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EDUCATION AND DEGREES

1966-73. Harvard University. 1973 Ph. D. Dissertation: "Byron's Myth of the Self"

1962-66. University of California, Berkeley. 1966 B. A.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Fall 2002-Spring 2003. Full-year Leave of Absence

1999. Reappointed: Master, Ezra Stiles College, Yale

1995. Named: Master, Ezra Stiles College, Yale

1993. Named: The William Lampson Professor of English

1989. A. Whitney Griswold Research Grant

1988. Named Instructor, NEH Faculty Seminar, Summer 1989

1987. Honorable Mention, the John H. McGinnis Award, Southwest Review

1986. Promoted to Full Professor, Yale University.

1985. Appointed Fellow, Whitney Humanities Center (1985-88)

1982. Granted Tenure, Yale University

1981. The Melville Cane Award (Poetry Society of America) for The Poet's Calling in the English Ode

1979. Frederick W. Hilles Publication Fund

1978. A. Whitney Griswold Research Grant

1976-77. Morse Fellowship

1971. Charles William Eliot Medal, Eliot House, Harvard University

1971. Assistant Senior Tutor, Eliot House, Harvard University

1970. Dexter Summer Grant, Harvard University

1966-67. Woodrow Wilson Fellowship

1966. Outstanding Undergraduate English Major, University of California, Berkeley

1965. Phi Beta Kappa

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1993-William Lampson Professor of English, Yale University
1994, 1995, 2003. Instructor, Yale-New Haven Teachers Institute
2005-08. Instructor, Yale National Initiative.
1985-92. Professor of English, Yale University
1979-85. Associate Professor of English, Yale University
1973-79. Assistant Professor of English, Yale University
1971-73. Acting Instructor in English, Yale University
1968-71. Teaching Assistant in English, Harvard University. Resident Tutor, Eliot House, Harvard University

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

2007-Co-Chair, Executive Board, New Haven Teachers Institute
2006- Executive Council, Yale-New Haven Teachers Institute
2006- Editorial Board, *Philoctetes Journal*
2003- Advisory Board, Philoctetes Society (New York Psychoanalytic Institute)
2003-05. Member, Committee on the Economic Status of the Faculty
2000-02, 2004-08. Chair, Provost's Committee on Faculty Grievances
1998-2002. Chair, University Committee on Teaching in the Residential Colleges
1998-2002. Agenda Committee, Council of Masters
1997-2000, 2005. 2006-07. Graduate Studies Committee, English
1995-2002. Master, Ezra Stiles College
1995-98. Member, University Committee on Teaching in the Residential Colleges
1995-99, 2003-, Governing Board, Yale-New Haven Teachers Institute
1988, 1995-96, 2000-01, 2003-05. 2006-07. Senior Appointments Committee, English
1995-2000. Member, Provost's Committee on Faculty Grievances
1994-2001. Committee on the Future, Whitney Humanities Center
1993-2005. Member, Mid-Atlantic Regional Committee, Revised Mellon Humanities Fellowships
1993-94, 2006-07, Aims and Procedures Committee, English Department
1992-95. Governing Board, Member of Search Committee, Directed Studies and Humanities Major
1992-. Yale-Bologna Exchange Committee
@1990-2005. Editorial Board, *Yale Journal of Criticism*.
1988-91. Chair, University Library Advisory Committee
1987-92. Chair, Mid-Atlantic Regional Committee, The Mellon Fellowships in the Humanities
1987-92. Director of Graduate Studies, English Department
1984-86. Chair, University Committee on Teaching and Learning
1982-92. Governing Board, The Literature Major
1982-84. University Junior Appointments Committee
1982-83. Acting Director of Undergraduate Studies, English Department
1981-85. Admissions Consultant, The School of Criticism and Theory
1981-83. Faculty Advisory Committee to the University
1981. Acting Director of Graduate Studies, English Department

1977-80. Course Head, English 129, The European Literary Tradition
1969-70. Assistant Senior Tutor, Eliot House, Harvard University
1967-70. Resident Tutor, Eliot House, Harvard University

PUBLICATIONS

Books.

