

Professor Tony Badger

Tony Badger has been Paul Mellon Professor of American History since 1992, Fellow of Sidney Sussex College, 1992 to 2003, and Master of Clare College since October 2003. He has written extensively on the New Deal and on the post-1945 American South. His books include *Prosperity Road: The New Deal, Tobacco, and North Carolina* (1980), *North Carolina and the New Deal* (1981), *The New Deal: The Depression Years 1933-1940* (1990), and *New Deal/New South: The Anthony J Badger Reader* (2007) He has edited with Brian Ward, *The Making of Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights Movement* (1996), with Walter Edgar and Jan Gretlund, *Southern Landscapes* (1997) and with Byron Shafer, *Contesting Democracy: The Substance and Structure of American Political History* (2001)

Badger's latest book, *FDR: The First Hundred Days* (2008), was chosen by Prime Minister Gordon Brown as his book of the year and described in *The Observer* on 4 January 2009 as 'top of the political class's reading list on both sides of the Atlantic at Christmas'. He is currently working on a biography of Albert Gore Senior, father of former Vice-President, Al Gore.

In March 2009, Professor Badger was appointed to the chair of the Kennedy Memorial Trust.