

**McCormick Civil War Institute Spring Conference  
Saturday, April 15, 2023**

**Conference Check-In (8:30-9:30 a.m., Halpin-Harrison Hall, Stimpson Auditorium)**

\* This year's conference will be held in **Halpin-Harrison Hall (Stimpson Auditorium)**. For those who have attended conferences in the past this is a different building. Halpin-Harrison Hall is arguably one of the easiest buildings to locate on campus. The building's address, for GPS purposes, is **600 Millwood Avenue**, Winchester, VA 22601. When you enter Shenandoah University's campus via Millwood Avenue you will enter through two large brick portals. On your left you will see the old armory building which the University now owns. Turn left at the armory building (this will be your first left once you enter campus). This road passes between the armory building and the tennis courts. Shortly after you turn you will see, on your left, next to the armory the large and stately Halpin-Harrison Hall, the home of the University's School of Business. There is ample parking in that lot, the armory lot, and the adjacent lot near Davis Hall. For your convenience here is a link to a **campus map** <https://www.su.edu/campus-maps/>

When you enter Halpin-Harrison Hall you can take the elevator or stairs to the first floor. If you take the elevator to the first floor, after you exit the elevator simply walk straight down the corridor and this will take you to Stimpson auditorium. Restrooms are located along this hallway.

There will of course be directional signs once you arrive on campus, signs in the building, and several of my students will be on hand to point you in the right direction.

## **Lunch**

\* As in year's past, lunch will be held in Allen Dining Hall. It is not a terribly long walk from our conference location to the dining hall, however, we will be offering a shuttle service (eight-passenger golf cart piloted by one of my students) between Halpin-Harrison Hall and Allen Dining Hall should you prefer transportation.

## **Conference Schedule**

\* Please note that Harpers Ferry National Historical Park Bookstore will be onsite that day selling speakers' books and an array of publications related to the conference's theme.

- **8:30-9:30 a.m.:** Check-in, Halpin-Harrison Hall, Stimpson Auditorium, Shenandoah University (600 Millwood Drive, Winchester, Virginia). If you are unfamiliar with the campus please follow this link to the [campus map](https://www.su.edu/campus-maps/)
- **9:30-9:40 a.m.:** Welcome
- **9:40-10:40 a.m.:** "Crushed Under the Weight of this Staggering Blow": Exploring Battle's Impact on Families (Jonathan A. Noyalas, Shenandoah University)

- 10:40-10:55 a.m.: Break
- 10:55-11:55 a.m.: "When this You See Remember Me": Portrait Photography and a New Experience of War (*Melissa A. Winn, American Battlefield Trust*)
- 11:55 a.m.-1:15 p.m.: Lunch in Allen Dining Hall
- 1:15-2:15 p.m.: "A Macabre Toil": Union Soldiers Confront the Dead at Antietam (*Brian Matthew Jordan, Sam Houston State University*)
- 2:15-2:30 p.m.: Break
- 2:30-3:30 p.m.: "Opium Slavery" in the Civil War Era Shenandoah Valley (*Jonathan S. Jones, Virginia Military Institute*)
- 3:30-4 p.m.: Book Signing

As always should you have any questions between now and the conference please don't hesitate to reach out via email at [jnoyalas01@su.edu](mailto:jnoyalas01@su.edu). I look forward to seeing everyone on April 15 and to a fantastic day of learning and exploration about our nation's most tumultuous and significant moment.

Take care,  
Jonathan