quest, External to the University, $9,000.00.
(November 7, 2024 - December 31, 2025).

DR. LAURA POWELL

Powell, L. A. (Principal), "LevelUp Fellows Program," Sponsored by Office of Academic Enhancement, University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $2,500.00. (October 2023 - Present).

Powell, L. A. (Principal), Shelley-Tremblay, J. F. (Supporting), Turner, L. A. (Supporting), "LevelUp Accelerator Grant," Sponsored by Office of Academic Enhancement, University of South Alabama, Internal to the University, $7,500.00. (August 2024 - May 2025).

DR. MOLLY SCHADEGG

Schadegg, M., "Misophonia Data Discovery Award," Sponsored by Misophonia Research Fund, External to the University, $75,000.00. (August 15, 2025 - August 14, 2027).

DR. PHILLIP SMITH

Zlomke, K. (Principal), Ahlich, E. M. (Supporting), Albright, J. A., Tittler, M. V., Currier, J., **Smith, P. N.,** McDermott, R. C., "South Alabama HOPES: Health-Oriented Psychology Education for Substance Use Recovery," Sponsored by Health Resources Services Administration, $1,350,000.00. (August 2025 - Present).

Mehari, K. R. (Principal), **Smith, P. N.** (Co-Principal), Morton, B. (Co-Principal), Billingsley, J. L. (Co-Principal), Ferrell, A. (Co-Principal), Stefurak, J. R. (Supporting), "Preventing Youth Violence Through Building Equitable Communities: An Evaluation of a Multisystemic Intervention," Sponsored by National Institutes of Health, Federal, $3,671,405.00. (May 2022 - Present).

Love, H., **Smith, P. N.,** "The Influence of Romantic Relationship Dynamics on Suicidal Ideation: A Longitudinal, Dyadic Study," Sponsored by American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, External to the University, $139,982.00. (2024 - 2026).

DR. KIMBERLY ZLOMKE

Zlomke, K. (Principal), Ahlich, E. M. (Supporting), Albright, J. A., Tittler, M. V., Currier, J., Smith, P. N., McDermott, R. C., "South Alabama HOPES: Health-Oriented Psychology Education for Substance Use Recovery," Sponsored by Health Resources Services Administration, $1,350,000.00. (August 2025 - Present).

Williams, K. A. (Principal), **Zlomke, K.** (Co-Principal), Getch, Y. Q. (Co-Principal), Pancione, K. E., Riley, B. H., Scott, S. F. B. (Supporting), Selwyn, C. N. (Supporting), Johnson, B. D. (Supporting), "Team-Based Trauma-Informed Integrated Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Professions (BHWET) for the Gulf Coast Region," Sponsored by Health Resources & Services Administration, Federal, $1,815,000.00. (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2025).

Williams, K. A. (Principal), **Zlomke, K.** (Co-Principal), Getch, Y. Q. (Co-Principal), Pancione, K. E., Riley, B. H., Scott, S. F. B. (Supporting), Selwyn, C. N. (Supporting), Johnson, B. D. (Supporting), "Team-Based Trauma-Informed Integrated Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Professions (BHWET) for the Gulf Coast Region," Sponsored by Health Resources & Services Administration, Federal, $1,815,000.00. (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2025).

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. ERICA AHLICH

Nash, S. (Author & Presenter), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), Green, J. (Author), Hauff, C. R. (Author), Wissler-Gerdes, E. (Author), Henderson, R. (Author), Skiba, M. (Author), American Society of Preventive Oncology Annual Meeting, "Weight stigma across the breast cancer care continuum: Patient experiences and recommendations," Denver, CO. (April 2026).

Huff, A. (Author & Presenter), Henderson, R. (Author), Lusich, R. (Author), Folk, E. (Author), Dixit, U. (Author), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), Society of Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting, "Indirect effects of weight bias internalization on binge eating through cognitive restraint and craving," Chicago, IL. (April 2026).

Lusich, T. (Author & Presenter), Henderson, R. (Author & Presenter), Larsen, J. (Author & Presenter), Huff, A. (Author & Presenter), Carter, J. (Author & Presenter), Smith, A. R. (Author), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA), "The dual role of exercise in disordered eating behaviors," New Orleans, LA. (March 2026).

Henderson, R. (Author & Presenter), Lusich, R. (Author), Dixit, U. (Author), Huff, A. (Author), Larsen, J. (Author), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "The indirect effects of emotional craving in the relationship between positive urgency and binge eating," New Orleans, LA. (November 2025).

Larsen, J. (Author & Presenter), Dixit, U. (Author), Henderson, R. (Author), Armstrong, M. (Author), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), ObesityWeek, "Weight bias internalization and binge eating: The indirect effect of body trust- Early Career Lightning Talk," The Obesity Society, New Orleans, LA. (November 2025).

Larsen, J. (Author), Dixit, U. (Author), Henderson, R. (Author & Presenter), Armstrong, M. (Author), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), ObesityWeek, "Weight bias internalization and binge eating: The indirect effect of body trust.," The Obesity Society. (November 2025).

Ahlich, E. M. (Author), Green, J. (Author), Nash, S. (Author & Presenter), Hauff, C. R. (Author), Wissler-Gerdes, E. (Author), Henderson, R. (Author), Skiba, M. (Author), ObesityWeek, "Weight stigma across the breast cancer care continuum: Patient experiences and recommendation," The Obesity Society, Atlanta, GA. (November 2025).

Henderson, R. (Author & Presenter), Dixit, U. (Author), Larsen, J. (Author), **Ahlich, E. M.** (Author), International Conference on Eating Disorders, "Links between negative affect and binge eating: The indirect effects of craving and impulsivity.," San Antonio, TX. (May 2025).

DR. JORDAN ALBRIGHT

Neal, A.J. (Author & Presenter), Pasquariello, J. (Author), **Albright, J.A.** (Author), International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting, “What Helps? Factors Influencing Change in Parental Stress across an Inpatient Hospital Stay,” International Society for Autism Research, Prague, Czech Republic (April 2026).

Neal, A.J. (Author & Presenter), **Albright, J.A.** (Author), International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting, "Rural Providers' Confidence with Autism and Gender Diversity," International Society for Autism Research, Prague, Czech Republic (April 2026).

Bowers, L. (Author), Patterson, M. (Author), Neal, A. (Author), Maxwell-Williams, R. (Author), Tittler, M. V. (Author), **Albright, J. A.** (Author & Presenter), International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting, "Serving the South: A mixed-methods study examining providers' views on Autism diagnostic equity for Black children," International Society for Autism Research, Prague, Czech Republic. (April 2026).

Patterson, M. (Author), Charleston, J. (Author), Bowers, L. (Author), Neal, A. (Author), Maxwell-Williams, R. (Author), Tittler, M. V. (Author), **Albright, J. A.** (Author & Presenter), International Society for Autism Research Annual Meeting, ""What do we do? Where do we go? How do we survive?": A mixed-methods study examining Black caregivers' perspectives on racial disparities in Autism diagnoses," International Society for Autism Research, Prague, Czech Republic. (April 2026).

Maxwell, C. A. (Author & Presenter), Nezir, F. (Author), Duresso, B. (Author), **Albright, J. A.** (Author), Rushworth, S. (Author), Aparajita, K. (Author), Eiraldi, R. (Author), Wolk, C. B. (Author), 59th Annual Meeting, "Using team science to support school mental health: Evaluation of a community-partnered adaptation of TeamSTEPPS," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA. (November 2025).

Robeson, M., **Albright, J. A.,** Chassin, V., Lewis, C., Baxter, A., Zlomke, K., Annual Convention, "Preliminary Data from the Adaptation of a Social Skills Training Program for College Students," Association for Behavioral Analysis International, Lisbon, Portugal. (November 2025).

Patterson, M. (Author & Presenter), Bowers, L. (Author), **Albright, J. A.,** Special Interest Group 2025 Exposition, "Diagnostic Equity in the Black Community: Perspectives from Autistic Individuals, Caregivers, and Providers," Association of Behavioral & Cognitive Therapies (ABCT), New Orleans, LA. (November 2025).

Neal, A. (Author & Presenter), Cansler, E. (Author), Patterson, M. (Author), **Albright, J. A.,** Special Interest Group 2025 Exposition, "Risk for internalizing behaviors in co-occurring ADHD and Autism across sexes," Association of Behavioral & Cognitive Therapies (ABCT), New Orleans, LA. (November 2025).

Neal, A., Cansler, E., Patterson, M., **Albright, J. A.,** Biennial Meeting, "Understanding internalizing behavior in autism: The roles of sex, ADHD, and social ability," Society for Research in Child Development, Minneapolis, MN. (May 2025).

DR. JOSEPH CURRIER

Currier, J. M. (2025, November). *Antecedents, microprocesses, and outcomes of divine forgiveness: Replication and expansion of ecological momentary assessment findings with highly religious Christians.* D. S. Chung-Zou (Chair), *Considerations for the psychospiritual health of Christians and Muslims living in the United States.* Paper presentation at Annual Convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA.

Currier, J. M. (2025, August). *Outcomes of cultural humility and cultural (missed) opportunities for attending to clients' spirituality in psychotherapy.* J. Fox (Chair), *Addressing spiritual and religious identities in psychotherapy: Using the multicultural orientation framework.* Paper presentation at American Psychological Association's Main Convention, Denver, CO.

Milstein, G., & **Currier, J. M.** (2025, August). Training to integrate religion and spirituality in community mental health care: Field notes and data. Skill-building presentation at American Psychological Association's Main Convention, Denver, CO.

*Kim, E., Davis, E. B., McDermott, R. C., *Kemp, D., *Pencakowski, D. C., Dvorak, R., & **Currier, J. M.** (2025, August). *Understanding the role of divine forgiveness in theistic relational spirituality.* E. B. Davis & E. Kim (Co-chairs), *Seeking and experiencing divine forgiveness: Scientific findings and practical implications.* Paper presentation at American Psychological Association's Main Convention, Denver, CO.

*Stevens, L.T., Jeffrey, A., *Blanton, M.A., **Currier, J. M.,** & Mehari, K. R. (2025, May). *Self-transcendent meaning in life and aggression in adolescence: The mediating role of hope.* Paper presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Prevention Research, Seattle, WA.

