

# Richard Slator Dunn

## Education

Harvard College, BA Magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, 1950  
Princeton University, MA in History, 1952; PhD in History, 1955

## Employment

- 1954-55 Instructor in History, Princeton University
- 1955-57 Instructor in History, University of Michigan
- 1957-63 Assistant Professor of History, University of Pennsylvania
- 1963-68 Associate Professor of History, University of Pennsylvania
- 1968-84 Professor of History, University of Pennsylvania
- 1969-70 Visiting Professor of History, University of Michigan
- 1970 Acting Chairman, Department of History,  
University of Pennsylvania
- 1972-77 Chairman, Department of History,  
University of Pennsylvania
- 1978-87 Co-editor, with Mary Maples Dunn,  
*The Papers of William Penn*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania
- 1978- Director, Philadelphia Center for Early American Studies,  
University of Pennsylvania
- 1984-96 Roy F. and Jeannette P. Nichols Professor of American History,  
University of Pennsylvania
- 1987-88 Harold Vyvyan Harmsworth Professor of American History,  
Oxford University
- 1992- Editor, Early American Studies series,  
University of Pennsylvania Press
- 1996- Nichols Professor Emeritus, University of Pennsylvania

## Publications

### Books

1. *Puritans and Yankees: The Winthrop Dynasty of New England, 1630-1717* (Princeton University Press, 1962), xii, 379pp.; paperback edition by W. W. Norton, 1971.
2. *The Age of Religious Wars, 1559-1689* (W. W. Norton, 1970), xii, 244pp. Hardback and paperback. Expanded 2d ed., *1559-1715* (Norton, 1979), xii, 303 pp. Hardback and paperback.
3. *Sugar and Slaves: The Rise of the Planter Class in the English West Indies, 1624-1713* (University of North Carolina Press, 1972), xx, 359pp. British edition by Jonathan Cape, London, 1973. Paperback edition by W. W. Norton, 1973.

4. *The Papers of William Penn*, edited with Mary Maples Dunn, Richard Ryerson, Scott Wilds, Jean Soderlund, Marianne Wokeck, Craig Horle, Joy Wiltenburg, and Alison Hirsh (University of Pennsylvania Press) *Volume One, 1644-1679* (1981), xvi, 703pp.; *Volume Two, 1680-1684* (1982), xx, 710pp.; *Volume Three, 1685-1700* (1986), xx, 794pp.; *Volume Four, 1701-1718* (1987), xx, 825pp.
5. General Editor, with Mary Maples Dunn, *William Penn and the Founding of Pennsylvania, 1680-1684: A Documentary History*, ed. Jean R. Soderlund (University of Pennsylvania Press and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1983), xiv, 416pp. Hardback and paperback.
6. *The World of William Penn*, a volume of twenty essays edited with Mary Maples Dunn (University of Pennsylvania Press, 1986), xxvi, 421pp.
7. Editor, special issue of *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, vol. 112, no. 2 (April, 1988), "Undergraduates as Historians: A Pennsylvania Sampler," articles by five of his senior history honors majors at the University of Pennsylvania.
8. *A Pennsylvania Album: Undergraduate Essays on the 250th Anniversary of the University of Pennsylvania*, a volume of ten essays edited with Mark Frazier Lloyd (University of Pennsylvania, 1990), vi, 62pp.
9. *The Journal of John Winthrop, 1630-1649*, edited with Laetitia Yeandle and James Savage (Harvard University Press and the Massachusetts Historical Society), lviii, 799pp.
10. *The Journal of John Winthrop, 1630-1649: Abridged Edition*, edited with Laetitia Yeandle (Harvard University Press, 1996), xxii, 354pp. Hardback and paperback.

### Book Chapters

1. "Seventeenth-Century English Historians of America," in *Seventeenth-Century America: Essays in Colonial History*, ed. James M. Smith (University of North Carolina Press, 1959), pp. 195-225. Paperback editions by University of North Carolina Press (1967) and W. W. Norton (1973).
2. "Imperial Pressures on Massachusetts and Jamaica, 1675-1700," in *Anglo-American Political Relations, 1675-1775*, ed. Alison Gilbert Olson and Richard Maxwell Brown (Rutgers University Press, 1970), pp. 52-75.
3. "Experiments Holy and Unholy, 1630-1631," in *The Westward Enterprise: English Activity in Ireland, the Atlantic, and America, 1500-1650*, ed. K. R. Andrews, N. P. Canny, and P.E.H. Hair, essays in honor of David Quinn (Liverpool University Press, 1978), pp. 271-289.
4. "Masters, Servants, and Slaves in the Colonial Chesapeake and the Caribbean," in *Early Maryland in a Wider World*, ed. David B. Quinn (Wayne State University Press, 1982), pp. 242-266.

