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**EMPLOYMENT**

2023- University of Maine.

Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology. Graduate Faculty Member.

2018-2023 University of Oregon.

Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, 2019-2023.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, 2018-19.

2016-2018 The Johns Hopkins University.

Assistant Research Professor, Department of Anthropology, 2017-18.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Alexander Grass Humanities Institute, 2016-17.

**EDUCATION**

2016 Stanford University. Ph.D. in Anthropology.

2012 Stanford University. M.A. in Anthropology.

2010 Harvard Divinity School. Master of Theological Studies.

2008 Wesleyan University. B.A. (with honors) in The College of Social Studies.

**SCHOLARSHIP**

*Books*

“Needle Phobias: The Making of Medical Mistrust, Vaccine Skepticism and Novel Solidarities in the United States,” book manuscript in progress. Proposal written and discussed with senior editors at two major academic presses (November 2023).

*In the Hands of God: How Evangelical Belonging Transforms Migrant Experience in the U.S*.(Princeton University Press, 2022).

*Media:* Interviewed by Chris Voss on “The Chris Voss Show,” June 7, 2022, <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-chris-voss-show-podcast-in-the-hands-of/id343172752?i=1000565533049>

*Reviews:*

Leslie Fesenmyer (2023) *Anthropological Forum*

Karen Hooge Michalka (2023) Journal of Latino/Latin American Studies

Sophie Bjork-James (2023) *American Ethnologist*

Joy Clarisse Saavedra (2023) *Sociology of Religion*

Philip Letizia (2023) *Reading Religion* (Book review forum from *The American Academy of Religion*)

Randall Balmer (2024) *Politics, Religion and Ideology*

*Articles and Chapters*

“From Iatrogenesis to Vaccine Skepticism: U.S. Mothers’ Negative Vaccine Perceptions and Non-vaccination Practices as Reverberations of Medical Harm,” *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* May 10, 2023, online ahead of print [9000 words].

“Immigration Influx: The Remaking of Contemporary Christianity,” [6,000 words] *The Handbook for Contemporary Christianity*, Mark Lamport, ed. (Rowman and Littlefield, 2022).

“The ‘Affective Therapeutics’ of Migrant Faith: Evangelical Christianity among Brazilians in Greater Washington, D.C.,” *Current Anthropology* 60:3 (2019): 369-390. [13,000 words, published as a “research forum” alongside responses from 5 leading scholars and my 2,000-word reply].

*Media*: Bruce Clark, “Why Charismatic Christianity is popular with migrants,” *The Economist,*

August 3, 2019, <https://www.economist.com/erasmus/2019/08/03/why-charismatic-christianity-is-popular-with-migrants>.

*Book Reviews and Public Writing*

Book Review, *The Charismatic Gymnasium* by Maria Abreú, *Journal for the Royal Anthropological Institute*, April 11, 2024, online ahead of print.

“Vaccine-skeptical Mothers Say Bad Healthcare Experiences Made them Distrust the Medical System,” *The Conversation*, March 11, 2024. <https://theconversation.com/vaccine-skeptical-mothers-say-bad-health-care-experiences-made-them-distrust-the-medical-system-217433>. Lead article in *The Conversation* and republished in numerous outlets in the U.S. and abroad, including *Slate, Scientific American, The San Francisco Chronicle, SFGate, Yahoo News, Yahoo News (Canada), The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Maine Morning Star* and *La Tercera (Chile).*

*Media*: Interviewed by Celeste Headlee on “Hear Me Out,” a podcast from *Slate Magazine*,

March 29, 2024.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*University of Maine*

Large lecture courses, including online teaching:

“Introduction to Anthropology: Diversity of Cultures,” Department of Anthropology. Spring 2023[web]. Spring 2024 [in person]. Spring 2025 [scheduled].

Upper-level Seminars:

“Culture, Illness, Healing,” Department of Anthropology. Fall 2023.

