

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

- 1959-63: Columbia College. B. A., summa cum laude,
1963
- 1963-65: Oriel College, Oxford University. B. A.,
first class, 1965
- 1965-69: Graduate Faculties, Columbia University. Ph.
D., 1969

Employment:

- DeWitt Clinton Professor Emeritus of History, Columbia
University, 2018--
- DeWitt Clinton Professor of History, Columbia
University, 1988-2018
- Professor, Department of History, Columbia University,
1982-88
- Professor, Department of History, City College and
Graduate Center, City University of New York,
1973-82
- Pitt Professor of American History and Institutions,
Cambridge University, 1980-81
- Fulbright Professor of American History, Moscow State
University, Spring 1990
- Harmsworth Professor of American History, Oxford
University, 1993-94
- Leverhulme Visiting Scholar, Queen Mary, University of
London, 2008

Awards, Fellowships, Honors:

- American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 1972-
73
- Guggenheim Fellowship, 1975-76
- National Endowment for the Humanities Senior
Fellowships, 1982-83, 1996-97
- Awards for Reconstruction, 1989: Los Angeles Times Book
Prize for History; Bancroft Prize; Parkman Prize;
Lionel Trilling Award; Owsley Prize. Finalist,
National Book Award; Finalist, National Book
Critics' Circle Award; Finalist, Pulitzer Prize
- Elected member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences,
1989
- Great Teacher Award, Society of Columbia Graduates,
1991
- President, Organization of American Historians, 1993-94
- Scholar of the Year, N. Y. Council for the Humanities,
1995

Elected Corresponding Fellow, British Academy, 1996
President, American Historical Association, 2000
Featured in History Today, January 2000
Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Iona College, 2002
First Place, Electronic Product of 2003, for Columbia
American History Online, Association of American
Publishers
Class of 2006 Distinguished Professor Award, April 2004
Silver Gavel Award, American Bar Association, 2005, for
Brown at Fifty, special issue, The Nation, ed.
Eric Foner and Randall Kennedy
President, Society of American Historians, 2006
Kidger Award for Teaching and Scholarly Excellence, New
England History Teachers Association, 2006
Presidential Award for Outstanding Teaching, Columbia
University, 2006
John Jay Award for Distinguished Professional
Achievement, Columbia College Alumni Association,
2007
Contested Democracy: Freedom, Race, and Power in
American History, ed. Manisha Sinha and Penny Von
Eschen (Columbia University Press, 2007):
Festschrift in honor of Eric Foner
Order of Lincoln, Lincoln Academy of Illinois, 2009
Awards for The Fiery Trial, 2011: Pulitzer Prize for
History; Bancroft Prize; The Lincoln Prize;
Lincoln Group of New York Award of Achievement;
Lincoln Society in Peekskill Lincoln Legacy Award;
Abraham Lincoln Institute Book Award; New York
Military Affairs Symposium Eugene Feit Award in
Civil War Studies
Dean's Award for Distinguished Achievement, Graduate
School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University,
2012
Honorary Doctor of Science (Social Sciences), Queen
Mary, University of London, 2012
American History Colloquium to Celebrate the Work of
Eric Foner, Queen Mary, University of London,
2012, 2014
Ruth Ratner Miller Memorial Award for Excellence in
American History, Concord Free Public Library,
2012
Richard Nelson Current Award of Achievement, The
Lincoln Forum, 2012
Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, State University of
New York, 2013
John Commerford Labor Education Award, New York State
Labor History Association, 2013
Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Dartmouth College,
2014
Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Lehigh University,
2015
Everyday Freedom Hero Award, Underground Railroad
Freedom Center, Cincinnati, 2015

Awards for Gateway to Freedom, 2016: New-York
Historical Society American History Book Prize/
American Historian Laureate; Outstanding Book
Award, Victorian Society of New York
Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Princeton
University, 2016
Global Fellow, Beijing University, 2017
Elected member, American Philosophical Society, 2018
Elected Fellow, American Academy of Political and
Social Science, 2020
Roy Rosenzweig Distinguished Service Award,
Organization of American Historians, 2020
Anisfield-Wolf Book Award for Lifetime Achievement, 2020
Roy Rosenzweig Distinguished Service Award,
Organization of American Historians, 2020

Books:

Free Soil, Free Labor, Free Men: The Ideology of the
Republican Party Before the Civil War (Oxford
University Press, 1970; rep. with new preface,
1995)
America's Black Past: A Reader in Afro-American History
(Harper and Row, 1971)
Nat Turner (Prentice-Hall, 1971)
Tom Paine and Revolutionary America (Oxford University
Press, 1976; rep with new preface, 2004)
Politics and Ideology in the Age of the Civil War
(Oxford University Press, 1980)
Nothing But Freedom: Emancipation and Its Legacy
(Louisiana State University Press, 1983)
Reconstruction: America's Unfinished Revolution 1863-
1877(New American Nation series, Harper and Row,
1988; rep with new introduction, 2014)
A Short History of Reconstruction (Harper and Row,
1990; rep. with new introduction 2014)
A House Divided: America in the Age of Lincoln
(Norton, 1990) (with Olivia Mahoney)
The New American History (editor) (Temple University
Press, 1990; revised and expanded edition, 1997)
Reader's Companion to American History (editor, with
John A. Garraty) (Houghton-Mifflin, 1991)
Freedom's Lawmakers: A Directory of Black Officeholders
During Reconstruction (Oxford University Press,
1993; revised edition, LSU Press, 1996)
Thomas Paine (Library of America, 1995)
America's Reconstruction: People and Politics after the
Civil War (HarperCollins, 1995) (with Olivia
Mahoney)
The Story of American Freedom (Norton, 1998)
Dance for a City: Fifty Years of the New York City
Ballet (editor, with Lynn Garafola) (Columbia U.
Press, 1999)
Who Owns History? Rethinking the Past in a Changing
World (Hill and Wang, 2002)

Give Me Liberty An American History (Norton, 2004)
Voices of Freedom: A Documentary History (Norton, 2004)
Forever Free: The Story of Emancipation and Reconstruction (Knopf, 2005)
Herbert Aptheker on Race and Democracy: A Reader(editor, with Manning Marable) (U.of Illinois Press, 2006)
Our Lincoln: New Perspectives on Lincoln and His World (editor) (Norton, 2008)
The Fiery Trial: Abraham Lincoln and American Slavery (Norton, 2010)
American History Now (editor, with Lisa McGirr) (Temple University Press, 2011)
Gateway to Freedom: The Hidden History of the Underground Railroad (Norton, 2015)
Thomas Paine: Common Sense, The Crisis and Other Writings from the American Revolution (editor) (Library of America, 2015)
Battles for Freedom: The Use and Abuse of American History. Essays from The Nation (I. B. Tauris, 2017)
The Second Founding: How the Civil War and Reconstruction Remade the Constitution (Norton, 2019)
Political Legacies of the Nineteenth-Century United States (in Chinese) (Peking University Press, 2020)

Other Activities:

Articles, essays, op-eds, and book reviews in numerous academic and popular journals, magazines, newspapers
Co-curator, A House Divided exhibit, Chicago Historical Society, and America's Reconstruction, traveling exhibition, originating Virginia Historical Society,
Rewrote Hall of Presidents presentation, Disney World
Appeared on The News Hour, the Daily Show, Crossfire, Charlie Rose, the Donohue Show, Bill Moyers Journal, Fresh Air, The Colbert Report, Democracy Now, All Things Considered
Chief historical advisor for PBS documentary series on Reconstruction, 2019
Director, Columbia and Slavery Project
Books translated into Chinese, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish