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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Anthropology  
Department of Community, Culture and Global Studies  
University of British Columbia, Okanagan Campus

July 2022 – June 2024

Lecturer, Department of English  
Hexi University  
China

August 2010-July 2013

### EDUCATION

#### **Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology**

June 2022

Designated Emphasis in Critical Theory

*University of California, Davis*

Dissertation: *Mining for Coal and Souls: Modes of Relationality in Emerging Chinese-Zambian Worlds*

Dissertation Advisor & Committee Chair: James Smith

Committee Members: Donald Donham, James Ferguson (Stanford), Smriti Srinivas, Li Zhang

#### **M.A. in Cultural Anthropology**

June 2017

*University of California, Davis*

#### **Honors B.A. in Philosophy and Global Development Studies**

May 2009

*University of Puget Sound*

Bachelor's Thesis: *Alternative Development: New Ways to Solve Old Problems in the Third World or More of the Same?*

Thesis Advisor: Monica DeHart

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

China-Africa Relations, Political and Economic Anthropology, Extractivism, Gender, Contact Languages, Capitalism from the South, Anthropology of Religion, Jehovah's Witnesses, Relationality, Temporality, Non-Secular History, Decolonial and Postcolonial Theory, Critical Race Theory, Postsocialist China, Zambia

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

In Preparation. *Mining for Coal and Souls: Modes of Relationality in Emerging Chinese-Zambian Worlds*. For submission to Stanford University Press.

### **Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

In Preparation. History Written in Advance: Christian Prophecy, Chinese-Zambian Relations, and Diffracted Modernity. Planned submission to *American Anthropologist*.

Under Review. (Revise and Resubmit Received.) The Curse of Ham. *Anthropology and Humanism*.

Forthcoming. “South-South” Capitalist Extractive Patriarchy in China-Africa Relations. Editor-invited article for special issue on “Empire and Disaster” in *Transforming Anthropology*. Accepted September 22, 2023. (Recipient of the Sylvia Forman Prize from the Association for Feminist Anthropology.)

2024. Anti-Blackness and Moral Repair: The Curse of Ham, Biblical Kinship, and the Limits of Liberalism. *Cultural Anthropology* 39(1): 118-45. (Recipient of the David M. Schneider Award from the American Anthropological Association.)

2023. Shortcut English: Pidgin Language, Racialization, and Symbolic Economies at a Chinese-Operated Mine in Zambia. *African Studies Review* 66(1): 18-44. (Recipient of the Graduate Student Paper Prize from the African Studies Association.)

### **Chapters in Edited Volumes**

2023. “The Truth Is Not Known”: COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy as a Failure of Biomedicine’s Moral Legitimacy in Africa. In *Covid Conspiracy Theories in Global Perspective*. Peter Knight and Michael Butter, Eds. New York, NY: Routledge. (Editor Invited)

### **Digital Scholarship**

Under Review. (Revise and Resubmit Received.) Zambian Christians Mastering Mandarin to Evangelize Chinese Migrants. *The Conversation*.

Forthcoming. Jehovah’s Witness are learning Chinese to evangelize in Zambia. *Anthropology News*. Accepted June 22, 2023. With Yiwen Sun.

2021. “The Truth Is Not Known”: COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy as a Failure of Biomedicine’s Moral Legitimacy in Zambia. *Somatosphere*, August 20.  
<http://somatosphere.net/2021/vaccine-hesitancy-zambia-moral-legitimacy.html/>

2020. Going Viral in Hong Kong. *Anthropology News*, March 3. With Laura Meek and Ria Sinha.  
<https://www.anthropology-news.org/articles/going-viral-in-hong-kong/>

2009. Spinoza and the Axiomatic Method. *Journal of Undergraduate Mathematics at Puget Sound*, May.

### **Op-Eds & Letters to the Editor**

2021. Op-ed: Is ‘Shang-Chi,’ now the pandemic era’s biggest film hit, merely stereotyped clichés?. *Chicago Tribune*, October 19.  
<https://www.chicagotribune.com/opinion/commentary/ct-opinion-shang-chi-black-panther-black-widow-marvel-20211019-dvov5kumdfcsbbkoeh4k4pmccq-story.html>

2019. Don’t Blame Hong Kong Protesters or Police: Carrie Lam and Her Team Brought about This Crisis. *South China Morning Post*, November 21. Under pseudonym John Hu. With Laura Meek. <https://www.scmp.com/comment/letters/article/3038407/dont-blame-hong-kong-protesters-or-police-carrie-lam-and-her-team>

