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EDUCATION

Additional graduate work (Economics) California Institute of Technology, 1980-82.

Ph.D., History, Yale University, 1979.

M. Phil., History, Yale University, 1976.

Dissertation research, Université de Lyon II, Lyon, France, 1976-77.

M. A., Mathematics, University of California, Berkeley, 1971 (passed PhD exams and took leave of absence from PhD program in good standing after declining NSF Fellowship).

B. A., with highest honors in Mathematics, Harvard University, 1969.

HONORS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Gyorgy Ranki Prize of the Economic History Association, 2021 for *Dark Matter Credit*. (Awarded for the “outstanding book in the Economic History of Europe, published in 2019 and 2020”)

Honorable mention, Social Science History Association, 2020 Allan Sharlin Memorial Book Award (for *Dark Matter Credit*).

Fellow, Economic History Association, 2019.

President, *Social Science History Association*, 2019-2020.

Member, Board of Directors of the NBER, 2018-

NSF Grant, Principal Investigator, 2014-2015, “Doctoral Research in Economics: The Political Economy of the Provision of Sanitation Infrastructure in Victorian England” (\$14,985).

Invited Lecturer, Tsinghua University Summer Workshop for Quantitative History, 2014.

Honorary Professor, Henan University (Kaifeng, China) 2014.

Fellow, Cliometric Society 2013.

President, Economic History Association, 2013-2014.

Visiting Professor, École des hautes études en sciences sociales, 2011.

Visiting Researcher, Paris School of Economics, 2011, 2014.

NSF Grant, Co-Principal Investigator on Subcontract to UC Davis, 2004-2006, “Global Prices and Incomes, 1200-1950” (\$31,056); on subcontract to NBER, 2007-2010 (\$29,989), 2009- 2011 (\$55,848), 2012-2014 (\$93,178).

Russell Sage Foundation, Co-Principal Investigator with Gilles Postel-Vinay and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, Grant for 2002-2005 on “Trust Supporting Institutions and Economic Growth” (\$146,694).

Gyorgy Ranki Prize of the Economic History Association, 2001 for *Priceless Markets*. (Awarded for the “outstanding book in the Economic History of Europe, published in 1999 and 2000”).

Fellow, John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, 2001.

Allan Sharlin Prize of the Social Science History Association, 1997 for *Growth in a Traditional Society* (Awarded annually for “an outstanding book in Social Science History”).

Gyorgy Ranki Prize of the Economic History Association, 1997 for *Growth in a Traditional Society*. (Awarded for “the outstanding book in the Economic History of Europe, published between 1994 and 1996”).

NEH, Principal Investigator, Grant for Collaborative Research 1997-99 on “Notaries and Credit in Paris,” 1660-1870 (\$38,859).

Invited Fellow, Stanford Center for Advanced Study in The Behavioral Sciences, 1993-94 (declined for family reasons).

Arthur H. Cole Prize of the Economic History Association, 1992, for the article “Land Rents and Agricultural Productivity: The Paris Basin, 1450-1789.” (Given for “the most outstanding article published each year in the *Journal of Economic History*”).

Nancy Lyman Roelker Prize of the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, 1992, for the article “Land Rents and Agricultural Productivity: The Paris Basin, 1450-1789.” (Awarded annually to “the best article in English on sixteenth-century French history”).

Visiting Fellow, Washington University, 1989.

Graves Award for Achievement in the Humanities, 1987.

John Gilmary Shea Prize of the American Catholic Historical Association, 1984, for the book *Church and Community in the Diocese of Lyon, 1500-1789*. (Given annually for the book “making the most distinguished contribution to the history of the Catholic Church in the broad sense of the term”).

George A. and Eliza Gardner Howard Foundation Fellowship, 1984.

John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation summer grant, 1984.

American Council of Learned Societies Grant, 1982.

National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, 1981.

John Addison Porter Prize, Yale University, 1980 (the highest award for a dissertation or other written work by a student in any of Yale’s divisions).

National Science Foundation Fellowship, Mathematics 1969-1971, 1971-1972 (declined).

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Executive Officer for the Humanities, 1995-2000.

From Lecturer to Professor of History and Social Science, California Institute of Technology, 1980-2003.

Richard and Barbara Rosenberg Professor of History and Social Science, 2003-2008.

