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## THE RICHARD J. MILBAUER PROGRAM IN SOUTHERN HISTORY

The Milbauer Program in Southern history was founded in 1983 thanks to a generous donation from the Richard Milbauer estate. Richard J. Milbauer graduated from the University of Florida in 1955 with a bachelor's degree in business administration, and in 1958 with a bachelor's degree in literary law. In 1983, Milbauer's estate endowed an eminent scholar chair at the University of Florida. The Milbauer professorship was occupied from 1983 to 2004 by Bertram Wyatt-Brown, distinguished historian of the American South and author, among many works, of *Southern Honor: Ethics and Behavior in the Old South* (1982). Since 2004, William A. Link has occupied the Milbauer professorship. Link has published extensively in the history of the American South, including, most recently, *Roots of Secession: Slavery and Politics in Antebellum Virginia* (2003), *Jesse Helms and the Rise of Modern American Conservatism* (2008), and *North Carolina: Change and Tradition in a Southern State* (2009).

The Milbauer Program attracts students from a variety of backgrounds. Current graduate students come from institutions such as the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Davidson College, West Virginia University, Kansas State University, Furman University, and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.



## THE MILBAUER SEMINAR

Every spring, the Milbauer Seminar in Southern history seeks to facilitate interactions between graduate students at the University of Florida and visiting scholars. As part of the seminar, the program brings scholars to the University of Florida for two days, during which they participate in a series of one-on-one meetings, an evening reception, and a graduate student luncheon. The scholars' visit culminates in a three-hour seminar, which includes a presentation of their recent work and a critique of one student's conference-style paper. In the past, we have hosted scholars such as Edward Ayers, Glenda Gilmore, Stephanie McCurry, and William A. Blair.

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