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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Cornell University (1980). Major field: 19th century American political history.

B.A., magna cum laude, Yale University (1972). Major: History.

EXPERIENCE

Interim Director, School of Education (July 1998 – August 2000).

Professor, University of Delaware (1997-). Distinguished Faculty Award, College of Education (1997)

Associate Professor, University of Delaware (1988-1997). University Excellence-in-Teaching Award (1995)

Assistant Professor, College of Education, University of Delaware (1985-1988).

Research Associate, A Study of High Schools (1980-1984). The project, chaired by Theodore Sizer, was sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the National Association of Independent Schools.

Visiting Instructor, Franklin and Marshall College (1978-1980). Replaced a professor on leave.

Teaching Assistant, Cornell University (1973-1978). Clark Teaching Award (1977)

BOOKS

Kids and School Reform (Jossey-Bass, 1997). Second of three authors.

The Last Little Citadel American High Schools since 1940 (Houghton-Mifflin, 1986). One of the three books from A Study of High Schools. Reissued in paperback, 1987.

Temperance and Prohibition in Massachusetts, 1813-1852. (UMI Research Press, 1982). Revised dissertation; No. 32 in the Studies in American History and Culture series (Robert Berkhofer, Series Editor).

ARTICLES/CHAPTERS

- “Comprehensive High Schools” and “Education Reform in the Depression” forthcoming in Encyclopedia of Educational Reform and Dissent (Sage).
- “Lost at the Last Minute” (with Jeffrey Menzer) forthcoming in Phi Delta Kappan
- “Testing Medical Students at Harvard, 1870-1930” forthcoming in History of Education and Children’s Literature
- “Back to the Future” (with Joseph Jones) Commentary Page, Education Week, April 2, 2008.
- “Two Perspectives on Tenure” (with Eugene Matusov) in Academe, Jan/Feb. 2008
- “Rural and One Room Schools,” “The History of Medical Education,” and “Correspondence Schools” in The Encyclopedia of the Social and Cultural Foundations of Education (Sage, 2008).
- “The Academic Work Ethic in Yale College, 1939-1982” in Perspectives on the History of Higher Education (2006)
- “Doctoring Schools” Commentary page, Education Week, October 19, 2005
- “Temperance” in Encyclopedia of the New American Nation (Scribners, 2005)
- “Progressive Education” in Paula Fass, ed., Encyclopedia of Children and Childhood in History and Society (Macmillan, 2004).
- “The 15 Gallon Law” and “Massachusetts Society for the Suppression of Intemperance” in Jack Blocker, Ed., Alcohol and Temperance in Modern History (ABC-CLIO, 2003).
- “Historical Perspectives on Small Schools” in Phi Delta Kappan (January 2002).
- “Books by Journalists on American Education” in History of Education Quarterly (Spring 2001).
- “The Origins of the Educational Testing Service” in Michael Johanek, ed., A Faithful Mirror: Reflections on the College Board and Education in America (The College Entrance Examination Board: New York, 2001).
- “The Power and Peril of Idea-Driven Reform” Commentary page, Education Week, April 21, 1999. Reprinted in Lessons of a Century (Education Week, 2000).
- “A Generation in Crisis?” in Daedalus (Fall 1998).
- “In Defense of the Lecture” in Independent School (Winter 1998).

“The Puzzle of Whole School Change” (with Patricia Wasley and Richard Clark) in Phi Delta Kappan (May 1997).

“Notes on Tinkering Toward Utopia” in History of Education Quarterly (Winter 1996).

“In Search of Allies” in International Journal of Educational Reform (October 1996).

“A Challenge to the Culture” (with Ed Taylor) in International Journal of Educational Reform (October 1996)

“The Micropolitics of RE: Learning” in Journal of School Leadership (November 1995).

“Repositioning the Position Papers” (with Paula Kleine-Kracht) in Innovative Higher Education (September 1995).

“Overextended” in Educational Researcher (April 1995).

“Breadth vs. Depth” Commentary page, Education Week, February 8, 1995.

“Apart-nerships” in Record in Educational Administration and Supervision, Spring/Summer 1993.

