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Professor of Anthropology
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CURRENT AFFILIATIONS

Professor of Anthropology, West Virginia University
Chair, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, West Virginia University
Associate Editor, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*
Faculty Associate, *Latin American Studies Program*; *International Studies Program*; *Humanities Center*, West Virginia University
Faculty Member, Grupo CSIC de Antropología y Ambiente [*Sectorial Commission of Scientific Research on Anthropology and the Environment*], Universidad de la República, Uruguay
Editorial Board (ex-Officio), *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*
Editorial Board, *Intervisar Journal* (Center for Latin American Studies, University of California-Irvine)

EDUCATION

BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY- STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (Binghamton, NY)
Ph.D., Anthropology, August 2007
Dissertation: We are all contaminated: Lead Poisoning and Urban Environmental Politics in Uruguay
Dissertation Chair: Carmen Alicia Ferradás
MA, Anthropology, with Distinction, May 2001
Sept 1998-August 2007
UNIVERSIDAD DE LA REPUBLICA (Montevideo, Uruguay)
March- December 1997, Visiting Student
Audited courses in anthropology, history, and sociology
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (Ann Arbor, MI)
BA, with Distinction, Anthropology, 1996
Sept 1994- June 1996
NORTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY (TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY, Kirksville, MO)
Sept 1992- May 1994

RESEARCH AREAS AND INTERESTS

Environmental anthropology; political ecology; toxics and environmental justice; environmental subjectivity; resource extractivism; biodiversity conservation; critical development studies; science and technology studies; critical health studies; space/place; urban anthropology; globalization and neoliberalism; Latin America (Uruguay, Southern Cone); United States (Appalachia, Great Lakes)

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

2020-2023 co-PI with Thomas W. Pearson (University of Wisconsin-Stout), “Confronting the ‘Forever Chemical’: Community Responses to PFAS Contamination,” *Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Postdoctoral Research Fellowship*
2021 West Virginia University *Humanities Center, Pedagogy Innovation Grant* [Internal, competitive]

- 2020 West Virginia University Humanities Center, Research Travel Grant; sabbatical travel [Internal, competitive]
- 2020 West Virginia University, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, SERF Award (SOCA Excellence in Research Fund); one month summer salary [Internal, competitive]
- 2020 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Development Grant; sabbatical research and travel.
- 2020 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Research Travel Grant; sabbatical research and travel.
- 2019 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Development Grant; summer research and travel.
- 2019 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Research Travel Grant; summer research and travel.
- 2018 West Virginia University, Eberly College Book Subvention Award
- 2017 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Development Grant; summer research and travel.
- 2017 West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission (WVHEPC); summer/fall; worked as funded co-investigator with the WVU Health Justice Research Collective as part of a WVHEPC funded research project, “WV Healthlink: Mapping Primary Health Care Disparities in the Mountain State,” a West Virginia primary care and health disparities inventory and mapping project
- 2015 West Virginia University, Office of International Programs Faculty Development Grant; Eberly College Faculty Development Grant; summer research and travel.
- 2013 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Development Grant; summer research and travel.
- 2011 West Virginia University, Eberly College Faculty Development Grant; summer research and travel.
- 2009 West Virginia University Faculty Senate Research Grant, May-July 2009. [Internal, competitive]
- 2005 Wenner Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research Dissertation Grant, January-June 2005.
- 2004 Fulbright, Institute of International Education Dissertation Grant, Sept 2004-May 2005.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 2018 *Life without Lead: Contamination, Crisis, and Hope in Uruguay*. Oakland: University of California Press. [Reviewed by: *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*; *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*; *Somatosphere*; *Anthropological Quarterly*; *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*; *Anthropology News*]
- (Forthcoming) *La Vida sin Plomo: Contaminación, Crisis, y Esperanza en Uruguay*. Buenos Aires, Argentina: Editorial Gorla. [Spanish translation of *Life without Lead*]

