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Howard Saul Becker was born in Chicago, Illinois on April 18, 1928. Howard S. Becker received his Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Chicago in 1951. Throughout his career, he has taught in Sociology Departments at Northwestern University, the University of Washington, and the University of California at Santa Barbara. He is most noted for his early book, Outsiders, and its contributions to Labeling theory in the Sociology of deviance. However, the majority of his research, writing and teaching was in other fields of Sociology, including but not limited to the Sociology of art, Qualitative method, Visual sociology and the practice of research and writing in Sociology.