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- 1993** Mid-life Crisis in a Middle-Class Nation: Japan Before and After the Bubble (British Association of Japanese Studies, Manchester, April, 1993).
- 1993** Japanese Text Processing on Personal Computers (British Association of Japanese Studies, Manchester, April, 1993).
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Research projects

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* "The Impact of Demographic Change on Japanese Universities," a study of how the decline in the number of 18-year olds is changing the environment for Japanese universities in the public and private sectors.

* "Quality Assessment in Higher Education in the US, the UK, and Japan," a study of recent trends and fads in ranking universities and their programmes.

* "A Sourcebook in Prewar Japanese Social and Economic History," a computer collated and typeset selection of newspaper and magazine articles taken from English language newspapers published in prewar Japan.

* "Using the Internet for Teaching About Japan in Japan."

Grants and awards (extramural)

1995 Economic Social Science Research Council. 1995.07-1997.03. Maintenance and expenses for project "Technologists and Technology Transfer in Pacific Asian Economic Development."

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1984 Fulbright Research Fellowship. 1984.10 - 1985.6. Supplemented by a Social Science Research Council Grant for 1984.9 - 1985.7.

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1961-1964 Electrician for Kinmonth and Leach, Inc.

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