

Curriculum Vitae: Ira Klein

Personal Information:

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Education:

Ph.D. (1968); M.A. (1960); B.S. (1956), all from Columbia University;
Ph.D. dissertation: "The Diplomacy of British Imperialism in Asia, 1880-1914."

Employment:

Editor, writer, Columbia University Press, 1960-64;
Lecturer, Queens College, CUNY, 1967-68;
Asst. Prof., American University, 1968-72;
Assoc. Prof., American University, 1972-present.

Honors, Awards:

American University

Outstanding Teacher, College of Arts and Sciences, 1990-91, co-recipient.
Distinguished Service, National Golden Key Society, AU chapter, 1993.
Outstanding Service, Community Service Network, Student Life, AU, 1994.
Outstanding Service, Community Service Network, Student Life, AU, 1996.
Outstanding Service, College of Arts and Sciences, 2000-01, co-recipient.
Outstanding Teaching in General Education, University recipient, 2002-03.
Outstanding Faculty Member, Student Government, 2007-08, sole recipient.

Fellowships, Research Grants

Fulbright Fellowship, 1965-66.
American Institute of Indian Studies Fellowship, 1966-67.
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 1972.
American Institute of Indian Studies Fellowship, 1975-76.
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 1975-76.
Ford-Rockefeller Foundations: Population and Development Policy Fellowship, 1979-80.
Course Releases for Research and Writing, American University, several.

Publications:

Book:

The Age of Great Kings, Western Press, N.Y., 1964 (popular history).

Book Chapters:

- 1) "Urban Development and Public Health," in G.L. Gupta, ed., Urban India, Vikas Publishers, New Delhi, 1983, 23 pp.
- 2) "Roads, Railways and Malaria in Bengal," Ian Copeland, ed., The Burden of Empire, Oxford U.P., Sydney, 1991, 5 pp. (abridgement).
- 3) "Medicine and Culture in British India," 28 pp., Abhijit Dutta, K.D. Roy, Sandeep Sinha, eds., Explorations, Corpus Institute, Calcutta, March, 2003.

Scholarly Articles (refereed):

- 1) "Utilitarianism and Agrarian Progress in Western India," Economic History Review, Dec. 1965, 21 pp.
- 2) "Politics and Public Opinion in Lytton's Tariff Policy," Journal of Indian History, August 1967, 16 pp.
- 3) "British Expansion in Malaya," Journal of Southeast Asian History, March 1968, 20 pp.
- 4) "Salisbury, Rosebery and the Survival of Siam," Journal of British Studies, Nov. 1968, 21pp.
- 5) "Britain, Siam and the Malay Peninsula," Historical Journal, spring 1969, 17 pp.
- 6) "Wilson vs. Trevelyan: Finance and Modernization in India after 1857," Indian Economic and Social History Review, June 1972, 31 pp.
- 7) "The Anglo-Russian Convention and the Problem of Central Asia," JBS, Dec. 1971, 21pp.
- 8) "English Free Traders and Indian Tariffs," Modern Asian Studies, July 1971, 21 pp.
- 9) "British Imperialism in Decline: Tibet, 1914-22," Historian, Nov. 1971, 16 pp.
- 10) "Malaria and Mortality in Bengal," IESHR, June 1972, 29 pp.
- 11) "Cholera, Dysentery and Development in Eastern India," JIH, Golden Jubilee Ed., 1972, 25 pp.
- 12) "Whitehall, Washington and the Anglo-Japanese Alliance," Pacific Historical Review, Dec. 1972, 23 pp.
- 13) "British Intervention in the Persian Revolution," HJ, Winter 1972, 22 pp.
- 14) "Nationalism and Anti-Materialism in India: the Roots of Gandhian Economics," South Asia, Aug. 1973, 12 pp.
- 15) "Death in India," Journal of Asian Studies, Aug. 1973, 31 pp.
- 16) "Population and Agriculture in Northern India," MAS, Dec. 1973, 25 pp.
- 17) "Who Made the Second Afghan War," Journal of Asian History, Fall 1974, 25 pp.
- 18) "British Society and the Iranian Constitution," Historian, 1978, 24 pp.
- 19) "Imperialism and Nationalism in Iran," JAH, 1980, 24 pp.
- 20) "Cholera: Theory and Treatment in Nineteenth Century India," JIH, Fall 1983, 17 pp.
- 21) "When the Rains Failed," IESHR, June 1985, 30 pp.
- 22) "Urban Development and Death: Bombay City," MAS, Dec. 1986, 30 pp.

