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Education:

B.S., Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, 1974. Educational Research.

Ed.M., Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1975.

Ph.D., Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, Sociology, 1983.

Dissertation title: Educational Expansion and Economic Growth in the United States, 1890 to 1979.

Employment Experience:

Department of Sociology, Indiana University. Assistant Professor, 1983-1988; Associate Professor, 1988-1995; Professor, 1995 to 2000; James H. Rudy Professor of Sociology, 2000-. Adjunct positions in Gender Studies and American Studies.

Director, Center for Education and Society, Indiana University, 2000-.

Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, College of Arts and Sciences, Indiana University, 1995-1998.

Consultant to Montgomery County Public Schools (Maryland), Department of Educational Accountability. June, 1982 - June, 1983 and January, 1979 - June, 1980.

Senior Project Analyst, Applied Management Sciences, Silver Spring, Maryland. October, 1976 - August, 1978.

Research Associate, Nero and Associates, Rosslyn, Virginia. July, 1975 - September, 1976.

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships:

Pre-doctoral fellow at the Center for Social Organization of Schools, Johns Hopkins University, 1978-79 and 1979-80, on a training grant sponsored by the National Institute of Education.

Pre-doctoral fellow in the Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University, in NIMH-funded Sociology of Human Development Program, 1981-82 and 1982-83.

Summer Faculty Fellowship, Indiana University, Summer 1984.

National Academy of Education fellow, 1986-87, funded by the Spencer Foundation.

Best Recent Article Award, 1988, from the Comparative-Historical Section of the American Sociological Association for "The family economy, work, and educational participation in the United States, 1890-1940" (see below).

Career Advancement Award, National Science Foundation, Division of Social and Economic Science, 1993 (see research grants).

Fellow, CIC Academic Leadership Program, 1995-96.

Member, Sociological Research Association (elected 1997).

Resident Fellow, Rockefeller Foundation Study and Conference Center, Bellagio, Italy, April-May 2001.

Recipient of the 2004 Tracey M. Sonneborn Award, Indiana University (for exemplary research and exemplary teaching).

Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Palo Alto, CA, September 2005-August 2006.

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship, 2007.

Resident Fellow, Spencer Foundation, 2007-08.

Research Grants:

Economic and Social Effects on Primary and Secondary School Expansion in the American States: 1870 to 1930. Spencer Foundation (\$9460, awarded June, 1984 to June, 1985).

The Contribution of Math and Science Education to Aggregate Economic Growth in the Post-World War II United States. National Science Foundation, Sociology Program (\$75,000, awarded September, 1985 to August, 1987).

Racial Inequalities in Southern Education and the Rise and Fall of the Racial State (with David R. James). National Science Foundation, Sociology Program (\$164,330, awarded August, 1988 to July, 1992).

Class Conflict over Education in the North and the South at the Turn of the Century. Spencer Foundation (\$7320, awarded June, 1993 to June, 1994).

Class Conflict over American Education at the Turn of the Century. National Science Foundation, Sociology Program (\$40,308, awarded August, 1993 to July, 1994).

Private Interests and Public Voices: Organizations, Group Mobilization, and the Politics of Public Education, 1880-1920. Spencer Foundation (\$269,450, awarded June, 1995 to May, 1998).

Securing Social Rights: Subordinate-Group Challenges to Education Policy and the Transformation of Public Education, 1880 to 1920. National Science Foundation, Sociology Program (\$50,932, awarded September, 1995 to August, 1997).

The Power of the Purse: Private Organizations and the Development of Public Educational Policy, 1880 to 1920. Spencer Foundation (\$34,488, awarded August, 1998 to August, 1999).

Mentor Award, Spencer Foundation (\$50,000, awarded May 2000 to May 2002).

Education for All? Silences and Contradictions in Americans' Policy Preferences Concerning Educational Equality. Spencer Foundation (\$34,708, awarded March 2002 to February 2003).

Supplement to Education for All? [For additional interviews following the U.S. Supreme Court Decision on the Cleveland school vouchers case on June 28, 2002.] Spencer Foundation (\$5,500).

