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Curriculum Vitae

Personal Data: Born, 7 June 1945, Michigan City, Indiana

Academic Degrees:

A.B. Wabash College, 1967

M.A. The University of Michigan, 1968

Ph.D. The University of Michigan, 1974

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Academic Appointments:

Assistant Professor of History, Emory University, 1974-1980

Associate Professor of History, Emory University, 1980-1985

Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor of Late Ancient and Medieval History, Emory University, 1985-2010

Chair, Department of History, 1989-1992, 2006 – 07.

S. C. Dobbs Professor Emeritus, 2010 –

Adjunct Professor, University of Minnesota, Duluth, 2008 -

Visiting Appointments:

- 1) Adjunct Professor, University of Windsor Ontario, Summer 1978 and 1979 as a part of a consortium at Passau, West Germany.
- 2) Visiting Research Professor, Kommission für alte Geschichte und Epigraphik des deutschen archäologischen Instituts in München, Spring 1982.
- 3) Visiting Research Professor, Römisch-Germanische Kommission des deut. arch. Instituts, Frankfurt, Spring 1982, Fall 1992.
- 4) Fulbright Gastprofessor, Universität Augsburg, 1986.
- 5) Visiting Research Professor, Römisch-Germanische Kommission des arch. Instituts, Frankfurt, October 1992.
- 6) Visiting Professor, Universität Augsburg, 2000 – 01.
- 7) Distinguished Visiting Scholar-in-Residence, Adelaide University, Australia, 2002.
- 8) Fulbright Professor, Janus Pannonius Tudományegyetem, Pécs. Hungary, 2010.

Honors and Awards:

Emory Williams Award for Distinguished Teaching in Emory College, 1982

Summer Seminar Director for National Endowment for the Humanities' Seminars for Secondary School Teachers, 1985, 1988.

Fulbright Fellow to the Federal Republic of Germany, 1986

Member, the Nominating Committee of the Medieval Academy of America, 1987-89.

Thomas Jefferson Award for Distinguished Scholarship, Teaching, and Service, Emory University, 2004.

Crystal Apple Award for Teaching and Mentoring Excellence, awarded by the student body of Emory College, 2007.

Fulbright Fellow to Hungary, 2010.

Publications:

Books

- 1) The Ostrogoths; Kingship and Society, *Historia*, Einzelschriften, No. 36, Wiesbaden, 1980.
- 2) A History of the Ostrogoths, (Bloomington, Indiana University Press, 1984). A selection of the History Book Club.
- 3) Rome and the Germans as Seen in Coinage, with Bernhard H. Overbeck (Atlanta, 1987). A catalog for the exhibition.
- 4) Barbarians within the Gates of Rome: A Study of Roman Military Policy and the Barbarians, ca.375-425 AD (Bloomington, Indiana University Press, 1994). A selection of the History Book Club.
- 5) Urban Centers and Rural Contexts in Late Antiquity, edited with John W. Eadie (East Lansing, Michigan State University Press, 2001)
- 6) Rome and the Barbarians, 100 BC to AD 400 (Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2003). A selection of the History Book Club, the Discovery Book Club, and the Reader's Subscription Book Club.
- 7) Die römische Siedlung bei Babarc, Komitat Baranya/Ungarn / The Roman Settlement near Babarc, Komitat Baranya, Hungary, with H. Bender (U. Passau, Germany) and Z. Visy and F. Fazekas (U. Pécs, Hungary), *Passauer Universitätsschriften zur Archäologie*, Band 12, Verlag Marie Leidorf GmbH Rahden/Westf. (Passau, 2007).

