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## EDUCATION

1988	Ph.D.	Princeton University
1986-1987		Freie Universität Berlin
1985	M.A.	Princeton University
1982	B.A.	University of California, Santa Barbara
1980-1981		Georg-August Universität Göttingen

## EMPLOYMENT

2019-		Concurrent Professor of History, University of Notre Dame
Spring 2010		Visiting Professor of German, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
2009-		Concurrent Professor of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame
Spring 2003		Visiting Professor of German, University of Chicago
1998-		Professor of German, University of Notre Dame
1997-1998		Professor of German Studies, Vassar College
1993-1997		Associate Professor of German, Vassar College
1989-1993		Assistant Professor of German, Vassar College
1988-1989		Visiting Assistant Professor of German, Mount Holyoke College

## ACADEMIC HONORS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019 Senior Fellowship at the Interdisziplinäres Zentrum für die Erforschung der europäischen Aufklärung, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg.
- 2018 Senior Fellowship from Forschungsbund Marbach Weimar Wolfenbüttel
- 2011 Ungar German Translation Award granted biennially by the American Translators Association for Ernst Bertram's *Nietzsche. Attempt at a Mythology*

- 2010 DAAD Exchange Professor/Kurzzeitdozentur, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany
- 2009 Guest of Zentrum für Literatur- und Kulturforschung (ZfL), Berlin, Germany
- 2003 Jacques Barzun Prize in Cultural History for 2002 awarded by the American Philosophical Society for *Secret Germany. Stefan George and His Circle*
- 2001 Fulbright Research Grant at the Internationales Forschungszentrum Kulturwissenschaften (IFK), Vienna, Austria
- 1997 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship
- 1995 American Philosophical Society Research Grant
- 1994 Elected Fellow at Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA (residence postponed)
- 1992 Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung Research Fellowship
- 1991 Visiting Fellow at Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel, Germany
- 1991 Research Grant at Internationale Forschungsstätte, Europäische Aufklärung, Martin-Luther Universität Halle-Wittenberg, Germany

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Monographs**

*The School of Wisdom. Hermann von Keyserling and the Philosophy of Life* (ms in progress).

*The Crucible of German Democracy. Ernst Troeltsch and the First World War.* Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2021. 650 pp. + xvii.

*Secret Germany. Stefan George and His Circle.* Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 2002. 847 pp. + xiii.

Russian translation with Nauka Publishing House (St. Petersburg)

Chinese translation with Zhejiang University Press

French translation of Chapter 27, "La Chambre au Globe," in *HAPAX* magazine

*The Beautiful Soul: Aesthetic Morality in the Eighteenth Century.* Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 1995. 314 pp. + xi.

*Herder's Aesthetics and the European Enlightenment.* Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 1991. 257 pp + xi.

## Edited Book

*Herder and Religion. Proceedings from the Biennial Meeting of the International Herder Society/Internationale Herder-Gesellschaft*, University of Notre Dame, Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2010. Eds. Stefan Bengtson, Heinrich Clairmont, Robert E. Norton, Johannes Schmidt, Ulrike Wagner. (Heidelberg: Synchron, 2015).

## Book Translations

Thomas Meyer, *Hannah Arendt. Eine intellektuelle Biographie* (in progress).

Günter Blumberger, *Heinrich von Kleist. Biographie* (Frankfurt am Main: Fischer, 2011). Winner of the prize for "Geisteswissenschaften International" awarded in 2012 by the Börsenverein des Deutschen Buchhandels (in progress)

Ottfried Höffe, ed., trans. Robert E. Norton. *Nietzsche as German Philosopher*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2021. 315 pp.

Ernst Bertram. *Nietzsche. Attempt at a Mythology*. Trans. and with intro. by Robert E. Norton. Champaign: University of Illinois Press, 2009. 382 pp. + xxxix.

Originally published as *Nietzsche. Versuch einer Mythologie*. Berlin: Georg Bondi, 1918.

Ulrich Ricken. *Linguistics, Anthropology, and Philosophy in the French Enlightenment. Language and Ideology*. Trans. Robert E. Norton. London: Routledge, 1994. 287 pp + ix.

Originally published as *Sprache, Anthropologie, Philosophie in der französischen Aufklärung. Ein Beitrag zur Geschichte des Verhältnisses von Sprachtheorie und Weltanschauung*. Berlin: Akademie, 1984.

## Edited Journals

*Die Wahrheit über Japan*. Eds. Robert Norton, Jost Philipp Klenner. *Zeitschrift für Ideengeschichte*, XIII/2 (Summer, 2019).

*Die Propheten. Jacob Burckhardt*. Eds. Robert Norton, Stefan Rebenich. *Zeitschrift für Ideengeschichte*, XII/1 (Spring, 2018).