Conference on Discipline Based Scholarship in Education Training Programs. April 23-25, 2004. Spencer Foundation (\$21,295).

Fits and Starts: Knowledge Use in Educational Policymaking. Symposium funded by the W.T. Grant Foundation (\$32,000). June 23-24, 2005. (With Larry V. Hedges and Sheri Ranis.)

Political Culture, Equality Talk, and Educational Policymaking. Spencer Foundation. Principal Investigator (\$612,160, awarded August 2005 to August 2009). Co-PIs: Jean Robinson and Julia Lamber.

Center and Training Grant:

Discipline-Based Scholarship in Education Program at Indiana University. Spencer Foundation. Principal Investigator (\$495,580, awarded September 2001 to August 2004).

Renewal of Discipline-Based Scholarship in Education Program at Indiana University. Spencer Foundation. Principal Investigator (\$349,414, awarded September 2004 to August 2008).

Supplement to Discipline-Based Scholarship in Education Program at Indiana University. Office of the Chancellor, Indiana University (\$150,000, awarded September 2005 to August 2008).

Program Grants:

Freshman-Learning Project. Indiana University Strategic Directions Charter funding. Co-principal investigator (\$126,411, awarded July, 1997 to June, 1999).

Support for the Expansion of the TOPICS Curriculum. Indiana University Strategic Directions Charter funding. Principal Investigator (\$250,000, awarded July, 1997 to June, 1999).

The Road to the Baccalaureate: Fostering Student Academic Achievement and Increasing Persistence to Graduation at Indiana University. Lilly Endowment, Inc. Project Co-Coordinator (\$8,000,000, awarded September 1997 to August, 2002).

Publications:

1981. "Educational change and national economic development." *Harvard Educational Review* 51:94-106.

Andrew J. Cherlin and PBW. 1981. "Trends in U.S. men's and women's sex-role attitudes: 1972 to 1978." *American Sociological Review* 46: 453-60.

1982. "Societal consequences of educational transformation: Structural and individualistic models of change (Reply to Griswold and Kozol)." *Harvard Educational Review* 52:73-76.

PBW and Richard Rubinson. 1983. "Education expansion and economic growth in the United States, 1870-1969: A production function analysis." *American Sociological Review* 48: 480-93.

1984. "Occupational and labor market effects on secondary and post-secondary educational expansion in the United States: 1922 to 1979." *American Sociological Review* 49:659-71.

1985. "Systems of cities and urban primacy: Problems of definition and measurement." Pp. 63-85 in Michael Timberlake (ed.), *Urbanization in the World-Economy*. New York: Academic Press.

Larry J. Griffin, PBW, Philip J. O'Connell and Edward Moor. 1986. "Methodological innovations in the study of welfare state development: Pooling cross sections and time series." Pp. 101-38 in Norman Furniss (ed.), *The Futures of the Welfare State*. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press.

John Hartman and PBW. 1985. "Dependence, military assistance and development: A cross-national study." *Politics and Society* 14:331-358. (Issue appeared 3/87).

1986. "Sex and institutional differences in labor market effects on the expansion of higher education, 1952 to 1980." *Sociology of Education* 59:199-211.

PBW and Philip J. O'Connell. 1988. "The family economy, work, and educational participation in the United States, 1890-1940." *American Journal of Sociology* 93:1116-1152.

PBW, Holly J. McCammon, and David R. James. 1990. "Schooling or working? Public education, racial politics, and the organization of production in 1910." *Sociology of Education* 63:1-26.

PBW, David R. James, and Holly J. McCammon. 1990. "Accounting for racial inequality in southern education: A reply to Ramirez." *Sociology of Education* 63:145-150.

PBW and Philip J. O'Connell. 1990. "Post-World War II higher educational expansion, the organization of work, and changes in labor productivity in the United States." *Research in Sociology of Education and Socialization* 9:1-23.

David R. James and PBW. 1990. "The supply side of public schools: Local state determinants of school enrollment patterns in the U.S." *Research in Sociology of Education and Socialization* 9:81-110.