Wordsworth and Poetry of What We Are, Yale Univ. Press, May 2008

Ed., “*The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*” with *Contemporary Critical Essays*
(Bedford-St. Martin’s, 1999)

A Defense of Poetry: Reflections on the Occasion of Writing (Stanford Univ.
Press, 1995)

William Empson: Prophet Against Sacrifice (London: Routledge, 1991)

The Reach of Criticism: Method and Perception in Literary Theory (Yale Univ.
Press, 1983).

The Poet’s Calling in the English Ode (Yale Univ. Press, 1980).

Forthcoming Books

On Island: The Invention of Nantucket

Articles and Reviews.

Review of Susan Wolfson, *Borderlines: The Shiftings of Gender in British Romanticism*, *MLQ* 69 (2008), 303-06.

“Hermeneutic Circling: Empson, Rosamund Tuve, and the ‘Wimsatt Law,’” *Some Versions of Empson*, ed. Matthew Bevis (Oxford: Clarendon, 2007)

Review of Anthony Bailey, *John Constable: A Kingdom of His Own*, *ArtNews* 2007.

“Progresses of Poetry,” *The Wordsworth Circle* 37:1 (2006), 22-27.

Introduction, “Children’s Literature in the Classroom,” *On Common Ground*, 2006.

Review: “Richard Hamilton, *Metaromanticism*,” *Clio* 2005.

“Green to the Very Door? The Natural Wordsworth,” *The Wordsworthian Enlightenment*, ed. Helen Regueiro Elam and Frances Ferguson (Johns Hopkins, 2005) jeffeyisnbebeayth interpretation: intention and experience in literaturean Review, “*Teaching with Fire: Poetry that Sustains the Courage to Teach*, ed. Sam M. Intrator et al.” *On Common Ground*, 2004.

“Ezra Stiles’s Idea of a University,” *The Journal of Aesthetic Education* 36 (2002).

“Pop Goes *Ulysses* (Richard Hamilton’s Joyce Illustrations in Dublin),” *ArtNews* (July 2002).

“Jeffreyism, Wordsworth, and the Nonhuman in Nature,” *British Romanticism and the Edinburgh Review, Bicentenary Essays*. Ed. Massimiliano Demata and Duncan Wu (London: Macmillan/Palgrave, 2002).

“Narrative Privilege,” *Yale Journal of Ethics* (2001)

“Ezra Stiles: An Interdisciplinary President?” *Whitney Humanities Center Newsletter* (February 2000)

“Classical Standards in the Romantic Period,” *Cambridge History of Literary Criticism*, vol. 5, ed. Marshall Brown and Ernst Behler (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2000)

“I. A. Richards,” *Cambridge History of Literary Criticism*, vol. 7, ed. A. Walton Litz, Louis Menand, and Lawrence Rainey (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2000).

“Beneath Interpretation: Intention and the Experience of Literature,” *The Arts and Sciences of Criticism*, ed. David Fuller and Patricia Waugh (Oxford Univ. Press, 1999)

“Beneath Interpretation: Significance and the Experience of the Literary,” *Kulturwissenschaften: Positionen und Perspektiven*. Ed. Johannes Anderegg and Edith Anna Kunz (Bielefeld: Aisthesis Verlag, 1999)

Review, “The American Century: Art & Culture 1900-1950, Whitney Museum,” *ArtNews* (June 1999), 124.

“Looking at Pictures: David’s *L’Amour Quittant Psyche*,” *ArtNews* (March 1999), 94-96.

“Romancing the Poem: Delacroix’s *Bride of Abydos*,” *ArtNews* (December 1998), 128.

Review, “*Cambridge History of Literary Criticism*, vol. 8, ed. Raman Selden,” *Modern Philology* 96 (1998), 287-90.

“Introduction,” “*The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*” with *Contemporary Critical Essays*, ed. Paul H. Fry (Bedford-St. Martin’s, 1999)

“Wordsworth in the Rime,” “*The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*” with *Contemporary Critical Essays*, ed. Paul H. Fry (Bedford-St. Martin’s, 1999)

“Animal Speech, Active Verbs, and Material Being in E. B. White,” *Animal Acts: Configuring the Human in Western History*, ed. Jennifer Ham and Matthew Senior (London: Routledge, 1997)

“Green to the Very Door? The Natural Wordsworth,” *Studies in Romanticism* 35 (1996), 535-51.

