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Born in New York, grew up in Weehawken, New Jersey. Graduated from Swarthmore College in 1937; graduate work at Yale and the London School of Economics, 1937-39. Rockefeller Foundation Fellowship at the Council on Foreign Relations, 1939-40, studying the impact of the war on the trade agreements program; resulting book, New Directions in Our Trade Policy, published in 1941.

From 1940 to 1943, research secretary of the Economic and Financial Group of the Council on Foreign Relations' War and Peace Studies Project, a private effort to assist the government in the study of problems that would arise after the war. During much of the time acted as a consultant to the State Department on similar issues.

From 1943 to 1945, Office of Strategic Services, working on economic warfare intelligence, first as a civilian and then as a soldier.

From 1945 to 1947, Department of State, Division of Commercial Policy.

Since 1947 at the Council on Foreign Relations where he is responsible for the economic part of the Council's program of studies. His own work has been in United States foreign economic policy, Western European integration, international economic relations generally, and more recently Africa. Books: Trade and Payments in Western Europe (1952) and The Schuman Plan (1959). Also pamphlets, articles, and book reviews, principally on U.S. foreign economic policy. Occasionally Visiting Lecturer in the School of International Affairs, Columbia University, giving a graduate course on the German economy.

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