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This list shows the amount and variety of Florida history research and writing currently underway and as reported to the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. Doctoral dissertations and masters theses completed in 1975 are included. Research in Florida history, sociology, anthropology, political science, archeology, geography, and urban studies is included.

Auburn University

Gordon C. Bond (faculty)– “Florida’s First Black Politicians: the Negro Members of the Constitutional Convention of 1868” (research completed).

Robin F. A. Fabel (faculty)– “Governor George Johnstone, 1730-1787” (Ph.D. dissertation-completed); “The Rise and Fall of Governor George Johnstone” (research completed); “British Schemes for Florida Prior to Its Occupation” (continuing study).

Frank L. Owsley, Jr. (faculty)– “The Creek War after Horseshoe Bend” (continuing study).

Robert R. Rea (faculty)– “Frederick Haldimand– the Florida Years” (research completed); “West Florida Plantations”; “Urban Problems in British Pensacola”; “Major Robert Farmer” (continuing studies).

Robert R. Rea (faculty) and Milo B. Howard, Jr. (Alabama Department of Archives and History)– “The Minutes, Journals, and Acts of the General Assembly of British West Florida” (continuing study).

Carnegie-Mellon University

Barbara A. Richardson– “Blacks in Jacksonville, Florida: 1860-1900” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Daytona Beach Community College

Peter D. Klingman (faculty)– “History of the Republican Party in Florida” (continuing study).

Emory University

Elliott Mackle— “Utopian Colonies in Florida, 1894-1921”
(Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Flagler College

Thomas Graham (faculty)— “Charles H. Jones, 1848-1913:
Editor and Progressive Democrat” (continuing study).
Michael J. Sherman (faculty), Dawn Wiles (faculty), and
Robert Steinbach (Historic St. Augustine Preservation
Board)— “A Project in Living History: Recreation of an
Eighteenth-Century Lifestyle” (continuing study).

Florida Atlantic University

Donald W.. Curl (faculty)-“History of Palm Beach County”
(continuing study).
Harry A. Kersey, Jr. (faculty)-“Seminole Indians of Florida”
(continuing study).

Florida State University

William R. Brueckheimer (faculty)— “The Quail Plantations
of the Tallahassee-Thomasville Region” (continuing
study).
Theodore G. Corbett (faculty)— “Migration to and Social Life
in Hispanic St. Augustine before 1763”; “Family Struc-
ture, Paternal Authority, and Kinship Networks in His-
panic St. Augustine” (continuing studies).
Robert F. Crider— “East Florida at the End of the Second
Spanish Period” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
Kathleen Deagan (faculty)— “Excavations on Rattlesnake
Island and Anastasia Island, Fort Matanzas National
Monument”; “Human Occupation in the Matanzas Na-
tional Monument Area, 2000 B.C.-A.D. 1850” (continuing
study).
Marylyn Mitsuo Feaver— “Homesteads of 1866-1876, Land
Acquisition, Retention, and Alienation in Florida, 1866-
1970” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
George Fischer (National Park Service, S.E.)— “Underwater
Archeological Survey of Biscayne National Monument”
(continuing study).

- Marvin C. Frazier– “Slavery in Jefferson County” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- Paul S. George– “Criminal Justice in Miami, 1896-1930” (Ph.D. dissertation– completed); “Miami Police and the Justice System During the First Generation of Corporate Existence” (continuing study).
- Bruce T. Grindal (faculty)– “The Role of Religion in a North Florida Rural Black Community” (continuing study).
- Robert C. Hall (faculty)– “The Social Cosmos of Black Churches in Florida, 1865-1917” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress); “A Microcosmic Study of Slavery in Leon County” (continuing study).
- Dororena Harris– “Abolitionist Sentiment in Florida” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- M. Edward Huges– “Florida and the Election of 1928” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Edward F. Keuchel (faculty)– “Bicentennial History of Columbia County” (continuing study).
- Sharon T. Meredith– “Social Life in St. Augustine in the 1850s” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- Barbara E. Miller– “Yellow Fever in Territorial Florida” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- John H. Moore (faculty)– “Introduction and appendices to facsimile edition of Charles Blacker Vignoles’s *Observations on the Floridas*” (research completed).
- J. Anthony Paredes (faculty) and Kenneth J. Plante– “Economics, Politics, and the Subjugation of the Creek Indians” (research completed).
- Everett A. Rains– “Race Relations in Florida, 1865-1919” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- William Warren Rogers (faculty)– “Introduction and appendices to facsimile edition of John Powell’s *The American Siberia*” (accepted for publication, University Presses of Florida).
- Michael G. Schene– “The Gamble Family of Middle Florida” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress); “History of Volusia County”; “Sugarcane Cultivation in Antebellum Florida”; “The Sarasota Assassination Society” (continuing studies).

