



Paul E. Michelson

Curriculum Vitae

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I. EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in History, Indiana University, Bloomington IN (1975)
Studied with Barbara & Charles Jelavich; William Cohen;
Norman J. G. Pounds; Robert F. Byrnes; Denis Sinor
- M. A. in History, Indiana University, Bloomington IN (1969)
Studied with Barbara & Charles Jelavich; Gretchen Buehler;
Robert Campbell, Linda Degh; Alan Pollard
- B. A. in History, Emporia State University, Emporia KS (1967)
Studied with Glenn E. Torrey; Samuel Dicks; Keith Denniston

II. EMPLOYMENT

- Huntington University, Huntington, Indiana
Distinguished Professor of History Emeritus, 2015-present
Distinguished Professor of History, 1992-2015
Assistant to Professor of History, 1974-1992
- The American School of București, București, Romania
Social Studies instructor, 1972-1973
- Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
Associate Instructor in History, 1969-1970

III. HONORS/AWARDS

- National Merit Scholar, 1963
Kappa Mu Epsilon Honor Society [Mathematics], 1964
Pi Gamma Mu Honor Society [Social Sciences], 1965
Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges, 1966
Undergraduate Honors Degree, 1967
Huntington University Distinctive Professor, 1976
Alpha Chi National College Honor Scholarship Society, Honoris Causa, 1978
Outstanding Young Men of America, 1980
Huntington University, First Faculty Lecturer, 1981
Institutul de Istorie A. D. Xenopol, Iași, Romania, Honorary Member, 1991
Huntington University Distinguished Professor, 1992
Institutul de Istorie N. Iorga, București, Romania, Honorary Member, 1992
Society for Romanian Studies Citation for Service, 1993
Huntington University Centennial Medallion, 1997
Huntington University Centennial Faculty Lecturer, 1997-1998
CHOICE Outstanding Academic Book Award, 1998
Romanian Academy Nicolae Bălcescu Prize for History, 2000
CHOICE Outstanding Academic Book Award, 2000
Scientific Council, Institutul de Istorie A. D. Xenopol, Iași, Romania, 2001

Distinguished Service Award, Alpha Chi National Honor Society, 2001
Huntington University Faculty Lecturer, 2009
Huntington University Faculty Lecturer, 2013 (in collaboration)
Institutul de Istorie George Barițiu, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Honorary
Member, 2020
Romanian Academy, elected Honorary Member, 2025

IV. FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS

National Merit Scholar, major in History with minors in Mathematics,
Sociology, English, and Philosophy, Emporia State University KS
(1963-1967)
Graduate Fellow in History, Indiana University, Bloomington IN (1967-1971)
Richard M. Weaver Fellow (1968-1969)
Ford Foundation Foreign Area Fellowship Program Fellow (1970-1971)
Fulbright-Hays Fellow for Romania (1971-1972)
International Research & Exchanges Board Fellow for Romania (1971-1972)
IREX Dissertation Fellow, Indiana University, (1973-1974)
Research Associate, University of Illinois Summer Laboratory on Russia and
East Europe, Champaign-Urbana IL (1976)
Participant, University of Delaware Seminar on Austrian Economics, Newark
DE (1976)
Participant, VPI-Liberty Fund Seminar on Liberty, Ethics, and Economics,
Blacksburg VA (1977)
Visiting Fellow, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar
on Nationalism, University of Virginia, Charlottesville VA (1978)
Participant, Wabash College-Liberty Fund Seminar on History and
Economics, Wabash IN (1979)
Participant, Wabash College-Liberty Fund Seminar on History and
Economics, Wabash IN (1980)
Participant, Claremont College-Liberty Fund Seminar on Political Philosophy,
Claremont CA (1981)
Research Associate, University of Illinois Summer Laboratory on Russia and
East Europe, Champaign-Urbana IL (1982)
Organizer and participant, American Council of Learned Societies Summer
Seminar on Romanian Studies, University of Illinois, Champaign-
Urbana IL (1982),
Fulbright-Hays Senior Research Fellow for Romania (1982-1983)
IREX Fellow for Romania (1982-1983)
Participant, Lilly Foundation Summer Workshop on the Liberal Arts,
Colorado Springs CO (1985)
Research Associate, University of Illinois Summer Laboratory on Russia and
East Europe, Champaign-Urbana IL (1988)
Visiting Fellow, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar
on Ottoman History, Princeton University, Princeton NJ (1989)
Fulbright-Hays Senior Research Fellow for Romania (1989-1990)
Participant, Faculty Development Seminar, St. Petersburg, Riga, and Moscow,
Council for International Educational Exchange, New York NY (1992)
Research Associate, University of Illinois Summer Laboratory on Russia and
East Europe, Champaign-Urbana, Illinois (1993)
Visiting Fellow, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute
on Venice, the Jews, and Italian Culture, Venice, Italy (2006)

