

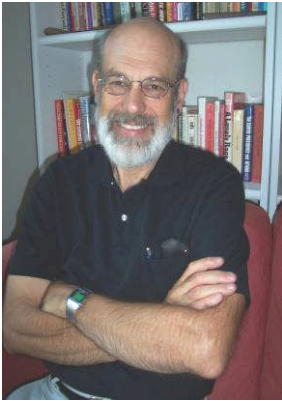
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They love their work, but hate their jobs...

RECLAIMING THE IVORY TOWER

Organizing Adjuncts to Change Higher Education

with Joe Berry



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