“Basic Theory in Cultural Anthropology,” Department of Anthropology. Fall 2023. Fall 24 [scheduled].

Student Mentorship:

I am currently serving on the Ph.D. dissertation committees of two students, Gianna DeJoy and Md Ashik Ur Rahman.

*University of Oregon*

Upper-level Seminars:

“Culture, Illness, Healing,” Department of Anthropology. Winter 2022.

“Migrant, Citizen, Refugee” Department of Anthropology. Spring 2019, Winter 2020, Winter 2022.

“Anthropology of the U.S.,” Department of Anthropology. Spring 2019.

Large lecture courses, including online teaching:

“Introduction to Cultural Anthropology,” Department of Anthropology. Winter 2019, Winter 2020, Spring 2020 [web], Winter 2021 [web], Spring 2021 [web], Winter 2022 [web].

“Anthropology of the U.S.” Department of Anthropology. Spring 2020 [web], Spring 2021 [web].

“Food and Culture,” Department of Anthropology. Winter 2019 [web].

Student Mentorship:

2022-23 PhD Supervisor, Precious Adejumobi, PhD candidate in Anthropology

2021-22 Faculty Advisor, Aazad Burn, independent study and senior honors’ thesis, Anthropology

2021-22 External Committee member, Maria Wixwat, MA and PhD candidate in Psychology

2020-22 Committee member, Molly McBride, MA and PhD candidate in Anthropology

2020-21 Independent field study, Molly McBride, Anthropology of the U.S.

2020-21 Committee Member, Daizi Hazarika, MA and PhD candidate in Anthropology

2019-21 Faculty Advisor, Shuxi Wu, internship in Singapore on migration and human rights and senior honors’ thesis, Anthropology

*The Johns Hopkins University*

Upper-level seminars:

“Introduction to Migration Studies,” Department of Anthropology. Cross-listed with International Studies and the Program in Latin American Studies. Spring 2018.

“The Anthropology of Christianity,” Department of Anthropology. Cross-listed with the Program in Latin American Studies. Winter 2017.

In-Country Study-abroad course:

“Brazil: History and Society,” co-instructor, Center for African Studies. Intersession 2014.

**SELECTED GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, DISTINCTIONS**

2024 Summer Faculty Research Award, Office of Research Development, University of Maine

2023 College of the Liberal Arts and Sciences Pre-tenure Fellowship, University of Maine

2023 Office of the Provost, EMPOWER Grant, University of Maine

2022 Office of the Vice President for Equity and Inclusion, External Mentor Program Grant, UO

2021 Center for the Study of Women in Society Faculty Research Grant, UO.

2021 VPRI Faculty Research Award, UO.

2020 VPRI Completion Fellowship, Oregon Humanities Center, UO.

2020 Op-ed Project “Write to Change the World” Selected Participant, Provost’s Office, UO.

2019 New Junior Faculty Award, Office of the Vice Provost for Research and Innovation, UO.

2014 Graduate Research Opportunity Award, Stanford University.

2013-15 Ric Weiland Graduate Fellowship, Stanford University.

2012 Stanford Department of Anthropology Writing in the Major Teaching Award.

2012 Summer FLAS: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

2011-12 Stanford Department of Anthropology Language and Research Grant.

2008 Phi Beta Kappa, Wesleyan.

**ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS**

Roundtable participant, “Communities of Controversy,” submitted panel under review for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, November 20-23, 2024, Tampa.

“The Church as Hospital: Healing and Faith among Brazilian Migrants in the United States,” invited virtual book talk at Dartmouth University for Dr. Maron Greenleaf’s course, “Introduction to Anthropology,” May 3, 2024.

“Iatrogenic After-Effects: Medical Mistrust, Far Right Activism, and Evangelical Christianity,” paper presentation for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, November 16, 2023, Toronto.

