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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Development Sociology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY	2011
M.S., Development Sociology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY	2005
B.A. (Honors), English and American Studies, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT	1997

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

Assistant Professor, Anthropology	2016-present
Research Assistant Professor, LBJ School of Public Affairs	2014-2016

Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA

Assistant Professor, International Relations 2012-2014

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Development Sociology 2011-2012

PUBLICATIONS

Books

1. **Cons, J.** (2016). *Sensitive Space: Anxious Territory at the India-Bangladesh Border*. Seattle, WA: University of Washington Press. Global South Asia Series. 224 pp.

Edited Books and Special Issues of Peer-Reviewed Journals

- 2. **Cons, J,** and Eilenberg, M (Eds.) (In Press). *Frontier Assemblages: The Emergent Politics of Resource Frontiers in Asia.* London, England: Wiley Blackwell. Antipode Book Series. Aprox. 100,000 words.
- 3. Green, B, Jones, K. & Cons, J. (2016). Special Multidisciplinary Symposium: Understandings of Place. *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences*, 6 (4), 740-789.
- 4. Middleton, T. & Cons, J. (2014). Fieldwork(ers): Researchers, Research Assistants and the Production of Ethnographic Knowledge. *Ethnography*, 15 (3), 279-400.
- 5. Cons, J. & Sanyal, R. (2013). Geographies at the Margins: Borders in South Asia. *Political Geography*. 35, 5-68.

Edited Special Issues of Non-Peer-Reviewed Journals

6. Carse, A, **J. Cons**, and T. Middleton. (2018). *Limn* 10: Chokepoints. https://limn.it/issues/chokepoints/

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles (including Accepted and In Press)

- 7. **Cons, J.** (2018). Staging Climate Security: Resilience and Heterodystopia in the Bangladesh Borderlands. *Cultural Anthropology*, 32 (2), 266-294.
- 8. **Cons, J.** (2016). Conclusion: The Placial Imagination. *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences*, 6 (4), 788-9.
- 9. **Cons, J.** (2015). Impasse and Opportunity: Reframing Postcolonial Territory at the India-Bangladesh Border. *SAMAJ*, 10, 14 pp. http://dx.doi.org/10.4000/samaj.3791
- 10. **Cons, J.** (2014). Field Dependencies: Mediation, Addiction, and Anxious Fieldwork at the India-Bangladesh Border. *Ethnography*, 15 (3), 375-393.
- 11. Middleton, T. & Cons, J. (2014). Coming to Terms: Reinserting Research Assistants into Ethnography's Past and Present. *Ethnography*, 15 (3), 279-290.
- 12. Dunn, E. & Cons, J. (2014) Aleatory Sovereignty and the Rule of Sensitive Space. *Antipode*, 46 (1), 92-109.
- 13. Paprocki, K. & Cons, J. (2014). Life in a Shrimp Zone: Aqua- and Other Cultures in Bangladesh's Coastal Landscape. *Journal of Peasant Studies*. 41 (6), 1109-1130.
 - 13a.Paprocki, K. and **J. Cons**. (2015). Life in a Shrimp Zone: Aqua- and Other Cultures in Bangladesh's Coastal Landscape. M. Edelman, J. Scott, A. Baviskar, S. Borras, D. Kandiyoti, E. Holt-Gimenez, T. Weis, and W. Wolford (Eds.), *Critical Perspectives on Food Sovereignty: Global Agrarian Transformations, Volume 2* (pp. 197-218). New York, NY: Routledge.
- 14. **Cons, J.** (2013). Narrating Boundaries: Framing and Contesting Suffering, Community, and Belonging Along the India-Bangladesh Border. *Political Geography*, 35, 37-46.
- 15. **Cons, J.** & Sanyal, R. (2013). Introduction: Geographies at the Margins: Borders in South Asia. *Political Geography*, 35, 5-13.
- 16. **Cons, J.** (2012). Histories of Belonging(s): Narrating Territory, Possession, and Dispossession at the India- Bangladesh Border. *Modern Asian Studies*, 46 (3), 527-558.
 - 16a.Cons, J. (2013). Histories of Belonging(s): Narrating Territory, Possession, and Dispossession at the India-Bangladesh Border. In D. Gellner (Ed.), *Borderland Lives in Northern South Asia: Non-State Perspectives* (pp. 214-244). Durham, NC: Duke University Press.
- 17. **Cons, J.** & Paprocki, K. (2010). Contested Credit Landscapes: Microcredit, Self-Help, and Self-Determination in Rural Bangladesh. *Third World Quarterly*, 31 (4), 637-654.
- 18. Cons, J. (2005). What's the Good of Mercators? Cartography and the Political Ecology of Place.

