

CURRICULUM VITAE

1. Biographical

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2. Education

- a. 1989: Ph.D., Anthropology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.
- b. 1982: M.A., Anthropology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.
- c. 1978: B.A. with High Honor, Anthropology; Certificate in Human Needs and Global Resources (HNGR), Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois.

3. Languages

- a. Spanish: speaking--excellent; reading--excellent; writing--excellent.

4. Teaching Experience

- a. 2002-Present: Professor of Anthropology, Westmont College
- b. 1996-2002: Associate Professor of Anthropology, Westmont College.
Granted tenure Spring 1996.
- c. 1990-1996: Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Westmont College.
- d. 1985-1987: Associate Director, Human Needs and Global Resources Program, Wheaton College.

e. 1984-1987: Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology-Anthropology, Wheaton College.

5. Research Experience

a. AImpact of Short-term Health Teams on Health Related Quality of Life;@ co-investigator with Michael N. Dohn, M.D., and Anita L. Dohn, M.D., of the South American Missionary Society (Episcopal Church)in the Dominican Republic; an exploratory and descriptive research project to assess the influence of the services of foreign (U.S.) short term medical teams on patients= health-related quality of life in the Dominican Republic; on-going; publication in process.

b. ACalvin College Life Path Study: Everyday Interactions Affecting Student Choice of Major, Career and Life Path;@ principle investigator; analysis in progress. (Funded by Calvin College.)

c. AFactors Affecting Student Choice of Major, Career, and Life Path at Westmont College: Dimensions of Gender, Ethnicity, and Social Class@ in collaboration with Lisa Studley, M.A. and Brenda Smith, Ph.D. (Funded by Academic Dean's Office, Westmont College, 1994 and by a Faculty Development Grant 2000.); analysis and publication in process.

d. Restudy of dissertation research site in Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico to assess effects of new government agricultural policies and the North American Free Trade Agreement. (Funded by Faculty Development Grant, Westmont College, 1991 and 1995.)

e. Outcome Evaluation Study of the Ophthalmological Surgical Interventions of Surgical Eye Expeditions, Inc. in Hildalgo de Parral, Mexico.(Volunteer Consultant)

f. 1982-1984: Dissertation Research, Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico. (Funded research; see section on grants and awards.)

g. 1980-1981: Graduate Research Assistant, Institute for Family and Child Study, Michigan State University; Project--AFamily Energy Project: Case Studies,@ Willett Kempton, Ph.D., coordinator.

h. 1979: Graduate Research Assistant, Michigan Cultural Resource Center, Michigan State University; Project--AEffects of Pesticides on the Health of Migrant Farm workers,@ Joseph Spielberg, Ph.D., and Scott Whiteford, Ph.D., principal investigators.

i. 1978-1979: Graduate Research Assistant for Arthur Rubel, Ph.D., Department of Anthropology, Michigan State University.

6. Other Professional Activities

a. 2005: Reviewer for Anthropology and Education Quarterly.

b. 2004-2006: Co-chair of Anthropology of Post-Secondary Education, Committee #3 of the

Council for Anthropology and Education--American Anthropological Association.

- c. 2003-Present: Qualified Administrator of the Intercultural Development Inventory.
- d. 1998-Present: Reviewer for Human Organization
- e. 1997-2000: Co-chair of Anthropology of Post-Secondary Education, Committee #3 of the Council for Anthropology and Education--American Anthropological Association.
- f. 1997: Session Co-Organizer for The Ethnography of Higher Education: Understanding Social Stratification, @ Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- g. 1994: Reviewer for Medical Anthropology Quarterly
- h. 1981: Reviewer for and Member of Michigan State University Women in International Development Publications Editorial Board.
- i. 1980: Completed U.S. Agency for International Development seminar on Project Design and Evaluation.@

