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1976 B.S. Highest Honors, The College of William and Mary (Geology)

1978 M.S., Yale University (Geology & Geophysics)

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1981-1985 Assistant Professor, University of Arizona, Department of Geosciences; 1985-1987 Adjunct Assistant Professor

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