Milstein, G. & **Currier, J. M.** (2025, April). *Religion & spirituality Integration at a multi-cultural community mental health center: Field notes & data.* Paper presentation at the annual APA Division 36 (Society for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality) Mid-Year Conference, Providence, RI.

DR. JOSHUA FOSTER

Hearn, H., Zoghby, J., Palmieri, I., Elmore, A., Schultz, C., Staff, E., Nelson, J., & **Foster, J.D.** (2026, March). Are narcissist's memories confidently calibrated or overconfident? Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans, LA.

Bissonnette, A., Palmieri, I., Staff, E., & **Foster, J.D.** (2026, March). Narcissism, leadership, and motivation. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans, LA.

DR. BENJAMIN HILL

Borgogna, N.C., Owen, T., Spencer, S.D., Jo, D., Jafari, M., Vaughn, J., Nia, N.N., Shegedin, M., Meyer, C.L., Johnson, D.A.L., Owen, A., Firoozan, A., Petrovitch, D., Whittington, D.D., Paez, E., Himes, K.P., Brasil, K.M., Pagano, Jr., L.A., Imany, M., Williams Ibora, M., Mohammadaliha, N., Asgharian, S., Lin, S.L., Aita, S.L., Chirokoff, V., Ikonomou, V., Yang, Y., Lee, U., & **Hill, B.D.** (in press). A Cross-Cultural Incremental Effects Meta-Analysis of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Depression: Does Targeting Depression Even Matter? *Cognitive Behaviour Therapy.*

Wagaman, B.N., Ikonomou, V.C., Campbell, I.A., Borgogna, N.C., Aita, S.L., Elliot, E.M., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025). Context matters: Need for Cognition moderates immediate story recall but not other types of memory tests. *Personality and Individual Differences, 247.*

Del Bene, V. A., Aita, S. L., Fonesca, L. M., Borgogna, N. C., Buchholz, A. S., Woods, S. P., Schretlen, D. J., Kiselica, A., Webber, T., Schmitter-Edgecombe, M., DesRuisseaux, L. A., Merritt, V. C., Thaler, N. S., Bangen, K. J., Vance, D. E., Deboeck, P., Acre Rentería, M., & **Hill, B. D.** (2025). Cognitive intra-individual variability dispersion as an emerging measure of neuropsychological inference: A narrative review of its history, methodology, empirical support, future directions, and recommendations for best practices. *The Clinical Neuropsychologist (IIV special issue).* https://doi.org/10.1080/13854046.2025.2574463

Aita, S.L., Montgomery, E., Caron, J.E., Pagano, L.A., Broggi, M., Ingram, P.B., Erickson, S.C., Borgogna, N.C., Moncrief, G.G., Roth, R.M., Calamia, M. Armistead-Jehle, P., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026). Multivariate base rates of standard- and skyline-cutoff elevations on the Personality Assessment Inventory: Do they distinguish simulated from genuine PTSD? *Journal of Personality Assessment, 108*(1):65-78. doi: 10.1080/00223891.2025.2530047

Kiselica, A. M., Compson, S., Lin, S. H., Kaser, A., Mikula, C. Milam, A., Woods, S. P., Webber, T. A., Weitzner, D., Aita, S., Borgnona, N., Walker, K. A., Kamath, V., Visscher, K., Murchison, C. F., Geldmacher, D. S., Roberson, E. D., **Hill, B. D.,** Boone, A., Wolf, T., & Del Bene, V. (2025, July). *Developing and validating normed scores for cognitive dispersion among older adults.* Featured Research Presentation at the Alzheimer's Association International Conference, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Lin, S., Milam, A., Kiselica, A.M., Aita, S.L., Saeed, M., Webber, T., Woods, S.P., Borgogna, N., Walker, K., Kamath, V., Visscher, K., Murchison, C., Geldmacher, D.S., Roberson, E., **Hill, B.D,** & Del Bene, V. (2026, February). *Validating Cognitive Variability as an Outcome Measure with Cerebrospinal Fluid and Amyloid PET Biomarkers of Alzheimer's Disease.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Ikonomou, V., Phelps, H., Aulakh, S., Bhatia, S., Sherman, J., Marsh, R., **Hill, B.D.,** & Scarisbrick, D. (2026, February). *Preliminary Examination of Variability in Pre- and Post-Neuropsychological Performance in Awake Craniotomy Patients.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Sullivan, S., Ikonomou, V., Wagaman, B., Campbell, I., Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Reames, C., Santa Maria, M., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *The Relationship Between Childhood Lead Exposure and Neuropsychological Functioning in Young Adulthood.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Campbell, I.A., Wagaman, B., Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Sullivan, S., Reames, C., Ikonomou, V., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *Getting Off Track: Correlational Tractography of White Matter Integrity and Cognitive Intra-Individual Variability in Older Hispanic Adults.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Wagaman, B., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Reames, C., & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *To Catch a Thief: An Evaluation of Agreement Between Four TOMM Scoring Methods in an International Compensation-Seeking Sample.* Katherine Hernandez1, Adan Ton-Loy1, Bailey Wagaman1, Vasilios Ikonomou2, Ivan Campbell1, Celeste Reames1, Benjamin D. Hill1

Ton Loy, A., Renicks, B., Thomas, D., Hernandez, K., Wagaman, B., Sullivan, S., Campbell, I., Ikonomou, V., Reames, C. & **Hill, B.D.** (2026, February). *Comparison of Failure Rates on the MENT to Traditional PVTs in an International Sample of Workers' Compensation Claimants.* Katherine Hernandez1, Adan Ton-Loy1, Bailey Wagaman1, Vasilios Ikonomou2, Ivan Campbell1, Celeste Reames1, Benjamin D. Hill1

Reames, C., Gomien, K., Maher, E., Burch, E., Shelley-Tremblay, J., & **Hill, B.** (2026, February). *Setting the Mood: The Relationship Between Resting State Electroencephalogram Alpha Beta Ratios and Emotional State.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Wagaman, B., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Hernandez, K., Sullivan, S., Ton Loy, A., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *Utilizing Publicly Available AI for Psychological Test Coaching.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Hernandez, K., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Ton Loy, A., Sullivan, S., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *A Hierarchical Approach to Neuropsychological Factors in Chronic Pain.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Sullivan, S., Ikonomou, V., Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Hernandez, K., Ton Loy, A., Reames, C., **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *Cognitive Variability, Global Cognitive Functioning, and Verbal Fluency Change in Cognitively Normal Older Adults.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Ton Loy, A., Ikonomou, V., Sullivan, S., Hernandez, K., Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Reames, C., & **Hill, B.D.** (2025, November). *Examining Loss of Consciousness, Depression, and Cognitive Intra-Individual Variability in Hispanic and White Samples.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Reames, C., Gomien, K., Shelly-Tremblay, J., **Hill, B.,** Campbell, I., Wagaman, B., Hernandez, K., Sullivan, S., & Ton Loy, A. (2025, November). *Electroencephalogram Biomarkers of Verbal Fluency: The Role of Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation in Modulating Cognitive Performance in Depressed College Students.* Poster presented at the National Academy of Neuropsychology 45th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

DR. JOSHUA ISEN

Potter, A. (Author & Presenter), **Isen, J.D.** (Author), Southeastern Psychological Association 72nd Annual Meeting, "Reliability and Validity of Perceived Facial Attractiveness; Human vs. AI Ratings, "New Orleans, LA. (March 26,2026).

DR. DAKOTA LINDSEY

Smith, B. (Author & Presenter), Elliott, E. M. (Author), **Lindsey, D. R. B.** (Author), Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association (2026), "Individual Differences in Serial Order Memory in Young Adults," APA, New Orleans, LA. (March 2026).

Smith, B. (Author & Presenter), Elliott, E. M. (Author), **Lindsey, D. R. B.** (Author), Annual Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (2026), "Impact of Restricted Response Keys on Short-Term Memory Span," SSPP, Atlanta, GA. (February 2026).

Morgan, S. (Author & Presenter), Mehari, K. (Author), Stevens, T. (Author), Coleman, J. (Author), Schuler, K. (Author), Graves, C. (Author), **Lindsey, D. R. B.** (Author), Smith, P. N. (Author), Annual Meeting of the Society for Prevention Research (2025), "Mixed methods evaluation of a jail diversion program: Impact on arrests and functioning," SPR, Seattle, WA. (May 2025).

Lindsey, D. R. B. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Serial position selectively affects the old/new effect in associative memory: Evidence from various emotional pictures", American Journal of Psychology. Academic. (March 2026).

Lindsey, D. R. B. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Judgements of spacing: memory for relative order and similarity", Journal of Memory and Language. Academic. (August 2025).

Lindsey, D. R. B. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Action Field Theory: The Roles of Memory and Action in Automaticity of Cognitive Control", American Journal of Psychology. Academic. (May 2025).

DR. HEIDI LYN

Lyn, H., Celebrating the Life of Kanzi, "30 years with Kanzi: what conversations with a bonobo has taught me about language, human “exceptionalism”, and evolution," Ape Cognition and Conservation Initiative, Des Moines, IA. (November 2025).

Lyn, H., American Society of Primatologists, "Kanzi, Language, and the search for Dr. Dolittle," Chicago, IL. (October 2025).

Lyn, H. (Author & Presenter), Johnson, L. (Author), Bass, C. (Author), Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior, "Ground-truthing a new paradigm for studying Joy," Santa Barbara, CA. (April 2025).

Lyn, H., Christopher, J. L., Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, "Anticipating the future of higher education: The xDSC CoRaT." (April 2025).

Villegas, J., Johnson, L., **Lyn, H.,** Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, "The Influence of Positive Affect on Burst Pulse Vocalizations in Bottlenose Dolphins (Tursiops truncatus)." (April 2025).

Johnson, L., **Lyn, H.,** Comparative Cognition Conference, "Exploring the Impact of Environmental Enrichment on Thinstripe Hermit Crab Behavior." (March 2025).

Lyn, H., Johnson, L., Taylor, A., Comparative Cognition Conference, "Joyful Surprises: eliciting positive affect in a comparative paradigm." (March 2025).

Bass, C., Johnson, L., Smith, L., **Lyn, H.,** Comparative Cognition Conference, "Relationship of Pet Presence in Bedroom and Quality of Sleep." (March 2025).