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- (Forthcoming, 2024) **Daniel Renfrew** and Thomas W. Pearson, “PFAS,” *Encyclopedia of Technological Hazards and Disasters in the Social Sciences*. Edited by D.A. Gill, L.A. Ritchie and N. Campbell. London: Edward Elgar.
- (Forthcoming) **Daniel Renfrew**, “Del sufrimiento ambiental al evento tóxico en Uruguay,” In *Ecología Política, Sufrimiento Socioambiental y Acción Política*. Eds. Oscar Adán Castillo Oropeza and Denisse María Roca-Servat. Buenos Aires, Argentina: CLACSO.
- 2023 Thomas W. Pearson and **Daniel Renfrew**, “When Toxic Heritage is Forever: Confronting PFAS Contamination and Toxicity as Lived Experience,” In *Toxic Heritage: Legacies, Futures, and Environmental Injustice*. Edited by Elizabeth Kryder-Reid and Sarah May. New York and London: Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003365259>
- 2021 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Montevideo,” In *Oxford Bibliographies in Latin American Studies*. Ed. Ben Vinson. New York: Oxford University Press. DOI: 10.1093/OBO/9780199766581-0261
- 2021 **Daniel Renfrew** and Thomas W. Pearson, “The Social Life of the ‘Forever Chemical’: PFAS Pollution Legacies and Toxic Events,” *Environment and Society: Advances in Research* 12 (2021): 146-163.
- 2019 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Urban Industrial Contamination and Environmental Justice,” *International Handbook of Violence Studies*, edited by Walter DeKeseredy, Callie Rennison, and Amanda Sanchez. London and New York: Routledge. [Invited book chapter]
- 2018 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Lead Poisoning and the Dangers of Pragmatism,” *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* 15(9): 1997 (4 pages). “Commentary” in special issue, “Preventing Lead Exposure and its Consequences in Vulnerable Populations: The Unfinished Agenda,”

- edited by Katarzyna Kordas and Julia Ravenscroft. DOI: 10.3390/ijerph15091997
- 2017 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Spectral Science: Tracing the Conflict Zones of Uruguayan Lead Poisoning,” *Culture, Theory and Critique* 58(4): 375-390. Article in special issue, “Invisible Harm: Science, subjectivity, and the things we cannot see,” edited by Donna Goldstein. DOI: 10.1080/14735784.2017.1356739
- 2017 **Daniel Renfrew** and Carlos Santos, “Mega-Mining Sovereignty: Landscapes of Power and Protest in Uruguay’s New Extractivist Frontier” in *ExtrACTION: Impacts, Engagements, and Alternative Futures*, edited by Kirk Jalbert, Anna Willow, David Casagrande, and Stephanie Paladino, London/New York: Routledge, pp. 31-45.
- 2017 **Daniel Renfrew**, “We Are Not Marginals: The Cultural Politics of Lead Poisoning in Montevideo, Uruguay,” in *Urban Latin America: Inequalities and Neoliberal Reforms*, edited by Tom Angotti. New York: Rowman and Littlefield Publishers [reprint].
- 2016 **Daniel Renfrew** and Genesis Snyder, “‘When Said with a Sneer’: Contested Translations of Language, Race and Culture in an English Football Race Controversy,” *City & Society* 28(3): 319-342.
- 2016 **Daniel Renfrew** and Genesis Snyder, “Introduction” to *Mobilizing Race: Borders, Translations, Movements*. *City & Society* 28(3): 271-275. Special issue section edited by Daniel Renfrew and Genesis Snyder.
- 2015 Jacob Matz and **Daniel Renfrew**, “Selling ‘Fracking’: Energy in Depth and the Marcellus Shale,” *Environmental Communication: A Journal of Nature and Culture* 9(3): 288-306.
- 2013 **Daniel Renfrew**, “We are not Marginals: The Cultural Politics of Lead Poisoning in Montevideo, Uruguay” *Latin American Perspectives* Issue 189, Vol. 40 (2): 202-217.
- 2012 **Daniel Renfrew**, “New Hazards and Old Disease: Lead Contamination and the Uruguayan Battery Industry.” In *Dangerous Trade: Histories of Industrial Hazard Across a Globalizing World*. Edited by Christopher Sellers and Joseph Melling. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, pp. 99-111.
- 2011 **Daniel Renfrew**, “The Curse of Wealth: Political Ecologies of Latin American Neoliberalism.” *Geography Compass* 5 (8): 581-594.
- 2011 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Uruguay: El Plomo y la Justicia Ambiental” (Uruguay: Lead and Environmental Justice) *Ecología Política* 82-89. (Barcelona, Spain)
- 2010 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Hacia una salud integral: La sociedad civil y la contaminación por plomo” (Towards Comprehensive Health: Civil Society and Lead Contamination) In *Plomo, Salud y Ambiente: Experiencia en Uruguay (Lead, Health, and Environment: The Uruguayan Experience)*. Edited by Nelly Mañay and Dario Pose. Montevideo: Pan-American Health Organization, Universidad de la República.
- 2009 **Daniel Renfrew**, “In the Margins of Contamination. Lead Poisoning and the Production of Neoliberal Nature in Uruguay,” *Journal of Political Ecology* 16: 87-103
- 2007 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Justicia ambiental y contaminación por plomo en Uruguay” (Environmental Justice and Lead Contamination in Uruguay) *Anuario de Antropología Social*. Edited by Sonia Romero Gorski. Pages 229-239. Montevideo, Uruguay: UNESCO/Nordan Comunidad.
- 2004 **Daniel Renfrew**, “Punta del Este as Global City? Competing Visions of Uruguayan Nationhood in a Geography of Exclusion,” *City & Society* 16(2): 11-34.

NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 Book review, *Rubbish Belongs to the Poor: Hygienic Enclosure and the Waste Commons*. Patrick O’Hare. London: Pluto Books. 2022. *Anthropology Book Forum* 9 (1).
<https://anthrobookforum.americananthro.org/patrick-ohare-rubbish-belongs-to-the-poor-hygienic-enclosure-and-the-waste-commons-london-pluto-press-2022-218-pages/>
- 2022 Javier Taks, **Daniel Renfrew**, and Carlos Santos. “Aguas, antropologías y los ciclos hidro-sociales. Introducción,” *Revista Uruguaya de Antropología y Etnografía* 7(2).
<https://ojs.fhce.edu.uy/index.php/revantroetno/issue/view/122>
- 2020 “Editor’s Introduction,” *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 25(2), DOI:
<https://doi.org/10.1111/jlca.12493>
- 2020 Book review, *Violence and Resilience in Latin American Cities*, edited by Kees Koonings and Dirk Kruijt. London: Zed Books, 2015. 195 pp. *Politics, Religion and Ideology*. DOI: 10.1080/21567689.2020.1755077.
- 2020 “Living with Lead in Uruguay,” *Toxic News*. February 28, 2020. <https://toxicnews.org/2020/02/28/living-with-lead-in-uruguay/>
- 2019 “Author Response,” in “Somatosphere Presents: A Book Forum on Daniel Renfrew’s *Life without Lead*:

- Contamination, Crisis, and Hope in Uruguay*,” edited by Andrés Romero. *Somatosphere*, December 2019. <http://somatosphere.net/2019/book-forum-life-without-lead.html/>
- 2019 “WVU Author Spotlight: Daniel Renfrew,” *Booktimist: A Blog about Books and Culture from West Virginia University Press*, October 31, 2019. <https://booktimist.com/2019/10/31/wvu-author-spotlight-daniel-renfrew/>
- 2019 Book review, *Squatters and the Politics of Marginality in Uruguay*, by María José Álvarez-Rivadulla. Cham, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017. 224 pp. *Contemporary Sociology* 48(5): 513-515.
- 2018 “Imagining twenty-first century change through a disease of antiquity,” *UC Press Blog*, November 17, 2018. <https://www.ucpress.edu/blog/40090/imagining-twenty-first-century-change-through-a-disease-of-antiquity/>
- 2016 “‘We want to know what we’re breathing’: Cement factories and contested environmental illness in Minas, Uruguay” *Toxic News*. February 2, 2016. <https://toxicnews.org/2016/02/02/we-want-to-know-what-were-breathing-cement-factories-and-contested-environmental-illness-in-minas-uruguay/>
- 2014 Film review, “American Multiracialism,” Review of *Multiracial Identity*, Directed by Brian Chinhema. *Current Anthropology* 55 (4): 490-91.
- 2014 “Love Bite: Why Uruguayans Revere Luis Suárez.” *Huffington Post*, July 11, 2014. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/american-anthropological-association/love-bite-why-uruguayans-b_5578874.html
- 2012 “Translating Race and Culture: Critical perspectives on the Suarez-Evra Football Race Row” *Anthropology News*, Summer online edition, July 2012. <http://www.anthropologynews.org/index.php/2012/07/26/translating-race-and-culture/>.
- 2006 “Tracing the Local and the Global Through Uruguayan Murga” *Anthropology News*, Volume 47 (8): 60-61.
- 2006 C. Santos, S. Valdomir, V. Iglesias, and **D. Renfrew** *Aguas en Movimiento. La Resistencia a la Privatización del Agua en Uruguay*. [Moving Waters. The Resistance to Water Privatization in Uruguay]. Montevideo, Uruguay: Ediciones de la Canilla, 198 pages.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- (In Preparation) Book review of Carrie Nielsen, *Unleaded: How Changing our Gasoline Changed Everything*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press. *Medical Anthropological Quarterly* [Invited review].
- (In Preparation) Book review of *Green Crimes and Dirty Money* (2018) edited by Toine Spapens, Rob White, Daan van Uhm and Wim Huisman. London and New York: Routledge. 273 pages. *Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books* [Invited review]
- (In Preparation) **Daniel Renfrew** and Victoria Evia, “Environmental Issues and Environmental Justice in Uruguay,” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Latin American History*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 Discussant, session panel, “The Limits of Rewilding: Overlapping Conservation and Industrial Landscapes in Latin America,” organized by Piergiorgio di Giminiani and Elliott Oakley, *American Anthropological Association*, Seattle, Washington.
- 2019 Roundtable Presenter, “Struggles for Justice in the Caribbean and Latin America: A New Book Roundtable,” *American Anthropological Association*, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2018 Discussant, session panel, “Temporalities of Toxicity,” organized by Vincent Ialenti and Magdalena Stawkowski, *American Anthropological Association*, San Jose, California.
- 2017 “Assembling Environmentalism: Grassroots Political Action under Uruguay’s Extractivist Turn,” *American Anthropological Association*, Washington, D.C.
- 2016 “We want to know what we’re breathing”: Cancer, Contested Toxics, and the Uruguayan Cement Industry,” *American Anthropological Association*, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2015 “Unsettling Science: Tracing the Conflict Zones of Uruguayan Lead Poisoning.” *American Anthropological Association*, Denver, CO.
- 2015 “Mega-mining sovereignty: Landscapes of power and protest in Uruguay’s new leftist agro-industrial frontier.” *Society for Applied Anthropology* annual conference, Pittsburgh, PA, March.

