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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** **University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado** **2014**
Cultural & Medical Anthropology
Advisor: Professor Donna Goldstein
Dissertation: "Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan"
- M.A.** **University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado** **2007**
Anthropology, with Distinction
- B.A.** **University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware** **2003**
Majors: Anthropology; History
Minor: Sociology
Phi Beta Kappa

THEORETICAL & RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cultural and Medical Anthropology; Science, Technology and Society Studies; Anthropology of Policy; Nuclear Testing and Health; Health Disparities; Cold War Science; Low-Dose Radiation; Political Economy; Neoliberalism; Environmental Governance; Bioethics; Subjectivity; Global Security; Post-Soviet Transformations; NGOs and Civil Society; Central Asia; Kazakhstan

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

- 2018-** **Assistant Professor**
Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2016-19** **Fellow**
The Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Chapel Hill, North Carolina
- 2016-18** **Teaching Scholar**
Department of Sociology and Anthropology, North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina
- 2015-16** **MacArthur Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow**
Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. Stanford, California

- 2014-15 Stanton Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow**
Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. Stanford, California
- 2008-13 Graduate Part Time Instructor (GPTI)**
Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
The Instructor of Record for 2 lower-division and 1 upper-division anthropology courses
- 2004-13 Teaching Assistant**
Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
TA for 18 anthropology courses
- 2004-08 Research Assistant**
Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
Global Pharmaceuticals, Brazil

Affiliations

- 2024- Co-Director of Russian and Eurasian Area Studies Program**
Walker Institute, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2023- Consultant**
Norwegian People's Aid: "Global Needs Assessment after Nuclear-Weapons Testing: Addressing the Impact of Soviet Testing in Kazakhstan and Novaya Zemlya." Oslo, Norway
- 2019-24 Visiting Researcher**
Danish Institute for International Studies; Peace and Violence. Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2018- Faculty Associate**
Walker Institute, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Books – Monograph

- Forth. **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** *Atomic Collective: Radioactive Life in Kazakhstan.* Toronto, Canada: University of Toronto Press. (in press, May 2025)

Articles & Book Chapters

- Forth. Goldstein, Donna and **Magdalena Stawkowski.** "Of Drosophila, Butterflies, and Men: The Scientific Meaning of Extrapolation Across the Human-Insect Divide." *Journal of the History of Biology.*
- Forth. **Stawkowski, Magdalena** and Donna Goldstein. "The Scientific Meaning of Extrapolation Across the Human-Insect Divide." In Timothy Oakes ed., *Living in Nuclear Asia: Sociotechnical Perspectives on Nuclear Power Development, Risk, and Vulnerability.* Toronto: University of Toronto Press.
- Forth. **Stawkowski, Magdalena** and Davide Orsini. "Permanence in Ruins: Anthropology and "Post-Cold War" Life." *History and Anthropology.*
- Forth. **Stawkowski, Magdalena** and Dana Yermolyonok. "Addressing the Impact of Soviet Nuclear Testing in Kazakhstan and Novaya Zemlya." In *Is It Safe? A Framework Study for Assessing Needs for Victim Assistance and Environmental Remediation from Nuclear-Weapons Testing.* Oslo, Norway: Norwegian People's Aid.

- Forth. **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Spectral Sovereignty and Toxic Legacies Haunting Landscapes of Nuclear and Biological Contamination in Kazakhstan.” *Journal of Disaster Studies*.
- 2023 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “The Town that Fell Asleep: Malignant Infrastructures of Soviet-era Nuclear Ruins in Kazakhstan.” In Jacob Darwin Hamblin and Linda Marie Richards, eds., *Making the Unseen Visible: Science and the Contested Histories of Radiation Exposure*. Corvallis: Oregon State University Press. Pp. 92-106. <https://doi.org/10.1353/book.119293>
- 2023 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Manipulative Statecraft: The Disinformation Campaigns and Presidential Powers of Trump and Putin.” In Donna Goldstein and Kristen Drybread, eds., *Corruption and Illiberal Politics in the Trump Era*. Abington: Routledge. Pp. 182-200. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003152729>
- 2017 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Life on an Atomic Collective: The Post-Soviet Retreat of the State in Rural Kazakhstan.” *Études Rurales*. 200(2):196-219. <https://doi.org/10.4000/etudesrurales.11762>
- 2017 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Radiophobia Had to Be Reinvented.” *Culture, Theory and Critique*. 58(4):357-374, special issue “Invisible Harm.” <https://doi.org/10.1080/14735784.2017.1356740>
- 2017 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Everyday Radioactive Goods? Economic Development at Semipalatinsk, Kazakhstan.” *The Journal of Asian Studies*. 76(2):423-436, special issue “Catastrophic Asia.” <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0021911817000079>
- 2016 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “I am a Radioactive Mutant”: Emergent Biological Subjectivities at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site.” *American Ethnologist*. 43(1):144-157. <https://doi.org/10.1111/amet.12269>
- Winner of the 2017 American Anthropological Association Soyuz article prize
- 2015 Goldstein, Donna and **Magdalena Stawkowski.** “James V. Neel and Yuri E. Dubrova: Cold War Debates and the Genetic Effects of Low-Dose Radiation.” *Journal of the History of Biology*. 48(1):67-98. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10739-014-9385-0>

NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 **Stawkowski, Magdalena,** Stephanie Hopkins, and Elizabeth Alvarez. “Kazakhstan Physical Distancing Policies and Epidemiology from January – September 2020: A Case Report.” *Policy Frameworks and Epidemiology of COVID-19 Working Group*. Hamilton, Ontario: McMaster University. <https://covid19-policies.healthsci.mcmaster.ca/research/publications/>
- 2024 **Stawkowski, Magdalena,** Janany Gunabalasingam, Stephanie E. Hopkins, and Elizabeth Alvarez. “Denmark Physical Distancing Policies and Epidemiology from January – September 2020: A Case Report.” *Policy Frameworks and Epidemiology of COVID-19 Working Group*. Hamilton, Ontario: McMaster University. <https://covid19-policies.healthsci.mcmaster.ca/research/publications/>
- 2024 **Stawkowski, Magdalena** and Donna Goldstein. “Of Drosophila, Butterflies and Men: The Scientific Meaning of Extrapolation Across the Human-Animal Divide.” In *Fallout: Asian Networks of Nuclearity*. Boulder, Colorado: University of Colorado Boulder. <https://www.colorado.edu/cas/sites/default/files/attached-files/stawkawskigoldstein.pdf>
- 2022 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Kazakhstan’s Legacy of Nuclear Testing and Its Post-Soviet Nuclear Future.” *Nonproliferation Review*. Book Review, *Atomic Steppe: How Kazakhstan Gave Up the Bomb*. Stanford: Stanford University Press. Togzhan Kassenova. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10736700.2022.2117885>
- 2022 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Foreword: The Atomic Now.” In Livia Monnet ed. *Toxic Immanence: Decolonizing Nuclear Legacies and Futures*. Montreal: McGill-Queen’s University Press. Pp. xv-xvii.

- 2022 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** COVID-19 Policies and Epidemiology Database on Policy Relevant Factors: Denmark and Kazakhstan. *Policy Frameworks and Epidemiology of COVID-19 Working Group*. Hamilton, Ontario: McMaster University.
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fGFkplp2e0ie9g5pVn15PNMLlslLYE1s6YJXITxzyg8/edit#gid=0>
- 2021 Androus, Zachary, **Magdalena Stawkowski**, and Robert Kopack. “Introduction: Theorising Special Territorial Status and Extraterritoriality.” In Zachary Androus, Magdalena Stawkowski, and Robert Kopack eds., Special Issue Theorising Special Territorial Status and Extraterritoriality. *Culture, Theory and Critique*. 62(1-2):1-6. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14735784.2021.1942109>
- 2021 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “L’indemnisation des Victimes des Essais Nucléaires aux États-Unis et en Russie.” [Compensation to Victims of Nuclear Tests in the United States and Russia]. *European Center for Research on Risk, the Law of Collective Accidents and Disasters*. Université Haute-Alsace, France.
- 2020 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “Forgotten Ground Zeros: Local Populations Exposed to Radiation from Former Nuclear Test Sites.” *Danish Institute for International Studies Policy Brief*. April 16. Online: <https://www.diis.dk/node/23937>
- Winner of the 2023 Society of Medical Anthropology ARHE Policy Brief Award
- 2016 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** “The Continuing Danger of Semipalatinsk.” *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*. October 6. Online: <https://thebulletin.org/2016/10/the-continuing-danger-of-semipalatinsk/>

EXTERNAL GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS (External Funding: \$1,137,376, with \$271,424 credited to me)

