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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

2017	Ph.D. Development Sociology, Cornell University
2011	M.Sc. Development Sociology, Cornell University
2006	M.Sc. Development Studies, SOAS, University of London
2004	B.A. Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz
2002	A.A. Social Science, Columbia College

AREAS OF RESEARCH

Governance and moral regulation	Rural development
Knowledge production	Collective action
Gender, reproduction, and welfare	Community college student learning

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2019-present	Assistant Professor of Sociology, Green River College, Auburn, Washington
2016-2019	Associate Professor of Anthropology/Sociology, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Coos Bay, Oregon
2018-2019	Director, Honors Program, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Coos Bay, Oregon
2014-2016	Adjunct Instructor, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York
2007-2009	Adjunct Instructor, Columbia College, Sonoma, California

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2019-2020	Awarded a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence to host a scholar from Uganda at Southwestern Oregon Community College (approximately \$75,000)
2018-2019	Awarded two AmeriCorps positions from Campus Compact of Oregon (for work on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at Southwestern Oregon Community College) (\$13,000)
2018	University of Mississippi and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, "Replacing Traditional Textbooks with Open Educational Resources" grant (\$4,000, co-written with Dr. Carrie Freshour, Delta State University)
2014	Research Travel Grant, Cornell University (\$3,000)

2014	Cal Humanities, Community Stories Project for “The Building of Oak Tree School: A Living History of Education on the Ridge” (\$10,000)
2013	Atkinson Center for Sustainable Futures/Oxfam Rural Resilience Fellowship (\$5,000)
2013	Research Travel Grant, Cornell University (\$3,000)
2009-2010	Graduate Research and Teaching Fellowship, Center for Teaching Excellence, Cornell University

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

2019	Finalist, <i>Excellence in Education Award</i> , Bay Area Chamber of Commerce (Coos County, Oregon)
2018	Staff Member of the Year, Southwestern Oregon Community College (awarded by Southwestern Students)
2017	Team-Building Award, Southwestern Oregon Community College
2016	Community Leadership Award, Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University
2016	Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Cornell University.
2015	Class Councils Outstanding Cornell Faculty Member, Cornell University (awarded by the Students of Cornell University)
2015	Gertrude Spencer Prize (Honorable Mention), Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines, Cornell University
2014	Philip Taietz Prize for the Most Outstanding Paper Presented at a Scholarly Meeting for the Year 2013, Cornell University
2005	Sherwood Washburn Award, University of California, Santa Cruz
2001	Future Promise Award, Columbia College, Columbia, CA

PUBLICATIONS

In Progress	With Gayatri Menon and Mindi Schneider, <i>Sociology of Global Change: Historicizing the Work of Philip McMichael</i> . To be published by Routledge.
In Progress	“Tales from a Potluck: On Being an Inside/Outsider in Rural California,” submission to anthology (edited by Marika Lindholm and Elizabeth Wood, <i>Between Us: Stories About Healing Ourselves and Changing the World Through Sociology</i>).

- 2015 “Marijuana and the Limits of Knowledge: Implications for Economic Vulnerability and Resilience in Northern California,” *Resilience: International Policies, Practices, and Discourses*, 4(1): 44-58.
- 2015 “Up in Smoke?: The Making and Unmaking of a Rural Moral Economy,” *Focaal: Journal of Global and Historical Anthropology*, 73: 12-27.
- 2015 Wendy Wolford and Sara Keene. “Social Movements,” In T. Perreault, G. Bridge, and J. McCarthy (editors) *Handbook of Political Ecology*. Routledge: New York. Pp. 573-584.
- 2015 Sara Keene, Marygold Walsh-Dilley, Wendy Wolford, and Charles Geisler. “A View From the Top: Examining Elites in Large-Scale Land Deals.” *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, 36(2): 131-146.
- 2014 “Prospects and Challenges for Rural Resilience in Northern California,” A Report Prepared for Oxfam and Atkinson Center for Sustainable Futures, November 1, 2013. Published online 2014.
- 2013 Keels, Micere, Julia Burdick-Will, and Sara Keene. “The Effects of Gentrification on Neighborhood Public Schools,” *City and Community*, 12(3): 238-259.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS / PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 “The Power of a Story: A Framework for Social Justice,” presented for Rotaract Students at Rotary District 5110’s International Conference, Coos Bay, OR, May 5, 2019
- 2018 “Teaching and Learning Across Generations,” presented at In-Service, Southwestern Oregon Community College
- 2016 Co-organizer (two sessions): “Illegibility and the Politics of Not Knowing,” at the annual American Association of Geographers conference, April 2016.
- 2016 “Cultivating Illegibility: Governing the Margins of Rural Marijuana Production,” Paper presented at the annual American Association of Geographers conference, April 2016.
- 2016 Invited Panelist on “Geographies of Marijuana Production” session at the annual American Association of Geographers conference, April 2016.
- 2015 “Marijuana and the Limits of Knowledge: Implications for Economic Vulnerability and Resilience in Northern California,” Paper presented at the annual Association of American Geographers conference, April 2015.
- 2014 “Unruly Subjects: Medical Marijuana Activism in Illegible Spaces,” Paper presented at Temple University’s 13th annual Critical Geography Conference, November 2014.

