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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History, Harvard University, 1974
M.A. History, Harvard University, 1962
B.A. magna cum laude, Radcliffe College, 1960

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant to Full Professor, History Department, Yeshiva University, 1987-2013
Editor, *Academe*, 1998-2002
Adjunct Professor, Columbia University, 1996; The Union Institute, 1991-95
Lecturer (full-time), Department of History, Princeton University, 1985-87
Program Officer, New York Council for the Humanities, 1984-85
Adjunct Assistant Professor, History Department, New York University, 1983-85
Instructor, New School for Social Research, 1982-83
Preceptor (full-time), Expository Writing, Harvard University, 1975-81

PUBLICATIONS

Books

The Lost Soul of Higher Education: Corporatization, the Assault on Academic Freedom and the End of the University, The New Press, New York, 2010
Cold War Triumphalism: Exposing the Misuse of History after the Fall of Communism, ed., The New Press, New York, 2004
Many Are the Crimes: McCarthyism in America, Little, Brown, New York, 1998; paperback edition, Princeton University Press, Princeton, N.J., 1999; Chinese edition, forthcoming
The Age of McCarthyism: A Brief History with Documents, Bedford Books, Boston, 1994, rev. ed. 2002
No Ivory Tower: McCarthyism and the Universities, Oxford University Press, NY, 1986
Regulating the Intellectuals: Perspectives on Academic Freedom in the 1980s, edited with Craig Kaplan, Praeger, New York, 1983
The Hired Money: The French Debt to the United States, 1917-1929, Arno Press, New York, 1979
Mrs. Chiang's Szechwan Cookbook, Harper and Row, New York, 1976 (2nd ed., 1987)

Other Media

American Inquisition: The Era of McCarthyism (Audiocourse), Recorded Books, Prince Frederick, Md., 2004

“McCarthyism,” TED-Ed Video, forthcoming April 2017

Selected Recent Chapters and Articles

- “A Lesson in How to Survive Trumpism—From the McCarthy Era,” *The Nation* (Jan. 9, 2017) <https://www.thenation.com/article/a-lesson-on-how-to-survive-trumpism-from-the-mccarthy-era/>
- “In the Archives: A User’s Perspective,” *Radical Teacher* (# 106, 2016)
<https://radicalteacher.library.pitt.edu/ojs/index.php/radicalteacher/article/view/283/183>
- “The New McCarthyism,” *Chronicle of Higher Education* (June 30, 2016)
<http://www.chronicle.com/article/The-New-McCarthyism/236956>
- with Richard Ohmann, “The Decline of the Professions,” *Radical Teacher* (Summer 2014)
<http://radicalteacher.library.pitt.edu/ojs/index.php/radicalteacher/issue/view/4/showToc>
- “One Historian’s Perspective on Academic Freedom and the AAUP,” *Academe*, Jan.-Feb. 2014
- “Moses Finley and the Academic Red Scare,” in *Moses Finley and Politics*, William Harris, ed., Brill, 2013
- “Academic Freedom in the Corporate University,” *Radical Teacher* (spring 2012)
- “The Fading Dream of American Higher Education,” *Al-Jazeera*, Jan. 10, 2012
- “An Old Story with a Dangerous New Twist,” *Chronicle of Higher Education*, August 2011
- “Take My Degree Back,” *Inside Higher Ed*, May 6, 2011,
http://www.insidehighered.com/views/2011/05/06/essay_on_the_controversy_over_cuny_and_tony_kushner
- “Vocational Training in Higher Education and the Loss of Civic Literacy,” *The Key Reporter: Phi Beta Kappa*, Winter 2010
- “The Roots of the Right-wing Attack on Higher Education,” *Thought & Action*, Fall 2010, 71-82
- ”Room for Debate” (on-line), *New York Times*, (October 14, 2010)
- “The Lost Soul of Higher Education,” *Inside Higher Ed*, October 10, 2010
(<http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2010/10/20/schrecker>)
- “Where’s My Professor? The Disappearing Faculty and the Lost Soul of Higher Education,” *Forbes Magazine* (August 2010)
- “Soviet Espionage in America: An Oft-Told Tale,” *Reviews in American History*, vol 38, no. 2 (June 2010).
- “Ward Churchill at the Dalton Trumbo Fountain: Academic Freedom in the Aftermath of 9/11,” *AAUP Journal of Academic Freedom*, vol. 1. Jan. 2010, <http://www.academicfreedomjournal.org/VolumeOne/Schrecker.pdf>