*Idealist, Kanaille, Rousseau*. Eds. Robert Norton, Ulrich Raulff. *Zeitschrift für Ideengeschichte*, VI/2 (Summer, 2012).

## Editorial Experience

Editor, *The German Quarterly* (2012-2015)

Editorial Board, *Journal of the History of Ideas* (2013- )

Editorial Board, *Studi Germanici* (2013- )

Editor, *Newsletter/Rundbrief International Herder Society* (2007-2009)

Editorial Board, *Zeitschrift für Ideengeschichte* (2005- )

Advisory Editor for *Eighteenth-Century Studies* (1992-1995; 1999-2000)

Manuscript evaluations for Cornell University Press; University of Wisconsin Press; University of North Carolina Press; Cambridge University Press; Chicago University Press; Princeton University Press; University of Pennsylvania Press; Oxford University Press; *Journal of the History of Ideas*; *Seminar*; *Colloquia Germanica*; *Eighteenth-Century Studies*; *International Journal of the Classical Tradition*; *Review of Politics*; *Modern Intellectual History*; PMLA.

### Articles and Essays

“Hermann Keyserling und Amerika.” In *Nicht allein mit dem Kopf. Perspektiven auf Hermann Keyserling*. Ed. Ute Gahlings (Weierstadt: Verlag 23, 2021), 61-76.

“Werner Sombarts ‘Händler und Helden’.” In *Krieg in der Literatur, Literatur im Krieg*. Eds. Karsten Dahlmanns, Matthias Freise and Grzegorz Kowal (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2020), 475-82.

“Die deutschen Aufklärungen und die Dialektik der Geschichtsphilosophie.” In *Erzählung der Aufklärung*. Eds. Frauke Berndt and Daniel Fulda (Hamburg: Felix Meiner, 2018), 21-35.

“Platon im Georgekreis.” In *Alttertumswissenschaften in Deutschland und Italien. Zeit des Umbruchs 1870-1940*. Ed. Dirk Steuernagel (Regensburg: Schnell + Steiner, 2018), 191-204.

“Rudolf Alexander Schröders ‘Entrinnen’: Ein geronnenes Portrait.” In *Alexander Schröder im Dritten Reich*. Ed. Gunilla Eschenbach (Göttingen: Wallstein, 2015), 50-62.

“Otto Baumgartens Herder.” In *Herder und seine Wirkung*. Ed. Michael Maurer. (Heidelberg: Synchron, 2014), 155-160.

“Herder as Faust.” In *Goethe’s Faust and Cultural Memory. Comparatist Interfaces*. Ed. Lorna Fitzsimmons. (Bethlehem: Lehigh University Press, 2012), 49-67.

“Gadamer und der George-Kreis.” *Gadamers philosophische Hermeneutik und die Literaturwissenschaft. Marbacher Kolloquium zum 50. Jahrestag der Publikation von Wahrheit und Methode*. Ed. Carsten Dutt. (Heidelberg: Carl Winter, 2012).

French translation in *Heidegger. Le sol, la communauté, la race*. Ed. Emmanuel Faye (Paris: Beauchesne, 2014).

“From Secret Germany to Nazi Germany: The Politics of Art before and after 1933.” *A Poet’s Reich: Politics and Culture in the George Kreis*. Ed. Melissa Lane and Martin Ruehl (Rochester: Camden House, 2011), 269-286.