Rea A. and Lela G. Axline Professor of Business Economics and Professor of History, 2008-2023; emeritus, 2023-.

EDITORIAL BOARDS

Member, Editorial Board, *Eighteenth-Century Studies*, 2016-2019

Editor, *Journal of Economic History*, 2006-2010.

Member, Editorial Board, *The Journal of Historical Society*, 2006-2013.

Member, Editorial Board, *Historical Methods*, 1998-2002.

Member, Editorial Board, *Explorations in Economic History*, 1996-2010.

Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Economic History*, 1989-1993.

Member, Advisory Board, Cambridge Studies in Economics, Cognition, and Society, 2009-.

Member, Editorial Board, Trakya University, *Journal of Social Science*.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ranki Prize Committee, Economic History Association, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009.

Sharlin Prize Committee, Social Science History Association, 1999.

NEH Grant Panelist, 1998.

Roelker Prize Committee, Sixteenth-Century Studies Conference, 1994.

Member, Dissertation Prize Committee, Economic History Association, 1988-1989.

Member, Board of Trustees, Cliometric Society, 2003-2007.

Various other committees of the Cliometric Society, the Economic History Association, and the Social Science History Association.

Manuscript referee for *Agricultural History*; *American Economic Review*; *American Historical Review*; *American Journal of Sociology*; *American Political Science Review*; *Economic Development and Cultural Change*; *Economic History Review*; *Economic Inquiry*; *Economics and Politics*; *European Review of Economic History*; *Explorations in Economic History*; *French Historical Studies*; *Historical Methods*; *Journal of Comparative Economics*; *Journal of Economic History*; *Journal of Early Modern History*; *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*/*Zeitschrift für die gesamte Staatswissenschaft*; *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*; *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*; *Journal of Modern History*; *The Journal of Politics*; *Journal of World History*; *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*; *Quarterly Journal of Economics*; *Review of Economic Studies*; *Science*; *World Politics*; Cambridge University Press; Cornell University Press; Holt, Rinehart, and Winston; Johns Hopkins University Press; Harvard University Press; Princeton University Press; University of California Press; University of Chicago Press; W. W. Norton Company; Stanford University Press; and Yale University Press.

Grant and Fellowship Referee, Guggenheim Foundation Fellowships, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, and Agence Nationale de la Recherche (France)

External reviewer, London School of Economics, Stockholm School of Economics, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales; Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

PUBLICATIONS (* for refereed; ** for conference volume refereed by editor and commentators)

Books

Church and Community in the Diocese of Lyon, 1500-1789 (Yale University Press, 1984; electronic edition forthcoming).^[*]

Growth in a Traditional Society: The French Countryside, 1450-1815 (Princeton University Press, 1996; paperback edition, 2000).^[*]

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, *Priceless Markets: The Political Economy of Credit in Paris, 1660-1870* (University of Chicago Press, 2000).^[*]

_____. *Des Marchés sans prix: L'économie politique du crédit à Paris, 1660-1870* (French edition of *Priceless Markets*) (Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, 2001).

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, *Surviving Large Losses Financial Crises, the Middle Class, and the Development of Capital Markets* (Harvard University Press, 2007; Chinese translation, 2014).^[*]

Philip T. Hoffman, *Why did Europe Conquer the World?* (Princeton University Press, 2015; Spanish and Korean translations, 2016; Chinese and German translations, 2017; Turkish translation, 2019; Arabic translation forthcoming 2026; argument featured in “Forced Innovation,” a 2022 documentary by Korean educational TV broadcaster EBS1TV on the development of firearms).^[*]

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, *Dark Matter Credit: The Development of Peer-to-Peer Lending and Banking in France*. (Princeton University Press, 2019).^[*]

Edited Books

Fiscal Crises, Liberty, and Representative Government, 1450-1789, eds. Philip T. Hoffman and Kathryn Norberg (Stanford University Press, 1994; paperback edition, 2001; Chinese translation, 2008).^[*]

Finance, Intermediaries, and Economic Development, eds. Stanley Engerman, Philip Hoffman, Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, and Ken Sokoloff (Cambridge University Press, 2003).^[*]

Articles

“The Church and the Rural Community in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries: Aspects of the Social History of the Counter Reformation,” *Proceedings of the Western Society for French History* 6 (1979): 46-54.^[**]