“Jo and Ed” (review of Gail Levin, *Edward Hopper: A Biography*), *ArtNews* (1996).

“The Hum of Literature,” rpt. in *The Uses of Literary History*, ed. Marshall Brown (Durham: Duke Univ. Press, 1996).

“Poetry in the Classroom: The Beecher Experiment,” *On Common Ground* (1995)

“Matters of Interpretation,” *Yale Journal of Law and the the Humanities* 6 (1994), 125-30.

Review, “David Simpson, Romanticism, Nationalism, and the Revolt Against Theory,” *MLQ* 55 (1994), 336-38.

“History, Existence, and ‘To Autumn,’” rpt. in *Romantic Poetry: Recent Revisionary Criticism*, ed. Karl Kroeber and Gene W. Ruoff (New Brunswick: Rutgers Univ. Press, 1993)

“The Hum of Literature,” *MLQ* 54 (1993), 171-82.

“Empson’s Satan: An Ambiguity of the Seventh Type,” *William Empson*, ed. Christopher Norris (Cambridge, 1993).

“Clearings in the Way: Non-Epiphany in Wordsworth,” *Studies in Romanticism* (1992), 3-19.

“The Diligence of Desire: Critics on and Around Westminster Bridge,” *The Wordsworth Circle* (1992)

“The Paradigmatic Axis According to Literature,” *Post-strukturalismus—Dekonstruktion—Postmoderne*, ed. Klaus W. Hempfer (Stuttgart: Franz Steiner Verlag, 1992), pp. 118-28.

“Response” (to Alasdair MacIntyre and Martha Nussbaum), *Yale Journal of Criticism* 5 (1992), 225-28.

“The Distracted Reader,” *Criticism* 32 (Summer 1990), 295-308.

“A Romantic Recluse” (review of books on Ryder by Elizabeth Broun and W. I. Homer), *Art News* 89 (Nov. 1990), 103.

Review, “Stephen Knapp, Personification and the Sublime: Milton to Coleridge,” *Comparative Literature* 41 (1989), 190-92.

Review, “Kevin Barry, Language, Music, and the Sign: A Study in Aesthetics, Poetics, and Poetic Practice from Collins to Coleridge,” *Eighteenth-Century Studies* (1989), 238-41.

“Stanley Fish,” *Modern American Critics*, ed. Gregory Jay, in *Dictionary of Literary Biography*, vol. 67, gen. ed. Matthew Bruccoli, pp. 97-105.

Rpt.: “Wordsworth’s Dark Intimations,” *The Romantic Poets*, ed. Harold Bloom (New York: Chelsea House, 1989).

Rpt.: “The Other Harmony of Dryden’s *Preface to Fables*,” *John Dryden*, ed. Harold Bloom (New York: Chelsea House, 1989)

“Non-Construction: History, Structure, and the Occasion of the Literary,” *Yale Journal of Criticism* I, 2 (1988), 45-64.

Rpt.: “La Possessione del Sublime,” *La Via al Sublime*, ed. M. Brown, V. Fortunati, G. Franci (Firenze: Alinea, 1987).

“The Possession of the Sublime,” *Studies in Romanticism* 26 (1987), 187-207.

“The Scarlet Letter” (review of Rubem Fonseca, *High Art*), *Review* (Center for Inter-American Relations) 37 (1987), 77-79.

“Ode,” *The Princeton Handbook of Poetic Terms*, rev. ed.; ed. Alex Preminger (Princeton Univ. Press). Revision of existing article by S. F. Fogle.

Rpt.: “Thomas Gray’s Feather’d Cincture,” *Poets of Sensibility*, ed. Harold Bloom, (New York: Chelsea House, 1987)

“Afterword: Literary Criticism at Yale,” *Yale Graduate Alumni Bulletin* (1986).

“History, Existence, and ‘To Autumn,’” *Studies in Romanticism* 25 (1986), 211-19.

“Disposing of the Body: The Romantic Moment of Dying,” *Southwest Review* 71(1986), 8-26.