- “Johann Wolfgang Goethe.” In *Encyclopedia of the Classical World*. Ed. Anthony Grafton, Glenn Most, et al. (Cambridge: Harvard UP, 2010), 400-401.
- “Wozu Stefan George?” *WestEnd. Neue Zeitschrift für Sozialforschung* 7/2 (2010), 133-141.
- “Wozu George in heutiger Zeit?” *Frankfurter Rundschau*, July 6, 2010.
- “Politik des Unpolitischen? Gemeinschaftskonzepte im George-Kreis.” In *Gemeinschaftskonzepte im 20. Jahrhundert zwischen Wissenschaft und Ideologie*. Ed. Lucia Scherzberg. (Münster: MV-Wissenschaft, 2010). 117-136.
- “University, Inc. – Leitbild USA?” *Gegenworte. Hefte für den Disput über Wissen* 22 (2009), 49-51.
- “Lyrik und Moral.” *DIE ZEIT*, July 16, 2009, 48.
- “Herder as a Critic of the Contemporary World.” In *Companion to Johann Gottfried Herder*. Ed. Hans Adler and Wulf Koepke (Columbia, S.C.: Camden House, 2009), 351-371.
- “Das schöne Leben als ethisches Ideal.” *Das Ideal des schönen Lebens und die Wirklichkeit der Weimarer Republik. Vorstellungen von Staat und Gesellschaft im George-Kreis*. Ed. Roman Köster, Werner Plumpe, Bertram Schefold, Korinna Schönhärl (Berlin: Akademie, 2008). 131-141.
- “Wilamowitz at War.” *International Journal of the Classical Tradition* 15/1 (2008): 74-97.
- “Isaiah Berlin’s Expressionism, or: ‘Ha! Du bist das Blökende!’” *Journal of the History of Ideas* 69 (2008): 239-347.
- “The Myth of the Counter-Enlightenment.” *Journal of the History of Ideas* 68 (2007): 635-658.
- “Stefan George.” In *Europe since 1914: Encyclopedia of the Age of War and Reconstruction*. Ed. John Merriman and Jay Winter. Detroit: Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2006. Vol. 3: 1207-08.
- “Thomas Mann.” In *Europe since 1914: Encyclopedia of the Age of War and Reconstruction*. Ed. John Merriman and Jay Winter. Detroit: Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2006. Vol. 3: 1721- 22.
- “Das Geheime Deutschland und die Wissenschaft.” In *Wissenschaftler im George-Kreis. Die Welt des Dichters und der Beruf der Wissenschaft*. Eds. Bernhard Böschstein, Jürgen Egyptien, Bertram Schefold, Wolfgang Vitzthum. Berlin: de Gruyter, 2005: 57-65.
- “Stefan George: *Das Jahr der Seele*.” In *A New History of German Literature*. Ed. David Wellbery, Judith Ryan, et al. Cambridge: Harvard UP, 2004: 641-47.
- “Stefan George and Androgyny.” In *Germany at the Fin de siècle. Culture, Politics, and Ideas*. Ed. Suzanne Marchand and David Lindberg. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State UP, 2004: 167-185.

"Johann Christoph Gottsched." In *Encyclopedia of the Enlightenment*. Ed. Alan Charles Kors, et al. New York and Oxford: Oxford UP, 2002. Vol. 2: 141-43.

"Johann Gottfried Herder." In *Encyclopedia of the Enlightenment*. Ed. Alan Charles Kors, et al. New York and Oxford: Oxford UP, 2002. Vol. 2: 205-08.

"Die anglo-amerikanische Herder-Rezeption: 'Gegenaufklärung' und ihre Befürworter." In *Vom Selbstdenken. Aufklärung und Aufklärungs-kritik in Herders "Ideen zur Philosophie der Geschichte der Menschheit."* Beiträge zur Konferenz der International Herder Society, Weimar 2000. Ed. Regine Otto and John H. Zammito. Heidelberg: Synchron, 2001: 215-221.

"'Schlafes Bruder – Sinnes Schwund': Robert Schneider and the Post-Postmodern Novel." In *Signatures der Gegenwart. Festschrift für Walter Hinderer*. Ed. Dieter Borchmeyer. Würzburg: Königshausen & Neumann, 1999: 239-246.

Herder's Concept of 'Kraft' and the Psychology of Semiotic Functions." In *Johann Gottfried Herder. Academic Disciplines and the Pursuit of Knowledge*. Ed. Wulf Koepke. Columbia, S.C.: Camden House, 1996: 22-31.

"'The Tyranny of Germany over Greece'? Martin Bernal, Herder, and the German Appropriation of Greece." In *Black Athena Revisited*. Ed. Mary Lefkowitz and Guy Rogers. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1996: 403-410.

"Racism, History, and Physiognomy: Herder and the Tradition of Moral Beauty in the Eighteenth Century." In *Ethik und Ästhetik. Werke und Werte in der Literatur des 18. bis zum 20. Jahrhunderts. Festschrift für Wolfgang Wittkowski*. Ed. Richard Fisher and Helmut Kreuzer. Frankfurt a.M.: Lang, 1995: 43-54.

"'Herder und kein Ende': Hans Aarsleff and the Historiography of Eighteenth-Century Philosophy of Language." In *La linguistique entre mythe et histoire. Actes des journées d'étude organisées les 4 et 5 juin 1991 à la Sorbonne en l'honneur de Hans Aarsleff*. Ed. Daniel Droixhe and Chantal Grell. Münster: Nodus Publikationen, 1993: 175-86.

"'Ein bitteres Gelächter': Tragic and Comic Elements in Lessing's *Philotas*." *Deutsche Vierteljahrsschrift* 66 (1992): 450-65.

"The Aesthetic Education of Humanity': George Eliot's *Romola* and Schiller's Theory of Tragedy." *The Journal of Aesthetic Education* 25 (1991): 1-18.

