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**EDUCATION:**

Ph.D. 2002 honoris causa, Universiteit Utrecht

Ph.D. 1968 Cornell University, Ithaca

M.A. 1966 Cornell University, Ithaca

B.A. 1964 St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS:**

2019     Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science

2018     Distinguished Research Professor, Emerita

2013     Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences (AAAS)

2009-12     University-wide Committee on Academic Personnel (CAP), UCLA

2006-07     Consortium Scholar, Getty Research Institute

2002     Member, American Philosophical Society; and its Dutch equivalent,  
Hollandsche Maatschappij der Wetenschappen

2004     Academic Senate- 96th UCLA Faculty Research Lecturer

1998-     Distinguished Professor of History, University of California @ Los Angeles

1996-     Professor of the History and Sociology of Science, University of Pennsylvania;  
voting member, Department of History

**Books:**

*Freemasonry and Civil Society: Europe and the Americas (North and South)* under contract for a Spanish edition with Palabra de Clío in Mexico City; co-author, Maru Vasquez  
To be published in 2023 by Peter Lang

*The Secular Enlightenment*, Princeton University Press, 2019.

*The First Knowledge Economy. Human Capital and the European Economy, 1750-1850*, Cambridge University Press, 2014

*The Book that Changed Europe. Picart and Bernard's Religious Ceremonies of the World* With Lynn Hunt and Wijnand Mijnhardt. Harvard University Press, 2010; reviewed *New York Review of Books*, June 2011

Janet Burke & Margaret Jacob, *Les premières franc-maçonnnes au siècle des Lumières*, Bordeaux University Press, 2010, 190pp, avec un cahier de 8 illustrations.

*The Origins of Freemasonry: Facts and Fictions*, University of Pennsylvania Press, 2005; reviewed *American Historical Review*, April 2007, p. 574-75

With Larry Stewart, *Practical Matter. Newton's Science in the Service of Industry and Empire, 1687 to 1851*, Harvard University Press, 2004; reviewed *American Historical Review*

*The Enlightenment: A Brief History with Selected Texts*, Bedford Books, 2001; second edition, 2017

*Scientific Culture and the Making of the Industrial West*, Oxford University Press; 1997, sequel to The Cultural Meaning; *AHR* review 2001. Chinese translation, 2017

*Newton and the Culture of Newtonianism*, with Betty Jo Teeter Dobbs. Humanities Press, 1995. Winner of the **Watson-Davis Award**, History of Science Society

*Telling the Truth about History* with Lynn Hunt and Joyce Appleby, New York, *Journal of the History of Ideas*; translated into Czeck, Chinese, Portuguese, Lithuanian; Polish, etc.

*Newton and the Culture of Newtonianism*, with Betty Jo Teeter Dobbs. Humanities Press, 1995. Winner of the Watson-Davis Award, History of Science Society

*Living the Enlightenment: Freemasonry and Politics in Eighteenth-Century Europe*, 1991, 350pp. Oxford University Press; reviewed *TLS*, June 12, 1992; *AHR*, 1993; *JMH*, 1994; Italian edition by Laterza. French edition with L'Orient, Paris, 2005

*The Cultural Meaning of the Scientific Revolution*, Alfred Knopf, sold to McGraw-Hill, New York, 1988, 273 pp. Reviewed *New York Review of Books*, April 28, 1988; Italian translation: Einaudi Editore, 1992.

*The Radical Enlightenment: Pantheists, Freemasons and Republicans*, published by George Allen & Unwin, London and Boston, 1981; Italian translation, L'Illuminismo Radicale, published by Societa Editrice Il Mulino, 1983. Second edition, Temple Publishers, 2003; reprinted Cornerstone Books;

discussed in *London Review of Books*, January 2002;  
*La pensée radicale au siècle des lumières*, Paris, L'Orient, 2004

*The Newtonians and the English Revolution, 1689-1720*, Cornell University Press and Harvester Press Ltd., 1976. Awarded the **Louis Gottschalk Prize** by the American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies.  
Japanese translation, 1990. Available from Gordon and Breach, "Classics in the History of Science." Reviewed in *New York Review of Books*, December 7, 1978; Italian translation, *I Newtoniani e la rivoluzione inglese, 1689-1720*, 1980 by Feltrinelli Editore, Milan. Reprinted, 1983;

