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Curriculum Vitae

Henry Hart Rice Professor of Conflict Resolution
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EDUCATION:

1978 Ph.D. in Anthropology, University of California, San Diego
1973 M.A. in Anthropology, University of California, San Diego
1972 A.B. in Anthropology (with Honors), the University of Chicago

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

2011, 2012 Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies
(University of Malta)

2009 Joan B. Kroc Peace Scholar, Kroc School of Peace Studies, University of San Diego (Spring)

2006 Visiting Professor, Universidad Para Paz (UPeace) San Jose, Costa Rica (January)

2003- Professor of Conflict Resolution and Anthropology (Institute for Conflict Analysis & Resolution)

2003 Guest Professor, Program in Conflict Resolution, Sabanci University, Istanbul, Turkey

1993-2003 Professor of Anthropology, George Mason University

(Dept. Sociology & Anthropology and ICAR)

- 1994 (summer) University of Malta, Msida, Malta, Visiting Prof.
- 1984-1993 Associate Professor of Anthropology, George Mason University.
- 1980-1984 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, George Mason University.
- 1979-1980 Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois, Chicago.
- 1978-1979 Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of California, San Diego.
- 1972-1975 Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology and Muir College, University of California, San Diego

Courses taught include: Philosophy and Methods of Conflict Research; Ethnic and Cultural Factors in Conflict Resolution; Ethnography in Conflict Zones; Approaches to Violence; Identity and Conflict; Comparative Political Systems; Theories of Social Conflict; Introduction to Conflict Resolution; Ethnology of the Middle East; Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology; Approaches to Power

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Politics and Culture, Conflict Analysis and Resolution, Identity and Conflict, Ethics of Practice, Middle East and Israel

HONORS AND AWARDS:

- 2012 Fulbright Specialist Grantee, Banaras Hindu University
- 2009- Henry Hart Rice Chair in Conflict Resolution
- 2009 Joan B. Kroc Peace Scholar, Joan B. Kroc School Of Peace Studies, University of San Diego
- 1996-7 Senior Fellow Jennings Randolph Program for International Peace, United States Institute Of Peace

PUBLICATIONS:

Journal Guest Editor:

- 2013 "Practice in the Academy," Negotiation Journal
(with Susan Allen Nan) 29(2), April.

Books:

- 2013 Conflict Resolution and Human Needs: Linking Theory and Practice (coeditor, Christopher Mitchell). London and New York: Routledge.
- 2012 Context and Pretext in Conflict Resolution: Culture, Identity, Power and Practice. Boulder CO: Paradigm Publishers.
- 2000 Information Campaigns for Peace Operations. Washington D.C.: CCRP Publications. (With J. Narel and P. Combelles-Siegel.)
- 1998 Culture and Conflict Resolution. Washington D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press.
- 1997 Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Religion, and Government. Albany: State University of New York Press. (Ed., with W.P. Zenner.)
- 1991 Conflict Resolution: Cross-Cultural Perspectives. New York: Greenwood Press. (Ed., with P.W. Black and J.A. Scimecca.) Paperback edition: Praeger, 1998.
- 1981 American Immigrants in Israel: Social Identities and Change. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Articles, Chapters, and Review Essays:

- 2013a "The Constraints and Opportunities of Practicing Conflict Resolution from Academic Settings." Negotiation Journal (April):205-212 (with S. Allen Nan).
- 2013b "Basic Human Needs and the Dilemma of Power in Conflict Resolution," In Conflict

