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A. EDUCATION

1981 Ph.D. in History, University of Pennsylvania (Japan, East Asia)  
1976 M.A. in History, University of Pennsylvania  
1971 M.A. in Education, with Certificate in East Asian Studies, University of Rochester  
1969 B.A. in History and Political Science, College of Wooster

B. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010- present Professor, The Ohio State University  
1994-2009 Associate Professor (1994-2009), The Ohio State University  
Fall, 2000 Visiting Associate Professor, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
1998 Visiting Research Professor, Niigata University, College of Humanities  
1997-98 Visiting International Research Professor, Division of Historical  
Manuscripts, National Institute of Japanese literature, Tokyo  
1990-94 Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University  
1989-90 Andrew Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh  
1982-90 Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
1988 Visiting Professor of History, Duke University

C. HONORS AND AWARDS

MAJOR EXTERNAL GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2011 Northeast Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies, Small Conferences Award, \$5,000, "Science, Technology and Medicine in East Asia: Policy, Practice, and Implications in a Global Context" held in the Mershon Center at Ohio State University on October 7-9, 2011.  
2010 Northeast Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies, Small Conferences Award, *Environment and Society in the Japanese Islands — From Pre-history to the Present*, \$5,000 to partially fund an international conference to be held in Honolulu, HI, March 29-30, 2011, co-organized with Prof. Bruce Batten, John F. Oberlin University, Machida (Tokyo), Japan.  
2007 "Dam Japan! Floods, Landslides and Society in the Modernization of Japan, From the 19th to 20th Centuries," National Endowment for the Humanities/Japan-US Friendship Commission Advanced Research in the Social Sciences on Japan Fellowship, \$50,400  
2007-2010 "Coping with Disaster: Civil Engineering, Floods and Landslides in the Modernization of Japan," National Science Foundation Scholars Award (2007-2010), \$223,000 (three years)  
2007-2008 "Coping with Disaster: Civil Engineering, Floods and Landslides in the Modernization of Japan," Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Fellowship (Niigata, Japan)  
2002 "Man and Environment in Early Modern Japan: Mapping Historical Rural

- Communities," Grant-in-Aid, Ohio State University College of Humanities. Travel to Japan to work with GIS specialists at Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto for one month.
- 2001 "Man and Environment in Early Modern Japan: Mapping Historical Rural Communities," National Science Foundation and Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Short-Term Invitation Research Fellowship, Department of Geography, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan, September 27-November 25.
- 1997-98 International Research Scholar, Division of Archives, National Institute of Historical Literature, Tokyo, Japan for six months research at this division of the Ministry of Education. NOTE: I am the first person to receive this honor. About \$50,000
- 1996 American Philosophical Society research grant (research in Japan) \$5,000
- 1993 Fulbright-Hays (CIES), "Public Control and Private Choice: Corporate Land Tenures and Land Redistribution Systems in Early Modern Echigo" (\$46,410; research in Japan)
- 1993 Fulbright-Hays (U.S. Department of Education), "Public Control and Private Choice: Corporate Land Tenures and Land Redistribution Systems in Early Modern Echigo" (\$45,000; research in Japan)
- 1993 Japan Foundation, "Public Control and Private Choice: Corporate Land Tenures and Land Redistribution Systems in Modern Japan" (\$16,555; research in Japan)
- 1993 Social Science Research Council, "Public Control and Private Choice: Corporate Land Tenures and Land Redistribution Systems in Early Modern Echigo" (\$15,000; research in Japan)

CAREER TOTAL: 62

#### D. SCHOLARSHIP

##### 1. PUBLICATIONS

###### BOOKS:

1. *Cultivating Commons: Joint Ownership of Arable Land in Early Modern Japan* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2011).
2. *Central Authority and Local Autonomy in the Formation of Early Modern Japan: The Case of Kaga Domain*, Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 1993.

