

Professor Martin Trow

Biographical Notes

Martin Trow was born in New York City in 1926, and was a graduate of schools in that city. His undergraduate studies were interrupted by three years of service in the United States Navy (1943-1946, which he left with the rank of Lt.(j.g.). In 1947 he took a degree in Mechanical Engineering at the Stevens Institute of Technology in New Jersey. After graduation from Stevens he worked briefly as an engineer, while taking courses at night at the New School for Social Research in New York. In 1948 he began his graduate studies in sociology at Columbia University, completing his doctoral degree there in 1956. Between 1953 and 1957 he taught and did research at Bennington College in Vermont. In that year he joined the Sociology Department at the University of California, Berkeley. In 1969 he moved to the Graduate (now the Goldman) School of Public Policy at Berkeley. From 1976 to 1988 he also served as Director of the Center for Studies in Higher Education at Berkeley.

Martin Trow wrote or edited many books and articles, alone and with others, on issues in political sociology and comparative education. Among these are Union Democracy (with S.M. Lipset and James Coleman, 1956); Right-Wing Radicalism and Political Intolerance, (1957, 1980); The British Academics, (with A.H. Halsey, 1971); Students and Colleges, (with B.R. Clark, et al., 1972); "Problems in the Transition from Elite to Mass Higher Education" (1974); Teachers and Students, ed., (1975); University and Society (with Thorsten Nybom, ed., 1991); The New Production of Knowledge (with Michael Gibbons et al., 1994); , Accountability of Colleges and Universities, (with Patricia Graham and Richard Lyman, 1995), and over 160 published essays and papers. His papers have been translated into Japanese, Greek, Spanish, German, Hebrew, French, Polish, Russian, Italian, Chinese, Czech, Danish and Swedish. A collection of his essays, The University in the Highly Educated Society: From Elite to Mass Higher Education, 1976), translated and published in Japan by Tokyo University Press, is in its fifth printing ; another collection in Japanese, Essays on the Transformation of Higher Education in Advanced Industrial Societies Tokyo: Tamagawa University Press, was published in 2000.

Professor Trow was a Fellow of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences in Palo Alto, a Visiting Member of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, and a Fellow of the Swedish Center for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences in Uppsala. In 1993 he was Distinguished Visiting Scholar at the Suntory -Toyota International Centre of Economics and Related Disciplines at the London School of Economics.

Martin Trow was a past Vice-president of the National Academy of Education, a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and a Fellow (and past Vice-president) of the Society for Research in Higher Education in Great Britain. He served as a Trustee of Carleton College in Minnesota from 1980 to 2002.

Professor Trow was awarded honorary degrees by Carleton College, Minnesota (1978), The University of Sussex (UK, 1988), the University of Stockholm (1990), the University of Northumbria at Newcastle (UK, 1996), the University of Warwick (UK, 1997), and the

University of Lancaster (UK, 1999). In 1991 Martin Trow was elected a Foreign Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences. He was also elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Martin Trow held many offices and served on many of the committees of the Academic Senate of the University of California, including a term as Chairman of the Berkeley Division. In 1969-70 he chaired the Commission on Isla Vista, appointed by then President Hitch after the disturbances on the Santa Barbara Campus of the University; the Report of the Commission was published in 1970. Between 1990 and 1992 he served first as Vice-chair and then as Chairman of the University-wide Academic Senate of the University of California, and was one of its two representatives to the Board of Regents of the University. In 1997 he was awarded the Berkeley Citation for Distinguished Achievement and Notable Service to the University, the University's highest award.

Professor Trow's public service included a term as Chair of the National Advisory Committee on Accreditation and Institutional Eligibility to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, Washington, (1991-92), as well as service on committees of the National Research Council, advisory boards of the National Institute of Education, the College Entrance Examination Board, etc. For many years he was a member of the Governing Board of the International Council for Educational Development. He also served on the editorial boards of a number of professional journals.

In 1993 Professor Trow became Emeritus Professor at U.C., but was subsequently recalled as Professor in the Graduate School. In recent years he served as consultant to the Chancellor of the Swedish universities and colleges, and was a member of international advisory committees to the Universities of Uppsala and Umeå in Sweden. During 1995 Professor Trow was a member of a national commission with Patricia Graham and Richard Lyman supported by the Mellon Foundation and Columbia University, addressing issues of accreditation and accountability in American higher education; the Commission issued its report Accountability of Colleges and Universities, in October 1995. During 1996 he gave testimony to the Dearing Committee of Inquiry on Higher Education in Great Britain, and read papers at meetings of the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals and the Society for Research in Higher Education in Britain, and at meetings and conferences in the Netherlands, Germany, and Sweden as well as in the US.

During the summer of 1998 Professor Trow was Distinguished Visiting Scholar at the Institute for Studies in Higher Education at Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan, and lectured widely in that country. In 1999 he gave lectures and led seminars at University College London and the University of Lancaster, as well as the University of British Columbia. In January 2000 he chaired a panel and read a paper at the second Glion Conference in Higher Education at the University of California, San Diego. In March 2000 he chaired a panel and gave a paper on the aspects of IT at the Peter Sather International Symposium on New Technologies and the Future of Higher Education at Berkeley. In September 2000 he was a consultant to the Chancellor of the Swedish universities on problems associated with their implementation of the new national law on colleges and universities, and in addition led seminars in Stockholm, the University of Uppsala, and the University of Newcastle in the UK. In 2001 he was chairman of the

International Advisory Committee to the Swedish National Agency for Higher Education. He is also a member of the international advisory committee to the University of Linköping. He was appointed a member of the S. Neaman Working Group on the The Future Research University of Israel. In addition, he was also Research Associate at the Research Institute for Independent Higher Education at the Association of Private Universities of Japan.