- Resolution and Human Needs: Linking Theory And Practice (K. Avruch and C.R. Mitchell, eds.). New York: Routledge, pp. 40-58.
- 2013c "Basic Human Needs in Theory and Practice." In Conflict Resolution and Human Needs: Linking Theory and Practice, pp. 1-18.
- 2011 "Peace through Economic Opportunity, Cross-Cultural Understanding and Public-Private Partnership: A Case Study of the Irish Peace Process Cultural Training Programme." Journal Of Peacebuilding and Development 6(2):73-87 (with N. Carstarphen and L. Collins).
- 2010 "Truth and Reconciliation Commissions: Problems in Transitional Justice and the Reconstruction of Identity." Transcultural Psychiatry 47(1):33-49.
- 2009a "Transforming Conflict Resolution Pedagogy." Learning & Teaching: International Journal Of Higher Education in the Social Sciences 2(2):8-22.
- 2009b "What is Training All About?" Negotiation Journal 25(2):161-169.
- 2008 "Culture Theory, Culture Clash, and the Practice of Conflict Resolution." In Handbook Of Conflict Analysis and Resolution. (D.J.D. Sandole et al., eds.). New York: Routledge, pp. 239-253.
- 2007a "Peace Zones in the Philippines." In Zones of Peace. (L. Hancock and C. Mitchell, eds.). Bloomfield CT: Kumarian Press, pp. 51-69 (with R. Jose).
- 2007b "Truth and Reconciliation Commissions." In Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology (G. Ritzer Ed.). Malden MA: Blackwell, pp. 5085-87.
- 2007c "A Historical Overview of Anthropology and Conflict Resolution." Anthropology News 48(6) September, pp. 13-14.

- 2006a "Toward an Expanded 'Canon' of Negotiation Theory: Identity, Ideological and Values-Based Conflict and the Need for a New Heuristic." Marquette Law Review 89:567-82. (Abridged version published as "The Poverty Of Buyer and Seller." In Negotiator's Fieldbook. (A.K. Schneider and C. Honeyman, Eds.). Washington DC: American Bar Association 2006, pp. 81-86.)
- 2006b "Culture, Relativism, and Human Rights." In, Human Rights and Conflict: Exploring the Links Between Rights, Law, and Peacebuilding. (J.A. and J.W. Helsing, eds.). Washington D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, pp. 97-120.
- 2006c "Of Time and the River: Notes on the Herrman Hollett, Gale Model of Mediation." In, The Blackwell Handbook on Mediation. (M. Herrman ed.). Malden MA: Blackwell, pp. 384-394.
- 2005 "Culture, Apology, and International Negotiation: The Case of the Sino-U.S. 'Spy Plane' Crisis." International Negotiation 10(2):337-353 (with Z. Wang).
- 2004a "Context and Pretext in Conflict Resolution." Journal of Dispute Resolution 2003(2):353-365.
- 2004b "Culture as Context, Culture as Communication: Considerations for Humanitarian Negotiators." Harvard Negotiation Law Review 9:393-409. (Reprinted abridged in Negotiation: Processes For Problem Solving, C. Menkel-Meadow et al., Eds. Waltham MA: Aspen Publishers, 2006, pp. 392-395.)
- 2003a "Type I and Type II Errors in Culturally Sensitive Conflict Resolution Practice." Conflict Resolution Quarterly 20(3):351-71.
- 2003b "Conceptualizing Professional Culture and International Negotiations." In Professional Cultures in International Negotiation: Bridge Or Rift? (Gunnar Sjostedt, ed.). Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, pp. 201-216.

- 2003c "Culture." In Conflict: From Analysis to Intervention. (S. Cheldelin, D. Druckman, and L. Fast, eds.). London & NY: Continuum, pp. 140-153.
- 2002a "The Context and Geography of Protracted Conflict: What Do I Need To Know About Culture?" In A Handbook of International Peacebuilding: Into the Eye of the Storm. (J.P. Lederach and J.M. Jenner, eds.). San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, pp. 75-87.
- 2002b "Cross-Cultural Conflict." In, "Conflict Resolution," ed. K.W. Hipel, in The Encyclopedia Of Life Support Systems. Oxford U.K.: UNESCO, Eolss Publishers. Website: <http://www.eolss.net>
- 2001a "Truth and Reconciliation Commissions: A Review Essay and Annotated Bibliography." Social Justice 2(1-2):47-108 (with B. Vejarano). (Republished in The Online Journal Of Peace and Conflict Resolution, Issue 4.2, Spring 2002; at web address: http://www.trinstitute.org/ojpcr/4_2recon.htm)
- 2001b "Constructing Ethnicity: Culture and Ethnic Conflict in the New World Disorder." American Journal of Orthopsychiatry 71(3):281-289. (Reprinted in, Race and Ethnicity: Comparative and Theoretical Approaches, J. Stone and R. Dennis, eds., Oxford: Blackwell, 2003, pp. 72-82; and in Social Work Diagnosis in Contemporary Practice, F.J. Turner eds., New York: Oxford University Press, 2005, pp. 546-553.)
- 2001c "Notes Toward Ethnographies of Conflict and Violence." Journal of Contemporary Ethnography 30(5):637-648.
- 2000a "Culture and Negotiation Pedagogy." Negotiation Journal 16(4):339-346. (Reprinted in, Understanding Negotiation, M.L. Nelken, ed., Cincinnati OH: Anderson Publishing Co., 2001, pp. 51-57.)

