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EDUCATION

PhD Candidate University of Arizona (UA), Tucson, AZ
Present
Geography and Regional Development, Minor: American Indian Studies

Master of Arts University of Texas-Austin (UT), Austin, TX
2004
Middle Eastern Studies
Thesis: "Rebels and Scholars: Palestinian Bedouin Women Students in the Naqab/Negev Desert"

Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude University of Arizona
2000
Geography and Regional Development, Minor: Photography

EXPERIENCE

Graduate Advisor: Prescott College, Prescott, AZ.
2009-Present
-Advise Master of Arts student Laura Beebe on her course work and thesis work with indigenous communities sharing geography with Alaska and northern Canada.

Research Consultant: Manley A. Begay II and Associates.

2009-Present
-Research and write analyses on historical governance and traditional philosophies for First Nations in Canada.

Research Analyst: Native Nations Institute (NNI), UA
2007-Present
-Conduct legal and field research; write policy analyses and assist research team in work related to nation building, law, economic development and spatial activities by Native Nations in the United States and internationally. Represent NNI at regional and national conferences.

Research Assistant: Geography and Regional Development, UA
2008-2010
-Part-time research analyst and co-writer/editor for several economic development reports including: higher education in southern Arizona for the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the Arizona Town Hall on economic development (Spring 2010).

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Research Assistant: Geography and Regional Development, UA

2007-2008

-Prepared empirical data findings, literature reviews and initial analyses for Professor Beth Mitchneck's project and publications (*Annals of the Association of American Geographers*) on internally displaced peoples (IDPs) in Georgia.

Tutor: Disability Resource Center, UA

2006-2007

-Worked with legally blind PhD student in course work writing, grant applications and comprehensive exam assistance.

Teaching Assistant: Geography and Regional Development, UA

Fall 2006

-GEOG 373 "Political Geography"

-GEOG 395 "Current Topics in Geography"

Editorial Assistant: International Journal of Fracture and Journal of Applied Mechanics

Center for Mechanics of Solids, Structures and Materials.

Department of Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, UT

July 2004-May 2006

-Managed manuscript editorial process between UT offices and publishing houses in the Netherlands and California. Performed administrative tasks for Professor and Editor-in-Chief Krishnaswamy Ravi-Chandar, including UT accounting, travel, international graduate student immigration papers and manuscript copyrights.

Research Assistant: Departments of Middle Eastern Studies and Art History, UT

March-September 2004

-Assisted Professor Persis Berlekamp with course curriculum, international correspondence and research projects. Culled rare archival materials, maintained visual copyrights, and procured multiple resource materials from university and special libraries.

Editorial Associate Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, UA

June 1998-August 2001

-Copy edited, designed and co-collaborated in the printing and publishing of Center policy reports. Wrote newsletter articles and press releases; co-administered payroll; co-organized and photographed Center events; hired and trained undergraduate assistants; maintained public relations within local and international communities; conducted fact-checking duties and library research.

RESEARCH PROJECT

"Intergenerational Memory."

Spring 2007-Present

Ongoing mapping and spatial ontology project with Professor Robert A. Hershey, Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy Program. James E. Rogers School of Law, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ.

PUBLICATIONS

POLICY WORK

"Native Nations and Borders (Title forthcoming)." With Rachel Starks and Stephen Cornell. 2010. Working Paper for the Native Nations Institute.

"Native Nations and Their Peoples: Citizenship and Membership." 2010. Working Paper for the Native Nations Institute. Based on original research and executive forum in August, 2009. Tucson, AZ.

Case Studies for The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development and Native Nations Institute (to be published with University of Arizona Press), 2008:

"Building a Self-Sustaining Economy at the Citizen Potawatomi Nation."

"Citizen Potawatomi Nation: Governance Changes and a Peoples' Needs."

BOOK REVIEWS

Daniel Montereescu and Dan Rabinowitz, editors. *Mixed Towns, Trapped Communities: Historical Narratives, Spatial Dynamics, Gender Relations and Cultural Encounters in Palestinian-Israeli Towns*. Ashgate Publishing Limited, Hampshire, England 2007. For *European Spatial Research Policy*, Vol. 15, No. 2, 2008. pp.93-95.