"Johann Gottfried Herder's *Abhandlung über den Ursprung der Sprache* and the Problem of Method." In *Speculum historiographiae linguisticae*. Ed. Klaus D. Dutz. Münster: Nodus Publikationen, 1989: 263-73.

## Article Translation

Jacob Burckhardt, "The State as a Work of Art," from *The Culture of the Renaissance in Italy*,

revised translation of S.G.W. Middlemore (1878). In *Major Problems in the History of the Italian Renaissance*. Ed. Benjamin G. Kohl and Alison Andrews Smith. Lexington, MA: D.C. Heath and Company, 1995: 4-15.

## Reviews

Hans Joas, *Im Bannkreis der Freiheit. Religionstheorie nach Hegel und Nietzsche* (Berlin: Suhrkamp, 2020). *European Journal of Sociology* (forthcoming).

Robert E. Lerner, *Ernst Kantorowicz. A Life*. (Princeton: Princeton UP, 2017). *Times Literary Supplement*, February 24, 2017, pp. 3-5.

Jeffrey L. Sammons, *Kuno Francke's Edition of The German Classics (1913-15)*. (Peter Lang: New York u.a., 2009). *Geschichte der Germanistik. Mitteilungen* 37/38 (2010), 155.

*Der Frühe und der späte Herder: Kontinuität und/oder Korrektur. Early and Late Herder: Continuity and/or Correction. Beiträge zur Konferenz der Internationalen Herder-Gesellschaft Saarbrücken 2004*. Eds. Sabine Groß and Gerhard Sauder (Heidelberg: Synchron, 2007). In *Herder Jahrbuch* 10 (2010), 250-253.

Ulrich Raulff, *Kreis ohne Meister. Stefan Georges Nachleben. Eine abgründige Geschichte* (C. H. Beck 2009). *Times Literary Supplement*, April 30 2010.

"Manfred Riedels Testament: Stefan George und das 'geheime abendländische Deutschland.'" Review of Manfred Riedel, *Im Zwiegespräch mit Nietzsche und Goethe: Weimarer Klassik und klassische Moderne*. (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck 2009). IASLonline; [http://www.iaslonline.lmu.de/index.php?vorgang\\_id=3181](http://www.iaslonline.lmu.de/index.php?vorgang_id=3181)

"Ein säkulares Zeitalter?" Review of Charles Taylor, *A Secular Age* (Harvard UP 2007), *Zeitschrift für Ideengeschichte* 2 (2008):

James Phillips, *The Equivocation of Reason. Kleist Reading Kant* (Stanford UP 2007). *Notre Dame Philosophy Review*, Jan. 6, 2008; <http://ndpr.nd.edu/review.cfm?id=12064>

"In search of a certain truth." Review of Frederick Beiser, *Schiller as Philosopher*. In *Times Literary Supplement*, April 7, 2006, p. 6.

"The Berlin error." Review of Etienne Bonnot de Condillac, *Essay on the Origin of Human Knowledge*. In *Times Literary Supplement*, December 27, 2002, p. 25.

"The familiar made strange." Review of Anton Gill, *A Dance between Flames: Berlin between the Wars*. In *Times Literary Supplement*, December 24, 1993, p. 21.

Additional reviews published in: *Seminar* 26 (2006): 85-86; *Colloquia Germanica* 26 (1993): 79-80; *German Quarterly* 65 (1992): 454-57; *Isis* 83 (1992): 143; *Michigan Germanic Studies* 18 (1992): 80-82; *Monatshefte* 83 (1991): 190-98; *German Quarterly* 63 (1990): 546-47; *Monatshefte* 82 (1990): 208-10; *German Quarterly* 62 (1989): 260-62.

## LECTURES, PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Comment on Carola Dietze, *The Invention of Terrorism in Europe, Russia, and the United States*, Roundtable, German Studies Association Annual Conference, September 30, 2021 (by Zoom).

"The Long Path to Democracy in Germany: Ernst Troeltsch and the First World War." Invited lecture by the Center for the Study of Nationalism, Schusterman Center for Judaic and Israel Studies, and the Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Linguistics, University of Oklahoma. March 11, 2021 (by Zoom).

"Keyserling und Amerika." Invited lecture on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the School of Wisdom in Darmstadt. November 29, 2020 (by Zoom).

Comment on Helmut Walser Smith, *Germany: A Nation in Its Time: Before, During, and After Nationalism, 1500-2000*, Roundtable, German Studies Association Annual Conference (virtual), Oct. 4, 2020.

"Werner Sombart, *Händler und Helden: Versuch einer Psychopathologie*." Conference on *Krieg in der Literatur, Literatur im Krieg*, October 24-26, 2018, Schlesische Universität Katowice, Poland.

