Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH INTERESTS
Nature-society relations (political ecology, environmental politics, property theory, environmental history); environmental policy and social movements; political economy and neoliberalism; social theory.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT
July, 2011 – present. Professor, Clark University, Graduate School of Geography. Director, Global Environmental Studies major, 2015 – 2016 academic year.


EDUCATION


PUBLICATIONS

UNDER CONTRACT

ACCEPTED WITH REVISIONS
Foo, Katherine, James McCarthy, and Anthony Bebbington. “A framework for governing urban green infrastructure.” Accepted pending revisions. Landscape and Urban Planning.
BOOKS:


PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS AND BOOKS:


BOOK REVIEWS:


NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS:


PRESENTATIONS

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS (*KEYNOTE ADDRESSES):

2015. “The garden vs. the wilderness: American landscapes and environmental politics” Cape Cod


2013. “An environmental and political genealogy of neoliberalism.” Paper presented at the University of Georgia (with Scott Prudham University of Toronto; presented by Scott Prudham). October 18.


*2008. University of Alberta, Edmonton. “Political ecology: origins, debates, and new directions.” Invited keynote address for workshop, “The Political Ecology and Governance of Alberta,” organized by the Department of Political Science and Department of Rural Economy, University of Alberta; Department of Geography, University of Calgary; and Department of Sociology, King’s University College, Edmonton. November 21.


Transformations,” jointly organized by the two departments and funded by the University of Georgia Center for the Humanities. February 22.

2001. Penn State University, University Park, Department of Geography. Scale, Democracy, and Environmental Governance.” Departmental colloquium. November 16.


2001. Penn State University, University Park, Office of International Programs. Invited talk on historical geographies of U.S. foreign policy as part of an orientation for new foreign postdoctoral fellows. October 18.


INVITED DISCUSSANT:


2013. Invited discussant in plenary session on “Climate Assessment, Climate Justice” at the New England-St. Lawrence Valley Geographical Society (NESTVAL) annual meeting, October 9.


2006. Invited discussant for organized session on, “Neoliberal Citizenship: Governance, Property and Economically Viable Subjects II” at 2006 AAG meetings, Chicago, IL.


**PANELS AND WORKSHOPS:**


2015. Invited panelist for panel on environmental activism (with elected officials, NGO representatives, and others). Cape Cod Academy, Osterville, MA. May 21.

2015. Co-organizer and presenter, “Climate change and the future of capitalism,” as part of Climate Change Teach-In, March 26, Clark University.


2013. Organizer for workshop on “Nature-Society geography” at Clark University Graduate School of Geography, with participation from the departments of geography at Syracuse University, Rutgers University, and Penn State University. September 27-28, 2013.

2013. Invited panelist for author-meets-critics session on Max Boykoff’s “Who Speaks for the Climate,” at 2013 AAG meeting, Los Angeles, CA.


2012. Invited panelist for panel on, “Apocalypse, the radical left and the post-political condition,” at 2012 AAG meeting, New York, NY.


2008. Invited panelist for panel on “Ethical Political Ecology” at 2008 AAG meetings, Boston, MA.

2008. Invited panelist for panel on “Radical Geography 40 Years On” at 2008 AAG meetings, Boston, MA.

2008. Invited panelist for “Author Meets the Critics” session on Jake Kosek’s Understories at 2008 AAG meetings, Boston, MA.


2006. Invited panelist for panel on, “Neoliberalism, nature, and governance,” at 2006 AAG Annual
Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2006. Invited panelist for “Author Meets the Critics” session on Arun Agrawal’s Environmentality at 2006 AAG meetings, Chicago, IL.


1999. Invited participant in “Global-Local Links: Research Needs and Opportunities.” Sponsored by the Institute for Policy Research and Evaluation at The Pennsylvania State University, with funding from the Ford Foundation and the National Science Foundation. June 4 - 6, Pittsburgh, PA.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:


2013. “Environmental governance in and for the twenty-first century: Integrating scales, institutions, and approaches.” Paper presented at Earth System Governance Tokyo Conference, January 29, Tokyo, Japan (with Anne Short, Boston University, and Henrik Selin, Boston University; presented by Anne Short).


CONFERENCE SESSIONS ORGANIZED AND CHAIRED:


2014. Organizer and chair for two sessions on “Resuscitating ‘resilience’” at 2014 AAG meeting, Tampa, FL (with Karen Bakker, UBC).

