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EDUCATION:

Ph.D.	University of California, Los Angeles Department of Anthropology <i>Dissertation: Conceiving the 'Happy Family': Infertility Gender and Reproductive Experience in Northern Vietnam</i>	2002
Master of Public Health	Harvard School of Public Health Concentration in International Health	1995
Master of Arts	Stanford University Department of Anthropology	1991
Bachelor of Arts with honors	Stanford University Department of Anthropology	1990

EMPLOYMENT:

Associate Professor. <i>Department of Anthropology, Bryn Mawr College.</i>	2009-Present
Assistant Professor. <i>Department of Anthropology, Bryn Mawr College.</i>	2002-2009
Faculty Fellow. <i>Department of Anthropology, University of California, Irvine.</i> University of California Office of the President fellowship.	1/02-6/02

FIELDWORK/RESEARCH:

France. Research on the travel of doctors, expertise and medical equipment from France to Vietnam associated with the establishment of the first IVF program in Vietnam. Interviews of French doctors involved in the training of Vietnamese medical staff and the set-up of the embryology lab and IVF center.	Summer, 2007
France. Archival research at the Centre d'Archives d'Outre-Mer (colonial archives for France including Indochina) in Aix-en-Provence on healthcare, medicine and medical technology in colonial Vietnam and links between health care during the colonial period and post-colonial periods. Interviews of French doctors regarding transfers of medical supplies, training and technology between France and Vietnam as part of ongoing research on the role of Vietnam in the globalization of assisted reproductive technologies.	Summer, 2005
Hanoi, Vietnam. Field research on infertility, in-vitro fertilization and cultural interpretations of pregnancy and reproduction using donor gametes and surrogate mothers in Vietnam.	Summer, 2004
Hanoi, Vietnam. Field research for Ph.D. dissertation <u>Conceiving the 'Happy Family': Infertility Gender and Reproductive Experience in Northern Vietnam</u> under direction of Professor Carole H. Browner. Conducted dissertation study of infertile couples seeking infertility treatment, examined the social construction and treatment of infertility in northern, Vietnam. Conducted survey and in-depth interviews, collected qualitative and quantitative data on reproductive and life histories, gender and family relations, use of traditional/Western medicine, impact of contraceptive use on reproductive health, national family planning program, nationalism and history of Vietnamese women. Interviewed infertile and fertile women and men, medical doctors, traditional healers, and government officials.	1/97-12/97
Hanoi, Vietnam. Predissertation fieldwork for two months on contraceptive choice by women in northern Vietnam and social implications of these choices.	Summer, 1995
UCLA, Los Angeles, CA. Research Assistant. Researched issues and articles relating to women, work and health in developing countries for book chapter in process, co-authored by two UCLA professors of women's reproductive health.	9/93-3/94

GRANTS AND AWARDS:

Mellon Tri-College Grant for “Culture, Health and Medicine” faculty working group, 2008-09.
Fellow, University of Pennsylvania Mellon Humanities Forum, 2006-2007.
Fellow, University of Washington, Helen Riaboff Whiteley Center July/August, 2005.
Bryn Mawr College Faculty Research Grant for research in Vietnam, 2005-06.
Mellon Tri-College Forum Award for Co-collaborator project “Tri-Co Group for Interdisciplinary Fellowship”.
Bryn Mawr College Faculty Research Grant for research in Vietnam, 2003-04.
University of California Office of the President (UCOP) Dissertation Year Fellowship, 1998-99.
Wenner-Gren Foundation Predoctoral Grant for fieldwork research, 1997.
UCLA, Department of Anthropology Stipend, 1997-98.
UCLA ISOP International Fieldwork Fellowship, 1996-97.
UCLA Social Psychiatry Student Research Training Program Funds, 1996-97; Summer 1995.
UCLA Center for the Study of Women Graduate Travel Grant, 1996-97; Summer 1995.
FLAS Fellowship, SEASSI-Arizona State University, Vietnamese Language, Summer 1996.
Mangasar M. Mangasarian Fellowship, UCLA, 1995-96; 1994-95 (declined); 1993-94.
Regents Fellowship, UCLA, Department of Anthropology, 1995-96; 1993-94.
National Science Foundation (NSF)/Dept. of Anthropology Training Fellowship, Summer 1995.
UCLA Department of Anthropology Travel Funds, Summer, 1995, Fall 1999.
UCLA ISOP Ford Foundation Small Grant, Vietnamese Language Study, Summer 1995.
FLAS Fellowship, SEASSI-University of Wisconsin, Thai Language, Summer 1994.

