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### ACADEMIC TRAINING

A.B. Brandeis University (Latin American Studies) 1968  
M.A. Columbia University, History 1971  
Ph.D. Columbia University, History 1983

M.A. Thesis: "The Rise of Organized Labor in the Bolivian Mines: The FSTMB, 1944-1952."  
Dissertation: "Merchants, Miners, Moneylenders: The *Habilitación* System in the Norte Chico, Chile, 1780-1850."

### EMPLOYMENT

Professor of History Emeritus, Oberlin College, 2016 to present  
Editor, News of the Week, Consortium for Teaching and Learning, Great Lakes Colleges Association (2023-present)  
Co-Director, Consortium for Teaching and Learning, Great Lakes Colleges Association.  
Academic Director, Great Books Summer Program (Amherst, Stanford, Beijing, Occidental, Pepperdine) (2013-present).  
Assistant Professor to Professor, Department of History, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH (1986 -2016).  
Director, Oberlin College Center for Teaching Innovation and Excellence (2007-2018).  
Chair, Department of History (1993-1997; 2001-2002).  
Chair, Latin American Studies: 1990-2015.  
Faculty member, Danenberg Oberlin-in-London Program, Fall 1994; Fall 1999, Spring 2009, Spring 2016.  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, New York University (September 1985 - June 1986).  
Faculty, New School for Social Research - Seminar College (September 1984 -June 1985).  
Yale College, Visiting Lecturer and Guest Fellow at Ezra Stiles College (Spring term, 1985).  
City College of New York, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of History and International Studies (Spring term, 1985).  
City College of New York, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Puerto Rican Studies (Fall term, 1984).

New School for Social Research, Faculty Member, Adult Division (Spring term, 1984).  
North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA), President and Research Director (1978-1984).

North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA), Staff Researcher (1973-1978).  
Richmond College (CUNY), Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Social Sciences (Summer 1970).

### **COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIPS AND OTHER PRIZES**

- 2011 U.S. Baccalaureate Colleges Professor of the Year (Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Council for the Advancement and Support of Education)
- 2008 Nominated by Oberlin College for Robert Foster Cherry Award for Great Teaching, Baylor University
- 2007 H.H.Powers Grant (\$4,500) with Anu Needham for Winter Term trip to India.
- 2007 Research assistance grant, Rachel M. Gordon Endowed Research Fund, for Spring 2008 semester.
- 2006 Minneapolis Foundation: \$11,000 (with Anu Needham) for a Winter Term trip to India to study filmmaking.
- 2004 NEH Summer Seminar for Teachers (with Anuradha Needham) (\$118,500)
- 2003 Teaching Excellence Award (awarded by the Northeast Ohio Council on Higher Education, 2002-2003)
- 2003 Distinguished Teaching Award (Social Sciences), Oberlin College
- 2002 Nancy Lyman Roelker Mentorship Award (awarded by the American Historical Association)
- 2002 NEH Summer Seminar for Teachers (with Anuradha Needham) (\$100,733)
- 2001 Presented with award of official recognition from the Government of Chile for "Working to Restore Democracy in Chile"
- 2001 H.H. Powers Grant
- 1999 Summer Curriculum Development Grant (Ford Foundation Area Studies Project)
- 1998 H.H. Powers Grant
- 1995 Interdisciplinary Course Pilot Project - Course Development Award - Oberlin College
- 1994 Honorable Mention, James A. Robertson Memorial Prize for best article on Latin American history (1993) awarded by the Conference on Latin American History, American Historical Association
- 1990-91 Research Status, Oberlin College
- 1989 Pew Faculty Development Grant in Latin American Studies
- 1988 Pew Faculty Development Grant in Latin American Studies
- 1987 Pew Faculty Development Grant in Latin American Studies
- 1987-88 Mellon Colloquium grant for curriculum development
- 1972-73 Doherty Fellowship for doctoral research in Chile
- 1972-73 Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship (declined)

1972-73 Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Fellowship  
 1971-73 President's Fellowship (Columbia University)  
 1970-71 NDFL, Title VI (Columbia University)  
 1969-70 Faculty Fellowship (Columbia University)  
 1968-69 Fulbright-Hays Full Grant for study in Bolivia

## PUBLICATIONS

"Chile, *Latin American Perspectives*, and the Theorization of Human Rights," *Latin American Perspectives* 2024 (forthcoming).

"Concluding Reflections," *Radical Americas* (UCL Press): 6, 1 [Special Issue: Chile's Popular Unity (UP) Experiment at 50] (2021): 10.  
 [<https://www.scienceopen.com/document/read?vid=077985ce-ed4e-4bec-a131-f941846b39da>]

*The Post-Pandemic Liberal Arts College: A Manifesto for Reinvention*, co-authored with Beth Benedix (Belt Publications, 2020).

"[Salvador Allende](#)." In *The Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Latin American History*. Ed. William Beezley. New York: Oxford University Press, 2015.

"The Historiography of Femicide in Ciudad Juárez: Critical and Revisionist Approaches," *Forum for Interamerican Research* 8.2 (Sep 2015): 20-45.