"Burckhardt's Aesthetics? Attempt at a Reappraisal." German Studies Association Conference, September 27-30, 2018, Pittsburgh, PA.

Interviewed by *Westdeutscher Rundfunk*, Erfurt, Germany, July 12, 2018.

"The Emperor and I. Wilhelm II, Biography and Cultural History." Invited keynote lecture International Conference on *Biography in Britain and Germany*. Comparing Theories and Practices, June 14-16, 2017, London.

"Die deutschen Aufklärungen und die Dialektik der Geschichtsphilosophie." Invited plenary lecture at annual conference of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für die Erforschung des 18. Jahrhunderts, *Narrating Enlightenment Narrative / Erzählende und erzählte Aufklärung*, September 28-30, 2015, Halle.

"Platon im George-Kreis." Invited lecture at conference *Altertumswissenschaften in Deutschland und Italien" / Scienze dell' Antichità in Germania e in Italia*, 25-27 July, 2015, Institut für Klassische Philologie, Universität Regensburg.

"Wer je die flamme umschritt, Bleibe der flamme trabant!" Einbindung und Bannstrahl als Herrschaftsmittel im George-Kreis." Invited *Abendvortrag* at conference *Herrschaft durch Esoterik in der Intellektuellen Kultur der Weimarer Republik*, February 19-20, 2015, Internationales Kolleg Morphata, Cologne.

Co-organizer of conference "The Great War and Culture." International conference hosted by the London Center, University of Notre Dame, March 23-26, 2014, London.



Panel organizer and presenter at American Association of Teachers of German conference, "The German Quarterly Panel on Translation," November 22-24, 2013, Orlando, FL.

Keynote lecture at "Roger Casement (1864-1916): The Global Imperative," International conference, October 24-26, 2013, Tralee, Kerry, Ireland.

"R. A. Schröder und die konservative Revolution." Invited Participant in conference, *Rudolf Alexander Schröder: Politik eines Unpolitischen?* Deutsches Literaturarchiv, December 6-8, 2012, Marbach am Neckar, Germany.

"Herder's *Kalligone*: Auch eine Philosophie der Ästhetik der Menschheit." German Studies Association Conference, Oct. 2012, Milwaukee, WI.

"Kuno Zwyman *alias* Hermann Kantorowicz: A Legal Scholar's Early Career as a Literary Critic." Invited Participant, Kantorowicz Symposium, Washington and Lee University, September 9-10, 2012, Lexington, VA.

"Kommerell als Psychologe: Schiller und das Problem des handelnden Menschen." Invited lecture, Institut für Germanistik, Universität Innsbruck, June 11, 2012, Innsbruck, Austria.

"Hermann Heller: The Last Defender of the Weimar Republic." Invited participant, Midwest Symposium in German Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 13-14, 2012, Urbana-Champaign, IL.

"Satan's Partner': Friedrich von Bernhardi and the First World War in Germany." Invited lecture, Department of German Studies, History and International Studies, Vassar College, April 5, 2012, Poughkeepsie, NY.

"Geheimes Deutschland: Stefan George und sein Kreis." Invited participant, Humboldt-Kolleg, "Geheime Gesellschaften," Department of German, March 30-April 1, 2012, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

"Gadamer and the George Circle." Invited participant "De Heidegger à Löwith et Gadamer Perspectives critiques," Université de Rouen, 10 May 2011, Rouen, France.

"Isaiah Berlin's Intellectual History." Invited participant, "International Symposium on Isaiah Berlin and Contemporary China," Tsinghua University, 10-12 March, 2011, Beijing, China.

Moderator, "Doppelte Vergangenheitsbewältigung und die Singularität des Holocaust", Katholische Akademie Trier/Universität des Saarlandes, 14-16 January, 2011, Trier, Germany.

"Satan's Partner': Friedrich von Bernhardi and the Intellectual History of the First World War." Invited lecture, Department of German, Cambridge University, November 4, 2010, Cambridge, England.