PUBLICATIONS:

- “Inappropriate Relations: The Ban on Surrogacy with In Vitro Fertilization and the Limits of State Renovation in Contemporary Vietnam.” In *Assisting Reproduction, Testing Genes: Global Encounters with New Biotechnologies*. Edited by Daphna Birenbaum-Carmeli and Marcia C. Inhorn. New York: Berghahn Books. **(Invited)** 2009
- “The Womb, Infertility and the Vicissitudes of Kin-Relatedness in Vietnam.” *Journal of Vietnamese Studies* 4(2): 34-68. 2009
- Review of Nameless Relations: Anonymity, Melanesia and Reproductive Gift Exchange between British Ova Donors and Recipients (Monica Konrad, New York: Berghahn Press, 2005). *American Anthropologist* 110(2) June 2008: 264-265. **(Invited)** 2008
- Review of Gender Practices in Contemporary Vietnam (Lisa Drummond and Helle Rydstrom, editors, Berkeley: University of California Press, 2004). *Journal of Vietnam Studies* 1(1-2) February/August 2006: 515-517. **(Invited)** 2006
- “Constructing Menstrual Regulation.” Review of Regulating Menstruation: Beliefs, Practices and Interpretations (Etienne van de Walle and Elisha P. Renne, editors, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2001). *Current Anthropology*, 44(2) April 2003:313-314. **(Invited)** 2003
- “Conceiving the Happy Family: Infertility and Marital Politics in Northern Vietnam.” In (eds.) Marcia Inhorn and Frank van Balen, Infertility Around the Globe: New Thinking on Childlessness, Gender and Reproductive Technologies. Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 134-151. **(Invited)** 2002
- “Infertility and the Politics of Marriage in Northern Vietnam.” In (eds.) Frank van Balen, Trudie Gerrits and Marcia Inhorn, Social Science Research on Childlessness in a Global Perspective. Amsterdam: University of Amsterdam, SCO-Kohnstam Instituut, pp. 129-135. 2000

FORTHCOMING:

“*Chúng vô sinh như một phương thức tìm hiểu về sự thay đổi ý nghĩa trong quan hệ thân tộc và toàn cầu hoá ở Việt Nam đương đại.*” [Infertility as a Mode of Inquiry into Shifting Meanings of Relatedness and Globalization in Contemporary Vietnam]. In *Modernities and Dynamics of Tradition in Vietnam: Anthropological Approaches*. Edited by Hy Van Luong. Ho Chi Minh City: National University of Ho Chi Minh City. **(Invited)** In Press

“East, West, North, and South: Medical Pluralism and ‘Suitable’ Medicine for Infertility in Contemporary Viet Nam.” In *Southern Medicine for Southern People: Tradition, Modernity and the History of Medicine in Viet Nam*. Edited by Laurence Monnais, C. Michele Thompson, Annick Guenel, and Ayo Wahlberg. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing. **(Invited)** Under contract

IN PROGRESS:

Brokering in Hope: Infertility, Medicine, and Transformation in Vietnam. Book manuscript in progress. In Progress

“Counting One’s Way onto the Global Stage: Enumeration, Accountability and (Reproductive) Success in Contemporary Vietnam.” In Review

“Risk and the Pursuit of Suitable Medicine in Vietnam.” In Progress

“The Circulation of Expertise, Accountability and Medicine in Vietnam.” In Progress

“Codifying Reproduction: Uterine Identity and New Reproductive Technologies in Contemporary Vietnam.” In Progress

GRANTS IN PROGRESS

Grant preparation. Grant for research is under preparation for “Medical Migrations” which proposes research to examine movement of assisted reproductive technology, patients, medical staff, knowledge and pharmaceuticals within Southeast Asia as part of study on globalizing medicine.

