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Curriculum Vitae

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Positions Held

- 2013–present Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan.
2017–present Faculty Associate, Research Center for Group Dynamics, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan.
2017–present Faculty Affiliate, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, University of Michigan.
2008–2013 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan.
2008–2011 Assistant Professor, Residential College, University of Michigan.
2006–2008 Assistant Research Scientist, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, University of Michigan.

Education

2006. Ph.D., Medical Anthropology. University of California, Berkeley, Department of Anthropology and Joint Program with University of California, San Francisco.
1997. M.A., Anthropology. University of California, Berkeley.
1993. B.A. *summa cum laude*, Anthropology. University of California, Berkeley.

Publications

Books

In Preparation. *Addicted Existence: Surviving Capitalism in Drug War Mexico*. Projected publication: 2020.

In Preparation. Spanish translation of *God's Laboratory*. FLACSO Ecuador.

2012. *God's Laboratory: Assisted Reproduction in the Andes*. Berkeley: University of California Press. (Reviewed in *American Ethnologist*; *Current Anthropology*; *American Anthropologist*; *Comparative Studies in Society and History*; *Gender, Place & Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography*; *E-Misférica*; *Sexualidad, Salud y Sociedad*; *Somatosphere*; *Latin American Perspectives*; and *Medical Anthropology*.)

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Accepted by *New England Journal of Medicine*. “Case Studies in Social Medicine: 27-Year-Old Male with Positive Pregnancy Test.” Daphna Stroumsa, **Elizabeth F. S. Roberts**, Hadrian Kinnear, and Lisa Harris.

2018. Portuguese translation of “Assisted Existence” (2013): “Existência Assistida: Uma etnografia do ‘ser’ no Equador.” In *Interseções: Revista de Estudos Interdisciplinares* 20/1.

2017. “What Gets Inside: Violent Entanglements and Toxic Boundaries in Mexico City.” *Cultural Anthropology* 32/4: 592–619.

2016. “Gods, Germs, and Petri Dishes: Toward a Nonsecular Medical Anthropology.” *Medical Anthropology* 35/3, 209–219.

2016. “Resources and Race: IVF in Ecuador.” *Reproductive Medicine and Society Online* 2: 47–53.

2013. “Assisted Existence: An Ethnography of Being and Care.” *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 19: 562–80.

2012. “Scars of Nation: Surgical Penetration and the State in Ecuador.” *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 17/2: 215–37.

2012. “Reproductive Governance in Latin America,” with Lynn Morgan. *Anthropology & Medicine* 19/2, 241–54.

2011. “Abandonment and Accumulation: Embryonic Futures in the United States and Ecuador.” *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 25/2: 232–53.

2007. “Extra Embryos: The Ethics of Cryopreservation in Ecuador and Elsewhere.” *American Ethnologist* 34/1: 181–99.

2006. “God’s Laboratory: Religious Rationalities and Modernity in Ecuadorian In Vitro Fertilization.” *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry* 30/4: 507–536.

2005. “El embrión extra: Ética de vida, ética de parentesco, y cryopreservación en las clínicas ecuatorianas de fertilización in-vitro.” *ÍCONOS: Revista de Ciencias Sociales* 22: 75–82.

Team-Based Publications

Under Review with *International Journal of Obesity*. “Beyond Intergenerational Influences on Obesity: A Mixed-Methods Approach to a Mexican Cohort Study.” Martha Téllez-Rojo, Belem Trejo-Valdivia, **Elizabeth F. S. Roberts**, Teresa Muñoz-Rocha, Luis Bautista, Karen E. Peterson, and Alejandra Cantoral-Preciado.

Submitted to *International Journal of Epidemiology*. “Cohort Profile Paper: The Early-Life Exposure in Mexico to Environmental Toxicants (ELEMENT) Project.” Wei Perng, Marcela Tamayo-Ortiz, Lu Tang, Brisa N. Sanchez, Alejandra Cantoral, John D. Meeker, Dana C. Dolinoy, **Elizabeth F.S. Roberts**, Angeles Martínez Mier, Hector Lamadrid-Figueroa, Peter X. K. Song, Adrienne Ettinger, Robert Wright, Manish Arora, Lourdes Schnaas, Deborah Watkins, Jaclyn Goodrich, Robin C. Lee, Maritsa Solano-Gonzalez, Luis F. Bautista-Arredondo, Adriana Mercado-Garcia, Howard Hu, Mauricio Hernandez-Avila, Martha M. Téllez-Rojo, and Karen E. Peterson.

Submitted to *Social Science and Medicine*. “An Analysis of Dietary Patterns in a Mexican Adolescent Population: A Mixed-Methods Approach.” Erica Jansen, Hannah Marcovitch, Julia Wolfson, Mary Leighton, Karen Peterson, Martha Téllez-Rojo, Alejandra Cantoral, and **Elizabeth F. S. Roberts**.

In Preparation for *Catalyst: Feminism, Theory, Technoscience*. “Trust Exercises: Reflections on Multidisciplinary Research on Water Trust in Mexico City.” Mary Leighton and **Elizabeth F. S. Roberts**.

In Preparation. “Diagnostic Trajectories in Mexico City.” Faith Cole, Scott Stonington, and **Elizabeth F. S. Roberts**.

Book Chapters

2018. “Global Health and the Changing Contours of Human Life,” with De Graft-Aikins, Wikler, Allotey, Arrhenius, Beisel, Cooper, Eyal, Hausman, Lutz, Norheim, Vagerö, and Jebari. In International Panel on Social Progress, eds., *Rethinking Society for the 21st Century*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

2017. “Bioethnography: A How-To Guide for the Twenty-First Century,” with Camilo Sanz. In Maurizio Meloni, ed., *A Handbook of Biology and Society*, 749–75. Basingstroke UK: Palgrave Macmillan.