DR. LAURA POWELL

Simila, B. (Author & Presenter), **Powell, L. A.** (Author), SEPA Annual Conference, "Evaluating the Psychometric Validity of Science Curiosity.," Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans, LA. (March 2026).

Powell, L. A., South Alabama Psi Chi Chapter Meeting, "Careers in Psychology," South Alabama Psi Chi Chapter, Mobile, AL. (October 2025).

Simila, B. (Author & Presenter), **Powell, L. A.** (Author & Presenter), Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Understanding Adult Learners: Motivations, Barriers, & Pathways to Success," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (May 2025).

Powell, L. Conference Attendance, “National Council on Undergraduate Research Conference,” NCUR, Richmond, VA. (April 13, 2026-April 15, 2026).

Powell, L. Conference Attendance, “Annual Conference,” Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans, LA, USA. (March 26, 2026-March 27, 2026).

Powell, L. Conference Attendance, “EAB Connected Conference,” EAB, Orlando, FL. (October 12, 2025-October 15, 2025).

Powell, L. Conference Attendance, “South Alabama Conference on Teaching and Learning,” University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, USA. (May 13, 2025-May 14, 2025).

DR. MOLLY SCHADEGG

Schadegg, M. J., Witcraft, S. M., & Dixon, L. J., Annual Meeting of the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, “Everyday Emotions, Everyday Choices: A Daily Diary Study of GAD Symptoms and Adaptive Health Behaviors”. (April 2026).

Schadegg, M. J., Sabeti, C., Cornejo, G., Simon, N. M., Szuhany, K. L., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Characterization of Motivation and Exercise Avoidance in Generalized Anxiety Disorder vs. Social Anxiety Disorder." (November 2025).

Raio, C., Mao, N., Vranos, S., Irwin, M., Perez, A. B., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Szuhany, K. L., Simon, N. M., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Factors associated with the acquisition and extinction of conditioned threat responses in adults with generalized anxiety disorder." (November 2025).

Perez, A. B., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Szuhany, K. L., Raio, C., Simon, N. M., Annual Convention of American Psychiatric Association, "Worrying about worry? Exploring the potential of self-compassion to address negative metacognition in GAD." (May 2025).

Schadegg, M. J., Cornejo, G., Usdan, H., Santacatterina, M., Szuhany, K. L., Mete, M., Bui, E., Baker, A. W., Simon, N. M., Hoge, E., Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention, "Role of emotion regulation in treatment response to MBSR or escitalopram for individuals with primary anxiety disorders.." (April 2025).

Schadegg, M. J., Mao, N., Irwin, M., Szuhany, K. L., Raio, C., Simon, N. M., Annual Convention of Anxiety and Depression Association of American, "Role of Anxiety Severity, Worry, and Emotion Regulation on Reactivity to Aversive Stimuli in Adults with Generalized Anxiety Disorder." (April 2025).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention," Anxiety and Depression Association of America, Chicago, IL, United States of America. (April 2026).

Wilson, N., Almada-Makebish, L., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Cornejo, G., Irwin, M., Goodwin, L., Badillo Perez, A., Baker, A. W., Bragdon, L. B., Simon, N. M., Szuhany, K. L., Annual Convention of Anxiety and Depression Association of American, "Why Aren’t You Exercising? The Association between Anxiety Sensitivity, Physical, Cognitive, and Social Concerns, and Depressive Symptoms on Exercise Engagement." (April 2025).

Schadegg, M. J., Goodwin, E., Grueskin, E., Baker, A. W., Simon, N. M., Szuhany, K. L., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Characterization of Anger Attacks Among Those With Anxiety Disorders." (November 2024).

Szuhany, K. L., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Gallo, L., Ozdoba, A., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Exercise for Mood: Cultural Adaptations of a Group Exercise Intervention for Diverse Outpatients in an Urban Community to Improve Exercise Engagement and Mood Outcomes." (November 2024).

Usdan, H., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Irwin, M., Baker, A. W., Simon, N. M., Szuhany, K. L., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Exploring the Effect of Anxiety Disorder Diagnosis and Experiencing a Trauma on Emotion Regulation Deficits." (November 2024).

Schadegg, M. J., Usdan, H., Cornejo, G., Szuhany, K. L., Mete, M., Bui, E., Baker, A. W., Simon, N. M., Hoge, E., Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention, "Differential Emotion Regulation Changes among Adults with Anxiety Disorders in a Randomized Clinical Trial of Mbsr Vs. Escitalopram." (April 2024).

Cornejo, G., Irwin, M., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Grueskin, E., Yan, J., Baker, A. W., Simon, N. M., Szuhany, K. L., Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention, "Examining Interactive Effects between Anxiety Sensitivity and Emotion Regulation on Anxious Symptom Severity." (April 2024).

Schadegg, M. J., Hicks, N., Curry, L., Spicer, D., Patel, S., Scott, T., Courtney, R. E., Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Pain Medicine, "Pain School: Examining the Reach and Feasibility of a Standardized Pain Education Class in a Rural VA." (March 2024).

Dixon, L. J., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Clark, H. L., Perry, M. M., Sevier, C. J., Hana, L., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Assessing public awareness and knowledge of misophonia in a nationally representative sample of adults," New York, NY. (November 2022).

Schadegg, M. J., Fair, L. G., Dixon, L. J., Annual Meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, "Using a Behavioral Paradigm of Uncertainty to Investigate Emotion Regulation among Individuals with and without Generalized Anxiety Disorder Symptoms." (November 2022).

Schadegg, M., Salem Veteran Affairs Medical Center Continued Education Series, "Transdiagnostic processes of generalized anxiety disorder: An experimental investigation evaluating the role of emotion regulation in uncertain contexts." (October 2022).

Holohan, D. R., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Research and Development Monthly Investigator's Meeting, "Evaluating the Impact of Supplementing Residential Substance Use Treatment with Written Exposure Therapy for Veterans with Co-Occurring PTSD and Substance Use Disorders." (September 2022).

Shepherd, W. S., Nyary, A. L., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Dixon, L. J., Annual University of Mississippi Psychology Research Day, "Contrast avoidance helps explain sleep disturbances in individuals with anxiety." (April 2022).

Hana, L. M., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Dixon, L. J., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention, "How Does Physiological Arousal Affect Avoidance? Examining Anxiety Sensitivity, Nonacceptance, and Safety Behaviors in Socially Anxious College Students." (November 2021).

Schadegg, M. J., Shepherd, W. S., Dixon, L. J., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention, "Investigating the Contribution of Emotion Dysregulation in Skin Picking among Adults with Skin Disease." (November 2021).

Shepherd, W. S., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Dixon, L. J., Mississippi Psychological Association 72nd Annual Convention, "Testing the Association between Emotion Regulation and the Contrast Avoidance Model." (September 2021).

Schadegg, M. J., Dixon, L. J., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention, "Investigating the Role of Emotion Dysregulation in Anxiety and Chronic Disease Self-Management among Adults with Skin Disease." (November 2020).

Perry, M. M., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Dixon, L. J., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention, "Understanding the Impact of Maternal Parenting Practices on College Students' Experiences of Social Anxiety through Emotion Regulation." (November 2020).

Perry, M. M., Boullion, G. Q., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Witcraft, S. M., Dixon, L. J., Annual Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Convention, "Examining Interpersonal and Intrapersonal Emotion Regulation, Social Anxiety, and Aggression among College Students." (November 2019).

Boullion, G. Q., Perry, M. M., Witcraft, S. M., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Dixon, L. J., Annual Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Convention, "Social Anxiety and Loneliness: The Indirect Effect of Emotion Regulation Difficulties." (November 2019).

Schadegg, M. J., Witcraft, S. M., Perry, M. M., Boullion, G. Q., Dixon, L. J., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies 53nd Annual Convention, "An Aggressive Reaction to Sound: The Interactive Effects of Anxiety Sensitivity and Misophonia on Facets of Aggression." (November 2019).

Dixon, L. J., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Boullion, G. Q., Witcraft, S. M., Perry, M. M., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies 53rd Annual Convention, "Obsessive-compulsive related disorders, emotion regulation, and quality of life in adults with skin disease." (November 2019).

Witcraft, S. M., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Boullion, G. Q., Perry, M. M., Dixon, L. J., Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention, "What Sensitivities Matter in Dental Anxiety? Investigating Sensitivity to Anxiety, Pain, and Disgust." (November 2019).

Schadegg, M., Dixon, L. J., University of Mississippi Psychology Research Day, "Aggression and sound: The role of anxiety sensitivity in misophonia and aggression." (April 2019).

Grace, D. M., Reynolds, A. S., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Dixon, L. J., University of Mississippi Psychology Research Day, "I Can't Stress This Enough: Correlates of Stress in a Southern University Population." (April 2019).

Schadegg, M. J., Llera, S., Annual Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Convention, "Fear of Change: A New Concept and its Relationship to the Underlying Mechanisms of GAD." (November 2018).

Schadegg, M. J., Llera, S., Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention, "Relationship between Contrast Avoidance Model and Intolerance of Uncertainty: A Path Analysis." (April 2018).

Blue, T. R., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Gordon, M., Rich, J. D., Academic and Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health, "Long-term Follow-up of Individuals under Community Supervision Who Refused Rapid HIV Testing." (March 2018).

Gordon, M. S., Carswell, S. B., **Schadegg, M. J.,** Leveraging Technology to Improve Treatment Outcomes for Justice-Involved Populations, "Technology Interventions for Individuals with Substance Use Disorders Under Community Supervision." (September 2017).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention," Anxiety and Depression Association of America, Chicago, IL, United States of America. (April 2026).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA, United States of America. (November 2025).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention," Anxiety and Depression Association of America, Las Vegas, NV, United States of America. (April 2025).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA, United States of America. (November 2024).

Schadegg, M. J.,Conference Attendance, "Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention," Anxiety and Depression Association of America, Boston, MA, United States of America. (April 2024).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY, United States of America. (November 2022).

Schadegg, M. J., Workshop, "Motivational Interview/ Motivational Enhancement Therapy Training," Salem VA Medical Center, Salem, VA, United States of America. (October 2022).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New Orleans, LA, United States of America. (November 2021).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Misophonia Research Fund Annual Meeting," Misophonia Research Fund, Chicago, IL, United States of America. (November 2021).