INVITED TALKS/PAPERS PRESENTED:

“The Circulation of Expertise and Assisted Reproductive Technologies in Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Working Group for Anthropology and Population, Brown University, Providence, RI, March 12, 2010. **(Invited)** 2010

“Gender and Reproduction in (Neo)socialist Vietnam.” Paper presented at the American Anthropology Association 108th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, December 2, 2009. 2009

Discussant on roundtable “Operationalizing Feminist and Medical Anthropology: Understanding and Addressing Abortion Politics Globally,” presented at the Society for Medical Anthropology meeting “Medical Anthropology at the Intersections: Celebrating 50 Years of Interdisciplinarity,” Yale University, September 25, 2009. 2009

“Family Making: Reticence to Adopt Among Infertile Women in Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies 61st Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, March 27, 2009. **(VSG Sponsored Panel)** 2009

“Vicissitudes in (Biological) Reproduction: the Ban on IVF with Surrogacy in Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Social Science Center, Bryn Mawr College, April 18, 2008. 2008

“Counting One’s Way onto the Global Stage: Enumeration, Accountability and (Reproductive) Success in Contemporary Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies 60th Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA April 4, 2008. 2008

“*Uong Thuoc* (Drinking Medicine), Golden Star Balm, IVF and Procter & Gamble: Middle Class Sensibilities and the Consumption of Healthcare in Contemporary Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Society for Medical Anthropology/Applied Anthropology Meetings, Memphis, TN March 26, 2008. 2008

“Infertility as a Mode of Inquiry into Shifting Meanings of Relatedness and Globalization in Contemporary Vietnam.” Invited paper presented at Wenner-Gren and Ford Foundation sponsored international conference “Modernities and Dynamics of Tradition in Vietnam: Anthropological 2007

- Approaches, Binh Chau, Vietnam, December 15-18, 2007. **(Invited)**
- “Mobilizing Reproductive Medical Science: Global Knowledge and Local Power in Contemporary Vietnam.” Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association 106th Annual Meeting, November 28-December 2, 2007. 2007
- “Assisted Reproductive Technologies, Uterine Identity and Law in Contemporary Vietnam.” Invited talk presented at the College of the Holy Cross, April 17, 2007. **(Invited)** 2007
- “Changing Modes of Inequality Under *Doi Moi*: The Pursuit of Fertility Treatments in Vietnam since 1986.” Paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies 59th Annual Meeting, Boston, MA March 22-25, 2007. 2007
- “Double Danger: Infertility and Gestating Social Intimacy in Vietnam.” Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association 105th Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA November 15-19, 2006. 2006
- “Infertility, Gender and Identity in Vietnam.” Presentation at Discussion series, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Bucknell University, April 25, 2006. **(Invited)** 2006
- Discussant for “Vietnam Studies: States of the Field,” 23rd Annual Conference, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley, April 6, 2006. **(Invited)** 2006
- “Codifying Reproduction: Uterine Identity and New Reproductive Technologies in Contemporary Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies 58th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA April 6-9, 2006. 2006
- “Margins of Life and Motherhood: Codifying In-Vitro Fertilization in Contemporary Vietnam.” Paper presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology/Society for Medical Anthropology Meetings, Vancouver, Canada, March 28-April 2, 2006. 2006
- “IVF Travels: Transformation and Vietnamese In-Vitro Fertilization.” Paper present at the 104th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC, November 29-December 3, 2005. 2005
- “Proliferating Knowledge and the Moral and Economic Discourses of In Vitro Fertilization in Vietnam.” Invited conference paper presented at conference Class-ifying “Asian Values”: Culture, Morality, and the Politics of Being Middle Class, University of the Holy Cross, November 5, 2005. **(Invited)** 2005
- “Uterine Identity in Vietnam: Juxtaposing State Imperatives and Local Interpretations of In-Vitro Fertilization and Surrogacy.” Invited talk presented at the Temple University Center for Vietnamese Philosophy, Culture and Society, October 26, 2005. **(Invited)** 2005
- “Reproductive Complexities and Conundrums: Transfer and Translation of IVF and Gestational Surrogacy into Local Vietnamese Culture.” Paper presented at the Reproductive Disruptions: Childlessness, Adoption and Other Reproductive Complexities conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, May 19-22, 2005. 2005
- “Visible Intimacies: Gestation, Gametes and Surrogacy with IVF in Northern Vietnam.” Presented at the American Ethnological Association Meetings, San Diego, CA April 7, 2005. 2005
- “Blurred Boundaries: IVF, Surrogacy and Mother-Baby Bodies in Vietnam.” Paper accepted for presentation at the 103rd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Society in San Francisco, CA, November 18, 2004. Meeting cancelled. 2004
- “Problematizing Risk and Pragmatism Among Infertile Women in Northern Vietnam.” Presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology/Society for Medical Anthropology Meetings, Dallas, TX March 31, 2004 as part of session co-organized and co-chaired by Melissa Pashigian entitled Women, Medicalization and the Anthropologist: Problematizing Pragmatism and Advocacy. 2004
- “Pragmatic Choices: Revising Social Reality through Commitment to Treatment.” Presented at the American Anthropological Association Meetings, Chicago, IL November 19, 2003 as part of session co-organized and co-chaired by Melissa Pashigian entitled Rethinking Pragmatism: Medicalization, 2003