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- “Political Repression and the Rule of Law: The Cold War Case of William Sentner,” in Cornelius A. van Minnen and Sylvia L. Hilton, Political Repression in U.S. History VU University Press (Amsterdam), 2009
- “The Bad Old Times,” *Chronicle of Higher Education*, June 26, 2009
- “Subversives, Squeaky Wheels, and ‘Special Obligations’: Threats to Academic Freedom, 1890–1960,” *Social Research*, Summer 2009
- “Academic Freedom in the Age of Casualization,” in Monika Krause, Mary Nolan, Michael Palm, and Andrew Ross, ed., The University Against Itself: The NYU Strike and the Future of the University Workplace, Temple University Press, 2008
- “‘Mere Shadows’: The Early Cold War,” in Daniel A. Farber, ed., Security vs. Liberty, New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2008.
- "National Security: A Pretext for Repression?" in Melinda M. Hicks and Charles Belmont Keeney III, eds., Defending the Homeland: Historical Perspectives on Radicalism, Terrorism and State Responses, West Virginia University Press, Morgantown, W. Va., 2007
- "Worse Than McCarthy," *Chronicle of Higher Education*, Feb. 10, 2006, B20
- "The New McCarthyism in Academe," *Thought and Action: The NEA Higher Education Journal* (vol. 21, Fall 2005)
- "McCarthyism: Political Repression and the Fear of Communism," *Social Research* Vol. 71, No 3 (spring 2005)
- with Maurice Isserman, "‘Papers of a Dangerous Tendency’: From Major Andre’s Boot to the Venona Files," in Schrecker, ed., Cold War Triumphalism
- "Stealing Secrets: Communism and Soviet Espionage in the 1940s," *North Carolina Law Review* Vol 82, #5 (June 2004): 1841-1889.
- "A Very Dangerous Course: Harry S. Truman and the Red Scare," in Harry's Farewell: Commentaries on the Historical Significance of the Truman Presidency, Richard S. Kirkendall, ed., University of Missouri Press, 2004
- "Labor and the Cold War: The Legacy of McCarthyism," in Robert Cherny, William Issel, and Kerry Taylor, eds., Labor and the Cold War at the Grassroots, Rutgers University Press, 2004, 7-24
- "Soviet Espionage on American TV: The VENONA Story," *Diplomatic History*, Vol 27, no. 2 (Spring 2003), 279-82.
- “McCarthyism and the Red Scare,” in Roy Rosenzweig and Jean-Christophe Agnew, The Blackwell Companion to Post-1945 America, Blackwell, 2002
- “Free Speech on Campus: Academic Freedom and the Corporations,” in Thomas R. Hensley, ed., The Boundaries of Freedom of Expression and Order in American Democracy, Kent State University Press, 2001
- "McCarthyism and Democracy," in David McCann and Barry Strauss, ed., War and Democracy: The Peloponnesian War and the Korean War, M.E. Sharpe, 2001

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with Maurice Isserman, "The Right's Cold War Revisionism," *The Nation*, July 24/31, 2000

"McCarthy's Ghosts: Anticommunism and American Labor," *New Labor Forum*, Spring/Summer, 1999

"Will Technology Make Academic Freedom Obsolete?" in Will Teach for Food: Academic Labor in Crisis, Cary Nelson, ed. Univ. of Minnesota Press, 1997.

"Immigration and Internal Security: Political Deportations during the McCarthy Era," *Science & Society* 60 (4) Winter 1996-1997

"McCarthyism and the Communist Party," in Michael Brown et al. eds., New Studies in the Politics and Culture of U.S. Communism, Monthly Review Press, New York, 1993; reprinted in Andre Kaenel, ed., Anti-Communism and McCarthyism in the United States, Editions Messene, Paris, 1995

"McCarthyism and the Labor Movement: The Role of the State," in Steve Rosswurm, ed., The CIO's LeftLed Unions, Rutgers U. Press, New Brunswick, 1992

"Introduction" to Records of the Subversive Activities Control Board, 1950-1972, University Publications of America, Frederick, Md., 1989

"Archival Sources for the Study of McCarthyism," Journal of American History, June 1988

book and film reviews in American Historical Review, Diplomatic History, History of Education Quarterly, Isis, Journal of American History, Labor History, Labour/Le Travail, Monthly Review, The Nation, Pacific Historical Review, Political Science Quarterly, Science and Society, Women's Review of Books, Journal of Cold War Studies, History, Dissent, Academe, Alabama Review, H-Net, Teachers College Record, Cold War History, Reviews in American History, German Studies Review .