Schadegg, M. J., Seminar, "Clinical Suicidology," National Register of Health Service Psychologists, Online, United States of America. (October 2021).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA, United States of America. (November 2020).

Schadegg, M. J., Continuing Education Program, "American Psychological Association Telepsychology Best Practice 101," American Psychological Association, Online, United States of America. (2020).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Annual Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Atlanta, GA, United States of America. (November 2019).

Schadegg, M. J. Workshop, "Functional Analysis in Process-Based CBT," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Convention, Atlanta, GA, United States of America. (November 2019).

Schadegg, M. J., Seminar, "An Introduction to Relational Frame Theory," Foxy Learning, Online, United States of America. (October 2019).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Annual Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Convention," Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Washington, D.C., United States of America. (November 2018).

Schadegg, M. J., Conference Attendance, "Annual Anxiety and Depression Association of America Convention," Anxiety and Depression Association of America, Washington, D.C., United States of America. (April 2018).

Schadegg, M. J., Faculty Fellowship, "New Faculty Scholar Program," University of South Alabama Innovation in Learning Center, Mobile, AL, United States of America. (August 2025 - May 2026).

Schadegg, M. J., Mentoring, "MéPLE Mentoring," University of South Alabama Innovation in Learning Center, Mobile, AL, United States of America. (August 2025 - May 2026).

Schadegg, M. J., Member, Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies. (2019 - Present).

Schadegg, M. J., Member, Anxiety and Depression Association of America. (2018 - Present).

Schadegg, M. J., Member, American Psychological Association. (2024).

Schadegg, M. J., Member, Graduate Women In Science. (2023 - 2024).

Schadegg, M. J., Member, Association of Psychological Science. (2016 - 2017).

DR. PHILLIP SMITH

Stevens, L. T., Coleman, J. N., Walsh, C. S., Mayinja, L. S., Rowhani-Rahbar, A., **Smith, P. N.,** Mehari, K. R., Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research, "Patterns of nonfatal firearm intimate partner violence among a u.s. national sample of adults." (April 2026).

Rodriguez, C., **Smith, P. N.,** Keeley, J., Southeastern Psychological Association, "Demystifying clinical psychology PhD admissions: Q&A with training directors." (March 2026).

Smith, P. N., Southeastern Psychological Association, "Participatory action research with firearm owners: Understanding firearm storage practices." (March 2026).

Love, H., **Smith, P. N.,** International Summit on Suicide Prevention Research, "Interdependent associations between attachment and suicidal ideation." (November 2025).

O'Connor, K. E., Coleman, J. N., Stevens, L. T., Walsh, C., **Smith, P. N.,** Mehari, K. R., National Research Conference for the Prevention of Firearm-Related Harms, "A social-ecological model of youth firearm victimization." (November 2025).

Morgan, S. T., Mehari, K. R., Stevens, L. T., **Smith, P. N.,** National Research Conference for the Prevention of Firearm-Related Harms, "Developing a measure of attitudes about firearm-related policy and law using mixed methods participatory action research." (November 2025).

Ward, J., Baxter-King, R., **Smith, P. N.,** Mehari, K. R., National Research Conference for the Prevention of Firearm-Related Harms, "Gun-related beliefs as predictors of gun policy support: Findings from the nationally representative GRIP survey." (November 2025).

Stevens, L. T., Coleman, J. N., **Smith, P. N.,** Rowhani-Rahbar, A., Nation, M., Farrell, A. D., Mehari, K. R., National Research Conference for the Prevention of Firearm-Related Harms, "Patterns of nonfatal firearm teen dating violence among high school adolescents in the Southeastern United States." (November 2025).

Walsh, C. S., Mayinja, L. S., **Smith, P. N.,** Mehari, K. R., National Research Conference on the Prevention of Firearm-Related Harms, "Subgroups of firearm owners' experiences with firearm and non-firearm violence." (November 2025).

Morgan, S. (Author & Presenter), Mehari, K. (Author), Stevens, T. (Author), Coleman, J. (Author), Schuler, K. (Author), Graves, C. (Author), Lindsey, D. R. B. (Author), **Smith, P. N.** (Author), Annual Meeting of the Society for Prevention Research (2025), "Mixed methods evaluation of a jail diversion program: Impact on arrests and functioning," SPR, Seattle, WA. (May 2025).

Mehari, K. R., **Smith, P. N.,** Walsh, C., Stevens, L. T., Coleman, J. N., Society for Prevention Research, "Carrying practices and motivations for carrying and not carrying: A mixed methods analysis of adults and youth." (May 2025).

Morgan, S. T., Mehari, K. R., Stevens, L. T., Coleman, J. N., Schuler, K., Graves, C., Lindsey, D. R., **Smith, P. N.,** Society for Prevention Research, "Mixed methods evaluation of a jail diversion program: Impact on arrests and functioning." (May 2025).

Stevens, L. T., Mayinja, L. S., Morgan, S. T., **Smith, P. N.,** Mehari, K. R., Society for Prevention Research, "Posttraumatic stress as a mediator between childhood exposure to trauma and firearm-related intimate partner violence." (May 2025).

Walsh, C., Dunn, C. B., **Smith, P. N.,** Mehari, K. R., Society for Prevention Research, "Relations between Subgroups of Sources of Firearm Information and Youth Firearm Carriage." (May 2025).

DR. JACK SHELLEY-TREMBLAY

Shelley-Tremblay, J. (2026). Participated in national-level sessions on leadership in higher education, federal science policy, artificial intelligence in psychology, and challenges facing graduate training programs, with continuing education engagement across multiple professional development workshops. Council of Graduate Departments of Psychology (COGDOP) Annual Meeting.

Shelley-Tremblay, J. (2026). Evaluating Research and Scholarly Productivity in an Era of Restricted Funding. Council of Graduate Departments of Psychology (COGDOP) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA. Led a national workshop session focused on strategies for assessing research productivity under constrained funding environments, addressing policy, evaluation metrics, and program-level decision making in graduate psychology education.

Shelley-Tremblay, J. (2026). Substance Use and the Developing Brain: Neurobiological and Clinical Perspectives. Invited presentation with trainee co-presenter, Alabama Drug Education Council (ADEC), January 22. Delivered a community-focused presentation integrating neurobiological mechanisms of substance use with clinical implications, including treatment approaches, barriers to care, and real-world outcomes. This presentation reflects a longstanding collaborative partnership with ADEC and includes mentorship of graduate trainees in professional outreach and applied clinical translation.

Shelley-Tremblay, J., Reames, C., Gomien, K., Maher, E., Burch, E., & Hill, B. (2026, February). *Setting the Mood: The Relationship Between Resting State Electroencephalogram Alpha/Beta Ratios and Emotional State.* Poster presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Shelley-Tremblay, J. (2026, February 27). *Use of Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation for Improvement of Symptoms of Depression: Focus on Improving Verbal Fluency.* Invited research presentation, Alabama Academy of Science Annual Meeting, Faulkner University, Montgomery, AL.

Burch, E., **Shelley-Tremblay, J.,** Gong, N., Arnold, I., Boyer, K., Cowan, A., & Santos, H. (2026, March 26). *Developing an AI Device to Improve Emotion Recognition in ASD: AI-Derived Colored Overlay Mechanism.* Poster presented at the Southeastern Psychological Association 72nd Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, United States.

Reames, C., Gomien, K., Maher, E., Burch, E., **Shelley-Tremblay, J.,** & Hill, B. (2026, February). *Setting the Mood: The Relationship Between Resting State Electroencephalogram Alpha Beta Ratios and Emotional State.* Poster Presented at the International Neuropsychological Society 54th Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Developing an AI Device for Measuring Attention and Emotional Expressions to Assist Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder. (2025, April 9 – 12) Eva Burch, Na Gong, Isaac Arnold & **Jack Shelley-Tremblay,** University of South Alabama. 2025 Meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, Atlanta, Georgia.

DR. LISA TURNER

Turner, L.A. & Johnson, T. (March 2026). I'm safe: My friends know where I am. Poster presentation at the Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans

DR. KIMBERLY ZLOMKE

Pasquariello, J., Adams, H., Robeson, M., Chassin, V., **Zlomke, K.,** Southeastern Psychological Association 72nd Annual Meeting, "Caregiver strain and media use in autism vs. non-autism parents.." (April 2026).

Robeson, M., Albright, J. A., Chassin, V., Lewis, C., Baxter, A., **Zlomke, K.,** Association for Behavioral Analysis International 12th International Conference, "Preliminary data from the adaptation of a social skills training program for college students.." (November 2025).

Chassin, V., Robeson, M., Pasquariello, J., McDermott, R., **Zlomke, K.,** Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Annual Meeting. (October 2025).

Chassin, V., Robeson, M., Pasquariello, J., Spiegel, J., **Zlomke, K.,** Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Annual Meeting, "Parent-child interaction therapy and autism spectrum disorder: A meta-analysis of treatment effects.." (October 2025).

Robeson, M., Pasquariello, J., Chassin, V., Hayes, K., Adams, H., **Zlomke, K.,** Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Annual Meeting,, "Investigation of the Alabama Parenting Questionnaire-9 in a clinical service-seeking population: A structural equation modeling approach.." (October 2025).



THE DEPARTMENT OF

Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work

This year, the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work celebrated the arrival of new faculty and the continuing high level of achievement by our faculty and staff. **Dr. Shuai Zhou** joined the Sociology faculty as Assistant Professor and received a joint appointment with the Stokes School of Marine and Environmental Sciences. **Dr. Marie Leonard** was appointed to our first Assistant Professorship of Instruction. We recently received confirmation that **Dr. Dongwook Kim** will join us as Assistant Professor of Social Work in the 2026 fall term. Social Work celebrated its 20th Anniversary as a major. Congratulations to our Social Work faculty on growing this program. Last year, the program ranked second in the state for licensure passes on the first attempt by graduates of our program.