“Back in Yale Again: A Reply to Charles Altieri,” *Diacritics* 15 (1985), 66-70.

Rpt.: “Shelley’s *Defence of Poetry* in Our Time,” *Percy Bysshe Shelley*, ed. Harold Bloom (New York: Chelsea House, 1985).

“O Felix Crisis: The Curse of Cain’s Cures” (review of William Cain, *The Crisis in Criticism*), *Virginia Quarterly* (1985), 718-22.

“Moving Van: The Neverland Veens of Nabokov’s *Ada*,” *Contemporary Literature* 26 (1985), 123-39.

“Jean Jacques Rousseau,” *European Writers: The Age of Reason and Enlightenment*, vol. 4, ed. George Stade (New York: Scribners, 1984), pp. 449-74.

“Literatures and Our Discontents” (review of books by Jerome McGann, Terry Eagleton, and Helen Vendler), *Yale Review* (Summer 1984), 603-16.

“The Image of Walter Benjamin,” *Raritan* 2 (1983), 131--52.

“Northrop Frye’s Myth of Concern” (review of *The Great Code*), *Yale Review* (Summer 1983), 605-12.

Review,” John Reichert, Making Sense of Literature,” *Canadian Review of Comparative Literature* 9 (1972), 87-89.

“Dryden’s Earliest Allusion to Longinus,” *English Language Notes* 19 (1981), 22-24.

“Made Men: A Review Article on Recent Shelley and Keats Studies,” *Texas Studies in Literature and Language* 21(1979), 433-54.

“Georgic Comedy: The Fictive Territory of Jane Austen’s *Emma*,” *Studies in the Novel* 11 (1979), 129-46.

“Thought to the Second Power: A Romance,” *Structuralist Review* 2 (1979), 14-29.

“The Absent Dead: Wordsworth, Byron, and the Epitaph,” *Studies in Romanticism* 17 (1978), 413-33.

Review, “Murray Krieger, *Theory of Criticism*,” *Structuralist Review* 1 (1978), 110-15.

“Oedipus the King,” *Homer to Brecht: The European Epic and Dramatic Traditions*, ed. Michael Seidel and Edward Mendelson (Yale Univ. Press, 1977), 171-90.

“Phaedra,” *Homer to Brecht* (1977), 273-91.

Forthcoming Articles and Reviews

“The Experience of Art: Beyond the Agreeable, the Beautiful, and the Good,” *Philoctetes Journal*, 2008

“The History of the Yale English Department,” Yale University English Department Website, 2008

“Paul Mellon’s Legacy,” *ArtNews*, 2008

Review of Leon Chai, *Romantic Theory: Forms of Reflexivity in the Revolutionary Era*, *Modern Philology*, 2008

“The Lamplit Answer? Gjertrud Schackenberg’s Anti-Ekphrases,” for a forthcoming book on ekphrastic poetry by women, ed. Jane Hedley, Willard Spiegelman, and Nick Halpern, 2008

“How to Live with the Infinite Regress of Strong Misreading,” for a forthcoming special issue of *Modern Language Quarterly* (2008) on Harold Bloom, ed. Andrew Elfenbein, and for a British anthology on Bloom, ed. Alan Rawes, 2008

“The Intentional Fallacy,” *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Literary and Cultural Theory*, ed. Gregory Castle

“The Poetic Function in Jakobson,” *Ibid.*

Radio Talk, "Landscape and Literature," "What's the Word," MLA Series:
http://www.mla.org/www_mla_org/radio/

"Wordsworth's Preface and Shelley's Defense," in a volume on Shelley's
Defense of Poetry, ed. Michael O'Neill et al.

