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Education

BA with High Honors, Swarthmore College, 1968 (major History; minors Greek, Philosophy)
MA, University of California, Berkeley, 1969 (History)
PhD, University of California, Berkeley, 1974 (History)

Employment

Assistant to Full Professor, University of California, Irvine, 1974-1991 (promotions 1979, 1985)
Professor, State University of New York at Buffalo, 1990-2002
UB Distinguished Professor, State University of New York at Buffalo, 2002--2017
SUNY Distinguished Professor, State University of New York at Buffalo, 2017--

Visiting Positions

Visiting Professor, University of Rochester, 1989-1990
Directeur d'Etudes Invité, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, November, 1998
Visiting Professor, Stanford University, winter and spring terms, 2004
Professeur Invité, Université d'Angers, April-May, 2008
Directeur d'Etudes Invité, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, February-March, 2011

Administrative Service

Department Chair, 1982-1985, 1990-1997
Acting Chair, 1988-1989

Fellowships and Honors

National Merit Scholarship, 1964-1968
Phi Beta Kappa, 1968
Special Career Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 1968-1973
Department of History Seminar Paper Prize, University of California, Berkeley, 1971
National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Stipend, 1975
National Endowment for the Humanities, Fellowship, 1978-1979
University of California, Irvine, Faculty Research Fellowship, 1985-1986
Stanford Humanities Center, Associate Fellow, 1986
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship, 1986-1987
Leo Gershoy Award, American Historical Association, for "the most outstanding work in English on any aspect of the field of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century European history," 1994
Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, Fellowship, 1994-1995

National Humanities Center, Research Triangle, Fellowship, 1994-1995 (declined)
German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Study Grant, January-February, 1998
Visiting Scholar, Max-Planck-Institut für Geschichte, Göttingen, January-February, 1998
Bainton Prize for Reference, Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 2004
Guest Fellowship, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies, May-June, 2011

Books

The Formation of a Provincial Nobility: The Magistrates of the Parlement of Rouen, 1499-1610 (Princeton, Princeton University Press, 1980; paperback edition Princeton Legacy Library, 2014)
Pont-St-Pierre, 1398-1789: Lordship, Community, and Capitalism in Early Modern France (Berkeley, University of California Press, 1987)
Aristocratic Experience and the Origins of Modern Culture: France, 1570-1715 (Berkeley, University of California Press, 1993) (winner of the Leo Gershow Award of the American Historical Association)
The European Nobility, 1400-1800 (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1996) (paperback edition 1996; Italian translation Giulio Einaudi Editore, 2001; Hungarian translation Pannonica, 2002; Spanish translation Ediciones Pretextos, 2004; Simplified Chinese translation, Commercial Press, 2008)
(editor-in-chief), Europe 1450-1789: Encyclopedia of the Early Modern World, 6 vols. (New, York Charles Scribner's Sons, 2004) (winner of the Bainton Prize for Reference, Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 2004)
Lost Worlds: The Emergence of French Social History, 1815-1970 (University Park, Penn State University Press, 2006) (paperback edition 2012)
Status, Power, and Identity in Early Modern France: The Rohan Family, 1550-1715 (University Park, Penn State University Press, 2015; Kindle and paperback editions, 2017)

Works in progress

"Historians and their days: historical knowledge in times of crisis"
"Reflections on the 1 percent: ruling class failure in Old Regime France"