"Singing a New History: Pathways to Learning in a Liberal Arts Setting," in Susan McWilliams and John E. Seery, eds., *The Best Kind of College: An Insiders' Guide to America's Small Liberal Arts Colleges* (Albany: SUNY Press, 2015): 157-163.

"How to Navigate an 'Upside-Down' World: Using Images in the History Classroom," in Deandra Little, Peter Felten, and Chad Berry, eds, *New Directions in Teaching and Learning* (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass), *New Directions in Teaching and Learning* 141 (Spring 2015): 53-65.

"[A Season of Anger](#)," *Chronicle of Higher Education Review*, January 8, 2015, p. 2.

"Transfer: Learning in and Through the Academic Museum," in *Advancing Engagement: A Handbook for Academic Museums*, Vol. III, Stefanie S. Jandl and Mark S. Gold, eds. (Edinburgh, UK and Cambridge, MA: MuseumsEtc, 2015), pp. 28-63. Co-authored with Liliana Milkova.

"Art as Evidence: Teaching the Mexican Revolution at the Allen Memorial Art Museum," in *Latin American Art in the Allen Memorial Art Museum* (Oberlin: Allen Memorial Art Museum, 2014), pp. 20-25.

[“College is Still for Creating Citizens,”](http://m.chronicle.com/article/College-Is-Still-for-Creating/145759/) Chronicle of Higher Education, April 7, 2014 (with Marvin Krislov). <http://m.chronicle.com/article/College-Is-Still-for-Creating/145759/>

“The Politics of Memory and the Memory of Politics,” *NACLA Report on the Americas* 46:3 (Fall 2013): 18-22.

“How the Air Felt on My Cheeks: Using Avatars to Access History,” *The History Teacher*, forthcoming 2013.

“Crossing the Street Pedagogy: Using College Art Museums to Leverage Significant Learning Across the Campus,” in Stefanie S. Jandl and Mark S. Gold, *A Handbook for Academic Museums: Exhibitions and Education* (Edinburgh and Boston: Museums Etc, 2012), pp. 88-118 (with Liliana Milkova).

“Empathy and Engagement: Using Avatars to Bring Students into History,” *Peer Review* (AAC&U) (Summer 2012): 6-9.

“Bridge Mentoring. How to Advise While Being Advised, Mentor While Being Mentored,” *AHA Perspectives* (January 2012).

“A Laboratory for Experiential and Meaningful Learning,” *Oberlin Alumni Magazine* (Fall 2011): 24-25.

“Refusing to Hear: Press Coverage of the Chilean Miners,” *NACLA Report on the Americas* 44:4 (July/August 2011): 54-56.

“The Chilean Earthquake of 2010: Three Perspectives on One Disaster,” *Latin American Studies Association Forum* XLI:3 (Summer 2010): 3-5.

Steven S. Volk and Marian E. Schlotterbeck, “Gender, Order, and Femicide. Reading the Popular Culture of Murder in Ciudad Juárez,” *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies* 32:1 (Spring 2007): 53-86. Revised and reprinted in Alicia Gaspar de Alba and Georgina Guzmán, eds., *Making a Killing: Femicide, Free Trade, and La Frontera (Chicana Matters)* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2010), pp. 121-153. Revised with new introduction and reprinted in Chon A. Noriega, Eric Avila, Karen Mary Kavalos, Chela Sandoval, and Rafael Perez-Torres, eds., *The Chicano Studies Reader: An Anthology of Aztlan, 1970-2010* (Los Angeles: Chicano Studies Research Center, UCLA, 2010), 581-614.

“Chile and the United States Thirty Years Later: Return of the Repressed?” in *Democracy in Chile: The Legacy of September 11, 1973*, eds. Silvia Nagy-Zemki and Fernando Leiva (Brighton, UK: Sussex Academic Press, 2005), pp. 24-40.

"School of the Americas/Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation," *Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States*, Suzanne Oboler and Deena Gonzalez, eds., 4 vols. (NY: Oxford University Press, 2005), vol. 4, pp. 82-84.

"Judgment Day in Chile," *NACLA Report on the Americas* 36:1 (July/August 2002), pp. 4-6, 43-44.

"Seeking Justice in Chile: A Personal History," Faculty Observations (Oberlin On-Line): [http://www.oberlin.edu/news-info/observations/observations\\_steven\\_volk1.html](http://www.oberlin.edu/news-info/observations/observations_steven_volk1.html) [Posted June 26, 2002]. This is an edited and revised version of the above article.

"Frida Kahlo Remaps the Nation," *Social Identities* 6:2 (June 2000): 165-188.

"Pinochet's Heirs: The Fractured Chilean Right," *NACLA Report on the Americas* XXXII: 6 (May/June 1999), pp. 21-30.

"Juan Lechín Oquendo," *The Encyclopedia of Political Revolutions*, Jack A. Goldstone, ed. (Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Inc., 1998), 317.

"Democracy Versus Democracy," *NACLA Report on the Americas* XXX:4 (January/February 1997), pp. 6-12..