2016. “When Nature/Culture Implodes: Feminist Anthropology and Biotechnology.” In Ellen Lewin and Leni Silverstein, eds., *Mapping Feminist Anthropology in the Twenty-First Century*, 105–25. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.

Book Chapters (cont'd)

2014. "Reproductive Governance in Latin America," Lynn Morgan and **Elizabeth F. S. Roberts** (reprint of 2012 article). In Silvia De Zordo and Milena Marchesi, eds., *Reproduction and Biopolitics: Ethnographies of Governance, "Irrationality" and Resistance*. New York: Routledge.
2010. "Ritual Humility in Modern Laboratories; Or, Why Ecuadorian IVF Practitioners Pray." In William Sax and Jan Weinholt, eds., *The Problem of Ritual Efficacy*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2009. "The Traffic Between Women: Female Alliance and Familial Egg Donation in Ecuador." In Daphna Birenbaum-Carmeli and Marcia Inhorn, eds., *Assisting Reproduction, Testing Genes: Global Encounters with New Biotechnologies*. Oxford: Berghahn.
2008. "Biology, Sociality and Reproductive Modernity in Ecuadorian In-Vitro Fertilization." In Sahra Gibbon and Carlos Novas, eds., *Making Biosociality: Biologies and Identities in Formation*. New York: Routledge.
1998. "Native Narratives of Connectedness: Surrogate Motherhood and Technology." In Robbie Davis-Floyd and Joseph Dumit, eds., *Cyborg Babies*. New York: Routledge.
1998. "Examining Surrogacy Discourses: Between Feminine Power and Exploitation." In Carolyn Sargent and Nancy Scheper-Hughes, eds., *Small Wars: The Cultural Politics of Childhood*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Reviews and Invited Essays

2018. "Bioethnography as a Methodological Approach to Social and Chemical Life in Mexico City," with Mary Leighton. *Anthropology News*. March 27. <http://www.anthropology-news.org/index.php/2018/03/27/bioethnography-as-a-methodological-approach-to-social-and-chemical-life-in-mexico-city>
2018. "Bioetnografía: Un experimento con métodos antropológicos en la Ciudad de México #AnthroDay," with David Palma. Colegio de Etnólogos y Antropólogos Sociales, A.C. February 15. <https://ceasmexico.wordpress.com/2018/02/15/palma-roberts-anthrodoy/>
2017. "Exposure." *Cultural Anthropology*. <https://culanth.org/fieldsights/1152%20exposure>
2017. "Practicing Population in Latin America." *Perspectives on Science* 25/5, special issue: "Populations of Cognition in Latin America": 704–711.

Reviews and Invited Essays (cont'd)

2016. "Nonsecular Medical Anthropology." with Ian Whitmarsh. *Medical Anthropology* 35/3: 203–208.
2016. "Syllabus: Nature/Culture Now!" November 4. *Somatosphere*.
<http://somatosphere.net/2016/11/syllabus-natureculture-now.html>
2015. "Reproduction and Cultural Anthropology." In James D. Wright, ed., *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences* 20, 2nd ed., 450–56. Oxford: Elsevier.
2015. "Food is Love: And So, What Then?" *Biosocieties* 10/2, special issue: *Alimentary Uncertainty: From Contested Evidence to Health Policy*: 247–52.
2015. "Bio-Ethnography: A Collaborative Methodological Experiment in Mexico City." *Somatosphere*. February 21.
2014. "Petri Dish." *Somatosphere*. March 31. <http://somatosphere.net/2014/03/petri-dish.html>
2011. "Medical Migrations," with Nancy Scheper-Hughes. *Body & Society* 17/2–3: 1–30.
2009. "American Death": review essay on Sharon Kaufman, *And a Time to Die: How American Hospitals Shape the End of Life*, and Lesley A. A. Sharp, *Strange Harvest: Organ Transplants, Denatured Bodies, and the Transformed Self*. *Focaal: European Journal of Anthropology* 54/2: 114–19.
2009. "Rights and Reproduction in Latin America," with Lynn M. Morgan. *Anthropology News* 50/3: 12, 16.

Guest-Edited Journal Issues

2016. *Nonsecular Medical Anthropology*, with Ian Whitmarsh. *Medical Anthropology* 35/3.
2011. *Medical Migrations*, with Nancy Scheper-Hughes and Christopher Roebuck. *Body & Society* 17/2–3.

Public Scholarship, Op-Eds, and Media Coverage

2019. Interview Seminar on Science and Technology Studies. Kaledios Centro de Etnografía Interdisciplinaria, Cuenca, Ecuador. <https://youtu.be/VPd-dPV-S4I>
2018. "En la soda confiamos. Un problema de salud pública en México" Agencia EFE. Nov 6, 2018.
<https://www.efedocanalisis.com/noticia/la-soda-confiamos-problema-salud-publica-mexico>

Public Scholarship, Op-Eds, and Media Coverage (cont'd)

2018. “Desconfianza en el agua empuja a México a consumo masivo de nada saludables gaseosas.” Agencia EFE- Verde. <https://www.efeverde.com/noticias/desconfianza-agua-empuja-mexico-consumo-masivo-nada-saludables-gaseosas/>
2018. *Cultures of Energy* podcast (interview). with Dominic Boyer and Cymene Howe. April 26. <http://culturesofenergy.com/123-elizabeth-f-s-roberts>
2018. “Entanglement’s Limits: An Interview with Elizabeth F. S. Roberts,” with Katherine Sacco and Hilary Aggro. *Cultural Anthropology*. March 12. <https://culanth.org/fieldsights/1336-entanglement-s-limits-an-interview-with-elizabeth-f-s-roberts>
2017. “Zombie Guts and Border Walls.” *Public Books*. October 20. <http://www.publicbooks.org/?p=16200&preview=1&ppp=4389aca5bb>
2009. Interviewed for “Still in Its Infancy, Ecuador’s Free Health Care Has Growing Pains.” David Olson, *The Press Enterprise* (Riverside, CA). September 21.

Honors, Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 2019 Elizabeth Caroline Crosby Research Award. \$14,000.
- 2019–20 M-Cubed Award for Innovative Interdisciplinary Research, University of Michigan. “Menopause and Sleep Disturbance in Mexico City: A Mixed-Methods Approach with Karen Petersen and Erica Jansen (School of Public Health). \$60,000.
- 2018 Rudolf Virchow Award for a Professional Paper, “What Gets Inside: Violent Entanglements and Toxic Boundaries in Mexico City,” *Cultural Anthropology*. From the Critical Anthropology for Global Health interest group of the Society for Medical Anthropology.
- 2018–19 Project PI. Water@Michigan Seed Fund Grant, Graham Institute, University of Michigan. “Water Trust, Urban Ecology, and Health in Mexico City,” with Krista Wigginton (U-M Engineering) and Marisa Mazari (LANCIS, Mexico). \$5,000.
- 2017–21 Project PI. National Science Foundation RAISE Award (Research Advanced by Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering) 1744724. “Neighborhood Environments as Socio-Techno-bio Systems: Water Quality, Public Trust, and Health in Mexico City,” with Branko Kerkez (co-PI), Krista Wigginton (co-PI), Brisa Sanchez (co-PI), Martha Téllez-Rojo (co-PI), Belinda Needham (co-I), Jacqueline Goodrich (co-I), Deborah Watkins (co-I), Richard Gonzalez (consultant). \$999,900.

Honors, Grants, Fellowships, and Awards (cont'd)

- 2017–19 U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender Sister Fund for Global Health. “Gendered Environments: Making Global Health Knowledge in Working-Class Mexico City Neighborhoods.” \$7,500.
- 2016–17 M-Cubed Award for Innovative Interdisciplinary Research, University of Michigan. “Neighborhood Impacts on Human Health: A Mixed-Methods Approach,” with Belinda Needham and Deborah Watkins (School of Public Health). \$60,000.
- 2014–18 National Science Foundation Senior Researcher Award. “Mexican Exposures: An Experimental Method for a Bio-Ethnography of Urban Working-Class Families.” \$313,500.
- 2014–15 Wenner-Gren Post-Ph.D. Research Grant. “Mexican Exposures: An Experimental Method for a Bio-Ethnography of Urban Working-Class Families.” \$20,000.
- 2014–17 LSA Associate Professor Support Fund Award. “Mexican Exposures: A Bio-Ethnography of Urban Working-Class Families.” \$30,000.
- 2012–13 OVPR Faculty Grant Award, University of Michigan. “An Ethnography of Epigenetics and the Maternal Body.”
- 2012–13 U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG), Faculty Seed Grant Award. “Epigenetics and the Maternal Body.” \$7,500.
- 2010–12 NIH-BIRCWH K-12 Fellowship Award, Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health. Research grant to foster independent scientific careers addressing interdisciplinary women’s health concerns. 2–3 years, 75% salary support, benefits, and research money = \$ 200,000.
- 2009–2010 Institute for Research on Women and Gender Program Grant: Reproductive Governance in Latin America. Grant for programming and capacity building at U-M, \$10,000.
- 2008 National Science Foundation Workshop Grant for “Medical Migrations: The Global Quest for Beauty, Health, and Life.” PI \$9,992.
- 2008 Wenner-Gren Foundation Workshop Grant for “Medical Migrations: The Global Quest for Beauty, Health, and Life.” PI \$14,000.
- 2007 U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender, Support for Scholarly Activities Award for New Research. “Children Born with Ambiguous Genitalia in Ecuador.” \$3,500.

Honors, Grants, Fellowships, and Awards (cont'd)

- 2004–2005 Doreen B. Townsend Center for the Humanities Fellow, UC Berkeley.
- 2004–2005 Chancellor’s Dissertation-Year Fellowship, UC Berkeley.
- 2004 Sigma-Xi, Grants-in-Aid of Research.
- 2002–2003 Wenner-Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant.
- 2002–2003 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant: Social Dimensions of Engineering Science and Technology.
- 2000 Center for Latin American Studies Tinker Travel Grant, UC Berkeley.
- 1996 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Award, Three-year Fellowship.
- 1993 Alfred L. Kroeber Prize for outstanding honors thesis, UC Berkeley Anthropology Department: “Making Babies in Public: Surrogacy, Kinship and Exchange.”

