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Michael Berryhill brings 25 years of professional experience in journalism to the School of Communication. In 2015 the Texas Institute of Letters honored him with a membership for “for his outstanding contributions to a literary Texas.” His book, *The Trials of Eroy Brown, The Murder Case that Shook the Texas Prison System* was published in 2011 by the University of Texas Press. The Philosophical Society of Texas as the best-non-fiction book on Texas in 2011.

Most recently he edited and wrote an introduction for *Da Mayor Firth Ward, Stories of the Big Thicket and Houston*, by Robert “Bob” Lee, published by Texas A&M University Press. It became the first volume of the *Prairie View A&M University Series*, which honors the former president of Prairie View, Ruth Simmons. Two of his stories, one on Buffalo Bayou and another on the impact of fresh water on bays, were included in the anthology, *Viva Texas Rivers!*, also published by Texas A&M Press.

His magazine articles have been published in the New York Times Sunday magazine, and many Texas magazines and newspapers, including D Magazine, Texas Monthly and the Houston Press. He has published stories on the Texas prison system, education, the environment, and continued since he some to teach at Texas Southern University in 2012.

His teaching is based on what he has learned not just in graduate school but also his professional experience. His goal is to help students develop their professional writing interests.