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (selected)

Visiting Scholar, Tamiment Library, New York University, 2008-

Doctor of Humane Letters, Honoris Causae, John Jay College-CUNY, May 2008

Member, Editorial Board, *AAUP Journal of Academic Freedom*, 2008-

Frederick Ewen Academic Freedom Fellowship, Tamiment Library, New York University, 2007-2008

Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians, 2006-

New York University Center for the Study of the United States and the Cold War,

Chair, 2013-14. member Advisory Committee, 2005-15

American Association of University Professors, Member, Committee A on Academic

Freedom and Tenure, 2009-12, National Council, 2005-11, Government Relations

Committee, 2006-2009, Advisory Board, *Academe*, 2004-10, Chair, Yeshiva University Chapter, 2011-13

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Member, Review Panel, NEH Division of Public Programs, 2003-2004
 Fellow, Society of American Historians, 2002-, member, Nevins Prize Committee, 2005
 Member, Committee on Research, Scholarship and Academic Relations, Harry S. Truman
 Library Institute, 2001-12
 Chair, History Department, Yeshiva University, 1995-2001; Member: Executive Committee,
 Humanities Division, Yeshiva University, 1989-2003, Chair, 2001-2003, Acting Co-
 Chair, 2000, Acting Chair, 1999; Middle States Steering Committee, Yeshiva University,
 1999-2002, chair, Faculty Development Workgroup; Honors Committee, Stern College,
 1999-2009; Academic Standards Committee, Stern College, 1988-1993; Curriculum
 Committee, Yeshiva College, 1990-1994, 1999-2002
 "Outstanding Academic Book, 1998" Choice
 Fellow, National Humanities Center, Research Triangle, N.C., 1994-1995
 Member, 1995 Program Committee, Organization of American Historians
 Historical Consultant, (documentaries) (selected):
 "Shouting Fire," Liz Garbus (HBO) producer, 2008-09
 "Arthur Miller and Elia Kazan," Michael Epstein (PBS) producer, 2001-03
 "The Chinatown Files," Amy Chen, producer, 1990-2001
 "Truman," David Grubin, producer, 1995-97
 "The UnAmericans," Archie Barron, producer (BBC), 1992
 Harry S. Truman Library, Scholar's Award, 1987
 Outstanding Book Award, History of Education Society, 1987
 Honorable Mention, Gustavus Meyers Center for the Study of Human Rights, 1987
 Bunting Institute Fellowship (Radcliffe College), 1977-78
 Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, 1960-61

RECENT INVITED LECTURES AND SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS (selected)

