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## **EDUCATION**

The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. Ph.D. (1975)

The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. M.A. (1970)

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. M.A. (1968)

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. B.S. – *Honors*

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. B.A. (1967)

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Full Professor, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1994-present**  
(Employed: 1975; Tenured: 1980).

Research Associate, Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin-Madison,  
1975-present.

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Fellow, Center for Strategic Education, Johns Hopkins University, Summer Institute, Basin  
Harbor, Vermont, June, 2001.

Scholar-in-Residence, International Institute The University of Michigan- Ann Arbor,  
Michigan, February-March, 1995.

**Scholar-in-Residence, Rockefeller Archives Center, North Tarrytown, New York, 1992-1993.**

**Social Science Research Council Foreign Policy Fellow, Social Science Research Council  
(Ford Foundation), 1990-1992.**

Visiting Professor (History), USIS Summer Language Program (Italian Teachers of English as  
a Foreign Language) UW-Madison, Summer, 1988; San Francisco State University,  
Summer 1989.

**Fulbright Professor (Demography), Department of Geography and Demography,  
University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, New Guinea, January-June, 1986;**

July-November, 1987.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Institute for Social and Economic Research, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Summer Statistical Training Program, June-August, 1976.

Lecturer, Department of Social Sciences, The University of Michigan-Dearborn Campus, Dearborn, Michigan, 1974-1975.

Instructor, Institute for Social and Economic Research, Ann Arbor, Michigan, ICPR Summer Program, Summer, 1974.

Beck Fellow, Department of History, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, January-December, 1974.

Lecturer, American History, Department of History, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1973-1974.

University Fellowship, Horace Rackham Graduate School, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1971-1974.

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Grant for Social Science Research in History, National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C., 1974-1975.

Area Studies Training Fellowship, Council for European Studies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (for study and research in the U.K.), 1971-1972.

Advanced Statistical and Methodology Training Fellowship, Social Science Research Council, New York, New York, 1970-1972.

## **RESEARCH AND WORKS IN PROGRESS**

Republication with new Forward & Epilogue, Reuben Gold Thwaites, **Down Historic Waterways** (University of Wisconsin Press, forthcoming).

**Primer on Hegemonics: The Foreign Policy of George Bush** (McGraw-Hill: under consideration).

**Demographics and American Foreign Policy: 1945 – 2000** (in manuscript).

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

“Population,” **The American Heritage Encyclopedia of American History**, general editor, John Mack Faragher (New York: Henry Holt, 2000): 728 – 732.

“Population Science, Private Foundations, and Development AID: The Transformation of Demographic Knowledge in the United States, 1945-1965, in **International Development and the Social Sciences: Essays on the History and Politics of Knowledge**, edited by Frederick Cooper & Randall Packard. (Berkeley: University of

California Press: 1997): 176-200.

"World Population Growth, Family Planning and American Foreign Policy," Journal of Policy History, volume 7 (June, 1995): 72-102; reprinted in **The Politics of Abortion and Birth Control in Historical Perspective** (Penn. State University Press, 1996).

"Demographic Diplomacy in the Western Hemisphere: The United States and Population Issues in Latin America, 1945-1992," **Proceedings of the IUSSP Conference on the Peopling of the Americas**, volume 4 (Vera Cruz, 1992): 141-168.

"Population Ethics and Public Policy," **Forum for Applied Research and Public Policy**, 3 (Spring, 1988): 99-109.

"Collectivity, Hierarchy and Context: The Theoretical Framework for the Aggregation Problem," **Historical Methods** (Special Issue on Statistics, Epistemology and History), 17 (1984): 132-140.

"Population Redistribution in the American Past: Empirical Generalizations and Theoretical Perspectives," **Social Science Quarterly** 61 (1980): 401-417.

"The Political Economy of Women's Work, 1900-1920," (with John Rury) **Journal of Social Science History**, 4 (1980): 317-346.

"Urban Growth and Economic Structure in Antebellum America," (with Diane Lindstrom), **Research in Economic History: An Annual Compilation of Research** (JAI Press, Greenwich: 1978), Volume 3: 161-216.

"Intercity Development and Dependency: Liverpool and Manchester," Stanford Journal of International Studies, 13 (1978): 131-156. (Reprinted in **Manchester and Sao Paulo: Problems in Rapid Urban Growth, Stanford University Press**, 1978.)

"Urban History," (with Sam Bass Warner, Jr.) **American Behavioral Scientist**, 21 (1977): 221-244.

"In Search of Community: A New Theme for the Old 'New' Urban History," **Reviews in American History**, 21 (1977): 215-222.

**City Growth in the United States, England and Wales, 1820-1860** (Arno Press, New York: 1977).

"The Economic Structure of Port Cities in the Mid-Nineteenth Century: Boston and Liverpool, 1840-1860," **Journal of Historical Geography**, 2 (1976): 131-143.

"Biased Underenumeration in Census Manuscripts: Methodological Implications," (with Ray Shortridge), **Journal of Urban History**, 1 (1975): 409-439.

### **RECENT MAJOR CONFERENCE PAPERS**

- “An American Congressional Campaign in Theory and Practice: Mr. Professor *Attempts* to Go to Washington,” A Paper presented for a panel entitled ‘The Big Tent’: Republican Party Factionalism in Historical Perspective, **Social Science History Association Annual Meeting** (Chicago, Illinois: November 22, 1998).
- “Malthus and the Framing of the Population Debate: 1900-1940,” A Paper presented for a panel entitled: Population Growth and Material Progress: Assessments and Perspectives At the Bicentennial of Malthus’s *Essay*, **Population Association of America Annual Meeting** (Chicago, Illinois: April 2, 1998).
- “Family Planning, US Foreign Aid and the Reagan Administration: A Study in Policy Reversal,” A Paper for presentation at the **Social Science History Association Annual Meeting**, (New Orleans, LA: October 10-13, 1996).
- "American Foreign Aid and the Cold War: Retrospect and Prospect" A paper prepared for the Advanced Study Seminar, **International Institute**, The University of Michigan, February 16, 1995.
- "Historical Origins of Current Population Controversies," Town Meeting on World Population and Sustainable Development, **The H.H. Humphrey Institute** (Minneapolis, February 10, 1994).
- "Cold War Ideology and the Definition of Postwar Demography: The Role of Private Foundations and Public Policy Makers in Determining the Strategies and Theories of Population Studies in the Third World, 1945-1965." A paper prepared for the "SSRC Workshop on a ‘Historicizing’ Development," **Emory University** (Atlanta, December 10-12, 1993).
- "Social Sciences and the Cold War: International Population Problems, Private and Public Funding and the Institutionalization of Professional Demography in The Postwar Era," **History of Science Association Annual Meeting** (Santa Fe, N.M.: November 11-14, 1993).
- "Historical Background to the Cairo Population Conference," **Population Reference Bureau Monthly Population Issues Seminar** (Washington, D.C.: October, 1993).
- "The United States Response to Global Population, Environmental and Resource Problems: Suggestions for reform of the Foreign Affairs Bureaucracy to Maximize Policy Effectiveness," Working Paper (November, 1992; revised February, 1993).
- "Crusaders and Bureaucrats: Family Planning in The New Deal, 1932-1945" **Social Science History Association Annual Meeting** (Chicago, October, 1992).
- "Population Growth and U.S. Foreign Policy in Western Hemisphere, 1945-1990," **IUSSP Conference on the Peopling of the Americas**, (Vera Cruz, Mexico: May 18-23, 1992).