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Research on Wittgenstein's interest in and use of Kierkegaard's "Indirect Communication"

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FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Spanish – fluent

German – proficient

P'urhépecha – advanced beginner

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

"Culture of migration"

Agricultural industry

Climate change and migration nexus

Citizenship and identity

Anthropology of work

Gulf of Mexico

Emigration and immigration politics

Environment and Migration

Emergent migrant-sending regions

Immigrant integration

Indigenous migrants

Labor migration

Oil industry and history

P'urhépecha

Social impact of immigration on rural/industrial communities

Temporary labor visa policy

Transnational communities and networks

Ethnography of the state

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INVITED LECTURES

"Beefpacking Towns"

April 4, 2006

University of Kansas Labor Week Panel

"Transnational Migration"

April 23, 2007

Varieties of the Human Experience  
Undergraduate KU Anthropology class

"Politics of Michoacán Emigration"

May 3, 2007

KU Latin American Studies *Merienda* series

"P'urhépecha culture and migration"

September 25, 2007

United States in Global Context  
Undergraduate KU Anthropology class

"Oil and Migration"

November, 2008

Sociology of Transnational Migration  
KU Graduate Sociology class

Guestworkers in the Oil-Industry Gulf Coast

April, 2009

Sociology of Transnational Migration  
KU Graduate Sociology class

"Economies of Extraction: Oil Policy and Migration"

October, 2009

Sociology of Transnational Migration  
KU Graduate Sociology class

"Migración, Cambio Climático y Medio Ambiente"

July, 2011

International Organization for Migration Workshop for  
Mexican National Institute of Migration officials

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Beyond Borders"

March 28, 2008

Society for Applied Anthropology

Memphis, Tenn

“Gulf Citizens: Labor Trajectories, Mexican Migrants, and Oil in the Gulf of Mexico”  
November 20, 2008 American Anthropological Society San Francisco, Calif.

“I’m a migrant?” Mexican H-2B Workers’ Perceptions of Industrial Work, Place, and Self”  
March 19, 2009 Society for Applied Anthropology Santa Fe, New Mex.

“Climate and Communities in Crisis” with Julia Brandes, Laci Gerhart, and Adam Sundberg  
March 31, 2010 University of Kansas Graduate Research Competition Lawrence, Kan.

“*Aquí, Allá y Donde sea!* Mexican Petro-workers’ Vulnerability and Adaptation”  
April, 2010 Society for Applied Anthropology Mérida, Yucatán, Mexico

“Economies of Extraction: Labor and Oil in the Gulf of Mexico”  
May, 2010 3<sup>rd</sup> Cumbre of the Plains University of Nebraska-Omaha

“Human Dimensions of Monarch Overwintering: Past, Present, and Future”  
Oct. 9, 2010 GPRM Regional Conference of the Association of American Geographers Lawrence, Kans.

“More than the Monarch Effect: Overwintering Sites and Climate Change”  
March 30, 2011 Society for Applied Anthropology Seattle, Wash.

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

International Organization for Migration Mexico City, Mexico  
*Project Development Area Intern*  
June 2011 – October 2011

### Activities:

- Produced project proposals for IOM research and intervention work related to human mobility as impacted by climate processes and events.
- Prepared articles for publication, press releases, translations of briefs and other publications
- Prepared and present workshops on climate change and environmental impacts on migration
- [www.iom.int](http://www.iom.int) and [www.oim.org.mx](http://www.oim.org.mx)

University of Kansas Lawrence, KS  
*Anthropology GTA*  
August 2005-May 2011

### Courses Taught

- *Varieties of the Human Experience* (ANTH160/162/360) 4 semesters
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH108/308) 7 semesters

### *Anthropology Continuing Education Instructor*

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH108/308)

July 2007-Present

- Taught on-line version of course
- Developed online curriculum

Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology (BARA), University of Arizona

*Research Specialist*

January 2008-August 2009

Corpus Christi/Ingleside, Tex. & Brownsville, Tex.

Project: Gulf Coast Communities & the Fabrication & Shipbuilding Industry

- Collected worker, family and community member stories
- Described communities as they exist today and their articulation with the fabrication and shipbuilding industries
- Used ethnographic research methods (e.g. participant observation, guided discussions, focus groups, and newspaper analyses) to identify community perspectives of the industries
- Examined workforce issues, such as recruitment, education and training, and retention
- Worked with both employers and employees to describe the industry and its impacts on workers, families, and communities
- <http://bara.arizona.edu/>

University of Kansas Medical Center

Kansas City, KS

*Research Assistant*

January 2009 – December 2010

Project: Internet health care access and smoking cessation programs for Native American populations

- Lead research analysis team with code book writing, data coding, theme writing, and analysis
- Prepared articles for publication, lead article writing team

University of Kansas

Lawrence, KS

School of Social Welfare, English Writing Tutor

August 2007-January 2009

University of Kansas Athletics

Lawrence, KS

*Strategic Tutor*

January 2006 – December 2007

OneMorgan County

Fort Morgan, CO

*Grant Coordinator*

*Immigrant Integration Initiative of The Colorado Trust*

April 2004-February 2005

- Authored grant
- Managed budget
- Spearheaded gathering of community stakeholders
- Coordinated community meetings and forums attended by over 250 individuals and agencies
- Brokered communication for collaborative to grant-making organization, facilitation consultants, technical support, and program assessment specialists
- Recruited members for collaborative, especially immigrants
- <http://www.onemorgancounty.org/>

Morgan Community College

Fort Morgan, CO

*Instructor*

- *English Composition I (eng112, spring 2002)*
- *Conversational Spanish (spa101, summer 2003)*

*Adult Basic Education Instructor*

- Lead English as a Second Language Instructor
- ESL Bridge to Academics Instructor



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