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EDUCATION:

Graduate:

Department of History, University of California, Berkeley:
Ph.D., 1980.

Advisors: Robert Middlekauff, Henry F. May,
Robert Bellah

M.A., 1973.

Undergraduate:

Radcliffe College (1967-69, 1970-71): American History and
Literature; Social Studies.

Phi Beta Kappa, junior year

University of California, Berkeley (1972): History.

B.A., 1972.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT:

Department of History, University of California, Los Angeles

Lecturer (1977)

Visiting Assistant Professor (1980-1982)

Assistant Professor (1982-1987)

Associate Professor (1987-2001)

Professor (2001-present)

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

Visionary Republic: Millennial Themes in American Thought,
1756-1800 (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1985)

Selected for ACLS History Ebook Project, 2002.

Reissued in paperback by Cambridge University Press, 2005.

Prizes:

Best Historical Monograph by a Young Scholar in 1985,
from American Historical Association, Pacific Coast Branch.

Best First Book in United States History

from the National Historical Society

Gender and Morality in Anglo-American Culture, 1650-1800

(Berkeley: UC Press, 2003)

PUBLICATIONS, CONT'D:

Articles:

- "American Feminine Ideals in Transition: The Rise of the Moral Mother, 1785-1815," Feminist Studies 4 (June 1978): 101-126.
Reprinted in The New American Nation, 1776-1815, ed. Peter S. Onuf (Hamden, CT: Garland Publishing Inc., 1991).
- "Untangling the Roots of Modern Sex Roles: A Survey of Four Centuries of Change," Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society 4 (December 1978): 237-252.
- "The Gendered Meanings of Virtue in Revolutionary America." Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society 11 (Fall 1987): 37-58.
Reprinted in Peter S. Onuf, ed., New American Nation, 1776-1815 (Hamden, Ct.: Garland, 1991).
Reprinted in Rethinking the Political: Gender, Resistance and the State, eds. Barbara Laslett, Johanna Brenner, and Yesim Arat (Chicago: University of Chicago, 1995)
Reprinted in A History of Gender in America (Prentice Hall, forthcoming 2003)
- "The Social and Political Base of Millennial Literature in Late Eighteenth-Century America," American Quarterly 40 (September 1988): 378-396.
- "Battling Infidelity, Heathenism, and Licentiousness: New England Missions on the Post-Revolutionary Frontier," in The Northwest Ordinance: Essays on its Formulation, Provisions, and Legacy, ed. Frederick D. Williams (East Lansing: Michigan State University Press, 1988), pp.39-59.
- "Religion and Ideological Change in the American Revolution" in Religion and American Politics, ed. Mark A. Noll (New York: Oxford University Press, 1989), pp.44-61.
Reprinted in revised 2nd ed., 2007.
- "The Construction of Gender in a Republican World" prepared for Blackwell's Encyclopedia of the American Revolution (Oxford: Blackwell, 1991), pp. 601-606.
- "Women, Love, and Virtue in the Thought of Edwards and Franklin," in Benjamin Franklin, Jonathan Edwards, and the Representation of American Culture, eds. Barbara Oberg and Harry S. Stout (New York: Oxford University Press, 1993), pp. 134-151.
- "A Culturalist Critique of Trends in Feminist Theory," "Building on Ruth Bloch's Proposals [by Barbara Laslett and Sandra Harding]", "Responses to Laslett and Harding," Contention 2 (Spring 1993): 77-132.
Reprinted in Debating Gender, Debating Sexuality, ed. Nikki Keddie (New York: New York University Press, 1996).
- "Religion, Literary Sentimentalism, and Popular Revolutionary Ideology," in Religion in a Revolutionary Age, eds. Ronald Hoffman and Peter J. Albert (Charlottesville: University Press of Virginia, 1994), 308-330.