- Pend. National Science Foundation #2447256: “Boca Chica and the Road to Mars: Cultural Geography, Land Use Policy, and the Impacts of SpaceX in South Texas.” Co-PI with PI Robert Kopack. Total grant budget: \$316,582; share of funding: \$36,582. (Pending decision).
- 2024 *Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES)*. First Book Subvention Winner for *Atomic Collective: Radioactive Life in Kazakhstan*. (\$2500 paid directly to the University of Toronto Press).
- 2022 *Wenner-Gren Foundation*. Hunt Postdoctoral Fellowship. Project title: *Mutant Encounters: Radioactive Life on the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan*. Project nr: Gr. 10187. Fall 2022 to Spring 2023. (PI; \$40,000).
- 2018 *Danish Council for Independent Research* in collaboration with the Danish Institute for International Studies. Project title: *Radioactive Ruins: Security in the Age of the Anthropocene*. Project nr: 8019-00020A. Three-year multi-sited research project Spring 2019 to Spring 2024. PI: Rens Van Munster and Lis Kaiser. (PI; \$893,925; co-PI/consultant participant share \$156,000).
- 2013 *Nuclear Proliferation International History Project, Wilson Center*. Ten-day immersion seminar in Allumiere, Italy. Funded Summer. (Tuition and fees covered; estimated \$5000).
- 2012 *Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Eurasia Program Dissertation Development Award Fellowship*. Project title: *Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*. Dissertation write-up. Fall 2012 to Fall 2013. (PI; awarded \$21,000; \$15,473 received due to other funding).
- 2012 *P.E.O. Scholar Award*. Project nr: 5711. Grant awarded for dissertation write-up. Fall 2012 to Fall 2013. (PI; \$15,000).

- 2011 *The International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX), Individual Advanced Research Opportunities Program (IARO)*. Fall 2010 to Fall 2011. Fellowship awarded for dissertation research in Kazakhstan. (PI; \$21,951).
- 2011 *Museums Community and Collaborations Abroad Educational Grant* for the Atomic Testing Museum (Nevada) and the Karaganda EcoMuseum in Kazakhstan titled: “Nuclear Weapons Testing Legacy: The Tale of Two Cultures.” Consulted on the project to produce a joint documentary film on nuclear testing. Co-Investigators: Dimitry Kalmykov. (co-PI; Museums were funded \$120,000 for project support).
- 2010 Recipient of the *National Science Foundation REG (Research Experiences for Graduates) Supplement* grant to Professor Donna Goldstein’s “Global, National, and Local Articulations: The Case of Pharmaceutical Policies in Argentina and Mexico” NSF grant. The title of the project is “Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan.” Funded Fall 2009-Spring 2010. (PI; \$5,000).
- 2007 Recipient of *Kosciuszko Foundation Grant* for research on Polish Diaspora in Kazakhstan. (PI; \$3,000).
- 2006 Summer Workshop in Slavic, East European and Central Asian Languages (SWSEEL) award for a summer study of Kazakh language. Tuition and Stipend. (PI; \$10,000).

INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS (Total Internal Funding: \$44,267)

- 2024 *Excel Funding Program*. Project title: *Radioactive Pastures: Livestock Breeding on the Soviet-era Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan*. Project nr. 135900-24-66456. Spring 2024 to Spring 2025. (PI; \$17,740).
- 2024 University of South Carolina College of Arts and Sciences Book Manuscript Finalization Support. (\$3000)
- 2012 *Graduate School Dissertation Completion Fellowship*. Grant used for dissertation write-up. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$9527 plus tuition and fees; estimated total \$15,527).
- 2011 Recipient of the *Goldstein Altman Award*, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$1500).
- 2009 Recipient of the *Albert E. Smith Fund for the New Nuclear Age* related research. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2000).
- 2009 Recipient of the *Goldstein Altman Award*, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2500).
- 2008 Recipient of the *Albert E. Smith Fund for the New Nuclear Age* related research. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2000).
- 2007 Graduate Preliminary Research Grant, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2500).
- 2006 Co-Recipient of the *Center to Advance Research and Teaching in the Social Sciences (CARTSS) Grant*, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$1000).
- 2006 Graduate Preliminary Research Grant, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2500).

