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Ph.D., Comparative History, Brandeis University, 1977

Academic Experience

Professor, 1986-, Department of History, Boston College
Faculty Affiliate and Co-chair, British Study Group, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies,
Harvard University, 1987-
Visiting Fellow, Centre for Contemporary British History, Institute of Historical Research and Institute
for
the Study of the Americas, School of Advanced Study, University of London, January-June, 2007
Visiting Scholar, Center for the Study of Industrial Societies, University of Chicago, 1985-86
Professor, 1985-86; Associate Professor, 1981-85; and Assistant Professor, 1976-81;
Department of History and Doctoral Program in Urban Social Institutions, University of
Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Fellowships, Grants and Awards

Fellow of the Royal Historical Society
Earhart Foundation Research Fellowship, 2008
Marion and Jasper Whiting Research Fellowship, 2007
Benjamin Meaker Professor, University of Bristol, 2002
Distinguished Research Award, Boston College, 1999
Boston College Research and Teaching Grants:
Research Incentive Grant, 1998;
Research Expense Grants, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1992, 1997, 2000, 2003;
Teaching Grant, 1990
German Marshall Fund of the United States, Research Fellowship, 1985-86
Center for Twentieth Century Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee,
Research Fellow, 1983-84
Award for Excellence in Research, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Foundation, 1982
National Endowment for the Humanities, Research Fellowship, 1981
American Council of Learned Societies, Research Fellowship, 1980
Prize for "Best Article," *Journal of Social History*. Volumes XII-XIII (1978-80), for
"Theories of Strikes: Why Can't They Explain the British Experience?"
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Graduate School Research Grants, 1978, 1982
Abraham Sachar International Fellowship, 1975-76

Research and Publication

Current Research:

Atlantic Rules: Markets, Rights and Power. A parallel study of American and British foreign and domestic policy since the crisis of the 1970s and the origins of the post-Cold War world order. (Under contract with Yale University Press.)

Books:

What's Left of the Left? Democrats and Social Democrats in Challenging Times, edited with George Ross and James Shoch. (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2011.)

New Labour's Pasts: The Labour Party and its Discontents (London: Longman, 2004).

The World the Cold War Made: Order, Chaos and the Return of History (New York and London: Routledge, 1996).

The Politics of State Expansion: War, State and Society in Twentieth-Century Britain (London and New York: Routledge, 1991).

Labour and Society in Britain, 1918-79 (London: Batsford, and New York: Schocken, 1984).

Work, Community and Power: The Experience of Labor in Europe and America, 1900-1925, edited with Carmen Sirianni. (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1983).

Social Conflict and the Political Order in Modern Britain, edited with Jonathan Schneer. (London: Routledge, and New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 1979).

Industrial Conflict in Modern Britain. (London: Croom Helm (now Routledge), Social History Series, 1979).

Articles, Essays and Book Chapters:

"Embracing Markets, Bonding with America, Trying to Do Good: The Ironies of New Labour," in Cronin,

Ross & Shoch, *What's Left of the Left*, 116-140.

"The United States In, or Against, the World," *Government and Opposition*, XLV, 1 (January, 2010), 114-141.

"Governing at the Center in Britain," *Current History*, CVIII, 716 (March, 2009), 110-116.

"Markets, Rights and Power: The Rise (and Fall?) of the Anglo-American Vision of World Order, 1975-2005," *Center for European Studies Working Paper Series #164* (2008).

"Is the battle over?" -- an essay in a symposium on David Brody's *Labour Embattled: History, Power, Rights*, in *Labor History*, XLVII, 4 (November, 2006), 554-559.

"New Labour's Escape from Class Politics," *Journal of the Historical Society*, VI, 1 (March, 2006), 47-68.

"For Whom Does 'New Labour' Speak?" in Kay Lawson & Thomas Poguntke, eds., *How Political Parties Respond to Voters. Interest Aggregation Revisited* (London: Routledge, 2004), 15-41.

"Memoir, Social History and Commitment: Eric Hobsbawm's *Interesting Times*," *Journal of Social History*, XXXVII, 1 (Fall, 2003), 219-232.

"Labour's 'National Plan': Inheritances, Practice, Legacies," *The European Legacy*, VI, #2 (April, 2001), 215-232.