Graduate Journal of Social Sciences, 2 (1), 7-36. http://gjss.org/sites/default/files/issues/chapters/papers/Journal-02-01--01-Cons.pdf

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters (including Accepted and In Press)

- 19. **Cons, J.** & Eilenberg, M. (In Press). On the New Politics of Margins in Asia: Mapping Frontier Assemblages. In J. Cons & M. Eilenberg (Eds.), *Frontier Assemblages: The Emergent Politics of Resource Frontiers in Asia.* London, England: Wiley Blackwell. 7300 words.
- 20. Eilenberg, M. & Cons, J. (In Press). Conclusion: Assembling the Frontier. In J. Cons & M. Eilenberg (Eds.), Frontier Assemblages: The Emergent Politics of Resource Frontiers in Asia. London, England: Wiley Blackwell. 2400 words.

Non-Peer Reviewed Contributions to Academic Publications

- 21. Rahman, T.(2018).Survival as Development: An Interview with **Jason Cons**. *Cultural Anthropology*. Dialogues. https://culanth.org/fieldsights/1523-survival-as-development-an-interview-with-jason-cons
- 22. **Cons, J.** (2018). "The Times of Chokepoints." *Limn* 10: Chokepoints. 2100 words. https://limn.it/articles/the-times-of-chokepoints/
- 23. Carse, A., Cons, J., and Middleton, T. (2018). Preface: Chokepoints. *Limn* 10: Chokepoints. 1100 words. https://limn.it/articles/preface-chokepoints/
- 24. Cons, J. (2017). Global Flooding. *Anthropology Now*, 9 (3), 47-52.
- 25. **Cons, J.** (2017). Seepage. *Cultural Anthropology*. Theorizing the Contemporary: Speaking Volumes. https://culanth.org/fieldsights/1244-seepage.
- 26. **Cons, J.** (2007). A Politics of Sensitivity: Ambiguity and Exceptionality Along the India-Bangladesh Border. In M. Narula, S. Sengupta, J. Bagchi, & R. Sundaram, *SARAI Reader 2007: Frontiers* (pp. 20-29). Delhi: Center for the Study of Developing Societies. http://archive.sarai.net/files/original/2fd19d48556bf6343071441cf8d840be.pdf

Encyclopedia Entries

27. Cons, J. & Middleton, T. (Accepted). Research Assistants & Ethnographic Fieldwork. In P. Atkinson, S. Delamont, M. Hardy, & M. Williams (Eds.), *The Sage Encyclopedia of Research Methods*. New York, NY: Sage Press. (2,800 words).

Policy Briefs, Working Papers, and Non-Academic Publications

28. **Cons, J.** (2017). Comment on Violence, Mobility, and the Borders of Bengal. *The Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice Working Paper Series*. 1000 words. https://law.utexas.edu/humanrights/projects/comment-on-violence-mobility-and-the-borders-of-bengal/

- 29. **Cons, J.** (2016). Exploring State Vulnerability and Climate Change: Bangladesh's Resilience Plan. *Complex Emergencies and Political Stability in Asia Research Brief #4*. Robert Strauss Center: University of Texas at Austin. 3000 words. https://www.strausscenter.org/cepsa-research-briefs?download=632:bangladesh-s-resilience-plan
- 30. Paprocki, K. & Cons, J. (2014) Brackish Waters and Salted Lands: The Social Cost of Shrimp in Bangladesh. *FoodFirst Backgrounder*, 20 (3). 2500 words https://foodfirst.org/publication/brackish-waters-and-salted-lands/
- 31. **Cons, J.** (2014). On the Fence: A View from the India-Bangladesh Border. *East Asia Forum*, 6 (1). 1000 words. http://www.eastasiaforum.org/2014/04/08/a-view-from-the-india-bangladesh-border/
- 32. Cons, J. (2009). The Archivist. C. Barrett & J. Casson (Eds.), *Overseas Research: A Practical Guide* (pp. 112-113). New York, NY: Routledge.
- 33. **Cons, J**. & Paprocki, K. (2008). The Limits of Microcredit: A Bangladeshi Case." *Food First Backgrounder*, 14 (4). 3,000 words. https://foodfirst.org/publication/the-limits-of-microcredit-a-bangladesh-case/
- 34. **Cons, J.** (2007). The Tin Bigha Corridor, 15 Years On. *Forum: A Monthly Magazine Published by the Daily Star.* (October). 1500 words. http://archive.thedailystar.net/forum/2007/october/tin.htm

