

Curriculum Vitae of  
Robert E. Lerner

I. Born: New York City, 8 February 1940

II. Education:

University of Chicago: B.A. 1960  
Princeton University: M.A. 1962; Ph.D. 1964  
University of Münster/Westphalia (1962-63)

III. Employment:

Princeton University: Instructor (1963-64)  
Western Reserve University: Assistant Professor  
(1964-67)  
Northwestern University: Assistant Professor (1967-71);  
Associate Professor (1971-76); Professor (1976--);  
Peter B. Ritzma Professor in the Humanities (1993--)

IV. Honors and Awards:

Fellow, Medieval Academy of America  
Guest Lecturer at the following European Universities:  
Bayreuth, Berlin (Free University; Technical  
University), Cambridge, Constance, Florence, Fribourg,  
Göttingen, Hamburg, Heidelberg, Oxford, London,  
Perugia, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Würzburg, York  
NEH Lecturer at Notre Dame University, University of  
California, San Diego  
Guest Lecturer at Cleveland Museum of Art, Dumbarton Oaks  
Research Center, many U.S. colleges and universities  
Fellow, International Society for Franciscan Studies  
Fulbright Senior Fellowship (1967-68)  
NEH Research Grant (1972-73)  
ACLS Fellowship (1979-80)  
American Academy in Rome Fellowship (1983-84)  
Guggenheim Fellowship (1984-1985)  
Institute for Advanced Study: Member, School of  
Historical Studies (1988-89)  
Rockefeller Foundation: Bellagio Study Center Residency  
(1989)  
Historisches Kolleg (Munich): Forschungspreis: 1992;  
Stipendiat (1992-93)  
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars  
(Washington, D.C.): Fellow (1996-97)  
Max-Planck-Gesellschaft: Prize for International  
Collaboration (1997-2001)  
Editorial Board: Franciscana, Franciscan Studies,  
Picenum Seraphicum, Rivista di  
Storia del Cristianesimo, Oliviana,  
Joachim Abbas Florensis Opera omnia

## V. Publications

### A. Books

- 1.) The Age of Adversity: The Fourteenth Century (Cornell University Press, 1968)
- 2.) The Heresy of the Free Spirit in the Later Middle Ages (University of California Press, 1972; 2nd ed.: Notre Dame University Press, 1991)
- 3.) The Powers of Prophecy: The Cedar of Lebanon Vision from the Mongol Onslaught to the Dawn of the Enlightenment (University of California Press, 1983)
- 4.) Weissagungen über die Päpste, with Robert Moynihan (Belser Verlag, Stuttgart, 1985)
- 5.) Johannes de Rupescissa, Liber secretorum eventuum: Edition critique, traduction et introduction historique, with C. Morerod-Fattebert (Fribourg, 1994)
- 6.) Refrigerio dei santi (Rome, 1995) (Collected articles on prophecy and eschatology in Italian translation.)
- 7.) Editor of Neue Richtungen in der hoch- und spätmittelalterlichen Bibelexegese (Munich, 1996)
- 8.) Western Civilizations, with Standish Meacham and E.M. Burns, 13th edition (W. W. Norton & Company, 1998)  
(This text has been translated into Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and Portuguese.)
- 9.) The Feast of Saint Abraham: The Joachite Millennium and the Jews (University of Pennsylvania Press: 2001) (Italian translation: La festa di sant'Abrahamo [Rome, 2002]; Catalan translation of chapter seven in Llengua & Literatura, 17 [2006], 7-28)

### B. Varia

- 1.) Co-author of One Thousand Years: Western Europe in the Middle Ages, with D. Herlihy, D. Nicholas, D. Queller, J.B. Russell, and R. DeMolen (Houghton Mifflin Company, 1974)
- 2.) Preface for Marguerite Porete: The Mirror of Simple Souls, tr. E. Babinsky (Classics of Western Spirituality) (New York, 1993)
- 3.) Co-author of Propaganda Miniata: Le origini delle profezie papali 'Ascende Calve', with Orit Schwartz (Milan, 1994)
- 4.) Introduction for Herbert Grundmann: Religious Movements in the Middle Ages, tr. S. Rowan (Notre Dame, 1995)
- 5.) Co-author of World Civilizations, with P. Ralph, et al. 9th ed. (W.W. Norton & Company, 1997)

