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EDUCATION

- Mt. Baker Union High School, Deming, Washington, 1937
- Los Angeles City College, 1938–1940
- B.A. with major in political science, UCLA, 1942
- M.A., UCLA, 1945
- Ph.D., UCLA, 1950

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Faculty Research Fellow, Social Science Research Council, 1954–1955, 1956–1958
- Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, 1955–1956
- Fellow, Center for Interdisciplinary Research, Bielefeld University, Germany, 1981–1982
- Hooker Distinguished Visiting Scholar, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, 1984–85
- At the American Political Science Association 1991 meeting, received the Daniel Elazar Distinguished Scholar Award. This award recognizes a lifetime of contributions to the study of federalism and intergovernmental relations.
- At the American Political Science Association 1999 meeting, received the Martha Derthick Best Book Award for *The Political Theory of a Compound Republic*. This award is given for the best book published at least ten years prior that has made a lasting contribution to the study of federalism and intergovernmental relations.
- At the International Associations for the Study of Common Property (IASCP) Northern Polar Conference, received the 2003 Robert O. Anderson Sustainable Arctic Award from the Institute of the North for vital role in the drafting of the Natural Resource Article in the Alaskan Constitution (the first and only state constitution to contain such an article).
- 2003 Co-Recipient with Elinor Ostrom of the Atlas Economic Research Foundation's Fund for the Study of Spontaneous Order's Lifetime Achievement Award in honor of their individual contributions and their joint work with the Workshop.
- At the American Political Science Association 2005 meeting, received the John Gaus Distinguished Lecturer Award honoring a lifetime of exemplary scholarship in the joint tradition of political science and public administration

POSITIONS HELD

- Process server and investigator, State Bar of California, 1938–1941
- Teaching Assistant, UCLA, 1942–1943
- Teacher, Chaffey Union High School, Ontario, California, 1943–1945
- Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Wyoming, 1945–1948
- Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Oregon, 1949–1954
- Research Associate, Bureau of Municipal Research, Summer, 1950
- Associate Director, Pacific Northwest Cooperative Program in Educational Administration (W. K. Kellogg Foundation grant), 1951–1958
- Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Oregon, 1954–1958
- Associate Professor of Political Science, UCLA, 1958–1964
- Research Associate, Resources for the Future, Inc., 1962–1964
- Professor of Political Science, Indiana University, 1964–1990
- Arthur F. Bentley Professor Emeritus of Political Science, 1990–Present
- Co-Director, Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis, Indiana University, 1973–2003
- Founding Director, Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis, Indiana University, 2003–Present

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

- Program coordinator for Wyoming Assessors' School, 1946–1948, and Budget Officers' School, 1947–1948
- Executive Secretary, Wyoming League of Municipalities, 1947–1948
- Consultant to Wyoming Legislative Interim Committee, 1947–1948
- Consultant on Natural Resources, Alaska Constitutional Convention, 1955–1956
- Consultant to the Tennessee Water Policy Commission, 1956
- Consultant on Study of Resource Management and Economic Development, Territory of Hawaii, 1958–1959
- Member, Executive Board, Inter-University Case Program in Public Administration, 1956–1960
- Member, Editorial Board, *American Political Science Review*, 1957–1960
- Member and Vice-Chairman, Oregon State Water Resources Board, 1957–1959
- Member, Education Policy Commission, Oregon Education Association, 1957–1958
- Member, Yearbook Committee, *1961 Yearbook on Forces Influencing American Education*, National Society for the Study of Education, 1959–1960

- Member, 1962 Program Committee, American Political Science Association. Editor-in-Chief, *Public Administration Review*, 1963–1966
- Member, Consultant Team on Merger Study, Louisville-Jefferson County Public Schools, 1966
- Member, Task-Group on Human Uses of the Atmosphere, National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, Colorado, 1966–1967
- Program Chairman, North American-Yugoslav Seminar on Federalism, Bloomington, Indiana, June 1–7, 1967
- President, Public Choice Society, 1967–1969
- Consultant, National Water Commission, 1970–1972
- Member, Board of Editors, *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, 1972–2005
- Member, 1978 Program Committee, American Political Science Association. Member, Research Group on Guidance, Control, and Performance Evaluation in the Public Sector, Center for Interdisciplinary Research, Bielefeld University, Germany, 1981–1982
- Co-Editor, Summary Volume, Bielefeld Research Group, 1982–1985
- Member, Advisory Board, Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations Federal Court Study, 1985
- Member, Editorial Board, *Constitutional Political Economy*, 1989–Present
- Member, Editorial Board, *International Journal of Organization Theory and Behavior*, 1997–2006
- Member, Advisory Council, *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, 2005–Present