Book Reviews

- 35. Cons, J. (2018). Review of *Paper Tiger: Law, Bureaucracy and the Developmental State in Himalayan India*, by N. Mathur. *American Ethnologist.* 45 (2), 431-432.
- 36. **Cons, J.** (2018). Review of *Rivers Divided: Indus Basin Waters in the Making of India and Pakistan,* by D. Haines. *H-Net Reviews (H-Asia)*. http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=49385
- 37. **Cons, J.** (2016). Review of *The Mushroom at the End of the World: On the Possibility of Life in Capitalist Ruins*, by A.L. Tsing. *Journal of Asian Studies*. 75 (3), 798-800.
- 38. **Cons, J**. (2016). Review of *Boundaries Undermined: The Ruins of Progress on the Bangladesh-India Border*, by D. Hussain. *The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute*. 22, 218-219.
- 39. **Cons, J.** (2011). Review of *Reform, Identity and Narratives of Belonging: The Heraka Movement in Northeast India*, by A. Longkumar. *HNET Reviews (H-Asia)*. https://networks.h-net.org/node/22055/reviews/22229/cons-longkumer-reform-identity-and-narratives-belonging-heraka-movement
- 40. **Cons, J.** (2009) Review of *Bengal in Global Concept History: Culturalism in the Age of Capital*, by A. Sartori. *The Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*, 10 (2). http://dx.doi.org/10.1353/cch.0.0070

Works in Progress

Peer Reviewed Journal Article

Cons, J. Delta Temporalities: Choked and Tangled Futures in the Sundarbans. Complete, waiting on other members of a special issue to submit. Expecting to Submit Fall 2018. 10,000 words.

Cons, J. Dakat Climates: Piracy and Climate Change in Bangladesh's Sundarbans." In Preparation, 25% complete. Expecting to Submit Late Fall 2018.

Book Chapters

- 41. **Cons, J.** (Submitted and Under Advanced Contract). Seepage: That Which Oozes. F. Billé (Ed.), *Volumetric States: Sovereign States, Material Boundaries, and the Territorial Imagination*. Durham: Duke University Press. 5000 words.
- 42. **Cons, J.** (Submitted). Preface. In S. Ghosh (Ed.), *The Partition of 1947 and Its Legacy: Trends and Trajectories in Eastern and North-Eastern India*. London, England: Routledge. 1800 words.
- 43. Paprocki, K. & Cons, J. (Submitted). "Aquacultural Dispossessions: Shrimp, Land, and Agrarian Politics in Coastal Bangladesh." In N. Chowdhurry & L. Hoek (Eds.), *Generations: Emerging Thoughts on Bangladesh.* London, England: Anthem Press. 8650 words.

RESEARCH GRANTS

In Prep	Societies. ACLS Collaborative Research Fellowship. "Hunger, Rupture, and Rule: Rethinking Bangladesh's 1974 Famine."	\$133,899
2016	Middleton, T. (Co-PI), Cons, J. (Co-PI), Valdivia, G. (Co-PI), Dua, J. (Co-PI), & Dunn, E. (Co-PI). "Chokepoints: A Global Comparative Ethnography." National Science Foundation (Anthropology & Geography). (Year 1 - \$100,000; Year 2 - \$30,000, portion of award awarded directly to me: \$15,000).	\$130,000
2011	Feldman, S. (PI) & Cons, J. "Refiguring Village Studies." Institute for Social Sciences , Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.	\$15,000

AWARDS AND HONORS

2018.	Grant from the Faculty Enrichment Fund , University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.	\$1,200
2018	Curriculum Development Award, Bridging Disciplines Program , University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.	\$6,000
2018	College Research Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.	Salary-Based
2017	Nominated for Josefina Paredes Endowed Teaching Award , University of Texas at Austin.	