Reproduction and Social Constraint.

- “Constructing Harmonious Lives while Seeking Suitable Medicine in Northern Vietnam.” Presented at conference Socio-Medical Perspectives on Childlessness in Goa, India, September 23-27, 2002 2002
- “Infertility and the Spaces In-Between: Constructing Harmonious Lives and ‘Suitable’ Medicine in Northern Vietnam.” Presented at conference Reproducing Gender in Contemporary Vietnam and Diasporic Spaces, UCLA and California Lutheran University, April 13, 2002 2002
- “A Child of Our Own: Social Constructions of Infertility and Adoption in Northern Vietnam. Invited speaker at Institute for Research on Women and Gender and School of Public Health, University of Michigan, April 5, 2002. **(Invited)** 2002
- “Knowing the Medicine: Women’s Constructions of “Suitable” Medical Treatment for Infertility in Northern Vietnam.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. November 28, 2001. 2001
- “The Globalization of (New) Reproductive Technologies: Daily Practice and Local Interpretations of Infertility Treatments in Northern Viet Nam.” Presented at UCLA conference Viet Nam: Beyond the Frontiers. May 12, 2001. 2001
- “Whither Infertility: Constructing Reproduction and Women Through Health Care in Hanoi, Vietnam.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA, November 15, 2000. 2000
- “Local Interpretations of Sometimes Global Therapies: Infertility Treatments and Daily Practice in Northern Vietnam.” Society for Applied Anthropology/Society for Medical Anthropology joint Meeting, San Francisco, CA. March 22-26, 2000. 2000
- “Culture, Infertility and Affective Content of Marriage in Northern Vietnam.” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA. March 9-12, 2000 2000
- "Infertility and the Politics of Marriage in Northern Vietnam." Presented at conference Social Science Research on Childlessness in a Global Perspective. University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. November 8-11, 1999. 1999
- “Conceiving the ‘Happy Family’: Infertility and the Politics of Reproduction in Vietnam.” Program for Southeast Asian Studies, UCLA. May 3, 1999. 1999
- “In-vitro Fertilization: Naturalization of Motherhood in Northern Vietnam.” American Ethnological Society Meetings. Portland, OR, March 27, 1999. 1999
- "Conceiving the Happy Family: The Invisible Infertile and Population Planning in Hanoi, Vietnam." American Anthropology Association Annual Meeting, Society of Medical Anthropology Invited Session. Philadelphia, PA, December 4, 1998. **(Invited Session)** 1998
- "(Re)Conceiving Vietnam". Thinking Gender Conference, UCLA Center for the Study of Women. 1996