1992. "Who should be schooled? The politics of class, race, and ethnicity in the turn-of-the-century U.S." Pp. 173-87 in Bruce Fuller and Richard Rubinson (eds.), *The Political Construction of Education: The State, School Expansion, and Economic Change*. NY: Praeger.

1992. "Education." In Craig Calhoun and George Ritzer (eds.), *Social Problems*. NY: McGraw-Hill.

PBW and David R. James. 1992. "Schooling for some: Child labor and school enrollment of black and white children in the early twentieth-century South." *American Sociological Review* 57:635-650.

PBW and Carl M. Briggs. 1993. "The family economy, child labor, and schooling: Evidence from the early twentieth-century South." *American Sociological Review* 58:163-181.

1995. "Crises of excellence and social order in American education: An historical perspective." Pp. 187-205 in Reuven Kahane (ed.), *Educational Advancement and Distributive Justice: Between Equity and Equality*. Jerusalem: Magnes Press.

PBW, David R. James, and Holly J. McCammon. 1997. "Citizenship and Public Schools: Accounting for Racial Inequality in Education in the Pre- and Post-Disfranchisement South." *American Sociological Review* 70:34-52.

1999. "Education and Advancement: Exploring the Hopes of Blacks and Poor Whites at the Turn of the Century." Pp. 268-290 in Michele Lamont (ed.), *The Cultural Territories of Race: Black and White Boundaries*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press and NY: Russell Sage Foundation.

2000. "The Limits of Growth: School Expansion and School Reform in Historical Perspective." In Maureen Hallinan (ed.), *Handbook of Sociology of Education*. NY: Plenum.

David Strong, PBW, Brian Driscoll, and Scott Rosenberg. 2000. "Leveraging the State: Private Money and the Development of Public Education for Blacks." *American Sociological Review* 65:658-81.

2001. "Educational Access and the State: Historical Continuities and Discontinuities in Racial Inequality in American Education." *Sociology of Education* Special Issue:35-49.

2001. "Education and Gender—Historical Perspectives." In Neil J. Smelser and Paul B. Baltes (eds.), *International Encyclopedia of the Social & Behavioral Sciences*. Amsterdam: Pergamon.

2001. "Social Inequality in Education." In Neil J. Smelser and Paul B. Baltes (eds.), *International Encyclopedia of the Social & Behavioral Sciences*. Amsterdam: Pergamon.

2003. "Save the Teachers." Op-ed piece in the *Christian Science Monitor*, September 26.

Sheri H. Ranis and PBW. 2004. "Education Research as a Contested Enterprise." *European Educational Research Journal* 3:795-806.

2007. "Betwixt and Between Discipline and Profession: A History of Sociology of Education." In *History of Sociology in America*, edited by Craig Calhoun. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

PBW and Emily Bowman. Forthcoming. "Foundations, Public Schools, and the Shaping of American Educational Policy: 1865-1950." In *The Contributions of Foundations to American Society*, edited by Helmut Anheier and David Hammack. Washington, DC: Aspen Foundation.

Work Under Review:

PBW, Josh Klugman, Jenny Stuber, and Michael Rosenbaum. "The Politics of Equality: American Support for Redistribution in Education." Under review at *Sociology of Education*.

PBW, Sheri Ranis, and Annette Lareau (eds.). *Education Research on Trial: The Search for Rigor and the Promotion of Randomized Studies*. Book manuscript under review at Teachers College Press.

"The Education Sciences as a Political Reform Movement." In Walters, Ranis and Lareau (eds.), *Education Research on Trial*.

Book Manuscript in Preparation:

Recasting Inequality: The Color-Blind Foundation of Apartheid Schooling in America.

Presentations:

"Education and development: Toward a dependency interpretation." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Educational Research Association, Boston, April, 1980.

PBW, Jeffrey Kentor, Patricia Arregui, Christopher Chase-Dunn, and Joan Sokolovsky. "Conceptualization of the urbanization process in the core and periphery." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, August, 1980.

