

VITA
John Francis Reynolds

Education:

- Ph. D. Rutgers University (1974-80)
Diss.: "Testing Democracy: Electoral Behavior and Progressive Reform in New Jersey, 1880-1920".
- M. A. Michigan State University (1973-74)
Thesis: "Piety and Politics: Evangelical Issues in the Michigan Legislature, 1837-61".
- B. A. Michigan State University (1968-72)

Employment:

- Full Professor (2008 -)
- Associate Professor, University of Texas at San Antonio (1991-2008)
- Assistant Professor, University of Texas at San Antonio (1987-91)
- Research Associate, United University Professions (1984-86)
- Visiting Assistant Professor, SUNY-Albany (1982-84)
- Instructor, Rutgers University (1981-82)
- Adjunct, Rutgers University (1979-1980)
- Program Development, New Jersey Committee for the Humanities (1979-80)
- Research Assistant, New Jersey Historical Commission (1979)

Books:

- The Demise of the American Convention System, 1880 – 1911. (New York: Cambridge U. Press, 2006)
- Testing Democracy: Electoral Behavior and Progressive Reform in New Jersey (Chapel Hill, N. C.: U. of North Carolina Press, 1988).

Book Chapters and Articles:

- "The Rules of the Game," in The Handbook of Political and Policy History. Eds. Paula Baker and Donald T. Critchlow (Forthcoming: Oxford U. Press).
- "The Hustling Candidate and the Advent of the Direct Primary," Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era (Jan.: 2013).
- "Natural Experiments: Hedgehogs Need Foxes," Historical Methods 44 (Oct.-Dec. 2011).
- "Electoral Reform," "Democratic Party" and "Republican Party" in The Encyclopedia of Political History. (Congressional Quarterly Press, 2010).
- "William Bourke Cockran," in American National Biography (New York: Oxford U. Press, 1999)
- "Do Historians Count Anymore: The Status of Quantitative Methods in History, 1975-1995" Historical Methods (Fall, 1998).
- "An Electronic Blackboard: Using Multimedia to Teach the History Survey" History Computer Review (Spring 1997).
- "A Symbiotic Relationship: Vote Fraud and Electoral Reform in the Gilded Age" Social Science History (Summer, 1993).
- "Teaching the Texas Legislature: A Lesson," Touchstone (1993).
- "Computer Assisted Instruction in History at UTSA" Frontiers (Spring, 1993).
- "Outlawing Treachery: Split Tickets and Ballot Laws in New York and New Jersey," with Richard L. McCormick, Journal of American History (March, 1986) .
- "Testing Democracy: Progressive Reform and Electoral Participation in New Jersey" The Historian (Feb. 1986).
- "Direct State Aid and Private Higher Education in New York State," with Peter A. Baynes, Journal of

Education Finance (Fall, 1986).

"The Silent Dollar: Vote Buying in New Jersey," New Jersey History (Fall - Winter, 1980).

"Piety and Politics: Evangelical Issues in the Michigan Legislature, 1837-61," Michigan History (Winter, 1977).

Book Reviews

In the Journal of Interdisciplinary History, H-SHGAPE, History Microcomputer Review and New Jersey History, Historical Methods and Journal of Social History.

Grants and Awards:

University of Texas System Grant (\$250,000) for developing blended freshmen level courses in history and biology to be taught partly over the web. (2009-2013)

U. S. Dept. of Education Grant (\$18,000) for "Excellence by Design: Improving the Study of U. S. History in the San Antonio Ind. School District" (2002 – 2005)

NEH Extending the Reach Faculty Research Award (\$25,000) for the "San Antonio History Website Development" Project (2001)

UTSA Faculty Development Leave (2001, 2008)

NEH Matching Grant (\$10,000) for "Creating the History Classroom of the 21st Century" (1995-97) (With H-Net)

Richard P. McCormick Prize for Best book on New Jersey History (1990)

Richard P. McCormick Prize for Best Article on New Jersey History (1988)

New Jersey Historical Commission Research Grant (1977, 1988)

Rutgers University Fellowship (1978-79)

Papers Presented:

"Teaching Quantitative Methods in History: The Scattergram" Social Science History Association, 2011.

"Transforming Undergraduate Education to Promote Significant Learning in the History Survey Course," UT Pan American Workshop, 2011.

"An Analysis of Factors Relating to Student Performance in the U. S. Survey," Innovations in On-Line Learning Conference, 2011

"The Mortality Transition in Hispanic San Antonio, Texas: 1780 – 1860," Social Science History Association, 2009.

"Hustling Candidates and Trading Delegations: The Dynamics of the Party Nomination Process Under the Convention System," Social Science History Association, 2009

"The Best Representative Men: The Changing Status of State Convention Delegates and the Coming of the Direct Primary," Social Science History Assoc. (2001)

"The Evolution of the Direct Primary: Some Preliminary Hypotheses and Observations on the Nominating Process in Four States, 1880-1910," Social Science History Assoc. (1999)

"New Uses for the Computer in the Social Studies," Annual Convention of the New York State Council for the Social Studies (1985)

"Data Base Management Systems and the Social Studies," New York State Consortium for Learning Technologies Fair (1985 and 1986)

"The Microcomputer in Historical Research," New York Municipal Historians Conference (1984)

"An Honest and a Straight Party Vote: Split Ticket Voting and the Australian Ballot Reform in New York and New Jersey," Organization of American Historians, (1983)

"Using the Census in Local History," New York Conference of Local Historians (1983)

Professional Activity:

Instructor, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, "Quantitative Historical

Analysis.” (2002, 2005, 2008)

Chair, Department of History (2004 – 07)

Editor, H-MEDIA: H-Net Discussion List on multimedia in Humanities (1997-2000)

Executive Committee Member, Social Science History Association (1993-96)

Panelist, NEH Museums and Historical Organizations Program (1990)

Co - Coordinator, "San Antonio Regional History Fair," (1989- 2004)

Editor, Social Science History Assoc. Political History Network Newsletter (1987-91)