PUBLICATIONS, CONT'D:

- "Gender Ideology in the Revolutionary Era," in Women in American History ed. Joyce Appleby, et. al., vol. I (New York: Book Builders for Sharpe References, 2002): 19-22.
- "Two Eighteenth-Century American Legacies: Liberalism and Sentimentalism," in a pilot of the electronic journal "Compass," ed. Joyce E. Chaplin (Blackwell Press, 2002)
- "Utopianism, Liberalism, and Sentimentalism in American Culture," Intellectual History Newsletter 24(2002): 47-60
Reprinted in abbreviated form in Joyce Chaplin ed., *Compass*, Blackwell Press, 2002 at <http://www.history-compass.com>
- "Changing Conceptions of Sexuality and Romance in Eighteenth-Century America," William and Mary Quarterly 60(Jan 2003):13-42.
- "Inside and Outside the Public Sphere," William and Mary Quarterly 62(Jan 2005): 99-106.
- "The American Revolution, Wife Beating, and the Emergent Value of Privacy," Journal of Early American Studies (Nov 2007): pp. 223-251.

Reviews:

Review Essays:

- "The Constitution and Culture," in a bicentennial symposium on Gordon Wood's *The Creation of the American Republic*, William and Mary Quarterly XLIV (July 1987): 550-55.
- "Radical Whigs Revisited: Reflections upon Bernard Bailyn's *Ideological Origins of the American Revolution* (1968)," Intellectual History Newsletter 15 (Fall 1993): 14-22.
- "Linda Kerber's *Republican Mother*" in Locating American Studies: The Evolution of a Discipline, ed. Lucy Maddox (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins, 1999), pp. 162-166.
- "The Origins of Feminism and the Limits of Enlightenment" Journal of Modern Intellectual History 3(2006): 273-294

Book Reviews:

- of Jack Fruchtman, *The Apocalyptic Politics of Richard Price and Joseph Priestley in The Eighteenth Century: A Current Bibliography*, 9 (1983) ed. Jim Springer Borck (New York: A.M.S. Press, 1988), pp. 682-3.
- of Melvin Yazawa, *From Colonies to Commonwealth: Familial Ideology and the Beginnings of the American Republic*, in Eighteenth Century Studies (Winter 1987): 262-65.
- of Jefferson's *Extracts from the Gospels: "The Philosophy of Jesus" and "The Life and Morals of Jesus"*, ed. Dickenson W. Adams Papers of Thomas Jefferson, 2nd ser. (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1983) in The Journal of American History 74 (March 1988): 1335-36.
- of Jon Butler's *Awash in a Sea of Faith*, in the Journal of American History 77 (March 1991): 1332.
- of Jeanne Boydston's *Home and Work*, in the Journal of Economic History (September 1992):
- of Barry Alan Shain, *The Myth of American Individualism*, in the Journal of American History 83 (June 1996):182-83.

PUBLICATIONS, CONT'D:

- of Darren Staloff's The Making of an American Thinking Class, in the William and Mary Quarterly (Fall 1998): 616-18.
- of Patricia Bonomi, The Lord Cornbury Scandal: The Politics of Reputation in British America, in the Journal of American History (March 1999):1575-76.
- of Kate Davies' Catherine Macaulay and Mercy Otis Warren: The Revolutionary Atlantic and the Politics of Gender in the William and Mary Quarterly 64 (2007):433-435.
- of Elizabeth Reis, Damned Women: Sinners and Witches in Puritan New England, in the Journal of American History (December 1999)
- of Norma Basch's Framing American Divorce, in H-Net Reviews, 1999
Archived at:
www.h-net.msu.edu/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=17994947890032
- of Andrew R. Burstein's Sentimental Democracy: The Evolution of America's Romantic Self-Image, in the Journal of American History (December 2000):1024-25
- of Jon Butler's Becoming America: The Revolution before 1776, in the William and Mary Quarterly LVIII (January 2001):278-282.
- of Dee E. Andrews' The Methodists and Revolutionary America: The Shaping of an Evangelical Culture, 1760-1800, in Books and Culture: A Christian Review (July/August 2001): 32-33.
- of Jean E. Friedman's Ways of Wisdom, in the Journal of Southern History 69(Feb 2003): 158-9.
- of Thomas E. Buckley's The Great Catastrophe of My Life: Divorce in the Old Dominion, in the William and Mary Quarterly (2003):687-88
- of Gloria L. Main's People in a Spacious Land: Families and Cultures in Colonial New England, in Journal of Marriage and the Family 65 (2003): 1082-83.
- of Susan Juster's Doomsdayers: Anglo-American Prophecy in the Age of Revolution, in Journal of the Early Republic 24(2004):132-36.
- of Kate Davies' Catherine Macaulay and Mercy Otis Warren: The Revolutionary Atlantic and the Politics of Gender, in the William and Mary Quarterly LXIV(April 2007): 433-436.