- 2014 “Contesting a Rural Economy: Informality and Its Implications for Resilience Thinking,” Paper presented at Cornell University’s Conference on Resilience and Development, October 2014.
- 2013 “Up in Smoke?: The Making and Unmaking of a Rural Northern California Region,” Paper presented at the 112th Annual American Anthropological Association Meetings, Chicago, IL in the Panel, “Anthropological Engagements with the Work of E.P. Thompson.”
- 2013 “Rural Resilience and the Northern California Marijuana Economy,” Paper presented at the Atkinson Center for Sustainable Futures/Oxfam Workshop on Rural Resilience, August 2013, Cornell University.
- 2010 “Designing a Learning-Centered Syllabus,” presented for the Center for Teaching Excellence’s Teaching Excellence Series, Cornell University
- 2010 “Building Rapport in the Classroom,” presented for the Center for Teaching Excellence’s Teaching Excellence Series, Cornell University.
- 2009 “Constructing a Teaching Philosophy,” Presented for the Center for Teaching Excellence’s Teaching Excellence Seminar Series, Cornell University
- 2009 “Developing Effective Learners, Critical Thinkers, and Problem Solvers in your Classroom,” presented for the Center for Teaching Excellence’s Teaching Excellence Series, Cornell University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2019-present Assistant Professor, Sociology, Green River College
 Introduction to Sociology
 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
 Sex and Gender in Society
 Sociology of Food
- 2016-2019 Assistant Professor, Anthropology/Sociology, Southwestern Oregon Community College
 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
 Identities, Subjectivities, and Power Relations
 Anthropology of Globalization and Development
 Introduction to Sociology
 Sociology of Institutions and Social Change
 Social Problems and Issues
 Sociology of Gender
 Racial and Ethnic Relations
 Qualitative Methods in the Social Sciences
 Introduction to Honors
 Honors in the Social Sciences
 Honors Capstone

2016 Instructor, First-Year Writing Seminar, Cornell University
Living in the Shadows: Informality and Illegality in Everyday Life

2015 Co-Facilitator, Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines, Cornell University (Fall 2015; *merit-based appointment*)
Writing 7100: Teaching Writing (Graduate Course)

2015 Instructor, Performing and Media Arts, Cornell University
Dance Technique I (Modern Dance)

2014-2015 Instructor, First-Year Writing Seminar, Cornell University
The Cultural Politics of Reproduction

2014 Intern, Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines, Cornell University
Reading and Writing About Latin America

2007-2009 Instructor, Columbia College, Sonora, CA
Introduction to Sociology
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
Introduction to Physical Anthropology
Modern Dance

2008-2011 Teaching Assistant, Cornell University
Theories of Society and Development
Food, Gender, Culture
Introduction to Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Evolving Families
Social Science Research Methods
Spatial Thinking with GIS and Related Methods
Introduction to Sociology

SERVICE / PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2021 (Spring) Workshop “Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Covid-19” for Green River College’s *Prime Time Program* (facilitated with Professors Stephanie Hoffman and Leo Studach, Biology Department)

2020-present Coordinator for the Social Science Division Student Worker Program, Green River College

2020-present Co-Advisor, Sociology Club, Green River College

2020-present Division Rep, Gender Studies Advisory Board, Green River College

2018-2019 Committee Member, Southwestern Oregon Community College
First-Year Faculty Experience and Faculty Evaluation Interdisciplinary Education and Programming

2017-2019	Chair, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Southwestern Oregon Community College
2017-2019	Advisor, Students for Social and Environmental Justice Club
2017-2019	Faculty Senate, Southwestern Oregon Community College
2017-2018	Vice President at Large, AFT-Oregon
2017-2018	Committee Member, Assessment Committee, Southwestern Oregon Community College
2016-2018	Membership Coordinator, AFT Local 3190, Southwestern Oregon Community College
2014-2015	Graduate Student Curriculum/Handbook Committee, Development Sociology, Cornell University
2011-2012	Organizer: Academic and Professional Development Seminar Series, Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University
2010-2011	Organizer/Facilitator: Critical Reading and Writing Strategies Workshops, Departments of Development Sociology and Policy, Analysis and Management, Cornell University
2009-2010	Organizer: Graduate Student Brownbag Seminars, Development Sociology, Cornell University

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

2020	Faculty Institute (Organized and facilitated by the State of Washington) Two-day series of talks and workshops on equity in higher education
2020	Quality Matters: Improving Your Online Course, <i>Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges</i> , May 8-27, 2020
2020	Green River College Professional Development Series. Four-day series of workshops, including: Best Practices in Course Design Essentials for the Zoom Classroom Accessibility of Documents Panopto Video Basics Panopto Editing and Statistics
2020	Northwest Regional Equity Conference, February 19-20, 2020, Clark College, Vancouver, WA
2019	Equity Institute, <i>Achieving the Dream</i> , February 17, 2019, Long Beach, CA

- 2019 Student Success and Retention Conference, *Oregon Community College Association*, February 14-15, 2019, Portland, OR
- 2018-2019 Micromessaging to Reach and Teach Every Student, *National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity* (three-part series of trainings)
- 2018 Summer Institute: Cultural Competency on Campus, *Campus Compact of Oregon*, August 13-14, 2018

RESEARCH WORKING GROUPS

- 2013-2014 “Land and Sovereignty Collective,” Cornell University and Food First, Oakland, CA
- 2012-2013 “Alternatives to Capitalism Working Group,” Polson Institute, Cornell University
- 2010-2011 “New Enclosures Research Working Group,” Cornell University
- 2009-2010 “Rights, Knowledge, Difference: Indigenous and Social Movement Critiques of Liberalism,” Institute of Comparative Modernities, Cornell University