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops

2019. “Replacement Addictions: A Harm-Reduction Model That Assumes Dependency.” Invited Panel: A Critical Dialogue on Addiction, U-Michigan School of Social Work.
2019. “Ethnography and Environmental Health: A Different Kind of Mixed Method.” International Society for Children’s Health and the Environment, Merida, Mexico.
2018. “Addicted Existence: Surviving Capitalism in Drug-War Mexico.” Socio-Cultural Workshop, Department of Anthropology, McGill University.
2018. “Ethnographic Excess: A Case Study in Memory, Menopause, and Validity.” Social Studies of Medicine, McGill University.
2018. “Para-Communicability and Plasticity in the Twenty-First Century,” with Amy Moran-Thomas. Communicability in Crisis, American Anthropological Association Executive Session, San Jose.
2018. Discussant for “Birth Cohorts, Anthropology and Bio-Social Research.” Society for Medical Anthropology invited session, American Anthropological Association meetings, San Jose.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops

2018. Discussant for “Keywords for an Anthropology after Care.” American Anthropological Association meetings, San Jose.
2018. “Addicted Existence: Surviving Capitalism in Drug-War Mexico.” Socio-Cultural Workshop, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Michigan.
2018. “Bioethnography: A Method of Excess.” Invited Seminar in Medical Anthropology, University College London.
2018. “Doing STS in *Nuestra Realidad*.” Inaugural Keynote for Kaleidos: Center for Interdisciplinary Ethnography, FLACSO, and University of Cuenca, Ecuador.
2018. “Bioethnography as Method.” Workshop for Inauguration of Kaleidos: Center for Interdisciplinary Ethnography, FLACSO, and University of Cuenca, Ecuador.
2018. “Against Culture: Towards Bio-Social Structural Competency in Sexual and Reproductive Health.” Keynote for University of Michigan School of Nursing Summer Institute for Global and Sexual Health.
2018. Neighborhood Environments as Socio-Techno-Bio Systems: Water Quality, Public Trust, and Health in Mexico City. Talk for Water@Michigan. University of Michigan.
2018. Discussant for Faculty Book Manuscript Workshop, “Weighing the Future: Prenatal Interventions and Epigenetic Science,” by Natali Valdez. Department of Anthropology, Rice University.
2017. “Bioethnography: Developing New Methods in Epidemiological and Anthropological Research,” with Martha Téllez-Rojo. Podium Symposium, Collaborations Across Anthropology and Genetics: Examples of Transdisciplinary Work. American Association of Physical Anthropology, New Orleans.
2017. Discussant for “Non/Human Materials Before Modernity.” Eisenberg Institute for Historical Forum, University of Michigan.
2017. “What Gets Inside: Protective Porosity in Mexico City.” STS Colloquium, Drexel University, Philadelphia.
2017. “What Gets Inside: Protective Porosity in Mexico City.” Center for Social Medicine, UC Berkeley.
2017. “What Gets Inside: Violent Entanglements and Toxic Boundaries in Mexico City.” Klopsteg Lecture on Science in Human Culture, Northwestern University.
2016. “What Gets Inside: Violent Entanglements and Toxic Boundaries in Mexico City.” U-M Anthro-History Manuscript Workshop.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops (cont'd)

2016. Discussant for “Partial Evidence, Public Relations.” Executive Session, American Anthropological Association meetings, Minneapolis.
2016. Author Meets Critic Roundtable. Briggs and Briggs, *Tell Me Why My Children Died: Rabies, Indigenous Knowledge, and Communicative Justice* (2016). Latin American Studies Association, New York.
2016. “Soda, Obesity and Public Health in Mexico City.” Invited Panel, Salud Pública y Medicina: Asuntos Pendientes y Nuevos Temas, Latin American Studies Association, New York.
2016. Invited Lead Discussant for Book Manuscript Workshop. “Metabola: Global Health and Diabetes Care in Belize,” Amy Moran-Tomas. Department of Anthropology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
2016. “Sugar, Lead, Love: A Bioethnography in Mexico City.” Department of Anthropology Colloquium, UC Irvine.
2016. “Sugar, Lead, Love: What Counts as Exposure in Mexico City?” Toxic: A Symposium on Exposure, Entanglement, and Endurance, Yale University.
2016. “Un acercamiento estructural/ambiental al consumo de soda en la Ciudad de México.” Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública, Departamento de Nutrición, Cuernavaca, México.
2016. “Soda, Love, and Public Health in Mexico City: A Bio-ethnography.” Institute for Society and Genetics, Embodiment in Unequal Environments Series, UCLA.
2016. “Scientists, Subjects and Environmental Health Research in Mexico City: A Bio-ethnography.” U-Michigan STS Colloquium.
2015. Invited Commentator, Populations of Cognition. UNAM, Mexico City.
2015. “Where Environment Comes to Rest: Scientists, Subjects, and Birth-Cohort Obesity Research in Mexico City.” Invited Panel, Reproducing the Environment, Society of Medical Anthropology and Anthropology and Environment Society, American Anthropological Association meetings, Denver.
2015. Discussant, “The Work of Healing: Situated Discourses and Ideological Discourses.” American Anthropological Association meetings, Denver.
2015. “Soda, Love and Public Health in Mexico City: A Bio-ethnography.” Department of Anthropology and the Center for Medicine Health and Society, Vanderbilt University.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops (cont'd)