CONFERENCE PAPERS AT NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2024 “*Tritium as a Silenced Contaminant: Scientific Consensus in the Absence of Inquiry.*” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 20-23. Tampa, Florida.
- 2022 “*Manipulative Statecraft: The Disinformation Campaigns and Presidential Powers of Trump and Putin.*” Society for Linguistic Anthropology, Spring Conference, April 7-9. Boulder, Colorado.
- 2021 “*Nuclear Waste: Landscapes and Timescapes*” The Political Ecology Society: The Society for Applied Anthropology Meetings, March 23-27. Norfolk, Virginia | Zoom. Invited presenter.
- 2019 “*Doctor’s Orders, Fifty Grams of Vodka: Normalizing Ill Health and Residual Radioactivity on the Soviet-Era Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.*” The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, November 23-26. San Francisco, California.
- 2019 “*Former Closed Cities in Kazakhstan: Governance and the New Political Economies of Industrial Reinvestment and Decline.*” Island Dynamics, Extraterritoriality Conference, January 20-25. Svalbard, Norway.
- 2018 “*Post-Nuclear Affects and Close Encounters at Kazakhstan’s Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site.*” The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, December 6-9. Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2018 “*The Nuclear Neverland: Toward Kazakhstan’s New Economic Plan.*” European International Studies Society. September 12-15. Prague, Czech Republic.
- 2018 “*Ethnography in Toxic Places.*” The Canadian Anthropology Society, May 16-20. Santiago de Cuba, Cuba.
- 2017 “*The Nuclear Never-Land: Towards Kazakhstan’s New Economic Plan.*” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 28-December 3. Washington, D.C.
- 2017 “*Summoning the Past: Contestations of Matter, Space, and Time in the Reproduction of State Power.*” Discussant and Presenter: “*Life on an Atomic Collective.*” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 28-December 3. Washington, D.C.
- 2017 “*Radiophobia and the Soviet Legacies of Nuclear Toxicity.*” Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting. March 28-April 1. Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- 2015 “*Life Among “Radioactive Microbes”: Survival on the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site.*” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 18-22. Denver, Colorado.
- 2014 “*Experimental Rabbits: Replicating Western Radiation Studies in Kazakhstan.*” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 20-23. Washington, D.C.
- 2014 “*We Have Adapted to Radiation: Emergent Subjectivities and Health Strategies among Rural Kazakhs at Semipalatinsk.*” The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies. November 20-23. San Antonio, Texas.
- 2012 “*Clean Air Is Our Death”: Emerging Health Strategies on a post-Soviet Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 13-18. San Francisco, California.
- 2012 “*Radioactive Knowledge: ‘Self-Help’ in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan.*” The Association of Central Eurasian Students Conference. March 3. Bloomington, Indiana.

- 2009 *“Inverse Interpretation of Soviet Nuclear Testing in Kazakhstan.”* Memory and Truth Interdisciplinary Conference, University of Colorado Boulder. September 25-26. Boulder, Colorado.
- 2008 *“Lolita as Homo Sacer: Violence and Sacrifice”* American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages. December 27-30. San Francisco, California.
- 2008 *“Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan.”* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 19-23. San Francisco, California.

PANELS ORGANIZED AT NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2018 *“Authoritarian Science and the Search for Ideal Research Populations.”* Conference panel co-organizer with Donna Goldstein (University of Colorado Boulder): *“Temporalities of Toxicity.”* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 14-18. San Jose, California.
- 2016 *“Radiophobia and Radiophobes: Kazakhstan’s Nuclear Futures.”* Conference panel co-organizer with Vasilina Orlova (University of Texas Austin): *“Affect and the Materiality of Ruins: Radioactive Subjects, Contested Futures, and Evidence of Lost Worlds.”* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 16-20, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2015 *“Social and Environmental Legacies of Cartographic Invisibility.”* Conference panel organizer and discussant. The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Annual Convention. November 19-22. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2013 *“Na Zdorovye”: The Medicinal Properties of Vodka On a Nuclear Test Site.”* Conference panel organizer, chair, and presenter. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 18-24, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012 *Ethnography and Biography: The Practice and Product of Writing Lives*, graduate student interdisciplinary conference organizer. September 28-29, University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado.

INVITED LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

- 2025 *Indiana University, Environmental Futures Program.* “Ecologies of Waste Symposium.” Bloomington, Indiana. February 7. Invited presenter.
- 2025 *Cornell University, Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies.* “Nuclear Colonialism and Its Discontents.” Ithaca, New York | Zoom. February 6. Invited presenter.
- 2024 *Norwegian People’s Aid.* “Global Needs Assessment after Nuclear Weapons Testing.” Presentation: “Kazakhstan and Novaya Zemlya.” Oslo, Norway | Zoom. March 18. Invited presenter.
- 2023 *University of Central Florida, Department of Anthropology.* “Atomic Collective: Radioactive Life on the Polygon.” Orlando, Florida | Zoom. October 29. Invited speaker.
- 2023 *University of Colorado Boulder, The Center for Asian Studies.* “Fallout: Asian Networks of Nuclearity.” Paper title: “Of Mice, Beagles, Butterflies, Drosophila and Humans: Extrapolation and Radiation Effects Across the Human-Animal-Insect Divide.” Boulder, Colorado. October 26. Invited presenter.
- 2023 *University of St. Andrews, Department of Anthropology.* “Embracing Radiation on the Semipalatinsk Test Site in Kazakhstan.” St. Andrews, Scotland | Zoom. March 14. Invited speaker.
- 2023 *University of Arkansas, Department of History.* “From Hiroshima to Fukushima: Nuclear Security in Asia.” Fayetteville, Arkansas | Zoom. January 27. Invited speaker.

