

Education

- December 2001 **The University of Georgia**, Athens, Georgia
Doctor of Philosophy, Animal and Dairy Science.
- December 1998 **Texas Tech University**, Lubbock, Texas
Master of Science, Agricultural and Applied Economics.
- May 1997 **Texas A&M University**, College Station, Texas
Bachelor of Science, Animal Science and Agricultural Economics.

Experience

- October 2003
to present **Department of Animal and Dairy Sciences**
Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi
Associate Extension Professor (July 2011 to present)
Associate Extension / Research Professor (July 2007 to June 2011)
Assistant Extension / Research Professor (October 2003 to June 2007)
Implement statewide beef cattle extension programs
 Major programming efforts:
 Leadership for all statewide cow-calf programming
 Mississippi Beef Cattle Improvement Association
 Mississippi Master Cattle Producer program
 MSUcares beef cattle website
 Mississippi Master Cattle Producer Program
 Mississippi State University Artificial Insemination School
Conduct applied beef cattle research
Operational management – Leveck Animal Research Center Beef Unit
Classes taught:
 ADS 4412 – Managing Livestock Sales I (Fall 2005, Fall 2006)
- May 2002
to October 2003 **University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service**,
Little Rock, Arkansas
Extension Livestock Specialist/Assistant Professor
Implement statewide beef cattle extension programs

Professional/Industry Memberships

- American Society of Animal Science
American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists
Beef Improvement Federation
 Eastern Regional Secretary – 2008 to present
 Producer Applications Committee Chair – 2008 to present
 Program Committee – 2008 to present
National Cattlemen's Beef Association
 Producer Education Magazine Advisory Group – 2006 to present
 Joint Information Committee – 2007
 Producer Education Committee – 2004

Mississippi Beef Cattle Improvement Association
Secretary – 2004 to present
Mississippi Cattlemen's Association
Mississippi Forage and Grassland Council
Mississippi Association of County Agricultural Agents
Professional Improvement Conference Planning Chair – 2006

Honors

Mississippi State University State Pride Award – 2011 recipient
Mississippi State University State Pride Award – 2010 recipient
Mississippi State University Extension Service 2007 Outstanding Worker
Mississippi State University Block and Bridle Club – Outstanding
Extension Agent 2007
2007 ADEC Excellence in College and University Distance Education
National Award
The Rosalind and Rodney Foil Teamwork Award – June 2, 2006
Beef Improvement Federation Appreciation for Support – April 20, 2006
Mississippi State University Block and Bridle Club – Outstanding
Extension Person 2006
Mississippi Association of County Agricultural Agents – Outstanding
Specialist 2005
Mississippi State University Extension Service – Team Award for
Innovation in Distance Education 2005
Mississippi State University Extension Service – Individual Award for
Innovation in Distance Education 2005
Mississippi State University Block and Bridle Club – Outstanding
Extension Person 2005
University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service – Employee of the
Quarter ending June 30, 2003

Publications

Referred Journal Articles: 21
Abstracts and Proceedings: 63
Extension Publications: 64
Newsletter Articles: 505
Internet Articles: 126
Radio Programs: 97
Television Programs: 4
Popular Press Articles: 213
Press Releases: 17
Department Reports: 27
Experiment Station Publications: 7
Invited Presentations: 6

Grants Awarded

Extension funds awarded: \$176,508
Research funds awarded: \$269,022
Total funds awarded: \$445,530