Department Chair: Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks

Professors: Dr. Nicole Carr, Dr. Philip J. Carr, Dr. Roma S. Hanks, Dr. Lesley A. Gregoricka, Dr. C. Kenneth Hudson, Dr. Nancy J. Kelley, Dr. Douglas A. Marshall

Associate Professors: Dr. Erin Nelson

Assistant Professors: Dr. Samuel R. Bethel, Dr. Dongwook Kim, Dr. Ryan S. Morini, Dr. Leonard A. Mundy, Dr. Linda E. Sanchez, Dr. Shuai Zhou

Assistant Professor of Instruction: Dr. Marie des Neiges Léonard

Instructors: Ms. Laurie F. Haas

Secretaries: Sunnilee Chafin, Caroline Forbes, Anne Graham, Mallory Shemwell

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Individually, our faculty had some achievements that are briefly highlighted below:

Dr. Sam Bethel, Assistant Professor of Social Work, successfully completed the training to become a licensure supervisor for Social Work in the State of Alabama. He also published a book chapter in the *Handbook of Health Social Work*, the most commonly used textbook in health social work curricula;

Dr. Phil Carr, Professor of Anthropology, was honored at the 4th annual Research and Technology Symposium at USA;

Dr. Lesley Gregoricka, Professor of Anthropology, was awarded three internal grants this year to support analyses of samples collected during her 2025 Fulbright. She is pursuing a new research program in Al Ain (Emirate of Abu Dhabi) while continuing long-term work in the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah. The near future of conducting research in the United Arab Emirates is uncertain due to escalating conflict in the region, but she remains diligent in her attempts to continue her funded research there;

Laurie Haas, Instructor of Social Work, along with the BSW Director, created and delivered a 16-hour CEU training focused on License Preparation for social workers. This training was held on June 26-27, 2025. A highlight of the event was a presentation by nationally recognized speaker, Dr. Sophia Dziegielewski. Over 100 trainees participated;

Dr. Roma Hanks, Professor of Sociology and Department Chair, continued her work with USA Health, Center for Healthy Communities, and the NSF-funded project to build the AI workforce and develop health-related monitoring devices using Edge-AI technology. She presented her work at the annual conference of the American Public Health Association in Washington, D.C. in November 2025;

Dr. Nancy Kelley, Professor of Social Work and BSW Director, received funding from Level Up. Her proposal, "Level UP Program Accelerator Proposal Career Connections - Social Work Speaker Series," allowed sponsorship of several events for students, faculty, and the community. Dr. Kelley also worked with community collaborators to present the Timothy Alexander Motivational Speaker Special Event. A collaboration between the USA Social Work Program, USA Development and Alumni Relations Office, and the Family Center of the Gulf Coast, the event was a recognition of the 20th anniversary of the BSW program at USA. Open to all social work students at USA and community social workers. Mobile, AL. September 2025;

Dr. Marie Leonard, Assistant Professor of Instruction in Sociology, was nominated Narrative for the College of Arts and Sciences Excellence in Directed Studies Awards (2026). The award is given in recognition of outstanding faculty performance in undergraduate directed studies or similar directed learning courses, such as undergraduate senior thesis courses. The winner will be announced at the Dean's Lecture in the fall term;

Dr. Leo Mundy, Assistant Professor of Sociology, was awarded external funding from the Area Agency on Aging as Principal Investigator for the 2026 Legacy Leadership Institute, working with our community partner to create and coordinate academic curriculum, advertise and expand their volunteer program, and assist in other forms of community service for the agency;

Dr. Erin Nelson, Associate Professor of Anthropology, coordinated USA's documentation, consultation, and repatriation efforts in response to new federal regulations related to the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA). She coordinates all NAGPRA activities, including records compilation, documentation of MNI for ancestral remains, identification of associated funerary objects (AFOs), and consultation with 9 federally recognized tribes, among other duties;

Dr. Linda Sanchez, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, published a peer-reviewed book chapter through Routledge Publication titled "What's My Name? Cultural Politics of Name Change through Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)" in the edited collection *Naming and Being: Knowledges, Identities, and Cultural Politics* (2026); and

Dr. Shuai Zhou, Assistant Professor of Sociology, developed two courses: a Population course (undergraduate and graduate levels) and Quantitative Methods for Environmental Sociology (graduate level). He supplemented the courses with the most recent data, research findings, and real-world examples. Students engage directly in demographic research while practicing

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presentation and communication skills. His research focused on environmental change, migration, and population health. He published seven peer-reviewed journal articles and one book chapter – in his first year at USA. In collaboration with a faculty member from the Stokes School of Marine and Environmental Sciences, he secured a $121,568 research grant.

Thanks to the efforts of our Recruitment and Retention Committee and Events Committee, the department sponsored many events for students. We refurbished our departmental lobby to assure that students have a welcoming, comfortable place to call their academic home. Among our most popular events were:

- Week of Welcome with Scavenger hunt of Faculty Offices,
- Pour Decisions – Coffee House Prep event before Finals,
- BSW Info Session,
- Mardi Gras Lecture featuring Dr. Marcus Aldredge, Professor of Sociology at Iona University.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R., Browne, T., Porth, J., Wolfer, T., Morgan, C., Bennett, K. A Formative Process Evaluation of Social Care Programming in a Large Health System Serving Rural and Under-Resourced Communities.

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A., Ullinger, J. M. (2026). A multi-isotopic approach to examining mobility and social reorganization during the Bronze Age transition in Ras Al Khaimah, UAE. *American Journal of Biological Anthropology, 189*, e70220.

Weeks, L., D'Gluyas, C., Dusting, A., Hazell, G., Parker, A., Lindauer, S., **Gregoricka, L. A.,** Fillios, M., Arrighi, N., Ustunkaya, C., Wright, N., David-Cuny, H. (in press). Beginning a new programme of field research at Shimal, Ras al-Khaimah: Exploring cultural adaptations during the second millennium BCE. *Proceedings of the UAE Archaeology 24 Conference.*

Smith-Escudero, S., **Gregoricka, L. A.,** Ullinger, J. M. Investigating entheseal changes of the arm and Umm an-Nar activity patterns in the Bronze Age UAE. *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology.*

Gregoricka, L. A., Ullinger, J. M., Arellano, C., Burke, Q., Goodman, A., Heil, R., McGrath, A., Sheibley, R. (2025). The impact of secondary mortuary practices on representation and distribution of commingled elements from Umm an-Nar human skeletons in communal tombs. *Advances in Archaeological Practice, 13*(2), 233-240.

DR. ERIN NELSON

Bloch, L., **Nelson, E. S.,** Wallis, N. J., Rutkoski, A. (2025). Creating Standardized Guides for Pottery Temper Characterization. *Advances in Archaeological Practice* (2025), 1-15.

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Zhou, S., Lu, D., Li, L., Mosdossy, K., Nelson, R., Lehmann, J., Liao, C. (in press). Aligning Nutrient Supply and Demand for an Equitable Circular Bionutrient Economy in the US. *Nature Sustainability.*

Zhou, S., Liao, C., Chi, G. (in press). Heat and Air Pollution Shape Divergent Mortality Patterns across Rural and Urban United States. *npj Environmental Social Science.*

Zhou, S., Chi, G., Liao, C. (in press). Spatial Perspective on Environmental Migration: Empirical Insights from a Spatio-temporal Approach in the United States, 1970–2010. *Demographic Research.*

Anderson, C. A., **Zhou, S.,** Chi, G. (2026). Religious Traditions Exhibit Heterogeneous Effects on Vaccination Uptake: A US County-Level Regression Analysis Supporting Tailored Health Outreach. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine, 70*(1), 108139.

Nelson, R., Njagi, J., Culotta, I., Newell, E., **Zhou, S.,** Mosdossy, K., Abala, E., Liao, C., Lehmann, J., Midega, C. (2026). Synergistic pathways to a circular bionutrient economy. *Global Food Security, 48,* 100898.

Liao, C., Kao-Kniffin, J., Reid, M., Zhang, W., Tshabalala, P., Andrus, E., Butler-Jones, Z., LaPoint, J., **Zhou, S.,** Rafols, R., others (2025). Rice farming for climate change adaptation in the Northeastern United States. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, 122*(49), e2402181122.

Sun, Y., Wu, L., Fu, H., Zhang, Y., **Zhou, S.,** Lee, Y., Liao, C. (2025). Urban Land Use Efficiency Enhancement Through Regional Economic Cooperation Network in Urban Agglomeration: Evidence from Yangtze River Delta, China. *International Regional Science Review.*

PEER REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A., Sheridan, S. G., Judd, M. A. (in press). The bioarchaeology of Byzantine monasticism and pilgrimage to the Holy Land. *Mobility in Antiquity: Rethinking the Ancient World through Movement.* Routledge.

Gregoricka, L. A., Alhaj, T., Hashesh, Z., Wahba, A., Abdelrahim, R., Gabr, A. (in press). The ethics of sampling human tissues from the ancient dead: Prioritizing consent, justification, and preservation. *The Routledge Handbook of Bioarchaeology in Northeast Africa.* Routledge.

DR. ERIN NELSON

Peres, T., Baires, S., Reihm, G. E., Stevens, K. A., Meyers, M., **Nelson, E. S.** (in press). (Re)Sourcing Knowledge: Considering Access, Authorship, and Citation in Archaeology. *Evidence of Absence: The History of Exclusivity in Archaeology.* Salt Lake City, Utah: University of Utah Press.

Nelson, E. S., Rutkoski, A. Bottle Creek and the Pensacola Mississippian Expression. *Oxford Handbook of Mississippian Archaeology.* Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Antoniuk, C. B., Kowalski, J. A., **Nelson, E. S.** The Yazoo Basin. *Oxford Handbook of Mississippian Archaeology.* Oxford: Oxford University Press.

DR. LINDA SANCHEZ

Sanchez, L. E. (2026). What's My Name?: Cultural Politics of Name Change Through DACA. *Naming and Being: Knowledges, Identities, and Cultural Politics.* New York: Routledge.

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Zhou, S., Chi, G. (in press). Old Data, Old Problems, New Data, New Challenges. *Research Handbook of Rural Sociology.* Edward Elgar Publishing.

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Zhou, S., Liao, C. (in preparation). *Navigating Environmental Health: A Comprehensive Synthesis and Future Prospects.* Cambridge University Press.

NON PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, PREFACES, INTRODUCTIONS, AND AFTERWARDS

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R., Tindal, J., Teri, B. (in press). Social Work Roles in Health Care Settings. *Handbook of Health Social Work.* Wiley.

