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## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Poverty, Children and Childhoods, Tourism, International Aid/Charity/Assistance, Child Labor, NGOs, Volunteering, Political Economy, Affectivity, Development, Modernity, Indigeneity, Urban Anthropology, Peru, Andes, Latin America

## EDUCATION

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| 2004-2011 | University of California, Santa Cruz<br><i>PhD Candidate, Cultural Anthropology</i><br><i>Designated Emphasis, Latin American and Latino Studies</i><br><b>Dissertation:</b> "Appeals of Childhood: Child Vendors, Volunteer Tourists, and Visions of Aid in Cusco, Peru"<br><b>Committee:</b> Mark Anderson (Chair), Donald Brenneis, Melissa Caldwell, Kent Eaton | Santa Cruz, CA          |
| 2004-2006 | University of California, Santa Cruz<br><i>MA, Anthropology</i>   | Santa Cruz, CA          |
| 2000-2004 | University of British Columbia<br><i>BA Honors, Anthropology</i>  | Vancouver, BC, Canada   |
| 2003      | University of Queensland<br><i>Educational Semester Abroad</i>  | Brisbane, QL, Australia |

## ACADEMIC HONORS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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| 2010       | Chancellor's Dissertation Year Fellowship<br><i>University of California</i>                              |
| 2007       | Fulbright Program Research Grant<br><i>US Students Fulbright Program</i>                                  |
| 2007       | Dissertation Research Grant<br><i>University of California Pacific Rim Research Program</i>               |
| 2007       | TA Sabbatical Fellowship<br><i>University of California, Santa Cruz</i>                                   |
| 2005, 2006 | Summer Research Travel Grants<br><i>Department of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz</i>  |
| 2006       | Mini-Grant Recipient, for Summer Research<br><i>University of California Pacific Rim Research Program</i> |

- 2005 Honorable Mention: Graduate Research Fellowship Program  
*National Science Foundation*
- 2004 Regent's Fellowship  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*
- 2004 Sentinel Prize in Anthropology  
*University of British Columbia*
- 2004 Dean's List  
*University of British Columbia*
- 2003 Hugh M. Brock Education Abroad Scholarship  
*University of British Columbia*
- 2003 Member of Golden Key International Honor Society  
*University of British Columbia Chapter*

#### PUBLICATIONS

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- Under review "Connection and Disillusion: The Moral Economy of Volunteer Tourism in Cusco, Peru." *Childhoods Today*.
- 2011 "The Visual Economy of Andean Childhood Poverty: Interpreting Postcards in Cusco, Peru." Co-authored with Michael Hill. *The Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 16(1):120-149.
- 2008 "Expressions of Childhood and Poverty in a Peruvian Children's Center." *Anthropology News* April 2008: 30-31.

#### FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

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- 2010 Supplemental fieldwork in Cusco, Peru
- 2007-2008 Dissertation fieldwork in Cusco, Peru
- 2005, 2006 Summer preliminary dissertation fieldwork in Cusco, Peru

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- 2010-2011 **Adjunct Instructor** (designed and taught course)  
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology  
*Modesto Junior College, California*
- 2010 **Instructor** (designed and taught course)  
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- 2009 - Anthropology of Children and Childhoods  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*
- 2009 **Teaching Assistant** (facilitated discussion sections, graded, assisted in exam and assignment preparation, consulted with students)  
- Culture Through Food (Anthropology)  
- Politics and Society: Concepts and Methods  
(Latin American and Latino Studies)

- 2007 - Culture Through Food (Anthropology)  
 - Feminist Cinemas (Latin American and Latino Studies)
- 2006 - Political Change in Mexico (Latin American and Latino Studies)  
 - Introduction to Latin American and Latino Studies  
 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- 2005 - Introduction to Latin American and Latino Studies  
 - Anthropology of Religion  
 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*
- 2010 **Reader** (graded and assisted in the preparation of evaluations)  
 - Consuming Culture (Anthropology)
- 2009 - Culture in Film (Anthropology)  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*
- 2001-2004 **Teacher**, Religious Studies and Hebrew  
*Temple Shalom, Vancouver, BC, Canada*

#### SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

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- 2011 “Cops and Vendors’: Children Negotiating Police in Cusco’s Plaza de Armas”  
*Society for Cross Cultural Research and AAA Children and Childhood Interest Group Joint Meetings, Charleston*
- 2010 “Moral Economies and Gendered Tourists: Intimacy, Care, and Aid in the Volunteer Tourism Industry of Cusco, Peru”  
*American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans*
- 2010 “Circulating Imagery of Andean Childhood Poverty: Vending Postcards in Cusco, Peru”  
*American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans*
- 2010 “Continuing Cosmopolitanism: Career Aspirations among Child Vendors in Cusco, Peru”  
*XXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Toronto*
- 2010 “Connection and Disillusion: Encounters between Local Children and Volunteer Tourists in Cusco, Peru”  
*Exploring Childhood Studies: A Graduate Student Conference, Rutgers-Camden*
- 2009 “Cusco’s Child Vendors: Between Independence, Collaboration, and Coercion”  
*American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia*
- 2009 “Possibilities of Childhood: Visions and Practices in a Peruvian After-school Project”  
*Canadian Anthropological Society Conference, Vancouver*  
 Also presented at: *Emerging Worlds Colloquia/Workshop Series, Santa Cruz*
- 2009 “Cusco’s Child Vendors: Selling Strategies and Official Interference”  
*Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Las Vegas*
- 2009 “Children’s Selling Strategies and Perceptions of Tourists”  
*Tourism Studies Working Group Colloquium, University of California, Berkeley*

- 2009 "Entrepreneurialism and Affectivity: Selling Poverty and Childhood in Cusco"  
*ILASSA Conference, University of Texas at Austin*
- 2008 "Interacciones entre Niños y Turistas en el Cusco"  
*Independent Presentation on Research, Cusco, Peru*
- 2008 "¿Amigo, No Quiere Comprar Títeres? Las Historias de los Niños Vendedores en Cusco"  
*Brown Bag Seminar, Instituto del Perú, Universidad de San Martín de Porres, Lima, Peru*
- 2007 "Child Vendors: Poverty and Childhood in Cusco, Peru"  
*Fulbright Seminar, Lima, Peru*
- 2006 "Coping with Poverty: Children as Conduits for Aid" (poster presentation)  
*American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA*
- 2006 "Impact, Encounter, and Exchange: Rethinking Approaches to Tourism"  
*Latin@/Americans in a Global Context Conference, Santa Cruz*
- 2006 Guest Lecturer, "Poverty and Inequality Senior Seminar"  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*
- 2006 "The Lives of Photographs"  
*Midnight University Conference, Santa Cruz*
- 2004 "Concepts of Tradition and Modernity in Peru"  
*University of British Columbia Undergraduate Multidisciplinary Research Conference, Vancouver*

#### PANELS ORGANIZED

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- 2010 El Qosqo: On Becoming Cosmopolitan  
*XXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Toronto*
- 2009 Children's NGOs: Constructing Childhood and Assistance  
*Canadian Anthropological Society Conference, Vancouver*

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ACADEMIC POSTS

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- 2010-2011 Newsletter Advisory Board Member  
*AAA Anthropology of Children and Childhood Interest Group*
- 2006-2008 Affiliated Investigator, Colegio Andino  
*Centro de Estudios Regionales Andinos Bartolomé de Las Casas, Cusco, Peru*
- 2006-2007 Teaching Assistant Mentor, Department of Anthropology  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*
- 2006 "Latin@/Americans in a Global Context Conference" Working Group  
*University of California, Santa Cruz (Cultural Studies Cluster Conference)*
- 2005-2006 "Roads and Walls Conference" Submissions Committee  
*University of California, Santa Cruz (Anthropology Graduate Student Conference)*

2005-2006 "Midnight University" Steering Committee;  
 "Midnight University" Production Director  
*University of California, Santa Cruz (Anthropology Graduate Student  
 Conference)*

#### RELATED PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

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2007 Editorial Assistant: Assisted with in-text citations and references list  
 Professor Jonathan Fox, Department of Latin American/Latino Studies  
*University of California, Santa Cruz*

#### ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

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##### *Professional Organizations:*

- American Anthropological Association (AAA)
- Canadian Anthropology Society (CASCA)
- Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

##### *Working/Interest Groups:*

- Working Group on Childhood and Migration, Rutgers University
- Society for Urban, National, and Transnational Anthropology  
 Working Group on Poverty, AAA
- Anthropology of Children and Childhood Interest Group, AAA
- NGO and Non-Profit Interest Group, AAA
- Transnational and Local Dynamics in the Andes Research Cluster,  
 Chicano/Latino Research Center, University of California, Santa Cruz
- Global Latinos Cluster, Cultural Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz

#### LANGUAGES

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| French  | <i>excellent comprehension; very good written and spoken</i> |
| Hebrew  | <i>literate</i>  |
| Spanish | <i>excellent comprehension, written and spoken; fluent</i>   |
| Quechua | <i>beginner proficiency</i>                                  |

REFERENCES

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