Articles

- 1) "The Battle of Adrianople: A Reconsideration" Historia, 22 (1973) 336-45. Reprinted in Warfare in the Dark Ages, J. France and K. DeVries, eds. (Aldershot, 2008) pp. 165-74 [Ashgate. International Library of Essays in Military History, series ed. J. Black].
- 2) "Calculating Ostrogothic Army and Population" The Ancient World, 1 (1978) 187-90, also appeared in Acta Antiqua, 26 (1978) 457-63 under the title "Calculating Ostrogothic Population.
- 3) "Ennodius and the Ostrogothic Settlement," Classical Folia, 32 (1978) 153-68.
- 4) "The Barbarians and the Scriptorum Historiae Augustae," Collection Latomus, v. 164, Studies in Latin Literature and Roman History, vol. I. (Bruxelles, 1979), pp. 521-40.
- 5) "The Alpine Frontiers and Early Medieval Italy to the Middle of the Seventh Century," in v.2, The Frontier: Comparative Studies, ed. W.W. Savage, Jr. and S. I. Thompson (Norman, Ok, 1979) pp. 51-68.
- 6) "Pursuing the Early Gothic Migrations," Acta Archaeologica, 31 (1979) 189-99.
- 7) "The Germans and Roman Frontier Policy (ca. A.D. 350-375)," Arheoloski Vestnik, 32 (1981) 390-404.
- 8) "Theories and Facts: The Early Gothic Migrations," History in Africa, 9 (1982) 1-20.
- 9) "Theodoric the Great and the Concepts of Power in Late Antiquity," Acta Classica, 25 (1982) 99-118.
- 10) "The Watchtower at Passau-Haibach: A Historical Perspective," Ostbairische Grenzmarken, 24 (1982) 78-81. This is my contribution to the publication of a joint excavation in 1978-79 with Dr. Helmut Bender. His archaeological report precedes my historical survey and summarizes our field work, "Ein spätromischer Wachturm bei Passau-Haibach," Ostbair. Grenz., 24 (1982) 55-77.
- 11) "The Settlement of 418." In Fifth Century Roman Gaul: A Crisis of Identity?, ed. J. Drinkwater and H. Elton, (Cambridge University Press, 1992) pp. 53-63.
- 12) with Helmut Bender and Zsolt Visy, "Die Römische Ansiedlung bei Babarc, Komit Baranya, Ungarn. Die Prospektionsarbeiten in den Jahren 1989,91," Specimina Nova, 7 (1992) [1994] 89-98.

- 13) “The Twilight of Roman Raetia: An End and a Beginning,” Exegisti Monumentum Aere Perennius: Essays in Honor of John Frederick Charles (Indianapolis, 1994) pp.1-18.
- 14) “Alaric, Stilicho and Radagaisus (402-06): Reflections upon Limits and Realities,” in Minorities and Barbarians in Medieval Life and Thought [v.7, Sewanee Medieval Studies, ed. Susan Ridyard, Sewanee, TN, 1996] pp.141-58.
- 15) “Extending the Fulbright Teaching Experience: Internet Distance Learning,” The Funnel. Newsmagazine of the German - American Fulbright Commission, 33.3 (Summer, 1997) pp.50-52.
- 16) “Imperial Propaganda and the Barbarians: Marius, Caesar, and Augustus,” Humanitas – Beiträge zur antiken Kulturgeschichte. Festschrift für Gunther Gottlieb zum 65. Geburtstag, P. Barcelo and V. Rosenberger, eds. (Schriften der Philosophischen Fakultäten der Universität Augsburg, v.65, Munich, 2001) pp.63-79.
- 17) Medieval Italy. An Encyclopedia, edited by Christopher Kleinhenz, entries for Amalasantha, Ostrogoths, Theodahad, Theodoric, Totila, and Witigis (Routledge, New York and London, 2004).
- 18) THOMPSON, Edward Arthur (1914-94), *The Dictionary of British Classicists* (Bristol, 2004) 964-66.
- 19) The Early Peoples of Britain and Ireland: An Encyclopedia, edited by Christopher A. Snyder, entries for Julius Caesar, Hadrian (emperor), and Theodosius (count), (Greenwood World Publishing, 2008)
- 20) “Negotiating a Serviceable Identity and a Pathway to Power in Late Antiquity,” Studies in Emotions and Power in the Late Roman World: papers in honour of Ron Newbold, eds. B. Sidwell and D. Dzino (Piscataway, NJ, 2010) pp.167-99.
- 21) “The Roman Heritage: the Maximalist Interpretation,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Medieval Warfare and Military Technology, ed. Clifford J. Rogers (Oxford and New York, 2010) pp.188-90.
- 22) “Al otro lado del Rin: los barbaros en el s. IV ,” Desperta Ferro Antigua y medieval, 29 (2015) pp. 48 – 54.