“Le rôle social des curés de l’ancien diocèse de Lyon,” *Bulletin d’histoire économique et sociale de la région lyonnaise* (1980): 1-18.^[*]

“Sharecropping and Investment in Agriculture in Early Modern France,” *The Journal of Economic History* 42 (1982): 155-59. [**]

“Wills and Statistics: Tobit Analysis and the Counter Reformation in Lyon,” *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 14 (1984): 813-34. [*]

“The Economic Theory of Sharecropping in Early Modern France,” *The Journal of Economic History* 44 (1984): 309-19. [**]

“Taxes and Agrarian Life in Early Modern France: Land Sales, 1550-1730,” *The Journal of Economic History* 46 (1986): 37-55. [*]

“Institutions and Agriculture in Old-Regime France,” *Politics and Society* 16 (1988): 241-64. Revised version in *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics/Zeitschrift für die gesamte Staatswissenschaft* 145 (1989): 166-81. [*]

“Land Rents and Agricultural Productivity: The Paris Basin, 1450-1789,” *The Journal of Economic History* 51 (1991): 771-805. [*] Spanish translation in *Political Economy from Istanbul to Potosi: City States, Empires, and Markets in the Mediterranean and the Iberian Atlantic, c. 1200-1800*, ed. Fernando Carlos Ramos Palencia (Publicacions de la Universitat de València, 2012).

“Un nouvel indice de la productivite agricole: Les baux de Notre Dame de Paris, 1450-1789,” *Histoire et mesure* 6 (1991): 215-43. [*]

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “Private Credit Markets in Paris, 1650-1840,” *The Journal of Economic History* 52 (1992): 293-306. [**]

“Early Modern France: 1450-1700,” in *Fiscal Crises, Liberty, and Representative Government, 1450-1789*, eds. Philip T. Hoffman and Kathryn Norberg (Stanford University Press, 1994), pp. 226-52, 362-71. [*]

Philip T. Hoffman and Kathryn Norberg, “Introduction,” in *Ibid.* (Stanford University Press, 1994), pp. 1-5, 315. [*]

_____. “Conclusion,” in *Ibid.* (Stanford University Press, 1994), pp. 299-310, 379-80. [*]

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “Economie et politique: Les marchés du credit à Paris 1750-1840,” in *Annales: Histoire, Sciences Sociales* 49 (1994): 65-98. [*]

_____. “Redistribution and Long Private Debt in Paris, 1660-1726,” *The Journal of Economic History* 55 (1995): 256-84. [*]

“Lyon,” *Encyclopedia of the Reformation*, ed. Hans J. Hillerbrand, et al., vol. 2 (Oxford University Press, 1996), 478-80.

- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, "Deposits, Bankruptcy, and Notarial Credit in Late Eighteenth-Century Paris," in *Des personnes aux institutions: Réseaux et cultures du crédit du XVIe au XXe siècle en Europe*, ed. Laurence Fontaine et al. (Louvain-la-Neuve, 1997), 245-67.
- Philip T. Hoffman and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, "The Political Economy of Warfare and Taxation in Early Modern Europe: Historical Lessons for Economic Development," in *The Frontiers of the New Institutional Economics*, ed. John N. Drobak and John Nye (Academic Press, 1997), 31-55.^[*]
- "Agricultural Productivity and the Food Supply in France, 1500-1815," in *The Biological Standard of Living in Comparative Perspective: Europe*, ed. John Komlos and Joerg Baten (Stuttgart: Steiner Verlag, 1998), pp. 509-25.
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, "Overcoming Asymmetric Information in Financial Markets: The Case of Paris, 1751," in *Journal of Institutional & Theoretical Economics* 154 (September, 1998): 499-530.^[*]
- _____. "Information and Economic History: How the Credit Market in Old-Regime Paris Forces Us to Rethink the Transition to Capitalism," *American Historical Review* 104, no. 2 (February 1999): 69-94.^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, "An Author's Second Thoughts," in "Forum: Revisiting 'Growth in a Traditional Society,'" *Historical Methods* 33 (Winter 2000): 46-50.
- Philip T. Hoffman and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, "New Work in French Economic History," *French Historical Studies* 23, no 3 (Summer 2000): 439-53.
- Philip T. Hoffman, "High Finance Parisian Style," *Humanities: The Magazine of the National Endowment for the Humanities* 21, no. 4 (July-August, 2000): 40-43.
- Philip T. Hoffman, David Jacks, Patricia Levin, and Peter Lindert, "Prices and Real Inequality in Europe since 1500," *The Journal of Economic History* 62, no. 2 (June 2002): 322-55.^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, "Rural, Urban, and Global Economies (1450-1650)," in *France 1500-1645*, ed. Mack Holt, (The Short Oxford History of France) (Oxford University Press, 2002), pp. 62-98.^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, "No Exit: Notarial Bankruptcy and the Evolution of Financial Intermediation in Paris," in *Finance, Intermediaries, and Economic Development*, eds. Stanley Engerman, Philip Hoffman, Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, and Ken Sokoloff (Cambridge University Press, 2003), pp. 75-110.^[**]
- Stanley Engerman, Philip T. Hoffman, Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, and Kenneth Sokoloff, "Introduction," in *Ibid.*, pp. 1-7.^[**]
- "Le Roy Ladurie, Emmanuel," *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr, 5 vols. (New York, 2003), 3: 299.