- Stephen Shepard— “Criollo Adaptations in Eighteenth-Century Florida” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- Hale G. Smith (faculty) and James Stoutamire— “Curatorial Maintenance of the Southeast Archeological Center Collections” (research completed).
- Fay Ann Sullivan— “Frontier Georgia, 1754-1775” (M.A. thesis— completed).
- Burke G. Vanderhill (faculty)— “The Alachua Trail”; “Florida’s Fountains of Youth” (continuing studies).
- Thomas R. Wagye— “LeRoy Collins as chairman of the Democratic National Convention, 1960” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- Linda K. Williams— “Loyalism in East Florida, 1763-1785” (M.A. thesis— completed).
- J. Leitch Wright, Jr. (faculty)— “Florida in 1776”; “Blacks in British East Florida”; “Comparative study of white relations with Southern Indians in the Colonial Era” (continuing studies).

Florida Technological University

- Richard Adicks (faculty)— “History of Oviedo, Florida”; “Introduction and appendices to facsimile edition of John Eatton LeConte’s *The Soil and Climate of East Florida*” (continuing study).
- Thomas D. Greenhaw (faculty)— “Patrick Tonyn, Loyal Governor of Florida” (continuing study).
- J. Paul Hartman (faculty)— “Inventory of Historic Engineering and Industrial Works in the State of Florida” (continuing study).
- Jerrell H. Shomer (faculty)— “History of Jefferson County, Florida”; “Negro Land Tenure in Northeast Florida after the Civil War” (continuing studies).
- Paul W. Wehr (faculty)— “Bicentennial History of Central Florida” (continuing study).

Georgia Southern College

- George A. Rogers (faculty)— “Indigo Production in Florida”; “Biography of Stephen Elliott”; “William Bartram’s Route Along the St. Johns River” (continuing studies).

Guilford College

Alexander Stoesen (faculty)– “Biography of Claude Pepper”
(continuing study).

Historic Pensacola Preservation Board

Linda V. Ellsworth– “Pensacola Architecture”

Howard University

Elaine M. Smith– “Biography of Mary McLeod Bethune”
(Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Jacksonville

Richard A. Martin– “Antebellum and Civil War Jacksonville”
(accepted for publication, Florida Publishing Company,
Jacksonville).

Jacksonville University

Frederick S. Aldridge (faculty)– “An Analysis of Effective
Consolidation Upon the City of Jacksonville” (continuing
study).

George E. Buker (faculty)– “Effect of the Union Blockade
Upon Florida During the Civil War” (continuing study).

Joan S. Carver (faculty)– “Relative Merits of Consolidation
versus Decentralization in City of Jacksonville” (continuing
study).

McNeese State University

Thomas Watson (faculty)– “Panton, Leslie and Company”
(continuing study).

Palm Beach Atlantic College

Jerry W. Weeks (faculty)– “The Development of the Florida
Citrus Industry”; “The Armed Occupation Act of 1842”
(continuing studies).

Pensacola Junior College

Diane Shelley Magie (faculty)– “Annotated Bibliography on
the Creek Indians to 1837” (continuing study).

Samford University

Wayne Flynt (faculty)– “The Messiah of the Wooly Hats: Governor Sidney J. Catts of Florida” (accepted for publication, Louisiana State University Press).

Stetson University

John McSwain– “Ormond-On-the-Halifax” (M.A. thesis– completed).

Malcolm M. Wynn (faculty)– “French Public Reaction to the Spanish Massacre at Fort Caroline, 1565” (continuing study).

Tallahassee Community College

Janice B. Miller (faculty)– “The Struggle for Free Trade in East Florida and the Cédula of 1793”; “The Rebellion of 1795 in Spanish East Florida” (continuing studies).

Francis A. Rhodes (faculty)– “A History of the Catholic Church in Tallahassee” (continuing study).

Troy State University at Fort Rucker, Alabama

J. Barton Starr (faculty)– “Tories, Dons, and Rebels: The American Revolution in British West Florida, 1775-1785” (accepted for publication, University Presses of Florida); “The Case and Petition of His Majesty’s Loyal Subjects, Late of West Florida” (accepted for publication, *Alabama Review*); “A Case for the ‘Loyal’ Colonies: The West Florida Loyalists” (to be published by the Conference Group for Social and Administrative History); “The Impact of the Revolution on West Florida”; “Spain and West Florida Loyalism” (continuing studies).