2017	Summer Research Assignment, University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.	Salary-Based
2016	(with M. Eilenberg) selected to run the workshop: "Frontier Assemblages: The Political Economy of Margins and Resource Frontiers in Asia." Social Science Research Council.	
2013	Curriculum Development Award. Signature Course Program . Bucknell University. Lewisburg, PA.	\$4,000
2011	Agrarian and Rural Transformations Fellowship. Atkinson Center for Sustainable Futures . Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.	\$5,000
2010	Graduate Fellowship, Judith Reppy Institute for Peace & Conflict Studies , Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.	\$11,000
2010	Knight Award for Excellence in Developing Writing Pedagogy. John S. Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines . Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.	\$3,000
2009	Award for Best Graduate Student Paper on South Asia. Association of Asian Studies.	
2009	Taietz Award for Best Graduate Student Paper. Department of Development Sociology. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.	
2006	International Dissertation Research Fellowship. Social Science Research Council.	\$28,000
2006	Junior Fellowship. American Institute of Bangladesh Studies (Declined)	\$22,000
2006	Doctoral Dissertation Research Award. Fulbright-Hays (Declined)	\$25,000
2006	Fulbright Fellowship. Institute for International Education (Declined)	\$20,000
2005	Summer Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship . Cornell University and the United States State Department. Ithaca, NY.	\$5,000
2004	Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship. Cornell University and the United States State Department. Ithaca, NY.	\$22,000
2003	Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship. Cornell University and the United States State Department. Ithaca, NY.	\$22,000
2002	Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship . Cornell University and the United States State Department. Ithaca, NY.	\$22,000
2002	Excellence Fellowship. College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Cornell University (Declined). Ithaca, NY.	\$22,000

PRESENTATIONS

Keynotes Addresses

"Keynote Address—Delta Temporalities: Choked and Tangled Futures in the Sundarbans." Workshop on Processes of Spatialization Under Global Conditions, **University of Leipzig.** Leipzig, Germany. July 2018

"Keynote Address—Resilience, Experiment, and Spectacle in Bangladesh's Borderlands." Center for South Asian Studies Conference on Borders and Migration in South Asia, **University of Hawai'i.** April 2016.

Invited Talks

"Pirate Assemblages: Piracy on a Climate Frontier." **Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University.** Providence, RI. March 2019.

"Delta Temporalities: Choked and Tangled Futures in the Sundarbans." Infrastructures of Development Seminar Series. **Anthropology and South Asian Studies, University of Toronto.** Toronto, Canada. October 2018.

"Pirate Assemblages." The Role of Law in the Production of Inequality Workshop. **Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice, University of Texas at Austin**. Austin, TX. March 2018.

"Staging Climate Security: Rethinking Resilience in the India-Bangladesh Borderlands." **Dhar India Studies Program, Indiana University.** Bloomington, IN. October 2017.

"Resilience, Experiment, and Spectacle in Bangladesh's Borderlands." **Research Workshop on Land and Politics in Asia, University of California, Berkeley**. Berkeley, CA. July 2016.

Convener for "Frontier Assemblages: The Political Economy of Margins and Resource Frontiers in Asia." **InterAsian Connections Conference, Social Science Research Council and Seoul National University.** Seoul, South Korea. April 2016.

"Climatic Territories: Spectacles of Resilience in Bangladesh's Coastal Delta." **Department of Anthropology, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.** Raleigh, NC. February 2016.

"In Defense of Boring Ideas." **Environmental Cooperation Across Borders Workshop, University of Texas at Austin.** Austin, TX. May 2015.

"Territorial Corrosions: Unstable Lands and Symbolic Developments at the India-Bangladesh Border." **South Asia Program, Stanford University**. February 2015.

"Sensitive Space: Territorial Anxiety at the India-Bangladesh Border." **Department of Anthropology, University of Texas**. Austin, TX. November 2014.

Cons, J & Paprocki, K. "Life in a Shrimp Zone: Aqua and Other Cultures in Bangladesh's Coastal Landscape." **Bangladesh: Contested Pasts, Competing Futures Workshop, University of Texas.** Austin, TX. October, 2013.

"Wither Sensitive Space?" Research Workshop on Resource Frontiers and Political Borders, **Aarhus University.** Aarhus, Denmark. June 2014.