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- Water Supply*, Monograph No. 8 in *Metropolitan Los Angeles: A Study in Integration*. Los Angeles: The Haynes Foundation, 1953.
- The Units of Local Government in Oregon, 1951*. Eugene: University of Oregon, Bureau of Municipal Research, 1954.
- Report on the Merger Issue* with Luvern L. Cunningham, Archie Dykes, and James Kincheloe. Louisville, Ky.: Louisville-Jefferson County Public Schools, 1966. Mimeo.
- Institutional Arrangements for Water Resource Development—With Special Reference to the California Water Industry*. Prepared for the National Water Commission. Springfield, Va.: National Technical Information Service, 22151, PB 207 314, April 1972.
- Understanding Urban Government: Metropolitan Reform Reconsidered* with Robert Bish. Washington, D.C.: American Enterprise Institute, 1973.
- Comparing Urban Service Delivery Systems: Structure and Performance* edited with Frances P. Bish. Urban Affairs Annual Reviews, vol. 12. Beverly Hills: Sage Publications, 1977.
- Il governo locale negli Stati Uniti* with Robert Bish and Elinor Ostrom. Milano, Italy: Fondazione Adriano Olivetti, 1984.
- Guidance, Control and Evaluation in the Public Sector* with F. X. Kaufmann and G. Majone, eds. Berlin, N.Y.: de Gruyter, 1986.
- Local Government in the United States* with Robert Bish and Elinor Ostrom. San Francisco: Institute for Contemporary Studies Press, 1988.
- The Meaning of American Federalism: Constituting a Self-Governing Society*. San Francisco: Institute for Contemporary Studies Press, 1991.

- Rethinking Institutional Analysis and Development: Issues, Alternatives, and Choices* edited with David Feeny and Hartmut Picht. 2d ed. San Francisco: Institute for Contemporary Studies Press, 1993 [1988].
- The Meaning of Democracy and the Vulnerability of Democracies: A Response to Tocqueville's Challenge*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 1997.
- The Intellectual Crisis in American Public Administration*. 3rd ed. Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2008 [1st ed. 1973; rev. ed., 1974; 2nd ed. 1989].
- The Political Theory of a Compound Republic: Designing the American Experiment*. 3rd ed. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2008 [1st ed. 1971; 2nd ed. 1987].

Chapters in Books and Proceedings

- "Public Policy Studies: An Approach to Governmental Research." In *The Research Function of University Bureaus and Institutes for Government-Related Research*, ed. Dwight Waldo. Berkeley: University of California, Bureau of Public Administration, 1960, 159–78.
- "Education and Politics." In *Sixtieth Yearbook of the National Society for the Study of Education, Social Forces Influencing American Education*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1961, 8–45. Also published in two books of readings.
- "The Role of Public and Private Agencies in Planning the Use of Water Resources." In *Proceedings of the Western Resources Conference, 1961*. Boulder: University of Colorado Press, 1962, 29–50.
- "Property, Proprietorship and Politics: Law and the Structure of Strategic Opportunities in the California Water Industry." In *Papers of the Regional Science Association, Western Section*. Eugene: University of Oregon, 1964, 98–111. Also published as reprint no. 47 by Resources for the Future, Inc., Washington, D.C.
- "Culture, Science and Politics." In *The Making of Decisions: A Reader in Administrative Behavior*, eds. William J. Gore and J. W. Dyson. New York: The Free Press of Glencoe, 1964, 85–92.
- "1964: Western Water Institutions in a Contemporary Perspective." In *Proceedings: Western Inter-State Water Conference*. Los Angeles: University of California, Water Resources Center, 1964, 22–29. Also published as reprint no. 53 by Resources for the Future, Inc., Washington, D.C.
- "Water Resource Development: Some Problems in Economic and Political Analysis of Public Policy." In *Political Science and Public Policy*, ed. Austin Ranney. Chicago: Markham Publishing Co., 1968, 123–50.
- "Conditions of Legal and Political Feasibility" with Elinor Ostrom. In *Natural Resource System Models in Decision Making*, ed. Gerrit H. Toebe. Lafayette, Ind.: Purdue University, Water Resources Center, 1970.
- "Problems for Institutional Analysis of the Great Lakes Basin" with Elinor Ostrom and Ira L. Whitman. In *Proceedings: Thirteenth Conference on Great Lakes Research*. Toronto, Ontario: International Association for Great Lakes Research, 1970, 156–67.
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- "The Design of Public Organizational Arrangements." In *Perspectives of Property*, eds. G. Wunderlich and W. L. Gibson, Jr. Institute for Research on Land and Water Resources, Pennsylvania State University, 1972, 156–80.
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- "Language, Theory, and Empirical Research in Policy Analysis." In *Problems of Theory in Policy Analysis*, ed. Phillip M. Gregg. Lexington, Mass.: Lexington Books, 1976, 9–18.
- "Some Paradoxes for Planners: Human Knowledge and Its Limitations." In *The Politics of Planning*, ed. A. Lawrence Chickering. San Francisco: Institute for Contemporary Studies, 1976, 243–54.
- "The Political Architecture of American Federalism: An Inquiry Into Federalism as Means to Ends." In *Partnership in Federalism*, ed. Max Frenkel. Bern, Switzerland: Peter Lang, 1977, 87–142.
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- "Structure and Performance." In *Comparing Urban Service Delivery Systems: Structure and Performance*, edited with Frances P. Bish. Urban Affairs Annual Reviews, vol. 12. Beverly Hills: Sage Publications, 1977, 19–44.
- "Public Goods and Public Choices" with Elinor Ostrom. In *Alternatives for Delivering Public Services. Toward Improved Performance*, ed. E. S. Savas. Boulder, Colo.: Westview Press, 1977, 7–49.
- "Federal Principles of Organization and Ethnic Communities." In *Federalism and Political Integration*, ed. Daniel J. Elazar. Ramat-Gan, Israel: Turtledove Publishing, 1979, 73–86.

