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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. (History), Johns Hopkins University, 1970
- B.A. (History), Columbia University, 1964

ACADEMIC POSITIONS HELD

- University of Delaware, Henry Clay Reed Professor of History, 1994-present
- University of Delaware, Professor of History, 1985-1994
- Harvard University, Visiting Professor of History, Spring, 1985
- University of New Mexico, Associate Professor of History, 1976-85
- University of Wisconsin-Madison, Assistant Professor of History, 1969-75
- University of California-Davis, Lecturer in History, 1968-69

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- A Sphinx on the American Land: The Nineteenth-Century South in Comparative Perspective* (forthcoming: Louisiana State University Press, 2003)
- American Slavery: 1619-1877* (Hill & Wang, 1993; paperback, 1994; revised ed., forthcoming, 2003; Penguin paperback, England, 1995; French transl., Belin, 1998)
- Unfree Labor: American Slavery and Russian Serfdom* (Harvard University Press, 1987; paperback, 1990)
- First Freedom: The Responses of Alabama's Blacks to Emancipation and Reconstruction* (Greenwood Press, 1972)

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

- “Whiteness Studies: The New History of Race in America,” *Journal of American History*, 89 (June 2002), 154-73
- “The American South in Comparative Perspective,” in Enrico Dal Lago and Rick Halpern, eds., *The American South and the Italian Mezzogiorno: Essays in Comparative History* (Palgrave, 2002), 26-59
- “Foreword” to Aleksandr Nikitenko, *Up from Serfdom: My Childhood and Youth in Russia: 1804-1824*, transl. Helen Saltz Jacobson (Yale University Press, 2001), ix-xx, 207-09
- “After Serfdom: Russian Emancipation in Comparative Perspective,” in Stanley L. Engerman, ed., *Terms of Labor: Slavery, Serfdom, and Free Labor* (Stanford University Press, 1999), 87-115, 293-309
- “Slavery and Freedom in the Civil War South,” in James M. McPherson and William J. Cooper, Jr., eds., *Writing the Civil War: The Quest to Understand* (University of South Carolina Press, 1998), 241-60, 335-47
- “Slavery in United States History Textbooks,” *Journal of American History*, 84 (March, 1998), 1425-38
- “Some Controversial Questions Concerning Nineteenth-Century Emancipation from Slavery and Serfdom,” in M. L. Bush, ed., *Serfdom and Slavery: Studies in Legal Bondage* (Longman,

1996), 42-67

- "The Tragic Era? Interpreting Southern Reconstruction in Comparative Perspective," in Frank McGlynn and Seymour Drescher, eds., *The Meaning of Freedom: Economics, Politics, and Culture after Slavery* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 1992), 291-311
- "Some Thoughts on Emancipation in Comparative Perspective: Russia and the United States South," *Slavery and Abolition*, 11 (December, 1990), 39-55
- "Die sudstaatliche Sklaverei vor dem amerikanischen Bürgerkrieg und die Historiker. Zur Debatte 1959-1988," *Geschichte und Gesellschaft*, 16 (spring, 1990), 161-86
- "Some Recent Works on Slavery Outside the United States: An American Perspective," *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 28 (October, 1986), 767-77
- "American Historians and Antebellum Southern Slavery, 1959-1984," in William J. Cooper, Jr., et al., eds., *A Master's Due: Essays in Honor of David Herbert Donald* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1985), 87-111
- "Reevaluating the Antebellum Slave Community: A Comparative Perspective," *Journal of American History*, 70 (December, 1983), 579-601
- "Comparing American History," *Reviews in American History*, 10 (December, 1982), 64-81
- "In Defense of Servitude: American Proslavery and Russian Proserfdom Arguments, 1760-1860," *American Historical Review*, 85 (October, 1980), 809-827
- "Scalawags, Carpetbaggers, and Reconstruction: A Quantitative Look at Southern Congressional Politics, 1868-1872," *Journal of Southern History*, 45 (February, 1979), 63-76
- "The Process of Confrontation: Patterns of Resistance to Bondage in Nineteenth-Century Russia and the United States," *Journal of Social History*, 11 (summer, 1978), 457-90
- "Social Reconstruction," Ch. 22 in *The Study of American History* (Dushkin Publishing Group, Inc., 1974), II, 2-21
- "The Business Press and Reconstruction, 1865-1868," *Journal of Southern History*, 33 (May, 1967), 183-96