"Keynote Address—Overlapping Developments: Credit, 'Self-Help,' and Agrarian Change in Rural Bangladesh." **Sociology, Washington College.** Chestertown, MD. March 2013.

"Spatial Corruptions: Hazy Demarcations, Symbolic Developments, and Overlapping Sovereignty at the India-Bangladesh Border. **BorderWorks Lab, Duke University**. Durham, NC. October 2012.

"Village Studies: Understanding Social and Ecological Change in Bangladesh." **Social Anthropology, Aarhus University**. Aarhus, Denmark. March 2012.

"Plenary Address: Microfinanc's Impact on Poverty. Chicago Microfinance Conference, University of Chicago. Chicago, IL. May 2009.

Conference Presentations

"Ruinous Natures: Climate, Development, and Infrastructure in the India-Bangladesh Borderlands." Panel on "Infrastructural Ruins in the Asian Borderlands". **Asian Borderlands Research Network Conference**. Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. August 2018.

Discussant. Panel on "Remaking the Resource Frontier in Myanmar's Borderlands." **Asian Borderlands Research Network Conference**. Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. August 2018.

"Between Seepage and Inundation: Climate Futures of the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Speaking Volumes". **Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association.** Washington, DC. November 2017

"Hetero(dys)topia: Imagining Climate Futures in the India-Bangladesh Borderlands." Panel on "A Climate of Imagination in South Asia". **Annual Conference on South Asia.** Madison, WI. October 2017.

Discussant. Panel on "Regulating Frontiers: Law, Finance, and Infrastructure in South Asian Borderlands." **Annual Conference on South Asia**. Madison, WI. October 2017.

Discussant. Panel on "World-Systems: Nature, Materials, Justice." **Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association**. Montreal, QC. August 2017.

"Navigating Inundation: The Sundarbans as Climatological Choke Point." Panel on "Chokepoints: Logistics, Infrastructure and Life in Transit Zones". **Annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association.** Minneapolis, MN. November 2016.

"Experimental Zones, Climate Territories, and the Politics of Adaptation in Bangladesh's Coastal Delta." Panel on "Enclaves, Fragments, Shards." **Annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association.** Denver, CO. November 2015.

"Sensitive' Environs: Modeling Bangladesh's Resilient Future." Panel on "Model Integration and Regulation: Recentering Peripheries in Asia". **Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers**. Chicago, IL. April 2015.

"Revisiting Human/Security at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Border Terms: Concepts Beyond

State and Society". Asian Borderlands Research Network. Hong Kong, China. December 2014.

"Corn, Cows, and Territory: Remaking Sensitive Space at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "New Approaches to Territory". **Annual Conference of the American Anthropological Association.** Washington DC. December 2014.

"Modeling' the Border: Space, Politics, and Symbolic Development at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Model Villages and Communities – The Politics of Imagined Place". **Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies.** Philadelphia, PA. March 2014.

"Resurrecting the Fragments: Histories of Sensitive Space at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Resurrections: Revivals and Transformations in Social Life". **Annual Conference of the American Anthropological Association.** Chicago, IL. November 2013.

Paprocki, K & Cons, J. "Life in a Shrimp Zone: Aqua and Other Cultures in Bangladesh's Coastal Landscape." Panel on "Cultures of Food Sovereignty". Food Sovereignty: A Critical Dialogue, Yale University Agrarian Studies Program. New Have, CT. September 2013.

"Spatial Corruptions: Materiality and Development at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Material Nationalisms". **The Politics of Materiality Workshop, The New School for Social Research.** New York, NY. April 2013.

"Histories of Sensitivity: Producing Sensitive Space at the India-Bangladesh Border." **Critical Geography: The Near Future, University of North Carolina.** Raleigh, NC. November 2012.

"Border Power: Commodities, Hydrocarbons, and Borders in South Asia." Panel on "Resources in Asia's Margins". **Asian Borderlands Research Network**. Singapore. October 2012.

"Borders, Displacement, and the Ethics of Aleatory Sovereignty." Workshop on Applied Philosophy: Global Justice and the Ethics of Exclusion, Northeastern University. Boston, MA. September 2012.

"Spatial Corruptions and Symbolic Developments: Aid, Place, and Rule at the India-Bangladesh Border." Imgard Coninx Foundation 15th Berlin Roundtables on Transnationality—Borders and Boundaries: Contested Spaces Between States. Berlin, Germany. March 2012.

