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**EMPLOYMENT**

*Associate Professor – Engagement Librarian*

Mississippi State University Libraries (July 2023 – present)

* Building library partnerships with the campus and wider communities
* Teaching primary source literacy to the general public
* Amplifying voices of marginalized people in Mississippi and the region
* Creating inclusive programming and spaces

*Assistant Professor – History Librarian*

Mississippi State University Libraries (July 2017 – June 2023)

* + - Assisting faculty and students with research
    - Serving as library liaison to the history department and Honors College
    - Teaching classes and workshops on library tools and research
    - Presenting and publishing scholarly research

*Senior Library Associate in Manuscripts*

Mississippi State University Libraries (February 2008 – June 2017)

* + - Processed collections
    - Researched and wrote DACS finding aids
    - Assisted patrons with academic and genealogical research
    - Taught genealogy classes and workshops
    - Wrote metadata for digitized materials
    - Planned and installed library exhibits

*Digital Projects Specialist*

Mississippi State University Libraries (February 2007 – February 2008)

* Wrote metadata for digitized materials
* Edited and enhanced images in Adobe Photoshop

**EDUCATION**

*Master of Library and Information Studies*

The University of Alabama (August 2011 – May 2014)

Concentration: Archives

*Bachelor of Arts*

William Carey University (August 1997 – May 2001)

Majors: Religion, English; Minor: Biblical Languages

Magna Cum Laude; Honors in Religion; Honors in English

**INSTRUCTION**

* + - Ongoing library workshops on Ancestry.com, Zotero, HathiTrust, and Omeka, as well as general library instruction for classes (2018-present)
    - Ongoing genealogy workshops for public libraries (2019-present)
    - “Radical Courage: Black Legislators in Mississippi’s Reconstruction Government,” course for the Mississippi Governor’s School, a two-week program for gifted high school students from around the state (June 2022, June 2023)
    - “Cowbell Yell: Exploring MSU History and Traditions Through MSU Libraries’ Historical Archives,” First Year Experience fall semester class co-taught with Melody Dale (2018-2020)

**PAPERS AND PUBLICATIONS**

* + - Baldwin, D. (2018-present). *Against All Odds: The First Black Legislators in Mississippi*. <https://much-ado.net/legislators/>
    - Thomas, K. (2021). [Review of the website *Against All Odds,* by D. Baldwin]. *Reviews in Digital Humanities 2*(6). <https://reviewsindh.pubpub.org/pub/against-all-odds/release/3>
    - Baldwin, D. (2023). “Skilets are rusting for the wont of some Thing to put in them”: African American Citizens Writing to the Governor. *Looking Beyond the Letters: A Blog Exploring the Backstories of the Civil War & Reconstruction Governors of Mississippi Project*.

<https://cwrgmblog.org/skilets-are-rusting-for-the-wont-of-some-thing-to-put-in-them-african-american-citizens-writing-to-the-governor/>

* + - Baldwin, D. (2022). Mississippi’s first Black legislators. *Mississippi History Now*. <https://mshistorynow.mdah.ms.gov/issue/first-black-legislators-mississippi>
    - Baldwin, D., Smith, J. P., & Dale, M. (2021). The reading room goes virtual: Retooling First Year Experience class encounters with archives and primary sources in the wake of COVID-19. *The Primary Source*, *37*(1). <https://aquila.usm.edu/theprimarysource/vol37/iss1/1/>
    - Baldwin, D. (2021). The genealogy roadshow: Using partnerships to enhance virtual programming offerings. In K. Hughes & J. Santoro (Eds.), *Pivoting During the Pandemic: Ideas for Serving Your Community Anytime, Anywhere* (pp. 51-53). American Library Association.
    - Baldwin, D. (2020). Beyond the family tree: Genealogy instruction as a gateway to primary source literacy. *Library Philosophy and Practice*. <https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/libphilprac/4684/>
    - Baldwin, D. (2019). Biographical sketch of Ethel Clagett. *Biographical Database of NAWSA Suffragists, 1890–1920*. <https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1010113646>
    - Kennedy, C., McGillan, J., & Baldwin, D. (2018). Using family connections to create community connections: How a genealogy fair can benefit the community and the library. *Mississippi Libraries, 81*(4), 85-88. <http://www.misslib.org/resources/Documents/MLarchive/ML2018Winter.pdf>
    - Book reviews for *Choice Reviews* and *Mississippi Libraries*