- 2013 “Natural/Productive Uruguay: Mega-Development, Showcase Ecology and the New Left,” *American Anthropological Association*, Chicago, IL.
- 2012 (with Genesis Snyder) “‘Negro’ or ‘negro’? Contested Translations of Language, Race and Culture in an English Football Race Row,” *American Anthropological Association*, San Francisco, CA.
- 2011 “From neoliberal disease to (post)neoliberal mitigation: Lead poisoning and the Uruguayan Left,” *American Anthropological Association*, Montreal, Canada.
- 2010 “Children of Lead: Lead poisoning and popular environmental education in Uruguay,” *American Anthropological Association*, New Orleans.
- 2009 “Mediating the (in)visible: Lead poisoning and body politics among Uruguay’s new urban poor,” *Latin American Studies Association*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- ____. “No al Plomo, Sí a la Vida”: Lead Poisoning and Crisis Politics in Uruguay,” as part of session, “Activism and Life Itself,” *Society for Applied Anthropology*, 69th Annual Meeting. Santa Fe, NM.
- 2008 “Live Without Lead: Class, Place, and Urban Grassroots Environmentalism in Uruguay,” *American Anthropological Association*, San Francisco, CA.
- ____. “Lead Contamination, Othering Strategies, and Ecological Marginalization in Uruguay,” *Persistent Divides: Marginalization and Social Exclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean*. Symposium organized by the Latin American Studies Program, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI.
- 2007 “New hazards and old disease: lead contamination and the Uruguayan battery industry,” *Dangerous Trades: Histories of Industrial Hazard across a Globalizing World*. Conference organized by Stony Brook University History Dept., Stony Brook, NY.
- ____. “Between public health and environmental catastrophe: localizing science in a lead poisoning epidemic,” *American Anthropological Association*, Washington, D.C.
- ____. “Lead contamination and the uneven developments of neoliberal nature in Uruguay,” *Latin American Studies Association*, Montreal, Canada.
- 2006 “Lead contamination, socio-spatial exclusion and the politics of risk in Montevideo, Uruguay,” *American Anthropological Association*, San Jose, California.
- ____. “Fighting a Saturnian Gloom: A Comparative Perspective on Lead Poisoning in the Global North and South,” *Globalization, Environmental Ethics, and Environmental Justice Conference*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.
- ____. “Uruguay Natural and Unnatural Disaster: Lead contamination and the environmental politics of risk,” *Latin American Studies Association*, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2005 “La injusticia ambiental es de plomo: Acción política de base, ambientalismo(s), y la contaminación por plomo en el Uruguay,” *VI Reunión de Antropología del Mercosur*, Montevideo, Uruguay.
- 2002 “Punta del Este as Global City? Competing Visions of Uruguayan Nationhood in a Geography of Exclusion,” *American Anthropological Association*, New Orleans.
- 2001 “The New Uruguay: power and identity in times of globalization and Mercosur” *American Anthropological Association*, Washington D.C..

INVITED BOOK TALKS (*Life without Lead*)

- 2021 Universidad Intercultural del Estado de Hidalgo, Mexico. Division of Humanities and Social Sciences. February 5.
- 2019 West Virginia University, co-sponsored by the WVU Humanities Center and the Department of Sociology & Anthropology. January 29.
- ____. Tulane University, Environmental Studies Program. February 21.
- ____. West Virginia University, Global Engagement Office Steering Committee, Health Sciences Center. May 1.
- ____. Universidad de la República, co-sponsored by the Department of Social Anthropology (UdelaR), Grupo CSIC Anthropology and Environment, Environmental Thematic Network (RETEMA), and the UNESCO Chair in Water and Culture (Montevideo, Uruguay) June 28.
- ____. Rhode Island College, Department of Anthropology, October 18.
- ____. University of South Carolina, co-sponsored by the Department of Anthropology and the School of Earth, Ocean and the Environment, November 7.
- ____. Vancouver, BC, Canada, Roundtable participant, “Struggles for Justice in the Caribbean and Latin America: A New Book Roundtable,” *American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting*, Nov. 23.