"Crecimiento sin desarrollo: Los propietarios mineros chilenos y la caída de la minería en el siglo XIX," in *Minería americana colonial y del siglo XIX* (Mexico: Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, 1994), pp. 69-118.

"Richard Nixon and the Legacy of Chile," *Radical History Review* 60 (Fall 1994): 188-190.

"Picking Presidents: Observations and Lessons of the Recent Past," *The Observer*, May 26, 1994, p. 8.

"History's 'Year of the Book'," *The Observer*, October 28, 1993, pp. 1, 3.

"Chile and History: The Meanings of 1973," *NACLA Report on the Americas* XXVII:2 (September-October 1993): 32.

"Uses and Misuses of Strategic Planning: A Faculty View," *The Observer*, March 18, 1993, p. 6.

"Mineowners, Moneylenders, and the State in Mid-Nineteenth Century Chile: Transitions and Conflicts," *Hispanic American Historical Review* 73:1 (February 1993): 67-98.

"La Fuente de Información Norteamericana en Chile," (with Terri Simon, Charles Horman and the staff of FIN), in Cristián Opaso, ed., *Frei, Allende y la Mano de la CIA*:

*Informes Del Senado de los Estados Unidos* (Santiago: Ediciones del Ornitorrinco, 1991), pp. 223-269.

"Can the Drug Wars Be Won? A Perspective from Latin America," *Oberlin Alumni Magazine*, 85, no. 4 (Fall 1989): 8-12.

"Growth Without Development: Chile's Mine Owners and the Decline of Mining in the 19th Century," *Political Power and Social Theory*, Vol. 7 (Greenwich, CT: JAI Press, 1988), pp. 55-103.

"Chile: The Right to Coup," *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. 22, No. 5 (September-October 1988), pp. 4-6.

"The Bolivian Labor Movement," in Gerald Greenfield and Sheldon L. Maran, eds. *Latin American Labor Organizations* (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1987), pp. 37-62.

"History Through the Looking Glass," *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. 20, No. 5 (September-December 1986), pp. 3-13.

"Contadora: War by Other Means," in *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. 18, No. 4 (July-August 1984), pp. 44-49.

"Honduras: On the Border of War," in Martin Diskin, ed., *Trouble in Our Backyard: Central America and the United States in the Eighties* (New York: Pantheon, 1984), pp. 204-243.

"The Lessons and Legacy of a Dark Decade," in "Chile: Beyond the Darkest Decade," *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. XVII, No. 5 (September-October 1983), pp. 2-14.

"The North American Congress on Latin America: The First Fifteen Years," *Radical History Review*, No. 27 (1983), pp. 195-200.

"Colombia: Whose Country Is This, Anyway?" *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. XVII, No. 3 (May-June 1983), pp. 2-35 (with Ramon Jimeno).

"Honduras: On the Border of War," and "Into the Central American Maelstrom," in Stanford Central America Action Network, ed., *Revolution in Central America* (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1983), pp. 66-76 and 123-127.

"Honduras: On the Border of War," *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. XV, No. 6 (November-December 1981), pp. 2-37.

"Honduras dentro del torbellino centroamericano," *Revista Alcaraván* (Honduras), No. 13 (May 1982), pp. 8-12.

“Steelyard Blues: New Structures in Steel,” *NACLA Report on the Americas*, Vol. XIII, No. I (January-February 1979), pp. 2-40.

“The International Competitiveness of the U.S. Economy: A Study of Steel and Electronics,” in Richard R. Fagen, ed., *Capitalism and the State in U.S. - Latin American Relations* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1979), pp. 90-137. (Translated as: “Causas y consecuencias de la crisis en la industria del acero,” *Cuadernos Semestrales* (Mexico), No. 7 (1980), pp. 131-173 (with Helen Shapiro).

“Electronics: The Global Industry,” *NACLA's Latin America & Empire Report*, Vol. XI, No. II (April 1977), pp. 3-25.

“The Capitalist Crisis and the Chilean Coup,” *NACLA's Latin America & Empire Report*, Vol. X, No. 9 (November 1976), pp. 3-11.

“Amazing Grace: The W.R. Grace Corporation,” *NACLA's Latin America & Empire Report*, Vol. X, No. 3 (March 1976), pp. 2-32.

“Class, Union, Party: The Development of a Revolutionary Movement in Bolivia, 1905-1952,” *Science & Society*, Vol. XXXIX, Nos. I and 2 (Spring and Summer 1975), pp. 26-43 and 180-198.

“Bolivia: The War Goes On,” and “Tin and Imperialism,” *NACLA's Latin America & Empire Report*, Vol. VIII, No. 2 (February 1974), pp. 2-9 and 12-18.

“La larga lucha del proletariado chileno,” *Punto Final* (Santiago, Chile), No. 85 (June 1973), pp. 8-9.

I have also published editorial opinions in the *New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *International Herald Tribune*, *The National Catholic Reporter*, *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *Times Higher Education*, and other newspapers and publications.