- Invited to speak on Stefan George to participants in Doctoral Colloquium, Prof. Dr. Wolfram Pyta. Historisches Institut, Universität Stuttgart, July 14, 2010, Stuttgart, Germany.
- “Stefan Georges Gestalt und Wirkung.” Invited lecture by the Literarische Gesellschaft des Palais Boisserée, Grüner Salon, Max Weber Haus, July 4, 2010, Heidelberg, Germany.
- “Herder as Faust.” Invited participant “Johann Gottfried Herder: Reasoning across Disciplines,” May 26-29, 2010, Oslo, Norway.
- “Gadamers George.” Invited lecture at conference on Gadamer, March 24, 2010 Marbach am Neckar, Germany.
- “‘Satan’s Partner’: Friedrich von Bernhardi and the Intellectual History of the First World War.” Invited lecture, Department of German, New York University, March 2, 2009, New York, NY.
- “Kommerell als Psychologe,” German Studies Association Conference, October 2009, Arlington, VA.
- “Ernst Troeltsch und das Problem der Säkularisierung.” Invited Keynote speaker “Secularization and Resacralization between East and West.” Joint Workshop of the Ilia Chavchavadze-University Tbilisi and the Center for Literary and Cultural Research (ZfL), July, 7-8, 2009, Berlin, Germany.
- “Politik eines Unpolitischen? Gemeinschaftskonzepte im George-Kreis.” Invited lecture, Friedrich Schiller Universität, June 24, 2009, Jena, Germany.
- “Nietzsche, Paul, and the Idea of Justice.” American Comparative Literature Conference, Harvard University, March 26-29, 2009, Cambridge, MA.
- “George’s Circles: Forms of Community.” Invited participant at *Gemeinschafts-konzepte im 20. Jahrhundert zwischen Wissenschaft und Ideologie*, January 9-11, 2009, Trier, Germany.
- “Herder’s *Kalligone*: Auch eine Philosophie der Ästhetik der Menschheit.” Invited participant at *Ambivalente Autonomie. Transformationen eines Zentralbegriffs der Aufklärung* November 13-16, 2008, Weimar, Germany.
- “The Ideas of 1914. Ernst Troeltsch and the First World War in Germany.” Invited lecture at Emory University, November 6, 2008, Atlanta, GA.
- “Herder in der neuzeitlichen Theologie: Otto Baumgarten.” International Herder Society Conference, August, 18-21, 2008, Jena, Germany.
- “Die Ideen von 1914. Ernst Troeltsch und der Erste Weltkrieg in Deutschland.” Invited lecture, Karl-Ruprechts Universität, June 17, 2008, Heidelberg.
- “*Lebensphilosophie* and its Discontents.” Invited participant at Rosenzweig Center, Hebrew

- University, May 18-20, 2008, Jerusalem, Israel.
- "The Ideas of 1914. Ernst Troeltsch and the First World War in Germany." Invited lecture, Ohio State University, May 5, 2008, Columbus, OH.
- "Herder as Faust." Invited participant at *Faust at Notre Dame* Conference, April 18-20, 2008, South Bend, IN.
- Guest Lecture for Graduate Seminar, Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, Princeton University, March 25, 2008, Princeton, NJ.
- "Das schöne Leben als ethisches Ideal." Invited participant at *Das Ideal des schönen Lebens und die Wirklichkeit der Weimarer Republik. Vorstellungen von Staat und Gemeinschaft im George-Kreis*, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, September 27-28, 2007, Frankfurt, Germany.
- "Wilamowitz at War." Invited participant in *Images of Philology. History of Science Workshop*, Princeton University, February 17, 2007, Princeton, NJ.
- Invited participant at the founding organizational meeting of the journal *Ideengeschichte. Zeitschrift für die Aktualität der Überlieferung: "Ideengeschichte und Literarisches Archiv,"* February 24-26, 2006, Marbach am Neckar, Germany.
- "Versuch einer Übersetzung: Ernst Bertrams *Nietzsche*." Invited lecture at Deutsches Literaturarchiv, July 7, 2005, Marbach am Neckar, Germany.
- "From the Secret Germany to Nazi Germany: The Aesthetics of Power before and after 1933." Invited lecture at the Universität Bielefeld, May 26, 2005, Bielefeld, Germany.
- "The Myth of the Counter-Enlightenment." Invited lecture at Indiana University, April 22, 2005, Bloomington, IN.
- "The Myth of the Counter-Enlightenment." Invited lecture at Deutsches Haus, Columbia University, October 28, 2004, New York City, NY.
- "Das 'Geheime Deutschland' und die Wissenschaft." Invited lecture at *Wissenschaftler im George-Kreis: Dem George-Kreis verbundene Wissenschaftler in der Spannung zwischen der Welt des Dichters und der Wissenschaft als Beruf*, February 14-16, 2004, Bingen, Germany.
- "From the Secret Germany to Nazi Germany: The Aesthetics of Power before and after 1933." McDonald-Currie Lecture at McGill University, February 2-4, 2004, Montreal, Canada.
- "Multiculturalism and its Malcontents: Historicism's Herder." Modern Language Association Conference, December, 2003, San Diego, CA.
- "Writing Lives: Stefan George and Biography." Invited lecture at the University of Chicago, May 28, 2003, Chicago, IL.

Interviewed by *Deutschland Radio Berlin*, July 16, 2002, Berlin, Germany.