Classroom Seminar Q&A's

- 2021 *Environmental Sociology*, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (Undergraduate)
2020 *Life in Crisis*, Department of Anthropology, Washington University-St. Louis (Undergrad/Grad)
2019 *Environmental Justice*, Department of Geology & Geography, West Virginia University (Graduate)
____. *Environmental Justice*, Department of Anthropology, Rhode Island College (Undergraduate)

INVITED RESEARCH TALKS

- 2021 “La vida sin plomo: Sufrimiento tóxico y justicia ambiental en Uruguay.” Inaugural Keynote Lecture for seminar series, *Ecología política, sufrimiento socioambiental, y acción política* (Political ecology, socio-environmental suffering, and political action), Universidad Intercultural del Estado de Hidalgo, Mexico. February 5.
- 2015 “Mega-Desarrollo, Extractivismo, y el Nuevo Ambientalismo en Uruguay” (Mega-development, Extractivism and the New Environmentalism in Uruguay) One of three presenters in seminar: “La Cuestión Ambiental en Uruguay” (“The Environmental Question in Uruguay”), organized by the Environmental Studies Network, University of the Republic (RETEMA, Universidad de la República), (Interdisciplinary Space, University of the Republic, June 24).
- 2014 “Mega-development, resource extraction, and the new environmentalism in Latin America.” West Virginia University, Invited talk, Campus Greens speaker series. (October 22).
- 2013 Discussant/Commentator: Book launch of the *Anuario de Antropología Social y Cultural del Uruguay* (Yearbook of Social and Cultural Anthropology in Uruguay), Interdisciplinary Space, Universidad de la República, Montevideo, Uruguay (July 2013).
- 2011 “Ecologías políticas en América Latina: Una revisión de temas y abordajes en el último lustro.” (Political ecologies in Latin America: A revision of recent issues and engagements) Invited talk as part of lecture series, “Ciencias Sociales y Ambiente,” co-organized by the Environmental Studies Network and the Interdisciplinary Center for Climate Change, Universidad de la República, Montevideo, Uruguay (July 8).
- 2010 “Old Hazards and New Disease: Lead Contamination, Environmental Justice, and the Uruguayan Battery Industry,” Invited talk, Department of Social Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Stout (March 11).
- 2009 “‘Contaminados estamos todos’: Ecología Política de la Contaminación por Plomo en Uruguay” Invited talk, Grupo Cultura y Ambiente. Universidad de la República, Montevideo, Uruguay (July 16).
- 2005 “Una historia socio-política y comparativa sobre la contaminación por plomo,” Invited paper for the Second Annual *Foro sobre contaminantes químicos ambientales y participación popular* (Forum on Environmental Chemical Contaminants and Popular Participation), Montevideo Municipality, Montevideo, Uruguay, November 3-4, 2005.
- ____. “Grassroots and institutional responses to the discovery of lead contamination in Montevideo, Uruguay,” Presentation on dissertation research, *Fulbright Regional Enhancement Conference*, Santiago, Chile, April 2005.
- 2004 “Una mirada comparativa sobre la contaminación por plomo,” Paper presented at the First Annual Social Encounter on Lead, *Impactos y Respuestas a la Contaminación por Plomo en el Uruguay* (Impacts and Responses to Lead Contamination in Uruguay), Montevideo Municipality, Uruguay, September 24, 2004.
- ____. “La (in)justicia ambiental. Un marco conceptual,” Invited presentation at the *Foro Social Uruguay* (Uruguay Social Forum), Montevideo, Uruguay, 18 September 2004.

FIELD RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2020-present Community responses to PFAS contamination (Mid-Ohio River Valley, Upper Great Lakes)
- 2020-present “Extractive conservation”: a critical examination of biodiversity conservation partnerships between pulp/forestry multinational corporations and NGOs, scientists, and small-scale producers (Uruguay) [spring, summer, and virtual research]
- 2017 New environmental movements organized against the socio-environmental risks and impacts of the agro-industrial model: issues include land concentration, GMOs, agro-toxics, health, water

	quality (Montevideo and Canelones, Uruguay); neighborhood activist movement against cement factory contamination (Minas, Uruguay); follow up on lead contamination (Montevideo, Uruguay) [summer research]
2015	New environmental movements organized against resource extraction and mega-development projects in Uruguay (Montevideo); neighborhood activist movement against cement factory contamination (Minas, Uruguay) [summer research]
2009, '11, '13	Grassroots, state, and scientific responses to lead contamination in Uruguay; Environmental conflicts surrounding pulp mill industry and commercial forestry in Uruguay; Afro-Uruguayan race and identity [all summer research]
2004-2005	Dissertation research on socio-political responses to lead contamination, Uruguay (19 months).
1999-2003	Masters and pre-dissertation fieldwork in Uruguay on six separate visits.

HONORS

2009	Finalist, <i>Eric Wolf Paper Prize</i> , Political Ecology Society (PESO).
2007	<i>Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Research</i> , Binghamton University-SUNY.
2004	<i>Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Teaching</i> , Binghamton University-SUNY.

PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association

Sections: Environment Section; Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology (SLACA); Society for Urban, National, Transnational/Global Anthropology (SUNTA)

Latin American Studies Association

Sections: Culture, Politics, and Power; Environment; Health, Science and Society; Southern Cone Studies

Political Ecology Society (PESO)

West Virginia University

- Health Justice Research Collaborative (2017-2018)
- Medical Humanities and Health Studies Collaborative (2017-2018)

Asociación Uruguaya de Antropología (2019-present)

ACADEMIC TEACHING POSITIONS AND COURSES TAUGHT

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY (2021-present): Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY (2014-2021): Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY (2008-2014): Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Courses at WVU (across ranks): *Cultural Anthropology (SOCA 254)*, *Cultural Anthropology (online, SOCA 254 7D1)*, *Latin American Cultures (SOCA 350)*, *Latin American Cultures (online, SOCA 350 7D1)*, *Power and Protest in Latin America (online, SOCA 393)*, *Social Movements (SOCA 457/693)*, *Environmental Anthropology (SOCA 458/693)*, *Anthropological Thought (SOCA 493F/ 459/359)*, *Writing (SOCA 389)*, *Teaching Practicum (SOCA 490)*, and *The Capstone Experience (SOCA 488)*

TOWSON UNIVERSITY (2007-08): Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice

Courses: *Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 207)*, *American Culture (ANTH 209)*, *Tradition and Revolution in Latin America (ANTH 369)*

BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY- SUNY (2001-06): Instructor of Record, Department of Anthropology

Courses: *Introduction to socio-cultural anthropology (ANTH 166)*, *Cultures and Crisis (ANTH 264/HDEV 351)*

NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY (2003 and 2006, summer): Adjunct Instructor, Department of Sociology and Social Work

Course: *Introduction to socio-cultural anthropology (AN 100)*
NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY (2001-2003, summer): Adjunct Instructor, Department of Foreign Languages
Course: *Contemporary Latin American Cultures (SN 314)*

MASTERS AND PH.D. COMMITTEES

Masters Committees:

- Adam Babich (Sociology, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2009, Member)
- Kimberly Nailler (Sociology, West Virginia University, MA, 2009-10, Member)
- Dawn Lozzi (Sociology, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2011, Member)
- Jacob Matz (Sociology, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2012, Chair)
- Derek Stemple (Geography, West Virginia University, MA, 2012-14, Member)
- Allyssa Sobey (Geography, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2014, Member)
- Craig Zell (Sociology, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2015, Chair)
- Jacqueline Fowler (Sociology, West Virginia University, MA, 2016, Member)
- Amanda Marple (Geography, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2018, Member)
- Roger Jennette (Geography, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2018, Member)
- Christine Witt (Geography, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2019, Member)
- Zachary Jarrett (Anthropology, University of North Texas, MA, 2017-2021, Member)
- Emily Tingler (Geography, West Virginia University, MA, Defended 2021, Member)

Ph.D. Committees:

- Timothy Scott Pruett (Geography, West Virginia University, Ph.D., Defended 2012, Member);
Dissertation: *Coca or Death! The Political Ecology of Cocalero Resistance: A Comparative Analysis of the Coca Farmer Social Movement in Andean Peru.*
- Toni Brown-Crump (Sociology, WVU, Ph.D., 2017-2018, Member)
- Victoria Evia (Anthropology, CIESAS, Mexico City, MX, Ph.D., 2016-2019, Defended 2019, Member);
Dissertation: *Exposición a plaguicidas agrícolas en el contexto de sojización uruguaya: Padecimientos 'reconocidos' y 'aguantados' y posibilidades de participación social en salud* [Exposure to agricultural pesticides in the context of the Uruguayan soy boom: 'Recognized' and 'endured' suffering and the possibilities of social participation in health]
- Sara Guthrie (Sociology, WVU, Ph.D., 2019-2020, Member)
- Vaida Lilionyte-Manthos (Political Science, WVU, Ph.D., Defended 2021, Member)
Dissertation: *Energy Policy Dynamics in the European Parliament and in the Lithuanian Seimas.*
- Susana Mazuelas Quirce (Higher Education Administration, WVU, Ph.D., 2018-2022, Defended 2022, Member)
Dissertation: *Borderlands and Mestiza Consciousness in Appalachia: Latina Undergraduate Experiences in a Predominantly White Institution.*
- Aurora Gernert (Sociology, WVU, Ph.D., 2022, Principal Advisor)
- Aron Massey (Geography, WVU, Ph.D., 2018-present, Member)
- Nkatha Mercy (Geography, WVU, Ph.D., 2023-present, Member)

SERVICE

Department, College, and University (WVU)