### **Book and Film Reviews**

*Ghosts of Sheridan Circle: How a Washington Assassination Brought Pinochet's Terror State to Justice*. By Alan McPherson (University of North Carolina Press, 2019). [Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books](#) (May 2021), Rutgers School of Law.

“Chile and the Traps of Memory,” Review of *Nostalgia for the Light*. Directed by Patricio Guzmán. New York: First Run/Icarus Films, 2011. *NACLA Report on the Americas* 44:3 (May/June 2011), 39-41.

*Salvador Allende*. Directed by Patricio Guzmán. New York: First Run/Icarus Films, 2004, in *The Americas* 64:3 (January 2008): 473-474.

*Forgotten Continent: The Battle for Latin America's Soul*, by Michael Reid (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2007), in *Journal of American History* (December 2008): 930.

*La exportación minera en Chile, 1800-1840. Un estudio de historia económica y social en la transición de la Colonia a la República*, by Luz María Méndez Beltrán (Santiago, Chile: Editorial Universitaria, 2004), in *Journal of Latin American Studies* 38:4 (October 2006): 893-894.

*When States Kill: Latin America, the U.S., and Technologies of Terror*, ed. Cecilia Menjívar and Néstor Rodríguez (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2005), in *The Americas* 63:1 (July 2006): 193-94.

*Victims of the Chilean Miracle: Workers and Neoliberalism in the Pinochet Era, 1973-2002*, Peter Winn, ed. (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2004), in *The Americas*, forthcoming.

Peter Kornbluh, *The Pinochet File: A Declassified Dossier on Atrocity and Accountability* (New York: New Press), 2003, in *NACLA Report on the Americas* 37:6 (May/June 2004): 46-47.

Stephen G. Rabe, *The Most Dangerous Area in the World: John F. Kennedy Confronts Community Revolution in Latin America* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press), 1999, in *Journal of Third World Studies* XX:2 (Fall 2003): 221-223.

José R. Deustua, *The Bewitchment of Silver: The Social Economy of Mining in Nineteenth Century Peru* (Athens, OH: Ohio University Press), 2000, in *Journal of Latin American Studies* 34: Part 4 (November 2002): 974-75.

*Tracing the Veins: Of Copper, Culture, and Community from Butte to Chuquicamata* by Janet L. Finn (Berkeley, CA, and London: University of California Press), 1998, for *Journal of Latin American Studies* 33: Part 2 (May 2001): 420-421.

*The New Right in Chile, 1973-97* by Marcelo Pollack (New York: St. Martin's Press), 1999, for *Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs* (2001).

*Abismo Y Cimiento: Gustavo Ross y las Relaciones entre Chile y Estados Unidos, 1932-1938* by Joaquín Fernando (Santiago, Chile: Ediciones Universidad Católica de Chile), 1997, for *Journal of American History* 87:3 (December 2000): 1075-76.

*Thank God They're on Our Side. The United States and Right-Wing Dictatorships, 1921-1965* by David Schmitz (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1999) in *Left History* 7:1 (Spring/Summer 2000): 232-235.



*Church and State in Bourbon Mexico: The Diocese of Michoacán, 1749-1810* by D.A. Brading (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 1994) in *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 27:2 (1996): 361-3.

*Economic Growth and Change in Bourbon Mexico* by Richard L. Garner with Spiro E. Stefanou (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 1993), in *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 25 (1995): 756-758.

*Instruments of Statecraft. U.S. Guerrilla Warfare, Counterinsurgency, and Counterterrorism, 1940-1990* by Michael McClintock (New York: Pantheon Books, 1992), in *The Journal of American History* (June 1993): 327-28.

*The Heart that Bleeds. Latin America Now* by Alma Guillermoprieto (New York: Knopf, 1994), in *The Plain Dealer* [Cleveland], March 20, 1994.

*The Mysterious History of Columbus: An Exploration of the Man, The Myth, The Legacy* by John Noble Wilford (New York: Knopf, 1991), in *The Plain Dealer* [Cleveland], October 6, 1991.

*Mayan Resistance to Spanish Rule. Time and History on a Colonial Frontier* by Grant D. Jones (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 1989), in *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History* XXI:2 (Autumn 1990): 356-58.

*Samba* by Alma Guillermoprieto (New York: Knopf, 1990), in *The Plain Dealer* [Cleveland], February 18, 1990.

*Caribbean* by James Mitchener (New York: Random House, 1989), in *The Plain Dealer* [Cleveland], Oct. 22, 1989.

*Weavers of Revolution: The Yarur Workers and Chile's Road to Socialism* by Peter Winn (New York: Oxford University Press, 1986), in *Science & Society* 52: 4 (Winter, 1988-89): 502-505.

*Banana Diplomacy: The Making of American Policy in Nicaragua, 1981-1987* by Roy Gutman (New York: Simon and Schuster, 1988), in *The Plain Dealer* [Cleveland], September 11, 1988.

*Subditos o aliados? La politica exterior de Estados Unidos y Centroamerica* by Francisco Rojas Aravena y Luis Guillermo Solis Rivera (San Jose, Costa Rica: Editorial Porvenir y FLACSO, 1988), in *Inter-American Review of Bibliography*: 38: 2 (1988): 220-221.