"The Marshall Plan and Cold War Political Discourse," in Martin Schain, ed., *The Marshall Plan: Fifty Years After* (New York: Palgrave: 2001), 281-293.

"Convergence by Conviction: Politics and Economics in the Emergence of the 'Anglo-American Model',"

- Journal of Social History*, XXXIII, 4 (Summer, 2000), 781-804. Reprinted in David Coates, ed., *Models of Capitalism: Debating Strengths and Weaknesses* (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2002).
- "New Labor in Britain: Avoiding the Past," *Current History* (April, 1999), 180-186. Reprinted in Christian Soe, ed., *Comparative Politics 2000/2001* (Annual Editions) (New York: McGraw-Hill Higher Education, 2000).
- "The Historical Margaret Thatcher," in W.C. Thompson & J.S. Thompson, eds., *Margaret Thatcher: Prime Minister Indomitable* (Boulder, CO: Westview, 1994), 143-159.
- "Britain: Steady Hands, Unsteady Course?" *Current History* (November, 1994), 375-379.
- "Neither Exceptional nor Peculiar: Towards the Comparative Study of Labour in Advanced Society," *International Review of Social History*, XXXVIII (1993), 59-75.
- "Power, Secrecy and the British Constitution: Vetting Samuel Beer's *Treasury Control*," *Twentieth Century British History*, III, 1 (1992), 59-75.
- "Industry, Locality and the State: Patterns of Mobilization in the Postwar British Strike Wave," in Leopold Haimson and Giulio Sapelli, eds., *Strikes, Social Conflict and the First World War: An International Perspective* (Milan: Fondazione Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, 1992), 93-105.
- "The End of an Era in British Politics," *Current History* (November, 1991), 363-367. Reprinted in Christian Soe, ed., *Comparative Politics 92/93* (Guilford, Conn.: Annual Editions, 1992).
- "Working-Class Interests and the Politics of Social-Democratic Reform in Britain, 1900-1940," *International Labor and Working Class History* #40 (Fall, 1991), 47-66 co-authored with Peter Weiler.
- "Western Socialism after the Cold War," *Socialist Review*, 90/2 (April-June, 1990), 20-30.
- "Strikes and Power in Britain, 1870-1920," in Leopold Haimson and Charles Tilly, eds., *Strikes, War and Revolution in an International Perspective* (Paris: Editions de la Maison des Sciences de l'Homme; and Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1989), 79-100. A shorter version of this essay appeared in the *International Review of Social History*, XXXII, Pt. 2 (1987), 144-167.
- "The Crisis of State and Society in Britain, 1917-22," in Haimson and Tilly, *Strikes, Wars and Revolution*, 457-472.
- "The British State and the Structure of Political Opportunity," *Journal of British Studies*, XXVII (July, 1988), 199-231.
- "Il movimento 'rank-and-file' e la storia sociale della classe operaia," *Quaderni storici*, n.s. 66 (December, 1987), 915-928. English version published in the *International Review of Social History* (1989), XXXIV, Pt. 1, 78-88.
- "The Old and the New Politics of Taxation: Thatcher and Reagan in Historical Perspective," in R. Miliband, L. Panitch and J. Saville, eds., *Conservatism in Britain and America: Rhetoric and Reality* (London: Merlin Press, 1987), 263-296. Co-authored with T. Radtke.
- "The British State and the Second World War," Working Paper #64, Center for Studies of Social Change, New School for Social Research, 1986.
- "Class, Citizenship and Party Allegiance: The Labour Party and Class Formation in 20th-Century Britain," *Studies in Political Economy*, No. 21 (Autumn, 1986), 107-135.
- "The Resistance to State Expansion in Twentieth-Century Britain," Occasional Paper #24, Center for the Study of Industrial Societies, University of Chicago, 1986.
- "Strikes and the Struggle for Union Organization: Britain and Europe," in Wolfgang J. Mommsen and Hans-Gerhard Husung, eds., *The Development of Trade Unionism in Great Britain and Germany, 1880-1914*. (London: Allen & Unwin, 1985), 55-77. Originally published in German as "*Streiks und Gewerkschaftliche Organisationsfortschritte: Grossbritannien und*