- **Chair**, WVU Department of Sociology & Anthropology, 2023-2026.
- **Acting Chair**, WVU Department of Sociology & Anthropology, 2022-23.
- **Director of Undergraduate Studies**, WVU Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2010-2017

(coordinated and oversaw three majors: Criminology, Sociology, and Anthropology, with a combined enrollment of 900 students)

- **Undergraduate Program Committee**, WVU Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2008-2017.
- **Faculty Evaluation Committee [promotion and tenure]** WVU Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2016-2019.
- **University Promotion and Tenure Advisory Panel**, Provost's Office, WVU, 2022
- **Search Committee**, Sociology of Race Assistant Professor Position, WVU Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2021-22.
- **Critical Race Ad-Hoc Hiring Committee**, WVU Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2021-22.
- **Research and Graduate Studies Committee**, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, WVU, 2010-2013
- **Latin American Studies (LAS) Program Committee**, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, WVU 2009-present; Faculty Associate since LAS program launch in 2012.
- **International Studies Program Committee**, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, WVU 2017-present.
- **Effective Communication Working Group**, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, WVU, 2014-2015.
- **Community Engaged Scholarship Working Group**, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, WVU, 2017.
- **B.A. Separation Committee**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, WVU, 2014-15.
- **Chair's Advisory Committee (SALT)**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, WVU, 2014-2017, Fall 2019.
- **Search committee**: Sociology/Anthropology External Department Chair, 2011.
- **Search committee**: Sociology/Anthropology Teaching Assistant Professor, 2011.
- **Undergraduate Academic Advisor** (Approximately 30-35 sociology, criminology and anthropology students/semester): WVU Dept. Sociology & Anthropology, 2008-2015.
- **Faculty Advisor for WVU student groups**: Campus Greens (2015-16); Left Alliance (2016-17); and Mountains to Mountains (2017-18).
- **Faculty Leader, Amizade Global Service Learning Semester Abroad Program**, Cochabamba, Bolivia, Spring 2019.
- **Faculty Mentor, McNair Scholars Program**, West Virginia University, 2009-10, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16. Faculty mentor of five anthropology undergraduate students engaged in independent research as part of a program supporting historically underrepresented students seeking to enter a graduate program.
- **Faculty Mentor, Transition Grant**, Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, 2013; summer mentoring of recently graduated Masters student to submit manuscript for journal publication.
- **Faculty Mentor of Dr. María Alejandra Pérez, PROF-DOC (Post-Doctoral) Fellow**, Dept. of Geology & Geography, and Adjunct Faculty Dept. of Sociology/Anthropology, West Virginia University, 2012-14.
- **Faculty Mentor of Dr. Diana Hoyos Gómez, Postdoctoral Fellow**, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, 2021-24.
- **Faculty Mentor of Dr. Aaron Foote, Assistant Professor of Sociology**, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, 2023-.
- **Grant Reviewer**: Faculty Senate Grant for Research and Scholarship; and Faculty Senate Grant for Public Service (WVU, both 2013).

Professional

- **Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology (JLACA)**:
Editor-in-Chief (Acting) 2022
Associate Editor (2019-2022, 2023)
Editorial Board member (ex-Officio), 2019-2023)
- **Editorial Board, *Intervsar Journal*** (University of California-Irvine, Center for Latin American Studies), 2019-present
- **Grant Reviewer**:
KU Leuven Research Council, University of Leuven, Belgium. Faculty Research Grant, 2021.
Social Sciences Research Council (SSRC) Mellon International Dissertation Enhancement Awards, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Faculty Research Insight Grant,

2015

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) STAR Fellowship Program, 2011.

