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GRANT PERIOD: **September 2008 – July 2009**  
PRESENT POSITION US: **Professor of History**  
**University of California, Santa Barbara**  
BORN: **USA 1950**  
LANGUAGES: **some German**

GERMAN HOST INSTITUTION

**Wilhelms-Westfälische-Universität Münster**

ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE

**History, American Studies, Ethnic Studies**

AREAS OF RESEARCH

**Race and Ethnicity in the United States and in Comparative International Perspective**  
**Asian American History, Culture, Religion, Gender, and Family Life**  
**Migration and Identity in United States History and in Modern World History**  
**History and Peoples of the Pacific**

POSSIBLE LECTURE TOPICS

**U.S. Immigration Policy in the Twenty-first Century**  
**Beyond the Ellis Island Myth: Rethinking Immigration History**  
**December 7 and September 11: Racializing the Other in America's Wars at Home**  
**The Multiracial Movement and Racial Identity in the United States**  
**What's Critical About White Studies, and What's Not**  
**Is Lighter Better? Skin-Tone Discrimination among Asian Americans**

ACADEMIC TRAINING AND DEGREES

**A.B. Harvard University 1973**  
**M.A. University of California, Berkeley, 1976**  
**Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley, 1983**

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

I have taught at a dozen universities in the United States, Asia, and the Pacific. I was formerly Associate Dean for Behavioral Sciences at Brigham Young University – Hawai'i, before coming to UCSB as Chair of Asian American Studies in 1997. I have been Professor of History at UCSB since 1999.

PUBLICATIONS (selected)

Books:

**Almost All Aliens: Immigration, Race, and Colonialism in American History and Identity (2007)**  
**Is Lighter Better? Skin-Tone Discrimination among Asian Americans (2007)**  
**Affect and Power: Essays on Sex, Slavery, Race, and Religion (2005)**  
**Race and Nation: Ethnic Systems in the Modern World (2005)**  
**Racial Thinking in the United States: Uncompleted Independence (2004)**

**A Global History of Christians (2004)**  
**Revealing the Sacred in Asian and Pacific America (2003)**  
**Pacific Diaspora: Island Peoples in the United States and Across the Pacific (2003)**  
**We Are a People: Narrative and Multiplicity in Constructing Ethnic Identity (2000)**  
**World History by the World's Historians (1998)**  
**Japanese Americans: The Formation and Transformations of an Ethnic Group (1996, rev. ed. 2009)**  
**Mixed Blood: Intermarriage and Ethnic Identity in Twentieth-Century America (1989)**