Paul Ruffin Distinguished Professor Department of English College of Humanities and Social Sciences

## **Degrees Earned**

BS in English, Mississippi State University (1964)
MA in English, Mississippi State University (1968)
Post-grad courses (British History, Mediterranean History, and architecture), University of Southampton, Southampton, England (Summers of 1969 and 1970)
PhD in English, Fiction Writing. Center for Writers, University of Southern Mississippi (1974)

# Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions Articles

80+ short stories in magazines and journals
800+ poems in magazines and journals
23 essays in magazines and journals
Work anthologized in 10 collections of fiction and 12 collections of poetry

## Books

2 novels
3 collections of short stories
6 collections of poems
2 collections of essays
11 edited books
In progress: 5 novels in various stages of completion, 1 memoir

### **Artistic Performances**

extensive schedule of readings (fiction, poetry, and creative nonfiction) throughout the South and Southwest

### Work or Professional Experiences

Director, Creative Writing Program, SHSU Founding Editor, Editor-in-Chief, *The Texas Review* Founder and Director, *Texas Review* Press Faculty Advisor, *Sam Houston State Review* 

### **Honors and Awards**

Excellence in Research, Sam Houston State University, 1997