- “France: Early Modern Period,” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr, 5 vols. (New York, 2003), 2: 363-66.
- “Agriculture: Property Rights and Tenure Systems,” *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History*, ed. Joel Mokyr, 5 vols. (New York, 2003), 1: 88-92. Revised edition in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance*, ed. Jonathan Hamilton (forthcoming).
- “Agriculture,” Europe 1450-1789 *Encyclopedia of the Early Modern World*, ed. Jonathan Dewald (New York, 2004).
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “Révolution et évolution: Les marchés de crédit notarié en France, 1780-1840,” *Annales: Histoire, Sciences Sociales*, 59 (March-April 2004): 387-424.^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, David Jacks, Patricia Levin, and Peter Lindert, “Sketching the Rise of Real Inequality in Early Modern Europe,” in *Living Standards in the Past: New Perspectives on Well-Being in Asia and Europe*, eds. Robert Allen, Thomas Bengtsson, and Martin Dribe (Oxford, 2005), pp. 131-72.
- “Opening Our Eyes: History and the Social Sciences,” *The Journal of the Historical Society* 6 (2006): 93-118.^[*]
- “The Church in Economy and Society, 1660-1815,” *The Cambridge History of Christianity*, vol. 7, eds. Stewart J. Brown and Timothy Tackett (Cambridge, 2007), pp. 72-86.
- Philip T. Hoffman and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “Remembrance of Crises Past,” *Engineering & Science* 71 (Winter 2008): 20-25.
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “The Role of Trust in the Long-Run Development of French Financial Markets,” in *Whom Can We Trust? How Groups, Networks, and Institutions Make Trust Possible*, eds., Karen Gook, Russell Hardin, and Margaret Levi (Russell Sage Foundation, New York, 2009), pp. 249-85.^[**]
- “Response to Robert Whaples’s ‘Is Economic History a Neglected Field of Study?’” *Historically Speaking* 11 (April 2010): 20-22.
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “History, Geography, and the Markets for Mortgage Loans in Nineteenth-Century France,” in *Understanding Long-Run Economic Growth: Essays in Honor of Kenneth L. Sokoloff*, ed. Dora L. Costa and Naomi R. Lamoreaux (Chicago, NBER, and University of Chicago Press, forthcoming).^[**]
- “Prices, The Military Revolution, and Europe’s Comparative Advantage in Violence,” *Economic History Review* 64, S1 (2011): 39-59.^[*]
- “Comment on Alan Wood’s ‘Fire, Water, Earth, and Sky: Global Systems History and the Human Prospect,’” *The Journal of Historical Society* 10 (2010): 337-44.