5. (with Mary Maples Dunn) "The Founding of the City, 1681-1701," in *Philadelphia: A 300-Year History*, ed. Russell F. Weigley (W. W. Norton, 1982), pp. 1-32.
6. "Black Society in the Chesapeake, 1776-1810," in *Slavery and Freedom in the Age of the American Revolution*, ed. Ira Berlin and Ronald Hoffman (University Press of Virginia, 1982), pp. 49-82. Paperback edition by University of Illinois Press (1987).
7. "Servants and Slaves: The Recruitment and Employment of Labor," in *Colonial British America*, ed. Jack P. Greene and J. R. Pole (The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1984), pp. 157-194. Hardback and paperback.
8. "Penny Wise and Pound Foolish: Penn as a Businessman," in *The World of William Penn*, ed. Richard and Mary Dunn (University of Pennsylvania Press, 1986), pp. 37-54.
9. Foreword to Gary B. Nash, *Race, Class, and Politics* (University of Illinois Press, 1986). Hardback and paperback.
10. "William Penn's Odyssey: From Child of Light to Absentee Landlord," in *Public Duty and Private Conscience in Seventeenth-Century England: Essays in Honour of Gerald Aylmer*, ed. John Morrill, Paul Slack, and Daniel Woolf (Oxford University Press, 1993), pp. 305-323.
11. "Sugar Production and Slave Women in Jamaica," in *Cultivation and Culture: Labor and the Shaping of Slave Life in the Americas*, ed. Ira Berlin and Philip D. Morgan (University Press of Virginia, 1993), pp. 49-72. Hardback and paperback.
12. "The Story of Two Jamaican Slaves: Sarah Affir and Richard McAlpine of Mesopotamia Estate," in *West Indies Accounts: Essays on the History of the British Caribbean and the Atlantic Economy in Honour of Richard Sheridan*, ed. Roderick A. McDonald (The Press of the University of the West Indies, 1996), pp. 188-210.
13. "The Glorious Revolution and America," in *The Oxford History of the British Empire: Volume One, The Seventeenth Century*, ed. Nicholas Canny (Oxford University Press, 1997).

## Articles

1. "The Trustees of Georgia and the House of Commons, 1732-1752," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., XI (Oct. 1954): 551-565.
2. "John Winthrop, Jr. and the Narragansett Country," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., XIII (Jan. 1956): 68-86.
3. "John Winthrop, Jr., Connecticut Expansionist: The Failure of His Designs on Long Island, 1663-1675," *New England Quarterly*, XXIX (March 1956): 3-26.
4. "The Downfall of the Bermuda Company: A Restoration Farce,"

- William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser. XX (Oct. 1963): 487-512.
5. "The Barbados Census of 1680: Profile of the Richest Colony in English America," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., XXVI (Jan. 1969): 3-30. Reprinted in three anthologies.
  6. "The English Sugar Islands and the Founding of South Carolina," *South Carolina Historical Magazine*, LXXII (April 1971): 81-93. Reprinted in Timothy Breen, ed., *Shaping Southern Society* (New York, 1976).
  7. "The Social History of Early New England," *American Quarterly*, XXIV (Dec. 1972): 661-679.
  8. "A Tale of Two Plantations: Slave Life at Mesopotamia in Jamaica and Mount Airy in Virginia, 1799-1828," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., XXXIV (Jan. 1977): 332-365.
  9. "William Penn and the Selling of Pennsylvania," *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*, vol. 127, no. 5 (1983): 322-329.
  10. "John Winthrop Writes His Journal," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3d ser., XLI (April 1984): 185-212.
  11. "'Dreadful Idlers' in the Cane Fields: The Slave Labor Pattern on a Jamaican Sugar Estate, 1762-1831," *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, XVII (Spring 1987), 795-822. Reprinted in Barbara L. Solow and Stanley L. Engerman, eds., *British Capitalism and Caribbean Slavery* (Cambridge University Press, 1987), pp. 163-190.
  12. "An Odd Couple: John Winthrop of Massachusetts and William Penn of Pennsylvania," *Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society*, vol. 99 (1987): 1-24.
  13. *Moravian Missionaries at Work in a Jamaican Slave Community, 1754-1835* (James Ford Bell Lecture No. 32, University of Minnesota, 1994).

### Awards and Prizes

American Council of Learned Societies grant-in-aid 1961  
 Athenaeum of Philadelphia Award, 1963, for *Puritans and Yankees*  
 Huntington Library fellowship, 1965  
 Guggenheim fellowship, 1966-67  
 American Philosophical Society grants, 1969, 1972  
 Jamestown Foundation Award, 1972; Walter D. Love Prize, Conference on British Studies, 1973; National Book Award Finalist in History, 1973, for *Sugar and Slaves*  
 National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship, 1974-75  
 Visiting Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, 1974-75  
 American Council of Learned Societies fellowship, 1977-78  
 Visiting Fellow, Newberry Library, 1978  
 Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, 1982-83

Commonwealth Fund Lecturer, University College, London, 1983  
Society of Colonial Wars Distinguished Book Award (with Mary Maples  
Dunn) for *The Papers of William Penn*, 1990  
Visiting Scholar, Rockefeller Foundation Study Center, Bellagio, Italy, 1991  
Lindback Teaching Award, University of Pennsylvania, 1993  
Union Pacific Visiting Professor, University of Minnesota, 1994  
John M. Greene Award for distinguished service, Smith College, 1995

### **Selected Professional Accomplishments**

American Historical Association: Program Committee, 1960; Schuyler Prize  
Committee, 1971-76; Beveridge and Dunning Prize Committee, 1981-84;  
Nominating Committee 1986-88; candidate for President Elect, 1991.  
Institute of Early American History and Culture: Council, 1967-69; 1992-95.  
Historical Society of Pennsylvania: Council, 1976-83; Editorial Committee,  
1976-

### **Work in Progress**

"The People of Mesopotamia and Mount Airy," a book comparing black life  
on two slave plantations in Jamaica and Virginia, 1760-1865.

3d ed. of *The Age of Religious Wars*.

"An Odd Couple: John Winthrop and William Penn," a book comparing  
the founding of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.