*A History of the Bolivian Labour Movement, 1848-1917* by Guillermo Lora (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1979), in *Science & Society* XLIV: 2 (Summer 1980): 250-252.

*The Execution of Charles Horman. An American Sacrifice* by Thomas Hauser (New York: Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, 1978) in *Seven Days* [New York], Oct. 27, 1978, p. 33.

## **PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES AND LECTURES**

### *Presentations at Professional Meetings and Conferences*

American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 2020: Commentator: Chile, 50 Years after Allende's Election.

American Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U), Annual Meeting, 2020: Dialogue and Deliberation for Democratic Engagement.

AAC&U Annual Meeting, 2017: Plenary panel speaker on Free Speech and Campus Communities.

POD Annual Meeting, 2017, Presentation, "Facilitating Difficult Discussions."

University Museums and Academic Collections Annual Meeting, 2017, Presentation, "The Academic Art Museum and "High-Road" Transfer of Learning."

American Historical Association, Annual Meeting, 2016: Presentation, "Using Avatars to Make History Real."

AAC&U Annual Meeting, 2015: Presentation: "Triggers, Trauma, and Teaching."

Latin American Studies Association, Annual Meeting, 2014: The Juárez Feminicides: Representational Challenges and Strategic Approaches.

AAC&U Annual Meeting, 2014: Presentation: Regional Teaching and Learning Centers: Collaborating across Campuses to Address Faculty Needs.

AAC&U Annual Meeting, 2013: Presentation, "Save the Baby, Trash the Bathtub: Reimagining the Liberal Arts College."

AAC&U Annual Meeting, 2013: Presentation, "How the Air Felt on My Cheeks: Using Avatars to Access History."

POD Annual Meeting, 2014, Presentation, "Leveraging the Teaching & Learning Center: Collaborative Engagements."

POD Annual Meeting, 2012, Presentation, "Using Student Learning to Knit A Campus Together."

“Crossing the Street: Creating Productive Spaces for Global Learning,” American Association of Colleges and Universities, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 27, 2011. Panel organizer and participant.

“Integrating the Sciences, Arts, and Humanities: Global Challenges and the Intentional Curriculum,” American Association of Colleges and Universities, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 26, 2010. Participant at pre-conference symposium.

“How to Advise While Being Advised, Mentor While Being Mentored,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, Jan. 7, 2011.

“The Past as Future: Popular Culture and Bloodshed in Juárez,” Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association, Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 20, 2010.

“This is How We Begin to Remember: Chile, Metaphor and Memory,” Yale University, Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies, Sept. 29, 2009.

“The Dictator Stands Accused: Pursuing Pinochet in the Court of (non-Chilean) Popular Culture,” Presentation and Panel Organizer, Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 2009.

“The Chile Solidarity Movement: What Did it Do? What Did We Accomplish?,” Keynote address, “Desempacando Memoria” Conference, New York, Oct. 10, 2008

“Reflected Memories: The Chilean Coup in U.S. Historical Memory,” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meetings, Montreal, September 7, 2007.

“Pinochet’s Long Shadow. ‘This Is How We Begin to Remember,’” The Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University (Washington, DC), April 5, 2007. (Invited lecture)

“Gender, Order, and Femicide in Juárez: Reading the Popular Culture of Murder,” Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Annual Meetings, Atlanta, GA, April 13, 2006.

“Democracy in Latin America,” Plenary session, “Democracy in Latin America 30 Years After Chile’s 9/11,” SUNY-Albany, October 11, 2003.

Comment: “Solidarity: Organizing Opposition to U.S. Intervention in Latin America in the 1970s and 1980s,” American Historical Association Annual Meetings, Chicago, January 3, 2003.

*“Entre Bigotes y Cejas: Producing Meaning in/from the Work of Frida Kahlo,”* presented at *“Images of Power: National Iconographies, Culture and the State in Latin America,”* held at the University of London, May 3, 2001.

*“The Development of the Chilean Right from the Re-emergence of Political Parties to the Arrest of Pinochet,”* annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Miami, March 17, 2000.

Comment: *“Solidarity: Organizing Opposition to U.S. Intervention in Latin America (1954 to the Present),* annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Miami, March 18, 2000.

*“The Nation on the Borderline: Latin American Women and Anderson’s Imagined Community,”* Midwest Modern Languages Association (St. Louis), Nov. 6, 1998.

*“Two Approaches to Collaborative Strategic Planning: Reflections from Oberlin College and Wesleyan University,”* Presentation with Kathryn Stuart (Oberlin College), Douglas Bennet (President, Wesleyan), and Richard Boyd (Provost, Wesleyan) of *“Broad Directions”* Strategic Plan, American Association of Colleges & Universities (Washington), January 16, 1998.

*“Democracy in Latin America: A Three-Decade Review,”* roundtable presentation at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Guadalajara, Mexico, April 19, 1997.