- **Journal Manuscript Peer Reviewer (in some cases with multiple reviews):**
Anthropology: *City & Society*; *Human Organization*; *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* (UK); *Political and Legal Anthropology Review*; *Medical Anthropology*; *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*; *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*; *Anuario de Antropología Social y Cultural del Uruguay* (Uruguay); *Revista Trama* (Uruguay)
Geography: *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*; *Antipode*; *Geoforum*; *Local Environment*; *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*
Sociology: *Social Problems*; *Sociological Inquiry*
Communication Studies: *Environmental Communication*
Political Science: *Journal of Politics in Latin America* (Germany); *Colombia Internacional* (Colombia)
Public Health: *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*; *Environmental Health*
Inter-disciplinary: *Development and Change*; *Capitalism, Nature, Socialism*; *Latin American Research Review*; *Memorias* (Colombia); *Case Studies in the Environment*; *Sustainability*
- **Book Manuscript Reviewer**: Routledge, 2017; Oxford University Press, 2020, Rowman and Littlefield 2023.
- **Article Editor**: *Sage Open* journal, ad-hoc article editor for one manuscript, spring 2019.
- **Award Committee (Judge)**: Rudolf Virchow Graduate Student Paper Prize, Society for Medical Anthropology, Critical Anthropology for Global Health Special Interest Group, 2014, 2015, and 2016.
- **Faculty Facilitator**: Social Sciences Research Council IDRF Summer Workshop, Baltimore, MD, 2018.
- **Discussant**, American Anthropological Association conference session, “Temporalities of Toxicity,” co-organized by Vincent Ialenti (George Washington University) and Magdalena Stawkowski (University of South Carolina), November 2018.
- **Discussant**, *Anuario de Antropología Social y Cultural del Uruguay*, public presentation of annual issue, Montevideo, Uruguay, 2017.
- **Editor-in-Chief (Guest)**, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, Volume 25, Issue 2, 2020.
- **Editor-in-Chief (Acting)**, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, 2022-23.
- **Co-editor**, with Genesis Snyder (West Virginia University) of special journal issue, “Mobilizing Race: Borders, Translations, Movements.” *City & Society* 28(3), December 2016.
- **Co-editor**, with Javier Taks (UdelaR, Uruguay) and Carlos Santos (UdelaR, Uruguay) of special journal issue, “Aguas, antropologías y los ciclos hidro-sociales” (Waters, anthropologies and hydro-social cycles), *Revista Uruguaya de Etnografía y Antropología*, v 7 (2), December 2022.
- **Co-organizer**, with Virginia García Acosta (CIESAS, Mexico) and Javier Taks (UdelaR, Uruguay), of Thematic Area “Anthropology of Risk and Disasters,” *VI Congreso de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Antropología* (Congress of the Association of Latin American Anthropology), Montevideo, Uruguay, November 2020.
- **Co-organizer**, with Christopher Oliver (Tulane) and Victor Torres-Velez (CUNY) of session, “Toxic Assemblages: The Socio-Environmental and Racialized Production of Polluted Bodies,” *American Anthropological Association*, Vancouver, Canada, November 2019.
- **Organizer**, of session, “Green Matters in Latin America,” *American Anthropological Association*, Washington, D.C., November 2017.
- **Co-organizer**, with Genesis Snyder (West Virginia University) of session, “Mobilizing Race: Borders, Translations, Movements” *American Anthropological Association*, San Francisco, CA, November 2012.
- **Co-organizer**, with Thomas Pearson (Binghamton University-SUNY) of session, “Activism and Life Itself” *Society for Applied Anthropology*, 69th Annual Meeting. Santa Fe, NM, March 17-21, 2009.
- **Co-organizer**, with Susanna Bohme (Brown University) of session, “The Production of Disease and Political Resistance in Neoliberal Latin America” *Latin American Studies Association*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 11-14, 2009
- **Co-organizer**, with Elana Shever (UC Berkeley) of session, “Tracing Neoliberal Natures Across Latin America” 2007 *Latin American Studies Association*, Montreal, Canada.
- **Co-organizer**, with Carmen Ferradás (Binghamton University) and Javier Taks (Universidad de la República) of working group, “Nature and Society in South America” as part of the *VI Anthropology*

Meetings of the Mercosur, Montevideo, Uruguay. Over thirty researchers from North and South America and Europe presented papers for the working group over two days in November 2005.

- **Bioethics workshop:** Participated as sole social science representative in a medical bioethics workshop directed by Fr. Omar Franca. Theme: “The bioethics of lead poisoning,” Universidad Católica, Montevideo, Uruguay (August 2004-March 2005).
- Helped establish a **research network** between toxicologists, pediatricians, and child psychologists of the University at Buffalo, the Universidad de la República, and the Universidad Católica for ongoing research on lead and heavy metals poisoning, environmental health, and child development in Uruguay (2006-present).

Community

- **Media outreach:** Twenty-one total interviews in addition to media coverage of public talks on topics ranging from lead poisoning, environmental conflicts, hydraulic fracturing (“fracking”), extractive infrastructure, and sports and race. Includes three commercial, two university, and two community radio stations; nine print/digital media interviews, and one television interview (Uruguay and United States, 2004-2022).
- **Public outreach:** Eight public talks on lead poisoning at Montevideo Municipality, community centers, public schools, union halls, Uruguay Social Forum (Uruguay, 2004-2009)
- **Co-organizer**, *Social Encounter on Lead Poisoning*, Montevideo Municipality (IMM), Montevideo, Uruguay, Sept. 2004. (Brought together workers, citizens, families of lead poisoned children, municipal authorities, parliamentary lawmakers, physicians, journalists, activists, and academics in a first-of-its-kind “social encounter” on lead poisoning and environmental health in Uruguay.)
- **Editor and Coordinator:** West Virginia Environment and Society Lab, www.wvenvsoc.org

LANGUAGES

English: native speaker

Spanish: native speaker

French: reading, writing, translating and speaking skills (moderate proficiency)

Portuguese: reading and translating skills (high proficiency); speaking skills (moderate proficiency)

German: reading and speaking skills (low proficiency)