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND VISITING APPOINTMENTS:**

2006-07 Consortium Scholar, Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles  
2005-08 NEH Grant for Collaborative Research  
2002 Visiting professor, University of Ulster at Coleraine  
2001 Visiting Professor, L'Ecole des hautes études, Paris  
1997-98 Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford  
1993-4 Guest Professor, University of Utrecht  
1988-89 Guggenheim Fellow  
1985 Seminar Director, Folger Library, Washington, 1985  
Summer Director for Graduate Study, Clark Library, UCLA  
1982-83 Fellowship, National Science Foundation; visitor, University of Amsterdam  
1983-84 Fulbright Fellow, University of Leiden, The Netherlands  
1978-79 Fellow, The Institute for Advanced Study,  
School of Historical Studies, Princeton  
1978 Hon. Research Fellow, History of Science, Harvard University

### **EDITIONS:**

Editor with Catherine Secretan, *In Praise of Ordinary People. Early Modern Britain and the Dutch Republic*, Palgrave-Macmillan, 2014  
Editor with Lynn Hunt and Wijnand Mijnhardt, *Bernard Picart and the First Global Vision Of Religion*, Getty Publications, 2010  
Editor with Catherine Secretan, *The Self-Perception of Early Modern Capitalists*, Palgrave, 2009  
Editor with introduction,  
*The Politics of Western Science, 1640- 1990*, Humanities Press, 1994  
Co-editor with Spencer Weart: *New Histories in Science, Technology and Medicine*, a series for Harvard University Press; five books now published  
Co-editor and contributor, *The Dutch Republic in the Eighteenth Century: Decline, Enlightenment and Revolution* (with W. W. Mijnhardt)

Cornell University Press, 1992.

Co-editor and contributor with Phyllis Mack, *Politics and Culture in Early Modern Europe*, Cambridge University Press, 1986

Co-editor with introduction, *The Origins of Anglo-American Radicalism*, Unwin and Hyman, 1983 (with J.R. Jacob)

Paperback edition, Humanities Press, 1991; sold to Prometheus Books

### **Recent Academic Essays:**

“Enlightened Outrage: The Three Impostors,” *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*, vol. 164, number 2, June 2020, pp. 143-149.

“Postscript” to Diego Lucci, ed, *Atheism and Deism in the Enlightenment England*, Ashgate, 2014

“How Radical Was the Enlightenment?” in *Diametros* (a Polish journal), 2014

“Among the Autodidacts: The Making of Edward Thompson,” *Labour/Le Travail*, vol. 71, 2013, pp. 156-60

“The Left, Right and Science: Relativists and Materialists,” *Logos. A Journal of Modern Science and Culture*, vol. 12, 2013, pp. 10 (approx.) an online journal, <http://logosjournal.com/2013/jacob/>

“French Education in Science and the Puzzle of Retardation, 1790-1840,” *História e Economia*, vol. 8, 2011, pp. 13-38.

“Was the Eighteenth-Century Republican Essentially anti-Capitalist?” *Republic of Letters*, vol 2 issue one, 2010, <http://arcade.stanford.edu/journals/rofl/articles/was-eighteenth-century-republican-essentially-anticapitalist-by-margaret-jacob> (16 pages approximately)

“Was the republic of letters inherently radical,” a reprint of a portion of the next essay, in Ryan Patrick Hanley and Darrin M. McMahon, eds. *The Enlightenment. Critical Concepts in Historical Studies* (New York: Routledge, 2010)

“The Nature of Early Eighteenth-Century Religious Radicalism.” *Republics of Letters: A Journal for the Study of Knowledge, Politics, and the Arts* 1, no. 1 (May 1, 2009):

<http://rofl.stanford.edu/node/42>. (15 pp approximately)

“Afterword. Science, Capitalism and the State,” in James Delbourgo and Nicholas Dew, eds. *Science and Empire in the Atlantic World* (New York: Routledge, 2008) pp. 333-344.