*“‘A Great Engine of State’: National Banking and National Imagination in the Formation of Chile, 1811-1860,”* paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, New York, NY, January 3, 1997.

*“The Reconceptualization of Power in Chile: State Elites and the Mines, 1830-1870,”* paper presented at the 17th International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Los Angeles, September 25, 1992. Also chaired panel (*“The State and Political Power in Comparative Perspective: Brazil and Chile in the 19th and 20th Centuries”*).

Discussant, *“Interrogating Identity Under Scrutiny,”* inter-departmental panel discussion of the *“Interrogating Identity”* exhibit at the Allen Memorial Art Museum, October 9, 1992.

*“Hacia la rearticulación del poder en Chile: Las élites del estado y la minería: 1830-1870,”* [The Reconceptualization of Power in Chile: State Elites and the Mines, 1830-1870], paper presented at the Second Congress of Historians of Latin American Mining, Santiago, Chile, March 23-27, 1992.

*“Perspectives on Chilean Redemocratization,”* First Conference on Hispanic Culture on the Pacific Coast of the Americas After World War II, California State University, Long Beach, April 26-27, 1990, discussant.

“Constructing Community: Latino Communities in the United States, 1820-1990,” Third Annual Latin American Studies Conference, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH, April 19-20, 1990, conference organizer.

“Drugs in the Americas: Whose Problem? What Solution?” Second Annual Latin American Studies Conference, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH, March 16-17, 1989, conference organizer.

“When Might Makes Right: The United States, the Central American Court of Justice (1907-1918) and the World Court (1984-1985),” paper presented to the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Cincinnati, December 27-30, 1988.

“Chile's Mine Owners and the Decline of Mining in the 19th Century,” paper presented to the 46th International Congress of Americanists, Amsterdam, Holland, July 4-8, 1988.

“Economic Organization and Social Protest in Central America, 1850-1932,” invited lecture, Humanities Council Colloquium on Comparative Social History, New York University, March 14, 1986.

“Central American Crisis and the Lessons of Vietnam,” Annual Series on Current Affairs, Social Science Department, Fashion Institute of Technology, March 26, 1985.

“American Foreign Policies in Central America: Differing Perspectives,” 1984 Globus Lecture, Department of Political Science, City College of New York, December 14, 1984, commentator.

“The Struggle for Democracy in Nicaragua,” Tenth Annual CUNY/Political Science Conference, December 7, 1984.

“The Latin American Left,” Latin American Studies Association, Washington, D.C., March 6, 1982, commentator.

“The Bolivian Labor Movement: Continuity and Change in the 1970s,” Latin American Studies Association, Bloomington, IN, October 19, 1980.

“Credit and Commodity Markets in Early 19th Century Chile,” paper presented to the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, New York, December 28, 1979.

“U.S. Workers in the International Economy: Trade and Production in Steel and Electronics,” paper presented to the Conference on the United States, U.S. Foreign Policy and Latin America and the Caribbean Regions (Sponsored by the Joint Committee on Latin American Studies of the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies), Washington, D.C., March 27-31, 1978.

“The Crisis of Capitalism in Chile,” Marxist Conference on Social Policy, New York, May 1, 1977.

“The Nature of the Capitalist Crisis in Chile,” Columbia University Seminar on the Political Economy of War and Peace, April 28, 1977.

“Approaches to the Study of Labor Movements in Latin America,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Chicago, December 29, 1974, commentator.

*Invited Lectures*

“Life after the PhD: Adjusting to a New Institutional Context,” Rackham-CRLT Seminar on College Teaching, Preparing Future Faculty, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Oct. 6, 2010. Plenary address to 350 PhD and Post-Docs.

“Preparing Future Faculty: Tenure and Faculty Work Life,” University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Oct. 6, 2010. Co-presenter in Workshop.

“Negotiating an Academic Job Offer in the Social Sciences and Humanities,” University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Oct. 6, 2010. Co-presenter in Workshop.

“Think one picture can change the world? Photography and the Reframing of Salvador Allende,” Promiscuous Pictures: Images, Politics, and Reproduction from Che to Pinochet, Oberlin College, November 17, 2008.

“Chile Remembered: The Surprising Persistence of Chile in U.S. Historical Memory,” Vassar College, Feb. 21, 2008.

“Pinochet’s Legacy: Examining Democratic Transition in the Chilean Neoliberal Laboratory,” lecture for course on “Memory, Truth, Justice,” Oberlin College, March 11, 2005.

“Extending Monroe – Understanding the Contradictions of U.S. Expansion in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century,” and “Wilsonianism in Central America: Woodrow Wilson and the Central American Court of Justice” – Two lectures delivered as the principal lecturer in a “Expanding America” grant organized by Bowling Green State University, Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library (Fremont, Ohio), Feb. 12, 2005. I also moderated 4 discussion groups on the lectures.

“The U.S. Legacy in Chile,” Talk to the Spectrum Club (Oberlin), May 14, 2003.

“Chile 30 Years Later: The Legal Pursuit of August Pinochet and Henry Kissinger,” lecture presented during Commencement/Reunion Weekend, Oberlin, May 26, 2002.