"Engagements and Entanglements: Mediation Addiction, and the Politics of Friendship at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Fieldwork(ers): Rethinking the Relationship between Researchers and Research Assistants." **Annual Conference of the American Anthropological Association**. Montreal, OC. November 2011.

"Spatial Corruptions and Symbolic Developments: Aid, Place, and Rule at the India-Bangladesh Border." **Rethinking Development, Development Sociology, Cornell University**. Ithaca, NY. November 2011.

"Spatial Corruptions: Development, Place and Rule in the India-Bangladesh Enclaves." Panel on "The Bengal Borderland". **Asian Borderlands Research Network Conference**. Chiang Mai, Thailand. November 2010.

Panelist. Roundtable on New Directions in the Study of Bangladesh's Society, History, and Culture. **Annual Conference on South Asia**. Madison, WI. October 2010.

"Histories of Belonging(s): Narrating Territory, Possession, and Dispossession at the India-Bangladesh

Border." Political Economy of the World System Roundtables. **Annual of conference of the American Sociological Association.** Atlanta, GA. August 2010.

"Producing 'Sensitive' Space: Ambiguity, Paranoia, and Fear at the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Conspiracy Theories in South Asia". **Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies**. Philadelphia, PA. March 2010.

"Thinking Philip Abrams in the Bengal Borderland." Political Economy of the World System Roundtables. **Annual Conference of the American Sociological Association**. San Francisco, CA. August 2009.

"Partnerships for Community-Engagement and Research." **Grantmakers Without Borders Annual Conference**, Washington, DC. July 2009.

"Sensitive Spaces': Ambiguity and Rule in the India-Bangladesh Enclaves." Panel on "Borderland Lives". Annual Conference of the British Association of South Asian Studies. Edinburg, Scotland. April 2009.

"Spatial Corruptions: Place, Rule, and Cattle Along the India-Bangladesh Border." Panel on "Asian Corruptions". **Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies**. Chicago, IL. March 2009.

"A Politics of Sensitivity: Ambiguity and Rule in the India-Bangladesh Enclaves." Panel on "Geographies at the Margins". **Annual Conference of the American Association of Geographers**. Las Vegas, NV. March 2009.

"Histories of Belonging(s): Inclusions and Exclusions along the India-Bangladesh Border." **Annual Conference on South Asia**, Madison WI. October 2008.

"Microcredit: A View from the Village." Chicago Global Donors Network Annual Conference on International Giving. Chicago, IL. September 2008.

"Rumoring the Nation: Narrating the Ansal Plaza Killings." Panel on "Rumors and Politics in South Asia". **Annual Conference on South Asia**. Madison, WI. October. 2005.

"Who Settled Its Dimensions?: Constructing and Contesting the North-West Frontier." **Annual Conference on South Asia**. Madison, WI. October 2004.

"Displacing States: Beyond Territorialization and Deterritorialization." **International Rural Sociology Congress**. Trondheim, Norway. July, 2004.

ADVISING AND STUDENT-RELATED SERVICE

Dissertation Committees

Kenza Yousfi, Anthropology (Socio-Cultural).
 Emmy Dawson, Anthropology (Archeology).
 Kate Maddox, Anthropology (Socio-Cultural).
 Sabrina Lileby, Anthropology (Socio-Cultural).
 Daniel Ng, Anthropology (Socio-Cultural).
 2017-present. (Member).
 2017-present. (Member).
 2017-present. (Member).
 2017-present. (Member).

Danielle Good, Anthropology (Socio-Cultural).	2016-present. (Member).
Vasilina Orlova, Anthropology (Socio-Cultural).	2016-present. (Member)
Angeliz Encarnacion, Community & Regional Planning.	2017-present. (Member).
Stephen Zigmund, Community & Regional Planning.	2017-present. (Member).
Geronimo Berrera, Geography and Latin American Studies.	2017-present. (Member).
Beth Prosnitz, Sociology.	2017-present. (Member).
Esther Reyes, Public Affairs,	2015-present. (Member)
Nisha Krishnan, Ph.D. in Public Affairs.	2017. (Member).

Masters Committees

Ciara Segura, Geography. 2018. (Member) Julio Gutierrez, M.A. in Latin American Studies. 2017. (Member)

Undergraduate Honors Theses

Lloyd Farley, Anthropology. 2018. (Supervisor).

