

Name Ralph William Pease III
Title Professor
Department English
College Humanities and Social Sciences

Degrees Earned

BA Speech (English, History), University of Texas (Austin) 1957
MA English, Southern Methodist University, 1965
PhD English – Renaissance, American Literature

Professional Licensure and Certifications

Texas Public Teachers Certification 1961

Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions

Articles

“Huck Finn Talks About What Mr. Twain Did to His Story” Mark Twain Journal, Spring, 1983.
Included in SUNY DVD RAM of First Edition Copy of The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn and significant articles.

Books

The Police Officers English Language Handbook, (Sam Houston Criminal Justice Press, 1979 with reprints 1983).

Police Report Writing, with Robert Johnson, San Diego College, Harcourt Brace, 1982)

Chapters

Proceedings

Artistic Performances (other than academic paper presentations):

“Shakespeare on Film”, a three-hour guest lecturer presentation at the Montgomery County Library under a grant from the Texas Resource Center and the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington D.C. (1995).

Artistic Exhibitions

Research Monographs and Technical Reports

Funded External Grants

Peer-Review Presentations/Posters

“Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead’: Hamlet as Murderer”, South Central Modern Language Association, Fort Worth, Texas, 1973.

“Ellen Terry’s Shakespearean Roles”, Shakespeare Association of America, New Orleans, 1982.

“The Vigilante Theme in American Film”, Literature and Film Circle, Florida State University, 1989.

“Gone With The Wind: Novel and Film After 50 Years”, Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy annual meeting, 1989.

“Changing Film Images of Christ: Making Christ More ‘Human’”, Conference on Christianity and Literature, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La., 1991.

Work or Professional Experiences

Officer, United States Marine Corps, 1957-61.

Instructor of English and Speech, Garland High School, 1961-1965.

Instructor and Director of the English Writing Laboratory, University of Houston at University Park, 1965-1969.

Instructor, part-time (i.e.; moonlighting), South Texas Junior College – now the Downtown College of the University of Houston, summers 1966, 1967.

Instructor, part-time, freshman and sophomore classes, Texas A&M University, 1969-71.

Professor of English, Sam Houston State University, 1972 to present (full time).

Instructor and consultant to the Houston Police Academy under a contract with Sam Houston State University, 1977-1986.

Instructor, sophomore English classes, Texas Department of Corrections under part-time contract to Lee College, 1981-83.

Honors and Awards

Minnie Stevens Piper Professor (5th faculty member at Sam Houston State University to receive what is generally regarded as the most prestigious award in Higher Education in the state of Texas since the 10 winners (15 beginning in 2002) are selected from the faculties of every college and university- including medical, law, dental and veterinary schools – in the state of Texas, 1987.

Excellence in Teaching Award, annual award to one faculty member, 1983.

Recognition for “outstanding scholarship and teaching”, first annual Sam Houston State University College of Arts and Sciences Honors Convocation, 1982.

Recognition for outstanding teaching of freshman, Freshman Honorary, University of Houston, 1968.

University Developmental Leave (research in Shakespearean Film Adaptations), 1994.

Other Competencies

Over 50 speeches to various clubs and organizations including four high school commencement addresses.

Creation of English 334: Literature and Film – a class that has not failed to make in almost 20 years.