- 23) "Plague, Policy and Popular Unrest," MAS, Nov. 1988, 33 pp.
- 24) "Population Growth and Mortality in British India: I The Climacteric of Death," IESHR, Dec. 1989, 17 pp.
- 25) "Population Growth and Mortality in British India: II The Demographic Revolution," IESHR, June 1990, 31 pp.
- 26) "Economic Development and Environmental Decay in British India," JIH, Fall 1991, 31 pp.
- 27) "Imperialism, Ecology and Disease; Cholera in British India," IESHR, Dec. 1994, 28 pp.
- 28) "Western Medicine, Plague and Popular Responses: Compulsory and Voluntary Policies in British India," JIH, April-Dec., 1998, 30 pp.
- 29) "Health, Ecology and Medical Beliefs in India," JIH, c. 30 pp. July, 2000
- 30) "Materialism, Mutiny and Modernization in India," MAS, 35 pp.; July. 2000.
- 31) "Development and Death: Malaria in British India Revisited," IESHR, c.35 pp., July 2001.
- 32) "Modern India's Struggle for Population Control," JIH, 30 pp; Nov. 2003.
- 33) "Medicine and Culture in Britain and India," JIH, 26 pp.; May, 2004.
- 34) "The Colonial Roots of Mass Existence in Urban and Agrarian India," JIH, 32 pp; spring 2005
- 35) "Railroads, Steel and Colonial India's Economic Development," JIH, 30 pp., spring, 2006.
- 36) "Calcutta: Development, Society and Health, 1870-1950," JIH, c. 33 pp., 2007.
- 37) "Medical Discoveries and Public Health In British India," JIH, 30 pp, 2008.
- 38) "British Reforms, Commercial Agriculture and Agrarian Distress in India," Historian, 25 pp, Winter 2008.
- 39) "Lay Down to Die; Famine in Mysore and India, 1876-78," JIH, 30 pp., 2010.

Invited Article

"Camelot Unattained," SA, Dec. 1973, 8 pp.

Miscellaneous Articles:

"Roots of Turmoil in Iran," lead article, Outlook, Washington Post, Dec. 1978

Columbia Encyclopedia, 3rd ed., 1963, most of the leading articles on modern British and European history and political science, and many on literature and other subjects, including: United States, Great Britain, British Empire, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Portugal, Churchill, De Gaulle, Marx, Gladstone, Beaconsfield, Chatham, Pitt, Louis Napoleon, Fascism, Nazism, Liberalism, Conservatism, Socialism, Liberal Party, Conservative Party, History, United Nations, Industrial Revolution, Middle Ages, Renaissance, Feudalism, Manorial System, Russian literature, Dutch literature, Danish literature, Yugoslavian literature, Icelandic literature, Welsh literature, Provencal literature, Dante, Cervantes, Ibsen, Strindberg, Goethe, Mann, Petrarch.

Columbia Dell Viking Encyclopedia, rev. ed., 1964, almost all articles on Asian and African countries, among them: India, Japan, China, Pakistan, Burma, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia, North Korea, South Korea, Taiwan, Philippines, Laos, Egypt, Afghanistan, Iran, Syria, Jordan, Turkey, Lebanon, Israel, Libya, Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Mali, Chad, Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Kenya, Uganda, Republic of the Congo, Congo Republic, Cameroon, Nigeria, Dahomey, Togo, Ghana, Liberia, Senegal, Rwanda, Burundi, Angola, South Africa.

Refereed Conference Papers:

- 1) "Death and Population: The Demographic Revolution in India," Assoc. for Asian Studies, Los Angeles, 1979.
- 2) "Environmental Decay, Irrigation and Disease in India," Assoc. for Asian Studies," D.C., 1980.
- 3) "The Demographic Revolution and the Human Condition in India," Assoc. for Asian Studies, Middle Atlantic Region, Lehigh University, 1987.

Other Conference Papers:

- 1) "Utilitarianism and Agrarian Conditions in British India," American Institute of Indian Studies, Poona, 1967.
- 2) "Crowding and Death in India," School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, 1972.

Printed Papers:

- 1) "Cholera: Theory and Treatment in British India," Papers in Asian Studies, Center for Asian Studies, I, No. 1, 1980.
- 2) "Population and Death: The Demographic Revolution in India, 1890-1947," Papers in Asian Studies, Center for Asian Studies, VIII, No. 1, 1991.

Manuscripts Under Consideration: Scholarly Articles:

"Humane Failings: Development and Famine Relief in India, 1857-1947," 33 pp.