**PRESENTATIONS AND POSTER SESSIONS**

* “Black Resistance in the Archives,” roundtable with Adreonna Bennett Karen Cook-Bell, and Dana Landress at the Association for the Study of African American Life and History conference in Jacksonville, FL (2023)
* “Say Their Names: Recovering Ghostlined Narratives of Racial Violence as a Form of Resistance,” roundtable with Kevin Trumpeter, Thomas Aiello, and Roger Ezra Butterfield at the Association for the Study of African American Life and History conference in Jacksonville, FL (2023)
* “Diversity Reparations and Increased Discoverability: Bridging Technical & Research Services,” presentation with Lauren Geiger for the American Library Association Annual Conference in Washington, DC (2022)
* “Against All Odds,” part of the “Recovery of Nineteenth-Century Black Histories” panel for the Association for Documentary Editing (2021)
* “Against All Odds: Facilitating Research on the First Black Legislators in Mississippi,” virtual poster session for the American Library Association Annual Conference (2021)
* “Telling the Stories of the First Black Legislators in Mississippi,” panel discussion with Karen Burch and Bianca Ford for Society of Mississippi Archivists’ Virtual Table Talks (2021)
* “Mississippi's First Black Legislators: Archival Reparations Through Digital Humanities,” virtual presentation for LACUNY Institute (2021)
* “‘Taking out the Fun Stuff’: Reworking First Year Experience Classes’ Encounters with Archives During COVID-19,” virtual panel with Jessica Perkins Smith and Melody Dale for Society of Mississippi Archivists annual meeting (2021)
* “Researching Black Ancestry,” invited virtual panel discussion with Sharon Morgan, William Johnson, and Mona Vance-Ali for Mississippi Library Commission (2021)
  + - “Against All Odds: The First Black Legislators in Mississippi,” presentation for the Mississippi Department of Archives and History’s “History is Lunch” program in Jackson, MS (2020)
    - “Planning a Virtual Conference for Archival Organizations,” webinar with Rachel Ingold and Mary Rubin for Society of American Archivists’ Regional Archival Associations Consortium (2020)
    - “Genealogy as a Gateway to Teaching Primary Source Literacy,” presentation for Society of Mississippi Archivists virtual conference (2020)
    - “Using Technology to Document African American Cemeteries,” workshop at Black Communities: A Conference for Collaboration in Durham, NC (2019)
    - “Against All Odds: Researching and Presenting the Stories of Mississippi’s First Black Legislators,” virtual presentation for Humanities Commons’ first Twitter conference (2019)
    - “Mississippi State University Libraries Annual E.O. Templeton, Jr. History & Genealogy Fair,” poster presentation with Jennifer McGillan and Corinne Kennedy at Southern Archivists Conference and Mississippi Library Association Conference (2018)
    - “From Analog to Digital: Making Your Collections Available Online,” panel presentation with Jennifer Brannock, Elizabeth La Beaud, and Mona Vance-Ali at Mississippi Library Association Conference in Meridian, MS (2018)
    - “Finding Isom Stewart,” presentation for Black Communities: A Conference for Collaboration in Durham, NC (2018)

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

* Popular Culture Association’s Allen Ellis Digital Research Award in Popular Culture, Honorable Mention for “Against All Odds” (2021)

<https://pcaaca.org/news-events/2021/2021-award-winners>

* Reference & User Services Association (RUSA) History Section’s Genealogy/History

Achievement Award (2021)

<http://www.ala.org/rusa/hs-genealogy-history-achievement-award>

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

* Association for Documentary Editing

Councilor-at-Large, (2023-present)

Co-Chair, Education Committee (2023-present)

* Mississippi Historical Society

Board of Directors (2023-2026)

* American Library Association
* Reference and User Services Association (2018-2020)

History Section

Chair: Membership & Communications Committee (2018-2021), Genealogy &

Local History Discussion Group (2018-2019)

* Society of Mississippi Archivists

Board Member (2021-2023)

Past President (2020-2021)

President (2019-2020)

Vice President (2018-2019)

Board member (2017)

* African American Intellectual History Society
* Association for the Study of African American Life and History
* National Genealogical Society
* American Historical Association
* Southeastern Archives Association