- Kontinentaleuropa*," in Mommsen and Husung, eds., *Auf dem Wege zur Massengewerkschaft: Die Entwicklung der Gewerkschaften in Deutschland und Grossbritannien 1880-1914* (Stuttgart: Klett-Cotta Verlag, 1984), 79-103.
- "Patterns of Industrial Conflict: Britain and the United States, 1870-1914." in C. Emsley, ed., *Themes in British and American History: A Comparative Approach. Readings* (Milton Keynes: Open University Press, 1985).
- "Class, Party and State: Problems in the Historiography of British Labor in the Twentieth Century," *International Labor and Working Class History*, #25 (Spring, 1984), 58-66.
- "Politics, Class Structure and the Enduring Weakness of British Social Democracy," *Journal of Social History*, XVI (1983), 123-42. Reprinted in Peter Stearns, ed., *Expanding the Past: A Reader in Social History* (New York: NYU Press, 1988), 327-346.
- "Rethinking the Legacy of Labor, 1890-1925," in *Work, Community and Power*, 3-19.
- "Social History and Politics in Britain," co-author with Jonathan Schneer, in *Social Conflict and the Political Order in Modern Britain*, 7-20.
- "Coping with Labour, 1919-1926," in *Social Conflict and the Political Order in Modern Britain*, 113-45.
- "Strikes, 1870-1914," in C. J. Wrigley, ed., *The History of British Industrial Relations, 1875-1914* (Brighton, Harvester, 1982), 72-98.
- "Labor Insurgency and Class Formation: Comparative Perspectives on the Crisis of 1917-1920 in Europe," *Social Science History*, IV, 1 (Winter, 1980), 125-152. Reprinted as chapter two in *Work, Community and Power*, 20-48.
- "Stages, Cycles and Insurgencies: The Economics of Unrest," in Terence Hopkins and Immanuel Wallerstein, eds., *Processes of the World System* (Beverly Hills: Sage, 1980), 101-118.
- "The Peculiar Pattern of British Strikes since 1888," *Journal of British Studies*, XIII, 2 (Spring, 1979), 118-141.
- "Theories of Strikes: Why Can't They Explain the British Experience?" *Journal of Social History*, XII, 2 (Winter, 1978-79), 194-220.
- "Creating a Marxist Historiography: The Contribution of Hobsbawm," *Radical History Review*, #10 (Winter, 1978), 87-109.
- "Race, Class and Intelligence: A Critical Look at the IQ Controversy," *International Journal of Mental Health*, III, 4 (Winter, 1974-75), 46-132. Co-authored with Norman Daniels, Anne Desnoyers, Anthony Kroch and Ronald Webber.

Short Essays, Long Reviews and Comments:

- “‘Special’ yes, but when and why?” (review essay on Kathleen Burk’s *Old World, New World: The Story of Britain and America*, and Walter Russell Mead’s *God and Gold: Britain, America, and the Making of the Modern World*) *Political Quarterly*, Vol. 79, No. 3 (July-September, 2008), 438-442.
- Review Essay on Anthony Molho & Gordon Wood, eds., *Imagined Histories: American Historians Interpret the Past* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1998), in *Journal of Modern History*, LXXII, 3 (September 2000), 766-771.
- Review Essay on Peter Clarke, *Hope and Glory: Britain, 1900-1990* (London: Allen Lane, 1996), in *Twentieth-Century British History* (Spring, 1998).
- “The Evolution of Strikes,” *Modern History Review*, IV, 2 (November, 1992)..
- "Language, Politics and the Critique of Social History: A Review of Stedman Jones's *Languages of Class*," *Journal of Social History*, XX (Autumn, 1986), 177-184.
- "Scioperi e conflitti sociali in Europa," *Passato e Presente* (December, 1986), 23-27.
- "The Problem with Urban History," *Urbanism Past and Present*, #9 (Winter, 1979-80), 40-44.

Contributions to Reference Works:

"The Great Depression, 1919-1939," *Times Atlas of World History*, Geoffrey Barraclough, ed. (London: Times Books, 1978, 1984).

"Strikes," entry for *Twentieth-Century Britain: An Encyclopedia*, F.M. Leventhal, ed. (New York: Garland, 1995).

"Aristocracies," "Conservatism," and "Socialism," entries for *A Dictionary of Nineteenth-Century World History*, John Belchem & Richard Price, eds. (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1994).