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

<b>Commendation, Routledge Area Studies Interdisciplinarity Award</b>	2023
Postdoctoral Fellow of the Year Award Nominee, University of British Columbia	2023
<b>Achievement Award, National Association for the Practice of Anthropology</b>	2023
<b>David M. Schneider Award, American Anthropological Association</b>	2022
<b>Sylvia Forman Prize, Association for Feminist Anthropology</b>	2022
CGS/ProQuest Distinguished Dissertation Award Nominee, UC Davis	2022
Student Paper Prize Runner-Up, Society for the Anthropology of Religion	2022
President's Award for Student Scholarship 2 <sup>nd</sup> place, Society for Humanistic Anthropology	2022
<b>Graduate Student Paper Prize, African Studies Association</b>	2021
Three-Minute Thesis Competition 2 <sup>nd</sup> Runner-Up, American Anthropological Association	2021
<b>Graduate Student Paper Prize Citation, Society for East Asian Anthropology</b>	2020
<b>Jules-Rosette Graduate Essay Award, Association for Africanist Anthropology</b>	2020
Second Place, Student Paper Competition, Southwestern Anthropological Association	2017

## **GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS**

Program in African Studies Postdoctoral Research Associate Fellowship <b>Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies</b> (declined)	2022-24
Chinese Modernity and Soft Power on the Belt and Road Postdoctoral Fellowship <b>Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Hong Kong</b> (declined)	2022-24
<b>UC Davis Provost Dissertation Year Fellowship</b>	2021-22
“Write to Change the World” Fellow <b>The OpEd Project and the American Anthropological Association</b>	2020
UC Irvine Global Scholars Early Career Fellowship	2020
Indian Ocean Worlds Mellon Research Initiative Dissertation Writing Grant	2019-20
<b>Wenner-Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grant</b>	2018-19
<b>National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant</b>	2018-19
<b>Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship</b>	2017-18
Indian Ocean Worlds Mellon Research Initiative Dissertation Fieldwork Grant	2017-18
<b>National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program</b>	2016-21
UC Davis Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship (declined)	2016-17
Indian Ocean Worlds Conference Grant, Mellon Research Initiative, UC Davis	2016 & 2019
Indian Ocean Worlds Summer Travel Grant, Mellon Research Initiative	2015, 2016, & 2017
UC Davis Anthropology Graduate Fellowship- Summer Research Award	2015 & 2016
<b>Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship, University of California</b>	2014-16

## **INVITED TALKS**

2024. Department of Anthropology. “‘South-South’ Capitalist Extractive Patriarchy in China-Africa Relations.” University of Vermont, February 2.
2023. “The Dependence of Capital on Women’s Affective Labor in China-Africa Relations.” Department of Environment, Development & Health. American University, December 7.

2023. “Mining for Coal and Souls: Modes of Relationality in Emerging Chinese-Zambian Worlds.” Graduate School of International Studies. **Korea University**, November 30.
2023. “South-South Exploitation, South-South Extractivism.” Department of Global Studies. University of Oregon, November 27.
2023. “Anti-Blackness and Moral Repair: The Curse of Ham and the Repugnance of Liberal Critique.” Makerere Institute of Social Research. **Makerere University, Uganda**, August 2.
2022. “History Written in Advance: Christian Prophecy, Chinese-Zambian Relations, and Diffracted Modernity.” **Dr. Sonja Luehrmann Memorial Lecture**. Department of Sociology and Anthropology. **Simon Fraser University**, March 9.
2021. “Shortcut English: A Pidgin Language and ‘Racialization’ at a Chinese-Operated Mine in Zambia.” Division of Humanities. **Hong Kong University of Science and Technology**, November 22.
2021. “Reconfiguring Postcolonial Encounters: Linguistic and Symbolic Power at Chinese-Operated Mines in Zambia.” Chinese in Africa/Africans in China Research Network and **Lingnan University**, September 30.
2021. “History Written in Advance: The Temporal Politics of Learning Mandarin for Jehovah’s Witnesses in Zambia.” Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences. **University of Hong Kong**, September 23.
2020. “Historiopraxy and the Collapse of Secular Time: Mandarin-Speaking Jehovah’s Witnesses in Zambia.” Department of Anthropology. **Chinese University of Hong Kong**, October 29.
2020. “Religion and Incommensurability in Zambia.” Office of Interfaith Engagement. Illinois Wesleyan University, January 8.
2019. “Africans in China and Chinese in Africa: why is everyone talking about China Africa relations now?” Chi Sun College. **University of Hong Kong**, November 6.