DR. ERIN NELSON

Nelson, E. S., Thompson, I., Ayers, C., Batton, D., Bloch, L., Downen, K., Robinson, V., Rutkoski, A., Torvinan, A., Wallis, N. (2025). Braiding Knowledge in Mobile Bay: Collaborative Research and Revitalization of Choctaw Ceramic Traditions. *The SAA Archaeological Record, 25*(3), 4-11.

OTHER NON PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R., DiPiano, S., Ewald, B., Gier, N., Hirsch, J., Kumagai, A., McFadden, A., Newman, M., Simmons, J. (2025). *Billing Medicare Part B for Social Workers: An Open-Access Guide.* Coalition for Social Work and Health. www.socialworkandhealth.org/billing-resources-1/medicare-part-b- billing-guide

DR. PHILIP CARR

Carr, P. J. (2025). *Native Nations: A Millennium in North America.* Alabama Writer's Forum.

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A. (2025). *A multi-isotopic approach to examining mobility and social reorganization during the Bronze Age transition in Ras Al Khaimah* (vol. 34, pp. 13-14). The International Association for the Study of Arabia (IASA) Bulletin.

Ullinger, J. M., **Gregoricka, L. A.** (2025). *Bioarchaeology at Shimal in Ras Al Khaimah* (vol. 34, pp. 67-68). The International Association for the Study of Arabia (IASA) Bulletin.

DR. ERIN NELSON

Steponaitis, V. P., Kassabaum, M. C., **Nelson, E. S.** *Mississippi Mound Trail, Southern Region.* Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

EDITORSHIP OF PEER REVIEWED BOOKS OR PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

DR. ROMA HANKS

Hanks, R. S., Bethel, S. R. Editor, "Integrating Health and Social Care for Population Health", *Frontiers in Public Health.* Academic. (April 14, 2026 - April 2027).

Hanks, R. S., Crook, E., Hall-Wurst, C. B. Editor, "Health and Environmental Disparities over the Life Span", *Social Sciences.* Academic. (March 19, 2026 - April 2027).

MEMBER OF EDITORIAL BOARD FOR PEER-REVIEW JOURNAL OR JOURNALS

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R. Editorial Board Member, Journal of Nephrology Social Work. Academic. (August 2018 - Present).

DR. PHILIP CARR

Carr, P. J. (Editorial Board Member 2023-2024). University of Alabama Press. Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Cambridge Archaeological Journal". Academic. (2024 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Anthropological Archaeology". Academic. (2024 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Oman Studies". Academic. (2024 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Antiquity". Academic. (2023 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Levant". Academic. (2023 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Proceedings of the Seminar for Arabian Studies". Academic. (2021 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Quaternary International". Academic. (2021 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Bioarchaeology International". Academic. (2017 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "International Journal of Paleopathology". Academic. (2017 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports". Academic. (2017 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "National Science Foundation – Senior Grant Proposals", National Science Foundation. Academic. (2016 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences". Academic. (2016 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Scientific Reports". Academic. (2016 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "National Science Foundation – DDIG Proposals", National Science Foundation. Academic. (2015 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "American Journal of Biological Anthropology". Academic. (2013 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "PloS ONE". Academic. (2013 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Arabian Archaeology and Epigraphy". Academic. (2012 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Archaeological Science". Academic. (2012 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "International Journal of Osteoarchaeology". Academic. (2011 – Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Editorial Review Board Member, Editorial Group, Bioethics of Practice in Human Bioarchaeology (Frontiers in Science). (2025 - Present).

Gregoricka, L. A. Editorial Review Board Member, Academic Journal: Bioarchaeology International. (2019 - Present).

DR. NANCY KELLEY

Kelley, N. J. Editorial Board Member, "The Gerontologist", Gerontological Society of America. Academic. (2007 - Present).

DR. LINDA SANCHEZ

Sanchez-Crawford, L. N/A, N. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Citizenship, Reproductive Governance, and Digital Resistance in the 2025 U.S. Immigration Regime", Law and Society. (November 2025 - February 2026).

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Zhou, S. Associate Editor, "Global Development Sustainability". Academic. (2025 - Present).

ABSTRACTS

DR. ROMA HANKS

Hanks, R.S., Kelley, N., Francis-Shearer, A., Parker, L.,Bethel, S. & Williams, A. Late-life planning and decision-making: Caregiving resources and health disparities. *American Public Health Association.* Abstract #577116 – Accepted, listed under B-4

Hanks, R.S. & Gong, N. Advancing edge AI for health equity: Lessons learned from an NSF-Funded project with community health worker engagement. *American Public Health Association.* Abstract #578853 – Not Accepted

OTHER PERFORMANCES, PRODUCTIONS AND RECITALS

DR. MARIE DES NEIGES LÉONARD

Leonard, M. d. N. A. (Presenter), Poetry Slam, "Air Vif," Foreign Language Association Phi Sigma Iota, University of South Alabama. (November 2025).

REVIEWER OF MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS FOR PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R. Ad Hoc Reviewer, "Musculoskeletal (MSK) Pain and Relationship to Sleep Quality and Depression in Patients with End-Stage Kidney Disease (ESKD)", Journal of Nephrology Social Work. Academic. (December 2025).

DR. PHILIP CARR

Carr, P. J., Rezek, Z., Bradbury, A., Price, S. A Reassessment of the "Organization of Technology" Framework and Archaeological Inference. *Journal of Paleolithic Archaeology.*

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A., Associate Editor, Bioarchaeology International. (2019 - Present).

Gregoricka, L. A., Associate Editor, Bioethics of Practice in Human Bioarchaeology (Frontiers in Science). (2025 - Present).

DR. NANCY KELLEY

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Baccalaureate Social Work", National Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors. Academic. (January 2025 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Advances in Social Work", Indiana University School of Social Work. Academic. (2019 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Innovation in Aging", Gerontological Society of America. Academic. (2017 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Social Work Education", Council on Social Work Education. Academic. (2017 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Research on Aging". Academic. (2010 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Applied Gerontology", Southern Gerontological Society. Academic. (2008 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Editorial Board Member, "The Gerontologist", Gerontological Society of America. Academic. (2007 - Present).

Kelley, N. J. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Journal of Gerontological Social Work", Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work. Academic. (2004 - Present).

DR. MARIE DES NEIGES LÉONARD

Leonard, M. d. N. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Social Problems". Academic. (February 15, 2026). Reviewed an article for a peer-review journal, Social Problems, on a topic related to my area of expertise in research (race, ethnicity, racial politics in France, colorblindness).

Leonard, M. d. N. A. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Cultural Politics". Academic. (May 27, 2025). Reviewed an article for a peer-review journal, Cultural Politics, on a topic related to my area of expertise in research on race, ethnicity, and race relations in Europe.

DR. ERIN NELSON

Nelson, E.S., Reviewer, Journal Article, Southeastern Archaeology. (2019 - Present).

Nelson, E.S., Reviewer, Journal Article, American Antiquity. (2024 - Present).

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Scientific Reports". Academic. (2026).

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "BMC Geriatrics". Academic. (2025).

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "BMC Public Health". Academic. (2025).

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "BMC Public Health". Academic. (2025).

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Nature Climate Change". Academic. (2025).

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Population and Environment". Academic. (2025).

Zhou, S. Invited Manuscript Reviewer, "Population Research and Policy Review". Academic. (2025).

GRANTS AWARDED

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R., "2026 College of Arts & Sciences Summer Professional Development Grant," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, Internal to the University. (2025).

DR. PHILIP CARR

Wu, S. (Principal), Kang, M. W. (Co-Principal), Ding, L. (Co-Principal), Gossen, A. N. (Co-Principal), Huang, Y. (Co-Principal), Zhou, S., Wang, W. (Co-Principal), Benton, R. G. (Co-Principal), Cleary, J. C. (Co-Principal), **Carr, P. J.** (Co-Principal), Carr, N. T., Walker, S. (Co-Principal), Woods, R. C., Hanks, R. (Supporting), Steward, E. J., LaCross, E. (Supporting), Bentley, E. C. (Supporting), Pancione, K. E. (Supporting), Estis, J., Parrish, A., "AIMS-UP: Artificial Intelligence & Modern Skills for Undergraduate Preparedness," Sponsored by Department of Education, External to the University, $4,000,000.00. (May 2025 - April 2030).

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A. (Principal), "Investigating the role of sex on Bronze Age migration patterns using proteomics," Sponsored by Support & Development Award, Internal to the University, $1,500.00. (2026).

Gregoricka, L. A. (Principal), "Investigating the role of sex on Bronze Age migration patterns," Sponsored by Mahan-Brandon Fund for Research in Gender Studies and Women's History, Internal to the University, $1,500.00. (2025 - 2026).

Gregoricka, L. A. (Principal), "Mobility and shifting Bronze Age social and environmental landscapes at the Al Ain Oasis," Sponsored by USA Research & Scholarship Development Grant, Internal to the University, $25,000.00. (2025).

Gregoricka, L. A. (Principal), "Mobility and shifting cultural landscapes among the Early Bronze Age inhabitants of the Al Ain Oasis," Sponsored by Zayed National Museum Research Fund, External to the University, $20,000.00. (2025).

Gregoricka, L. A. (Principal), "Mobility and shifting Bronze Age social and environmental landscapes at the Al Ain Oasis," Sponsored by Fulbright U.S. Scholar Award (Abu Dhabi, UAE), External to the University, $46,150.00. (January 2025 - June 2025).

DR. ROMA HANKS

Zha, S. (Lead Principal), Shaban, M. (Principal), **Hanks, R.** (Principal), Kirkici, H. (Principal). "RII Track 2 FEC: Building Research Infrastructure and Workforce in Edge AI," Sponsored by NSF RII Track-2 FEC, Federal, $286,659. (August 15, 2025-August 14, 2026).

Gong, N. (Principal), Wang, J. (Co-Principal), Shaban, M. (Supporting), Woods, C. (Supporting), Kirkici, H. (Supporting), **Hanks, R.** (Supporting), Zha, S. (Supporting), Bulton, W., "RII Track 2 FEC: Building Research Infrastructure and Workforce in Edge AI," Sponsored by NSF RII Track-2 FEC, Federal, $6,000,000.00. (August 1, 2022 - August 30, 2026).

