**ALEXANDER J. BOWEN**

**Curriculum Vitae**

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**EDUCATION**

2026 Ph.D. – History, *University of Georgia*, Athens, GA

Advisor: Scott Reynolds Nelson

2022 M.A. – History, *Clemson University*, Clemson, SC

Advisor: Vernon Burton

2019 B.A. – History, Studio Arts, *Florida State University*, Tallahassee, FL

Honors Thesis Advisor: Katherine Mooney

*Magna Cum Laude*

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

“’Made and Executed by the White Race’: Florida’s Constitution of 1865 and ‘Black Codes.’” *The Florida Historical Quarterly* 102, no. 3 (Winter 2023). (forthcoming)

“Early Clemson Football: An Expression of Community Identity.” *The Journal of the South Carolina Historical Association* (2022).

**Theses, Dissertations, and Class Projects**

“’The Spirit of the Old South Can Never Die:’ Postbellum Middle Florida and the Elite Struggle for Social Hegemony, 1850-1926.” M.A. Thesis. (Clemson University, 2022). <https://tigerprints.clemson.edu/all_theses/3805/>.

“Outside Media Response” and “Letters to President Robert C. Edwards.” *Upcountry Historical*. Historical App Tour. May 2020. <http://www.upcountryhistorical.org/items/show/50>.

“Why Did Florida Secede From the Union” Honors Thesis. (Florida State University, 2019). <http://diginole.lib.fsu.edu/islandora/object/fsu%3A660895>.

**GRANTS & AWARDS**

*William J. Fanning Graduate Fellowship,* The Graduate School, University of Georgia, 2023-2024

*Chase Family Travel Grant*, George A. Smathers Libraries, University of Florida, 2023.

*Janelle Padgett Knight Graduate Award*, Willson Center, University of Georgia, 2023.

*Graduate Research Award,* Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia, 2023.

*Gregory Family Graduate Student Travel Grant,* Department of History, University of Georgia, 2023.

*Ernest M. Lander, Jr., Award*, Department of History & Geography, Clemson University, 2022.

*Clemson University Graduate Travel Grant*, Clemson University, 2020. (declined).

*Clemson University Graduate Student Government Book Stipend*, Clemson University, 2019.

**CONFERENCE & GUEST PRESENTATIONS**

**Invited Lectures**

“’The Spirit of the Old South Can Never Die:’ Postbellum Middle Florida and the Elite Struggle for Social Hegemony, 1850-1926.” *Ernest Manning Lander, Jr., Award Lecture.* Clemson University, Clemson, SC. (April 2022).

“Graduate School and Transferrable Skills,” *Exploring Opportunities in the Arts for Graduating Studio Arts Students*, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL. Guest Lecture (Jul. 2019).

“Retaliation to Civil Rights,” *The U.S. in the Postwar World* (HIST 3060). Clemson University, Clemson, SC. Guest Lecture (Feb. 2020).

**Conference Presentations**

“Where Cotton Wasn’t King: Postbellum Florida and Planter Persistence in Leon County.” *Florida Conference of Historians Annual Meeting.* St. Leo University, St. Leo, FL. Conference Presentation (Feb. 2022).

“Early Clemson Football: An Expression of Community Identity.” *South Carolina Historical Association Annual Meeting*. USC-Aiken, Aiken, SC. Conference Presentation (Mar. 2021).

“Maintaining an Old South: White Supremacy and the Florida Constitution of 1865.” *Florida Conference of Historians Annual Meeting*. Florida Southern College, Lakeland, FL. Conference Presentation (Feb. 2021).

**TEACHING**

**Teaching Experience**

2022 - *Graduate Teaching Assistant*, University of Georgia

* American History to 1865 (HIST 2111) under Dr. Michael Winship
* American History Since 1865 (HIST 2112) under Dr. Robert Pratt

2019 – 2022 *Graduate Teaching Assistant*, Clemson University

* The West in the World, Pt. 1 (HIST 1720) under Dr. Steven Marks
* The West in the World, Pt. 2 (HIST 1730) under Dr. Steven Marks
* The U.S. in the Postwar World (HIST 3060) under Dr. Rebecca Stoil
* History, Technology, and Society (HIST 1220) under Dr. Pamela Mack

2020 – 2022 *Graduate Mentor*, Clemson University

* Digital Humanities (HIST 3890) under Dr. Vernon Burton
* Clemson Veterans’ History Project (HIST 3890) under Dr. Vernon Burton

**New Courses Developed**

2022 *Echoes from the Past: Race and Reconciliation in South Carolina,* Clemson University

**RESEARCH**

2022 - *Research Fellow*, The Echo Project Historical Research Commission, Laurens, SC

2022 - 2023 *Research Assistant*, Reconstruction Beyond 150: Reassessing America’s “New Birth of Freedom”. Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2023. (forthcoming)

2020 – 2022 *Research Assistant*, Clemson University

* for Dr. Vernon Burton

**PROFESSIONAL & SERVICE POSITIONS**

2023 *Reading Group Leader*, Dept. of History, University of Georgia

2023 - *Book Review Editor*, H-South

2020 - 2023 *Network Editor*, H-South

2020 – 2021 *President*, History Graduate Student Association, Clemson University

**ORGANIZATIONAL AND SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS**

Southern Historical Association

Florida Historical Society