2015. "Reproductive Governance in Latin America." Department of Anthropology, Vanderbilt University.
2015. "The Changing Contours of Human Life." International Panel on Social Progress, Istanbul, Turkey.
2015. "Mexican Exposures: A Bio-Ethnography of Six Families in Mexico City." UNAM: Instituto de Ecología Seminario, Mexico City.
2015. "Bio-Ethnography: A Collaborative Methodological Experiment in Mexico City." Brocher Foundation Workshop: Environmental Epigenetics and the Promise of Biosocial Science, Geneva, Switzerland.
2015. "Resource Poor/Relations Rich: IVF in Ecuador and Elsewhere." IVF Global Histories Workshop, Department of Anthropology, Yale University.
2014. Discussant for "The Labor of Care: Work, Markets, and the Production of Biopolitics." American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2014. "Mexican Exposures: A Bio-Ethnography of Six Urban Families." Society for Medical Anthropology Invited Session: Assembling the Biosocial: Embodied Environments, Health and Modes of Interdisciplinarity in the Life Sciences and Anthropology. American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2014. "Mexican Exposures: A Bio-Ethnography of Six Families." Equilibrium: Estudios sobre ciencia, tecnología y conomciementio. Universitaria Autonoma Metropolitana. Mexico City.
2014. "Race, Nature, and Latin America: Response to Stefan Helmreich's *Alien Ocean*." Author Meets Critic Forum, Society for the Social Studies of Science, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
2014. "Reproductive Governance Revisited." Invited Workshop Panel: Postneoliberalism and Embodiment. Latin American Studies Association, Chicago.
2014. "An Excess of Embryos. An Excess of What?" Invited Speaker at 5th Annual Anthro-History Symposium, University of Michigan.
2014. "Being Nuclear": Author's Forum Conversation with Gabriele Hecht. Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan.
2013. "When Nature/Culture Implodes: Feminist Medical Anthropology and Biotechnology." Invited paper: Society for Feminist Anthropology 25-year anniversary. American Anthropological Association meetings, Chicago.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops (cont'd)

2013. "Post-Particulate, Post-Secular Medical Anthropology." Invited Paper for Invited Session, Post-Secular Life. American Anthropological Association meetings, Chicago.
2013. Discussant for "Living Well in the 21st Century: Revolutionary Citizenship, Alternative Economies, and the Return of the State in Ecuador." American Anthropological Association meetings, Chicago.
2013. "White Beauty: Gamete Donation in a Mestizo Nation." Indiana University, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies Colloquium Series.
2013. Discussant for U-M Feminist Science Studies Colloquium paper by Rayna Rapp, "Banking on DNA: Thinking about Non-Invasive Pre-Natal Testing."
2013. Discussant for panel in honor of Gayle Rubin's *Deviations*. U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender Series *Gender: New Works, New Questions*.
2013. "Environment, Epigenetics and Ethnography in Mexico City. Instituto Fiocruz Symposium Fiocruz, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
2013. "Assisted Existence: An Ethnography of Being in Ecuador." The Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies, Yale University.
2012. "Assisted Existence: The Materiality of Reproductive Care." Workshop: Selective Reproductive Technologies: Routes of Routinisation and Globalisation. Copenhagen, Denmark.
2012. Discussant for "Border Patrol: Technologies of Moral Bureaucracy and Immobility. American Anthropological Association meetings, San Francisco.
2012. Discussant for "Rethinking the Boundaries of Care." Society for Medical Anthropology, Baltimore.
2011. Discussant for: "Tracing Reproductive Debris: Conceptualizing the 'Fallouts' of Reproductive Actions and Decisions." American Anthropology Association meetings, Montreal.
2011. "Scars of Nation: Surgical Intervention and the Ecuadorian State." Imagining Ecuador Conference, University of Michigan.
2011. "Scars of Nation: Gynecological Intervention and Ecuador's Economy of Corporeal Care." Moral Economies of Medicine Colloquium, University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops (cont'd)

2010. "The Traffic Between Women." Invited Presidential Session of the American Anthropology Association meetings, *The Circulation of Bodies and Things: The Gift and the Commodity Revisited*. New Orleans.
2010. "Institutions that Matter: IVF, Abortion and Reproductive Governance in Ecuador." Invited Speaker, *Off-Centered States: Political Formation and Deformation in the Andes*. Quito, Ecuador. Sponsored by Emory University, the Carnegie Corporation, and FLACSO.
2010. "Egg Traffic in Ecuador in the Context of Latin American Reproductive Policy" (consultancy talk). *Unravelling the Fertility Industry: Challenges and Strategies for Movement Building International Consultation on Commercial, Economic and Ethical Aspects of Assisted Reproductive Technologies*. Sama Resource Group for Women and Health, New Delhi, India.
2009. "Scars of Nation." Association for Political and Legal Anthropology and Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology Invited Session: *The End of Citizenship In Latin America? The Body As a New Site of Political Struggle*. American Anthropological Association meetings, Philadelphia.
2009. "Race, Gender and IVF in Ecuador: A Reproductive Economy," Keynote Address, MIT Program in Women's and Gender Studies, 25th Anniversary Conference: *Futures of Science, Race, and Gender*.
2009. "How to Make an IVF Patient: A Primer in Economic Physiology." Johns Hopkins University Critical Global Health Colloquium.
2009. "Travel Before Germs: Medicine and the Primacy of Place." Workshop on Medical Migrations: NSF and Wenner-Gren, Pescadero, CA.
2008. "IVF, Abortion and Reproductive Governance in Ecuador." Invited Workshop: *IVF as a Global Form, Social Anthropology, and Life Sciences*. Department of European Ethnology, Humboldt University, Berlin.
2008. "IVF, Abortion and Reproductive Governance in Ecuador." Amsterdam School for Social Science Research, University of Amsterdam.
2008. "God's Laboratory: Religious Rationalities in Ecuadorian IVF." Science-Technology Studies Colloquium, Stanford University.
2008. "Reproductive Bingo." Anthropology Departmental Colloquium, Northwestern University.
2008. "Reproductive Bingo." Invited talk: Working Group on Anthropology and Population. Brown University.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops (cont'd)

