

# DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

## Faculty

- **Marc Becker** has taught Latin American history at Truman since 1999. He holds a bachelors degree in History and Peace Studies from Bethel College in Kansas, and a masters and doctorate degrees in Latin American History from the University of Kansas, Lawrence.
- **Kathryn Brammall** has been at Truman since 1997. She is the managing editor of *The Sixteenth Century Journal* and an associate professor of history. She holds her bachelors and masters degrees from the University of Alberta and a doctorate from Dalhousie University.
- **Jeffrey Gall** has been at Truman since 1997. He received his bachelors degree from Cornell College of Iowa, his Masters of Arts in Teaching from Drake University, and his doctoral degree in history from the University of Missouri-Columbia. At Truman, Dr. Gall is appointed as an associate professor of history and is the MAE director for the Social Science program. [jgall@truman.edu](mailto:jgall@truman.edu)
- **Mark Hanley** has been at Truman since 1991. He holds his doctorate from Purdue University, his masters from the University of Illinois, and his bachelors degree from Western State College of Colorado.
- **Jerrold Hirsch** has been at Truman since 1989. He holds a BA from Antioch College and an MA and PhD from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- **Huping Ling** has been at Truman since 1991. She holds a doctorate from Miami University.
- **Sylvia Ojukutu-Macauley** has been at Truman since 1999. Dr. Ojukutu-Macauley received her doctorate and masters degrees in History at Howard University in Washington, DC.
- **Daniel Mandell** has been on the Truman faculty since 1999, teaching early American and Native American history.
- **Troy Paino** has been at Truman since 2008. He earned his PhD in American Studies from Michigan State University. He also holds a JD from Indiana University School of Law. Dr. Paino is currently serving as Truman's president.
- **Steven Reschly** has been at Truman since 1994. He earned his PhD from the University of Iowa in 1994, and also holds

an MA in History from the University of Northern Iowa, an MDiv from Goshen Biblical Seminary, and a BA in History from Goshen College.

- **David Robinson** has been at Truman since 1990. He holds a bachelors degree from Harvard College and a master's and doctorate degree from the University of California, Berkeley. He has also studied two years in East and West Germany. During a recent sabbatical, he spent a semester at the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, and another semester at the Department of History of Science, Harvard University.
- **Lynn Rose** has been at Truman since 1995. She holds both her doctorate and bachelors degrees from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
- **Torbjörn Wandel** has been at Truman since 1999. He received his BA from Lund University and his MA and PhD from the University of California at Irvine.
- **Sally West** has been at Truman since 1995. She received her doctorate in history from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She holds a masters degree in Russian and East European studies from Yale University and a bachelor's degree in Russian studies from the State University of New York at Buffalo.
- **Thomas Zoumaras** has been at Truman since 1989. He holds a bachelors degree from the University of California, San Diego and a masters and doctorate from the University of Connecticut.

## Study Abroad Programs

- **Sacred Sites in Greece**, Athens, Delphi, Olympia, Corinth, Crete.
- **Sweet Power: Sugar, Empires, and Slaves in the Caribbean**, Curaçao, Barbados.
- **Sacred Sites in Greece**, Crete and Santorini.
- **The Sacred Feminine: Goddesses and Mortal Women in Ancient Greece**, Athens, Delphi, Corinth.
- **The Art of Power**, Italy and Germany: Rome, Florence, Nuremberg, München
- **The Art of History**, Italy and Germany: Rome, Florence, Nuremberg, München.
- **The Reformation in Germany**, Germany and the Czech Republic: Frankfurt, Limburg, Köln, Münster, Lübeck, Berlin, Prague, München.

## Clubs

- **Phi Alpha Theta**, history honors fraternity, invite students to join once they become eligible.
- **Historical Society**, is the oldest organization on campus and is open to all students

## Statistics

- 51% graduates with a BA are attending grad school.
- 30% of graduates with a BA are employed.
- 56% of graduates with a BS are attending grad school.
- 18% of graduates with a BS are employed.

## Graduate Schools

- Some graduate schools that our alumni have enrolled in:
  - Columbia Law School
  - DePaul University College of Law
  - Emerson in Boston
  - George Washington University, Law
  - Harvard Law School
  - Notre Dame Law School
  - Oral Roberts University
  - Portland State University (Oregon)
  - School of International Service at American University
  - Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
  - Stanford University
  - Texas A&M University
  - Truman State University
  - University of British Columbia in Vancouver
  - University of Chicago Law School
  - University of Chicago
  - University of Colorado
  - University of Connecticut
  - University of Delaware
  - University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
  - University of Iowa
  - University of Kansas
  - University of Maryland, School of Public Policy
  - University of Missouri-Columbia
  - University of Missouri-Kansas City
  - University of Missouri Law School
  - University of Missouri-St. Louis
  - University of Nebraska-Lincoln Law School
  - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
  - University of San Francisco Law School
  - University of South Carolina
  - University of Virginia, Charlottesville
  - Valparaiso Law School
  - Washington and Lee University, Law
  - Washington University in Saint Louis

## Research

- In 2011 some topics history students researched are:
- **Sudden Death: An Examination of Previous Historical Theories Regarding the Collapse of the Classic Maya**
  - **"We're Here! We're No Longer Queer! Get Used to It!": The Politicization of the Ex-Gay in the Modern Anti-Gay Movement**
  - **Prejudice or Military Necessity? An Exploration of the Decision to Evacuate and Incarcerate Japanese Americans During World War II**
  - **The Straw that Broke the Camel's Back: How US Foreign Policy Helped Bring Down Salvador Allende**
  - **The Battle for Men's Minds: United States and Soviet Ideology During the Early Space Race, 1957-60**
  - **Innovation and Ignorance: Manhattan Island's Struggle for Better Public Transportation**
  - **Circuit Chautauqua: Providing Rural America with a Liberal Education**
  - **The French Experience in the California Gold Rush**
  - **The Conduit: Pakistan's Inter-services Intelligence Directorate, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan**
  - **Gettysburg: Critical Event of the Civil War's Most Pivotal Engagement**
  - **The Last Gasp of a Dying Empire: Why the French Recolonized Indochina after World War II**
  - **Victim of Circumstance: The Presidency of James Buchanan Re-examined**
  - **Witches for the Prosecution: The Judiciary's Role in Developing the Cumulative Concept of Witchcraft**