"*Embourgeoisement*" and "Post-Industrial Society," entries for the *Encyclopedia of Social History*, Peter Stearns, ed. (New York: Garland, 1994).

Contributions to Documentary Films:

Heaven on Earth: The Rise and Fall of Socialism, PBS, 2005.

The Rise and Fall of the Berlin Wall, ZDF Enterprises (Munich) & The History Channel, November 2009.

Book reviews, conference reports, etc. in *Albion*, *American Historical Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Archiv für Sozialgeschichte*, *Contemporary Society*, *International Labor and Working Class History*, *In These Times*, *Journal of Cold War Studies*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Journal of European Economic History*, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, *Journal of Modern History*, *Journal of Social History*, *Labour/Le Travail*, *Political Quarterly*, *Social History*, *Technology and Culture*, *Twentieth-Century British History*.

Selected recent papers, presentations and consultations:

"Great Britain in the Era of Coalition," Colloquium on "The Contemporary Political Situation in Three European Countries: Britain, France and Germany," Center for Europe Studies, November 4, 2010.

"Edward Heath and Kissinger's 'Year of Europe'." Paper prepared for the Conference on "Reassessing the Seventies," organized by the Centre for Contemporary British History, Institute of Historical Research, University of London, July 2010.

"Roundtable on the British General Election of 2010," Center for European Studies, May 11, 2010.

"Was There a Crisis of the British State in the 1970s?" Paper presented at the thirtieth anniversary conference on Keith Middlemas's *The Politics of Industrial Society* (1979), Institute of Historical Research, University of London, November 12, 2009.

"Markets, Rights and Power: The Rise (and Fall?) of the Anglo-American Vision of World Order, 1975-2005," paper presented to the Center for European and Mediterranean Studies, New York University, October 12th, 2007.

"The Neoliberal Turn: Choice and Structure in the Development of the British Model of Capitalism," paper presented to the American Political Science Association meeting, August/September, 2007.

“Atlantic Rules: Britain and America in the World since the 1970s,” paper presented to the Bristol Institute

for Public Affairs and the Political Studies Association (PSA) Labour Movements Group Conference,

Department of Politics, University of Bristol, 24 May 2007. An earlier version was presented to the Seminar on Contemporary British History, Institute of Historical Research, University of London, 24 January 2007.

Selected Professional Activities and Affiliations

Council for European Studies, Executive Committee, 2008-

Editorial Board, *Twentieth-Century British History*, 2009-

Editorial Board, *Contemporary British History*, 2009-

Editorial Board, *British Politics*, 2006-

Editorial Board, *Journal of Social History*, 1979-2011

Editorial Board, *Journal of Modern History*, 2003-2006

Program Committee for the 14th Conference of Europeanists, 11-13 March 2004

Council Member, North American Conference on British Studies, 1996-2000.

Secretary, Executive Committee, Modern European History Section, American Historical Association, 1995-2004.

Faculty Affiliate, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University; and co-chair, British Study Group, 1987-present.

Editorial Board, *Contemporary Record* (published by the Institute of Contemporary British History), 1990-1995.

Editorial Board, *International Labor and Working Class History*, 1984-1989.

Coordinator, *Journal of British Studies*, Vol. XXVII, No. 3 (July, 1988), special issue on the "Dilemmas of

Democratic Politics in Britain."

Program Committee, Social Science History Association, 1984-85 & 1992-3.

Coordinating Group of the Project on Quantitative Studies of Industrial Labor Conflict,

sponsored by the Subcommittee on History of the American Council of Learned

Societies and the Soviet Academy of Sciences, the *Maison des Sciences de l'Homme*, Paris, the

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Bonn, and the Feltrinelli Foundation, Milan, 1983-1989. The project

held three conferences -- in Paris in 1982, in Cortona, Italy in 1986, and in Graz, Austria in 1989;

and oversaw the publication of two volumes of essays.

Executive Committee, Midwest Victorian Studies Association, 1978-81.

Memberships: American Historical Association, British Politics Group, Council for European Studies, North American Conference on British Studies.

Major University Service

At Boston College --

History Department:

Chairperson, 1991-97, 2009-

Director of Graduate Studies, 1988-91

Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2000-2002

At University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee --

President, Faculty Senate, 1983-84

University Committee, 1983-84

Executive Committee (Tenure and Promotion Committee),

Division of the Social Sciences, 1982-3.