- “Comment on Ken Pomeranz’s *The Great Divergence*,” *Historically Speaking* 12, no. 4 (2011): 16-17.
- “Why Was It Europeans Who Conquered the World,” *The Journal of Economic History* 72 (2012): 601-33.^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, and Gilles Postel-Vinay, “Capitalism and Financial Development: The Case of Mortgage Markets in France, 1807-1899,” (*Social Science History* 38 (2014): 13-41).^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, and Gilles Postel-Vinay, “Entry, Information, and Financial Development: A Century of Competition Between French Banks and Notaries,” (*Explorations in Economic History* 55 (2015): 39-57).^[*]
- Philip T. Hoffman, “What Do States Do? Politics and Economic History,” *The Journal of Economic History* 75 (2015): 303-32.
- Philip T. Hoffman, “Public Economics and History: A Review of *Fiscal Regimes and the Political Economy of Premodern States*,” edited by Andrew Monson and Walter Scheidel, *Journal of Economic Literature* 55 (2017), 4: 1556–69.
- Philip T. Hoffman, “Institutions,” *Handbook of Cliometrics*, ed. Claude Diebolt and Michael Hauptert. (Springer, 2019), pp. 707-726.
- Philip T. Hoffman, “The Great Divergence: Why Britain Industrialized First,” *Australian Economic History Review* 60, 2(2020): 226-147.
- Philip T. Hoffman, “Introduction,” Li Bozhong, *The Early Modern Economy in China: The Yangzi Delta in the 1820s* (Cambridge University Press, 2020), pp. xxii-xix.
- Jari Eloranta and Philip T. Hoffman, “Cliometric Approaches to War,” *Handbook of Cliometrics*, ed. Claude Diebolt and Michael Hauptert. (Springer, 2019), pp. 1299-1322.
- Philip T. Hoffman and Tirthankar Roy, “War and Empire 1700-1870,” *Cambridge Economic History of the World*, ed. Stephen Broadberry and Kyoji Fukao, 1: 468-487. (Cambridge University Press, 2021).
- Philip T. Hoffman, “Economy and Gunpowder Weapons in Western and Central Europe,” *Routledge Handbook of the Global History of Warfare*, ed. Michael Charney and Kaushik Roy. (Routledge, forthcoming).
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “The Decline of a Great Financial Intermediary,” *Beyond Banks: A Comparative Framework for Understanding Credit Markets and Intermediation*, ed. Juliette Levy and C. J. van Bachove. (Palgrave MacMillan, forthcoming).

Timothy W. Guinnane and Philip T. Hoffman, "Medieval Anti-Semitism, Weimar Social Capital, and the Rise of the Nazi Party: A Reconsideration," under revision for *Vierteljahrschrift für Sozial- und Wirtschaftsgeschichte*.

Online Articles

"How Europe Conquered the World: The Spoils of a Single-Minded Focus on War," *Foreign Affairs* (October 7, 2015).

"This Is How Europe Came to Dominate the World by the 20th Century," *History News Network* (October 11, 2015).

"Building a European Identity: Obstacles and Opportunities," *Do Europeans Exist?*, euromind.global (August 5, 2016).

Philip T. Hoffman et al., "Symposium Review of Tonio Andrade, *The Gunpowder Age* (Princeton, 2016)." *Journal of Chinese History* 2, special issue 2 (July, 2018).

Bibliographies, Review Articles, Long Book Reviews, Notes, & Short Dictionary Entries

Review of the statistics and methodology of Richard Hellie's *Slavery in Russia*, in *Journal of Modern History* 57 (1985): 179-84.

"Comments on Craig, Hood, and Barbezat," *The Journal of Economic History* 50 (1990): 444-46.

Review of René Baehrel, *Une croissance: La Basse-Provence rurale de la fin du XVI^e siècle à 1789*, in *Agricultural History* 64 (1990):117-19.

"NBER Franco-American Conference," with Maggie Levenstein, in the *Newsletter of the Cliometric Society* 8, no. 3 (1993): 19-23.

"France 1450-1789: Economy and Society," with Keith Luria, in *The American Historical Association's Guide to Historical Literature*, ed. Mary Beth Norton, 2 vols. (Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1995), 1: 837-841.

"Summary of Papers and Discussion from the 35th Annual Cliometric Conference," with Lynn Kiesling, *Newsletter of the Cliometric Society* 10, no. 2 (1995): 1, 16-21.

"Garfield Goose," *Encyclopedia of Chicago History*, eds. James Grossman and Janice Reiff (Chicago, 2004).

"Jewish History and Education: A Review Essay," *Historically Speaking: The Bulletin of the Historical Society* 14, no. 5 (2013): 42-43.

"The Historical Origins of Economic Growth and Inequality and the Implications for Policy Today," *Journal of Historical Political Economy* 4 (2024): 429-438.

