

Marci Sortor
Provost and Dean of the College
Professor of History
St. Olaf College

Curriculum Vitae

Professional Experience

St. Olaf College	Provost and Dean of the College	2011-present
	Professor of History	
Grinnell College	Acting Vice President for College and Alumni Relations	2010-2011
	Vice President for Institutional Planning	2005-2011
	Associate Dean of the College	2002-2005
	Professor of History	2006-2011
	Associate Professor of History	1995-2006
	Assistant Professor of History	1989-1995
Stanford University	History Department	
	Teaching and Research Fellow/Coordinator	1987/88-1989

Degrees and Education

Ph.D.	University of California, San Diego	1988
Master of Arts	University of California, San Diego	1985
Bachelor of Arts	University of California, San Diego	1980

Service: Organizations

American Conference of Academic Deans: Board of Directors	2016-present
Vice-Chair	2020-present
Norwegian American Historical Association: Board of Directors	2013-present
Higher Learning Commission:	
Institutional Actions Committee	2019-present
Peer Reviewer	2008-present
Lever Press: Oversight Committee	2016-2017
Red Cross Board of Directors:	
Southeast Minnesota	2015-2017
Rice, LaSueur and Waseca Counties chapter	2013-2015
CIC Peer Mentor for new CAOs	2014-2016
Session Member. First Presbyterian Church of Grinnell, IA	2003- 2005

Prize Committee for the “Best Dissertation in Urban History Written in 1994/95”	
Urban History Association	1995
Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors, Poweshiek County	1991-1993
Treasurer	1992-93

Conference Papers, Panels, Workshops and Webinars - Select List

- “Capitalizing on Capital Projects to Launch a Culture of Innovation and Collaboration,” moderator and organizer, 2017 annual meeting of the American Association of Colleges and Universities
- “Recipe for a Better Peer Review” panelist, 2016 International Congress on Medieval Studies
- “Building a Strong Foundation for Fund-Raising Success” panelist, 2015 Council of Independent Colleges Institute for CAOs and CAdOs (panelist)
- “The Academic Affairs Committee: Roles, Risks, and Rewards,” Association of Governing Boards, co-presenter, 2015 Webinar
- “Crash Course: Crafting a Strategic Internationalization Plan,” panelist, 2014 Council of Independent Colleges Institute for CAOs and CFOs
- “Planning Physical Learning Spaces for Nurturing Interdisciplinary, Global Problem-Solvers” co-leader, 2013 Webinar, Learning Spaces Collaboratory
- “Learning Environments for Creating Interdisciplinary, Global Problem Solvers” co-leader, 2013 AAC&U Annual Meeting Workshop
- “The ‘Inter’ and the Disciplines: The Roles of the Disciplines in Interdisciplinary Teaching and Learning,” panelist, 2012 Interdisciplinary Teaching and Learning Conference, Michigan State University
- “Work, Business, and Investments: Economic Networks in a Fifteenth-century City,” 2009, 44th International Congress on Medieval Studies,
- “How Do You Get There From Here? Models for Implementing Integrative Learning and Collaborative Teaching” panelist, 2009 annual meeting of the AAC&U
- “New Directions in Medieval Economic History, Part 1, Reconfiguring the Crisis of the Early Fourteenth Century,” commentator, 2007 annual meeting of the American Historical Association
- “The Social and Economic Networks of Immigrants in a Late Medieval City,” 2003 International Congress on Medieval Studies
- "Immigration and Trade in Fifteenth-century France and Flanders: the case of Saint-Omer," 2000 Thirty-fifth International Congress on Medieval Studies
- "Market Systems in Late Medieval Flanders: The Unexpected as Case Study," 1996, Center for Medieval Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis
- "A Canal and Two Cities: The Struggle for Market Position in Late Medieval Flanders," 1996, Chicago Historical Society
- “Economic Decline or Reorganization?” in “Was There an Economic Depression in the Later Middle Ages?” 1994 annual meeting of the American Historical Association

"A Late Medieval Market Network: Saint-Omer's Trade in Foodstuffs and the Market Network of Flanders and Artois," 1992 International Congress on Medieval Studies
 "Thirteenth-Century Empire," commentator, 1992, Missouri Valley History Conference
 "Urban-Rural Interdependence in Saint-Omer's Cloth Trade during the Late Fourteenth and Early Fifteenth Centuries," 1989 annual meeting of the Medieval Academy of America

Publications: Articles, Editions, Book Reviews

"Work, Business, and Investments: Economic Networks in a Fifteenth-century City," in David Nicholas, Bernard Bachrach, and James Murray, eds., *Comparative Perspectives on History and Historians: Essays in Memory of Bryce Lyon (1920-2007)*, (Kalamazoo, Medieval Institute Publications, 2012)
 "The Business of Business in the Middle Ages," (invited review essay), *Journal of Urban History* 34:4 (May 2008)
 "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)
 Review of Kathryn Lynch's *Individuals, Families, and Communities in Europe, 1200-1800: The Urban Foundations of Western Society* (invited), *Renaissance Quarterly* 57:3 (Fall 2004)
The Other Side of Western Civilization vol. 1, 5th edition, 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)
 Review of Alain Derville's *L'économie française au moyen âge* (invited), *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)
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 for Scholarship and Course Development in History

Research Travel.	Grinnell College	June 2002
Faculty Research Travel.	Grinnell College	June 2000
Focus Grant: "A Cross-cultural Invitation to the Study of History" (PI).	National Endowment for the Humanities	1998-2000
"Best article in urban history, 1993."	Urban History Association	1994
Harris Fellowship.	Grinnell College	1994/5
Helena Percas de Ponseti Research Scholar (1-year funded leave)	Grinnell College	1992
Dissertation Fellowship.	University of California, San Diego	1985/86
Humanities grant.	University of California, San Diego	1981