Mogel, Lize and Alexis Bhagat. *An Atlas of Radical Cartography*. Los Angeles: Journal of Aesthetics and Protest Press, 2007. For *Antipode*, Vol. 41, No. 3, June 2009. pp. 587-589.

Blundo, G. and Olivier de Sardan, J.P. with Arifari, N.B. and Alou, M.T. Translated by Cox, S. 2006: *Everyday Corruption and the State: Citizens and Public Officials in Africa*. London: Zed Books. For *Progress and Development Studies*, Accepted.

PRESENTED PAPERS AND CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

" 'Flipping the Script' or Changing legal-spatial discourse in Indigenous court cases" presentation with Robert A. Hershey. Native American Indigenous Studies Association (NAISA) Conference, Tucson, AZ, May 20-22, 2010.

"The 'Right of Discovery': Using Spectacle to Map Contests in Federal Indian Law." presentation, Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG). Washington, D.C., April 14-18 2010.

"*Jagehnagenon* is Online: Cyber Legislature and other Governance Spaces of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation", presentation, Annual Meeting of the AAG, Las Vegas, NV, April 2009.

NNI Booth. National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), Mid-Year Conference, Niagara Falls, NY, June 14-17, 2009.

NNI Booth. NCAI, Annual Conference, Palm Springs, CA, October 11-16, 2009.

NNI Booth. NCAI Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ, November 2008.

NNI Booth. NCAI, Mid-Year Conference, Reno, NV, Summer 2008.

"Showdown in the desert: mythologies of space in the Sonoran landscape", presentation, Birzeit University, Palestine, 2007.

"*Kim kime bagly* ("Who is bound to whom?"): People and Protected Areas in post-Soviet Turkmenistan", presentation with Jahan Kariyeva, Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, Long Beach, CA, 2007.

"Rebels and Scholars: Palestinian Bedouin Women Students in the Naqab/Negev Desert", presentation, Annual Meeting of the AAG, San Francisco, CA, 2007.

"Geography/Bees: A conversation on methodologies, representations, and popular education with the Beehive Design Collective", panelist, AAG 2007.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

"Geog Girls." Science Technology Engineering Mathematics (STEM) Education Program for High School Girls. May 30, 2009. Tohono O'odham Community College, Sells, AZ/Tohono O'odham Nation.

COMMENDATIONS AND GRANTS

Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC) Travel Grant, May 2010, UA
Association for Women Faculty (AWF) Travel Grant, April 2010, UA
Arctic Institute of North America Grant-in-Aid, Spring 2010.
Bir Zeit University, Palestine: Student conference grant, December 2007.
GPSC Travel Grant, October 2007, UA
GPSC Travel Grant, December 2006, UA

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Graduate Fellowship, (Recruitment Fellowship, Department of Geography and Regional Development) UA, Fall 2006

Liberal Arts Graduate Research (LAGR) Fellowship, December 2003, UT
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship (Arabic), Summer 2003, UT
The University Fellowship (Pre-emptive Recruitment Fellowship for Graduate Studies at the University of Texas), 2001-2002, UT
LBJ School of Public Affairs Tuition Scholarship, 2001, UT
Award for Excellence in Geographic Scholarship, 2000, AAG and National Council on Geographic Education (nominated by UA Geography faculty)
Honors Grant, Spring 2000, UA
Hillel Foundation Grant, 2000, UA
Dean's List, 1999-2000, UA
Dorot Foundation Travel Grant, 1999, UA
National Dean's List, 1995
Valedictorian Scholarship and Honors Grant (declined), 1994, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

SERVICE AND ACTIVISM

Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC), Travel Grant Judge. Summer 2010.
Geographic Perspectives On Women (GPOW) Newsletter Editor (Association of American Geographers Specialty Group), 2007-Current, AAG
GRD-UA 50th Anniversary Committee, 2008, UA
Jan Monk Lecture Committee, 2007, UA
Café Para La Vida Digna (Coffee Support Network with the Zapatista Autonomous Movement), 2006-2007
Austin Indymedia, Print Editor, Fall 2004-2005
LAGR Fellowship Decision Committee, Fall 2004, UT
Palestine Solidarity Committee, 2003-2005