PUBLIC LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA

- Forthcoming 2008: "The History of the Yale English Department," "Using Theory" Series, Yale University, September
2008. "*Mansfield Park* and the English Landscape Garden," Greenwich Book Club, April
- 2008: Moderator, Round Table on Metaphor, Philoctetes Society, New York, March
- 2008: "Hoof After Hoof, Metric Time in Wordsworth," Princeton University, March
2007. "Brooks Reads Wordsworth," Symposium on Cleanth Brooks, Yale University, October.
2007. Moderator, Conference on Yehuda Amichai, Yale University, October
2007. "On Detective Fiction," The Yale National Initiative, July.
2007. "Empson Using Biography," Biography Colloquium, Yale University, February.
2007. "Romanticism as Theory," Freie Universität, Berlin, June; University of Tübingen, October.
2006. "Empson Using Biography," Symposium: William Empson at 100," Harvard University, October.
2006. "Anselm Kiefer, 'Velimir Chlebnikov and the Sea,' and Günter Grass, *Crabwalk*," Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art (Ridgefield, CT), September.
2006. "Talking Animals in Children's Literature," The Yale National Initiative, July.
2006. Moderator, "Literature and Psychoanalysis," Philoctetes Society, New York, May.
2006. "Are All Islands the Same? Nantucket Musings," Ezra Stiles College, March.
2006. "*Romeo and Juliet* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*," Greenwich Book Club, March
2005. "Progresses of Poetry," NASSR, Montreal, August
2005. Respondant, "The Future of Literature" Symposium, Yale, April
2005. "Ekphrastic Poetry," Greenwich Book Club, Fall
2004. "The Poem to Coleridge," Notre Dame Univ., March
2004. "The Poem to Coleridge," Yale University English Dept., March.
2003. "The Specificity Fallacy," University of Washington, Seattle, November.

2003. "Beauty and the Brain," Symposium on "Mind, Brain, Culture, and Consciousness," Whitney Humanities Center, Yale, October

2003. "Hermeneutic Circling: Empson, Tuve, and the 'Wimsatt Law,'" Conference on William Empson, Sheffield, UK, July

2002. Conference Organizer, Introduction, Moderator, "The Future of the Aesthetic," Whitney Humanities Center, March

2002. "Student Life at Yale," Cincinnati AYA Chapter, April

2002. Lecturer, Yale-Smith Alumni-National Trust Tour (Florence, Venice, and the Lagoons of the Northern Adriatic), October

2002. "Wordsworth and the Occasion of Writing," CUNY Graduate Center, November

2002. "Ungulate Consciousness in Wordsworth," Man and Beast Conference, Whitney Humanities Center, November

2001. "The Great Secret of Morals: Wordsworth and Shelley," University of Notre Dame, March

2001. "Wordsworth's Early Paradigm Shifts," American Society for the Eighteenth Century Conference, New Orleans, April

2001. "The Interdisciplinary Ezra Stiles," Yale Tercentenary Conference, March

2000. "Lyric Anthropology and the Anthropology of Lyric in Wordsworth," Romanticism Series, Humanities Center, Harvard University, October

2000. "In the Scope of the Public," ACLA Conference, Yale University, February

2000. "In Good Time," Symposium on Literature and Time, Yale University

1999. "Ezra Stiles," Ezra Stiles College, February

1998. "My Spiritual Life," Chaplain's Tea Series, Slifka Center, Yale University, February

1998. "Beneath Interpretation," Central Connecticut State University, March

1998. "Approaches to Teaching Romanticism," Ezra Stiles College

1998. Lecturer, Yale Alumni Tour (The Gardens of the South of England), June

1998. "The Intention of a Word," International Conference on Cultural Studies, St. Gallen, Switzerland, June

1998. "Wordsworth in the *Rime*," Universities of Konstanz, Freiburg, Tübingen, and Heidelberg, June

1997. "*The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*," Ezra Stiles College, March

1997. "Wordsworth in the *Rime*," Yale University, October

1997. "Response" to Winfried Menninghaus on "Nonsense," Yale University

1996. Lecturer, Yale-Harvard-Bryn Mawr Alumni Cruise (Scotland and Ireland), Summer

1996. Pro-seminarist, University of Bologna and University of Rome, October

1995. "Wordsworth and Environmentalism," British Art Center, Yale University, January.

1995. "The Craft of Academic Thinking," Conference on the University in the Eye of the Public, Whitney Humanities Center, October.

1995. "Green to the Very Door? The Natural Wordsworth," Yale English Department, October

1995. "Western Sieve," Yale Alumni Association, Mystic Seaport, November; Ezra Stiles College, November

1995. "The Spelling of 'Ozymandias,'" Ezra Stiles College, November

1994. "One Last Theme: Insignificance in Literature," McGill University, October.