"The Teach-in Moment: Academics Oppose the Vietnam War, 1965-67," Center for the Study of
 the United States and the Cold War, NYU, April 2016
 "Faculty Governance and Academic Freedom," Harry Crowe Foundation Conference, Canadian
 Association of University Teachers, Toronto, February 2016
 "Faculty Politics in the 1960s and 1970s," Seminar on 20th Century Politics and Society,
 Columbia University, March 2015
 "Academic Freedom in the 1960s and 1970s," American Association of University Professors,
 Summer Institute, Hofstra University, Long Island, NY, July 2014; American Historical
 Assoc., New York, Jan. 2015
 Panel on "The Politics of Higher Education, Claremont-McKenna College, Feb. 2014
 "Hired Education: Capitalism and the University," Case Western Reserve, Nov. 2013
 "The Challenged Campus: Higher Education in Transition in the 1970s," John Jay College, Mar.
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- “Hired Education: Capitalism and the University,” Case Western Reserve University, Nov. 2013
- “The Challenged Campus: Higher Education in Transition in the 1970s,” John Jay College, Mar. 2013
- “Moses Finley and the Academic Red Scare,” Columbia University, New York, Sept. 2012
- “Under Control: Political Repression in the United States from the Puritans to the Patriot Act,” College of St. Rose, Albany, Sept. 2012
- “Shutting the Door: The End of the American Dream and the Lost Soul of the Higher Education,” Marymount Manhattan College, New York, Sept. 2012
- “Civil Liberties, Now and Then,” William P. Homans Endowment Program in Civil and Constitutional Rights, Supreme Judicial Court Historical Society, Boston, Mass., Mar. 2012
- “Academic Freedom and the Lost Soul of Higher Education,” North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, Feb. 2012
- “The Lost Soul of Higher Education,” Davis, Markert, Nickerson Annual Lecture, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Oct. 2011
- “McCarthyism Was More Than McCarthy,” Idaho Humanities Council, Boise, Idaho, July 2011
- “The Rosenberg Case and the Historiography of Soviet Espionage in America,” Conference on the Rosenberg Case, Soviet Espionage, and the Cold War,” George Washington University, Washington, DC, June 2011
- “Academic Freedom during the 1960s,” Keynote Address, Frederic Ewen Academic Freedom Conference, NYU, April 2011
- Panelist, “September 11th: Ten Years After,” Plenary Session, Organization of American Historians, Houston, Tex., March 2011
- Book Talks at University Books, Berkeley; Brandeis University; SUNY- New Paltz
- “McCarthyism in the United States,” OAH Distinguished Lecture, Newport News Public School System, Teaching American History program, April 2010
- “Academic Freedom in a Time of Terrorism and Financial Collapse,” 8th Annual American Cultures Symposium, University of Florida, April 2009
- Panelist, “The Legacy of the Bush-Cheney Years: Trends That May Linger,” American Historical Association, Jan. 2009
- Comment, panel on Labor and Anticommunism, American Historical Association, Jan. 2009
- “McCarthyism and Academic Freedom,” The New School for Social Research, New York, Oct. 2008
- “Regulating the Intellectuals,” Beijing University, Shanghai Normal University, Xian University, Suzhou University, China, Oct. 2008
- “Commencement Address,” John Jay College-CUNY, May 2008.
- “Academic Freedom and the New McCarthyism,” American Philosophical Association meeting, Chicago, Ill. April 2008
- “Beyond HUAC and Hollywood: McCarthyism and Cold War America,” Congreso Internacional 60 Aniversario HUAC, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, March 2008

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- “The New McCarthyism,” University of Southern Maine, November 2007, Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, November 2007
- Comment, “Spreading Fear,” Conference on Politics of Fear in the Cold War, Hamburg Institute for Social Research, Hamburg, Germany, Sept. 2007
- Panelist, “Universities as Sites of Political Action,” American Sociological Association Annual meeting, New York, August 2007
- “Academic Freedom and McCarthyism in the 21st Century,” and “Political Repression from the Puritans to the Patriot Act,” Western Washington University, Bellingham, Wash., May 2007
- “Under Control: Political Repression in America from the Puritans to the Patriot Act,” and “William Sentner and the Rule of Law: Political Repression and Legal Proceedings during the Cold War Red Scare,” Eighth Middelburg Conference of European Historians of the United States, Netherlands, April 2007
- “Repression, Espionage, and the Red Scare,” Conference on “Hiss in History,” NYU, April 2007
- Panelist, “Political Repression as an Historiographical Issue,” Organization of American Historians, Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, March 2007
- Panelist, "Practicing History, Contending with Controversy," Annual Meeting, American Historical Association, Atlanta, January 2007
- Panelist, "The 'War' on Terrorism: The University and a New Cold War," Conference on "Terrorism & the University," John Jay College-CUNY, November 2006
- Panelist, "The Cold War: An Eyewitness Perspective," Symposium, National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C., October 2006
- "Under Control: Political Repression in America from the Puritans to the Patriot Act," George W. Knepper Lecture, University of Akron, Akron, Ohio, October 2006
- "Red Scare and McCarthyism," Harry S. Truman Library, Independence, Missouri, July 2006
- AFT-NEA Higher Education Summit Conference, Orlando, Florida, March 2006
- University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky., Feb. 2006
- Russell Sage Foundation, New York City, March 2005
- Harold Wolpe Forum, Capetown, South Africa, Jan. 2005
- Duke University, December 2004
- Bar Association of the City of New York, May 2004
- University of California, Irvine, April 2004
- University of North Carolina School of Law, Chapel Hill, NC, October 2003
- University of South Florida, Tampa, January 2002
- University of Lancaster, Cambridge University, Great Britain, May 2000

CURRENT PROJECT

The Professors' Sixties: Politics and American Faculty Members, 1960-1975 (under contract with the University of Chicago Press).