“Historical Perspectives on Academic Work” in Tom Tomlinson, ed., Motivating Students to Learn (McCutchan, 1993).

“Secondary Education” in Encyclopedia of Educational Research 6th edition (Macmillan, 1992).

“How Special Is the Specialty Shop?” (with Margaret Dee) in Journal of Curriculum Theorizing, Summer 1990.

“Social Services in American High Schools” (with Eleanor Farrar) in Weis, ed., Dropouts from School (SUNY, 1989).

“The Political Side of Reform” featured article in N.A.S.S.P. Bulletin, December 1986.

“Inside the Citadel in 1940” in Phi Delta Kappan, June 1986.

“Hurried/Harried/History” in Independent School, Spring 1986.

“Partial Transformations, Persistent Traditions” Commentary page, Education Week, March 19, 1986.

“Too Much is Too Little” in Social Education, May 1985.

“America’s Golden Age of Education” featured article in N.A.S.S.P. Bulletin, October 1984.

“The Less Things Change” in Independent School, May 1984.

“The American High School Today: James Bryant Conant’s Reservations and Reconsiderations” lead article in Phi Delta Kappan, May 1983.

“Crime and Punishment on the Civil War Homefront” (with Charles Ormsby) in Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, April 1982.

“Diversity in Early Temperance Reform” in Journal of Studies on Alcohol, April 1982.

“The Contexts of Antebellum Reform” review essay in American Quarterly, Spring 1981.

OCCASIONAL PAPERS

Editor, “Education Misconceptions” Delaware public affairs reports, nos. 1-3, 2001

“Historical Perspectives on Large Schools in America” (The Chicago Small Schools Study, Bank Street College of Education, 2000).

“Teach for America’s 1998 Summer Institute” (with Arthur G. and Barbara S. Powell, October 1998).

“Teaming: The Challenges of Diversity and Diplomacy” (Delaware Education Research & Development Center, June 1995).

Six case studies for the Coalition of Essential Schools:

“Three Views of Lincoln” (Coalition, July 1994).

“Rewriting the Roles” (Coalition, February 1994).

“Priorities and Possibilities” (Coalition, September 1993).

“A Student’s-eye View of School Change” (Coalition, March 1993).

“Teaming: Working Together for Change” (Coalition, August 1992).

“The Limits of Caring, the Rigors of Change” (Coalition, March 1992).

SHORT ARTICLES FOR PRACTITIONERS

“Maybe Faculty Meetings and Committees Aren’t So Awful” in Journal of Practical Leadership (Spring, 2006)

“Goals 2000: Some Implications for Teacher Education” in ATE Newsletter, July-August 1993.

“Evaluating the RE: Learning Project” in N.A.S.S.P. Bulletin, February 1992.

“Yes, But...” in Childhood Education, Annual Theme Issue, 1991.

“Navigating the Pilots” in Basic Education. April 1990.

“Restraining the Pearls” (with Sylvia Farnham-Diggory) in Basic Education, October 1987.

“Doctoring Schools” in Basic Education, February 1987.

“Testing by Exhibition” in Basic Education, November 1986.

“Live-and-Let-Live Evaluation” in Basic Education, June 1986.

“Escaping the Pendulum” in Basic Education, January 1986.

BOOK REVIEWS

American Journal of Education (1984, 1990)

Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science (1997)

Civil War History (1982)

Dallas Times-Herald (1986)

Education Review (1999)

Educational Policy (1989)

Harvard Educational Review (1983)

History of Education Quarterly (1988, 1992, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2008)

H-Net (1999, 2003)

Independent School (1987, 1988, 1991)

Journal of the Early Republic (1981)

Los Angeles Times (1986)

New York History (1981)

Teachers College Record (2006)

Thought and Action (1989)

GRANTS

DELAWARE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Kraft General Foods Foundation (1989-1992)

This \$385,000 grant to the Delaware RE: Learning initiative expanded the scope of our work, including a \$60,000 allocation for the research and evaluation project I oversaw. I coauthored the grant proposal with Joseph FitzPatrick, coordinator of Delaware RE: Learning.