- 2000b "Reciprocity, Equality and Status-Anxiety in the Amarna Letters." In Amarna Diplomacy: The Beginnings of International Relations. (R. Cohen and R. Westbrook, eds.). Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, pp. 154-164.
- 1999a "Civilian Perspectives on the Analysis of Civil Military Interactions: Introductory Remarks." In Analysis of Civil-Military Interactions. (A. Woodcock and D. Davis, eds.). Clementsport NS: Canadian Peacekeeping Press, pp. 87-91.
- 1999b "Cultural Relativism, Conflict Resolution, and Social Justice." Peace and Conflict Studies 6(1):21-36 (with P.W. Black).
- 1998a "Political Judaism and the Post-Zionist Era." Judaism 47(2):146-159.
- 1998b "Peace Making: Introductory Remarks." In Analysis for Peace Operations. (A. Woodcock and D. Davis, eds.). Clementsport NS: Canadian Peacekeeping Press, pp. 29-32.
- 1998c "Analysis and Conflict Resolution." In Analysis for Peace Operations. Pp. 116-121.
- 1998d "Israel." In Encyclopedia of Politics and Religion. (R. Wuthrow, ed.). Volume I, pp. 397-399. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Books.
- 1998e "Zionism." In Encyclopedia of Politics and Religion. Volume II, pp. 804-806.
- 1998f "Evolving Peacekeeping in the Post-Cold War Era: Some Notes on Cornwallis-II." In Analysis For and Of the Resolution of Conflict. (A.E.R. Woodcock & D. Davis, eds.). Clementsport NS: Canadian Peacekeeping Press, pp. 15-19.
- 1997a "Localizing Israeli Judaism." In Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Religion, and Government. Albany: State University of New York Press, pp. 152-167.

- 1997b "Introduction." In Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Religion, and Government. Albany: State University of New York Press (with W.P. Zenner), pp. 1-8.
- 1996a "ADR, Palau, and the Contribution of Anthropology." In Anthropological Contributions To Conflict Resolution (A. Wolfe and H. Yang, eds.). Athens: University of Georgia Press (with P.W. Black), pp. 47-63.
- 1996b "Conflict Resolution." In Encyclopedia of Cultural Anthropology, (D. Levinson and M. Ember, eds.). Volume I, pp. 241-45. New York: HRAF/Henry Holt.
- 1995 "The Jews of Israel." In Encyclopedia of World Cultures, (J. Middleton and A. Rassam, eds.). Volume IX, pp. 141-44. Boston: G.K. Hall. Revised version published online as: "Cultural Summary: Israelis." eHRAF Collection of Ethnography, New Haven CT, HRAF, 2003.
- 1994 "Linking Theory and Conflict Management." Peace and Change 19(4):424-430.
- 1993a "Conflict Resolution in Intercultural Settings: Problems and Prospects." In Conflict Resolution Theory and Practice: Integration and Application (D. Sandole & H. van der Merwe, eds.). Manchester (U.K.): Manchester University Press, pp. 131-45 (with P.W. Black). (Reprinted in Conflict and Culture Reader, P.K. Chew ed., New York: New York University Press, 2001, pp. 7-14. Spanish translation at: <http://www.gmu.edu/Departments/ICAR/intercultu.pdf>).
- 1993b "Culture, Power and International Negotiations: Understanding Palau-U.S. Status Negotiations." Millennium: Journal of International Studies 22(3):379-400 (with P.W. Black). (Reprinted in Culture in World Politics, D. Jacquin-Berdal, A. Oros and M. Verweij, eds., New York: St. Martin's Press, 1998, pp. 34-60.)