Keynote speaker at 2000 Honors Day Reception, Lake Ridge Academy (North Ridgeville, OH), April 2000.

“Re-writing the Mexican Nation: Kahlo and Rivera in the Context of the Mexican Revolution,” invited lecture, Cleveland Museum of Art, April 2, 1999.

“Pinochet’s Arrest and the Process of ‘Reconciliation’: A Report from Chile,” Oberlin College, Nov. 17, 1998.

“Nations, Citizens, and Rights: The Complexity of Nationalism and Immigrations in the Western Hemisphere.” Invited lecture, 1996 Latino Heritage Month Symposium (Oberlin College), September 13, 1996.

“Cuba: Historical Background to the Current Crisis.” Invited lecture, Christ Church, Oberlin, June 14, 1995.

“The ‘Truth Commission’ Report and The Prospects for Peace in El Salvador.” Invited lecture, Christ Church, Oberlin. May 15, 1993.

“The Transition from Dictatorship in Chile: The King is Dead; Long Live the King?” Tulane University (Dept. of History and Graduate Student Association), January 29, 1993.

“The Meaning of Columbus to the Modern World,” presentation to the Lorain Adult Religious Education Series, Lorain, OH, October 11, 1992.

“After the Cold War: What Now? Domestic and International Implications,” Oberlin Alumni Commencement Symposium (Class of 1967), May 23, 1992. Panel organizer, moderator and presenter.

“Reconstructing Democracy in Latin America in the 1990s,” Cleveland Council on World Affairs, Cleveland, April 1, 1992.

“Cuba: What Future for Castro and Communism?” Great Decisions Discussion Series, Oberlin Public Library, April 1, 1992.

“Inventing America,” lecture to commemorate *Dia de la Raza*, Oberlin College, October 8, 1988.

“U.S. Relations with Chile, 1970-1988,” invited lecture, Smith College (Northampton, MA), September 14, 1988.

“Columbus, Culture and the Language of Empire,” lecture to commemorate *Dia de la Raza*, Oberlin College, October 17, 1987.

“From Columbus to Reagan: The Problem of the 'Other' in the American Mind,” lecture to commemorate *Dia de la Raza*, Oberlin College, October 18, 1986.

“The Kissinger Commission and U.S. Policy Toward Central America,” Stony Brook (SUNY), March 20, 1984.

“Chile and Greece: Chains of Dictatorships,” Yale University, November 30, 1983.

“Chile: A Decade of Darkness,” University of Massachusetts - Amherst, September 20, 1983.

“International Terrorism and the United States: The Public and Private Spheres,” Siena College (NY), April 7, 1981.

“The United States and Central America,” City College of New York (CUNY), March 26, 1981.

“The Reagan Administration and Foreign Policy,” Barnard College, January 22, 1981.

“U.S. Foreign Policy: The Latin American Context,” Brandeis University, April 19, 1980.

“The Popular Unity Government of Chile,” New School for Social Research, January 7, 1980.

“The New International Division of Labor,” Brandeis University, March 31, 1979.

“Multinational Investment in Latin America,” United Electrical Workers District Council #1, June 10, 1978.

“U.S. Policy in Latin America,” Hostos College (CUNY), February 25, 1977.

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITY**

### ***ACADEMIC-ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS AND SERVICE TO COLLEGE***

#### **Committee Service**

##### *Elected Committee Service*



College Faculty Council: 1991-92; 1992-93; 1993-94; 1996-97; 1997-98; 2003-2005; 2006-2008.

Educational Plans and Policy Committee: 2000-02.

General Faculty Planning Committee: 2000-2001; 2001-2002; 2002-2004 (chair)

General Faculty Mediation Committee: 1995-96; 2000-2001, 2009-2011.

General Faculty Professional Conduct Review Committee: 2000-2001, 2002-2003.

General Faculty Nominations Committee: 1997-98.

Board of Trustees, Academic Affairs Committee: 2001-2003.

College of Arts & Sciences Representative, Presidential Search Committee, 1993-94.

Appointed Committee Work:

Department of History: Chair, 1993-97; 2001-02.

Latin American Studies Committee: 1991-present. Chair 1991-1993; 1995-1998; 2000-2005; 2006-present.

Judaic and Near Eastern Studies Program(Jewish Studies Program Committee): 1995-96 to present. Acting Director: 2000-2001.

Committee on Teaching: Spring 2000 – present. Chair: 2000-01 to present.

Ad hoc Committee on International Studies, 1996-97.

Ad hoc Committee to request an addition to staff in Middle East and North African Studies: Chair, Fall 2001.

International Studies Committee: 1997-98

Faculty Supervisory Committee of Undergraduate Research; 1995-96; 1996-97

Danenberg Oberlin-in-London Program Committee, 1996-97; 2002-2004.

Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Program, 1994-95.

Faculty Associate: 1991-92 to 2001-2002.

GLCA Advisory Board member (“Borders Program” – El Paso/Ciudad Juarez): 1996 to present.

Third World Studies Committee, 1989-90.