2014. Organizer for session on “Rescaled environmental governance: beyond centralization and decentralization” at 2014 AAG meeting, Tampa, FL (with Alice Cohen, Acadia).


2010. Chair for organized paper session on, “Climate Adaptation, Landscapes, and Institutions (CALI) IV,” at 2010 AAG meeting, Washington, DC.

2008. Co-organizer for three sessions on “Neoliberal urban-environmental reconfigurations” (with Kevin Ramsey, University of Washington) at 2008 AAG Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.

2006. Co-organizer for panel on “Neoliberalism, nature, and governance” (with Scott Prudham, University of Toronto) at 2006 AAG Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2004. Co-organizer for three sessions on “Science and environmental governance” (with Scott Kirsch, UNC, and David Demeritt, Kings College London) at 2004 AAG Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.


2002. Co-organizer and chair for two sessions on “Neoliberalism and environmental reform” (with W. Scott Prudham, University of Toronto) at 2002 AAG Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA. Jim Glassman, University of British Columbia, and James McCarthy, discussants.


MEDIA


• Interviewed by and quoted in The Hill, Congressional newspaper, April 2, 2015; picked up by MSN News.


**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Clark University, Graduate School of Geography, 2011-present:

**Lower division courses:**
- GEOG 017: Culture, Place Environment
- GEOG 075 First Year Intensive: Americans and the Environment (course developer)

**Upper division courses:**
- GEOG 220: Property and the Global Environment (course developer)
- GEOG 225: Environmental Politics (course developer)

**Graduate seminars and independent studies:**
- Special Topics: Social Theory and the Environment
- Capitalist Natures
- Life, Nature, Accumulation

**Guest lectures:**
- Geography 136: Gender and Environment

The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Geography, 2000-2011:

**Lower division courses:**
- GEOG 20: Introduction to Human Geography
- GEOG 130: Nature, Justice, and Power (course developer)

**Upper division courses:**
- GEOG 434: Politics of the Environment (course developer)
- GEOG 439: Property and the Global Environment (course developer)

**Graduate courses:**
- GEOG 500: Introduction to Geographic Research

**Graduate seminars and independent studies:**
- Topics in Nature-Society Geography
- Introduction to Political Economy
- Contested Conservation: Nature, Governance, and Territoriality in the Modern Era
- Geography and Public Intellectuals
- Neoliberal Urban Environments
- Environmental Governance
- Readings in Political Ecology
Independent studies on topics of: political ecology, environmental social movements, ideas of progress.

Participating faculty member in dual-degree Ph.D. program in Human Dimensions of Natural Resources and the Environment (HDNRE)

Affiliated faculty member in Social Thought Program

Guest lectures:
Community Environment and Development 309 (Land Use Dynamics), Earth and Mineral Sciences 297U (Resource Wars), Geography 40 (World Regional Geography), Geography 20 (Introduction to Human Geography, other instructors’), Geography 497C (Qualitative methods), Political Science 297B (The Politics of Nature in Comparative Perspective); Worldwide Universities Network videoconferenced graduate seminar (Horizons in Human Geography)

The University of California, Berkeley, Department of Geography, 1993-1999:

Course instructor positions:
The Political Economy of U.S. Environmental Politics

Teaching assistant positions:
The Southern Border
The Economy and Culture of the Western City
The Ocean World

Course reader positions:
The Economic Geography of the Industrial World
The Economy and Culture of the Western City
Globalization

Guest lectures:
Globalization

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS


University of California Vice Chancellor’s for Research Dissertation Grant, 1997

University of California Social Science Research Grant, Spring, 1997.


University of California curriculum development grant, Fall 1995. Developed two permanent graduate seminars on human-environment relations for the department.


**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**


Editorial advisory board, Geographies of Justice and Social Transformation Series, University of Georgia Press, 2013 – present.


External reviewer for eighteen promotion and tenure cases at national and international peer institutions (eleven assistant to associate; seven associate/reader to full/chair).

NSF review panel member for IGERT preliminary proposals.

NSF proposal reviewer for Geography and Regional Science (multiple).

NSF CAREER grant reviewer (3).

External reviewer for one geography department and one geography graduate program.

Reviewer for Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada grants.

