



Annual Conference Keynote Speaker



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A scholar of the history of American consumerism, Calder's book "Financing the American Dream: A Cultural History of Consumer Credit" was hailed by the Wall Street Journal as "deliciously seditious" for the ways it inverted common assumptions about the meaning of credit in American life.

Calder's scholarship also appears in "Thrift and Thriving in America: Capitalism and Moral Order from the Puritans to the Present" (Oxford, 2011) and "The Oxford Handbook of the History of Consumption" (Oxford, 2012) He has also written articles for an array of journals such as *The Journal of American History* and *The Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*.

An accomplished teacher, Calder is also a leader in the growing movement to bring scholarly modes of inquiry to teaching and learning in higher education. In 1999, he was chosen by the Carnegie Foundation to be a Fellow at the Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning.

In 2010, Calder was named Illinois Professor of the year and, in 2014, he received the William and Edwyna Gilbert Award from the American Historical Association for outstanding contributions to the teaching of history.