V. CURRENT PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

The Conference on Faith and History
The International Adam Smith Society
The Society for Romanian Studies
The South East European Studies Association
The C. S. Lewis and Kindred Spirits Society for Central and Eastern Europe

VI. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

The Society for Romanian Studies
President, 2006-2009
National Board member, 1976-2015
Secretary, 1977-2006; 2010-2015
Editor of the *SRS NEWSLETTER*, 1978-2006
National Meeting Program Chairman, 1980, 1981, 1994
First International Congress of Romanian Studies, Paris, France 1986,
Program Committee
Second International Congress of Romanian Studies, Iași, Romania
1993, Program Chair
Third International Congress of Romanian Studies, Cluj-Napoca,
Romania, 1997, Program Chair
Fourth International Congress of Romanian Studies, Suceava,
Romania, 2001, Program Chair
Fifth International Congress of Romanian Studies, Constanța,
Romania, 2007, Program Chair
SRS Website editor, 1995-2010
The Conference on Faith and History
Secretary, 2004-2014
Newsletter Editor, 1996-2004
SRS Web site creator and editor, 1995-2014
South East European Studies Association
Program Committee, 1977 Conference/Symposium
Program Committee, 1981 Conference/Symposium
Romanian Area Editor, 1979-1985
Guest Editor for *Balkanistica*, Vol. 7 (1981-1982)
Member of National Board, 1991-2014
Secretary of the National Board, 1995-1996
Secretary pro-tem, 1996-1998
Alpha Chi National Honor Scholarship Society
Region V [Midwest] Vice-President, 1978-1980
Region V [Midwest] President, 1980-1982
Region V [Midwest] Secretary-Treasurer, 1986-1998
National Council member, 1986-1998
Member of the Editorial Board, *Alpha Chi Alumni Recorder*, 1995-1998
Alpha Chi Distinguished Service Award, 2001
Member of 75th Anniversary Publications Committee, 1996-1997
Creator of the AX National Web site, 1996
Region V Vice-President, 2008-2010
Region V Secretary-Treasurer, 2010-2014
National Council member, 2010-2014

The C. S. Lewis and Kindred Spirits Society of Central and Eastern Europe
Founding Member, 2018
Member of the Board, 2018-present
Newsletter Editor, 2021-present

VII. EDITORIAL BOARDS

Revue des Études Sud-East Européennes [București, Romania]
Editorial Board, 1990-present
Institutul de Istorie A. D. Xenopol [Iași, Romania]
Research Associate, 1991-present
Member of the Scientific Council, *Anuarul Institutului de Istorie*,
2001-present
Institutul de Istorie N. Iorga [București, Romania]
Editorial Board, *Historical Journal*, 2006-present
Editorial Board, *Revista Istorică*, 2006-present
Editorial Board, *Studii și Materiale de Istorie Contemporană*, 2006-
present
Institutul de Istorie G. Bariț [Cluj-Napoca, Romania]
Editorial Board, *Anuarul Institutului de Istorie*, 2006-present
Center for Transylvanian Studies [Cluj-Napoca]
Editorial Board, *Transylvanian Review*, 2006-present
Revista Arhivelor [București, Romania]
Editorial Board, 2007-present
East and Europolis [Cluj-Napoca, Romania]
Editorial Board, 2008-present
Interstitio [Chișinău, Moldova]
Editorial Board, 2009-present
Analele Universității Ovidius. Seria Istorie [Constanța, Romania]
Advisory Board, 2009-present
Archiva Moldaviae [Iași, Romania]
Editorial Board, 2010-present
*The International Journal of Cross-Cultural Studies and Environmental
Communication* [Constanța, Romania]
Editorial Board, 2012-present
Acta Moldaviae Meriodionalis [Vaslui, Romania]
Board of Consultants, 2018-present
Revista Română de Istorie a Secolului XX, 2023-present