- 23) “Kingdom of the Ostrogoths,” in The Wiley-Blackwells Encyclopedia of Empire, in 4 volumes (Wiley-Blackwell, Chichester, 2016) ed. John M. MacKenzie, et al. (John Wiley, Chichester, 2016).

Reviews:

- 1) Paul Petit, Pax Romana (University of California Press, 1976) in Journal of Economic History 37 (1977), 550-51.
- 2) The Frontier: Comparative Studies. Edited by David Harry Miller and Jerome O. Steffen (University of Oklahoma Press, 1977) in Terrae Incognitae 11 (1979), 113-15.
- 3) J. D. Randers-Pehrson, Barbarians and Romans. The Birth Struggle of Europe, A.D. 400-700 (Norman, Oklahoma, 1983) AHR 89 (1984) 415.
- 4) Suzanne Teillet, Des Goths á la nation Gothique (Les Belles Lettres, Paris, 1984), Speculum 62 (1987) 209-11.
- 5) Judith Herrin, The Foundation of Christendom (Princeton, 1987), AHR 94 (1989) 728-29.
- 6) P. Heather, Goths and Romans, 332-489 (Oxford, 1991), in Classical Outlook 71 (1994) 68-69.
- 7) M. Todd, The Early Germans (Oxford, 1992) in Speculum 69 (1994) 906-07.
- 8) James C. Russell, The Germanization of Early Medieval Christianity: A Socio-historical Approach to Religious Transformation (Oxford, 1994) in The Journal of Interdisciplinary History 26 (1996) 684-85.
- 9) Stephen Williams and Gerard Friell, Theodosius. The Empire at Bay (Yale, 1994) in the American Historical Review 101 (1996) 1189-90.
- 10) Patrick Amory, People and Identity in Ostrogothic Italy, 489-554 (Cambridge, 1996) in the American Historical Review 103 (1998) 1569–70.
- 11) S. Mattern, Rome and the Enemy (Berkeley, 1999) for American Historical Review, 106 (2001) 237-238.
- 12) John Man, Atlas of the Year 1000 (Harvard UP, 1999) for The Journal of The Historical Society, 2 (2002) 377.

- 13) Hispania in Late Antiquity: Current Perspectives. Edited and translated by Kim Bowes and Michael Kulikowski (Brill, Leiden – Boston, 2005) for the American Historical Review, 113 (2006) 1238 - 39.
- 14) Eric H. Cline and M. W. Graham, Ancient Empires: From Mesopotamia to the Rise of Islam (Cambridge, 2011) for The Ancient History Bulletin, 1 (2011) 144-47.

Papers Presented:

- 1) “Changing Concepts of Ethnic Identity among the Ostrogoths: The Role of the Roman Army,” American Historical Association, December, 1976.
- 2) “The Alpine Frontiers and Early Medieval Italy,” Third Oklahoma Symposium on Comparative Frontiers, Norman, Oklahoma, March, 1977.
- 3) “Theodoric the Great, Literary Circles and Concepts of Power,” American Philological Association, December, 1981.
- 4) “The Late Roman Limes in Raetia and Upper Noricum,” American Historical Association, December 1983.
- 5) “The Limes and the Battle of Adrianople,” Classical Association of the Middle West and South, April, 1984.
- 6) “Theodosius and Federate Policy,” Universität Passau, July, 1986.
- 7) “Thracia 375-400 A.D.: Archaeological Patterns versus Historical Theories,” Universität München, July, 1986.
- 8) “Rome and the Germans: an Archaeological Overview,” Universidad Catòlica, Quito, Ecuador, July, 1987.
- 9) “Theodosius the Great: A View of His Barbarian Politics,” University of Pécs, Pécs, Hungary, September, 1988.
- 10) “Rome and the Germans: A Historical and Archaeological Introduction,” University of Georgia, October, 1988.
- 11) “Rome and the Germans: History, Perceptions and Realities,” delivered as a part of a Symposium of “Rome at War as Seen in Coinage” for the Smithsonian Institute, Museum of American History, Numismatics Section, October, 1988.
- 12) “Das Nachleben der Römische Welt und die Baiern,” at the Programa de Aleman de la Pontificia Universidad Catòlica, Quito, Ecuador. December, 1988.