- 1993c "The Role of Cultural Anthropology in an Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution." Political and Legal Anthropology Review 16(3):29-38 (with P.W. Black).
- 1992a "Making Culture and its Costs." Ethnic and Racial Studies 15(4):614-26.
- 1992b "The Role of Anthropology in Conflict Resolution." Human Peace 9(4):3-10 (with P.W. Black).
- 1991a "The Culture Question and Conflict Resolution." Peace and Change 16(1):22-45 (with P.W. Black).
- 1991b "Jewish Fundamentalism in Israel." In Critical Essays on Israeli Society, Politics, and Culture (I. Lustick and B. Rubin, eds.). Albany: State University of New York Press, pp. 129-43.
- 1991c "Culture and Conflict Resolution." In Conflict Resolution: Cross-Cultural Perspectives (K. Avruch, P. Black & J. Scimecca, eds.). New York: Greenwood Press, pp. 1-17.
- 1990a "Melford Spiro and the Scientific Study of Culture." In Personality and the Cultural Construction of Society: Papers in Honor of Melford E. Spiro. (D.K. Jordan and M.J. Swartz, eds.). Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, pp. 15-59.
- 1990b "Israeli Society and its Environment." In Israel: A Country Study. (H. Metz, ed.). Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office (Library of Congress), pp. 81-138.
- 1990c "Ideas of Human Nature in Contemporary Conflict Resolution Theory." Negotiation Journal 6(3):221-28 (with P.W. Black).
- 1989 "Some Issues in Thinking About Culture and the Resolution of Conflict." Humanity & Society 13(2):187-94 (with P.W. Black).

- 1988 "Gush Emunim: The 'Iceberg Model' of Extremism Reconsidered." Middle East Review 21(1):27-33.
- 1987a "A 'Generic' Theory of Conflict Resolution: A Critique." Negotiation Journal 3(1):87-96, 99-100 (with P.W. Black).
- 1987b "The Emergence of Ethnicity in Israel." American Ethnologist 14(2):327-39.
- 1986 "Politics and Society in Contemporary Israel." The Middle East Journal 40(1):139-44.
- 1984 "Some Middle Eastern Flash Points." Faculty Lecture Series (V. Gras, ed.). Fairfax, VA.: George Mason University, pp. 133-47.
- 1982a "On the 'Traditionalization' of Social Identity: American Immigrants to Israel." Ethos: Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology 10(2):95-116.
- 1982b "New Markets and Good Deeds: On Altruism and Exemplary Entrepreneurship." Anthropological Quarterly 55(4):211-23.
- 1981 "Becoming Traditional: Socialization to Bureaucracy among American Immigrants in Israel." Studies in Comparative International Development 16(3/4):64-83.
- 1979 "Traditionalizing Israeli Nationalism: The Development of Gush Emunim." Political Psychology 1(1):47-57.
- 1978 "Gush Emunim: Politics, Religion and Ideology in Israel." Middle East Review 11(2):26-31. (Reprinted in Religion and Politics in the Middle East, M. Curtis, ed., Boulder: Westview Press, 1981, pp. 207-15.)

HONORS AND AWARDS:

- 2012 Fulbright Specialist Award
- 2009- Henry Hart Rice Chair in Conflict Resolution

2009 Joan B. Kroc Peace Scholar, Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies, University of San Diego (Spring Semester)

2001-08 Co-Principal Investigator, "Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program (Walsh Visa Program)." Program Assessment (2001-08); History & Final Technical Report (2007-08). Funded U.S. Department Of State. Total budget 2001-08: \$1,316,540

2001-05 Research Team Member, "A Comparative Analysis of Local Zones of Peace, Colombia" U.S. Institute of Peace Unsolicited Grant

2001 College of Arts and Sciences Award for Scholarship (George Mason University)

1999 Honorable Mention, Book of the Year in Conflict Studies, International Association of Conflict Management (IACM)

1998 Deputy Principal Investigator, "Information Campaigns for Peace Operations," Program on Peacekeeping Policy, George Mason University.

1998 Faculty Study Leave, Office of Research and Graduate Studies, GMU.

1997 Invited participant, Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Study Center, "Ethnic Conflict in the Post-Industrial World" conference.

