



WILLIAM H. WILSON, PHD

Professor Emeritus

1935

Born to Harry and Margaret Wilson in St. Joseph, MO.

1957

Earns a Bachelor of Journalism from the University of Missouri.

1958

Achieves a Master of Arts in history from the University of Missouri.

1960

Marries Katharine (Kitty) Lehr on June 18.

1962

Obtains a PhD in history from the University of Missouri; Is an assistant professor at the University of South Dakota until 1963.

1963

Teaches as an assistant and associate professor at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks until 1967.

1964

Publishes "The City Beautiful Movement in Kansas City;" Serves on the membership committee of the Org. of American Historians until 1967.

1968

Is a fellow of the National Endowment of the Humanities.

1968

Serves the University of North Texas as an associate, full and regent's professor of history until attaining emeritus status in 2001.

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1974

Publishes "Coming of Age: Urban America, 1915-1945."

1977

Publishes "Railroad in the Clouds: The Alaska Railroad in the Age of Steam, 1914-1945."

1979

Serves on the executive committee of the International Planning History Society until 1984 and again in 1990.

1989

Publishes "The City Beautiful Movement;" Receives the Lewis Mumford Prize Society for American City and Regional Planning History.

1989

Receives the Outstanding Book of the Year Award in Architect and Urban Planning from the Association of American Publishers.

1995

Serves as president of the Society for American City and Regional Planning History until 1997.

1998

Publishes "Hamilton Park: A Planned Black Community in Dallas."

2009

Publishes "Shaper of Seattle: Reginald Heber Thomson's Pacific Northwest."

2014

Publishes "Developing the Pacific Northwest: The Life and Work of Asahel Curtis."

2018

Publishes "Cars and Cities: The American Experience."

A Timeline of Professional Milestones