PANELS ORGANIZED:

- “Gender and Comparative Socialisms.” Panel co-organized for the American Anthropological Association 108th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, December 2, 2009. 2009
- “Women, Medicalization and the Anthropologist: Problematizing Pragmatism and Advocacy.” Panel co-organized and co-chaired for the Society for Applied Anthropology/Society for Medical Anthropology Meetings, Dallas, TX, March 31, 2004. 2004
- “Rethinking Pragmatism: Medicalization, Reproduction and Social Constraint.” Panel co-organized and co-chaired for the American Anthropological Association Meetings, Chicago, IL, November 19, 2003. 2003

TEACHING:

Bryn Mawr College. *Department of Anthropology.* Teach anthropology courses related to my area and topical specialties and general anthropology. Current courses include: 2002-Present

“Medical Anthropology” (upper division undergraduate lecture course). Course examines cross-cultural understandings of health, illness and disease exploring how the practice of health care, public health, illness experience, medical pluralism, among other topics, are culturally mediated. Examples drawn from around the world.

“Anthropology of Reproduction” (upper division undergraduate seminar course). Explores the relationship between power and politics to reproduction and gender. Covers contemporary writings on politics of reproduction that focus on the U.S., non-Western countries and diverse cultural groups.

“Ethnography of Southeast Asia” (mid-level undergraduate course). Explores the history of the study of Southeast Asia in the field of anthropology and focuses on issues of modernity as exemplified in gender and sexuality, traffic in women, labor, ethnic diversity and statehood in contemporary Vietnam, Thailand, Indonesia and the Philippines.

“Identity, Ritual and Cultural Practices in Contemporary Vietnam” (upper division undergraduate seminar course). Explores the construction of identity through ritual and marriage practices, gendered socialization, social reproduction and memory in economically and politically dynamic contemporary Vietnam.

“Senior Conference” (anthropology senior majors). Two-semester course, co-taught, leading students through proposal design and writing, methodology development, conducting primary ethnographic fieldwork, data analysis and thesis writing culminating in a detailed proposal in Fall Semester and a senior thesis at the end of Spring Semester. Required of all Anthropology majors.

“Introduction to Cultural Anthropology” (introductory undergraduate lecture course). Introduces undergraduates to the study and practice of sociocultural anthropology, basic history of the development of the field and concepts commonly used through use of ethnographic studies.

Faculty Fellow. *University of California, Irvine. Department of Anthropology.* Teaching fellowship from the University of California Office of the President. Courses taught include: Winter & Spring Quarters 2002

“Politics of Reproduction” (upper division undergraduate course). Course examines how power in everyday life shapes reproductive behavior and how it is interpreted.

“Medical Anthropology: History, Theory and Methods” (graduate seminar). Course examines different epistemologies and anthropological approaches to culture and medicine contextualized in the history of the development of the field of medical anthropology.

“Culture and Health” (undergraduate course). Course explores different systems of belief and behavior in relation to illness, curing, disease, practitioner behavior and use of conventional and alternative medical systems by groups in the United States.

“Technology and Culture” (upper division undergraduate course). Course explores how technologies are integrated into society and what this tells us about the relationship of culture and social reproduction.

Teaching Assistant. *UCLA Department of Anthropology.* TA for Introductory Cultural Anthropology course. Taught 3 sections of 18 students per week, covered lecture material, led discussion, graded exams and written assignments, held office hours. 9/96-12/96

GUEST LECTURES:

Guest Lecture. *UCLA Department of Anthropology.* For Professor Carole Browner’s course The Politics of Reproduction. Presented lecture and led discussion on multiple layers of politics 4/00

surrounding the social experience of infertility in northern Vietnam. 3 hour graduate level seminar. April 26, 2000.