Reviewer for Leverhulme Trust grant.
Referee for reappointment of Canada Research Chair.

External examiner for doctoral defense at Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

External reviewer for two doctoral dissertations at the University of Queensland, Australia.

External reviewer for doctoral dissertation at University of Sydney, Australia.

External reviewer for doctoral dissertation at Charles Sturt University, Australia.

Judge, Sustainability Competition, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, April, 2015.


Guest editor for special issue of Environment and Planning A 37 (6) on, “First world political ecology.”

Guest editor for special issue of Geoforum 35 (3), 2004 on “Neoliberalism and environmental governance” (with Scott Prudham).


Director, Global Environmental Studies major, Clark University, 2015-2016 academic year.

Member, Committee on Personnel, Clark University 2015 - 2018 (university P&T committee)

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, Clark University Graduate School of Geography, 2015-2016.

Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Clark University Graduate School of Geography, 2015-2016.

Faculty mentor for NOAA fellow, summer, 2015.

Chair, Atwood Committee/colloquium committee, Clark University Graduate School of Geography, 2012-2014.

Member, Atwood Committee, Clark University Graduate School of Geography, 2011-2014.

Coordinator, departmental review of Director for review and reappointment, 2014.

Chair, nature-society strategic planning group, Clark University Graduate School of Geography, 2011-2012.

Member and College representative, Graduate Council, Pennsylvania State University, 2009-2011.

Member, Graduate Council Committee on Graduate Student and Faculty Issues, Pennsylvania State University, 2009-2011.

Member and College representative, Penn State Institutes of Energy and the Environment, Advisory Committee on the Environmental Inquiry minor, 2009-2010.

Member and geography representative, College Faculty Advisory Committee (advisory committee to dean), Penn State University, College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, 2007-2010.

Member and Graduate Council representative, EMS College Council, Penn State University, College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, 2009-20011.

Member, College of Earth & Mineral Sciences Environment Committee, 2000-2004.
Member, search committee for new Dean of Social Sciences at U.C. Berkeley, 1999.

Chair, Promotion Committee for case for promotion to full professor, 2014-2015.

Member, departmental Promotion & Tenure Committee, 2010-2011.

Co-chair, search committee for energy policy geography faculty member, Department of Geography, 2010-2011.

Chair, search committee for environmental justice faculty member, Department of Geography, 2008.

Chair, member and human geography representative, Department Faculty Advisory Committee (advisory committee to department head), Penn State University, Department of Geography, (Chair 2010-2011, member 2009-2010, 2005-2006).

Ombudsperson for faculty-graduate student issues, 2010-2011.

Faculty adviser for organization, Graduate Students in the Department of Geography, Penn State, 2010-2011.

Chair, Environmental Justice working group, Department of Geography, Fall 2007.

Member, Graduate Program Committee, Department of Geography, 2009-2010.

Member, Curriculum Committee, Department of Geography, 2009-2010.

Member, department head search committee for Penn State University, Department of Geography, 2005-2006.

Member, departmental awards committee for Penn State University, Department of Geography, 2005-2006.

Chair, Miller Lecture committee, Department of Geography, Penn State University, 2004-2005 and 2006-2007 academic years.

Coordinator, departmental colloquium, Department of Geography, Penn State University. Fall 2002; co-coordinator, 2006-2007.

Chair, E. Willard Miller Award in Geography committees, Ph.D., M.S., and B.S. levels, Penn State University, 2004.

Member, faculty search committee for nature & society position, Penn State University, Department of Geography, 2001-2002.

Member, graduate admissions committee, Penn State University Department of Geography, 2000-2001.

Member, E. Willard Miller Award in Geography committee, Ph.D. level, Penn State University, 2001.


**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member of Association of American Geographers since 1993.

Participating faculty member in the dual-title Ph.D. program in Human Dimensions of Natural Resources and the Environment (HDNRE) at Penn State University (through 2011).