1994. "Material Being, Talking Animals, and the Active Verb in E. B. White," MLA, San Diego, December

1993. "The Hum of Literature," MLA Conference, New York

1993. "Postmodernism," Tunisian Cultural Center, Hamamet, Tunisia

1993. "The Fate of Reading," Yale Symposium, October

1992. Concluding Remarks, Conference on Walter Benjamin, Whitney Humanities Center, Spring

1992. "The Diligence of Desire: Critics On and Around Westminster Bridge," Wordsworth and Coleridge Society, MLA, San Francisco.

1991. Respondent to Alastair MacIntyre and Martha Nussbaum, Tenth Anniversary Whitney Humanities Center Conference, Spring

1991. "The Evocation of the Literary," Princeton University, Spring

1991. "The Torturer's Horse: What Poems See in Pictures," Hochschule St. Gallen, Switzerland, June

1991. "After the Yale School," Conference at the Deutsch-Amerikanisches Institut, Heidelberg, June

1991. "Literature as Insignificance," School of Criticism and Theory, Dartmouth, July

1991. "Insignificance in Wordsworth" (one-day seminar), School of Criticism and Theory, Dartmouth, July

1990. "The Torturer's Horse: What Poems See in Pictures," Bennington College (Feb.), University of Bologna (Oct.)

1990. "The Paradigmatic Axis According to Literature," Internationaler Kongress der Deutsche Gesellschaft für Semiotik, University of Passau, Oct.

1990. Respondent, "Byron, Shelley, and the Drama of British Romanticism" Conference, Yale University, April

1990. Respondent, "William Empson and Kenneth Burke" Panel, MLA, Washington

1990. "Lyric as Insignificance: Wordsworth and Keats," Romantics Division Session, MLA, Washington

1989. "The Distracted Reader," Conference on "Particularism," SUNY Buffalo

1989. Moderator, "Limits of Otherness" Conference, Yale University

1988. "Infra-Canonical Tradition: Eliot, Leavis, Bloom," English Graduate Colloquium, Yale University

1988. Panelist, "Picture and Poem" Symposium, Whitney Humanities Center, Yale University

1987. Respondent, "Philosophical Style," MLA Conference, San Francisco

1987. "Wordsworth in the Clearing," Wordsworth Conference, British Art Center, Yale University

1987. "Literary Studies: The Next Ten Years," Ezra Stiles College, Yale University

1987. Respondent, Conference on Hegel and Hölderlin, Whitney Humanities Center

1987. Respondent, "Literary Theory and the Curriculum," Whitney Humanities Center

1987. Panelist, "Introductory Literature Courses," Yale English Department

1986. Respondant, "Hegel and Romanticism," MLA Conference, New York
1986. "The Uses of Inadvertency," Miami University (Fla.)
1986. Moderator, Plenary Session, Conference on Film and Comparative Literature, Yale University
1986. Moderator, "Literary Studies at Yale," Yale Graduate Alumni Reunion
1986. Panelist, "The Yale College Calendar," Jonathan Edwards College
1985. "The Possession of the Sublime," MLA Conference, Chicago, and Ezra Stiles College
1985. "Is the Political Moment of Lyric Historical?" Whitney Humanities Center
1984. "History, Existence, and 'To Autumn,'" MLA Conference, Washington
1984. "'Tact' in the *Seven Types of Ambiguity*," MLA Conference, Washington
1982. "Teaching *Ulysses* as a Classic," Joyce Centennial Conference, State University of New York, Purchase
1982. [Chair and Speaker:] "On Shelley's *Defence of Poetry*," MLA Conference, Los Angeles
1981. "Disposing of the Body," Brown University and Yale English Department Colloquium
1981. "'Tintern Abbey': To Refrain from Elegy," The John Hopkins University
1980. "'Tintern Abbey': To Refrain from Elegy," MLA Conference, Houston
1979. "Disposing of the Body," MLA Conference, San Francisco
1978. Panelist, "Teaching Comparative Literature to Undergraduates," Yale University
1977. "Childe Harold's Essay upon Epitaphs," Yale English Department Colloquium