Articles

"Magistracy and Political Opposition at Rouen: A Social Context," The Sixteenth Century Journal, V, 2 (October, 1974), 66-78
"The 'Perfect Magistrate': Parlementaires and Crime in Sixteenth-Century Rouen," Archive for Reformation History, LXVII (1976), 284-300
"Politics and Personality in Seventeenth-Century France," French Historical Studies, XVI, 4 (Fall, 1990), 893-908
"Deadly Parents: Family and Aristocratic Culture in Early Modern France," in Barbara Diefendorf and Carla Hesse, eds., Culture and Identity in Early Modern Europe (1500-1800) (Ann Arbor, University of Michigan Press, 1993)
"The Ruling Class in the Marketplace: Nobles and Money in Early Modern France," in Richard Teichgraeber and Thomas Haskell, eds., The Culture of the Market: Historical Essays (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1994)
with Liana Vardi, "The French Peasants, 1400-1789," in Tom Scott, ed., The Peasantries of Europe (London, Longmans, 1998), 20-47
"Roger Chartier and the Fate of Cultural History," French Historical Studies, XXI, 2 (Spring, 1998), 221-240

- "Aristocracy," in Paul F. Grendler, ed., The Encyclopedia of the Renaissance (New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 1999)
- "The Aristocracy and Gentry," in Guido Ruggiero, ed., The Encyclopedia of European Social History (New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 2000)
- "The Early Modern Period, 1590-1720," *ibid.*
- "Lost Worlds: French Historians and the Construction of Modernity," French History, XIV, 4 (December, 2000), 424-442
- "Social Groups and Cultural Practices," in Mack P. Holt, ed., Short Oxford History of France, 1500-1650, (Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2002)
- "A la Table de Magny: Nineteenth-Century French Men of Letters and the Origins of Modern Historical Thought," American Historical Review, CVIII, 4 (October, 2003), 1009-1033
- "France" (5,000 words), "The Early Modern Period" (5,000 words), "The Industrial Revolution" (5,000 words), "Espionage" (1,500 words), "Rentiers" (500 words), "The Valois Dynasty" (250 words), "The Bourbon Dynasty" (250 words), "The Diamond Necklace Affair" (250 words), in Dewald, ed., Europe 1450-1789: Encyclopedia of the Early Modern World, 6 vols. (New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 2004)
- "Nobles as Signifiers: French Nobles and the Historians, 1820-1960" in Jay Smith, ed., The French Nobility in the Eighteenth Century: Reassessments and New Approaches (University Park, Penn State University Press, 2006)
- "Crisis, Chronology, and the Shape of European Social History," American Historical Review, CXIII, 2 (October 2008), 1031-1052
- "Régime nobiliaire en région avancée: essai d'un bilan," in Ariane Boltanski and Alain Hugon, eds., Les noblesses normandes (XVIe-XIXe siècle) (Rennes, Presses Universitaires de Rennes, 2011)
- "Rohan's World: A Political Culture in Seventeenth-Century France," in Jörn Leonhard and Christian Wieland, eds., What Makes the Nobility Noble? Comparative Perspectives from the Sixteenth to the Twentieth Century (Göttingen, Vandenhoeck und Ruprecht, 2011), 164-177
- "Other voices': The Early Modern Past in Provincial America," in Derval Conroy and Danielle Clarke, eds., Teaching the Early Modern Period (London, Palgrave Macmillan, 2011), 73-75
- "La BNF et moi," Bibliothèque(s) (Association des Bibliothécaires de France, Paris), nos. 59-60 (December, 2011), special issue on "Vues de l'étranger"
- "Silent Dialogue: Lucien Febvre, Hippolyte Taine, and an Annales Paradigm," Pro Tempore (University of Zagreb), 2012
- "Les Rohan," in Françoise Hildesheimer and Dénes Harai, eds., Dictionnaire Richelieu (Paris, Honoré Champion, 2015)
- "Microclimates," H-France Salon, Vol. 7 (2015), Issue #13, #8.
- "Robert Descimon, the Annales Tradition, and the Social History of the Ruling Classes," in Barbara Diefendorf, ed., Social Relations, Politics, and Power in Early Modern France: Robert Descimon and the Historian's Craft (Kirksville, MO, Truman State University Press, Early Modern Studies, Vol. 19, 2016)
- "Writing Failure: Self-Depiction and Aristocratic Power in Seventeenth-Century France," in Christian Wieland and Claudius Sittig, eds., Die Kunst des Adels in der Frühen Neuzeit (Wolfenbüttel, Wolfenbüttler Forschungen, Harrasowitz, 2016)