### C. Articles

- 1.) "The Uses of Heterodoxy: The French Monarchy and Unbelief in the Thirteenth Century," French Historical Studies, 4 (1965), 190-202.
- 2.) "Vagabonds and Little Women: The Medieval Netherlandish Dramatic Fragment De Truwanten," Modern Philology, 65 (1968), 301-306.

- 3.) "Weltklerus und religiöse Bewegung im 13. Jahrhundert. Das Beispiel Philipps des Kanzlers," Archiv für Kulturgeschichte, 51 (1969), 94-108.
- 4.) "The Image of Mixed Liquids in Late Medieval Mystical Thought," Church History, 40 (1971), 397-411.
- 5.) "A Collection of Sermons Given in Paris c. 1267, Including a New Text by Saint Bonaventura on the Life of Saint Francis," Speculum, 49 (1974), 466-498.
- 6.) "A Note on the University Career of Jacques Fournier, O. Cist., later Pope Benedict XII," Analecta Cisterciensia, 30 (1974), 66-69.
- 7.) "Medieval Prophecy and Religious Dissent," Past and Present, 72 (August, 1976), 3-24.
- 8.) "Refreshment of the Saints: The Time After Antichrist as a Station for Earthly Progress in Medieval Thought," Traditio, 32 (1976), 97-144.
- 9.) "An 'Angel of Philadelphia' in the Reign of Philip the Fair: The Case of Guiard of Cressonessart" in Order and Innovation in the Middle Ages (Princeton, 1976), 343-364, 529-540.
- 10.) "Joachim of Fiore as a Link between St. Bernard and Innocent III on the Figural Significance of Melchisedech," Mediaeval Studies, 42 (1980), 471-76.
- 11.) "The Black Death and Western European Eschatological Mentalities," American Historical Review, 86 (1981), 533-52.
- 11 bis) same with considerable revisions in: The Black Death: The Impact of the Fourteenth-Century Plague, ed. D. Williman (Binghamton, 1982), 77-105.
- 12.) "Les communautés hérétiques (1150-1500)," Le Moyen Age et la Bible, ed. P. Riché and G. Lobrion (Paris, 1984), 597-614.
- 13.) "The 'Rich Complexity' of the Late-Medieval Church," Medievalia et Humanistica, 12 (1984), 225-34.
- 14.) "Joachim of Fiore's Breakthrough to Chiliasm," Cristianesimo nella storia, 6 (1985), 489-512.
- 15.) "Antichrists and Antichrist in Joachim of Fiore," Speculum, 60 (1985), 553-70.
- 16.) "Poverty, Preaching, and Eschatology in the Revelation Commentaries of Hugh of St. Cher," The Bible in the Medieval World: Essays in Memory of Beryl Smalley, ed. K. Walsh and D. Wood (Oxford, 1985), 157-89.
- 17.) "A Case of Religious Counter-Culture: The German Waldensians," The American Scholar (Spring, 1986), 234-47.
- 18.) "Petrarch's Coolness toward Dante: A Conflict of 'Humanisms'," Intellectuals and Writers in the Fourteenth Century, ed. P. Boitani and A. Torti (J.A.W. Bennett Memorial Lectures, 3) (Tübingen, 1986), 204-225.
- 19.) "On the Origins of the Earliest Latin Pope Prophecies," Fälschungen im Mittelalter (Hannover, 1988), V, 611-35.
- 20.) "Waldenser, Lollarden und Taboriten. Zum Sektenbegriff bei Weber und Troeltsch," Max Webers Sicht des okzidentalen Christentums, ed. W. Schluchter (Frankfurt, 1988), 326-54.

