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**EDUCATION:**

B.A., 1969, University of California, Santa Cruz, Politics  
M.A., 1978, San Francisco State University, Economics  
M.S., 1981, University of Illinois, Urbana, Economics  
Ph.D., 1985, University of Illinois, Urbana, Economics  
(Ph.D. fields in labor, international, and development economics; economic theory)

**LANGUAGES**

English, Portuguese, Spanish

**CURRENT EMPLOYER**

Associate Dean and Professor of Economics, School of Business, Washburn University,  
Topeka, Kansas 66621 (since 1984)

In addition to the core duties of associate dean in an AACSB-International  
accredited business school, current interests and activities include:

- International educational exchange and global collaboration (China and Europe)
- Accreditation evaluation activities with the Higher Learning Commission
- Research on the Brazilian economy with a focus on income distribution

**Administrative Experience:**

Associate Dean (2000-present)  
[Interim Dean (March 2002 to June 2003)]  
Director of Graduate (MBA) Programs (1996-2002)

**Academic Appointments:**

Professor of Economics (since 2000)  
Associate Professor of Economics (1987-2000; tenured 1989)  
Assistant Professor of Economics (1984-87)

**Current Service:**

Member, Board of Directors, The Magellan Exchange (2008-2009)  
Consultant-Evaluator, Higher Learning Commission, North Central Association  
(appointed 2002, reappointed 2005)

Kansas Employment Security Advisory Council (ESAC) (from May 2002)  
Contributing Editor, Handbook of Latin American Studies for “Economics:  
Brazil” (since 1994)

Selected Previous Service:

Secretary, NAFTA and Regional Integration Section, Labor and Employment  
Relations Association (elected 2005; chair or convener (1998-2005))  
Editorial Advisory Board for Perspectives on Work (2001-05)  
District Citizens Advisory Council, Unified School District 501, Topeka, Kansas  
(1999-2000)  
Chair, University Council, Washburn University (1997-2000);  
Member (1992-2000)  
Representative for Washburn University to the Council of Faculty Senate  
Presidents (COFSP) of the Kansas Board of Regents (spring 2000)  
Chair, Working Group on Labor Studies, Latin American Studies Association  
(May 1991-October 1995)

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Incomes and Employment in Brazil  
Brazilian Economic Development  
Labor, Trade, and Economic Integration in the Americas  
Labor Markets and Labor Relations in Latin America

**FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS: EXTERNAL**

Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Participant: “Business in Mexico,” May-June  
1996.  
North-South Center (University of Miami) External Grant for research on Labor, Free  
Trade, and Economic Integration in the Americas (with John D. French),  
1993-94.  
Fulbright Senior Research Award (for Brazil and Argentina), American Republics  
Regional Research Program, 1988-89 competition.  
Social Science Research Council, International Doctoral Research Fellowship, 1981-83.  
Doherty Fellowship Committee, grant to support dissertation fieldwork, 1981-82.

**FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS: INTERNAL**

Faculty Development Grants, Washburn University: 1997, 1998, and 2000 (to attend the  
I, II, and III North American Seminar on Incomes and Productivity sponsored by  
the North American Commission for Labor Cooperation).  
Mary B. Sweet Summer Sabbatical, Washburn Endowment Association: 1992 (for travel  
to Russia and Ukraine); 1997 (for travel to Brazil, Paraguay, and Argentina); 1999  
(for travel to Paraguay, Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina); 2007 (for travel to  
Brazil).  
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Washburn University: initiated 1990; President-elect,  
1998-99; President, 1999-2001.

Phi Beta Delta Honor Society, initiated 1993.

Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society, Washburn University, initiated 2008.

Washburn University Grants for research in Brazil and Argentina, Summer 1985,  
Summer 1986, 1989, Summer 1991, and Summer 1995.

University of Illinois, Graduate College Research Grant, 1981-82.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (in Portuguese), University of Illinois,  
1979-80, 1980-81.