Working Papers

- “Pious Bequests in Wills: A Statistical Analysis,” California Institute of Technology Working Paper 393 (1981).
- “Sharecropping and Investment in Agriculture in Early Modern France,” California Institute of Technology Working Paper 406 (1981).
- “Social History and Taxes: The Case of Early Modern France,” California Institute of Technology Working Paper 495 (1983).
- “Economic Theory and Sharecropping in Early Modern France,” California Institute of Technology Working Paper 496 (1983).
- “Social History and Agricultural Productivity: The Paris Basin 1450-1789,” California Institute of Technology Social Science Working Paper 742 (1990).
- “Land Rents and Agricultural Productivity: The Paris Basin, 1450-1789,” California Institute of Technology Working Paper 752 (1991).
- Robert J. Cull, Philip T. Hoffman, and Eric Hughson, “New Evidence for an Old Controversy: Scattered Landholdings and Open Fields,” California Institute of Technology Social Science Working Paper 788 (1992).
- Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, “What Do Notaries Do? Overcoming Asymmetric Information in Financial Markets: The Case of Paris, 1751,” UCLA Economics Working Paper (October 1994).
- Philip T. Hoffman, David Jacks, Patricia Levin, and Peter Lindert, “Prices and Real Inequality in Europe since 1500,” UC Davis Agricultural History Center Working Paper 102 (October 2000).
- Philip T. Hoffman, Why is It That Europeans Ended up Conquering the Rest of the Globe? Prices, the Military Revolution, and Western Europe’s Comparative Advantage in Violence, UC Davis Global Prices and Income History Group, Working Paper 3 (January 2006).
- “The Politics and Economics of Europe’s Comparative Advantage in Violence,” UC Davis Global Prices and Income History Group, Working Paper (January 2009).
- “Why Was It Europeans Who Conquered the World,” California Institute of Technology Social Science Working Paper 1344 (March 2011).
- Timothy W. Guinnane and Philip T. Hoffman, “Medieval Anti-Semitism, Weimar Social Capital, and the Rise of the Nazi Party: A Reconsideration.” CESifo working paper (November 2022)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Philip T. Hoffman, *Why Europe?* Book on the great divergence in world power and living standards, 1500-2000 (under contract to Cambridge University Press; all chapters written and under final revision for submission early in 2025).

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal. Article on notaries businesses; article on famous notarial bankruptcies and bank runs in France

PAPERS GIVEN AT MEETINGS

Society for French Historical Studies
Western Society for French History
American Historical Association
American Political Science Association
Social Science History Association
Economic History Association
All-UC Economic History Group
Society for Sixteenth-Century Studies
American Economic Association
World Congress of Cliometrics
National Bureau of Economic Research
Cliometric Society
Center for Economic Policy and Research (CEPR) (Gerzensee, Switzerland)
The Historical Society
The World Economic History Conference
Appalachian Spring Conference on World History, Economics (keynote address)
1st Henan Symposium on Development and Institutional Economics (keynote address, Kaifeng, China)
Edinburgh International Book Festival

TALKS GIVEN AT:

Appalachian State University (Economics)
University of Arizona (Economics)
Bocconi University (Milan) (Economics)
Bogazici University (Istanbul) (Economics)
University of British Columbia (Economics)
University of California, Davis (Economics)
University of California at Los Angeles (Economics, History)
University of California, San Diego (History)
Caltech (Watson Lecture, 2006)
Canadian Network for Economic History (keynote address)
Columbia University (Economics)
University of Copenhagen (Economics)

École des hautes études en sciences sociales (Paris) (History)
Ecole normale supérieure, Paris (Institut d'histoire modern et contemporaine)
FUCAM (Mons, Belgium) (History)
George Mason University (Economics)
Harvard University (Economics, Business School)
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Social Sciences, public lecture)
University of Illinois (Economics)
University of Indiana (Economics)
University of Leicester, UK (History)
London School of Economics (Economic History)
Université de Lyon II (History)
The University of Maryland (History)
University of Munich (Economics)
Northwestern University (Economics)
Oxford University (Economics)
Paris School of Economics (Economics)
University of Pennsylvania (History)
Princeton University (History)
Rutgers University (Economics)
Stanford University (Political Science, Economics, Social Science History, Graduate School of Business)
University of Southern California (Law School)
University Carlos III, Madrid (Economic History)
The University of Utrecht (History, Economic History)
The University of Virginia (Political Science)
Washington University, St. Louis (Economics)
The University of Wisconsin (History)
Yale University (Economics, History, Political Science, Law School)

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