

# Joshua V. Chanin

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## EDUCATION

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**Master of Arts**      **History**, 2018 (*with thesis*)  
*University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, Texas*

**Bachelor of Arts**      **History and Political Science**, 2016  
*Austin College, Sherman, Texas*

## PROFESSIONAL HOUSING EXPERIENCE

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**Community Director of Prairie Crossing Apartments and F-Halls**, 2020-present

**Community Director of Whitley Hall**, 2018-2020

*Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, Texas*

- Manages the operations of the 400-resident Prairie Crossing Apartments (which house the Honors College) and F-Halls (which is comprised of five sorority houses)
- Supervises, trains, and evaluates the performances of 9 Resident Assistants, 4 Desk Attendants, 2 Eco-Friendly Representatives, 2 ACUHO-I Interns (in summers), and 1 Graduate Assistant
- Establishes programming standards that facilitate community growth (according to Boyer's six principles of community), goal setting, and academic success in the residential facilities
- Fosters a positive, open, and inclusive environment in the residential facilities where racism and bigotry is not tolerated, and every resident is empowered to help create a better world
- Ensures the accurate and timely completion of administrative tasks using *M.S. Office*, housing occupancy duties using *StarRez*, and maintenance work orders using *Maintenance Connection*
- Partners with TAMUC's facilities staff, Intercultural Engagement Leadership Office, Dining Services, Campus Police, and the Department of Fraternity & Sorority Life to make certain that every resident is *safe, comfortable, and happy* (my personal mission in this position)
- Provides superior customer service to residents, parents, and guests with a smile on my face
- Conducts scheduled meetings with the Resident Assistants each week to track job progression and provide life/academic/career advice to young aspiring professionals who dream big
- Develops and delivers educational training as a conduct officer and adjudicate bad behavior, policy violation, roommate conflict cases (with the Student Rights and Responsibilities Office)
- Coordinates fire drills, health and safety inspections, and custodial building walks each semester
- Assisted in establishing the department's Diversity, Equity, and Sustainability Committee, and helped to create a Diversity Commitment, a statement that reinforces our allegiance to inclusion
- Advises the department's Residence Hall Associations and promotes leadership among the board
- Monitors a programming/office supply budget of \$5,200 per academic year
- Participates in an on-call duty rotation and resolves campus crises with the department's staff
- Assisted the Associate Director of Hall Operations in the planning of a \$1.5 million HVAC replacement project for Whitley Hall and later the Honor's College conference room renovation
- Previously oversaw the student staff and daily operations of Whitley Hall between July 2018 and March 2020—Whitley Hall is a high-rise dormitory that houses 500 first-year students

## **Resident Assistant, 2013-2016**

*Austin College, Sherman, Texas*

- Provided resources, leadership advice, and counsel to 30 male first-year students each year
- Fostered a strong community atmosphere by hosting engaging programs and movie nights
- Created colorful door decorations and informative bulletin boards each month
- Completed administrative tasks on time, including ‘Roo Chats and program evaluations
- Partook in a rotating duty schedule with my building colleagues and responded to incidents
- Assisted the professional staff during fall training sessions and *Power-Ups!* during the year
- Helped plan and implement a campus-wide program on safety in the residence halls with the assistant director named *Shadow Week*—the program was successful and is still active today

## **AWARDS/GRANTS**

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Maverick Graduate Student Grant, *University of Texas at Arlington*, 2016 and 2017

Folbre Prize (most outstanding undergraduate majoring in history), *Austin College*, 2016

Senior Man (distinction in academics, leadership, and service to the college), *Austin College*, 2016

Residence Life Student Staff Member of the Year, *Austin College*, 2015

## **UNIVERSITY/RLL DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

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Campus Life and Student Success Division Strategic Planning Committee, *member* (2020-present)

Mask-Up Campaign Committee (in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic), *member* (2020-present)

Residential Living & Learning Student Staff Training Committee, *co-chair* (2019-present)

Search Committees: Vice President for Student Success and Dean of Students (2020)

RLL Community Director, *co-chair* (2020)

Assistant Director of Residence Education and Guest Services (2019)

Assistant Director of Budget Operations for Residence Life (2019)

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Historical Association

Association of College and University Housing Officers-International

East Texas Historical Association

International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in History

Phi Alpha Theta

Southwest Association of College and University Housing Officers

Texas State Historical Association

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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**Adjunct Professor of History**, 2019-present

*Texas A&M University-Commerce*, Commerce, Texas

**Instructor of Public Speaking & Debate**, 2018 summer

*Duke TiP Advanced Academics—Austin College*, Sherman, Texas

## CONFERENCE/INVITED PRESENTATIONS

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“King of Lions: William Leonidas Mayo and East Texas Normal College,” **Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting**, Austin (April 2021). *Submitted paper proposal*.