Affiliated faculty member in Social Thought Program at Penn State University (http://www.sociology.psu.edu/stp/welcome.htm) (through 2011).
GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING AND COMMITTEES

Ph.D. level (year graduated; current position) [year projected to graduate]:

Advisor:

Clark
Dylan Harris [2019]
Wenjing Jiang [2018]
Chris Knudson (2016)
Kelly Kay (2016; Assistant Professor, TT, London School of Economics)
Katherine Foo (co-chair w/ Tony Bebbington) (2015; Postdoctoral scholar, Penn State University)
James Thatcher (2014; Assistant professor, TT, University of Washington, Tacoma)

Penn State
Shaunna Barnhart (2012; Postdoctoral fellow, Emory University)
Kate Driscoll-Dericson (2011; Assistant professor, TT, University of Minnesota)
Jessica Hayes-Conroy (2009; Assistant professor, TT, Hobart and William Smith Colleges)
Kolson Schlosser (2007; Visiting assistant professor, Temple University)
Michael Rios (2006; Associate professor, TT, University of California, Davis)
Reuben Rose-Redwood (2006; Associate professor, TT, University of Victoria)

Committee member, geography:

Clark
Alida Cantor (2016)
Juan Luis Dammert
Catherine Jampel
Miles Kenny-Lazar
Kathryn-Louise Meng
Khury Petersen-Smith
Kevin Surprise
Michelle Wenderlich

Penn State
Martha Bell (2013)
Netra Chhetri (2005)
Jeffrey Sasha Davis (2003)
Jeremy Fisher (2012)
Alistair Geddes (2006)
Todd Heibel (2005)
Matt Huber (2009) (Clark University Department of Geography)
Steve Lachman (2003)
Vanessa Massaro
Melissa Rock (2012)
Anu Sabhlok (2007)
Steve Smith (2004)
Amy Trauger (2005)
Lawrence Wood (2006)

Committee member, other departments and universities:
J. Dara Bloom (Rural Sociology) (2013)
Amy Chadwick (Communications)
Marianne Cotugno (English) (2002)
Adam Dorr [2017] (Luskin School of Public Affairs, UCLA)
Martin Lenihan (Rural Sociology) (2006)
Bingchun Meng (Mass Communications) (2007)
Djung Tchoi (Mass Communications)
Yi-Fan Tung (Leisure Studies)
Elisabeth Vose (History)
Ceit Wilson [2016] (Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining, Sustainable Minerals Institute, The University of Queensland, Australia)

M.S. level (year graduated; current position):

Advisor:
Eleanor Andrews (2012; PhD candidate in Development Sociology, Cornell University)
Jason Beery (2007; PhD University of Manchester; Instructor, University of Pittsburgh)
Hans Meyer (2005; PhD Cornell; Research Fellow, Brigham & Women’s Hospital)
Nicola Horne Anwoju (2004; PhD 2010, University College London)
Kolson Schlosser (2003; PhD 2007; Visiting assistant professor, Temple University)

Committee member, geography:
Phil Bansal
Maureen Biermann (2009)
Jamil Bey
Rafael Diaz-Torres (2007)
Darrell Fuhriman (2008)
Amy Heasley (2004)
Allyson Jacobs (2006)
Nicole Laliberte (2008)
Kelly Prince (2002)
Jairrus Rossi (2007)
Steve LeDuc (2002)

Member of Ph.D. doctoral exam committee:
Clark
Alida Cantor
Juan Luis Dammert
Katherine Foo
Catherine Jampel
Kelly Kay
Miles Kenney-Lazar
Chris Knudson
Kathryn-Louise Meng
Khury Petersen-Smith
Kevin Surprise

Penn State
Nathan Amador
Max Andrucki
Shaunna Barnhart
Nnyaladzi Batisani
Ryan Baxter
Beth Bee
Gina Bloodworth
J. Dara Bloom (Rural Sociology)
Matt Branch
Amy Chadwick (Communications)
Netra Chhetri
Sasha Davis
Alistair Geddes
Jessica Hayes-Conroy
Steve Lachman
Martin Lenihan (Rural Sociology)
Rui Li
Wei Luo
Vanessa Massaro
Ruth Mendum (Rural Sociology)
Undergraduate Student Advising and Committees

Advisor for 10-20 undergraduates per year, 2011-present; advisor for 5-15 undergraduate majors per year, 2000-2011

NOAA mentor for Daniela Reyes Saade, summer (2015)

Honors thesis advisor, Kaitlyn Smith (2015)

Senior thesis advisor, Kayla Patel (2014)

LEEP mentor for Steve Carey, summer (2013)

Senior thesis advisor, Sara Rothrock (2007)

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