University of Alabama in Birmingham

Jack D. L. Holmes (faculty)– “Pensacola Settlers, 1780-1821”; “Bernardo de Gálvez and the American Revolution in West Florida” (continuing studies).

David H. White (faculty)– “Panton, Leslie, and Company– John Forbes and Company”; “Vicente Folch y Juan, Governor in West Florida, 1785-1816” (continuing studies).

University of Florida

Edward N. Akin– “Southern Reflection of the Gilded Age: Henry M. Flagler’s System, 1885-1913” (Ph.D. dissertation – completed).

Elizabeth Alexander (project director), Bruce Chappell, Alicia Parkerson, Daniel J. J. Ross (editorial assistants)– “Calendar of the Spanish Holdings of the P. K. Yonge Library of Florida History” (continuing project).

Dona K. Beidleman– “Analysis of Material Excavated at the Ximinez-Fatio House” (M.A. thesis in progress).

Colleen J. Birch– “Two Florida Dailies’ Treatment of Candidates During the Democratic Senate Primary of 1950: A Content Analysis of the *Tampa Tribune* and the *St. Petersburg Times*” (M.A. thesis– completed).

Edward Lane Burrows– “Commercial Radio at the University of Florida: WRUF– An Historical Overview” (M.A. thesis– completed).

Amy Katherine Bushnell– “The Menéndez Family of Spanish Florida, 1565 to 1743: Nepotists and Entrepreneurs in a Border Province” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Bruce Chappell and Daniel J. J. Ross– “Diary of the Journey of John Hambly to the Indian Nations, June-August, 1794” (continuing study).

William C. Childers (faculty)– “Garth Wilkinson and Robertson James: Abolitionists in Gainesville During Reconstruction (continuing study).

David R. Colburn and Richard Scher (faculty)– “Florida Gubernatorial Politics in the Twentieth Century” (continuing study).

Caroline Johnson Comnenos– “Florida’s Sponge Industry: A Cultural and Economic History” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Merlin G. Cox (faculty) and Charles Hildreth (Air Force Office of History, Washington, D.C.)– “A History of Gainesville, Florida, 1867-1975” (continuing study).

Merlin G. Cox (faculty) and Baynard Kendrick– “A Biographical Study of Sydney and Joshua Chase” (continuing study).

Stephen Leroy Cumbaa– “Patterns of Resource Use and Cross-

- Cultural Dietary Change in Spanish Colonial Florida” (Ph.D. dissertation— completed).
- Louise Damen— “Black English: Anthropological and Linguistic Considerations in the Training of Teachers in Black Dialect Patterns” (M.A. thesis— completed).
- Charles H. Fairbanks (faculty)— “Archeological Investigations of St. Augustine” (continuing study).
- Charles H. Fairbanks (faculty) and Jerald T. Milanich (faculty)— “Prehistoric Peoples of Florida” (continuing study).
- Arlene Fradkin— “Environment and Archeology: The Wightman Site, Lee County, Sanibel Island, Florida” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- Michael V. Gannon (faculty)— “Documentary History of Florida, Volume I: The Colonial Period, 1513-1821” (continuing study).
- William H. Garmany— “Adaptive Strategies and Three Family Businesses in the Florida Citrus Industry” (M.A. thesis — completed).
- E. Ashby Hammond (faculty)— “Biographical Register of Florida Medical Practitioners, 1821-1861” (continuing study).
- John Paul Jones (faculty)— “History of the Florida Press Association” (continuing study).
- Stephen Kerber— “Park Trammell of Florida” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Robert Thomas King— “The Florida Seminoles in the Twentieth Century” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Timothy A. Kohler— “The Garden Patch Site: A Minor Weeden Island Ceremonial Center on the North Peninsular Florida Gulf Coast” (M.A. thesis— completed).
- Carl D. McMurray— “The Archeology of a Mestizo House [Maria de la Cruz house, St. Augustine]” (M.A. thesis— completed).
- Jerald T. Milanich (faculty)— “Cultural Ecology of the Calusa Indians in Southwest Florida” (continuing study).
- Jerald T. Milanich (faculty) and William C. Sturtevant— “The Jesus Maria Letter: A 17th Century Timucua-Spanish Document from North Florida” (continuing study).
- Jonathan Nelson— “A History of Florida’s Forgotten Railroads” (M.A. thesis in progress).

