

Richard Levis McCormick

Birth Date: December 26, 1947

Birthplace: New Brunswick, NJ

Current Position

President

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 2002–

Education

Yale University, Ph.D. (History), 1976

Amherst College, B.A. (Magna Cum Laude, American Studies), 1969

Piscataway Township High School, Piscataway, NJ, 1965

Previous Positions

President

University of Washington, 1995–2002

Executive Vice Chancellor, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1992–1995

Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 1989–1992

Chair of the Department of History

Rutgers University, 1987–1989

Founding Director of the Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis

Rutgers University, 1988–1989

Assistant Professor, 1976–1981; Associate Professor, 1981–1985; Professor, 1985–1992

Department of History, Rutgers University

Selected Awards and Fellowships

Phi Beta Kappa, Amherst College, 1968

George Washington Egleston Historical Prize, Yale University, 1977

(awarded annually for the best dissertation in American History)

Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton University, Visiting Fellowship, 1981–1982

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Fellowship, 1985

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship, 1985

Selected Publications (History)

Books

From Realignment to Reform: Political Change in New York State, 1893–1910
(Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1981)

Progressivism, coauthored with Arthur S. Link
(Arlington Heights, IL: Harlan Davidson, 1983)

The Party Period and Public Policy: American Politics from the Age of Jackson to the Progressive Era
(New York: Oxford University Press, 1986)

Articles

"Ethno-Cultural Interpretations of Nineteenth-Century American Voting Behavior,"
Political Science Quarterly 89 (June 1974): 351–77

"The Party Period and Public Policy: An Exploratory Hypothesis,"
Journal of American History 66 (September 1979): 279–98

"The Discovery That Business Corrupts Politics: A Reappraisal of the Origins of Progressivism,"
American Historical Review 86 (April 1981): 247–74

"Public Life in Industrial America, 1877–1917," in Eric Foner, ed.,
The New American History (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1990): 93–117

Higher Education Papers and Presentations

"Reallocating Resources Through Strategic Initiatives to Fund Reform in Academic Programs,"
Annual Meeting of the Association of Governing Boards (AGB), March 1999

"The University of Washington's Partnerships with the K–12 Schools,"
National Conference in Praise of Education, June 1999

"Inspiring Change at the Core with Limited Resources,"
Annual Meeting of the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences (CCAS), November 1999

"Advancing Diversity in a Post-Affirmative Action State: Implications for a New Era,"
Annual Meeting of the American Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U), January 2000

"Strategies for Building Stronger Schools,"
The Presidency 3 (Winter 2000): 24–29

"New Faculty for a New Age: Transforming Doctoral Education,"
Panel discussion at the Annual Meeting of the American Council on Education (ACE), March 2000

"Rutgers Offers Courses and Resources for Municipalities,"
New Jersey Municipalities (November 2003): 28–32

Organization and Board Memberships

New Jersey Presidents' Council Executive Committee, 2005–

Board of Trustees, New Jersey Historical Society, 2005–

Capital Planning Task Force, New Jersey Commission on Higher Education, 2005–2006

Governor's Commission to Support and Enhance New Jersey Military and Coast Guard Installations, 2004–2006

Governor's Review, Planning, and Implementation Steering Committee (restructuring the research universities of New Jersey), 2003–2004

Governor's Commission on Jobs, Growth, and Economic Development, 2003–2004

Board of Overseers, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, 2003–

Board of Directors, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ, 2003–

Board of Trustees, New Jersey Network Foundation, 2003–

Board of Trustees, State Theatre, New Brunswick, NJ, 2003–2006

Board of Directors, New Jersey Technology Council, 2003–

Interdisciplinary Task Force of the Association of American Universities, 2002–

Association of American Universities, 1995–

Speeches and writings as President of Rutgers University may be found at <http://www.president.rutgers.edu/speeches.shtml>.

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