Seminar Leader. *Hanoi Medical School Community Health Research Unit.* Conducted medical anthropology seminar explaining concepts in American medical anthropology, making them relevant for Vietnamese doctors and health researchers involved in applied health research there. 8/95

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

External Reviewer for candidate tenure review

Reviewer for open competition for fellowship support for Individual Research Projects funded by Netherlands Foundation for the Advancement of Tropical Research (WOTRO), The Hague, The Netherlands.

Reviewer for journal *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*.

Reviewer for journal *Gender, Culture and Place*.

Reviewer for journal *Social Science and Medicine*.

Reviewer for journal *Cultural Anthropology*.

Advisor. *Council on Anthropology and Reproduction (CAR)*, special interest group of the Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association. 06/04-12/05

Chairperson. *Council on Anthropology and Reproduction (CAR)*, special interest group of the Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association. 11/02-05/04

Membership Co-Coordinator. *Council on Anthropology and Reproduction (CAR)*, special interest group of the Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association. 11/98-11/02

Research Assistant. *UCLA Center for the Study of Women.* Assist with Center projects. 3/00-8/00

Conference Coordinator. *UCLA Center for the Study of Women.* Planned and coordinated annual "Thinking Gender" conference for graduate student research, including participant selection, panel organization and all logistics. 12/99-3/00

Local Manager. *Southeast Asian Microfilm Project (SEAM) Hanoi, Vietnam.* Responsible for maintaining supply of chemicals to National Library in Hanoi and HCMC for microfilming French colonial and other documents. Maintained financial accounting for local funds disbursements and correspondence with Project Manager at University of Washington. 9/97-12/97

Co-Editor. *Center for Family and Women's Studies, Hanoi, Vietnam.* Co-edited the English translation of book entitled *Ten Years of Progress: Vietnamese Women from 1985 to 1995*. 2/97-5/97

Graduate Student Representative. *UCLA Department of Anthropology Academic Curriculum Committee.* Represented graduate student interests on faculty committee regarding existing curriculum, department requirements and proposed changes to curriculum. 9/95-8/96

Graduate Student Contributor. *UCLA, Dept. of Anthropology Medical Anthropology Search Committee.* Reviewed medical anthropology candidates submitted applications and scholarly articles, gave recommendations for prospective candidates. Met and interviewed candidates invited to campus for job talks. 9/95-2/96

Co-Editor. *Journal of Southeast Asian Anthropology and Archaeology, Fairbanks Center Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.* Planned content first edition, solicited, reviewed, edited articles. 1/95-6/95

Vietnam Conference Coordinator. *Cambridge, MA.* Assisted in organizing conference at Harvard University to examine the changing economy in Vietnam and its impact on health sector reform. Participants included members of the Vietnamese Ministry of Health, Ministry of Finance, UNICEF, 9/94-6/95

World Bank, Karolinska Institute, Save the Children, HIID and School of Public Health Faculty.

Graduate Student Association Forum Member. *UCLA, Los Angeles CA.* Represented the interests of graduate students in the social sciences in decision-making influencing Graduate Student Association allocation of budget and UCLA's Administration's decisions regarding budget and academic program cuts. 9/93-6/94

BRYN MAWR COLLEGE SERVICE and COMMITTEES

- Committee on Libraries, Information and Computing (CLIC) 2006-2009, Chair 2007-08
- Department of Anthropology Search Committee 2008-09
- Department of Anthropology Search Committee, Spring 2008
- Department of Anthropology Search Committee 2004-05
- Department of Anthropology Search Committee 2003-04
- Bryn Mawr College Freshman Advising 2007
- Department of Anthropology Majors Advisor for Class of 2011
- Department of Anthropology Majors Advisor for Class of 2008
- Department of Anthropology Majors Advisor for Class of 2007
- Department of Anthropology Majors Advisor for Class of 2005
- Member of Katharine Houghton Hepburn Center Planning Committee, 2004-2007
- Faculty Member of Bryn Mawr College Honor Board Committee 2003-04
- Social Sciences Representative to Post-baccalaureate Program Advisory Committee, 2002-03
- Center for Ethnicities Film Presentation to the Bryn Mawr College and greater community: "Home/Bound: Two Vietnamese Immigration Stories Through Film"
- Center for Science and Society Presentation "Imparting the Social in Science" to Brown Bag series participants.