- 13) "The Afterlife of Roman Bavaria," University of Santa Barbara, Center for Medieval Studies, January, 1989.
- 14) "The Settlement of 418 and the Policies of Theodosius the Great," presented at the "Conference on Fifth-Century Roman Gaul," The University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England, April, 1989.
- 15) "Rome and the Germans as seen in Coinage," Wabash College, September 1989.
- 16) "The Barbarians within the Gates of Rome," Rutgers University, September 1989.
- 17) "Beyond Roman Germany: An Archaeological Survey" University of Nottingham, January 1990.
- 18) "Alaric and Stilicho: A Crisis in Recruitment," University of Nottingham, Nottingham, England, January 1990.
- 19) "Alaric, Stilicho and Radagaisus (402-406): Reflections upon Limits and Realities," Sewanee Mediaeval Colloquium, University of the South, April 1992.
- 20) "The Conversion of the Gothic Peoples to Christianity: An Exploration of New Methodologies and Questions," Bosch Stiftung, Sion, Switzerland, June 1992.
- 21) "Barbarians and Imperial Propaganda," McGill University, Montreal, Canada, September 1992.
- 22) "Recent Numismatic Discoveries and Late Roman History: Three Case Studies." McGill University, Montreal, Canada, September 1992.
- 23) "An Introduction to Roman Numismatic Iconography concerning Foreigners," The University of the South, April 1993.
- 24) "The Late Roman Army: Pay and Recruitment in light of recent developments in Numismatics," The University of the South, April 1993.
- 25) "Image and Reality: Barbarians and Imperial Ideology," Rice University, November 1993.
- 26) "Rome and the Germans as Seen in Coinage: An Introduction to Late Ancient Iconography and Foreign Peoples", Old Dominion University, April 1994.
- 27) "Barbarians within the Gates of Rome: The Roman Frontier and the Dawn of the Middle Ages", University of Kansas, October 1994.
- 28) "Rome's Germans: Propaganda in Many Forms", Ivane Javakhishvili State University of Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia, July 1995.

- 29) “Propaganda and Realities: Romans and their Germanic Neighbors,” Oglethorpe University, April 1996.
- 30) “The Settlement of Barbarians upon Roman Soil: Differing Interpretations of the Literary Evidence,” Bosch Stiftung, Sion, Switzerland, June 1996.
- 31) “Ethnicity and Frontiers: Germans and Romans. An Exploration into being German inside the Roman Empire,” at the Rocky Mountain World History Association, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, November 1996.
- 32) “The Tenacity of Ethnic Stereotypes in the Roman Empire: Suggestions as to Cause,” at the Mississippi University for Women, November 1997.
- 33) “Romans Reflecting upon themselves in Coinage,” at Delta State University, February 1998.
- 34) “Romans and Barbarians: Late Ancient Multi-Culturalism?,” Michigan State University, October 1999.
- 35) “Rome and the Barbarians from Caesar to Honorius,” Brigham Young University, October 1999.
- 36) “Barbarians on Roman Coins: The Iconography of Victory,” Tulane University, November 1999.
- 37) “Evolving Platforms of Roman and Barbarian Interaction, ca. 100 BC – AD 450,” SUNY at Geneseo, Annual History Department Distinguished Lecture, September, 2000.
- 38) “Beziehungen zwischen Römern und Barbaren in der Zeit von 100 v. Chr. bis 400 n. Chr.,” Seminar für Alte Geschichte der Universität Heidelberg, May 2001.
- 39) “Beziehungen zwischen Römern und Barbaren in der Zeit von 100 v. Chr. bis 400 n. Chr.,” Historisches Institut Universität Potsdam, June 2001.
- 40) “Beziehungen zwischen Römern und Barbaren in der Zeit von 100 v. Chr. bis 400 n. Chr.,” Universität Passau, 3 July 2001.
- 41) “Beziehungen zwischen Römern und Barbaren in der Zeit von 100 v. Chr. bis 400 n. Chr.,” Universität Augsburg, 10 July 2001.
- 42) “Sometimes Bitter Friends, Romans, Barbarians, and the Birth of Europe,” Tulane University, 29 October 2001.
- 43) “The Film Gladiator and Real Barbarians, Ancient and Modern,” Saint Marks’ College, Adelaide, Australia, September 2002.
- 44) “Perspective on Romans and Barbarians, ca. 100 BC – AD 400,” Victoria

University, Wellington, New Zealand, September 2002.

