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Class of 1944 Professor of History

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Education:

Ph.D., Harvard University, 1975, History and East Asian Languages M.A., Harvard University, 1970, Regional Studies: East Asia A.B., Manhattanville College, 1968, Asian Studies

Research Interests:

East Asia: pre-modern Japan

Profile:

Academic Appointments

University of California, Berkeley, 1978 to present.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 1974-1978.

Kyoto University, Visiting Scholar, 1978-1979, 1986-1987.

Stanford University, Visiting Professor, 2004-2005

Major Professional Service

Chair, Department of History, 2007-2012

President, Association for Asian Studies (elected), 2004-05 Vice-President, 2003-04



Institute of East Asian Studies, UC Berkeley, Interim Director, 2001

Department of South and Southeast Asian Studies, UC Berkeley, Chair, 1998-2000

Center for Japanese Studies, UC Berkeley, Chair, 1991-95, 1997-98

Japan Foundation
American Advisory Committee, 1999Chair, Doctoral Fellowship Sub-Committee, 2002Chair, Full Committee, 2004-

Journal of Japanese Studies Editorial Board, 1989-2006 Advisory Board, 1987-89

Society of Japanese Studies Board of Directors, 1987-2001, 2002-

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies (Yokohama)
Board of Directors, 1991-2002
Steering Committee, 1995-96
Selection Committee for Head, 1995

American Historical Review Board of Editors, 1997-2000

American Historical Association

Nominating Committee (elected), 1995-98

Selection Committee, Award for Scholarly Distinction, 1997

Association for Asian Studies Board of Directors, 1983-86 (elected) Northeast Asian Regional Council, 1983-86 (elected) Publications Committee, 1986-88

Journal of Asian Studies Japan Book Review Editor, 1983-85 Assistant Editor, 1985-87

National Endowment for the Humanities
Panel of Reviewers, Division of Research Programs, 1994-95

Fulbright, Council for International Exchange of Scholars Screening Committee in East Asian History and Literature, 1990-92 Chair, 1991-92

Mombusho (Japan's Ministry of Education), Scholarship Selection Committee, 1988 Urasenke Foundation of Northern California Chair, Board of Directors, 1993-2002

Japan Society of Northern California Advisor, 1993-95

Yale University, East Asian Prize Fellowships Committee of Examiners, 2003

Ohio State University, Referee "Selective Investment Proposal," Department of History, 1999

University of Pennsylvania, External Review Committee Department of History, 1994-95

Dallas Museum of Art, Historical Advisor to Japan's Golden Age: Momoyama Exhibition sponsored by Japan's Ministry of Culture

Catalogue published by Yale University Press, 1995-96.

Townsend Center for the Humanities Board of Directors, 1996-1999 Fellows Selection Committee, 1997 Working Groups Funding Committee, 1998

Work as a Referee

A. University Presses: California, Harvard, Princeton, Michigan

- B. Journals: American Historical Review, Canadian Journal of History, Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies, Journal of Asian Studies, Journal of Japanese Studies, Monumenta Nipponica
- C. Organizations: International Predissertation Fellowship Committee of SSRC, National Endowment for the Humanities, University of British Columbia Hampton Fund

Honors

Appointment as a Senior Faculty Fellow, Townsend Center for the Humanities, UC Berkeley, 1993-94

Berkeley Book Prize for The Culture of Civil War in Kyoto, 1995

Distinguished Teaching Award, Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society and the Graduating History Majors, UC Berkeley, 1995

Appointment as Distinguished Lecturer on Japan, Association of Asian Studies, 1995-96

Appointment as Lawrence Stone Lecturer, Princeton University, Spring 2002

Appointment as Edwin McClellan Lecturer, Yale University, Spring 2002

Appointment as Yamato Ichihashi Visiting Professor of Japanese History and Civilization, Stanford University, 2004-2005

Appointment as Dean's Professor of East Asian History, University of California, Berkeley, 2005

Appointment as Class of 1944 Professor of History, 2007

Election to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2009

Representative Publications:

Books

Hideyoshi, Harvard University Press, 1982.