2007. "Reproductive Bingo." Society for Medical Anthropology Invited Session: Bodies and Economies: Ethnographies of Value in Biomedicine and Global Health, American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2007. Discussant for Reproducing Inequalities, Navigating Hierarchies: Reproduction, Citizenship, and Stratification in Latin America and the Caribbean. American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2007. "Transnationalizing Reproduction: Perspective from the Americas." The Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies Workshop, University of Michigan
2007. "El Tratamiento Actual De Condiciones de Intersex en los Estados Unidos." Grand Rounds Presentation, Baca Ortiz Hospital, Quito, Ecuador.
2007. "Ritual Humility in Ecuadorian IVF Laboratories." Invited Workshop, Ritual Efficacy. University of Heidelberg, Germany.
2007. "Anonymous Egg Donation in a Mestizo Nation." Invited colloquium. Collaboratory: Social Anthropology and Life Sciences. Department of European Ethnology, Humboldt University, Berlin.
2007. "Anonymous Egg Donation in a Mestizo Nation." Invited colloquium. Department of Anthropology, University of Oslo.
2007. "Extra Embryos: Ethics, Cryopreservation and IVF in Ecuador." Invited Colloquium, Social Studies of Medicine, McGill University.
2007. "Extra Embryos: Ethics, Cryopreservation and IVF in Ecuador." Invited Colloquium, Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan.
2007. "The Traffic Between Women: Female Alliance and Familial Egg Donation in Ecuador." Invited Talk. Institute for Research on Women and Gender, University of Michigan.
2007. "God's Laboratory: Religious Rationalities and Modernity in Ecuadorian *In-Vitro* Fertilization." Invited colloquium presentation. Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan.
2007. "Extra Embryos: Ethics, Cryopreservation and IVF in Ecuador." Invited Colloquium, Department of Anthropology, Yale University.
2006. "Medical Migrations: The Global Quest for Beauty, Health, and Life." Invited Session for the SMA of the American Anthropological Association meetings, San Jose.

Invited Keynotes, Colloquia, Panels, Papers, and Workshops (cont'd)

2006. "Catholicism, Medical Anthropology and the Suffering Body." Invited Papers in Honor of Nancy Scheper-Hughes. American Anthropological Association meetings, San Jose.
2006. "The Ambiguities of Reproductive Rights and Reproductive Medicine in Ecuador." Invited Paper, Human Rights Summit, San Francisco State University.
2006. "Reproductive Modernity and Ecuadorian IVF." Invited Talk, The Sociology and Anthropology of Health and Illness (SAHI) Working Group, University of Edinburgh, Scotland.
2006. "Biology, Sociality and Reproductive Modernity in Ecuadorian *In-Vitro* Fertilization." Bio-sociality Workshop, London School of Economics.

Workshops Organized

2009. Reproductive Governance in Latin America, with Lynn Morgan. Sponsored by the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, University of Michigan.
2009. Medical Migrations: Global Quests for Beauty, Health, and Life, with Christopher Roebuck. Pescadero, California, sponsored by the National Science Foundation

Panels Organized

2019. "Situating Biologies: Collaborative Struggles with Environmental and Health Sciences." Executive Session, American Anthropological Association meetings, Vancouver, Canada.
2018. "Communicability in Crisis: A Four-Field Dialogue." Executive Session, American Anthropological Association meetings, San Jose. With Amy Moran-Thomas.
2016. "Partial Evidence, Public Relations," with Megan Crowley-Matoka. Executive Session, American Anthropological Association meetings, Minneapolis.
2016. "Mexico City as Experiment," with Sandra Rozental. Latin American Studies Association, New York.
2014. "Plasticity, Local Biologies, and Lamarckianism across the Life Sciences," with Sahra Gibbon. Society for Social Studies of Science, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
2013. "Post-Secular Life: The Spirit of Science, Medicine and Technology," with Ian Whitmarsh. Invited Panel, Society for Medical Anthropology. American Anthropological Association meetings, Chicago.

Panels Organized (cont'd)

2011. "Privates," with Harris Solomon and Megan Crowley-Matoka. American Anthropological Association meetings, Montreal.
2009. "Biotechnology/Subjectivity/Life—In Latin America," with Megan Crowley-Matoka. Latin American Studies Association, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
2008. "Surgical Futures: Person, Nation, Population," with Lawrence Cohen and Fouzieyha Towghi. American Anthropological Association meetings, San Francisco.
2006. "Medical Migrations: The Global Quest for Beauty, Health, and Life," with Christopher Roebuck. SMA Invited Session for the American Anthropological Association meetings, San Jose.
2004. "Public Bodies: Biopolitics and the State in Contemporary Latin America," with Andrew Lakoff. Latin American Studies Association, Las Vegas.
2004. "Hormonal Effects/Local Biologies: Marking Difference in the Science of Hormones," with Lynn Morgan. The Society for the Social Studies of Science, Paris, France.
2004. "Personas y personerías, sujetos y subjetividades: Contextos y prácticas constitutivas," with Eduardo Kohn. Encuentro de Estudios Ecuatorianos, Quito, Ecuador.
2003. "Divine Interventions and Sacred Conceptions: Religion in the Global Practice of IVF," with Aditya Bharadwaj. American Anthropological Association meetings, Chicago.