- 21.) "Frederick II, Alive, Aloft, and Allayed in Franciscan-Joachite Eschatology," The Use and Abuse of Eschatology in the Middle Ages, ed. W. Verbeke (Louvain, 1988), 359-84.
- 22.) "The Pope and the Doctor," The Yale Review, 78 (1988-89), 62-79.
- 23.) "On the Origins and the Import of the Columbinus Prophecy," with E.A.R. Brown, Traditio, 45 (1989/90), 219-56.
- 24.) "Millénarisme littérale et vocation des Juifs chez Jean de Roquetaillade," Mélanges de l'Ecole française de Rome: Moyen Age, 102 (1990), 311-15.
- 25.) "Ernst Kantorowicz and Theodor E. Mommsen," An Interrupted Past: German-Speaking Refugee Historians in the United States, ed. H. Lehmann and J. Sheehan (Washington D.C. and Cambridge, 1991), 188-205.
- 26.) "The Prophetic Manuscripts of the 'Renaissance Magus' Pierleone of Spoleto," Il profetismo gioachimita tra Quattrocento e Cinquecento, ed. G. L. Potestà (Genoa, 1991), 97-116.
- 27.) "Werner di Friedberg intrappolato dalla legge," La parola all'accusato, ed. J.-C. Maire Vigueur and A. Paravicini Bagliani (Palermo, 1991), 258-71.
- 28.) "Ecstatic Dissent," Speculum, 67 (1992), 33-57.
- 29.) "The Medieval Return to the Thousand-Year Sabbath," The Apocalypse in the Middle Ages, ed. R. Emmerson and B. McGinn (Ithaca, 1992), 51-71.
- 30.) "I 'Prelati' dell' 'ecclesia spiritualis,'" Poteri carismatici e informali: chiesa e società medioevali, ed. A. Vauchez and A. Paravicini Bagliani (Palermo, 1992), 137-52.
- 31.) "Recent Work on the Origins of the 'Genus nequam' Prophecies," Florensia, 7 (1993), 141-57.
- 32.) "Writing and Resistance Among Beguins of Languedoc and Catalonia," Heresy and Literacy, 1000-1530, ed. P. Biller and Anne Hudson (Cambridge, 1994), 186-204.
- 33.) "Himmelsvision oder Sinnendelirium? Franziskaner und Professoren als Traumdeuter im Paris des 13. Jahrhunderts," Historische Zeitschrift, 259 (1994), 337-67.
- 34.) "Illuminated Propaganda: The Origins of the 'Ascende calve' Pope Prophecies," with O. Schwartz, Journal of Medieval History, 20 (1994), 157-91.
- 35.) "Ernst H. Kantorowicz," Medieval Scholarship, vol. 1: History, ed. H. Damico (New York, 1995), 263-76.
- 36.) "'Popular Justice': Rupescissa in Hussite Bohemia," Eschatologie und Hussitismus (Prague, 1996), 39-52.
- 37.) "New Evidence for the Condemnation of Meister Eckhart," Speculum, 72 (1997), 347-66.
- 38.) "'Meritorious Academic Service': Kantorowicz and Frankfurt," Ernst Kantorowicz: Erträge der Doppeltagung. . ., ed. R. L. Benson and J. Fried (Stuttgart, 1997), 14-32.
- 39.) "Kantorowicz and Continuity," Ernst Kantorowicz. . . (as item 38), 104-23.
- 40.) "Millennialism," The Encyclopedia of Apocalypticism, vol. 2, ed. B. McGinn (New York, 1998), 326-60.

