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RESEARCH: International nongovernmental organizations, Haitian culture and history, critical climate justice, environmental and human health and well-being, disaster studies, globalized food systems

EDUCATION

- 2017- University of California Santa Barbara, Department of Anthropology
Interdisciplinary Ph.D. emphases in: Environment and Society; Global Studies
- Ph.D. candidate 2020
 - M.A. 2020
- 2015-2017 Northern Illinois University, Department of Anthropology
Certificate in Applied Anthropology
- M.A. 2017
- 2006-2010 Reed College
- B.A., 2010, Major in Anthropology

HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2022 *Department Nominee*, University of California President's Dissertation Year Fellowship, Department of Anthropology, UCSB.
- 2022 *Department Nominee*, Graduate Opportunity Fellowship, Graduate Division, University of Santa Barbara (UCSB).
- 2020-2021 *Recipient*, University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation. Dissertation Fellowship for research on IGCC theme of food security, human security global health, nontraditional and emerging threats.
- 2018; 2019 *Recipient*. University of California. Summer Block Research Grant, to conduct independent pre- dissertation research in Haiti. Department of Anthropology, UCSB.
- 2019 *Invited participant*, luncheon and feedback session with France Córdova, Director of National Science Foundation. Graduate Division, UCSB.
- 2018 *Recipient*, United States Department of Education, Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, to study Haitian Creole at the Kimberly Greene Latin American and Caribbean Center at Florida International University.
- 2017-2022 *Recipient*. National Science Foundation, three year research fellowship to support continuing graduate education and original research, additional two years of support provided by Graduate Division, UCSB.
- 2017 *Recipient*, Northern Illinois University (NIU), Outstanding Graduate Student Award.
- 2016 *Recipient*, NIU Center for Non-Governmental Organization for Leadership and Development, Research Grant to conduct independent research in Haiti.

PUBLICATIONS

Publications Under Review

2023 “Engaging Ghosts in the Grand’Anse: Reimagining International Nongovernmental Organizations Through a Lens of Haunting,” submitted to *The Political and Legal Review of Anthropology*.

Publications in Preparation

2023 “Mawonaj Kòm Fòm de Rezistans Fas ak Èd Enténasyonan,” co-authored with Roseline Lamartinière. In preparation for submission to *The Journal of Haitian Studies*.

2023 “*Aprè Tan An: The Process and Processing of Hurricane Matthew*.” In preparation for an edited volume for *Intersections in Environmental Justice* series, University Press of Colorado.

SELECT CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Feb 28,
2023 *Invited guest lecture*. “Wellbeing in the Context of Converging and Accumulating Disasters for UCSB course Anth138: The Anthropology of Environmental Health. Santa Barbara, CA.

Nov 9,
2022 *Panelist* at American Anthropological Association Annual Conference. “Aprè Tan An: The Process and Processing of Hurricane Matthew in the Grand’Anse Haiti” in roundtable “How Does Climate Change Feel? (Re)Thinking Sociocultural, Emotional, and Embodied Responses to Environmental Precarity.” Seattle, WA.

Nov 10,
2022 *Paper presentation* at American Anthropological Association Annual Conference. “Disruption, Disaster, and Wellbeing: Contending with International NGOs in Rural Haiti” in panel “Embodying Colonialisms, Inequalities, and Injustices.” Seattle, WA.

Oct 9,
2022 *Paper presentation* at Haitian Studies Association Annual Conference. “*Mawonaj Kòm Fòm de Rezistans Fas ak Èd Enténasyonan: Ka Komin nan Grandans*” in panel “Marronage, Sustainability, Environmental Protection and Disaster.” Washington DC.

Feb 14
2022 *Invited guest lecture* on INGOs, environmental justice, well-being, and positionality in fieldwork at University of California Santa Barbara, for course Global 147: Haiti: Local Realities, Global Influences. Santa Barbara, CA.

Oct 23,
2022 *Paper presentation* at Haitian Studies Association Annual Conference. “Considering Climate Change in the Grand’Anse: The Intersections of Environment and Well-Being” in panel “Development Logics.” *Online*.

March 22,
2019 *Paper presentation* at annual Society for Applied Anthropology Conference. “Haunting and (In)Visibility: The Paradoxical Presence and Absence of NGOs in Rural Haiti” in panel “Progress and Challenges in Development.” Portland, OR.