Conference Presentations

2017. "Chemical Dependencies: Lead and Sugar Addiction in Mexico City." American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2017. "Zombie Guts and Border Walls." American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2016. "Permeability and Protection in Mexico City." American Anthropological Association meetings, Minneapolis.
2016. "Four Experiments in Mexico City, Mexico City as Experiment." Latin American Studies Association, New York.
2014. "Mexican Exposures: Bio-ethnography and Environmental Health in Mexico City." Society for the Social Studies of Science, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Conference Presentations (cont'd)

2014. "Mexican Exposures: Bio-ethnography and Environmental Health in Mexico City." Latin American Studies Association, Chicago.
2011. "Complications of Care: Private Patients in a Mestizo Nation." American Anthropological Association meetings, Montreal.
2010. "Reproductive Governance in Latin America." Latin American Studies Association, Toronto.
2010. "Reproductive Governance in Latin America." Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas, Tepoztlán, Mexico.
2009. "Group Futures: Embryos in Ecuadorian Clinical Encounters." Society for Medical Anthropology, Yale University.
2009. "Reproductive Bingo." Latin American Studies Association, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
2008. "The Scars of Governance." American Anthropological Association meetings, San Francisco.
2007. "God's Laboratory: Religious Rationalities and Modernity in Ecuadorian *In-Vitro* Fertilization." Society for Social Studies of Science, Montreal.
2007. "God's Laboratory: Religious Rationalities and Modernity in Ecuadorian In-Vitro Fertilization." Latin American Studies Association, Montreal.
2006. "The Circulation of Embryos." Vital Politics II, London School of Economics, London.
2006. "Private Sector Medicine in Ecuador." Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
2005. "Ecuadorian IVF and Globalization." American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2005. "Reproductive Modernity and Ecuadorian IVF." Reproductive Disruptions, University of Michigan.
2004. "Ecuador's Invisible IVF Industry: Bio-Power and Non-Institutional Norms." Latin American Studies Association, Las Vegas.
2004. "Provincializing the Hormonal Body: Ontological and Empirical Agents in North American and Ecuadorian *In-Vitro* Fertilization." Society for the Social Studies of Science, Paris.

Conference Presentations (cont'd)

2004. "El embrión extra: 'Ética de vida,' 'ética de parentesco,' y cryopreservación en las clínicas ecuatorianas de fertilización *in-vitro*." Encuentro De Estudios Ecuatorianos, Quito, Ecuador.
2003. "God's Laboratory: Religious and Naturalistic Rationalities within Ecuadorian IVF." American Anthropological Association meetings, Chicago.
2003. "Keeping Them in the Family: Abandonment and Embryo Cryopreservation in Ecuador." Vital Politics: Health, Medicine and Bioeconomics into the 21st Century. London School of Economics.
2001. "Equatorial *In-Vitro*, Science and Technology on the Margins." American Anthropological Association meetings, Washington, DC.
2000. "Surrogate Mothers and the Politics of Representation." American Anthropological Association meetings, San Francisco.
1994. "Representing the Surrogate: Between Feminine Power and Exploitation." American Anthropological Association meetings, Atlanta.

Teaching Experience

- Knowledge/Power/Practice in Science, Technology, and Medicine. STS Graduate Certificate core course, U-M Winter 2018.
- Mexican Exposures: Ethnographic Data Analysis Laboratory. U-M Fall 2016, 2017; Winter 2017, 2018.
- Responsible Conduct of Research, graduate ethics seminar. U-M Winter 2018.
- Critical Theory in Medicine and Health, Undergraduate Lecture Course U-M Fall 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017.
- The Anthropology of Garbage, LSA First-Year Seminar. U-M Fall 2105.
- Theory and Practice in Medical Anthropology, graduate theory course. U-M Winter 2014, 2016.
- Traditions of Ethnology, Anthropology Department introductory graduate theory course. U-M Fall 2013.
- Nature/Culture Now! undergraduate lecture course. U-M Winter 2013, 2014, 2016.
- Anthropology and Time, graduate seminar. U-M Winter 2013.
- Ethnography Laboratory, graduate seminar. U-M Fall 2009, Winter 2010.
- Nature/Culture Life/Death, undergraduate seminar. U-M Fall 2008, 2009, 2010.
- Ethnographies of Medical Anthropology, undergraduate seminar. U-M Winter 2009.
- Science, Technology, Medicine and Society, undergraduate lecture course. U-M Winter 2009, 2010, 2011.
- Science and Modernity, graduate seminar. U-M Fall 2008.
- Medical Anthropology, an Introduction (lecturer). UC Santa Cruz Fall 2005.
- Introduction to Medical Anthropology (instructor). UC Berkeley Summer Session 2005.

Graduate Student Instructor Experience

Anthropological Research Methods. UC Berkeley 2006, 2002.
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology. UC Berkeley 2004, 2001.
Introduction to Social Theory: Marx, Weber, Foucault. Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, UC Berkeley 2003.
Introduction to Medical Anthropology. UC Berkeley 2000.
History of Ethnographic Film. UC Berkeley 1997.

Ph.D. Committee Membership at University of Michigan (Completed)

Caine, Alison (2019, Anthropology)
Johnson, Adam (2018, History)
Sargent, Christine (2018, Anthropology)
Czarnecki, Danielle (2017, Sociology)
Ismael, Schirri (2017, Anthropology)
Alysa Handelsman (2016, Anthropology)
Moghnie, Lamia (2015, Social Work & Anthropology)
Chin, Matthew (2015, Social Work & Anthropology)
Fultz, Katherine (2015, Anthropology)
Koch Gabrielle (2014, Anthropology)
Berk, Christopher (2014, Anthropology)
Rendel, Katherine (2014, Social Work & Anthropology)
Bain Norberg, Annie (2013, Social Work & Anthropology)

Honors Thesis Advisees at University of Michigan

Faith Cole, 2018
Hannah Marcovitch, 2017
Geoffery Marino, 2014
Micah Katz, 2014
Upsana Senapati, 2013
Anisha Chada, 2013
Kirstin Harden, 2013
Afrah Raza, 2011

Field Research

Mexican Exposures: Ethnographic observations and interviews in working-class neighborhoods and at the Instituto Nacional De Salud Pública, Mexico City, focused on environmental health, with scientists and research participants. Related research at the University of Michigan School of Public Health with environmental health scientists. 2012–present.