Wu, S. (Principal), Huang, J. (Co-Principal), Cleary, J. C. (Co-Principal), **Hanks, R.** (Co-Principal), Mark, P. F. (Co-Principal), Scyphers, S. B. (Co-Principal), Min, H. (Co-Principal), Ferguson, S. N., "Gulf Coast Center for Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach (GCC-CREO)," Sponsored by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - EPA, External to the University, $1,863,456.00. (October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2026).

Islam, S. (Lead Principal), Do, T. (Principal), **Hanks, R.** (Principal). "Sea Level Rise Study in Alabama Gulf Coast: Building an Adaptive and Resilient Coastal Community," Sponsored by NASEM, External to the University, $3,108,846. (November 17, 2025 - November 15, 2030).

Wu, S. (Principal), Kang, M. W. (Co-Principal), Ding, L. (Co-Principal), Gossen, A. N. (Co-Principal), Huang, Y. (Co-Principal), Zhou, S., Wang, W. (Co-Principal), Benton, R. G. (Co-Principal), Cleary, J. C. (Co-Principal), Carr, P. J. (Co-Principal), Carr, N. T., Walker, S. (Co-Principal), Woods, R. C., **Hanks, R.** (Supporting), Steward, E. J., LaCross, E. (Supporting), Bentley, E. C. (Supporting), Pancione, K. E. (Supporting), Estis, J., Parrish, A., "AIMS-UP: Artificial Intelligence & Modern Skills for Undergraduate Preparedness," Sponsored by Department of Education, External to the University, $4,000,000. (May 2025 - April 2030).

Wu, S., **Hanks, R.,** Ferguson, S. N., LaCross, E., Cleary, J. C., Kang, M. W., Huang, J., Walker, S., Wolter Ferreira Touma, D., Ding, L., "Empowering Battery Recycling: The Gulf Coast Battery Coalition (GCBC)," Sponsored by US Department of Energy, External to the University, $3,590,842. (2025 - 2027).

DR. NANCY KELLEY

Kelley, N. J. (Principal), "2027 Title IV-E Child Welfare Subaward," Sponsored by Alabama Consortium of Child Welfare Education in Social Work, External to the University, Amount Pending. (October 1, 2026 - August 31, 2027). *Proposal in progress*—Due April 30, 2026.

Kelley, N. J. (Principal), "2026 Title IV-E Child Welfare Subaward," Sponsored by Alabama Consortium of Child Welfare Education in Social Work, External to the University, $120,298.00. (October 1, 2025 - August 31, 2026). *FUNDED.*

Kelley, N. J. (Principal), "Level UP Program Accelerator Proposal Career Connections--Social Work Speaker Series," Sponsored by University of South Alabama, $5,155.00. (August 1, 2024 - February 1, 2026; extended to April 30, 2026 with one more event added). *FUNDED.*

Kelley, N. J. (Principal), "2025 Title IV-E Child Welfare Subaward," Sponsored by Alabama Consortium of Child Welfare Education in Social Work, External to the University, $128,731.00. (October 1, 2024 - August 31, 2025). *FUNDED.*

DR. MARIE DES NEIGES LÉONARD

Leonard, M. d. N. A., "Arts and Sciences Support and Development Award," Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, Internal to the University, $1,500.00. (March 2026 - December 2026).

DR. LEONARD MUNDY

Mundy, L. (Principal), "The Legacy Leadership Institute," Sponsored by South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, The Area Agency on Aging, External to the University, $2,275.00. (March 1, 2026 - February 28, 2027).

Mundy, L. (Principal), "The Legacy Leadership Institute," Sponsored by South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, The Area Agency on Aging, External to the University, $2,275.00. (March 1, 2025 - February 28, 2026).

DR. ERIN NELSON

Nelson, E. S. (Principal), "USA FY2024 NAGPRA Consultation and Documentation Grant," Sponsored by National Park Service, Federal, $97,545.00. (October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2026).

Nelson, E. S. (Principal), "Pensacola Culture and the Mississippianization of the Northern Gulf Coast, ca. AD 1100-1700," Sponsored by Archaeometry Laboratory, University of Missouri Research Reactor, External to the University, $30,000.00. (August 2022 - April 2026).

Nelson, E. S. (Principal), "Collaborative Research: Long Term Process of Cultural Melding," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, $181,302.00. (May 2022 - April 2026).

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Hotard, A. (Principal), **Zhou, S.** (Co-Principal), "Through Our Eyes: Stories of Health and Resilience in Mobile, Alabama," Sponsored by Gulf Coast Environmental Engagement Center, Internal to the University, $121,568.00. (May 1, 2026 - March 31, 2028).

Liao, C. (Principal), Schmidt, S. (Principal), **Zhou, S.** (Co-Principal), "Energy and Society Research Working Group 2024–2026," Sponsored by Polson Institute for Global Development, External to the University, $3,000.00. (January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026).

Blekking, J. (Principal), **Zhou, S.** (Co-Principal), "Human-Environment Geospatial Research Forum," Sponsored by Polson Institute for Global Development, External to the University, $3,000.00. (February 1, 2025 - January 31, 2026).

Wu, S. (Principal), Kang, M. W. (Co-Principal), Ding, L. (Co-Principal), Gossen, A. N. (Co-Principal), Huang, Y. (Co-Principal), **Zhou, S.,** Wang, W. (Co-Principal), Benton, R. G. (Co-Principal), Cleary, J. C. (Co-Principal), Carr, P. J. (Co-Principal), Carr, N. T., Walker, S. (Co-Principal), Woods, R. C., Hanks, R. (Supporting), Steward, E. J., LaCross, E. (Supporting), Bentley, E. C. (Supporting), Pancione, K. E. (Supporting), Estis, J., Parrish, A., "AIMS-UP: Artificial Intelligence & Modern Skills for Undergraduate Preparedness," Sponsored by Department of Education, External to the University, $4,000,000.00. (May 2025 - April 2030). *Currently under review.*

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND/OR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

DR. SAMUEL BETHEL

Bethel, S. R., Alabama Conference of Social Work 2026 Annual Conference, "Increasing the research and evaluation capacity of social workers in health care settings.," Alabama Conference of Social Work, Orange Beach, Alabama. (February 27, 2026).

Bethel, S. R., Alabama Society of Health Care Social Workers 2025 Annual Conference, "Demystifying and simplifying research and evaluation for health care social workers," Alabama Society of Health Care Social Workers, Orange Beach, AL. (October 30, 2025).

DR. PHILIP CARR

Carr, P. J., Faculty Learning Community: Community Engaged Research, "Member," Innovation in Learning Center. (2025 - Present).

Carr, P. J., Conference Attendance, "IMPACT Conference," The IMPACT Sustainability Travel & Tourism Summit, Victoria, BC, Canada. (2026).

Carr, P. J., Workshop, "Conference on Teaching and Learning," Innovation in Learning Center, Mobile, AL, United States. (2025).

Carr, P. J. (Author & Presenter), Caldwell, S. (Author), Shaw, T. C. (Author), Stringer, G. (Author), Southeastern Archaeological Conference, "Myths and the M-Word: A Survey of Undergraduate Student Beliefs about Alabama's Indigenous History," Baton Rouge, LA. (November 6, 2025).

Carr, P. J. (Author & Presenter), Government to Government Consultation between Federally Recognized Tribes and the Federal Highway Administration/Alabama Department of Transportation, April 22-23, 2025, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, AL. The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Archaeology Project Update.

DR. LESLEY GREGORICKA

Gregoricka, L. A., People of the Sand, People of the Tent: Archaeological Perspectives on Mobility and Fluidity in Arid Regions of Western and Central Asia, NYU Abu Dhabi Research Institute, Abu Dhabi, UAE. (February 24, 2026).

Ullinger, R., **Gregoricka, L. A.,** Seminar for Arabian Studies, "Bioarchaeology of the Wadi Suq-period Shimal Necropolis in Ras Al Khaimah," Abu Dhabi, UAE. (December 13, 2025).

Gregoricka, L. A., al-Shamsi, R., Weeks, L., Seminar for Arabian Studies, "Developing an isoscape map of Ras Al Khaimah and beyond," Abu Dhabi, UAE. (December 12, 2025).

Gregoricka, L. A., Baker, B. J., American Society for Overseas Research, "Interpreting changing patterns of mobility and social organization using a multi-isotopic approach in Kerma-period Sudan," Boston, MA. (November 2025).

Onimus, I., Ullinger, J. M., **Gregoricka, L. A.,** Bioarchaeologists' Northeast Regional Dialogue, "Evaluation of bone bio erosion in infants from Early Bronze Age United Arab Emirates," Hamden, CT. (November 8, 2025).

Ullinger, J. M., **Gregoricka, L. A.,** International Congresses on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, "Differential bone preservation and distribution within Bronze Age tombs from the United Arab Emirates," Lyon, France. (June 7, 2025).

DR. ROMA HANKS

Kelley, N. J. (Author), **Hanks, R. S.** (Author & Presenter), Francis-Shearer, A. (Author), Parker, L. (Author), Bethel, S. R. (Author), Williams, A. Y. (Author), APHA 2025 Annual Meeting & Expo: Making the Public's Health a National Priority, "Late-life planning and decision-making: Caregiving resources and health disparities," American Public Health Association, Washington, DC. (November 3, 2025).

DR. NANCY KELLEY

Kelley, N. J., Hanks, R., Parker, L. (Author), Francis-Shearer, A. (Author), Bethel, S. R., Cain, T. (Author), Williams, A. (Author), American Public Health Association 2025 Annual Meeting, "Late-life planning and decision making: Caregiving resources and health disparities," American Public Health Association, Washington, D.C. (2025).

Bethel, S.R., **Kelley, N. J.,** & Gurley, L. Enhancing child welfare workforce preparedness through online simulation: A discussion on integrating virtual training into social work education. Denver, CO. May 2026 (Accepted and Scheduled).

Kelley, N. J., Hanks, R. (Presenter), Francis-Shearer, A., Williams, A. Y. APHA 2025 Annual Meeting and Expo, "Late-life planning and decision-making: Caregiving resources and health disparities," American Public Health Association, Washington, D.C. (November 2025).

Kelley, N. J. 15th Annual South Alabama Conference on Teaching and Learning | CoTL 2025, "What effect does service-learning have on social work students' ability to confidently engage in community practice?," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (May 14, 2025).

