

Marci Sortor
 Vice President for Institutional Planning
 Associate Dean of the College
 Professor of History

Curriculum Vitae

Professional Experience

Vice President for Institutional Planning		2005-present
Associate Dean of the College		
	Grinnell College	2002-present
Professor	Grinnell College History Department	2006-present
Associate Professor	Grinnell College History Department	1995-2006
Assistant Professor	Grinnell College History Department	1989-1995
Teaching and Research Fellow/Coordinator		1988/89
	Stanford University History Department	
Teaching and Research Fellow		1987/88
	Stanford University History Department	

Degrees and Education

Ph.D.	University of California, San Diego	1988
Master of Arts	University of California, San Diego	1984
Bachelor of Arts	University of California, San Diego	1980
	Honors and High Distinction	

Conference Papers and Panels

“Work, Business and Investments: Economic Networks in a Fifteenth-Century City,” 44th International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 2009

“How do you get there from here? Models for Implementing Integrative Learning and Collaborative Teaching,” joint panel with Grinnell and Oberlin Colleges, annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, January 2009

Commentator for a panel on “New Directions in Medieval Economic History, Part 1, Reconfiguring the Crisis of the Early Fourteenth Century,” 2007 Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association,”

“The Social and Economic Networks of Immigrants in a Late Medieval City,” 38th International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 2003

"Living the Renaissance," Grinnell College. Grinnell Alumni College, May 29-31, 2002

"Immigration and Trade in Fifteenth-century France and Flanders: the case of Saint-Omer" 35th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2-4, 2000

"Court Battles, Fist Fights, and Economic Change in Fifteenth-Century Flanders: The Ieperleet Affair," Grinnell College, Department of History Colloquium, Oct. 29, 1997.

"Outbreak: Plague in Medieval Europe and Its Repercussions," Grinnell College. Grinnell Alumni College, May 1997

"Market Systems in Late Medieval Flanders: The Unexpected as Case Study," Center for Medieval Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, February 1996

"A Canal and Two Cities: The Struggle for Market Position in Late Medieval Flanders" Chicago Historical Society, Chicago, March 1996

“Economic Decline or Reorganization?” in “Was There an Economic Depression in the Later Middle Ages?” annual meeting of the American Historical Association, San Francisco, 1994

"A Late Medieval Market Network: Saint-Omer's Trade in Foodstuffs and the Market Network of Flanders and Artois," International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 1992

Commentator for a panel on “Thirteenth-Century Empire,” Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, 1992

"Urban-Rural Interdependence in Saint-Omer's Cloth Trade during the Late Fourteenth and Early Fifteenth Centuries," annual meeting of the Medieval Academy of America; Madison, Wisconsin, 1989

Publications: Articles, Editions, Book Reviews

- "The Business of Business in the Middle Ages," (review essay), *Journal of Urban History* 34:4 (May 2008) pp. 712-717
- "The Measure of Success: Evidence for Immigrant Networks in the Southern Low Countries, Saint-Omer 1413-1455," *The Journal of Family History* 30:2 (April 2005): 164-190
- Review of Kathryn Lynch's *Individuals, Families, and Communities in Europe, 1200-1800: The Urban Foundations of Western Society* (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2003), *Renaissance Quarterly* 57:3 (Fall 2004): 1078-80
- The Other Side of Western Civilization* vol. 1, 5th ed., edited by Marci Sortor and Stanley Chodorow, (Harcourt, 1999)
- "The Ieperleet Affair: The Struggle for Market Position in Late Medieval Flanders," in *Speculum: A Journal of Medieval Studies* 73:4 (October 1998), pp. 1068-1100.
- Review of Alain Derville's *L'économie française au moyen âge (The French Economy in the Middle Ages, 1995)* in *Speculum* 73:3 (July 1998)
- "Saint-Omer and Its Textile Trades in the Late Middle Ages: A Contribution to the "Protoindustrialization" Debate," *American Historical Review* 98:5 (1993) 1475-1499
- The Other Side of Western Civilization*, vol. 1, fourth edition, edited by Stanley Chodorow and Marci Sortor, (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1992)

Grants, Fellowships and Prizes

Mellon Research Travel.	Saint-Omer archival research.	June 2002
Faculty Research Travel.	Grinnell College Saint-Omer archival research. .	June 2000
NEH Focus Grant:	"A Cross-cultural Invitation to the Study of History."	1998-2000
"Best article in urban history, 1993,"	Urban History Association	1994
Harris Fellowship,	Grinnell College	1994/5
Helena Percas de Ponceti Research Scholar	Grinnell College	1992
Dissertation Fellowship	University of California, San Diego	1985/86
Humanities grant	University of California, San Diego	1981

Memberships

- American Historical Society
- Medieval Academy of America
- Renaissance Society of America
- Society for Low Countries Studies
- Peer Review Corps, Higher Learning Commission (North Central Association)

Courses Taught

- Medieval Europe
- Renaissance and Reformation Europe
- Rebels and Outlaws in Pre-Industrial Europe
- Rebellion in Pre-Industrial Europe
- Robin Hood
- Distant Cities: Cities in Preindustrial Europe
- Manor and Village in Pre-Industrial Europe
- The Best Life: Monasticism in Medieval Europe
- Medieval and Renaissance Culture
- Basic Issues in Europe from 1650 to the Present
- Conceptions of Space and Place in Europe and the Mediterranean, 450-1650 (MAP seminar)
- Hot Zones (tutorial)
- Renaissance (tutorial)