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Education

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Doctoral Candidate, Geography [completed qualifying exams December 2006; expected defense in Fall 2009]

Areas of research: *in situ* agri-biodiversity conservation; ‘traditional’ ecological knowledges; Andes; Appalachia; religion/cosmology and ecology; post-colonial, post-development and feminist theory with regards to social reproduction and semi-subsistent agriculture; working dissertation title: *Situating in situ: Seeds, Space & Knowledge Among Grassroots Agricultural Biodiversity Initiatives in Appalachian Kentucky and the Peruvian Andes*; advisors: Sue Roberts, Tad Mutersbaugh, Anna Secor, Sarah Lyons

Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA

Master of Theological Studies, June 2004

Areas of study: World Religions (emphasis on Christianities, Islam, and American indigenous traditions through lenses of ecological ethics, metaphysics, aesthetics traditions, and gender); inter-faith dialogue; advisor: David Carrasco

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Bachelor of Arts, 2000, graduated *cum laude*

Major: Theater Studies (performance theory); senior thesis: “Telling the Tale: An Encounter with the Griot Storytellers of West Africa”; Universite Ante Cheikh Diop, Dakar, Senegal, Junior Year Abroad, Spring 1999; focus: orality; postcolonial theory

Academic Honors and Awards

College of Arts & Sciences Certificate of Outstanding Teaching, University of Kentucky, 2009

Latin America Specialty Group Field Study Award for doctoral students, Association of American Geographers, 2008

Dissertation Enhancement Award, Graduate School, University of Kentucky, 2007

James S. Brown Graduate Student Research Award for research in Appalachia, University of Kentucky, 2007

Multi-Year Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Kentucky, 2004-5, 2005-6, 2006-7

Daniel R. Reedy Quality Achievement Award, Graduate School, University of Kentucky, 2004-5, 2005-6, 2006-7

Distinction in the Major, Yale University, 2000

Directed Studies Program, Yale University, 1996-7

Teaching Experience

Adjunct Professor, Honors Program, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

HON 231: Space, Place & Culture: Beyond East & West, Fall 2009

Designing and teaching a seminar exploring the geopolitics and cultural geography of the Middle East, with emphasis on Islam, gender, orientalism, and postcolonial theory. Will include field trips and hands-on, service learning research projects.

Teaching Assistant, Latin American Studies Program, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

LAS 201: Introduction to Latin American Studies, Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Spring 2010

Sole responsibility for design and instruction of an original survey course of South America, Central America and the Caribbean, through lenses of history, cultural and physical geography, political ecology, political economy, and gender and postcolonial theory. Also as LAS TA, serving on advisory panel to re-design the Latin American Studies Program at UK and establish a graduate certificate in Latin American/Latino Studies.

Faculty Member, Kentucky Governor's Scholar Program, Morehead, KY

Communications & Social Studies, Summer 2008, Summer 2009 (invited)

Designed and taught a multi-media, interdisciplinary course researching Appalachian local ecological and cultural knowledges through oral geographies and documentary making, with twelve successful fieldtrips. Completed mini-documentary "Appalachia: 17 Voices."

Introduction to Metaphysics, Summer 2008, Summer 2009 (invited)

Designed and taught intensive introduction to world religions and philosophy, via lenses of social and environmental ethics, with seven successful fieldtrips.

Adjunct Professor, Geography Department, Morehead State University, Morehead, KY

GEO 300: World Geography, May 2008 [pre-summer school intensive course]

Designed and taught original survey course introducing world geography.

Teaching Assistant, Geography Department, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

GEO 160: Lands and People of the Non-Western World, Fall 2007, Spring 2008

Sole responsibility for design and instruction of an original multi-media survey of world geography course for 75 students.

Adjunct Professor, Education Department, Morehead State University, Morehead, KY

EDF 207: Foundations of Education, Fall 2007

Designed and taught introductory level survey of the history and philosophy of US education, with emphasis on farm-to-school movements and their historical and philosophical contextualization.

**Adjunct Professor, Philosophy and Religion Department, Morehead State University,
Morehead, KY**

PHI 203: Social Ethics: Agricultural Issues, Fall 2006 (MSU Extension Campus, Mt. Sterling, KY)

Designed and taught original course on social ethics relating to food, health, hunger, land use, and agriculture, with service learning projects particular to Eastern Kentucky.