7. Administrative Experience

- a. 2007: Resident Director of Westmont in Mexico Program
- b. 2006-2007: Member of Program Review Committee and Assessment Coordinator
- c. 2006-2007: Member of Faculty Personnel Committee
- d. 2006-present: Member of Program Subcommittee of the Long Range Planning Task Force
- e. 2005: Resident Director of Westmont in Mexico Program
- f. 2001-2003: Member, Faculty Salary and Benefits Committee
- g. 2000-2001: Member, Off-Campus Programs Committee
- h. 1999-2003; 2004-Present: Chair, Department of Sociology-Anthropology
- i. 1999-2001: Assessment Advisory Committee. Evaluated academic departments= self-studies.
- j. 1999: Member of Evaluation Team for the Ten-Year Review of the Sociology-Anthropology Department, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois.

- k. 1997-1999: Chair of Futures Project Committee at Westmont College. Coordinated the development and implementation of new assessment paradigm for the college=s academic program
- l. 1995-1997: Faculty Fellow of the Futures Project: A Consortium of California Independent Colleges and Universities. Funded by the Irvine Foundation.
- m. 1995-2001: Campus Diversity Committee
- n. 1995-1996: Faculty Research Committee
- o. 1994: Member of Faculty Council.
- p. 1991-1994: Member of Faculty Salary and Benefits Committee.
- q. 1985-1987: Associate Director, Human Needs and Global Resources Program, Wheaton College, Wheaton Illinois.

8. Primary Areas of Specialization

- a. Geographical Areas: Mexico and Central America.
- b. Anthropology of Development: Political economy of development and rural transformation; social impact analysis; role of women in development process; rural-urban migration; agrarian change.
- c. Cultural Ecology: relationship of irrigation practices to social organization; cultural adaptation to ecological crises; relationship between technology and social environment.
- d. Political Economy of Gender, Ethnicity, and Social Class in Higher Education
- e. Medical Anthropology
- f. Cross-Cultural Communication and Sensitivity Training

9. Dissertation Title

The Transformation of the Political Economy of the Mexicali Valley of Northwest Mexico: Ejidatarios, the State, and Ecological Crisis

11. Publications

- a. "Camaraderie, Distraction, and Discouragement: Academics and the Gendered Patterns of Peer Interactions among College Students." *In* J. Canaan and W. Shumar, eds. *Structure and Agency in*

the Neoliberal University. Routledge (forthcoming)

- b. "A New Vision for Short-term Medical Missions in the Americas: Collaborative, Culturally Relevant, Theologically Mature, and Grounded in Primary Health Care" *Journal of Latin American Theology*. (accepted for publication; revising)
- c. 2004 "Conceptualizing Higher Education Students as Social Actors: A Special Issue" *International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education*. (co-edited with Joyce E. Cnaan). 17(6), November-December.
- d. 2004 "Conceptualizing Higher Education Students as Social Actors: A Theoretical Framework" (with Joyce E. Cnaan) *International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education*. 17(6), November-December.
- e. 2004 "It's Just What I Like": Explaining Persistent Patterns of Gender Stratification in the Life Choices of College Students" *International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education* 17(6), November-December.
- f. 1996 "Girls as Goods: The Problem of Child Prostitution" *Together* (January-March):7-9.
- g. 1993 "Irrigation and Social Reproduction in the Mexicali Valley of Northwest Mexico" In Jamieson, ed. *Culture and Environment: A Fragile Coexistence*. Calgary: University of Calgary.
- h. 1993 "Short-Term Medical Missions: Enhancing or Eroding Health?" *Missiology: An International Review*. 21(30):335-341.
- i. 1992 "Animating History: Macro Level Processes and Micro Level Behavior in Colonial Mexico" *Reviews in Anthropology* 21:147-157.
- j. 1990 *Cultural Training Manual for Partners in Mission Volunteers*. Houston: Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.
- k. 1990 "Impact of Increasing Resident Age on Psychiatric Training: The Peer/Mentor Dichotomy" (with Karl J. Sandin) *American Journal of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation* 69:224.
- l. 1985 "The Political Economy of Rural Transformation: A Mexican Case" (with Scott Whiteford) In P. Pelto and B. Dewalt, eds., *Micro and Macro Levels of Analysis in Anthropology: Issues in Theory and Research*. Boulder: Westview Press.
- m. 1985 "An Excess of a Scarce Resource: Flooding of the Colorado River and Rules of Crisis