June 1,
2018 *Poster presentation* at ISBER+ Inequalities Symposium. “Considering the Impact of INGOs in Haiti’s Post-Disaster(s) Context.” Santa Barbara, CA.

Nov 3,
2017 *Paper presentation* at Haitian Studies Association Annual Conference. “Beyond ‘Feeding the Multitudes’: A Post-Hurricane Matthew Exploration of NGO Interventions and Local Food Systems” in panel “Exclusionary Aid, Local Agency: Studying the Long-Term Impacts of NGOs in Haitian Communities.” New Orleans, LA.

- April 1, 2017 *Paper presentation* at annual Society for Applied Anthropology Conference. “Feeding the Multitude? Questioning INGO Interventions in Local Food Systems” in panel “Bridging and Bringing Ourselves to Ongoing Research in Haiti.” Santa Fe, NM.
- Nov 12, *Paper presentation* at Haitian Studies Association Annual Conference. “The Changing Ecology of Food Systems: Exploring the Perceived Impacts of Food-Based NGOs” in panel “Reimagining Ethnographic Research Models in Haiti: A Collaborative Model for Studying the Impacts of NGOs in Haiti.” Cap-Haitien, Haiti.

SELECT ACADEMIC/RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

- 2020-2021 *Research Assistant*, “NGOs and mobilization in the face of synthetic biology” in “ProteoCell Project.” Harthorn Group, UCSB. Funding: National Science Foundation. Supervisor: Barbara Herr Harthorn.
- 2021 *Research and Editorial Assistant*, select manuscripts with Elana Resnick, UCSB. Funding: University of California Humanities Research Institute. Supervisor: Elana Resnick.
- Spring 2020 *Reader*, Department of Anthropology, UCSB. Anth 125: Anthropology of Gender.
- Spring 2018 *Reader*, Department of Anthropology, UCSB. Anth 157: Medical Anthropology.
- June 2016-Aug. 2017; June 2019-August 2019 *Research Assistant* “Exit Strategies: assessing long-term social, cultural and political impacts of the depart of INGOs in rural Haiti.” NIU. Funding: National Science Foundation. Supervisor: Mark Schuller.

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

- Summer 2023 Aug.- Sept *Teaching Associate*, Department of Anthropology, University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB). Instructor of record for course Anth 175: Medical Anthropology.
- Summer 2022 June-Aug. *Teaching Associate*, Department of Anthropology, UCSB. Instructor of record for course Anth 175: Medical Anthropology.
- Spring 2020 March-June *Lead Teaching Assistant*, Department of Anthropology, UCSB. Anth 2: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology.
- Winter 2020; Winter 2019; Fall 2018 *Teaching Assistant*, Department of Anthropology, UCSB. Anth 2: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology.
- Spring 2019; Fall 2019 *Teaching Assistant*, Department of Anthropology, UCSB. Anth 3: Introduction to Archaeology.
- Spring 2016 *Teaching Assistant*, Environmental Studies Department, Northern Illinois University (NIU). ENVS 304: Environment in the Social Sciences and Humanities.
- Fall 2015 *Teaching Assistant*, Environmental Studies Department, NIU. Envs 304: Environmental Law, Policy, and Economics; Envs 303:
- Spring 2015 *Instructor*, Enstati Travat Sosyal ak Syans Sosyal (Institute of Social Work and Social Science). Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2023-ongoing *Co-President* for UCSB Anthropology Graduate Student Association. UCSB.
2022-2023 *Faculty Liaison* for UCSB Anthropology Graduate Student Association. UCSB
2021-2022 *Vice President of External Affairs* for UCSB Graduate Student Association. UCSB
2021-2022 *Council Board Member* for University of California Graduate and Professional Council.
2019-2020 *Co-President* for UCSB Graduate Student Association. UCSB.
2019-2020 *Incoming Student Liaison* for UCSB Anthropology Graduate Student Association. UCSB.
2018-2019 *Vice President of Internal Affairs* for UCSB Graduate Student Association. UCSB
2016-2017 *President* of Anthropology Graduate Student Association. Northern Illinois University.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Professional working proficiency in Haitian Creole
Limited working proficiency in French
Elementary proficiency in Spanish