The Culture of Civil War in Kyoto, University of California Press, 1994.

Chizu to ezu no seiji bunka-shi (Mapping and Politics in Premodern Japan), ed. Kuroda Hideo, Mary Elizabeth Berry, Sugimoto Fumiko. Tokyo: University of Tokyo Press, 2001

Japan in Print: Information and Nation in the Early Modern Period, University of California Press, 2006.

Articles

- "Restoring the Past: The Documents of Hideyoshi's Magistrate in Kyoto," *Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies*, 43:1(June 1983):57-95.
- "Public Peace and Private Attachment: The Goals and Conduct of Power in Early Modern Japan," *Journal of Japanese Studies*, 12:2(Summer 1986):237-71.
- "Edo no chizu ga kataru mono" ("The Stories Edo Maps Are Telling"), Libellus, 7 (December 1992).
- "Edo jidai no chizu-zō o tsujite mita toshi no kinseiteki kannen" ("Early Modern Visions of the City as Conveyed in Edo Period Maps"), *Hikaku toshi-shi kenkyū*, 12:1(June 1993).
- "Was Early Modern Japan Culturally Integrated?" Modern Asian Studies, 31:3(1997):547-581. Reprinted in Victor Lieberman, ed., *Beyond Binary Histories: Re-imagining Eurasia to c. 1830*, University of Michigan Press, 1999.
- "Public Life in Authoritarian Japan," Daedalus, 127:3(Summer 1998):133-165.
- "Maps Are Strange; Mapmakers Are Strangers" in Kuroda, Berry, and Sugimoto, eds., *Chizu to ezu no seiji bunka-shi*.
- "Preface" to Chizu to ezu no seiji bunka-shi, with Kuroda and Sugimoto.
- "Conventional Knowledge in Early Modern Japan," in Gail Bernstein, Andrew Gordon, and Kate Nakai, eds., Public Sphere, Private Lives in Modern Japan, 1600-1950, Harvard University Asia Center, 2005.
- "Samurai Trouble: Thoughts on War and Loyalty," Journal of Asian Studies, 64:4 (November 2005): 831-47.

Reviews

- "Japan in the Muromachi Age," ed. John W. Hall and Toyoda Takeshi, in *Journal of Japan Studies*, 4:1 (1978):187-198.
- "The Medieval Japanese Daimyo," by Peter J. Arnesen, in Monumenta Nipponica, 36:2(1981):187-193.

"The Bakufu in Japanese History," ed. Jeffrey P. Mass and William Hauser, in *Journal of Japanese Studies*, 13:1(1987):186-194.

"The Cambridge History of Japan," Volume 3, ed. Kozo Yamamura, in *Journal of Japanese Studies* 18:2 (1992):479-492.

"Architecture and Authority in Japan," by William H. Coaldrake, in *Journal of Japanese Studies* 24:2 (1998):401-406.

Other

"Introduction" to "Giving in Asia: A Symposium" in Journal of Asian Studies, 46:2(May 1987).

Various entries in The Encyclopedia of Asian History, ed. Ainslie Embree, Charles Scribner Sons, 1987.

Entry on "Japanese Tokugawa Shogun Ascendancy (1598-1615)" in *The Encyclopedia of Political Revolutions*, ed. Jack A. Goldstone, Congressional Quarterly Inc., 1998.

"Strangers and Brothers: The Jesuits 'Make Home' in Japan," published in the *Proceedings of the International Symposium to Commemorate the 450th Anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's Landing in Japan,* Kagoshima, Japan, October, 1999

Courses

Semester	Course	Title	Syllabus
Spring 2014	118A	Japan, Archaeological Period to 1800	
Spring 2012	275F	Asia	
Fall 2012	118A	Japan, Archaeological Period to 1800	
Spring 2011	2	World Cities	

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