Creation and Management.@ (with Scott Whiteford and Jesus Roman C.) In M. Miranda and J.W. Wilkie, eds., *Rules of the Game and Games Without Rules in Border Life*. Mexico: ANUIES/PROFMEX.

- n. 1983 A Irrigation in Central Mexico and the Role of the State: Dependency Relationships and Migration Patterns.@ *In Development and Urbanization in Latin America*. Cambridge: Schenkman.
- o. 1982 A Folk Quantification of Energy.@ (with W. Kempton) *Energy—The International Journal* 7(10):817-828.
- p. 1982 A Willett Kempton, letters and papers.@ (with W. Kempton, P. Gladhart, and D. Keefe) *Fiscal Year 1983 Dept. of Energy Budget Review (Conservation and Renewable Energy)*. Hearings before the Committee on Science and Technology, U.S. House of Representatives, No. 112, Vol. II, pp. 1015-1068. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office. (This material later appeared in refereed journals.)
- q. 1980 A Ethnographic Case Studies of Family Energy Consumption, Preliminary Report: Family.@ (with W. Kempton, B. Schlagel, K. Warsco, and M. Wojno) Institute for Family and Child Study, College of Human Ecology, Michigan State University.

11. Selected Presentations:

- a. 2007: “Short-term Medical Missions: Enhancing or Eroding Health?” Community Health Seminar. School of Public Health, UCLA. (Includes new material since publication of article by same title.)
- b. 2007: “Making Them Better: Reorienting Short-term Medical Missions Towards Longer-Term Needs.” Conference on Short-term Missions and Mission in the Hispanic and Latin American World. North Central Region of the Evangelical Missiological Society and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.
- c. 2006: “Circulating Medication, Second Opinions, and Quality of Life: An Empirical Assessment of Short-term Medical Missions” (with M. Dohn, A. Dohn, and K. Holshausen). Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. November, San Jose, California.
- d. 2006: “Una Reinención de las Misiones Médicas a Corto Plazo en las Américas: Una Visión de Colaboración Basada en la Atención Primaria de Salud, la Pertinencia Cultural, y una Teología Madura.” International Conference on Latin American Experiences and Perspectives on Short-Term Missions, Aug. 2-4. Lima, Peru.
- e. 2006: “Developing Intercultural Competence: Preparing Students for the Study Abroad

Experience” (with M. Docter) Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, Salamanca, Spain.

- f. 2003: “What Anthropology Can Teach the Church about Social Class” Network of Christian Anthropologists, Wheaton College.
- g. 2001: ACompetition, Camaraderie, and Distraction: The Academic and Social Games of Mae and Female Undergraduates and Their Implications for Academic Achievement.@ Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., November 2001.
- h. 2001: “Faith As Though Anthropology Matters, Anthropology As though Faith Matters” Network of Christian Anthropologists, Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C. November 2001. Respondent: Edith Turner.
- i. 2000: AKeeping Culture In Mind: Cultural Considerations for Health Care Delivery” Santa Barbara Health Authority. Santa Barbara, California.
- j. 2000: AIssues in International Development.@ Presented week-long seminar as a guest faculty for the Global Stewardship Studies Program, Jaguar Creek, Belize.
- k. 1999: ACultural Factors in Rehabilitation.@ In-service presentation for the Rehabilitation Institute at Santa Barbara. Santa Barbara, California.
- l. 1998: AFrom Entitlement to Vitality: How Changing Population Characteristics May Reinvigorate Higher Education@ Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, December 1998.
- m. 1997: A>It=s Just What I Like=: Explaining Persistent Gender Stratification in the Life Choices of College Students@ Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, November 1997.
- n. 1995: AMiddle Class Sexuality and Disney=s The Little Mermaid: Gender Scripts” Guest Speaker for The Anthropology Club of Southern California College, 8 April 1995.
- o. 1994: AIncreasing Cross-Cultural Awareness in Geriatric Services,@ Seminar conducted for the Santa Barbara County Inter-Agency Geriatric Task Force, 9 June 1994.
- p. 1993: ACollege Peer Culture and Its Effect Upon Women's Learning, Achievement, and Life Choices,@ Workshop Presentation for Conference, AWomen's Ways of Teaching, Learning, and Leading: Transforming the Traditional Structures of Christian Higher Education.@ Sponsored by The Center for Christian Women in Leadership at Eastern College and the Christian College Coalition.