Book Reviews

in American Historical Review, Journal of Modern History, Social History, Agricultural History Review, Journal of Social History, The History Teacher, The Social Science Quarterly, Renaissance Quarterly, European History Quarterly, Canadian Journal of History, Labor History, The Catholic Historical Review, H-France, The Journal of Interdisciplinary History, Journal of British Studies, Sixteenth Century Journal, English Historical Review, Revue d'Histoire Moderne et Contemporaine, Contemporary French Civilization, Reviews in History

Professional Service

Manuscripts evaluated for Princeton University Press, University of California Press, Louisiana State University Press, Cornell University Press, University of Pennsylvania Press, W. W. Norton and Co., Addison Wesley Longman, University of Chicago Press, Sixteenth Century Essays and Studies, Purdue University Press, Duke University Press, Johns Hopkins University Press, Pennsylvania State University Press, Cambridge University Press, Yale University Press, Ashgate Publishing Company, University of Toronto Press, McGill Queens University Press, Oxford University Press, American Historical Review, French Historical Studies, Journal of Social History, Journal of the History of Ideas, Renaissance Quarterly, Journal of Modern History, English Historical Review

Proposals evaluated for the National Endowment for the Humanities, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Member, Board of Editors, French Historical Studies, 1987-1990

Member, Leo Gershoy Award Committee, American Historical Association, 1988-1990

Vice-President, New York State Association of European Historians, 1999-2000,
President, 2000-2001

Member, Pinkney Prize Committee, Society for French Historical Studies, 2005-2006, 2007-2009,
Chair 2008-2009

Member, Leland Prize for Reference Committee, American Historical Association, 2011

Selected Recent University Service

Department of History-- chair, search committee in British history, 2000-2001; chair, search committee in modern European history, 2001-2002; chair, search committee in African history, 2005-2006 ; Executive Committee, 2000-2001, 2006-2007, 2008-2009; Graduate Program Committee, 2000-2002, 2012-2016, Director of Graduate Studies, 2014-2016

University-- President's Review Board (evaluating tenure and promotion cases from all departments within the university), 1998-2001; Chair, 2002-2003

--member, search committee for Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, 2006-2007

Memberships

American Historical Association, Society for French Historical Studies

Invited Academic Papers

University of California, Berkeley, 1977

San Diego State University, 1981

University of California, Berkeley, 1986

University of California, Los Angeles, 1988

University of California, San Diego, 1988

Emory University, 1989

Tulane University, 1990

Boston University, 1990 Syracuse University, 1990

Carleton University, 1990

Cornell University, 1991

Brown University, 1991

Clark Library, Los Angeles, 1992

Johns Hopkins University, 1994

Canisius College, 1996
Baltimore-Washington Old Regime Group, 1996, 1999
Georgetown University, 1996
University of California, Irvine, 1998
Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 1998
Rutgers University, 1999
Society for the Study of French History, Sheffield, UK, 2000 (keynote speech)
University of Waterloo, 2001
Joint French History Seminar, York University-University of Toronto, 2001
Albright Knox Museum of Art, 2001
National Humanities Center, 2002
Catholic University, 2004
UCLA-Clark Library, 2005
York University, UK, 2005
New York State Association of European Historians, Niagara University, 2007 (keynote speech)
Université d'Angers, 2008
International Cultural Center, Cérisy-la-Salle, 2008
Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 2009
Université de Paris IV-Sorbonne, 2009
Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies, 2009
Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 2010
Université de Paris IV-Sorbonne, 2010
Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 2011
Université de Paris X-Nanterre, 2011
Durham University (UK), 2011
Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies, 2011
Wuhan University, Institute for World Historical Studies, 2011
Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel (Germany), 2012
Erasmus University, Rotterdam (Netherlands), 2012
Joint French History Seminar, York University-University of Toronto, 2014
University at Buffalo, 2016 (keynote address, 25th Annual Milton Plesur Conference)
Erasmus University, Rotterdam (Netherlands), 2016
Buffalo Humanities Festival, 2016