REVIEW ESSAYS AND COMMENTS

- "Variations of Slavery in the Atlantic World" (Introduction to Forum on "Slaveries in the Atlantic World"), *William and Mary Quarterly*, 59 (July 2002), 551-54

- “The Big Picture: A Comment on David Brion Davis’s ‘Looking at Slavery from Broader Perspectives,’” *American Historical Review*, 105 (April, 2000), 467-71
- “The World the Historians Made: Peter Wood’s *Black Majority* in Historiographical Perspective,” *South Carolina Historical Magazine*, 100 (October, 1999), 368-78
- “*Africans in America: America's Journey Through Slavery*: A Review,” in *AHA Perspectives*, 37 (April 1999), 41-44
- “The Variable Institution” (review of William Dusinger, *Them Dark Days: Slavery in the American Rice Swamps*, Patricia Morton, ed., *Discovering the Women in Slavery: Emancipating Perspectives on the American Past*, and Thomas D. Morris, *Southern Slavery and the Law, 1619-1860*) in *Journal of American Ethnic History*, 18 (winter, 1999), 111-21
- “Comment on *The First Slave (and Why He Matters)* by Jonathan Bush,” in *Cardozo Law Review*, 18 (November, 1996), 631-33
- “Class Consciousness” (review of Clarence E. Walker, *Deromanticizing Black History: Critical Essays and Reappraisals*), in *Reviews in American History*, 20 (December, 1992), 585-90
- “More Time on the Cross? An Evaluation of Robert William Fogel's *Without Consent or Contract*,” in *Journal of Southern History*, 58 (August, 1992), 491-502
- “Commentary on Steven Hahn's 'Emancipation and the Development of Capitalist Agriculture: The South in Comparative Perspective,’” in Kees Gispens, ed., *What Made the South Different?* (University Press of Mississippi, 1990), 88-96, 171-72
- “Race, Slavery, and History” (review of John Hope Franklin, *Race and Slavery: Selected Essays, 1938-1988*, and Peter J. Parish, *Slavery: History and Historians*), in *Reviews in American History*, 18 (December, 1990), 466-72
- “The Slaving Business” (review of James A. Rawley, *The Transatlantic Slave Trade: A History*), in *Reviews in American History*, 10 (June, 1982), 173-76
- “Race, Class, and Poverty in the Post-Civil War South” (review of Jay R. Mandle, *The Roots of Black Poverty: The Southern Plantation Economy after the Civil War*, Roger L. Ransom and Richard Sutch, *One Kind of Freedom: The Economic Consequences of Emancipation*, and Jonathan M. Wiener, *Social Origins of the New South: Alabama, 1860-1885*), in *Reviews in American History*, 7 (December, 1979), 515-26
- “The Sociologist as Southern Historian” (review of Edgar T. Thompson, *Plantation Societies, Race Relations, and the South: The Regimentation of Populations*), in *Reviews in American History*, 5 (March, 1977), 21-27
- “Toward a Reinterpretation of Slavery” (review of Robert William Fogel and Stanley L. Engerman, *Time on the Cross: The Economics of American Negro Slavery*), in *Journal of Social History*, 9

(fall, 1975), 99-113

- "The Myth of Radical Reconstruction" (review of Michael Les Benedict, *A Compromise of Principle: Congressional Republicans and Reconstruction, 1863-1869*), in *Reviews in American History*, 3 (June, 1975), 228-35

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

- "Slavery in the United States," in *Microsoft Encarta Africana* (1999), also available in print version in Kwame Anthony Appiah and Henry Louis Gates, eds, *Africana: The Encyclopedia of the African and African American Experience* (Basic Civitas Books, 1999), 5,800 words
- "Slavery in the United States," in *Microsoft Encarta 97 Encyclopedia* (1996), 3,000 words
- "Reconstruction," in *Microsoft Encarta 97 Encyclopedia* (1996), 3,000 words
- "The Institution of Slavery," in Eric Foner and John A. Garraty, eds., *The Reader's Companion to American History* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1991), 990-92

BOOK REVIEWS

- book reviews in the following journals:

Agricultural History
American Historical Review
American Political Science Review
Chronicle of Higher Education
Civil War History
Florida Historical Quarterly
The Historian
Georgia Historical Quarterly
International Labor and Working-Class History
Journal of American Ethnic History
Journal of American History
Journal of Ethnic Studies
Journal of Interdisciplinary History
Journal of Social History
Journal of Southern History
Journal of the Early Republic
Los Angeles Times Book Review
Maryland Historical Magazine
New Mexico Historical Review
New York Times Book Review