- 2022 *Harvard University, Kennedy Belfer Center | Harvard University Center for the Environment*. “Managing the Atom: Withstanding the Test: Social, Political, and Cultural Responses to Nuclear Testing in Indigenous Communities.” Cambridge, Massachusetts | Zoom. December 2. Invited presenter.
- 2022 *Nazarbayev University*. “Mutant Subjectivities”: Survival and Health Strategies at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan. Astana, Kazakhstan | Zoom. February 9. Invited presenter.
- 2021 *University of South Wales, Department of History*. “Nuclear History and the Archive.” Caerleon, Wales. Online workshop | Zoom. September 7. Invited workshop/seminar participant and presenter.
- 2021 *Stanford University, Department of History*. “Soviet Environmentalism.” Stanford, California | Zoom. March 4. Invited seminar lecturer.
- 2020 *European Center for Research on Risk, the Law of Collective Accidents and Disasters (CERDAAC)*. “Compensation to Victims of Nuclear Tests in the United States and Russia.” Université Haute-Alsace. Mulhouse, France | Zoom. November 20. Invited presenter.
- 2020 *Environmental Humanities*. “Radioactive Life: Survival on the Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.” Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg. Freiburg, Germany | Zoom. July 20. Invited speaker, seminar talk.
- 2020 *Docs & Talks*. The Anthropocene/Radioactive Ruins. Cinemateket (multimedia project). Copenhagen, Denmark. February 3. Invited presenter/collaborator.
- 2020 *INALCO*. “Mutant Biologies and Health Strategies at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.” *History and Memories of the Centre d’Experimentation du Pacifique*. INALCO. Paris, France. January 27. Invited presenter.
- 2019 *The Explorers Club, South Carolina Chapter*. “Adapting to Radiation on an Atomic Landscape: Living and Working at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.” Columbia, South Carolina. September 13. Invited presenter.
- 2019 *Centre for Technology, Innovation and Culture*. “Economic Development of the Soviet-Era Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.” University of Oslo. Oslo, Norway. June 12. Invited speaker, seminar talk.
- 2019 *Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies*. “Residual Radiation as a Banal Everyday Occurrence: The Case of the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.” Stanford University. Stanford, California. May 10. Invited presenter.
- 2019 *Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies*. “Economic Development of the Soviet-Era Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.” Stanford University. Stanford, California. May 9. Invited speaker, public talk.
- 2019 *South Carolina Anthropology Student Conference*. “Ethnography in Toxic Places.” University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina. April 13. Invited keynote speaker.
- 2018 *Genetic Engineering and Society Center*. “Mutant Biologies: Survival and Health Strategies at Kazakhstan’s Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site.” North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina. January 23. Invited presenter.
- 2016 “*Moral Economies of Medicine Working Group*.” University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. October 14. Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Invited seminar presenter.

- 2016 *“Pollution Revisited: Boundaries, Knowledge, and Experience.”* Stanford University. May 5. Stanford, California. Invited workshop participant and seminar presenter.
- 2016 *“Chernobyl: 30 Years After.”* Stanford University. April 28. Stanford, California. Invited roundtable discussant.
- 2016 *“Futures and Ruins: A Workshop on Crisis and Possibility.”* Duke University. March 25-26. Durham, North Carolina. Invited workshop participant and presenter.
- 2015 *“I am a Radioactive Mutant: Post-Human Adaptation at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site.”* Hamilton College. October 7. Clinton, New York. Invited speaker.
- 2015 *“Forsaking the Nuclear Devil and the Opium of the Military Atom: Kazakhstan’s Embrace of Uranium Futures.”* Workshop: Sheila Jasanoff: Technology and Democracy: Imagining and Designing Futures. Stanford University. May 8, 2015. Stanford, California. Invited workshop participant.
- 2014 *“From Mutant Butterflies to Mutant Subjectivities: Everyday Survival on the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site.”* Workshop: Nuclear Landscapes in Eastern Europe and Asia: Knowledge—Practices—Social Change. Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg. November 27-28. Heidelberg, Germany. Invited speaker and workshop participant.
- 2014 *“Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan, or (alternatively) Adapted to Radiation?: Mutant Genes and Subjectivities in Semipalatinsk, Kazakhstan.”* Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC). Stanford University. November 13. Stanford, California. Invited speaker.
- 2014 *“Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan.”* Stanton Foundation Nuclear Security Seminar. October 15-17. Washington, D.C. Invited speaker and seminar participant.
- 2014 *Nuclear Proliferation International History Project, Wilson Center.* Eight-day workshop in Stanford University. September 6-14. Stanford, California. Invited speaker and participant.
- 2014 *“Radiation Adaptation: Emergent Subjectivities and Health Strategies Among Indigenous Kazakhs at Semipalatinsk.”* Center for Asian Studies: Catastrophic Asia Symposium. University of Colorado Boulder. April 4. Boulder, Colorado. Invited speaker.
- 2012 *“Disease at the Edges of a Nuclear Test Site: Emerging Health Strategies in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan.”* Center for Asian Studies. University of Colorado Boulder. April 3. Boulder, Colorado. Invited speaker.
- 2011 *“Two Decades without Nuclear Weapons Testing.”* Invited Round Table Discussion Participant. The Atomic Testing Museum. September 1. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2007 *“In a Distant Siberian Steppe: Polish Diaspora in Kazakhstan.”* Indiana University. July 27. Bloomington, Indiana. Invited speaker.

