

UCSD history professor receives scholarly distinction award

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UCSD HISTORY PROFESSOR RECEIVES SCHOLARLY DISTINCTION AWARD

H. Stuart Hughes, emeritus professor of history at the University of California, San Diego, received an award for "Scholarly Distinction in a Career" from the American Historical Association at its annual meeting Jan. 2-5 in New York City.

Michael Parrish, chair of the UCSD Department of History, called Hughes' award "a rare tribute paid to only a few historians." Parrish added that Hughes "is perhaps the foremost European intellectual historian of his generation."

Hughes has been a history professor at UCSD since 1975, becoming emeritus in 1986. Prior to that he was a history professor at Harvard University where he held the Gurney Chair of History and Political Science. He also has taught at Stanford University and Brown University.

Hughes is the author of 12 books: six in intellectual and cultural history, two general histories, three volumes of essays, and an autobiography, Gentleman Rebel, published in 1990.

His current memberships include those as a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a foreign member of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei and the Istituto per la Storia del Risorgimento Italiano in Rome. Hughes has twice been decorated by the Italian government. He has been a visiting member for the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, a fellow of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavior Sciences at Stanford, and Bacon Exchange Professor at the University of Paris.

Born in New York City in 1916, Hughes received his bachelor's degree from Amherst College and his master's and Ph.D. from Harvard. During the war he served as chief of the Research and Analysis Branch of the Office of Strategic Services in the Mediterranean Theater and later in Germany. He was relieved from active duty as a lieutenant colonel in 1946, then served as chief of the State Department's Division of Research for Europe until 1948.

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