###### MAJOR REFEREED PUBLICATIONS:

1. "Arable Land as Commons: Land Reallocation in Early Modern Japan," *Social Science History* 30:3 (2006), 431-461.
2. "Corporate Land Tenure in Nineteenth-Century Japan: A GIS Assessment," *Historical Geography* 33 (May, 2005), 99-117.
3. "Local History's Challenge to National Narratives," *Early Modern Japan: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 8:2 (November, 2000), 38-48.
4. "State, Cultivator, Land: Determination of Land Tenures in Early Modern Japan Reconsidered," *Journal of Asian Studies* 56:2 (May, 1997), 421-444.
5. "Never The Twain Shall Meet: European And Japanese Land Survey Techniques In Tokugawa Japan," *Chinese Science*, 9 (1989), pps. 53-79.
6. "The Mismeasure of Land: Land Surveying in the Tokugawa Period," *Monumenta Nipponica*, Vol. 42, No. 2 (Summer 1987), pps. 115-55.

CAREER TOTAL: 16

SELECTED PUBLISHED ESSAYS:

1. "Dam Japan No More! A Half Century of Planning and Protest," *The Environmental Histories of Europe and Japan*, proceedings of the Oxford-Nagoya Environment Seminar, Nagoya University, Nagoya, 2011, pp. 55-68.
2. "Technology Transfer in early 20th Century East Asia: Perspectives on a Comparative Study (in Japanese) in *The East Asian Rim Research Center Annual Report*, No. 4, Mar. 2009, pp. 1-6.
3. Philip C. Brown, "Kenkyūsha no gazō riyō taiken: Rekishigaku no genba kara," ("Researchers' Experience Using Images: From the Perspective of Historical Research") in Yasue Akio and Koide Izumi, eds. *Kaigai Nihon kenkyūsha no gazō riyōjijō (Conditions of Image Use by Overseas Japanese Studies Scholars)*. Tokyo, The North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library Resources, 2009, 59-63.
4. "Technology Transfer in Early Twentieth-Century East Asia: Thoughts for a Comparative Research Project," (In Japanese, "20 seiki zenpan no Higashi Ajia ni okeru gijutsu idō: Hikaku kenkyū purojekuto e no kōsatsu"), Proceedings, Hanyang University (Korea)/Niigata University International Symposium on Japanese Studies, 2008, 22-27.
5. "Exploring Historical Space and Environments in the History/Social Studies Classroom: A Guest Editorial and Introduction," *The Journal of the Association of History and Computing*, XI:2 (August, 2008): On-line, refereed journal: <http://mcel.pacificu.edu/jahc/2008/issue2/>
6. "The Controlling Urge? Contours of a Study of Flood and Landslide Management in the Modernization of Japan," in T.C. Smout, P. Holm, and T. Mizoguchi, eds., *The Environmental Histories of Europe and Japan: Proceedings*, Nagoya: Graduate School of Environmental Studies, Nagoya University, 2008, pp. 225-240.
7. "Unification, Consolidation and Tokugawa Rule," Willima Tsutsui, ed., *A Companion to Japanese History*, Blackwell Publishers, 2007 (chapter 4)
8. "Reflections on Japanese Village Locations, Boundaries and GIS in Historical Research," *Reading Historical Spatial Information from around the World: Studies of Culture and Civilization Based on Geographic Information Systems Data*, International Symposium 24 (2005), International Research Center for Japanese Studies (Kyoto), 139-154.
9. "Early Modern Japanese Land Redistribution Practices: Their Interest to Overseas Scholars and the Complications of Understanding Them," ("Warichi seido: soto kara mita omoshirosa, naka kara mita fukuzatasa"), part of a collaborative research seminar series, "Nature, Farmers, and Land Taxation in Early Modern Japan", which I organized for the Division of Historical Manuscripts, National Institute of Japanese Literature, Tokyo, *Shiryōkan kenkyū kiyō*, (March, 1999), 161-227.
10. "A Case of Failed Technology Transfer--Land Survey Technology in Early Modern Japan," *Senri Ethnological Studies* 46 (March, 1998) 83-97.
11. "Dividing the Land: Corporate Agricultural Landholding as an Expression of Japanese Conceptions of Parity and Equity", *Kyoto Conference on Japanese Studies* (Published by the International Research Center for Japanese Studies, Kyoto, Japan and the Japan Foundation) III (1996), pp. 74-81.
12. "Kinsei Nihon ni okeru chūō to chihō: sono chikara kankei no saikōsatsu" ("Re-thinking Central-Local Power Relationships in Kinsei Japan") *Hokuriku Shigaku* (Hokuriku Historical Studies) (April, 1995), 71-79; 87-98.

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