GRADUATE STUDENT DISSERTATION SERVICE:

- Doctoral Committee Member for Anne Jensen, doctoral student, Department of Anthropology
- Committee Chair, for Kristin Kopple, doctoral student, Department of Psychology.

UNDERGRADUATE THESIS SUPERVISION:

Primary Thesis Supervisor:

- *Coughlin, Katelyn (2009) On the Streets of Philadelphia: A Ceramic Analysis of Feature 188 from the National Constitution Center Site.
- Down, Catherine (2009) Spectacle and Sustainance: An Anthropological Perspective on Performance in and Consumption of a Restaurant Brand.
- Mahmood, Sarah (2009) Menstruation: Bloody Curse or Natural Occurrence.
- *Melton, Anna (2009) Our Homes, Not Nursing Homes: Disability Activism, Community Choice, and the Subversion of Stigma.
- *Palacios, Nydia (2009) Ritual, Entertainment, Values and Conceptions of Latinidad in Telenovela Viewing at Bryn Mawr College.
- Salzberg, Rachel (2009) 'We are the Shoes': Conducting Effective Displays at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Sinclair, Elizabeth (2009) A Farmer's Life for Me.
- *Ale, Whitney V. (2008) Perceptions of HIV/AIDS and Safe Sex Practices: Evidence from University of Nairobi and Haverford College.
- Backman, Ainsley (2008) Poverty, Health and Power.
- Berrouet, Mousson (2008) Intellectual Force & Intellectual Property Rights: The Symbolism of International Laws and Global AIDS Initiatives.
- Chan, Eugenia (2008) The Embodiment of Health, Illness, and the Media.
- Clark, Caitlyn (2008) Global Awareness from Crop to Cup: How Political, Social, and Economic Linkages between the United States and Guatemala are Manifested through Coffee.
- *Davis, Amanda (2008) Gendered Professions: Academia and Medicine, and Undergraduates' Perceptions of Work-Family Balance at Bryn Mawr College and Haverford College.
- Fenton, Alexandra (2008) Feminist Embodiment and the Construction of Female Identities: A Study at Bryn Mawr College and Villanova University.
- Gebreyesus, Tsega (2008) Life Written on the Body: An Exploration of the Fluidity of Identity through the Lens of Permanent and Non-Permanent Cultural Markers – the Ethiopian Wiqato and the Indian Bindiya.

- *Islam, Fareesa (2008) The HPV Vaccine: Navigating Information, Interpretation, and Identity.
- Coccagna, Julia (2005) Breast Cancer Survivors: An Analysis of the Transformations of Identity and Perceived Role in Society in Response to a Chronic Illness.
- *Costa-Pinto, Maya (2005) Second Generation South Asian Women in the United States and Australia: The Role of Tertiary Education in the Negotiation of Ethnic Identity and the Navigation of First Generation Expectations.
- *Ebanks, Kimberly (2005) A Dat wa we grow Pon!: That is what we grow on childcare knowledge, biomedicine, and culture continuity among Jamaican American women in Philadelphia.
- *Lippman, Alexandra (2005) A Different Kind of Transnationalism: Capoeira and the Development of Cultural Ties to Brazil in Philadelphia.
- Morrison, Kelly (2005) The Life of Death: An Anthropological Analysis of Western Death Perceptions.
- Price, Rhianon (2005) Midwifery and the American Birthing Norm: Views of Naturalness and Unnaturalness.
- Sano, Yinnette (2005) Entre Nosotras, Between Ourselves: Searching for Latina Identity.
- Anela, Louise (2004) Alternative Path to Healing: Roling Bodywork
- Cross, Katharine (2004) The God/dess Within: Aspects of Identity in Neo-Pagan Religion.
- Deering, Raquel (2004) Are Americans Feeling the Qi? An Exploration of Acupuncture Practice in the Philadelphia Area.
- *Erikson, Amie (2004) Individuality, Standardization, and Community: Contested Definitions of “Good Schooling” at an Urban Elementary School.
- *Petherbridge, Amalia (2004) Perspectives on Gender and Sexual Orientation in Women’s Sport Among Student Athletes at Bryn Mawr College.
- Perry, Nicole (2004) Has it All Gone to the Dogs? A Study of Interspecies Interaction at a Philadelphia Park.
- *Trowbridge, Jennifer (2004) Music on the Move: Music, Dance and Caribbean Latino Identity in Philadelphia.
- *Brownschidle, Sara (2003) Adaptation and Acculturation: Identity, Tradition, and Diabetes Among Native Americans in Philadelphia.
- Gettys, Sarah Elizabeth (2003) Belief and Brauche: An Examination of a Pennsylvania German Ethnomedicine in South Central Pennsylvania.
- *Rahme, Marianne D. (2003) The New Healers: A Comparison of Traditional Physical Therapy and Alternative Therapies in Suburban Philadelphia.
- *Switzer, Julia Freck (2003) The Perspective of the Pregnant Woman: An Anthropological Study of Prenatal Care among Low-income African American Women in West Philadelphia.
- Turnbull, Amelia (2003) Defining Disease: Measuring Knowledge of Influenza in College and Non-College Environments.

