

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Born August 14, 1937, Norman, Oklahoma

Education

1943-51 Public Schools, Norman, Oklahoma

1951-55 Thomas Jefferson School, St. Louis, Missouri

1955-59 Harvard College, A.B., summa cum laude, History; thesis, "Oklahoma's Green Corn Rebellion: The Importance of Fools," 1959

1959-61 Rhodes Scholar, University of Oxford, reading for B. Phil. in Politics (failed); thesis, "Political Activity in the Nazi Concentration Camps, 1933-1945," 1961

1961-65 Harvard University, Ph.D., Latin American History; dissertation, "Emiliano Zapata and the Revolution in Morelos, 1910-1920," 1965

Employment

1951-57 Common laborer, mainly construction, summers, Norman, Oklahoma

1958 Driver, summer, The Railway Express Company, Norman, Oklahoma

1959 Reporter, summer, The Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky

1965-68 Instructor in History, Harvard University

1968-70 Assistant Professor of History, Harvard University

1970-82 Professor of History, Harvard University

1982-85 Chairman of the Department of History, Harvard University

1982-2009 Robert Woods Bliss Professor of Latin American History and Economics, Harvard University

1992-93 Acting Chairman of the Department of History, Harvard University

Publications

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"The Strange Case of Pablo Chapa," The New York Review of Books, July 13, 1995, p. 11.

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Manuscripts in progress

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“Political Activity in German Concentration Camps, 1933-1939”

“Work at Moctezuma, 1908”

“Work at La Prueba, 1900-1910”

“Work on the Mexican Railway, 1864-1910”

“Work in Veracruz Mills, 1900-1910”

“Work at the Port of Veracruz, 1910”

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“Industrial Workers and Their Power in Veracruz, 1836-1948”

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“A History of Latin Americas, 1491-20??”

Honors

1970 The Herbert Eugene Bolton Memorial Prize, awarded by the Conference on Latin American History; the Premio Sahagún, awarded by the Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia in Mexico; and finalist, National Book Award, for Zapata and the Mexican Revolution.

1979 Honorable Mention, by the Conference on Latin American History, for “The Mexican Economy during the Revolution, 1910-1920: Historiography and Analysis.”

1989 Honorary Member, Sociedad Mexicana de Geografía e Historia