External Dissertation Committees

Thomas Mikkelsen, Anthropology, Aarhus University, Denmark	2017-present. (Member).
MD. Azmeary Ferdoush, Geography, University of Hawai'i.	2015-present. (Member).
Kasia Paprocki, Ph.D. in Development Sociology, Cornell University	2017. (Member).
Amanda Flaim, Ph.D. in Development Sociology, Cornell University	2014. (Member).

Conference Courses

Conference course with Kenza Yousfi on "Borders and Walling."	Fall 2017.
Conference course with Stephan Zigmund on "States and Security."	Fall 2017.
Conference course with Vasilina Orlova on "Ruination."	Spring 2017.

SERVICE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Departmental Service

Chair of Sociocultural Graduate Studies Committee, 2017-present.
Co-Director of Cultural Anthropology Transcript Recognized Minor, 2017-present.
Member of Anthropology Steering Committee, 2016-present.
Institutional Review Board Department Review Committee Chair, 2016-2018.

South Asia Institute Related Service

Convener South Asia Institute Seminar Series: "South Asian Territories," 2017.

Member Faculty Steering Committee for South Asia Institute, 2016-present.

Reviewer for FLAS Awards for South Asia Institute, 2016-2017.

Panelist on Roundtable on Garments and Rights in Bangladesh. St. Edward's University and University of Texas at Austin, 2015.

University Service

Member of the University of Texas Fulbright Committee, 2017-present.

Member of Faculty Panel for Human Rights and Social Justice Bridging Disciplines Program, 2017-present.

Mentor for Brumley Next Generation Undergraduate Scholars Program, 2017.

Reviewer for Crooke Awards, LBJ School of Public Affairs, 2015.

Guest Lectures

Panelist on Roundtable on Climate Politics. International Affaires Association, 2017.

Panelist on Round Table on "Race and State Power." Race and Ethnicity Group, Department of Sociology, 2017.

Guest Lecturer in Analytic Methods, LBJ School of Public Affairs, 2014, 2015, 2016.

Guest Lecturer in Complex Emergencies, Government Department, 2016

Guest Lecturer in Introduction to World Ecology, LBJ School of Public Affairs, 2015.

Guest Lecturer in Human Rights in South Asia, Government Department, 2015

Guest Lecturer in International Development, Asian Studies, 2014

EXTERNAL SERVICE

Journal Editorships

Associate Editor, South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies, 2015-present.

Service to the Discipline

Reviewer for Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship Competition, 2016-present.

Member of the Executive Committee, American Institute of Bangladesh Studies, 2017-present. Chair of the American Institute of Bangladesh Studies Grant Evaluation Committee, 2016-present. Mentor for Bangladesh Scholar in Residency Program, Chowdhury Center, UC Berkeley

Public Service

Founding Member of the External Advisory Board, Nijera Kori, Bangladesh (2015-present) Senior Advisor on Research and Projects, The Goldin Institute, Chicago IL, 2010-present.

Recent Conference Organizing Service

Organizing Chair, Symposium on "Cross Border Entanglements in Eastern South Asia." Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI, 2018.

Co-Organizer of Panel on "Climates of Imagination in South Asia" for the Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI, 2017.

Organizing Chair, Panel on Political Economy of the World System, American Sociological Association, Montreal, CA, 2017.

Organizer for "Chokepoints: Logistics, Infrastructure, and Life in the Transit Zone," American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings, Minneapolis, MN, 2017.

Co-organizer, Workshop on "Frontier Assemblages: The Political Economy of Margins and Resource Frontiers in Asia," SSRC InterAsian Connections Conference in Seoul. 2016.

Organizer for "Model Integration and Regulation: Recentering Peripheries in Asia," American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, 2015

Organizer for "Model Villages and Communities – The Politics of Imagined Place" for the Association of Asian Studies, Philadelphia, PA, 2014

Peer-Reviewer (ad hoc since 2008)

Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems, Area, American Ethnologist, Antipode, Contemporary South

Asia, Critical Asian Studies, Environment and Planning D: Society and Space, Journal of Asian Ethnography, Journal of Contemporary Ethnography, Journal of International Development, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Modern Asian Studies, Political Geography, Polity Press, South Asia, Space and Polity, SAMAJ South Asia, University of Amsterdam Press.

Professional Memberships

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