“Medical Harm Beyond the Clinic: How Iatrogenesis Impacts Affect, Belief and Subjectivity in Cross-cultural Perspective,” panel organizer for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, November 15, 2023, Toronto.

“The Church as Hospital: Healing and Faith among Brazilian Migrants in the United States,” invited book talk at the Oregon Humanities Center for their “Books-in-Print” series, January 13, 2023.

“The Church as Hospital: Healing and Faith among Brazilian Migrants in the United States,” invited virtual book talk at Johns Hopkins University for Dr. Niloofar Haeri’s course, “What Does it Mean to Be Religious?” November 8, 2022.

“From Medical Trauma to Vaccine Activism: Vaccine Resistance Narratives among U.S. Mothers,” virtual paper presentation at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, November 21, 2021.

“No longer ‘Stuck’: Evangelical Framings of Joy among Migrants in the U.S.,” virtual paper presentation at the biannual meeting of the Society for Anthropology of Religion, May 16 2021.

“Anxious Parents, Fearful Physicians: An Ethnographic Study of Vaccine Hesitancy in the Pacific Northwest,” virtual paper presentation at the biannual meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology, April 7, 2021.

“The Evangelization among God among Migrants: Intimate Faith and Embodied Experience across Denominations,” virtual paper presentation for the Oregon Humanities’ Center “Works in Progress Series,” University of Oregon, October 23, 2020.

“No Longer ‘Stuck’: Mobility, Faith and Belonging among Evangelical Migrants in the U.S.,” paper presentation at the virtual meeting of the European Association for Social Anthropology, Lisbon, Portugal, July 23, 2020; also delivered at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Vancouver, BC, November 20, 2019.

“The Church as Hospital: Healing and Faith among Brazilian Migrants in the United States,” paper presentation in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Oregon, March 7, 2019.

“The Affective Imprint of Migrant Distress: Bodily and Psychic Suffering among Brazilians in the U.S.,” paper presentation for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA, November 14, 2018.

“Hopeful Faiths in Comparative Perspective: Studies of Religious Imagination, Aspiration and Narrativity,” panel co-organizer for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., November 28, 2017.

“Hopeful Christians, Confident Migrants: Consequences of Hope among Brazilian Migrants in Greater Washington D.C.,” paper presentation for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., November 28, 2017.

“The Church as Hospital: Healing and Faith among Brazilian Migrants in Greater Washington D.C.,” paper presentation for the Department of Anthropology’s Colloquium Series, Johns Hopkins, November 7, 2017.

“Migration and Aspiration: Comments,” discussant for the Department of Anthropology’s annual graduate student conference, Johns Hopkins, April 30, 2017.

“The Gods of Diaspora: Brazilian Migrant Faith in Comparative Perspective,” paper presentation for the Portuguese Program’s Speaker Series, Johns Hopkins, October 25, 2017.

“Loneliness, Immigration and God: Evangelical Experience among Brazilian Women in Washington D.C., and the Rejection of the Political,” paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C, December 5, 2014.

**SERVICE**

*Departmental and University Service*

George Mitchell Peace Scholarship Selection Committee, University of Maine, 2024

PAFTA Review Committee (Henry Munson), University of Maine, 2024

Peer Review Committee for 2nd Year Reappointment (Natasha Magnani), University of Maine, 2023

Community Committee, University of Oregon, 2019-22

Awards Committee, University of Oregon, 2018-19

*Service to the Discipline*

Book Reviewer, *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute,* Wiley, 2024

Manuscript Reviewer, *Anthropological Forum*, Taylor & Francis, 2023

Manuscript Reviewer, *Anthropology Anywhere*, Rowan & Littlefield, 2023

Grant Reviewer, SSRC International Dissertation Research Fellowship competition, 2022

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Anthropological Association

Society for Cultural Anthropology

Society for Medical Anthropology

Society for Psychological Anthropology

Society for the Anthropology of North America

Society for the Anthropology of Religion