Second Reader:

- Goldberg, Mara (2009) Educational Identity and Educational Minorities in the United States of America: A Discussion of Educational History as a Valid Part of American Identity.
- Moore, Amber (2009) Traditional Chinese Medicine in Biomedicine Dominated Areas.
- Romero, Larissa (2009) Moderate Christian Love: Dialoguing on Homosexuality within the Reformed Church in America.
- Suarez, Jennifer (2009) Cuban Santeria and Identity: A Taboo Religion.
- Chen, Tiffany (2008) Blurring the Interethnic/Intraethnic/Intergenerational Lines: A Reflection through the Chinese Immigrant Culture and Offspring in Philadelphia’s Chinatown.
- Mueller, Theresa (2007) People Always Want What They Can’t Have: Standards of Beauty in the Philippines and in the Filipino American Consciousness.
- *Reiss, Hannah (2007) Two Indonesian Communities: Medical Hegemony in Healer-Patient Interactions.
- *McCarthy, Meredith (2004) “It’s Always Ourselves We Find in the Sea:” Maritime Museums and Education at Independence Seaport Museum.
- Armador, Georgina (2003) Bearing Witness as a Way Toward Healing: Culturally Reproduced Illness.
- Daily, Elizabeth Anne (2003) Learning to Dance in Bakau: A Cross-Cultural Exploration of Gardening and Community.
- Dedrick, Rebecca Erin (2003) From Fighter Jocks to Soccer Moms: The Changing Demographic of the Space Program and Astronaut Corps.
- *Karnad, Shamali Radha (2003) “... women are closer to health”: A Cross-Cultural Study of the Relationship between Women’s Status in their Community and their Health Seeking Behavior in India and Kenya.

*Received Departmental Honors

CONSULTING EXPERIENCE:

Senior Consultant. *Arthur Andersen & Co. Operational & Financial Consulting Services, San Francisco, CA.* Assisted in strategic plans, feasibility, operations and productivity studies for health care clients including hospitals, HMOs and physician groups. Researched, analyzed and prepared financial, market and demographic data, interviewed client staff, developed recommendations, wrote

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proposals and final presentations. Supervised up to 10 staff on projects. Select health care projects included: productivity reviews of clinic and lab operations, hospital management turnaround, managed care strategic plan, hospital feasibility study and business plan, physician procedure reporting review.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Language skills: Vietnamese and French

Professional Memberships:

American Anthropological Association
Society for Medical Anthropology (SMA)
SMA Council on Anthropology and Reproduction
SMA Bioethics Interest Group
American Ethnological Society
Society for Cultural Anthropology
American Public Health Association.
Association for Asian Studies
Vietnamese Studies Group