1996-97 Senior Fellow, Jennings Randolph Program for International Peace. United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.

1996 Invited participant, Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Study Center, "Origins of Diplomacy" conference.

1993 William and Flora Hewlett Foundation Summer Stipend, Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution. Project title: "Culture, Conflict Resolution, and International Relations."

- 1992 George Mason University Alumni Association,
"Faculty Member of the Year" Award
- 1988 Distinguished Faculty Award, George Mason
University
- 1987 William and Flora Hewlett Foundation Summer
Stipend, the "George Mason University Problem
Solving and Conflict Resolution Project: The
Cultural Components of Conflict Resolution
Theory."
- 1982 Nominee, National Jewish Book Award
(Nonfiction)
- 1977-78 Research Grant, the Jerusalem Center for
Anthropological Studies
- 1977 University of California Dissertation
Fellowship
- 1972-77 National Institute of Mental Health Pre-
Doctoral Fellowship
- 1972 A.B. with University and Departmental Honors,
the University of Chicago
- 1971 National Science Foundation, Student Originated
Studies Grant

ADMINISTRATION:

Associate Director, ICAR (2005-2008)
Coordinator, Anthropology Program--1988-89, 1990-96

MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Memberships:

American Anthropological Association; American
Ethnological Society; Society for Psychological
Anthropology; Middle East Studies Association;
Anthropological Society of Washington; Association
for Israel Studies; Association for Political and

Legal Anthropology; International Association of
Conflict Management

Editorial Consultant/Reader:

The University of Chicago Press; University of
Wisconsin Press; State University of New York Press;
International Migration Review; Anthropological
Quarterly; Studies in Comparative International
Development; Contemporary Jewry; Ethnohistory; Social
Science & Medicine; Journal of Contemporary Ethnography;
Cultural Anthropology; Ethnic and Racial Studies;
Academic Press; University of Pennsylvania Press; Human
Organization; Sociological Perspectives; International
Journal of Peace Studies; University of California Press;
Oxford University Press; Ashgate Publishers (UK); Journal
of Peace Research; W.W. Norton; International
Negotiation; University of North Carolina Press;
Negotiation Journal; Journal of Political and Military
Sociology; Cambridge University Press; Peace and Conflict
Review; Millennium: Journal of International Studies;
Transcultural Psychiatry

Scientific Reader and Grants Evaluator:

National Science Foundation; National Endowment for the
Humanities; Israel Science Foundation; U.S. Institute
of Peace; Fulbright National Screening Committee

Academic Conference Program Committees

Cornwallis IV (Pearson International Peacekeeping
Training Centre, 1998), Program Sub-Chair

Cornwallis III (Pearson International Peacekeeping
Training Centre, 1997), Program Sub-Chair

Middle East Studies Association (1995)

Association for Israel Studies, Committee Chair (1992)

Publications Coordinator:

Anthropological Society of Washington (1985-1986)

Editorships:

Newsletter of the Anthropological Society of Washington
(1982-1985)

Associate Editor, Journal of Political and Military
Sociology (1991-2009)

Book Review Editor, Anthropological Quarterly (1986-
1991)

Editorial Board, the George Mason University Press
(1985-1994)

Editorial Advisory Board, University of Pennsylvania
Press, Monograph Series, "The Ethnography of Political
Violence" (1995-)

Editorial Board, Social Justice: Anthropology, Peace,
and Human Rights (1999-2005)

Editorial Board, Peace and Conflict Review (2006-)

Advisory Board, International Journal on Conflict
Engagement and Resolution (2012-)

Member, Board of Directors:

Anthropological Society of Washington (ex-officio,
1982-1985)

Association for Israel Studies, Board Member (1989-1993,
1997-2001) and Secretary-Treasurer (1993-1997)

Cultural Center for Social Change (1992-). A community
based, non-profit interdisciplinary arts education
organization

Advisory Board, Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies
(Columbia University) (2004-)

Alliance for Peacebuilding (formerly International
Conflict Prevention and Resolution [AICPR]) (2005-2008)

Honorary Advisory Board, Abraham's Vision (2005-07). An
educational organization devoted to peace in the Middle
East