Joan Sokolovsky, Jeffrey Kentor, PBW, Patricia Arregui, and Christopher Chase-Dunn. "Economic networks, political boundaries, and city systems in the capitalist world-economy." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August, 1980.

PBW and Richard Rubinson. "Educational expansion and economic growth in the U.S., 1870-1970." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Toronto, August, 1981.

"Occupational effects on educational expansion in the United States, 1922 to 1979." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Detroit, August, 1983.

John Hartman and PBW. "Dependence, military assistance and development: A cross-national study." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, San Antonio, August, 1984, and at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, Charlotte, NC, April, 1985.

PBW and Philip J. O'Connell. "Immigration, industrialization and educational expansion in the American states at the turn of the century." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, April, 1986.

"Race and nativity differences in patterns of school enrollments in the United States, 1890-1930." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Comparative International Education Society, Washington, D.C., March, 1987.

Invited talk on "Industrialization and School Expansion" at an ASA Problems of the Discipline Conference, "Ideology, Economic Change and School Expansion," Washington, D.C., April, 1987, organized by Richard Rubinson and Bruce Fuller.

PBW and Philip J. O'Connell. "Post-World War II higher educational expansion, the organization of work, and changes in labor productivity in the U.S." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Association, Nashville, March, 1988.

Holly J. McCammon, PBW, and David R. James. "Class relations, racial inequalities, and educational opportunity structures in the early 20th-century South." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, August, 1988.

Chair and discussant, section on "Primary, College and Technical Education in Cross-Cultural Perspective," at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, Chicago, November, 1988.

PBW and David R. James. "Schooling for some: Class, race and segregated labor markets in the early 20th-century South." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, August, 1989, and at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, Washington, November, 1989.

Discussant, section on "The Experiences of Minorities and Women in Higher Education," at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, Washington, November, 1989.

"Who should be schooled? The politics of class, race, and ethnicity in the turn-of-the-century U.S." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Washington, D.C., August, 1990.

"School participation, school infrastructure, and the social organization of agricultural production: Regional variations in the early 20th-century U.S." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, Minneapolis, October, 1990.

Discussant, section on "Gender, Education, and the Political Economy of the Family," at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, Minneapolis, October, 1990.

Carl M. Briggs, Melissa A. Milkie, David R. James and PBW. "Changes in race and class inequalities in central-city public and private school enrollments, 1970-1980." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Cincinnati, August, 1991.

Discussant, session on "Historical Sociology: From Populism to the New Deal--The Politics of Class, Race, and Gender," at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Cincinnati, August, 1991.

Panelist, roundtable discussion of Robert Margo's *Race and Schooling in the South, 1880-1950: An Economic History*, at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, New Orleans, November 1991.

PBW and Carl M. Briggs, "The family economy, race and gender segregation in labor markets, and schooling in 1910." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Social Science History Association, New Orleans, November 1991.

"Crises of excellence and equality in American education: An historical perspective." Paper presented at conference on "Educational Advancement and Distributive Justice: Between Equality and Equity," Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June, 1992.

Organizer, Thematic Session on "Democracy Within Institutions," 1993 annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Miami.

"Contemporary school reform: Tensions between democratization of choice and educational inequality." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Miami, August 1993.

"Current school reform efforts and the prospects for advancing educational equality." Keynote address at conference on "Advancing Equality," Purdue University, October 14, 1994.

PBW, David A. Strong, and Brian Driscoll, "School Reform as Social Movement: From the Progressive Era to the Present." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 1996.

Strong, David A., Scott Rosenberg, PBW, and Brian Driscoll, "The Uneasy Alliance of Public and Private: Building a System of Black Public Education in the Progressive-Era South." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Toronto, August 1997.

"Contributions of Historical Sociology and Social Movements Research to Theory in the Sociology of Education." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Toronto, August 1997.

Discussant, Conference on Secularization, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, June 2001.

"Equality, Educational Expansion, and Access to Schooling." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA, August 2001.

"Private Funds and the Leveraging of Public Education: The North and South Compared." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, April 2002.