- 41.) "Peter Olivi on the Conversion of the Jews," Pierre de Jean Olivi, ed. A. Boureau and S. Piron (Paris, 1999), 207-16.
- 42.) "Medieval Prophecy and Politics," Annali dell'Istituto storico italo-germanico in Trento, 25 (1999), 417-32.
- 43.) "Preaching in Paris in the Thirteenth Century," Franciscana, 2 (2000), 185-200.
- 44.) "Joachim and the Scholastics," Gioacchino da Fiore tra Bernardo di Clairvaux e Innocenzo III, ed. R. Rusconi (Rome, 2001), 251-64.
- 45.) "Gentile of Foligno Interprets the Prophecy 'Woe to the World'," with M. Kaup, Traditio, 56 (2001), 149-211.
- 46.) "A Newly Discovered Letter by Georg Simmel of May 1918," Simmel Studies, 13 (2003), 425-38.
- 47.) "Ornithological Propaganda: The Fourteenth-Century Denigration of Dominicans," Politische Reflexion in der Welt des späten Mittelalters, ed. M. Kaufhold (Leiden, 2004), 171-91.
- 48.) "Poetry of Gertrud Kantorowicz: Between 'Die Blätter für die Kunst' und Theresienstadt," George Jahrbuch, 5 (2004/2005), 98-109.
- 49.) "Medieval Millenarianism and Violence," Pace e guerra nel basso medioevo: Atti del XL Convegno storico internazionale, Todi, 12-14 ottobre 2003 (Spoleto, 2004), 37-52.
- 50.) "The Vocation of the Friars Preacher: Hugh of St. Cher Between Peter the Chanter and Albert the Great," Hugues de Saint-Cher (†1263), bibliste et théologien, ed. L.-J. Bataillon, et al. (Turnout, 2004), 215-31.
- 51.) "The Jerusalem Rumors: The Earliest Stage of the 'Master of Rhodes' Letter on the Birth of Antichrist," with J. Roussanov, Rivista di storia del cristianesimo, 2 (2005), 157-72.
- 52.) "Conversations With George Kennan," Historically Speaking, 6, #6 (July/August, 2005), 11-13.
- 53.) "The Jerusalem Rumors: An Addendum," Rivista di storia del cristianesimo, 3 (2006), 541-43.
- 54.) "Reception of Prophecy in Bologna: The Visio fratris Johannis in a Hearing of 1299," Rivista di storia della Chiesa in Italia, 61 (2007), 67-74.

#### D. Reviews

Over eighty-five book reviews in journals including: American Historical Review; Catholic Historical Review; Central European History; Deutsches Archiv für Erforschung des Mittelalters; Heresis; Journal of Ecclesiastical History; Journal of Interdisciplinary History; Quellen und Forschungen aus italienischen Archiven und Bibliotheken; Speculum; Studies in the Age of Chaucer; Studies in Religion; Times Literary Supplement

Twenty entries in Dictionary of the Middle Ages; eight entries in Dictionnaire d'histoire et de géographie ecclésiastiques; two entries in Theologische Realencyklopädie.

#### E. Selected Recent Recognitions

Invited reviewer for books on medieval history and religion for The Times Literary Supplement.

Invited keynote speaker, conference on "In Search of the Secret Germany", Queens' College, Cambridge, March 2002.

Invited bestower of Christopher Lasch prize for Natalie Zemon Davis, The Historical Society Conference, May 2002.

Invited speaker, international conference on "Politisches Denken der Scholastik", Heidelberg, July 2003 (one of three American participants; paper delivered in German).

Invited speaker, conference on "Pace e guerra nel basso medioevo", Accademia Tudertina, Todi, October 2003 (only non-Italian participant; paper delivered in Italian).

Invited speaker, Institut d'histoire de Neuchâtel, December 2003 (paper delivered in French)

My book, The Feast of Saint Abraham, was the subject of a roundtable discussion at the meeting of American Society for Church History, Washington, D.C., January 2004.

Invited plenary session panelist on Western Civilization course, together with Hanna Holborn Gray, The Historical Society Conference, June 2004.

Invited seminar series (in French), Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, winter, 2005.

Invited plenary speaker, conference on "Outlaws, Outcasts, and Heretics in the Middle Ages," University of the South, April, 2005.

Invited President's Lecturer, University of Vermont, September, 2005.

Invited speaker, international conference on "Knowledge, Discipline and Power", Sheffield, September 2006 (one of two American participants)

Invited speaker, international conference on "Utopies et vivre autrement au Moyen Âge", Balaguer (Catalonia), July 2007 (only American participant)