

## Biography of Jean Gallier

Dr. Gallier graduated in 1972 from the Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussees, one of the top of France's "Grandes Ecoles." In 1978, he received his Ph.D. in Computer Science from the University of California, Los Angeles, under the supervision of Sheila Greibach. After a nine-month PostDoc at UCSB in the Mathematics Department, Dr. Gallier joined the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania in 1978 as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer and Information Science, where he rose to Associate Professor in 1984 and to Professor in 1990. He was Graduate Chair of the Department from 1988 to 1990. Since 1994, Dr. Gallier has a secondary appointment in the Department of Mathematics.

Dr. Gallier has worked in various areas, ranging from program correctness and automated theorem-proving, incremental compilation, typed lambda calculi and proof theory, to geometric modeling, computer aided geometric design, computer graphics and algebraic geometry. The author of over sixty original papers, he has written three books, "Logic for Computer Science" (1986), "Curves and Surfaces in Geometric Modeling" (1999), and "Geometric Methods and Applications" (2000). He is serving on the editorial board of several professional Journals, including "Theoretical Computer Science" since 1992 and the "Journal of Symbolic Computation" since 1988. Dr. Gallier was also honored for his teaching, receiving the Linback Award for distinguished teaching in 1983.