Academic Advising Committee, 2002-2003.

Ad hoc Committee on the Writing Requirement, 2009-2011.

### **College-wide Strategic Processes**

Strategic Planning Task Force, 2003-2005.

Co-Chair, Building the Faculty of the Future Committee, Strategic Planning Process, 1997.

Ad hoc Committee on the Jewish Chaplain – main author of report to President Dye (1994-95).

Member, Academic Programs Subcommittee, Strategic Initiatives Steering Committee, 1992-1993.

### **Teaching and Pedagogy**

Director, Oberlin College Center for Teaching Innovation and Excellence (CTIE), 2007-present.

Lifelong Learning Curriculum Transformation Project (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, \$600,000 FIPSE grant, 2011-2014) – Institutional Leader, Oberlin College.

Developer: “Crossing the Streets Pedagogy”

Organizer and convenor of “Brown Bag Pedagogy” series, Spring 1997, 1997-1998 (after that time, the Committee on Teaching took over the series, and I have remained active through that committee).

Helped organize and create legislation for “Committee on Teaching,” 1997-98.

Participated in meetings on creation of Center for Teaching and Learning, 2001.

Henry Luce Educator, Spring 2001.

### **Participant in College Grant Development**

Mellon Foundation: Faculty Career Enhancement Project (Oberlin and Grinnell): Spring 2001 and Fall 2001.

Hewlett Foundation: Liberal Arts initiative to support model curricular and pedagogical innovations: 2000-2001.

Ford Foundation's "Crossing Borders" grant application (Stage I and Stage II) and implementation (Stage I), 1996-97; 1997-98.

Ford Foundation grant to support programs "designed to sustain diversity and improve race relations," April-May 1990.

### **Commencement Speakers and Other Addresses to the Entire Community**

Nominated Judge Juan Guzmán Tapia of Chile as commencement speaker and honorary degree for 2006 and presented him for his award at Commencement.

Nominated Katherine Plank (Oberlin Choristers) for 2001 Distinguished Service Award and presented her for her award at Commencement.

Nominated Oscar Arias Sanchez (former President of Costa Rica) as commencement speaker and honorary degree for 2000 and, when selected, presented him for his award at Commencement.

Delivered faculty and staff welcome to Nancy Dye, Presidential Inauguration, October 8, 1994.

### **Mentoring Work (Students and Faculty)**

Faculty mentor for one faculty member (GTEP program) and one junior member of the History Department.

Faculty mentor, Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Program, 1990, 1991, 1996-97, 1997-98

Faculty mentor, Ford-Mellon Summer Fellowship program, 1991-1993.

Prepared session on "Mentoring New Tenure Track and Non-Continuing Faculty" for Department Chairs Workshop, October 7, 2000.

Panelist in forum for new faculty members on "Pedagogy and the Peculiarities of Oberlin," August 27, 1992.

Panelist in session for new chairs organized by Dean's office, August 1997

### **Admissions Work**

Spoke with parents of prospective students, Los Angeles, Jan. 19-22, 2007.

Guest speaker at reception for admitted students, Washington DC, April 12, 2000.

Guest speaker, reception for admitted students, Los Angeles, CA, April 29, 1995.

### **Alumni Work**

Gave talk on “Cuba and its Impact on the Americas,” for alumni meeting in Miami, FL, April 28, 2007.

“The 2004 Mock Convention: Why the Tradition was Resuscitated.” Presentation at Panel discussion on “Student Political Activity and Activism at Oberlin: 1940 to Today,” for 65<sup>th</sup> reunion class, May 27, 2006.

“What Museums Can Tell Us About History Making – ‘The Last Act’.” Presentation at Panel discussion on “Feeling Like History has Passed you By: 25 Years Later,” for 25<sup>th</sup> reunion class, May 28, 2005.

Panelist at Alumni Council session on “Broad Directions” (Sept. 18, 1997).

“After the Cold War: What Now? Domestic and International Implications” (May 23, 1992). Oberlin Alumni Commencement Symposium (Class of 1967). Panel organizer, moderator and presenter.

### **Web-site development:**

Developed and posted Web page for CTIE ([www.oberlin.edu/ctie](http://www.oberlin.edu/ctie))

Developed and posted Web page for London Program ([www.oberlin.edu/~london](http://www.oberlin.edu/~london))

Developed and posted Web pages for Committee on Teaching ([www.oberlin.edu/~cot](http://www.oberlin.edu/~cot))

Developed and posed Web page “Sources and General Resources on Latin America” (<http://www.oberlin.edu/~svolk/latinam.htm>)

### **Community Service (outside Oberlin College):**

Chair, Board of Directors, North American Congress on Latin America: 1984 through 2000; Board Member, 2000-present.

National Council member, National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (1984 – present).

Board of Directors, Bill of Rights Foundation (1991-present).

Chair, Board of Directors, Oberlin Choristers (1995 - July 1999); Executive Committee, July 1999- September 2001; Board, September 2001 – present.

Convenor, “Committee for Counsel,” Border Studies Program – GLCA/Earlham College.