

Name William H. Abbott,
Title Professor of English
Department Division of English and Foreign Languages
College Humanities and Social Sciences

Degrees Earned

BA major: history. minors: English, political science. University of Texas, 1957-61.
MA English Literature, Louisiana State University, 1963-65.
Ph.D. English Literature. minor: philosophy, Texas A&M University, 1968-73.

Professional Licensure and Certifications

Texas Teaching Certificate, secondary education, Sam Houston State Teacher=s College, 1961-62.

Continuing Education, summer 1976 (credit: 3 hours): AThe Theory and Practice of the Writing Process, @ sponsored by Texas A&M University. Lou Kelley (Iowa University) and Peter Elbow (Evergreen College). Continuing Education, spring 2003. AWriting Across the Curriculum, @ sponsored by the Department of English, SHSU. Bill Bridges and Carroll Nardone.

Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions

Chapters

Abbott, William H. AHistory and Hokum: A Little Matter of Reconstruction. @ *World War II: Variants and Visions*. Ed. Thomas O. Kelly II. Collingdale, PA: Diane Publishing Co, 1999.

Peer-Review Presentations/Posters

Myth and History at Sigma Tau Delta, 1978 (SHSU)
Thomas Henry Huxley's Bible at South Central Conference on Christianity and Literature, Oct. 1982
2001: A Space Odyssey: More Than Science Fiction at Humanities and Technology Conference, Oct 1983
The Assistant: Morris Bober's Resurrection at Western Regional Conference on Christianity and Literature, June 1984
The Continued Project of a Christian Poetics at Western Regional Conference on Christianity and Literature, Apr 1990
The Bridge Over the River Kwai: A Little Matter of Reconstruction at World War II Conference, June 1992
A Step Beyond History: Spielberg's *Schindler's List* at West Virginia University Twenty-Second Annual Colloquium on Literature and Film, Oct 1997
The Manner of Man Thou Art: A Case for Emergent Properties at Conference of the National Association for Humanities Education, Mar 1999
The New Humanities and Its Measure at Conference of the National Association for Humanities Education, Mar 2001

Work or Professional Experiences

Ascension Parish School District, Gonzales, Louisiana, fifth grade, 1963-64
Sam Houston State University, September 1965 to present
 Leave of Absence, 1968-71, taught at Texas A&M University (in Ph.D. program)
 Director of Lower Division Studies (English freshman and sophomore programs),
 1971-76
 Director of Graduate Studies (English), 1992-95
Early Retirement: Sam Houston State University, August 2007 (Now untenured and
unranked, I teach four courses per academic year.)

Honors and Awards

Excellence in Teaching Award, SHSU 1986-87
One of SHSU semifinalists for the Piper Professor Award;
nominated to the President's Office by the Excellence in Teaching
Committee, 1990

Other Competencies