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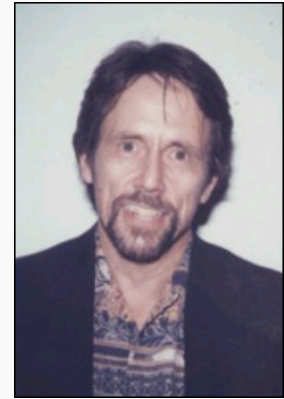
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Bio Sketch:

Trained as an historian of Anglo-America, I have become increasingly interested in American religious history and, as both former director of the UW-Madison Religious Studies Program and current director of the Lubar Institute for the Study of the Abrahamic Religions, comparative religion. At this point my projects are eclectic: they include work on theology and the liberal state, and pluralism in modern America.

Research Interests:

American Religious History, Colonial America, Native Peoples of the Eastern Woodlands, 1500-1800.

Selected Publications:

- Charles L. Cohen and Ronald L. Numbers, eds., *Gods in America: Religious Pluralism in the United States* (New York, 2013)
- Leonard V. Kaplan and Charles L. Cohen, eds., *Theology and the Soul of the Liberal State* (Lanham, MD, 2010)
- Charles L. Cohen and Paul S. Boyer, *Religion and the Culture of Print in Modern America* (Madison, WI, 2008).
- "The Construction of the Mormon People," *Journal of Mormon History* 32 (2006): 25-64
- "Religion," in James Ciment, ed., *Colonial America: An Encyclopedia of Social, Political, Cultural, and Economic History*, 5 vols. (Armonk, NY, 2006), 1.58-69
- "No Man Knows My Psychology: Fawn Brodie, Joseph Smith, and Psychoanalysis," *BYU Studies*, 44, 1 (2005), 55-78
- "Max Weber in New England," in David Libby and Paul Spickard, eds., *Affect and Power: Essays on Sex, Slavery, Race, and Religion in Appreciation of Winthrop D. Jordan*, (n.p., 2005), 170-82
- "The Colonization of North America as an Episode in the History of Christianity," *Church History*, 72 (September, 2003), 553-68
- "A Middle Way for Religious Studies," *Bulletin of the Council of Societies for the Study of Religion*, 32, 1 (February, 2003), 11-13
- "Was the Great Awakening a factor leading to the American Revolution? - No," in Keith Krawczynski, ed., *History in Dispute*, vol. 12: *The American Revolution* (Columbia, S.C., 2003), 149-53

Awards:

Research

- Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians, 2008-2014
- co-recipient, Metanexus Global Societies Initiative Grant, 2008-13
- co-recipient, Metanexus Local Societies Initiative Grant, 2005-08
- Joseph Fielding Smith Institute Research Fellowship, 2004
- Asia-Pacific Study Fund Short-Term Research Fellowship, Japan, 2004
- Osaka University of Foreign Studies International Academic Exchange Fellowship, 2004
- Anonymous Fund, UW-Madison, 2002, 2006
- Romnes Fellowship, UW-Madison, 1990-95
- Vilas Associateship, 1991-93
- Institute for Research in the Humanities, Visiting Fellow, 1986
- Allan Nevins Prize, Society of American Historians.

Teaching

- Phi Beta Kappa Distinguished Teaching Award, 2002
- Emil H. Steiger Distinguished Teaching Award, 1997
- F.F. Johnson Teaching Award, History Department, 1995, 1996
- Elected UW-Madison Teaching Academy, 1996
- Karen F. F. Johnson Award (UW History Dept.), 1995, 1996
- N.E.H. Younger Scholars Award (faculty co-recipient), 1995
- UW Faculty/Student Hilldale Research Award, 1992, 1995

Courses Taught:

Lecture Courses:

- History 101 - American History to Civil War Era - [Syllabus 2011 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 271 - Religion in History and Culture: The West - [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 343 - Colonial British North America - [Syllabus 2009 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 451 - American Religious History to the Mid-Nineteenth Century - [Syllabus 2007 \(pdf\)](#)

Undergraduate Colloquia:

- History 200 - Research in Colonial America - [Syllabus 1999 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 500 - Reading Seminar in History
- History 600 - Advanced Seminar in History - Topics: "Anne Hutchinson and the Antinomian Controversy" - [Syllabus 2000 \(pdf\)](#); "Amerindians and Europeans in the Colonial Eastern Woodlands" - [Syllabus 2001 \(pdf\)](#)
- Religious Studies 600, "Religion in Critical Perspective" - [Syllabus 2006 \(pdf\)](#)

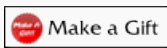
Graduate Courses:

- History 910 - Colonial North America - [Syllabus 2012 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 963 - American Religious History to 1860 - [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)
- Curriculum and Instruction 675 - The History of Mass COmmunication in America - [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)

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