PHI 203: Social Ethics: Introduction to World Religions via Ethics, Spring 2006 (MSU Extension Campus, West Liberty, KY)

Designed and taught original course introducing world religions and wisdom traditions, with service learning projects particular to Eastern Kentucky.

Publications

“The Miracle of Seeds” in Vecini, R., Owens, R. (eds) *Seven-Minute Organic Gardener*, Evo-Organics Publishing, forthcoming

“Growing Power: The Rise of Urban Gardens” in Vecini, R., Owens, R. (eds) *Seven-Minute Organic Gardener*, Evo-Organics Publishing, forthcoming

“Repatriation: Replenishing Native Andean Potatoes and the Ancient Heritages Therein” in Vecini, R., Owens, R. (eds) *Seven-Minute Organic Gardener*, Evo-Organics Publishing, forthcoming

“The ‘Doomsday’ Seed Vault: A Noah’s Ark in Norway?” in Vecini, R., Owens, R. (eds) *Seven-Minute Organic Gardener*, Evo-Organics Publishing, forthcoming

“Gifting (Green Gifts)” in Robbins, P., J. Mansvelt, J. Golson (eds) *Green Consumerism*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Vegetables and Fruits” in Robbins, P., J. Mansvelt, J. Golson (eds) *Green Consumerism*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Seasonal Products” in Robbins, P., J. Mansvelt, J. Golson (eds) *Green Consumerism*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Baby Products” in Robbins, P., J. Mansvelt, J. Golson (eds) *Green Consumerism*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Agrarianism” in Golson, J. G., P. Robbins, D. Mulvaney (eds) *Green Food*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Home Gardens” in Golson, J. G., P. Robbins, D. Mulvaney (eds) *Green Food*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Politics of Scale” in Golson, J. G., P. Robbins, D. Mulvaney (eds) *Green Politics*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“Low Input Agriculture” in Golson, J. G., P. Robbins, D. Mulvaney (eds) *Green Food*, SAGE Reference Publication, forthcoming

“The Worth of Old Growth: A Public Letter to the University of Kentucky Regarding Our Forest,” invited Guest Editorial, *Ace Magazine*, January 18, 2008, Lexington, Kentucky

Academic Professional Experience

Presentation of Academic Conference Papers

“Situating *in situ*: a feminist political ecology of seeds amid the biopolitics of (agri)biodiversity” Association of American Geographers Annual Conference, March 2009, Las Vegas, NV

“The Fall and Rise of Semi-Subsistence Agriculture: A Geography of Very Local Food” University of Kentucky Graduate Student Interdisciplinary Conference, April 2008, Lexington, KY

“Seed Ag: Situating *in situ*” Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Conference, November 2008, Greenville, NC

“Geography Via Film: Exploring critical research and teaching through participatory documentary projects” Critical Geography Conference, October 2008, Columbus, OH (co-presented with Karen Kinslow)

“The Political Ecology of Biodiversity: Seeds, Space, and Sovereignty” Association of American Geographers Annual Conference, April 2008, Boston, MA

“Sacred Mountains: A Geography” University of Kentucky Graduate Student Interdisciplinary Conference, March 2008, Lexington, KY

“Sanctifying Seeds: Agri-biodiversity, Reciprocity and the Axis Mundi of DNA” Religion & Science Conference, January 2008, Morelia, Mexico

“Comparative Liberation Ecology at a University Near You: The Appalachian Festival of Faiths” Religion & Science Conference, January 2008, Morelia, Mexico (co-presented with H. Paul Lovelace)

“The Radical Act of Saving Seed: Agribiodiversity, big biotech, and food sovereignty from Peru to UK” Critical Geography Conference, October 2007, Lexington, KY

“Old Seeds’ Value: Scales of Economy and Ecology Amidst Appalachian and Andean Seed Savers” Rural Sociological Studies Conference, August 2006, Louisville, KY

“Place-based Economic and Ecological Expertise as a Global (Inter-local) Strategy” Virginia Tech’s A.S.P.E.C.T. Social Theory Conference, May 2006, Roanoke, VA