- Ralph L. Peek (faculty)– “Florida in World War II” (continuing study).
- George Pozzetta (faculty)– “Florida’s Ethnic Population: 1870-1926” (continuing study).
- Samuel Proctor (faculty)– “Documentary History of Florida, Volume II: Modern Florida, 1821-Present” (continuing study).
- Samuel Proctor (faculty) and Jerald T. Milanich (faculty)– “TACACHALE– Indians of Florida and Southeast Georgia during the Historic Period” (accepted for publication, *Contributions of the Florida State Museum, Anthropology and History*).
- Daniel J. J. Ross– “West Florida under Arturo O’Neill, 1781-1793” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Eldon R. Turner (faculty)– “Gainesville Odd Fellows Lodge, 1898-1930” (continuing study).
- Bettye Smith– “Swedish Immigrants in Florida” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Karl T. Steinen– “Weeden Island: Regionalism and Similarity” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Joseph Stromberg– “Land Ownership and Tenure in Florida” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Linda Vance– “William Sherman and May Mann Jennings: Florida’s Progressive First Family” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- L. Glenn Westfall– “Ybor City, A Cultural and Social History of a Southern Immigrant Town” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Arthur White (faculty)– “William N. Sheats: Florida’s Progressive Educator, 1892-1922”; “100 Years of State Leadership in Public Education, 1876-1976” (continuing studies); “Changing Patterns of State Leadership and Florida’s Crisis in Public Education: 1948-1973” (accepted for publication, Florida State University Press).
- George Zavier– “Seafood Gatherers in Mullet Springs: Economic Rationality and the Social System” (Ph.D. dissertation– completed).

University of Miami

William O. Brown, III– “Charles H. Crandon and the De-

velopment of the Park System in Dade County” (M.A. thesis in progress).

Charlton W. Tebeau (emeritus professor)– “Fifty Years of the University of Miami, 1926-1976” (continuing study).

University of North Florida

Dan Schafer (faculty)– “Biography of Eartha White of Jacksonville” (continuing study).

University of Sevilla

Father Borja de Medina, S. J.– “Don José de Ezpeleta, Governor General of Mobile (May 4, 1780-March 16, 1781) and Major General in the Siege and Capture of Pensacola (March-May, 1781)” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Pablo Tornero Tinajero– “Economic Dependence of Spanish East Florida upon the United States, 1783-1821” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

University of South Carolina

Lewis H. Cresse– “William Henry Gleason: Carpetbagger, Politician, Land Developer” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Robert Culbertson– “Florida State Grange, 1873” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

Catherine C. Vann– “Lieutenant Colonel James Grant’s Governorship of East Florida, 1763-1771” (M.A. thesis– completed).

University of South Florida

Joan Deming– “A research design for the assessment of cultural resources in the Manatee Region of Florida” (M.A. thesis in progress); “An archeological and historical survey of the Beker phosphate property in eastern Manatee County, Florida” (continuing study).

Jay Dobkin and Paul Camp (staff)– “The Second Seminole War Diaries of Dr. Ellis Hughes, 1838-1840” (continuing study).

- Jamil Jreisat (faculty)– “Measurement of Productivity in St. Petersburg City Government” (continuing study).
- Martin M. LaGodna (faculty)– “The Governors of Florida Since 1821” (continuing study).
- S. Logan– “A Geographical Analysis of Port Manatee and Its Hinterland” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- W. Ockunzzi– “Tampa, Florida as a Central City” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- H. Schaleman (faculty)– “The Florida Keys” (research completed).
- J. Stafford and H. Schaleman (faculty)– “Historical Geography of Egmont Key” (continuing study).
- Curtis W. Wienker (faculty)– “An analysis of skeletal remains from Cockroach Key, Florida” (continuing study).
- J. Raymond Williams (faculty)– “Archeological excavations at the Maximo Park Beach site in St. Petersburg, Florida” (continuing study).

University of Tampa

- James W. Covington (faculty)– “History of Carlton, Fields, Ward, Emmanuel, Smith, and Cutler: 75 Years of a Florida Law Firm”; “Third Seminole War, 1854-1858” (continuing studies).

University of West Florida

- William S. Coker (faculty)– “Papers of Panton, Leslie and Co.” (continuing study); “Peter Bryan Bruin, Frontiersman and Judge” (research completed).
- Lucius F. Ellsworth (faculty)– “Lumbering in Northwest Florida during the Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries” (continuing study).
- Jan Holmlund– “Living History Farm Museums: A Feasibility Study for Pensacola” (M.A. thesis in progress).
- James R. McGovern (faculty)– “Pensacola: A City in the Modern South, 1900-1945” (continuing study).
- George F. Pearce (faculty)– “The United States Navy in Pensacola” (continuing study).

University of Wyoming

Thomas C. Kennedy (faculty)– “Panton, Leslie and Company:
An Agency of Commercial Diplomacy in the Floridas and
Lower Mississippi Valley, 1780s-1810s” (continuing study).