- 45) "Hidden Realities: Foreigners on Rome Coinage," Classical Association of South Australia meeting in Adelaide, October 2002.
- 46) "Time and Change as Seen from the Roman Attitudes towards Barbarians," Post-Graduate Seminar in Classics and General Linguistics, University of Adelaide, Australia, October 2002.
- 47) "The Decline of the Ancient City in Late Roman Pamphylia, South-central Turkey," University of Adelaide, Australia, October 2002.
- 48) "Rome and the Barbarians, 100 BC – AD 400," Smithsonian Institution, November 2003.
- 49) "Jobs, Markets, and the Transformations of Roman Frontiers," The Society for Hungarian Antiquities and the Pannonius University of Pécs, Hungary, June 2004.
- 50) "Transforming the 'Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire': City and Countryside," Tulane University, November 2004.
- 51) "Negotiating a Serviceable Identity and a Pathway to Power in Late Antiquity" University of Adelaide, Australia, December 2008.
- 52) "Crises and Identities: Families Aspirations and Recognition", Universität Erfurt, Germany, October 2009.
- 53) "Roman History and Early America", Universität Augsburg, Germany, February 2010.
- 54) "Rome's Barbarians: Numismatic Representation and Reality", Romanian Academy, Institute of Archaeology and Art History, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, February 2010.
- 55) "Tacitus, Natives, and America", University of Pannonia, Veszprém, Hungary, April 2010.
- 56) "Naming Practices and Personal Identity in Late Antiquity", Central European University/ ELTE, Budapest, Hungary, April 2010.
- 57) "Early America and Ancient Rome", Mississippi State University, Oct. 2012.

Societies:

- 1) Phi Beta Kappa, President, Emory Chapter, 1989-90
- 2) Medieval Academy of America

- 3) Association for Medieval Archaeology
- 4) Archaeological Institute of America
- 5) Georgia Classical Association
- 6) American Philological Association
- 7) American Historical Association
- 8) American Association of University Professors,
President Emory Chapter, 1983-84
- 9) The History Association
- 10) Byzantine Studies Association
- 11) Society for Roman Archaeology
- 12) Society for Late Antiquity
- 13) Association of Ancient Historians

ARCHEOLOGICAL and NUMISMATIC PROJECTS (as co-director OR co-organizer)

- 1) Excavation of a Roman Military Watchtower, ca. 350-425 AD, at Passau-Haibach, with Prof. Dr. H. Bender, 1978 and 79.
- 2) Excavation of a Pre-Roman, Celtic Oppidum at Manching near Ingolstadt, a section with Prof. Dr. H. Bender, under the overall supervision of F. Maier, Römisch-Germanische Kommission, 1985.
- 3) Excavation of a Late Roman farmstead at Barbac near Mohacs, Hungary, 1989 – 99, Field Director, May through July, 1998. With Prof. Dr. Z. Visy, University of Pécs and Prof. Dr. Helmut Bender, Universität Passau (publication, April 2007).
- 4) The traveling coin exhibition, “Rome and the Germans as Seen in Coinage,” originally organized in 1987, is now at its last venue in Romania (2012) after being shown at thirty locations in the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and Hungary. This exhibit is co-organized with Prof. Dr. Bernhard Overbeck, Staatliche Münzsammlung, München, Germany.

Special Classes Taught

- 1) Weekly Seminar, “Late Roman History in Real Time,” with colleagues at the Universität Augsburg, Spring 1997, Spring 1999
- 2) Weekly Seminar, “Augustus and the Early Empire,” with colleagues at the Universität Augsburg, Fall 1997, Spring 1998, Spring 2000, Fall 2004.
- 3) Emory Summer Aboard Program, 12 June – 23 July 2005, in Greece and Turkey: “The Ancient City: Greek, Roman, and Byzantine”.

Television Appearances

Nationally broadcast on PBS, “History in Africa”; Arts and Entertainment Channel, “Footsoldiers, pt.4, The Barbarians”; The History Channel, “The Barbarians” (3 of 7 segments). “Decisive Battles of the Ancient World” (3 of 9 segments); and “Rome: the End of an Empire”, The History Channel (4 of 13 segments).