- q. 1993: ABeyond Zoe Baird: Women=s Roles, Childcare, Social Class, and Immigration in the 1990s@ Westmont in the Village, 26 April 1993.
- r. 1993: AMulticulturalism in Rehabilitation Medicine@ (with Karl J. Sandin, M.D.) Sixth Annual Case Managers Conference, Casa Colina, Palm Springs, CA.
- s. 1992: AShort-term Medical Missions: Enhancing or Eroding Health?” Invited Session--AThe History and Practice of Missionary Medicine.@ American Anthropological Association Meetings, San Francisco, December, 1992.
- t. 1991: AIrrigation and Social Reproduction in the Mexicali Valley of Northwest Mexico@ 25th Annual Chacmool Conference. University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- u. 1990: AIrrigation, the State, and Class Formation in the Mexicali Valley of Northwest Mexico@ American Anthropological Association Meetings, New Orleans, November 1990.
- v. 1989: “ Beef and Feed Production in Northwest Mexico: Internationalization of Capital or Environmental Adaptation?@ American Anthropological Association Meetings, Washington, D.C., November 1989.
- w. 1988: ADefending Ourselves: Peasants, the State, and Capitalism in Northwest Mexico.@ American Anthropological Association Meetings, Phoenix, November 1988.
- x. 1983: ACreating the Envisioned World: Irrigation Bureaucracies and the State.@ (with Scott Whiteford) American Anthropological Association Meetings, Chicago, 16-20 November 1983.

12. Awards and Grants

- a. 2001: Grant to develop a Westmont semester study program in Querétaro, Mexico; held jointly with Mary Docter, Ph.D., Department of Modern Languages. Funded with Irvine Foundation grant monies (\$30,000)
- b. 2000: Faculty Development Grant, Westmont College
- c. 1995-96: Global Stewardship Research Grant for project entitled AA Theology of Global Food Production,@ CCCU Global Stewardship Initiative funded by Pew Trusts.
- d. 1995: Faculty Development Grant, Westmont College
- e. 1991: Faculty Development Grant, Westmont College.
- f. 1983-1984: National Resource Fellowship in Foreign Language and International

Development Studies, Center for Advanced Study of International Development, Michigan State University. Funded Dissertation Research.

g. 1983-1984: Research Grant from Border Studies Research Program at University of Texas-Austin (held jointly with Scott Whiteford, Ph.D., principal investigator.) Funded Dissertation Research

h. 1982-1983: Women in International Development Dissertation Fellowship--Michigan State University/Ford Foundation. Funded Dissertation Research

i. 1979-1981: Graduate Research Assistant, Michigan State University

j. 1974-1978: James J. Kerrigan Memorial Scholar--Merck, Sharp, and Dohme, Inc.

14. Professional Affiliations

- a. American Anthropological Association
- b. Latin American Studies Association
- c. Council for Anthropology and Education
- d. Society for Latin American Anthropology
- e. Society for Applied Anthropology
- f. Culture and Agriculture