“Blanton & Capps: Badass Women on a Mission,” Invited presentation, **Meredith College’s Snapshot 20/20 Symposium**, Raleigh, NC (October 2020). Presentation was via *Zoom* due to COVID-19.

“Sallie B. Capps: Hometown Hero,” Invited presentation, **Grayson County Historical Society Meeting**, Sherman (March 2020).

“Samuel H. Whitley and East Texas State Teacher’s College, 1924-1946,” Presenter, **East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting**, Nacogdoches (October 2019).

“Sallie Brooke Capps and a Period of Uncertainty at the College of Industrial Arts, 1924-1926,” Presenter, **Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting**, Corpus Christi (March 2019).

“Perseverance and Spirit: Benedict Arnold’s Audacious March to Quebec, September-November 1775,” Presenter, **Austin College Student Scholarship Conference**, Sherman (April 2016).

## BOOKS

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*Sallie Brooke Capps: Education Trailblazer in North Texas* (forthcoming)

*A Photographic History of Texas A&M University-Commerce* (book in progress)

*Brothers & Sisters: Austin College and Texas Presbyterian College* (book in progress)

## DIGITAL MAGAZINE PUBLICATIONS

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“Whitley Hall: A Brief History of TAMUC’s High-Rise Dorm,” *Texas Escapes Magazine* (submitted)

“Sallie Brooke Capps: Sherman’s Trailblazer in Education,” *North Texas e-News*.  
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<https://frenchquartermag.com/index.php/2020/09/01/french-involvement-in-early-texas/>.

“A Profile on Wesley College,” *Texas Escapes Magazine*.  
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<http://www.historyisnowmagazine.com/blog/2020/1/19/the-controversial-career-of-the-first-female-us-senator-rebecca-latimer-felton>.
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- “Hannah Anderson Ropes, U.S. Civil War Nurse: Dedication to her Craft,” *History Is Now Magazine*.  
<http://www.historyisnowmagazine.com/blog/2019/2/24/a-great-us-civil-war-nurse-hannah-anderson-ropes#.XaptxP1Kios>.
- “Hell’s Half Acre: Fort Worth’s Dirty Secret,” *Texas Escapes Magazine*.  
<http://www.texasescapes.com/JoshuaVChanin/Hells-Half-Acre-Fort-Worths-Dirty-Secret.htm>.
- “Walter Plecker: The Man Who Could Not Trump Interracial Love In Virginia,” *Failure Magazine*.  
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- “Pierre Charles L’Enfant: The Forgotten Architect, 1754-1825,” *French Quarter Magazine*.  
<http://frenchquartermag.com/index.php/2016/11/03/pierre-charles-lenfant-the-forgotten-architect-1754-1825/>.
- “Depression, Stress, and Revolution: Sexual Frustrations of Louis XVI,” *French Quarter Magazine*.  
<http://frenchquartermag.com/index.php/2016/08/19/depression-stress-revolution-the-sexual-frustrations-of-louis-xvi/>.
- “The French Heroes of the American Revolution,” *French Quarter Magazine*.  
<http://frenchquartermag.com/index.php/2016/07/05/the-french-heroes-of-the-american-revolution/>.
- “Homesickness during the first year at college—Is It Normal?,” *RA Magazine*.  
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- “American Influence on the Development and Rise of Mexican Cinema,” *Mexconnect Magazine*.  
<https://www.mexconnect.com/articles/4258-american-influence-on-the-development-and-rise-of-mexican-cinema>.

## NEWSPAPER OPINION COLUMNS

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- “TAMU-C is no stranger to challenging times,” *Sulphur Springs News-Telegram*.  
<https://www.ssnewstelegram.com/news/tamu-c-no-stranger-challenging-times>.
- “A Bright Future Awaits The Pride,” *The East Texan-Online*.  
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- “The 130-Year-Old-Pride,” *The East Texan* 104, No. 18 (December 5, 2019): 2.
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