Field Research (cont'd)

Ethnographic Interviews with Epigenetic Scientists at Columbia University, NYU, Duke University, University of Michigan, and SUNY-Downstate Medical Center. 2011–12.

Ethnographic Research in IVF clinics, private homes, medical archives, and Catholic institutions. Quito and Guayaquil, Ecuador, July 2002–July 2003, and summer 2000, 2004, and 2007.

Research on organ donation and kidney transplants with surgeons, donors, and kidney recipients. Quito, Ecuador. With Organs Watch, summer 2000.

Survey Interview Research on joblessness with recipients of unemployment insurance. Survey Research Center, UC Berkeley, Fall 1993.

Participant observation in surrogacy/egg donation agency, 1993.

UC Berkeley Video Interviewer and Participant Observer for ethnographic video about transgender women. Spring 1993.

UC Berkeley Honors Thesis Project: interviewed doctors, contracting couples, and surrogate mothers concerning informants' conceptions of kinship, identity, and monetary exchange with regard to assisted reproduction in the United States, 1992–93.

Professional Service

Virchow Paper Prize Committee, Society for Medical Anthropology, 2019.

Executive Program Committee, American Anthropological Association, 2017–18.

Steering Committee, U-M Sustainability and Development Conference, 2018.

Grant Reviewer, Dow Sustainability Fellows, Graham Institute, U-Michigan, 2018.

Committee Chair, LSA Collegiate Post-doctoral Fellows Program Review, Anthropology, 2018.

Director of Graduate Studies, U-M Science, Technology, and Society Program, 2017–18.

Speaker Series Committee, U-M, Science, Technology and Society Program, 2016-17.

Advisory Committee, U-M Science, Technology, and Society Program, 2015–present.

Fellowships Committee, U-M Department of Anthropology, Fall 2017–18.

Executive Committee, U-M Department of Anthropology, 2013–14, 2015–16.

Executive Committee, U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender, 2009–2010.

Executive Committee, U-M Residential College, 2009–2010.

Socio-Cultural Subfield Head, U-M Department of Anthropology, 2016.

Socio-Cultural Workshop Convener, U-M Department of Anthropology, Winter 2014–17.

Fellowships Reviewer, National Humanities Center, Fall 2017.

Liaison, U-M Medical Science Training Program: Coordination of the Department of Anthropology graduate program and the Medical School, 2009–present.

Science Technology Studies Speaker Series Committee, University of Michigan, 2016–17.

Professional Service (cont'd)

- Steering Committee Member: Remaking Science and Technology Policy for a Diverse, Equitable, and Inclusive World, Fall 2016.
- Tenure Committees:
Maureen Devlin, 2018
Jason De Léon, 2016
- Promotion Dossier Reviews, 2014–present: U-Chicago, UNC-Chapel Hill, UC Berkeley, U-Toronto, MIT, U-Arizona.
- Center for Latin American Studies and Caribbean Studies Advisory Board, University of Michigan, 2016–17.
- Feminist Science Studies Advisory Committee, University of Michigan, 2013–17.
- Search Committee Director, Global Health, Joint Position with International Studies, U-M Anthropology Department, Summer–Fall 2013.
- U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender Seed Grant Funding Committee, Fall 2016.
- Search Committee Member, U-M Anthropology Department, Fall 2010–Winter 2011, Fall 2016.
- Minor Coordinator, U-M Science, Technology, and Society Program, 2010–11.
- Fulbright Interviewer, University of Michigan, Fall 2010, Fall 2012, Winter 2013.
- Graduate Admissions Committee: U-M Department of Anthropology, Winter 2009, 2013, 2014, 2016.
- Graduate Admissions Committee: Anthropology–Social Work, Winter 2013, 2014.
- Grant Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Dissertation Improvement Panel. Washington, DC, 2009.
- Grant Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology and Science Technology and Society, ongoing.
- Grant Reviewer, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2016.
- Grant Reviewer, Rutherford Discovery Fellowship, Royal Society of New Zealand, 2016.
- Director, Program in Reproductive Governance, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, University of Michigan, 2008–2009.
- Grant Reviewer, U-M Institute for Research on Women and Gender, Faculty Seed Grant Award, 2007, 2012, 2013.
- Human Subjects Consultant, U-M Institutional Review Board, Spring 2007.
- Grant Reviewer, U-M Global Health Research Training Initiative, Fall 2006, Spring 2007.
- Organizer, U-M Adoption Infertility and Gender Reading Group, 2007–2008.
- Edited Volume Prize Committee, Council on Anthropology and Reproduction 2006.
- Manuscript Reviewer for: University of California Press, Duke University Press, Oxford University Press, Polity Press, University of Texas Press, *American Ethnologist*, *American Anthropologist*, *Cultural Anthropology*, *Current Anthropology*, *Public Culture Comparative Studies in Society and History*, *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute (JRAI)*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, *BioSocieties*, *Medical Anthropology*, *Catalyst: Feminism, Theory, Technoscience*, *Feminist Theory*, *Women's Studies Quarterly*, *Social Science and Medicine*, *Social Studies of Science*, *Science Technology and Human Values*, *Social Text*, *Studies in Family Planning*, *Science as Culture*.
- Newsletter Editor, Council of Anthropology and Reproduction, Spring 2002.

Professional Society Membership

American Anthropological Association (AAA)
Association of Queer Anthropologists
Latin American Studies Association
Oxidate Working Group
Science, Technology, and Medicine Interest Group of the AAA
Society for Cultural Anthropology
Society for Feminist Anthropology
Society for Latin American Anthropology
Society for Medical Anthropology
Society for Social Studies of Science

Languages

English: native
Spanish: fluent