HONORS & RECOGNITION

- 2023 Winner of Policy Brief Professional Award from the Society for Medical Anthropology Anthropological Responses to Health Emergencies (ARHE) (September 15).
- 2023 McCausland Faculty Fellow, recognizing committed teachers and rising stars in their academic discipline. (three-year fellowship beginning Fall 2023).

- 2017 Winner of the Soyuz article prize, recognizing outstanding article in postsocialist studies by a junior scholar: "I am a Radioactive Mutant": Emerging Biological Subjectivities at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site." *American Ethnologist*. 43(1):144-157.
- 2013 Awarded the *Haskell-Houghtelin* Scholarship for scholarly service to the department and broader engagement with the discipline of anthropology. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2013 Nominated for the Graduate Part-Time Instructor (GPTI) Teaching Excellence Award. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2012 Nominated for the Graduate Part-Time Instructor (GPTI) Teaching Excellence Award. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2011 Awarded for outstanding contribution to the anti-nuclear movement. Recognized by Olzhas Suleimenov, the Ambassador of Kazakhstan to UNESCO, Kazakh poet, and the founder of the Nevada-Semipalatinsk Anti-Nuclear Movement in Kazakhstan.
- 2007 Master's Degree with Distinction, Department of Anthropology. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Courses

- *Understanding Other Cultures* (100-level)
- *Cultural Anthropology* (200-level)-substantially revised
- *Humans Going Nuclear: Atomic Bombs, Cold War, and the Fallout* (200-level/core)
- *Anthropology of Central Asia* (300-level)
- *Pandemic: Life and Death in the Time of COVID-19* (300-level; Spring 2021)
- *Disease, Health and Social Inequities* (300-level)
- *Global Women's Health* (300-level)
- *Toxic Environments and Invisible Harms* (300-level)
- *Anthropology of Global Health* (300-level)
- *Medical Anthropology* (500-level)

Graduate Courses

- *Medical Anthropology* (500-level)
- *Anthropological Inquiry* (700-level)

Student Mentoring

Chair: PhD Dissertations

Morgan Carroll: Title: TBD (In Progress)

Chair: Masters Theses

Sami Real: "Essential Empowerment: Latino Migrant Workers and Community Partnerships in North Carolina during the COVID-19 Pandemic" (all but thesis completed)

Chair: Undergraduate Honors Theses

Lily Eppes: “Hungry for Knowledge: A Comprehensive Study of Food Insecurity in College Students at the University of South Carolina” (In progress).

Dalton Bridges: “Atomic Utopia: Nuclear Power at the Oconee Power Station in Seneca, South Carolina.” (Completed May 2023)

Megan Chambers: “Silence as Violence: The Failures of Government Response to Nuclear Hazards at the Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility” (Completed December 2020)

Kinsey Besser and Kaleigh Lingman: “When I Do Fail, I Feel Like a Moron”: An Account of Imposter Syndrome Among South Carolina Honors College Students” (Completed December 2019)

Committee Member: PhD Dissertations

Aimee Herring: Title: “Lithuania, Citizenship, and the New Migration Landscape” (Chair: Jennifer Reynolds; In progress)

Larissa Daniels-Hill: Title: “The Intersections of Racialized Stress: 20th-Century “Black” Americans in the Hamann-Todd Osteological Collection” (Chair: Carlina de la Cova; In progress)