DR. MARIE DES NEIGES LÉONARD

Leonard, M. d. N. A. (Author), Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference, "The brick and mortar of colonial ideology: the case of France's "Colonial School" and its legacy.," Washington D.C. (March 2026).

Leonard, M. d. N. A., Conference on Teaching and Learning, "Teaching and Learning Challenges in 2025: Professionalism, AI, and Student Buy-In," Innovation in Learning Center, University of South Alabama. (May 2025).

DR. ERIN NELSON

Nelson, E. S. (Author & Presenter), MAA/AAS Joint Winter Meeting, "New Research in the Pensacola Heartland (and Beyond)," Mississippi Archaeological Association/Alabama Archaeological Society, Meridian, Mississippi. (January 2026).

Nelson, E. S. (Author & Presenter), Vieyra-Sanchez, J. (Author), American Anthropological Society Meeting, "Death Imagery and Communities of Practice Among Indigenous Potters of the Northern Gulf of Mexico Coast, ca. 1300-1700," American Anthropological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana. (November 2025).

Nelson, E. S. (Author & Presenter), Alley, M. (Author), Bloch, L. (Author), Rutkoski, A. (Author), Wallis, N. J. (Author), Southeastern Archaeological Conference, "An Update on Chronology in the Pensacola Culture Area," Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. (November 2025).

Vieyra-Sanchez, J. (Author & Presenter), Nicholson, M. (Author & Presenter), **Nelson, E. S.** (Author & Presenter), Southeastern Archaeological Conference, "Stylistic Analysis of Pensacola Hand and Skull Designs," Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. (November 2025).

Torvinen, A. (Author & Presenter), Rutkoski, A. (Author), Bloch, L. (Author), **Nelson, E. S.** (Author), Wallis, N. J. (Author), Society for American Anthropology Annual Meeting, "Characterizing Constellations of Practice in Pensacola Shell-Tempered Pottery Along the Northern Gulf Coast (1150-1700 CE)," Society for American Anthrpology, Denver, Colorado. (May 2025).

Rutkoski, A. (Author & Presenter), Gauthier, N. (Author), Torvinen, A. (Author), Bloch, L. (Author), Wallis, N. (Author), **Nelson, E. S.,** Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, "Enhancing Petrographic Analysis with Convolutional Neural Networks," Society for American Archaeology, Denver, Colorado. (May 2025).

DR. LINDA SANCHEZ

Sanchez, L. E. (Author & Presenter), American Anthropological Association: Ghosts, "Underground Railroad Spirits Influencing Immigrant Rights Advocacy and Activism in the Deep South," American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, LA. (November 22, 2025).

Sanchez, L. E. (Presenter), Conference on Teaching and Learning: Preparing for a Hybrid Future Conference, "Exploring Digital Anthropology Through Play," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL. (May 14, 2025).

DR. SHUAI ZHOU

Anderson, C. (Author & Presenter), **Zhou, S.** (Author), 2026 Conference of the Association for the Study of Religion and Culture, " Higher Fertility but widely Varying: Do Amish-Internal or Non-Amish Neighborhood Processes Better Predict Fertility Variation?" Association for the Study of Religion and Culture, Orange, CA. (2026).

Zhou, S. (Author), Chi, G. (Author & Presenter), 2025 Conference of the International Association for Society and Natural Resources, "Gender, Migration, and Climate Change in Environmentally Threatened Alaskan Communities, 2012–2022," International Association for Society and Natural Resources, Vancouver, Canada. (2025).



THE DEPARTMENT OF

Theatre & Dance

The 2025–2026 Theatre USA season featured a dynamic schedule of four productions. The academic year opened with *Charlotte's Web*, directed by **Christina Johnson,** who also designed the costumes and scenic elements. In support of expanded production value and student professional development, each production incorporated guest artists. For *Charlotte's Web*, local aerialist **Katie Tillman** choreographed and trained the graduate student portraying Charlotte to perform aerial silks during the web-spinning sequences. She also provided a departmental workshop.

The second production of the fall season was *The Importance of Being Earnest*, directed by **John Nara,** with costume design by **Christina Johnson.** Local artist **Evan Wilson** served as lighting designer and conducted a lighting design workshop for students.

The spring semester began with *Philemon*, marking the department's first musical in several years. The production was directed by **John Nara,** with costume design by **Christina Johnson.** New York–based artist **Daniel Taylor** was invited to design lighting, and **Evan Wilson** returned as scenic designer and technical director. Additional guest artists included alum **Sydney Cramer** as choreographer and **Daniel Driskell** as music

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director. The season concluded with *Skeleton Crew* by Dominique Morisseau, directed by **John Nara,** with lighting design and technical direction by **Evan Wilson.**

Throughout the season, numerous design and technical roles were filled by students under faculty mentorship, providing valuable hands-on experience in preparation for professional careers. *Charlotte's Web*, *The Importance of Being Earnest*, and *Skeleton Crew* each included matinee performances for local schools, supporting recruitment and community engagement efforts. Additionally, new and revised discount programs for students and faculty were implemented to increase accessibility and foster a stronger sense of campus community. As a result of these initiatives, overall production attendance increased by 49% compared to the 2024–2025 season.

Departmental scholarships were awarded as follows: **Caden Crenshaw, Wesley Genard, Autumn Bryant, Rachel Phillips,** and **Ari Theodore** received the Laidlaw Performance Scholarship for both the fall and spring semesters. **Caden Crenshaw** and **Wesley Genard** were also recipients of the Laidlaw Drama Design Scholarship. **Courtney North** received the Danny Conway Scholarship; **Ari Theodore** received the Gerrels Jackson Scholarship; **Erin Rose Pempel** received the Alabama Lyric Theatre Scholarship; and **Rachel Phillips** and **Caden Crenshaw** received the Joe and MaryAnn Cromeans Scholarship, all for both semesters.

Caden Crenshaw, Erin Rose Pempel, Rachel Phillips, Autumn Bryant, Matthew Welch, Psi Corley, Skyla Shoemaker, Ari Theodore, Courtney North, and **Wesley Genard** attended the Southeastern Theatre Conference (SETC) in Chattanooga, Tennessee, accompanied by **Christina Johnson.** Of these students, **Caden Crenshaw, Matthew Welch, Ari Theodore, Rachel Phillips,** and **Autumn Bryant** advanced through screening rounds and auditioned for professional theatres nationwide. **Wesley Genard, Erin Rose Pempel, Matthew Welch,** and **Ari Theodore** received contract offers for summer theatre positions within their respective areas of specialization. Participation in SETC continues to serve as a significant recruitment and professional development opportunity, and the department remains committed to supporting student involvement in this conference.

Faculty professional activities included conference presentations, work in professional theatre, and recruitment initiatives. **Christina Johnson** was awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor at the end of the Spring semester. She continued her collaborative work with the Dauphin Island Sea Lab, designing manatee decoys and contributing as a co-author on related publications. She also served as an adjudicator for the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (Region IV: Alabama/Mississippi) and as a conference reviewer for the Alabama Youth Theatre Experience and the Conference on Teaching and Learning. During the Summer, Mrs. Johnson led a team of current students and alumni to assist with stress inoculation training for the Daphne Emergency Medical Services department, creating new connections for the department to give back to the community in a way that also supports the growth of the students involved.

John Nara attended the Alabama Conference of Theatre and participated in an online workshop on "Black Acting Methods" in preparation for his direction of *Skeleton Crew*.

In addition to her production responsibilities, Associate Professor **Christina Johnson** taught multiple courses, including DRA 101: Theatre Practicum: Technical Production; DRA 100: Theatre Practicum: Performance; DRA 110: Introduction to Theatre; DRA 106: Theatre Cornerstone; DRA 135: Fundamentals of Technical Theatre I; DRA 136: Fundamentals of Technical Theatre II; DRA 235: Fundamentals of Theatrical Design; DRA 330: Scene Design; and DRA 334: Costume Design. She also supervised a Senior Capstone and Directed Studies project during the Spring 2026 semester, contributed to Second Year Experience development through the ILC, as a content creator.

In addition to his directing work, **John Nara** taught multiple sections of DRA 110: Introduction to Theatre, including online courses. His teaching portfolio also included DRA 125: Fundamentals of Acting; DRA 150: Text Analysis; DRA 350: Theatre History I; DRA 351: Theatre History II; and DRA 490: Special Topics in Contemporary Drama. He serves as faculty advisor for the Secret Shakespeare Society and has contributed to numerous search and thesis committees.

JURIED PERFORMANCES, PRODUCTIONS AND RECITALS

CHRISTINA JOHNSON

Theatre – Design costumes
Johnson, C.L. "Tuck Everlasting," Chickasaw Civic Theatre, Chickasaw Civic Theatre, Chickasaw, AL, USA. (January 2026 – May 2026).

Theatre - Build costumes
Johnson, C. L., Rowell, T. L. "Yeomen of the Guard," USA Opera, University of South Alabama Department of Music, Mobile, AL, USA. (February 2026 - April 2026).

Theatre - Design costumes
Johnson, C. L. "Philemon the Musical," Theatre USA, Department of Theatre & Dance, Mobile, AL, USA. (January 2026 - April 2026).

Theatre - Design costumes
Johnson, C. L. "The Importance of Being Earnest," Theatre USA, Department of Theatre & Dance, Mobile, AL, USA. (October 2025 - November 2025).

Theatre - Design costumes
Johnson, C. L. "Charlotte's Web," Theatre USA, Department of Theatre & Dance, Mobile, AL, USA. (August 2025 - September 2025).

Theatre - Direct play
Johnson, C. L. "Charlotte's Web," Theatre USA, Department of Theatre & Dance, Mobile, AL, USA. (August 2025 - September 2025).

Theatre - Build scenery
Johnson, C. L. "Charlotte's Web," Theatre USA, Department of Theatre & Dance, Mobile, AL, USA. (August 2025 - September 2025).

Theatre - Design costumes
Johnson, C. L. "Comedy of Errors," Theatre USA, Department of Theatre & Dance, Mobile, AL, USA. (March 2025 - April 2025).

OTHER PERFORMANCES, PRODUCTIONS AND RECITALS

JOHN NARA

Theatre Production – Directing
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CHRISTINA JOHNSON

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