North Carolina Historical Review
Philadelphia Inquirer
Register of the Kentucky Historical Society
Russian History/Histoire Russe
Russian Review
Slavery and Abolition
Social History
Southern Studies
Southwestern Historical Quarterly
Texas Historical Quarterly
Wisconsin Magazine of History

PARTICIPATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONVENTIONS AND CONFERENCES

PAPERS

- “Interpreting Southern Slavery: Recent Trends and Future Prospects,” Southern Historical Association convention (New Orleans, November 2001)
- “The American Civil War and Emancipation in Comparative Perspective,” Conference on Civil War Scholarship in the 21st Century (Center for U.S. Studies, Stiftung Leucorea, Wittenberg, Germany, March 2001)
- “The World the Historians Made: *Black Majority* in Historiographical Context,” Conference on Slavery in Early South Carolina (University of South Carolina, Columbia, February, 1999)
- “The American South in Comparative Perspective,” keynote address at Commonwealth Fund Conference on the Two Souths: Towards an Agenda for Comparative Study of the American South and the Italian Mezzogiorno (University College, London, January 1999)
- “After Serfdom: Russian Emancipation in Comparative Perspective,” Conference on Making of Modern Freedom (Washington University, St. Louis, October, 1996)
- “The Comparative Approach to the Study of Slavery,” Conference on Les Dependances Serviles (Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, June, 1996)
- “Some Controversial Questions Concerning Nineteenth-Century Emancipation from Slavery and Serfdom,” Conference on Slavery and Serfdom (University of Manchester, England, September, 1994)
- “Emancipation, Change, and Continuity: Russia and the United States South,” Southern Historical Association convention (Orlando, November, 1993)

- "Women and Antebellum Plantation Slavery: Elizabeth Fox-Genovese's *Within the Plantation Household*," Southern Historical Association convention (New Orleans, November, 1990)
- "Emancipation in Russia," Eighth Annual Presidential Forum: Emancipation in the United States, Russia, and Brazil (Mississippi State University, November, 1988)
- "The Aftermath of Slavery: Tragedy and Transformation as Themes in Southern Reconstruction History," Conference on the Meaning of Freedom (University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg, PA, August, 1988)
- "Comparing Slave Societies: Problems and Prospects," Conference on Comparative Approaches to Social History (Northwestern University, Evanston, April, 1986)
- "Reevaluating the Antebellum Slave Community: A Comparative Perspective," American Historical Association convention (San Francisco, December, 1983)
- "In Defense of Servitude: A Comparison of American Proslavery and Russian Proserfdom Arguments, 1760-1860," American Historical Association convention (San Francisco, December, 1978)
- "Reconstruction Considered as a Social Process: Alabama Blacks and Emancipation," Southern Historical Association convention (Hollywood, FL, November, 1972)
- "The Negro Family in Alabama During Reconstruction," Pacific Coast Branch meeting of American Historical Association (Santa Clara, CA, August, 1968)

COMMENTS AND SESSIONS CHAIRED

(* = comment; ** = chair; *** = chair and comment)

- Conference on Freedom, Race, and Bondage, Yale University (May, 2002)*
- Social Science History Association, Pittsburgh (October, 2000)***
- Conference on Manumission in the Atlantic World, College of Charleston (October, 2000)**
- World 2000 Conference on Teaching World History and Geography, Austin (February, 2000)***
- American Historical Association (January, 2000)**
- Organization of American Historians (April, 1998)***
- Southern Historical Association (November, 1996)*
- Conference on New Directions in Carolina Lowcountry Studies, College of Charleston (May, 1996)**
- Symposium on Comparative History of Black People in Diaspora, Michigan State University (April, 1995)**
- Conference on Bondage, Freedom, and the Constitution, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, New York (February, 1995)***

- Conference on Family and Slavery in the Americas, Montreal (October, 1994)***
- Organization of American Historians (April, 1993)**
- Conference on Slavery and Freedom in Comparative Perspective, UC-San Diego (October, 1991)*
- Fourth World Congress for Soviet and East European Studies, Harrogate, England (July, 1990)***
- Chancellor's Symposium on Southern History, University of Mississippi (October, 1989)*
- Organization of American Historians (April, 1989)*
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (November, 1988)***
- Southern Historical Association (November, 1988)*

- Organization of American Historians (April, 1987)*
- Western Social Science Association (April, 1979)***
- Organization of American Historians (April, 1979)*
- Organization of American Historians (April, 1976)*
- Organization of American Historians (April, 1975)*