"Stefan George und die Biographik." Invited lecture at Sophie-Charlotte-Oberschule, July 2, 2002, Berlin, Germany.

"Writing Lives: Stefan George and Biography." Keynote speaker at conference, "In Search of the Secret Germany," Queens College, University of Cambridge, March 20-22, 2002, Cambridge, England.

"Henri Bergson and the George Circle." Invited lecture at Intellectual History Seminar, University of Notre Dame, December 7, 2001, South Bend, IN.

Invited to present to Erasmus Institute, University of Notre Dame, September 25, 2001, South Bend, IN.

"Die Geisteswissenschaften an amerikanischen Universitäten." Invited lecture, University of Vienna, June 28, 2001, Vienna, Austria.

"Die Geisteswissenschaften an amerikanischen Universitäten." Invited lecture at the University of Innsbruck, May 11, 2001, Innsbruck, Austria.

"Herder und die Grenzen des Kulturpessimismus: Warum die 'Gegenaufklärung' scheitern muss." Invited lecture at the University of Leiden, May 2, 2001, Leiden, The Netherlands.

"The 'Culture Wars' at American Universities." Invited lecture at seminar sponsored by the Fulbright Commission, April 20, 2001, Altenmarkt, Austria.

"Henri Bergson und der George-Kreis." Panel lecture at public forum, Internationales Forschungszentrum Kulturwissenschaften, March, 2001, Vienna, Austria.

"Herder and Expressivism." Northeast American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Meeting, October 28, 2000, Portland, Maine.

"Stefan George and Androgyny: Fin-de-siècle Sexuality in Germany." Invited participation in symposium, *German at the Fin de Siècle: Society, Science and Ideas*, at Louisiana State University, September 15-16, 2000, Baton Rouge, LA.

"Die anglo-amerikanische Herder-Rezeption: Die 'Gegenaufklärung' und ihre Befürworter." International Herder Society Conference, August 21-25, 2000, Weimar, Germany.

"Gundolf's *Goethe*: German Classicism and the George Circle." Invited lecture at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April, 2000, Urbana-Champaign, IL.

"Gundolf's *Goethe*: German Classicism and the George Circle." Invited lecture at the University of Calgary, February, 2000, Calgary, Canada.

- "The Silence of Stefan George." Invited lecture at Northwestern University, November 12, 1998, Evanston, IL.
- "The Silence of Stefan George." Invited lecture at Princeton University, April 15, 1997, Princeton, NJ.
- "The Secret Germany: Stefan George and His Circle." Invited lecture at the University of Miami, March 28, 1996, Coral Gables, FL.
- "The Secret Germany: Stefan George and His Circle." Invited lecture at Colgate University, November 21, 1995, Hamilton, NY.
- "'Freud 'n' Mädchen': The Psychosociology of Prostitution in the 18th Century." Northeast Modern Language Association Meeting, March, 1995, Boston, MA.
- "Die Erscheinung der moralischen Schönheit: Herders Auseinander-setzung mit der Physiognomik." International Herder Society Conference, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, June, 1992, Bochum, Germany.
- "'The Tyranny of Germany over Greece'? Martin Bernal, Herder, and the German Appropriation of Greece." American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Meeting, University of Washington, March, 1992, Seattle, WA.
- "Herder and the Tradition of Moral Beauty in the Eighteenth Century." Northeast American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Meeting, University of Vermont, October, 1991, Burlington, VT.
- "J. G. Herder und kein Ende." Conference in honor of Hans Aarsleff, Université de Paris-Sorbonne, June, 1991, Paris, France.
- Respondent to papers at symposium on Wilhelm Worringer at Hofstra University, April, 1991, Hempstead, NY.
- "Herder's Concept of 'Kraft' and the Psychology of Semiotic Functions." International Herder Society Conference, University of Virginia, April, 1990, Charlottesville, VA.
- "Johann Gottfried Herder's *Plastik*: Aesthetic Theory and the Enlightenment Epistemological Debate Concerning the Senses of Sight and Touch." American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Meeting, April, 1988, Knoxville, TN.
- "Walter Benjamin: The Desire for Perfect Language." Northeast Modern Language Association Meeting, March, 1988, Providence, RI.
- "Johann Gottfried Herder's *Abhandlung über den Ursprung der Sprache*: Its Position in the Context of Enlightenment Theories of Language." International Conference on the History of the Linguistic Sciences IV, August, 1987, Trier, West Germany.

