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**EDUCATION** 

PH.D., UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, 1980 M.A., UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, 1970

B.A., HOBART COLLEGE, with High Honors in History, 1969

**EXPERIENCE** 

BERNARD J. BROMMEL DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH PROFESSOR, Department of History, Northeastern Illinois University, 2012-

PROFESSOR, Department of History, Northeastern Illinois University, 1995-2011

CHAIR, Department of History, Northeastern Illinois University, 1992-2000

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, Department of History, Northeastern Illinois University, 1990-95

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, Department of History, Northeastern Illinois University, 1987-90

VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, Department of History, University of Pennsylvania, 1986-87

ANDREW W. MELLON POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW, Department of History, University of Pennsylvania, 1985-86

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY, Clarkson University, 1983-86 (on leave, 1985-86)

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HUMANITIES, Honors College, Valparaiso University, 1981-83 (term appointment)

INSTRUCTOR, Liberal Arts Department, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, 1981

ASSISTANT EDITOR, Bibliographie International de l'Humanisme et de la Renaissance, 1977-79

COURSES TAUGHT Ancient Greece Ancient Rome

Graduate Readings in Ancient Historiography

Renaissance Europe

Art and Society in Renaissance Europe (team-taught with an art historian)

Reformation Europe

Graduate Reading Courses and Seminars in Early Modern History (various topics)

The Age of the Baroque

Ancien Régime

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COURSES (cont.)

Europe: 1500 to the Present

Historiography and Historical Methods

Western Civilization (in a variety of formats)

Interdisciplinary Humanities (in a variety of formats)

**PUBLICATIONS** 

Books

The Birth of the Past (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2011). Ranging from antiquity to the eighteenth century, this book explores how we learned to distinguish past from present and see the world historically.

Humanism and the Renaissance, edited volume in the "Problems in European Civilization." Series (Houghton Mifflin, 2002). A critical introduction to recent literature in the field of Renaissance studies.

# Reviews (cont.)

- George Huppert, The Style of Paris: Renaissance Origins of the French Enlightenment, in American Historical Review 105 (2000)
- Donald R. Kelley, Faces of History: Historical Inquiry from Herodotus to Herder, in Renaissance Quarterly 53 (2000)
- Nancy Lyman Roelker, One King, One Faith: The Parlement of Paris and the Religious Reformations of the Sixteenth Century, and Mark W. Konnert, Civic Agendas and Religious Passions: Châlons-sur-Marne during the French Wars of Religion, 1560-1594, in Renaissance Quarterly 52 (1999)
- David Lewis Schaefer, *The Political Philosophy of Montaigne*, in *American Historical Review* 97 (1992).
- Eugenio Garin, ed., Renaissance Characters, and Margaret L. King, Women of the Renaissance, in History Teacher 26 (1992).

## UNPUBLISHED PAPERS

- "Bookends: Henry Y. K. Tom and the Shaping of Renaissance Studies," Renaissance Society of America, March 2012
- "Classics in Context: Machiavelli's *The Prince*," Chicago Humanities Festival and the Center for Renaissance Studies, Newberry Library, 2004

# PAPERS (cont.)

"Montaigne's Creatural View of Man," Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 1983.

"The Rise of Skepticism in Early Modern Europe," Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 1982.

"Schooling and Skepticism: The Intellectual Origins of Montaigne's *Essais*," Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 1980.

#### FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Faculty Excellence Award, Northeastern Illinois University, 2013 Bernard J. Brommel Distinguished Research Professorship, 2012 Faculty Excellence Award, Northeastern Illinois University, 2003 University Foundation Grant, Northeastern Illinois University, 1991 Faculty Excellence Award, Northeastern Illinois University, 1991 NEH Summer Stipend, 1990

NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, Northwestern University, 1989

Faculty Excellence Award, Northeastern Illinois University, 1989

Grand-in-Aid, Committee for Organized Research, Northeastern Illinois University, 1989

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities, University of Pennsylvania, 1985-86

ACLS Grant-in-Aid, 1985

Carl S. Meyer Memorial Prize, Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 1984

Exxon Education Foundation Fellowship, Newberry Library, 1984 Mellon Foundation Research Grant, Clarkson University, 1983-84

Novus Prizes (publication and monetary awards), Committee for the Advancement of Early Studies, Ball State University, 1983

Special Ford Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1972-73 Honorary Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1969-70