Preston Kerns: “An Anthropological Analysis of the Opioid Epidemic in South Carolina: Cultural Perceptions Surrounding Opioid Use Disorder and Overdose Among Emergency Healthcare Providers” (Chair: David Simmons; In progress)

Emily Brennan: “Histories of Stress: A Life Course Approach to Population Health in Medieval Germany” (Chair: Sharon DeWitte; Completed March 2024)

Charles Mabelitini: “British Fortification Strategy in the South Carolina Backcountry during the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution: Archaeological and Historical Perspectives on Infrastructure and Landscape” (Chair: Stephen McBride; Completed March 2024)

External Committee Member: PhD Dissertations

Maksat Zhanibek: “Teaching History of Nuclear Explosions at the Semipalatinsk Test Site (1949-1991) in Modern History of Kazakhstan.” Kazakh Humanitarian-Legal Innovative University of Semey, Kazakhstan. (Chair: Arafat Mamyrbekov); In progress)

Committee Member: Masters Theses

Yichi Zhang: Title: “Play Softcore in a Hard Way: The Softcore Sexual Transaction Behind Virtual Lover Service on Chinese Social Media.” (Chair: Marc Moskowitz; In progress)

David Hansen: “Dying of Pestilence: Gender, Stature and Mortality during a Plague Epidemic in 14th Century Kyrgyzstan (Chair: Sharon DeWitte; Completed June 2022)

Patrick McKenzie: “Life in the Time of COVID-19: The Everyday Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic in Amman, Jordan (Chair: Jessica Barnes and David Kneas; Completed May 2022)

Committee Member: Honors Theses

McLean Brown: Title: “Kazakh Means Freedom”— Kazakh Language Policy and National Identity Before and During the Ukraine War. (Chair: Judith Kalb; Completed April 2024)

Jacob Miller: “Secrecy, Conspiracy, and the Media During the CIA-Contra Affair.” (Chair: Jennifer Reynolds; Completed May 2022)

Ashley Fellers: “The Health and Environmental Effects of Ionizing Radiation in Chernobyl.” (Chair: Timothy Mousseau; Completed May 2019)

Spencer Hardwick: “Death of a Beer Salesman: How Changing Consumer Tastes are Shaking Up the Beer Industry.” (Chair: Sandy Strick; Completed May 2019)

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

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| 2021 | Co-created the Medical Anthropology Minor, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Carolina (in Spring 2021 USC catalog) |
| 2020 | Created ethnographic field school in Kazakhstan at the USC Global Carolina; experiential learning |
| 2019 | Teaching Towards Inclusive Excellence Certificate, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |
| 2019 | Fostering Proactive Learning Environment Certificate, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |

SERVICE & OUTREACH**Department Service**

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| 2024- | Ad-Hoc graduate curriculum committee member. Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |
| 2023 | Ad-Hoc internal chair search committee member. Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |
| 2023 | Ad-Hoc department bylaws committee member. Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |
| 2021 | Co-created the Medical Anthropology Minor, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Carolina (in Spring 2021 USC catalog) |
| 2020-21 | Ad-Hoc merit committee member. Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |
| 2019- | Advisor for Anthropology Graduate Organization for Research, Action, and Ethics (AGORAE). Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina (active) |
| 2018-22 | Faculty colloquium co-organizer. Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina |

- 2016 Curriculum Committee. Department of Sociology and Anthropology, North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina
- 2013 Graduate student representative on the Assistant Professor job search committee. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
- 2008 *Holocaust Film Series* member, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
- 2007 *Ethnographic Methods in Anthropology Colloquium Series* co-founder, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
- 2004-06 *Brown Bag Committee* member whose role was to arrange speaker series for faculty and graduate students, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, Colorado

College Service

- 2024- Committee Member (in lieu of Director) for Russian and Eurasian Studies Program Walker Institute, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2024 Excel Funding Program reviewer. College of Arts and Sciences. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2019 Support to Promote Advancement of Research and Creativity (SPARC) graduate research grant review committee member. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2018 Assessor for the Program in International Studies. North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 2018 *Polish Week* co-organizer. The Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Chapel Hill, North Carolina
- 2015 Interdisciplinary nuclear reading group organizer. Sanford University. Stanford, California
- 2013 Co-founder and graduate student representative of the *Survival in Nuclear Age Initiative*, the Center to Advance Research and Teaching in Social Science (CARTSS) sponsored program, University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
- 2012 *The Center to Advance Research and Teaching in Social Sciences (CARTSS)* graduate student representative board member, University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
- 2009 *CU Center to Advance Research and Teaching in Social Sciences (CARTSS)*, graduate student representative board member, University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, Colorado