## **UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION**

### **University of Notre Dame**

Associate Vice President, Academic Affairs and Research

Notre Dame International, Provost's Office (2012-2016 )

Oversaw all academic programs managed by Notre Dame International

Supported faculty conducting research or educational activities abroad

Served as institutional ambassador to visiting faculty and guests and as

representative of Notre Dame at conferences focused on internationalization

Oversaw review of University's London Program (2012)

Oversaw a budget of \$ 14.5 Million

Supervise 4 direct reports in office of 32

Chair, Department of German and Russian Languages and Literatures (1998-2005; 2008-2012)

Managed department of 12 faculty members

Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Director Search Committee (2012)

Provost's Advisory Committee (university-wide committee on promotion and tenure), (2010-2012)

Department Chairs Advisory Group (2010-2013)

Faculty Senate (2006-2008)

Principal Investigator (\$150,000 award), Equipment Restoration and Renewal Program for Enhancement of Library Holdings in German and Russian Literature (2006-2007)

Committee on the Rationale and Learning Goals for the University Requirement in Literature (2003)

Chair, Language Resource Center Review Committee (2000-2001)

College of Arts and Letters Appeal Committee (2000)

Steering Committee, Nanovic Institute for European Studies (1999-2002)

Search Committee, Assistant Director of Library Resources (1999)

College Council (1998-2005)

### **Vassar College**

Chair, Department of German Studies (1993-98)

Managed department of 4 faculty members

Committee on Research (1995-96)

Chair, Chicago Hall (1995-1997)

College Regulation Panel (1995-98)

Faculty Appointment and Salary Committee (1994-95)

Steering Committee on Freshman Courses (1991-96)

Secretary of the Faculty (1990-1992)

Library Committee (1990-1992)

Phi Beta Kappa Selection Committee, Mount Holyoke and Vassar Chapter (1988-1997)

### **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

Member of Jury, Ideenwettbewerb Internationales Forschungsmarketing,  
Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (2014, 2016, 2019, 2020)

Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities Grants (2013)

External Advisor for German and Scandinavian Literature, John Simon Guggenheim  
Memorial Foundation (2004-2011)

Reviewer for Charles Ryskamp Research Fellowship and Frederick Burkhardt Residential  
Fellowship Programs, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), 2011

President, International Herder Society (2009-2010); Vice President (2006-2008)

External Evaluator for foreign language programs at Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
(2003)

Review Panel for Germany/Austria Grant Competition CIES/Fulbright Commission (2001-  
2003)

Pre-screener for American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Annual Grant (1999-2001)

President, Hudson Valley Chapter American Association of Teachers of German (AATG)  
(1994-1996); Vice President (1993-1994)

Tenure reviews for Tel Aviv University, Princeton University, Texas Christian University,  
University of Oklahoma, Boston University, Connecticut College, Cornell University,  
University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown; Brigham Young University; University of California,  
Irvine.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **Karl-Ruprechts-Universität Heidelberg**

George in Heidelberg (Vorlesung/lecture course)  
Literatur und Politik um 1918 (Hauptseminar/Seminar for advanced German literature majors)

### **University of Chicago**

Stefan George and His Circle

### **University of Notre Dame**

Modern German Literature (university seminar)  
Freedom (core course)  
Decline and Fall: The Fate of Civilizations? (college seminar)  
Love (college seminar)  
War (college seminar)  
Intermediate German  
Kulturgeschichte  
Die Literatur von gestern und heute  
The Romantic Tradition  
19<sup>th</sup>-Century German Literature  
Schiller  
Goethe and His Time  
Goethe and His Time (graduate course)  
Aesthetics, Aestheticism, Aestheticization  
Aesthetics, Aestheticism, Aestheticization (graduate course)  
German Graduate Reading

### **Vassar College**

Self and Society (freshman course on modern German)  
Literature in Translation  
Elementary German  
Intermediate German  
Introduction to German Literature  
Nietzsche  
Civilization in Question: Renaissance to Present (college course)  
The Body of the Aesthetic: European Fin-de-siècle Literature and Culture (independent study)  
Literary and Critical Theory (senior seminar)  
The Age of Goethe

### **Mount Holyoke College**

Elementary German  
Studies in German Literature  
German Literature and Its Context  
Eighteenth-Century German Drama



**Princeton University**

German for Reading Knowledge  
Intensive Reading Course for Art Historians  
Beginning German

**University of California, Santa Barbara**

Beginning German

**TEACHING INTERESTS**

German literature (all genres, especially fin-de-siècle literature and culture)

German and European intellectual history from the Enlightenment to early 20th century

Philosophy (especially aesthetics and ethics)

Political philosophy (Conservative Revolution, Democracy)

**MEMBERSHIPS**

American Association of Teachers of German

Modern Language Association of America

American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies

International Herder Society

Lessing Society

Goethe Society of North America

German Studies Association