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EDUCATION

Harvard College: A.B. cum laude, 1969

University of Texas at Austin: Ph.D. (Linguistics), 1977

HONORS

University Fellow (University of Texas, 1975-1977)

Regents Faculty Fellowship (University of California, 1978)

Doctor Honoris Causa (New Bulgarian University, 2002)

Inaugural Fellow of the Cognitive Science Society (2002)

William Waldorf Astor Visiting Fellow (Oxford, 2004)

Chancellor's Associates Endowed Chair (University of California, San Diego, 2005)

David E. Rumelhart Prize for Theoretical Contributions to Cognitive Science (2007)

POSITIONS

Interim Dean, Division of Social Sciences, University of California, San Diego: 2006-2008

Associate Dean, Division of Social Sciences, University of California, San Diego: 2002 to 2006

Founding Co-Director, Kavli Institute for Brain and Mind, University of California, San Diego: 2004 to present

Co-Director, Joint Ph.D. Program in Language and Communicative Disorders (University of California, San Diego & San Diego State University): 2003 to present

Chair, Department of Cognitive Science, University of California, San Diego: 1995 to 1998

Director, Center for Research in Language, University of California, San Diego: 1985 to 1994; 2003 to 2004

Associate Director, Center for Research in Language, University of California, San Diego: 1994 to 2003

Distinguished Professor, Department of Cognitive Science, University of California, San Diego: 2006 to present

Professor, Department of Cognitive Science, University of California, San Diego:
1989 to 2006

Professor, Department of Linguistics University of California, San Diego: 1989 to
1994

Associate Professor, Department of Cognitive Science, University of California, San
Diego: 1988 to 1989

Associate Professor, Department of Linguistics University of California, San Diego:
1983 to 1989

Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics University of California, San Diego:
1977 to 1983

MAJOR RESEARCH INTERESTS

Parallel distributed processing and connectionist models; language processing; speech
perception and recognition; neurolinguistics; artificial life; development

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND SERVICE

President, Cognitive Science Society (1999-2000)

Board of Governors, Cognitive Science Society (1994-2000)

Co-Director, Center for Cognitive Science, New Bulgarian University

Executive Board, Language Development Society

Member, Language and Communication Study Section, NIH (2008-20012)

External Advisory Board, Institute of Cognitive Science,
University of Colorado at Boulder

Consultant, Louisiana State Board of Regents

Science Advisory Board, Artificial Life VI

Series Editor, *Neural Networks and Connectionist Modeling Monograph Series*, MIT
Press

Senior Editor, *Journal of the Cognitive Science Society* (1992-1995)

Editorial Boards: *Neural Computation*; *Connection Science*; *International Journal of
Neural Systems*; *Neural Networks*; *Language and Cognitive Processes*; *Neural
Computing Surveys*; *Bilingualism: Language & Cognition*

PUBLISHED WORK

Books

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Articles

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