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Current position

Emeritus Professor in Economics, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne,
Research center: PHARE (2017-).

Honorary President of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET) (2022-); President (2018-2020).

Research interests

History of Economic Thought; Decision Theory; Economic Philosophy

Previous academic positions

Professor, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (1988-2017); Université d'Amiens Picardie-Jules Verne (1984-1988).

Lecturer, Ecole Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Economique (ENSAE) (1983-1995).

Associate Professor, Université de Paris-Est Créteil (1983); Université de Rouen Haute-Normandie (1981-1982).

Education

Agrégation in Economics (Tenured professorship, French national examination; rank: 2nd), 1983.

PhD in Economics, Université Paris-Dauphine, 1979.

Selected publications

- André Lapidus, Hugo Grotius on Slavery: Making Sense of the Indefensible, in L. Bréban and J. Dellemotte, *History of Economic Thought on Colonization – From Conquista to Reparations*, London: Routledge, 2027 [forthcoming].
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- André Lapidus, Le prêt à intérêt face à la religion et au droit : Imbrication et séparation aux premiers moments d'une histoire longue, in Laurie Bréban, Séverine Denieul, Élise Sultan-Villet (eds), *La Science des mœurs au siècle des Lumières. Conception et expérimentations*, Paris: Garnier, 2021.
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- André Lapidus, Norm, Virtue and Information: Individual Behaviour and the Just Price in Thomas Aquinas' *Summa Theologica*, *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, 1(3), 1994.

Working papers

- André Lapidus, The Palimpsest of the Popes: Interest and Usury Beneath the Vow of Poverty (13th Century and After), 2026.
- André Lapidus, The Rise and Fall of the Classical Usury Paradigm: From Thomas Aquinas to Hugo Grotius, 2025.

Teaching responsabilities

Head of the Master program THEME (Theory, History and Methods of Economics; 2005-2016), then SES (Economic and Social Sciences; 2016-2017), Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne.

PhD: Supervisor of about thirty doctoral or HDR dissertations.

Founding member (1998) and member of the Scientific Committee of the Summer School in History of Economic Thought. Coordinator 2008-2017.

Editorial activities

Member of the Scientific Council or Editorial Board of: *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought* (1996-), *Cahiers d'Economie Politique / Economic Papers* (2001-), *Revue économique* (1984-2014), *Œconomia* (1990-1995), *Economie et Institutions* (2001-), *Историко-Экономические Исследования* (2014-).