INVITED LECTURES (RECENT)

- University of Oxford (January, 2002)
- University of Cambridge: Visiting Mellon Scholar (January, 2002): three presentations
- University of Pennsylvania (November, 2001)
- University of Cincinnati (October, 2001)
- University of Texas-Austin (September, 2001)
- NEH Summer Institute on Early Slave Cultures, Washington D.C. (June, 2000): three lectures
- Louisiana State University: Walter Lynwood Fleming Lectures (April, 2000): three lectures
- American Moments Summer Teacher Institute, Springfield, MA (July, 1998)
- Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, Monticello, VA (July, 1998)
- Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris (January, 1998): four lectures
- University of Pennsylvania (December 1996)
- Amherst College (November 1995)
- University of New Hampshire: William L. Dunfey Visiting Scholar (March, 1995)
- University of California-Los Angeles (October, 1994)
- California Institute of Technology (October, 1994)
- Valentine Museum, Richmond (March, 1994)
- National Archives, Washington, D.C. (January, 1994)
- Moscow State University, Russia (June, 1993)
- Washington College, Maryland (March, 1993)
- Michigan State University (November, 1992)
- Delaware Valley Seminar on Russian History, University of Pennsylvania (October, 1991)
- University of New Mexico (October, 1990)
- Colby College: Elijah P. Lovejoy Lecture (March, 1990)
- Millersville University (February, 1990)
- University of Iowa (January, 1990)
- Brandeis University (September, 1989)
- University of Pennsylvania (April, 1989)

- University of Texas-Austin (April, 1989)
- Duke University (February, 1989)
- Philadelphia Conference on Modern European History, Holy Family College (October, 1988)
- Williams College (November, 1988)
- Johns Hopkins University (September, 1988)
- University of New Mexico (September, 1988)
- Kenyon College (February, 1988)
- University of Maryland-Baltimore (October, 1987)
- Boston University (February, 1987)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Organization of American Historians Distinguished Lecturer, 2002-05
- On American Historical Association Nominating Committee, 2001-03
- Southern Historical Association's Representative to the National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, 2000-03
- On Avery O. Craven Award Committee of Organization of American Historians, 2000 (for book published in 1999)
- On Editorial Advisory Board, *Slavery & Abolition*, 1998-
- On Frederick Douglass Book Prize Jury of Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, 1999 (for book published in 1998)
- Chair, Frank L. and Harriet C. Owsley Award Committee of Southern Historical Association, 1999 (for book published in 1998)
- Chair, Charles S. Sydnor Award Committee of Southern Historical Association, 1998 (for book published in 1997)
- On Executive Council of Southern Historical Association, 1994-96
- On Program Committee for Symposium on Comparative History of Blacks in the Diaspora, Michigan State University, April, 1995
- Scholar Consultant to KTCA-TV (PBS) for Historical Series on the American Revolution, 1992-95
- On 1992 Program Committee of Southern Historical Association
- On Binkley-Stephenson Award Committee of Organization of American Historians, 1989-91
- On Membership Committee of Southern Historical Association, 1979-80, 1987-88

- Consultant to National Endowment for the Humanities, 1977-
- Manuscript reviewer for publishers and professional journals

MAJOR FELLOWSHIPS

- Center for Advanced Study Fellowship, University of Delaware (1992-93)
- John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship (1979-80)
- National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for Independent Study and Research (1975-76)
- Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History Fellowship, Harvard University (1975-76)
- National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship in Afro-American History (1971-72)
- Institute of Southern History Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University (1971-72)

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Francis Alison Award (University of Delaware's highest award for research, teaching, and service, 2002)
- National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (University of Delaware chapter, 1996)
- Award for Outstanding Book on the Subject of Human Rights in North America (Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Human Rights in North America), for *American Slavery* (1994)
- Avery O. Craven Award of the Organization of American Historians, for *Unfree Labor* (1988)
- Bancroft Prize in American History, given by Columbia University, for *Unfree Labor* (1988)
- Charles S. Sydnor Award of the Southern Historical Association, for *Unfree Labor* (1988)
- Binkley-Stephenson Award of the Organization of American Historians, for best article published in *Journal of American History* during 1983 (1984)
- Phi Beta Kappa (Johns Hopkins University, 1970)

TEACHING INTERESTS

- United States history: the South, slavery, Civil War and Reconstruction, nineteenth-century
- comparative history of slavery, forced labor, and emancipation

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECT

- a comparative study of emancipation in Russia and the United States (sequel to *Unfree Labor*)