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### EDUCATION

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- 2019** PhD, Politics - The New School for Social Research  
Dissertation: *Social Movements and Earthbound People: Towards a New Politics of the Earth in the Anthropocene*
- 2010** MA, Politics - The New School for Social Research  
Thesis: *Student Power and Student Politics: A Case Study of Academics in Action*
- 2007** Women's Studies Certificate - Ohio University
- 2007** MA, Political Science - Ohio University  
Thesis: *Fortress of Fear and Borders of Control: How the U.S. Media Constructs Mexican Immigrants as a National Security Threat*
- 2000** BA, Specialized Studies (Social Movements, Minor in Classics) - Ohio University

### ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

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- Current** Visiting Professor: Denison University, International Studies & Writing Program
- 2021** Faculty Fellow: CSU, Chico, Office of Faculty Development
- 2019-2021** Lecturer: CSU Chico, Comparative Religion and Humanities
- 2018-2019** Visiting Asst. Professor: Grand Valley State University, Area & Global Studies
- 2018** Teaching Fellow: The New School, Environmental Studies/International Affairs
- 2012-2018** Research Associate: India China Institute, The New School
- 2017** Adjunct Professor: Seton Hall, Political Science & Public Policy
- 2011-2013** Adjunct Professor: Fordham University, Politics
- 2007-2009** Environmental Educator and Naturalist: Nature's Classroom
- 2003-2005** Campaigns Coordinator: Buckeye Forest Council
- 2002-2003** Co-founder, Executive Editor: The Athens Town Crier
- 2001-2002** Program Coordinator, AmeriCorps Vista: Community Food Initiatives

## AWARDS & HONORS

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- 2020** Faculty Fellow: CSU, Chico Office of Faculty Development
- 2015** Contributing Scholar: State of Formation
- 2014** Social Justice Campus Champion Award: The New School
- 2013** Eberstadt Dissertation Fellowship: New School for Social Research
- 2011** Chiune Sugihara PhD Fellowship: New School for Social Research
- 2007** Outstanding Graduate Assistant: Ohio University, Department of Political Science

## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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- 2022** 'Religion, Covid-19, and Biocultural Evolution: Introducing a Special Issue focusing on Religion and the Coronavirus Pandemic'. *Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture*, 16.1. (\*forthcoming)
- 2019** [Earthbound Social Movements and the Anthropocene](#). *Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture*, 13:3.
- 2010** [And Say the Bakemono Responded: Animism, Derrida and the Question of the Animal in Hayao Miyazaki's Princess Mononoke](#). *The Journal for Critical Animal Studies*, 8:4.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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- 2022** 'Environmental Justice Movements and the Rights of Nature'. Chapter in *The Palgrave Handbook on Environmental Politics, Activism, and Theory*. (\*forthcoming)
- 2022** Politics and Poetics in the Anthropocene (dual Book Review). *SubStance*. (\*forthcoming)
- 2022** 'Environmental Justice Responses to Black Lives Matter in 2020'. (\*in progress)
- 2023** Race, Religion, and Nationalism: Far-Right Extremism in Ohio School Debates (\*in progress)

## OTHER PUBLISHED WORK

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- 2020 [Death of an Industry: The Cultural Politics of Garment Manufacturing during the Maoist Revolution in Nepal](#) (Book Review). *Pacific Affairs*, 93:2.
- 2020 [Transitional Justice In Nepal: Interests, Victims and Agency](#) (Book Review). *Pacific Affairs*, 93:1.
- 2019 [Death by Omission: Power and Politics in the Amazon](#). Public Seminar.
- 2017 [A Pagan Reflects on Thomas Merton, Politics, and Christian Grace](#). State of Formation.
- 2016 [What to Do After the Election?](#) Public Seminar.
- 2016 [The Life of a Gorilla](#). State of Formation.
- 2016 [The Passion and Ritual of the Pilgrims](#). State of Formation.
- 2016 [A Night with the Mexican Virgin – Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe](#). State of Formation.
- 2015 [The Fundamentalist Plurality Problem](#). *E-International Relations*.
- 2015 [Laudato Si' - Becoming Painfully Aware](#). State of Formation.
- 2015 [When the Anthropocene Came to Halji](#). State of Formation.
- 2014 [A Landscape of Lived Religion in Nepal](#). State of Formation.
- 2014 [A Crowd of Whites, A Sea of Blue](#). Public Seminar.
- 2014 [The Struggle for Dalit Rights in South Asia](#). State of Formation.
- 2014 [Divestment and Responsible Investment: Part II](#). *New School Economic Review*, 6:1.
- 2010 [Patriotic Penetration: Gay Bombs, Queer Times and Homonationalist Assemblages](#). *Canon Magazine*, Spring Issue.

## CONFERENCE TALKS & PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

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- 2022 COVIDenial: Race, Religion, and Conspiracy Theories - Global Studies Seminar
- 2022 The Battle over Critical Race Theory in Ohio Schools - Western Political Science Association (WPSA)

- 2022** Climate and Decarbonization Roundtable - Western Political Science Association (WPSA)
- 2021** Climate Emergency: Roundtable on IPCC's AR6 Report and COP26 - Denison University
- 2021** The Battle over Critical Race Theory in Ohio Schools - Global Studies Seminar
- 2021** Green & Black: Analyzing Environmental Responses to Black Lives Matter and Juneteenth in 2020 - Western Political Science Association (WPSA)
- 2020** Of Kith and Kin: Politics of Belonging and Earthbound Solidarities in the Anthropocene - Western Political Science Association (WPSA)
- 2019** Rethinking Social Movements and the Anthropocene - Western Political Science Association
- 2018** What About Postcolonial Politics in Nepal? - Western Political Science Association
- 2016** Earthbound Cosmopolitics, Anthropocene Environmentalism and the Rights of Pachamama - International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture
- 2015** Sumak Kawsay, Pachamama, and Cosmopolitics: The Rights of Nature, Earthbound People and Global Indigenous Struggles - American Academy of Religion
- 2015** Sumak Kawsay, Pachamama and Cosmopolitics: Indigenous Struggles and the Rights of Mother Earth in Bolivia and Ecuador - Observatory on Latin America
- 2014** The End of Nature, Rise of the Anthropocenes - Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences
- 2013** What if Gliese 581d had Life? Young Earth Creationism and the Politics of Astrobiology - American Academy of Religion

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Denison University**

Introduction to International Studies; Themes & Approaches in International Studies; Indigenous Rights, Black Liberation & Eco-Justice

### **California State University, Chico**

Religion and Nature\*; The End of the World\*; Religion, Ethics, Ecology\*, Religion and Global Issues\* (\*online)

## **Grand Valley State University**

(Dis)Order and (In)Justice: Introduction to Global Studies; History of Global Change; Diversity in the United States; Changemakers and Social Innovation

## **The New School**

Indigenous Environmental Politics, The Left, Global Environmental Politics

## **Seton Hall**

Western Political Thought; American Politics

## **Fordham University**

Ethnic and Racial Politics; Intro to Politics (general & honors); Environmental Politics

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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### **Academic Memberships**

American Academy of Religion  
Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies  
International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture  
Native American and Indigenous Studies Association  
Political Ecology Network  
Feminist Environmental Research Network  
Western Political Science Association

### **Professional Service**

Co-Chair, Climate Action Committee - Western Political Science Association  
Co-Editor, Special Issue on Religion and the Coronavirus Pandemic - *JSRNC*

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS**

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Podcast - [The End of the World](#)

Digital Storytelling - [Sacred Landscape Mapper](#)

Public Policy Work - [Ohioans for Racial Justice](#)