Reports:

- "History Seminar," with Valerie Matsumoto and George Sanchez, in Women of Color and the Multicultural Curriculum, eds. Liza Fiol-Matta and Mariam K. Chamberlain (New York: The Feminist Press, 1994), pp. 86-97.
- "Letter from Paris," Uncommon Sense (Newsletter of the Institute of Early American History & Culture), No. 99 (July 1994): 16-17.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

- On the public-private distinction in American history
On gender, family, and religion in 18th- and early 19th-century America

PRESENTATIONS:

- "Radical Millennialism in the 1790's: The Whiskey Rebellion and Early Democratic Republicanism," American Historical Association Meeting, New York, December 29, 1979.

PRESENTATIONS, CONT'D:

- "Comment" in Session "Religion and Society," Symposium on Politics, Economics, and the Arts: The Netherlands and the Foundation of the American Republic," UCLA, April, 1982.
- "The Birth of American Victorian Conceptions of Motherhood," Symposium on the American Family, California State University, Fullerton, March, 1983.
- "The English Popular Millennial Tradition in Late Eighteenth-Century America" Organization of American Historians, Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, April 1983.
- "Women and the Old and New Intellectual History," Eighth Annual Irvine Seminar on Social History and Theory, March, 1985.
- "Religious Ideas and The Rise of Romantic Love in Eighteenth-Century America," Social Science Seminar, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey, March, 1986.
- "The Gendered Meanings of Virtue in Revolutionary America," Organization of American Historians, Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, April, 1987.
- "The Social and Political Base of Millennial Literature," Eighteenth-Century Studies Association, Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, April 1987.
- "Discussant," Symposium on Quaker Women, 1650-1987, Haverford College, April, 1987.
- "New England Evangelicalism, Indians, and Northwestern Settlements" Bicentennial Conference on the Northwest Ordinance, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, May, 1987.
- "Religion and Ideological Change in the American Revolution" at a conference on the History of Religion and American Politics, Wheaton College, Illinois, March, 1988.
- "Comment" at a symposium on Religion in a Revolutionary Age," sponsored by the United States Capitol Historical Society, Washington D.C., March 1988.
- "Solidarity and Individualism in the Popular Religion and Fiction of Revolutionary America" Symposium on Religion and Popular Culture, University of Texas at Austin, April 1988.
- "Moderator," Conference on Women and the French Revolution, UCLA, October, 1989
- "Women, Love, and Virtue in the Thought of Edwards and Franklin," at the National Conference on Jonathan Edwards and Benjamin Franklin, Yale University, February, 1990
- "Comment: History and the Culture Problem," at Irvine Seminar on Social History and Theory, March, 1990.
- "Comment: Gender and the Politics of Discourse" at Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Rutgers University, June, 1990.
- "Mather, Franklin, and Edwards: The Intellectual Origins of American Sentimentalism," Early American Historians of Southern California, Huntington Library, fall 1992.

PRESENTATIONS, CONT'D:

- "Courtship Regulation in the British American Colonies,"
Luncheon Speaker Series, UCLA Center for the Study of
Women, 1992
- "Women and Laws of Courtship in 18th-Century America,"
Centre de recherches sur l'histoire des Etats-Unis,"
Universite Paris 7, February, 1994
- "Histoire culturelle, histoire sociale: autour de l'histoire
des femmes aux Etats Unis," Centre d'enseignement de
documentation et de recherche pour les etudes
feministes," Universite Paris 7, March, 1994
- "Religious Hyperbole in the American Revolution" Groupe de
Recherche Anglo-Americaine de Tours, Universite de
Tours, March 1994
- "Republicanism, Liberalism, and Domesticity" at annual
meeting of Society of American Legal Historians,
Washington D.C., October, 1994
- "Revisiting 'A Culturalist Critique of Feminist Theory,'"
Feminist Research Seminar, Center for the Study of
Women at UCLA, November, 1994
- "Courtship in Early America," Westwood Women's Bruin Club,
UCLA, February, 1995
- "Gender and Republicanism: A Comparative Perspective,"
comment, American Historical Association meeting,
January, 1996
- "Ambiguities of Embodiment in Early America " comment, American Historical
Association meeting, Seattle, January, 1998
- Panelist, "Intersections: Intellectual and Women's History" Conference at
Dartmouth College, May 1-2, 1998
- "Gender and the Public/Private Dichotomy in American Revolutionary
Thought" at University of Minnesota, Comparative Women's History
Workshop, October 1999
- Comment on paper "Class, Gender, and Marriage" by Gillian Hamilton, at UC
Group in Economic History Conference "Families, Households, Kin and
Networks," April 2000
- Comment on panel on early American popular religion, American Historical
Association meeting, Boston, January 6, 2001
- Comment on panel on early American literacy, race, and gender,
Organization of American Historians, Los Angeles, April 28, 2001
- "For Love or Money? The Rhetoric of Sex, Romance, and Market Relations in
Eighteenth-Century America" Conference on Early American Sexuality,
Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture and the
McNeill Center at University of Pennsylvania, June 2001
- "Utopianism, Liberalism, and Sentimentalism in American Culture," for
Sawyer Seminar, National Humanities Center, Raleigh-Durham, January
2002
- "Romantic Love and Marriage in early America," Bay Area Early American
History Seminar, Berkeley, March 3, 2002
- Comment and Chair, "How Legal and Political Institutions are Shaped by
Gender and Sexuality," Graduate Conference, "Thinking Gender,"
Center for the Study of Women, UCLA, March 7, 2003
- "Re-evaluating 'Separate Spheres'," Early American History Research Focus
Group, University of California at Santa Barbara, April 14, 2003
- Comment on panel at conference "Women in American Religious History,"
University of Chicago Divinity School, October 9, 2003

PRESENTATIONS, CONT'D:

- "Re-evaluating Separate Spheres in Light of Feminism Today," Public Lecture sponsored by The Barnard Center for Research on Women and the Department of History, Barnard College, New York, March 3, 2004
- "Defining Public and Private in Early America: The General Problem and Evidence mainly from New England," Columbia Seminar in Early American History, SUNY Graduate Center, New York, April 13, 2004
- "Separate Spheres, Then and Now," invited lecture at Department of History, State University of California, Long Beach, February 24, 2005
- "Women and the Value of Privacy in the American Revolution," Thirteenth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Scripps College, June 3, 2005
- Comment and Chair, on panel on early American science at the annual Omohundra Institute Conference on Early American History and Culture, University of California, Santa Barbara, June 25, 2005
- With Naomi R. Lamoreaux, "The Private Rights of Organizations: The Tangled Roots of Laissez Faire and the Right to Privacy," Economic History Association Meeting, Pittsburg, PA, Sept. 15-16, 2006.
- "Private Rights, the Right to Privacy: The Legacy of the American Revolution in Comparison with the French," for the conference "From Colonies into Republics, " Institut Charles V, University of Paris 7, Denis Diderot, December 8-9, 2006.

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND VISITING POSITIONS:

- UCLA Academic Senate Annual Research Grants, 1982- to present
- Faculty Recognition Award from UCLA's Honors Collegium, 2003
- Visiting Associate Professor, Institut Charles V, University of Paris 7, 1993-94
- Visitor, Centre D'Etudes Nord-Americaines, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris
- National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 1990-91
- UC President's Fellowship in the Humanities, 1990-91
- Visitor, Spring 1989, American Studies, Tienjin University, People's Republic of China
- Book Award, for Visionary Republic, Best Historical Monograph by a Young Scholar in 1985, from the American Historical Association, Pacific Coast Branch.
- Book Award, for Visionary Republic, Best First Book in United States History from the National Historical Society
- ACLS-Ford Research Fellowship, 1985-86.
- Visitor, 1985-86, School of Social Science, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey.
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, 1985-86, The Philadelphia Center for Early American Studies.
- UCLA Faculty Career Development Award, Summer 1985.
- ACLS, Research Fellowship for Recent Recipients of the Ph.D., 1983.
- Danforth Graduate Teaching Fellowship, 1972-76.
- Colonial Dames of America Award, 1973.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Lecture Courses:

Self-Interest and Community in American Cultural
History (UCLA Honors College)
History of the American Peoples, 1607-1800
Colonial America, 1607-1760
Revolutionary America, 1760-1800
History of Early American Women, 1607-1830
American Intellectual History, 1607-1860

Undergraduate Seminars:

Gender in Early American Culture and Society
Sexuality and the Emotions in American History, 1600-1860
Early American Religious History
History of the American Family
History of American Utopianism
Popular Religion in Early Modern England and America
Historiography

Graduate Seminars:

Introductory Survey in Early American History
American Revolution
Seventeenth-Century America
Eighteenth-Century America
Early American Religion and Society
Gender: Theory and Early Modern Historiography
Research Seminar on Early American Culture
Collaborative Research Seminar: Public/Private Distinction
American Intellectual History: From the Puritans to the Pragmatists

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

Department of History, UCLA

Graduate Awards Committee, 1989-90, 91-93, 2004-05
Graduate Guidance and Curriculum Committee, 1986-87,
Chair, 1991-93
Advisory Committee to Chair, 1987-8, 1991-93,
Chair, Search in U.S. Women's History, 1987-88
Distinguished Teaching Award Committee, 1988-90
Search Committee in Latin American History, 1995-96
Coordinator, American Field, 1984-85, 1995-96
Search Committee in Early American History, 2001-02
Chair, Search Committee in Early American History, 2002-03
American Field Sub-Committees: Graduate Admissions and
Fellowships, Ph.D. Exam, M.A. Review, Soft Money,
Graduate Curriculum Reform
Promotion committees, 1986-87, 2002-03, 2004-05
Alternate member, Personnel Committee, 2004-05, 2005-06
Chair, Appointments Committee, 2005-06
Chair, Promotion Committee, 2005-06
Academic Personnel Committee (formerly Advisory Committee):
2005-06, 2007-08
Vice-Chair for Graduate Studies, 1991-93
Vice Chair for Academic Personnel, 2006-07
UCLA Academic Senate Library Committee, 1991-93
Chair, Chancellor's Committee on Ed-Psych Library, 1992
Committee on Honors, College of Letters and Science, 1999-2002
UCLA Center for Research on Women
Co-Chair, Faculty Research Seminar on Women, 1986-87,

1987-88, 1988-89, 1992-93
 Advisory Committee, 1991-93, 1994-1999
 Chair, Search Committee for Director, 1995-96
 Committee Evaluating Visiting Scholars, 2004-05
 Constance Coiner Fellowship Committee, 2006
 UCLA Women's Studies Program
 Chair, 1996-1999
 Advisory Committee, 1987-88, 1996-2003, 2007-
 Honors Collegium, UCLA College of Letters and Sciences
 Advisory Committee, 1999-2003
 Chair of Advisory Committee, 2002-2003
 Academic Senate Committee on Diversity and Equal Opportunity, 2007-

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Referee for articles and book manuscripts for: *Journal of American History*, *William and Mary Quarterly*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, *American Quarterly*, *Journal of Millennial Studies*, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*; Rutgers University Press, Indiana University Press, University of California Press, Cambridge University Press, *Modern Intellectual History*
 Prize Committee for the Douglas Adair Memorial Award, 1989, for best article 1985-89 in *The William and Mary Quarterly*
 Selection Committee of Postdoctoral Fellow, 1993, for the Institute for Early American History and Culture, Williamsburg, Virginia
 Representative to ACLS, 1991-95, for the Organization of American Historians
 Member of Council of the Institute of Early American History and Culture, Williamsburg, VA, 1993-96
 Publications Committee, 1993-96
 Nominations Committee, 1995
 Reviewer of ACLS Fellowship Applications, 1994
 Member of Advisory Board, H-Net electronic discussion group on History of Religion in America, 1994-
 Judge of Jamestown Prize, Institute of Early American History and Culture, 1995-96
 External reviewer, Women's Studies Program, University of Nevada at Las Vegas, 1999
 Research Associate, "Feminism in the Enlightenment," a Research Program sponsored by Department of History, Royal Holloway, University of London and Department of Cultural Studies University of East London, 1999-2002
 Judge, Post-Doctoral NEH Fellowship Program Applications, Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture, 2003-04
 Program Committee for the 11th Annual Conference of the Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture, June 24-26, 2005
 Organizer of Roundtable, "Women Academic Historians as Women Workers" at annual meeting of Organization of American Historians, April 22, 2006
 Member of Managing Board, The American Quarterly (the journal of American Studies Association), 2006-2009
 Member of Editorial Board, Modern Intellectual History, 2007-2009