Organizer, regular session on "Historical Sociology," for 2002 meeting of the American Sociological Association.

Historical Perspectives and Patterns in Profiling, Racial Discrimination, and Disparities in Education. Presentation at Plenary Track Thematic Session on Profiling in Education at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, August 2002.

Panelist at Career Workshop on Preparing for the Tenure Decision at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, August 2002.

Panelist at Session on Publishing at a workshop for young scholars organized by the Sociology of Education Section of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 2003.

Organizer and Panelist at Professional Workshop on Applying for Foundation Funding, annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 2003.

PBW, Josh Klugman, Jenny Stuber, and Michael Rosenbaum. "Race, Redistribution, and Americans' Educational Policy Preferences." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 2003.

Organizer, Plenary Session on "Parents and the Culture of Social Reproduction," annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 2004.

Maintaining Competitive Advantage: Elites' Political Response to Educational Funding Equalization. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 2004.

Critic in "Authors meet Readers" session at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association about Amy Binder's *Contentious Curricula: Afrocentrism and Creationism in American Public Schools*. August 2004.

PBW and Sheri Ranis. "Quality and Capacity in the Field of Education Research: The American Perspective." One-day workshops at Oxford University and the University of Edinburgh, May 10 and 12, 2005. At the invitation of the British Educational Research Association.

"Persisting Inequalities: Race, Education, and the American Dilemma." Presentation at the Russell Sage Foundation, April 2006.

Organizer, "Author Meets Critic" session at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association about Katherine S. Newman's and others' *Rampage: The Social Roots of School Shootings*.

Organizer, session on "The Education Sciences and Policymaking: What Role for Sociology?" Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, August 2006.

"The Politics of Family Reproduction and the Persistence of Separate and Unequal Schooling in the U.S." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, August 2006.

"The Education Sciences and the Social Sciences in the U.S." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the European Education Research Association, Geneva, September 2006.

"Explaining the Durable Racial Divide in American Education: Policy Development and Opportunity Hoarding from *Brown* to Vouchers." Paper presented at conference on the Social Dimensions of Inequality sponsored by the Russell Sage Foundation and Carnegie Corporation, UCLA, January, 2007.

PBW, Julia Lamber, and Jean Robinson. "American Political Culture and Discourses of Equality: How Can Separate be Equal?" Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 2007.

Departmental Service and Administration (Major Responsibilities Only):

Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Indiana University. 1990 - 1993.

Political Economy Workshop, Department of Sociology, Indiana University. Member, 1985- . Co-Director 1990, 1991; Director 1992 - 1995.

Graduate Affairs Committee. Member, 1983-84, 1987-88, 1988-89, 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93. Chair, 1989-90.

Personnel Committee. Member, 1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1999-2000, 2001-2002, 2002-03.

Graduate Evaluation and Screening Committee. Member, 1988-89, 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93.

Executive Committee. Member, 1989-90, 1994-95, 1995-97.

General Chair, Ph.D. Examination Committee, 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93.

University Service:

University Division faculty advisor, 1984-85.

Occasional Speaker. Mini University, 1986-87; Executive Development Program, 1987-88; Office for Women's Affairs Proposal Writing Workshop, 1987-88; Collins Living-Learning Center, 1988-89; WTIU's Pro and Con, 1988-89; WFIU's Friday Edition, 1989-90; Phi Delta Kappan, 1991-92.

Member, Search and Screen Committee, School of Education, Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, 1989-90.

College of Arts and Sciences Tenure Committee. Member, 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93.

Member, Policy Committee, College of Arts and Sciences (elected body that is the advisory group to the Dean), 1994-95.

Member, Ad-Hoc Committee to review the Psychology Department, College of Arts and Sciences, fall 1994.

Member, Selection Committee for Summer Faculty Fellows, Research and the University Graduate School, 1994-95.

Mentor, Junior Faculty Mentoring Program, Office for Women's Affairs, 1995-96 and 1998-99.

Chair, Committee for Undergraduate Education, College of Arts & Sciences, 1995-96 to 1997-98.