Southwestern Bell Foundation (1989-1991)

This \$47,500 grant to Delaware RE: Learning funded conferences, publications and other outreach to local policymakers. I assisted the Education Advisor to Governor Castle with the draft of the proposal.

National Principals Leadership Academy (1991-1992)

I helped Professors Smoley and Archbald write the successful grant, one of five half-million dollar, competitively awarded federal grants for leadership academies. In the first Academy I was one of the core faculty.

NATIONAL RESEARCH

For the “School Change Study” sponsored by the Coalition of Essential Schools, I was one of the three writers of successful grant proposals to the Exxon Education Foundation, the DeWitt Wallace—Reader’s Digest Fund, and the Pew Charitable Trusts. Total funding from 1991 to 1997: \$1,100,000.

\$20,000 grant to evaluate the 1998 Summer Institute of Teach for America. Arthur G. Powell, Barbara Powell and I spent twelve days in Houston and New York City studying the intensive training of 655 Corps members. Report submitted in October, 1998.

INVITED SPEECHES

“The Comprehensive High School Since 1960” New York University (November 13, 1998).

“Transforming the Preparation of Teachers” Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ (June 3, 1998).

“Caring and High Expectations” Institute for Educational Inquiry, Seattle, WA (March 21, 1998).

“Progressive Education in the 1990s” Bank Street College of Education faculty retreat, Mohonk, NY (June 6, 1997).

“Educational Reform: Yesterday’s Lessons, Today’s Decisions. Historical Perspectives for Maine’s Policymakers” Bowdoin College (December 1, 1995).

“The Annenberg Challenge Grant: How To Spend \$385,000,000” Invited seminar participant, Chicago, IL (June 8, 1994).

“In Search of an Academic Work Ethic” United States Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools Celebration, Washington, D.C. (May 13, 1993).

“Restructuring Urban Schools” keynote speaker for Illinois State Board of Education, Urban Education Partnership, Lincolnwood, IL (August 15, 1990).

“Connecting Lab Schools with Ed Schools” Speech at the University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO (January 19, 1989).

“The Profession of Teaching” Speech at the Project 30 conference, Houston, Texas (November 1, 1988).

“Beyond the Shopping Mall High School” Speech at the “South Carolina Schools in the 1990s” conference, Greenville, S.C. (October 21, 1988).

LOCAL TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

“Reforming U.S. Schools” Speech at Kendall [retirement community], Kennett Square, PA (September 19, 2000).

KCZN radio interview on 1998 Daedalus chapter, Northridge, CA (August 26, 1999).

“What Students Say About School Reform” National Principals Leadership Academy, St. Michaels, MD (March 2, 1998).

“American High Schools Today” Speech at Crosslands [retirement community], Kennett Square, PA (February 20, 1996).

“Charters To Do What?” Speech at the Delaware Department of Public Instruction Conference on Charter Schools, Dover, DE (November 18, 1995).

University of Delaware radio interview on school choice, Newark, DE (July 6, 1995).

WGDM radio interview on charter schools, Rehobeth, DE (July 3, 1995).

Keynote speaker and workshop facilitator, Fairdale High School, Louisville, KY (August 7, 1993).

Keynote speaker and workshop facilitator, Irmo High School, Irmo, South Carolina (October 9, 1992).

Workshops on school restructuring, Caesar Rodney Junior High School, Camden-Wyoming, DE (four evening sessions with the faculty, Spring 1992).

“Why Change?” Speech at the Sterck School, Newark, DE (October 11, 1991).

WILM radio interview on school reform, Wilmington, DE (September 6, 1991).

Workshops on school restructuring, Christina Central Office Administrators, Newark, DE (December 1990—March 1991, five workshops).

“Testing, testing” Panel discussion, Wilmington Friends Lower School, Wilmington, DE (November 26, 1990).

Writing Workshop, Delaware Department of Public Instruction, Instructional Services Branch
Retreat, Rehobeth, DE (September 30, 1989).

“RE: Learning’s First Year” Junior Achievement Leadership Conference, Virden Center, Lewes,
DE (June 16, 1989).

“Social Services for At Risk Students” Christiana High School Faculty Retreat, Newark, DE
(May 10, 1989).