University Service

- 2024- Boren Student Scholarship Committee member. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2023 Producer of campus-wide event: silent film “The Ancient Law” (1923), with live-accompaniment by Grammy-winning violinist, Alicia Svigals and celebrated film pianist, Donald Sosin. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina (November 13)

- 2023 Boren Student Scholarship Committee member. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2022 Fulbright Campus Committee regional expert evaluator. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2021-22 Boren Student Scholarship Committee member. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2020-21 Carolina Judicial Council faculty representative. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2020 Fulbright Campus Committee regional expert evaluator. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2019 Producer of campus-wide event: silent film “The Yellow Ticket” (1918), with live-accompaniment by Grammy-winning violinist, Alicia Svigals and Canadian pianist, Marilyn Lerner. Columbia, University of South Carolina (March 31)

Other Synergistic Activities

- 2024 Established Kazakh-U.S. University Consortium Partnership Program
- 2024 Consultant for ProactiveMD. Greenville, South Carolina

PEER-REVIEWER

Journal Reviewer

- 2024 Reviewer for *Anthropology Quarterly*
- 2024 Reviewer for *Ethnologica Europea*
- 2024 Reviewer for *Development Policy Review*
- 2024 Reviewer for *PLOS One*
- 2022 Reviewer for *Nonproliferation Review*
- 2021 Reviewer for *Cahiers du Monde Russe*
- 2020 Reviewer for *American Anthropologist*
- 2019 Reviewer for *Ethnos: Journal of Anthropology*
- 2019 Reviewer for *Cahiers du Monde Russe*
- 2018 Reviewer for *Laboratorium*
- 2016 Reviewer for *American Ethnologist*
- 2016 Reviewer for *Culture, Theory and Critique*

Research Grant Proposal Reviewer

- 2020 Grant reviewer for *Oak Ridge Associated Universities: Nazarbayev University Research Council*
- 2019 Grant reviewer for *National Science Centre, Poland*

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 2024 University of South Carolina. [Anthropologist Proposes Changes to Radiation Zone Policies](#). *College of Arts and Sciences News*. January 3.
- 2023 [Can Kazakhstan Bury Its Nuclear Past?](#) *Foreign Policy*. Cheryl Reed, January 28.

- 2022 Evans, Clay Bonnyman. [Fifteen Scholars Weigh Trump ‘Corruption’](#). *Colorado Arts and Sciences Magazine*. University of Colorado, Boulder. Clay Bonnyman Evans. October 6.
- 2020 [Jeg en er Radioaktiv Mutant](#). *Weekendavisen*. Anne Sand Jensen. February 28. (Denmark)
- 2019 *The Explorers Log: Profile*. James Barton. October.
- 2019 *SRB Podcast, Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies (The Eurasian Knot) at University of Pittsburgh*. [The Radioactive Mutants of Semipalatinsk](#). Sean Guillory, October 10.
- 2019 [Soviet Nuclear Program Leaves Grim Legacy](#). *KBIA Radio, NPR affiliate*. Jason McLure, July 11.
- 2016 2016. “No Polygon, No Problem.” David Mould, in *Postcards from Stanland: Journeys in Central Asia*. Athens: Ohio University Press. p. 233-257.
- 2012 [Nuclear Radiation: A Life Shaped in its Shadow](#). *CBCRadio Dispatches*. Rick MacInnes-Rae, February 9.
- 2012 [Warming to Life in the Hot Zone](#). *Times Higher Education*. David Mould, January 12. p. 41-43.
- 2011 [Soviet Nuclear Legacy surfaces at Atomic Museum](#). *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. Keith Rogers, Sept. 3.
- 2011 [Tras el Sueno Atomico de la URSS](#). *El Pais*. Pilar Bonet, July 7.
- 2011 [In Kazakhstan, the Grass is Greener on a Nuclear Test Site](#). *Transitions Online*. David Mould, June 9.

LANGUAGES

Polish (native); Russian (fluent); English (fluent); Kazakh (basic/reading)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Anthropological Association (member since 2004)
- American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages (member since 2005)
- Anthropology and Environment Society (member since 2006)
- Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (member since 2005)
- Central Eurasian Studies Society (member since 2007)
- European International Studies Association (member since 2017)
- Society for Applied Anthropology (member since 2014)
- Society for Cultural Anthropology (member since 2004)
- Society for Medical Anthropology (member since 2007)
- Society for Social Studies of Science (member since 2016)
- The Canadian Anthropology Society (member since 2017)