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Encyclopaedia Britannica,
Consultant for the EB Romanian Concise Edition, the EB Romanian
Student Edition, and the Enciclopedia Universală Britannica.
Christian College Coalition Russian Initiative
Strategy Council, 1992-1995
Christian Scholar's Review
Juror for the Christian Scholar's Award, 1994-1997
American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies
Field Expediter for the Dynamic Inventory of Soviet and East
European Studies in the United States, 1979-1983

Lecturer for the AAASS Public Education Project, 1991
International Research and Exchanges Board
Library Special Projects Selection Committee, 1993-1995
Foreign Service Institute, Washington DC
Visiting Lecturer, 1988-1989;
Winter Quarter, 1989-1990;
Winter Quarter, 1990-1991;
Summer Quarter, 2002;
Summer Quarter 2003
Indiana University Department of History
Graduate Student Member of Departmental Executive Committee,
1969-1970

IX. RESEARCH

Extended Research Experiences:

N. Iorga Institute of History of the Romanian Academy of Social and Political Sciences, București, Romania, Visiting Researcher (1971-1973, 1982-1983, 1989-1990)
A. D. Xenopol Institute of History of the Romanian Academy of Social and Political Sciences, Iași, Romania, Visiting Researcher (1971-1973, 1982-1983, 1989-1990)
The Institute of History and Archaeology of the Romanian Academy of Social and Political Sciences, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Visiting Researcher (1971-1973, 1982-1983, 1989-1990)
Arhivele Statului, București and Iași, Romania (1971-1973, 1982-1983, 1989-1990)
Biblioteca Academiei Române, București, Iași, and Cluj-Napoca, Romania (1971-1973, 1982-1983, 1989-1990)
Biblioteca de Stat, St. Georges branch, București, Romania (1971-1973)
British Public Record Office, London, UK (1971)
British Museum, London UK (1971, 1986)
Institutes of History of the Romanian Academy of Social and Political Sciences, București, Cluj-Napoca, and Iași, Romania (1982-1983)
Institutes of History of the Romanian Academy of Social and Political Sciences, București, Cluj-Napoca, and Iași, Romania (1989-1990)
Archivio di Stato, Venice, Italy (2006)
The Marion E. Wade Center, Wheaton College, Wheaton IL, (2018, 2019)
The Angus Library Archives, Regent's Park College, Oxford (2022)
The Southern Baptist Library and Archives, Nashville TN (2022)

X. Areas of Expertise/Research Interests

19th-21th Century Political Development in Eastern Europe, especially Romania and the Balkans
Historiography, particularly the historiography of Romania
Totalitarian Societies, Soviet Systems, Russia, and the former Soviet Union
Development of Post-Totalitarian Societies
The History of Venice; History of Jews in Venice
The Life and Works of C. S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien, W. H. Lewis, and other Inklings and kindred spirits
History of Christianity, especially Evangelicals in Interwar Romania

XI. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Church of the United Brethren in Christ

Delegate to General Conference, 1993, 1997, 2001, 2005

Member of the General Board, 1993-2005

Member of the Executive Leadership Team, 1993-2005

Delegate to US National Conference, 2005, 2017

Huntington Habitat for Humanity

La Fontaine Arts Council, Huntington IN, founding member

Huntington County Historical Society