Work in Progress:

- 1) "Globalization and its Consequences; Colonial and Post Colonial Revolution, Development and Health," book manuscript.
 - 2) "Death by Development ; Transformations in Health, Environment and Population in India and England, 1860-1990," book manuscript.
- "Modernization and its Crises; the Making of Modern India, 1830-2005," book manuscript.
- "Before Climate Change and Beyond," scholarly article, 30 pp.

Editorial Activity:

Board of Editors, Journal of Indian History, 1980-present.

Teaching:

Independent Studies Supervised

Average two or three a year.

Dissertation Committees

Periodic; currently two in progress.

Curriculum Development:

New Courses:

“Modern Revolutions”; “Civilization and Modernization: Asia,”; “Imperialism and India”; “China and Japan”; “Twentieth Century World I”; “Twentieth Century World II”; “Imperialism and Revolution”; “The West in Crisis 1900-45”; “Democracy vs. Totalitarianism”; “War and Diplomacy: Napoleon to Bismarck”; “War and Peace: Bismarck to Hitler”; “Asian Crises and the West, to 2005”; “20th Century European and World Conflicts”; “War and Insurrection: Hitler to Al Qaeda”; Honors: “War and Revolution”; “Money and Love.”

New or Revised Programs:

University Honors: lead role in developing University Honors Program, including much of the University Honors curriculum, consolidation of Departmental and University Honors, graduation with University Honors and its requirements, Honors dorm floor, Honors Essay Contest, Honors extra-curricular program, selecting Honors students.

General Education: vice-chair of committee, major role in developing current, five field, sequenced Gen. Ed. Program.

Community Service-Learning: lead role in developing Community Service Learning projects for academic credit, Service Learning academic minor “Race, Class, Community” ; Community Service Faculty Support Network, Community Service dorm floor.

Interdisciplinary Majors: lead role in effort to establish articulated, organized Interdisciplinary Major packages.

Diversity: lead role in Diversity Coalition’s academic program, articulating new minors in “Ethnic Studies”: a) “The African and African American Experience,” and “Comparative Ethnic Experience.”

Departmental and University Service:

Dept. of History:

Deputy Chair, 1981-90, 2001-04 ; Chair, Personnel Committee, 1987-88, 2003-04; Chair, Grievance Committee, 1981-82, 1996-2003, 2006-present; Honors Coordinator, 1989-2007; APEL liaison, 1977-present; Library liaison, 1990-2008; Chair, Undergraduate Committee, 1971-72, 1980-81, 1989-96; Chair, Department Chair Search Committee, 1991, 2002, 2004; Chair, Graduate Committee, 1978-79; Chair, Development Committee, 1976-77; Chair, Latin Americanist Search Committee, 1991-92; Chair, Southeast Asianist Search Committee, 1972-73; Personnel Committee member, 1974-present; Undergraduate and Graduate Committee member, various, Islamic World Search Committee; fall 2006, British and European Search Committee 2007-8.

College of Arts and Sciences:

Educational Policy Committee, 1970-73; Dean Selection Committee, 1970.

University:

Chair, Senate Committee on Student Learning and Academic Engagement, 2006-present, member, 2005-present; Faculty Senate, member, fall 1998-2002, 2006-present; University Committee on Undergraduate Research, 2007-present; Board of Trustees Campus Life Committee, 2008-present; Provost's Round Table Conference, 2008-present; Committee to Appoint Director of Admissions, 2008; Honors Program Advisory Board, 2004-7, and Director, University Honors Program, 1979-84, Provost's Retention Study Group, fall 2005-7. Chair, Faculty Grievance Committee, 1988-97, member, summer 2006; Chair, University Senate Equity Committee, 2001-02; Chair, University Senate Student Relations Committee 1998-2001; Fulbright-Guggenheim Panel 2000-01; Acting Chair, Student Relations Committee, part of fall 1997, Chair, Spring 1998-2001; Coordinator, Community Studies and Service, 1992-93; Vice-Chair, Committee on General Education and Honors, 1985-87; Director, University Honors Program, 1980-85; Director, General Education Program, 1983-85; Chair, Senate Task Force on General Education, 1983-85; Acting Chair, Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee, winter, 1981-82; Undergraduate Studies Committee, 1980-85; Jewish Studies Advisory Board, 1970-72; Director, Center for Asian Studies, 1973-74; Graduate Fellowship Committee, various.

Membership and Professional Activities:

Reception Committee, American Historical Association, 1992-93; Director, Washington Area South Asia Center, 1973-76; University Representative, American Institute of

American Studies, 1978-79; American Historical Association; Association for Asian Studies.