“Five Reforms for the Nineties” Unionville, PA School Board, Chadds Ford, PA (January 26,
1989).

Faculty Retreat, Middletown High School, Buena Vista (November 14, 1988).

“What is RE: Learning?” National Governor’s Association School Reform Conference, Lewes,
DE (October 11, 1988).

“Parents and School Reform” Delaware PTA Annual Conference, Smyrna, DE (September 24,
1988).

“School Reform in the 1990s” Delaware Development Office, Conference for Delaware
teachers, Clayton Hall (August 24, 1988).

“Children at Risk” Christina School District Conference, Wilmington (June 27, 1988)

Workshops for the Department of Public Instruction’s LEAD project for administrators (1988-
1990)

SERVICE ACTIVITIES – LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

In the University

Chair, Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty Senate (1996-1998)

Chair, Research Committee of the Faculty Senate (2006-2008)

In the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy (1998-2002)

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee (2001-2002)

In the College of Education (1988-1998)/School of Education (1998-present)

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee (2002-03, 2007-08)

Chair, Holmes Group Planning Committee (1988-1990)

Faculty Associate, Delaware Education Research and Development Center (1992-present)

In the Department of Educational Development (1990-1998)

Coordinator of the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership (1991-1998)
Chair, Search Committees, Spring 1989, Spring 1990, Spring 1995
Chair, Graduate Studies Committee (Fall 1991)

NCATE Coordinator, Educational Leadership programs (1996-1998)

In the Department of Educational Studies (1988-1990)

Coordinator of the Educational Policy Area Faculty (1988-1990)
Chair, Curriculum Committee (1988-1989)
Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee (1989-1990)

In Professional Associations

Secretary/Treasurer, History of Education Society (2002--)
Chair of the Editorial Board, Independent School (1988-1991)
Article Prize Committee, History of Education Society. Member (1988-1989) and Chair (1989-1991)

In the Schools of Delaware

Consultant, Red Clay Consolidated School District (2005, 2006)
Core faculty, Delaware Academy for School Leadership (1998-2000)
Member, Administrator Standards Advisory Committee, Department of Education (1996-1997; 2000-2001)
Trustee, The Sanford School, Hockessin, DE (1986-1991, 1996-1997). Co-chair of Search Committee for a new Headmaster (1990-1991)
Core faculty, National Principals' Leadership Academy (Summer 1992)
Editor, On-Site Insight, the RE: Learning newsletter (1990-1992)
Public Service Fellow, Governor Castle's Office (Spring semester, 1987)
Member, Governor's Task Force on Dropouts (1987)

In National Organizations

Consultant, Educational Testing Service (May, 2004). Conducted oral histories with fourteen veteran staff members.

Panelist, Teacher Education Accreditation Council (2007-10)

In Yale University

Associate Fellow, Calhoun College (1999-present)

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWING (1988-2007)

Journals

Individual articles read for these journals:

American Journal of Education (2005, 2006, 2007)
Educational Measurement (1988)
Educational Policy (1989, 1992)
Educational Researcher (1996)
History of Education Quarterly (2006, 2007)
History of Higher Education Annual (1988, 1990)
Journal of American History (2000)
Review of Education Research (1995)
Science Education (2004)
The Social History of Alcohol and Drugs (2005)

Publishers

Books read for these publishers:

Harvard University Press (1998)
MacMillan (1988)
McGraw Hill (1992)
Pearson (2008)
Sage (2003, 2005, 2007)
SUNY-Albany (2000)
University of Chicago Press (1993, 1994)
University of Delaware Press (2005)
Vanderbilt University Press (2004)

Professional Associations

The Spencer Foundation (Grant proposals, 1996 and 1997)
Annenberg Institute for School Reform (Occasional Paper, 1995)
American Education Research Association (Annual conference proposals for sessions, 1993-2000)

Federal Government

National Endowment for the Humanities (Grant proposals, 1992)
United States Congress, Office of Technology Assessment (Chapter on the history of testing in Testing in American Schools, 1991)
United States Department of Education, Office of Educational Research and Improvement (Grant proposals, 1989, 1990)