“Among Appalachian and Andean Seedsavers: The Methodology of Puentes/Bridges” Critical Geography Mini-Conference, October 2006, Columbus, OH

“Freeing the Bounty: Subsistence as Resistance to the Global Food Economy in Kentucky” Association of American Geographers Annual Conference, March 2006, Chicago, IL

Organization of Academic Conference Sessions

“Exploring the Geographies of Food: I, II, III” Association of American Geographers, March 2009, Las Vegas, NV (co-facilitation of session; chair of third session)

“Critical Agriculture as Sustainable Geography: Navigating food, farms, land, labor, and the ‘local’” Critical Geography Conference, October 2007, Lexington, KY

“Geography of Food” Association of American Geographers Annual Conference, March 2006, Chicago, IL (co-facilitation of session)

Invited Presentation of Papers

“The Political Ecology of Seed: Questions of Bounty and Productivity” Bluegrass Community Technical College Sustainability Series, April 2008, Lexington, KY

“Food and Faith: Learning from Traditions of Sacred Agriculture” Sierra Club's Healthy Foods, Local Farms Conference, September 2007, Louisville, KY

Academic Professional Service

Co-founder/Co-coordinator, Geography Via Film Series, University of Kentucky, 2009
Annual, inter-disciplinary film series; Spring 2009 inaugural theme: “Inter-Local Dialogues: Participatory Documentaries as Critical Geographies Across the Americas” (included films from Appalachia, Peruvian Andes, and a US-Mexican immigrant rights group)

Member, Subcommittee on Research and Indigenous Peoples, Indigenous Peoples Specialty Group, Association of American Geography, 2009

Co-coordinator, Graduate Student Distinguished Speaker Committee, University of Kentucky, Geography, 2009

Panel Speaker, College of Arts & Sciences Teaching Workshop, University of Kentucky, 2009

Coordinator, Appalachian Studies Research Group & Salon, Appalachian Center, University of Kentucky, 2009

Reviewer, Geographies of Religions and Belief Systems, Association of American Geographers specialty group journal, 2008

Graduate Student Representative, External Relations Committee, University of Kentucky, Geography, 2007-2009

Art Editor, DisClosure: a journal of social theory- no. 15: thresholds, University of Kentucky, Spring 2006

Community Professional Experience

Co-founder/Co-coordinator, Appalachian Festival of Faiths, Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2009 Morehead State University, Morehead, KY [www.appff.org] Inter-disciplinary, cross-cultural, and inter-faith gathering of spiritual leaders and environmental and social activists in

Appalachia. Organize panels, speakers, presentations, film series, and performances for conference addressing local social and ecological issues and opportunities.

Teacher, Living Arts & Science Center, Lexington, KY, Summers 1999-2008

Design and teach week-long classes for youth on cross-cultural, ecologically oriented subjects.

Grower/Vendor, Welcome Hall Gardens Summers 2002-2004

Grew fresh cut flowers from 7th generation family farm. Sold at Woodford County Farm Co-operative, Versailles, KY and Lexington Farmer's Market, Lexington, KY

Editor, Fons Vitae Press, Louisville, KY, 2001-ongoing

Reviewer and editor, as needed, for non-profit publishing house specializing in historical and contemporary treatises from world's religious, spiritual, metaphysical traditions, with emphasis on Islamic theology.

Editor, Educators for Social Responsibility, Cambridge, MA, September 2002-April 2004

Researched, edited, and reviewed for publications department of non-profit publisher on education and social ethics.

Community Involvement

Advisory board, Festival of Faiths 2009: Water & Religion, 2009

Council member, Kentucky Heartwood, 2008-onward

Board member, Appalachian Heritage Alliance, 2008-2009

Advisory panel, Fons Vitae Press, 2007-onward

Member, Simple Living Group, Eastern Kentucky, 2005-onward

Member, Community Farm Alliance, Kentucky, 2006-onward

Member, Sustainable Communities Network, Lexington, KY, 2008-onward

Languages/Skills

Proficient Spanish; ten months total in Peru; one year of academic study, Harvard University

Intermediate French; five months in Senegal; two years academic study, Yale University

Novice Modern Standard Arabic; five months in Egypt; one year of academic study, Harvard University

Completing intensive introductory ArcGIS workshop course, University of Kentucky, May 2009