Member, College of Arts & Sciences Information Technology Committee, 1995-96, 1996-97.

Member, Campus Curriculum Committee, 1995-96 to 1997-98.

Member, General Education Assessment Committee, 1995-96 and 1996-97.

Member, Distance Learning Advisory Committee, 1995-96 and 1996-97.

Member, Vice-Chancellor's Undergraduate Student Retention Committee, 1996-97.

Member, Ameritech Chair Search and Screen Committee, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, 1997-98.

Convener, Women in the Curriculum Seminar, Indiana University Institute for Advanced Study, 1999-2001.

Member, Task Force on the Status of Women at Indiana University, 1999-2002; Convener, Committee on Faculty.

Chair, AI Board of Review, Bloomington campus, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002.

Member, Search Committee for Director of Development, College of Arts and Sciences, 2001-2002.

Internal Member, External Review Team for Department of English, Indiana University, 2002.

Member, Faculty Advisory Committee, Office for Women's Affairs, 2002-2003.

Chair, Search Committee, Dean for Women's Affairs, 2002-2003.

Chair, Review Committee for Dean Gerardo Gonzalez of the Indiana University School of Education, 2004-05.

Member, search committee for East Asian social science position, 2004-05.

Elected Member, College of Arts and Sciences Policy Committee, 2004-2007.

Member, search committee for joint position in School of Education and Latino Studies, 2004-05.

Member, Governing Board, Institute for Advanced Study, Indiana University, 2004-2006.

Professional Activities:

Editorial responsibilities:

Inaugural Consulting Editor, *Contexts* (new magazine published by the American Sociological Association), 2000-2003.

Editor, *Sociology of Education*, 1995-1998.

Deputy Editor, *American Sociological Review*, 1985-86.

Deputy Editor, *Sociology of Education*, 1993, 1994.

Consulting Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*, 1989-90 to 1990-91.

Member, Editorial Board, *Sociology of Education*, 1989 to 1992.

Member, Editorial Board, *American Educational Research Journal*, 1992-97.
Member, Editorial Board, *American Journal of Education*, 1994-97.

Occasional reviewer, *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Sociology of Education*, *American Journal of Education*, *Social Forces*, *Sociological Perspectives*, *Contemporary Sociology*, National Science Foundation, various presses.

For the Sociology of Education Section of the American Sociological Association:

Member, nominations committee, 1984
Council member, 1988-91
Member, Willard Waller Award Committee, 1990, 2002, 2004
Chair, Willard Waller Award Committee, 1992
Chair, Student Paper Award Committee, 1993
Chair, Nominations Committee, 2000
Section Chair, 2005-06.

For the Political Economy of the World System Section of the American Sociological Association:

Member, nominations committee, 1987

For the Comparative & Historical Sociology Section, American Sociological Association:

Chair, 1989 Award Committee
Council member, 1989-90 to 1991-92.
Chair, Membership Committee, 1990-91
Chair, Nominations Committee, 1993-94
Member, Nominations Committee, 1999-2000

For the American Sociological Association:

Member, Publications Committee, 1995-98
Representative to American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1999-2002
Member, ASA-AAAS Task Force, 1999-2001.
Member, Council, 2001-2004.
Member, Advisory Committee to the Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline 2001-04.
Chair, Centennial Outreach Committee, 2002-03.

For the Social Science History Association:

Coordinator, History and Sociology of Education Network, 1990-91.
Member, Nominations Committee, 1999-2000.

For the National Science Foundation:

Member, review panel for the Presidential Young Investigator Awards, Division of Social and Economic Science, 1990.
Member, Dissertation Improvement Committee, Sociology Program, 1993, 1994, 1995.
Member, Sociology Review Panel, 1998-2000.

For the Spencer Foundation:

Member, Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Selection Committee, 1993 and 1994.
Co-organizer, invitational conference on new directions in sociology of education, March 2000.

For the Social Science Research Council and the National Academy of Education:

Co-chair, NAE/SSRC study committee on research on education, 2000-2004.

Member, Review Team, Department of Sociology, University of South Carolina, spring 2001.