Doctoral Advisement

as dissertation director (SUNY at Buffalo)

Nicholas Schlierf, "Finding the Bible in Seventeenth-Century French Politics: An Examination of Pamphlets from the Regency Crises of Marie de Medicis and Anne of Austria;" PhD October, 1999 (Director of Athletics, Mercy High School, Rochester, NY)
Joel Siepinski, "The Politics of Education: The University of Poitiers, 1590-1820;" PhD October, 2002 (teacher, The Nichols School, Buffalo, NY)
Charles Lipp, "Being Noble in the Borderlands: A Portrait of the Family de Mahuet of Lorraine, 1599-1737," PhD October, 2004 (Associate Professor, Department of History, University of West Georgia)
Erik Hadley, "Nationalism and Cultural Identity: Provincial Nobles along the Franco-Belgian Border, 1550-1815," PhD October 2006 (Lecturer, Department of History, Boise State University)
Valerie Phillips, : "'Et Voilà La Mode': Clothing, Taste, and the French Nobility, 1660-1700," PhD expected September, 2017

Alexander Yarbrough, "The Right to Censor: Parlement, Prosecutor General and King's Council in Old Regime France (1723-1774)," dissertation research begun fall, 2012

as member of dissertation committee (SUNY at Buffalo)

- Martin Ederer, "Renaissance Humanism in the Service of Scholastic Theology: The Preaching of Domenicho di Domenichi, 1416-1478;" PhD February, 1993 (Lecturer, Buffalo State College)
- Christopher Forth, "Becoming a Destiny: The Nietzsche Vogue in French Intellectual Life, 1891-1918;" PhD June, 1994 (Jack and Shirley Howard Teaching Professor in Humanities and Western Civilization, University of Kansas)
- Thomas Bolze, "Female Impersonation in the United States, 1900-1970;" PhD September, 1994 (Catalogue Librarian, Yale University)
- Thomas Behr, "Luigi Taparelli and the 19th-Century Neo-Thomistic 'Revolution' in Natural Law and Catholic Social Sciences," PhD October, 2000 (Director of Liberal Studies, University of Houston)
- Jean Turcott, "Waiting for the Erie Line: Community and Economic Development of the Southern Tier of New York State, 1790-1850;" PhD October, 2000 (Associate Registrar, D'Youville College)
- David Furber, "Going East: Colonialism and German Life in Nazi-Occupied Poland," PhD June, 2003 (Lecturer, SUNY College at Cortland)
- Maritere López, "Writing a Letter, Writing the Self: Courtisans of the Italian Renaissance and Their Epistolary Writings;" PhD June, 2003 (Associate Professor, Department of History, Fresno State University)
- Steven Gill, "Theory, Practice, and Dialogue: The Shaping of the Early Modern English Politician;" PhD December 2012 (Lecturer, Columbus State University)

as outside reader

- Michel De Waele, "Une question de confiance? Le parlement de Paris et Henri IV, 1589-1599," McGill University; PhD April, 1995 (Professor, Université Laval)
- Zoe Schneider, "The Village and the State: Justice and the Lower Courts in Normandy, 1670- 1740," Georgetown University; PhD June, 1997
- Barbara Stephenson, "Patronage, Politics, and Piety in the Correspondence of Marguerite de Navarre," Rutgers University; PhD January, 2000 (Associate Professor, Mount Holyoke College)
- David C. O'Brien, "Elite Service Culture at Court and in the Field: Fidelity, Generosity, and Honour in the Eighteenth-Century Maison militaire du Roi," University of Toronto; PhD May, 2009
- Elizabeth Churchich, "Children of the Revocation: The Reeducation of French Protestants after 1685," Rutgers University, PhD June, 2013