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- "A Forgotten Tradition: The Constitutional Level of Analysis." In *Missing Elements in Political Inquiry: Logic and Levels of Analysis*, eds. Judith A. Gillespie and Dina A. Zinnes. Beverly Hills: Sage Publications, 1982, 237–52.
- "Reflections on Public Administration in Europe." In *The Development of Research and Training in European Policy-Making*. Maastricht, The Netherlands: European Institute of Public Administration, 1983, 122–69.
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- "Adam Smith und öffentliche Güter." In *Markt, Staat und Solidarität bei Adam Smith*, eds. F. X. Kaufmann and H. G. Krüsselberg. Frankfurt: Campus Verlag, 1984, 135–57.
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- "Self-Government and Federalism." In *Federalism in America: An Encyclopedia*, vol. 2, ed. Joseph Marbach, Ellis Katz, and Troy Smith, 559-61. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press.
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- "The Political Structure of a Small Community" with Robert E. Agger. *Public Opinion Quarterly* XX (Spring 1956), 81-89.
- "Tools for Decision-Making in Resource Planning." *Public Administration Review* XIX (Spring 1959), 114-21.
- "Knowledge, Science, and Policy." *American Behavioral Scientist* IV (January 1961), 30-32.
- "The Organization of Government in Metropolitan Areas: A Theoretical Inquiry" with Charles M. Tiebout and Robert Warren. *American Political Science Review* LV (December 1961), 831-42. Also published in Bobbs-Merrill Reprint Series in the Social Sciences (PS405) and in several books of readings.
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- "The Political Economy of Water Development." *American Economic Review* LII (May 1962), 450-58.
- "A Behavioral Approach to the Study of Intergovernmental Relations" with Elinor Ostrom. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 359 (May 1965), 137-46.
- "Water and Politics: California Style." *Arts and Architecture* 84 (July/August 1967), 14-16, 32.
- "Political Feasibility." (One in a series on "NAWPA: A Continental Water System.") *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists* 23 (September 1967), 13-17.
- "Operational Federalism: Organization for the Provision of Public Services in the American Federal System." *Public Choice* 6 (Spring 1969), 1-17.
- "Public Choice: A Different Approach to the Study of Public Administration" with Elinor Ostrom. *Public Administration Review* 13 (March/April 1971), 203-16.
- "Legal and Political Conditions of Water Resource Development" with Elinor Ostrom. *Land Economics* XLVIII (February 1972), 1-14.
- "Tools for Decision-Making in Resource Planning." *Public Administration Review* XIX (Spring 1959), 114-21.
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- "Water and Politics: California Style." *Arts and Architecture* 84 (July/August 1967), 14-16, 32.
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- “David Hume as a Political Analyst.” Presented at a Conference on the Scottish Contributions to Social and Political Philosophy, held at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, November 29–30, 1976.
- “Freedom and Organization.” Presented at the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, September 1–4, 1983.
- “A Computational-Conceptual Logic for Federal Systems of Governance.” Presented at a conference of the International Association of Centres for the Study of Federalism on “Constitutional Rule and Shared Power,” Jerusalem, Israel, October 31–November 2, 1984.
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- “Guidance, Control, and Performance in the Public Sector.” Paper presented at the Workshop on Improving Performance in Nigeria’s Public Sector, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria, April 21–23, 1987.
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