## **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS**

### **2023:**

**Executive Session Roundtable Organizer & Chair.** American Anthropological Association & Canadian Anthropology Society Joint Annual Meeting. Roundtable Title: *Centering Africa and China in Global Transformations*.

**Discussant.** Global China in a Religious World International Conference, organized by The University of Hong Kong, National University of Singapore, and NYU Shanghai. Panel Title: *Chinese Religious Circulations: Africa.*

**2022:**

Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Paper Title: *The Dependence of Capital on Women's Affective Labor in China-Africa Relations.*

University Centre Saint-Ignatius Antwerp (UCSIA) Summer School 2022 (**Antwerp, Belgium**). Paper Title: *History Written in Advance: Christian Prophecy, Chinese-Zambian Relations, and Diffracted Modernity.*

Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology. Paper Title: *Shortcut English: A Pidgin Language and "Racialization" at a Chinese-Operated Mine in Zambia*

**2021:**

Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Paper Title: *African Critiques of Liberalism: Christianity, the Curse of Ham, and Hierarchy in and Beyond Zambia.*

Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association. Paper Title: *Ethical Disconcertment and the Un-Bracketed Ellipsis: Reflections on African Rejections of Equality.*

Chinese in Africa/Africans in China Research Network Early Career Scholars Workshop. Paper Title: *History and Prophecy: Eventfulness and Its Absence in the Temporal Practices of Jehovah's Witnesses in Zambia.*

Re-Worlding Chinese Transnationalisms International Symposium (**Melbourne, Australia**). Paper Title: *Histories or Ahistories?: Event and Quasi-Event in the Practices of Jehovah's Witnesses in Zambia.*

Biennial Meeting of the Society for the Anthropology of Religion. Paper Title: *Connection, Obligation, Disconcertment: An Ethnographer's Reflections on African Rejections of Equality.*

Chinese University of Hong Kong Postgraduate Student Forum (**Hong Kong, China**). Paper Title: *Connection, Obligation, Disconcertment: An Ethnographer's Reflections on African Rejections of Equality.*

**2020:**

Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association. **AfricaNow! Session.** Session Title: *The Role of Language in Recent Violence Against Chinese in Zambia.*

Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Paper Title: *Shortcut English: A pidgin language and symbolic power at a Chinese-operated mine in Zambia.*

Annual Meeting of the Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) and European Association for the Study of Science and Technology (**Prague, Czech Republic**). Paper Title: *Contested Regimes of Safety at a Chinese-Operated Coal Mine in Zambia.*

UC Irvine Global Studies Conference. Paper Title: *Pidgin Language and Power, Chinese Mines in Zambia.*

**2019:**

**Panel Chair.** American Anthropological Association & Canadian Anthropology Society Joint Annual Meeting. Panel Title: *Religion, Rights and Recognition.* Paper Title: *Unnerving Knowledges: Zambian Jehovah's Witnesses, Chinese Expatriates, and Language Politics.*

Society for the Anthropology of Religion Biennial Meeting. Paper Title: *Threatening Knowledges: Mandarin Language Acquisition by Zambian Jehovah's Witnesses and its Effects on Relations with Chinese Expatriates.*

UC Davis "Reimagining Indian Ocean Worlds" Mellon Research Initiative's 'Innovation Lab'. Paper Title: *Intimate Labors: Conviviality and Violence at a Zambian Coal Mine.*

**2018:**

Second International Africa-Asia, A New Axis of Knowledge Conference (**Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**). Paper Title: *Intimate Labors: Chinese-Zambian "Dual Families" & the Intersectionalities of Intimacy, Affection, & the Accumulation of Capital.*

UC Davis "Reimagining Indian Ocean Worlds" Mellon Research Initiative's 'Innovation Lab'. Paper Title: *Mining for Coal and Souls: Modes of Relationality in Emerging Chinese-Zambian Worlds.*

**2017:**

Annual American Ethnological Society Conference. Paper Title: *Exposures of Violence and Language: A Pidgin Language's Role in Violence at Chinese-operated Mines in Zambia.*

Annual Conference of the Southwest Anthropological Association. Paper Title: *Possibilities in Postcolonial Encounters: The Importance of Linguistic and Symbolic Power at Chinese Mines in Zambia.*

**2016:**

Afrasian Transformations: Beyond Grand Narratives (AFRASO) Conference (**Frankfurt, Germany**). Paper Title: *Refiguring Postcolonial Encounters: The Importance of Linguistic and Symbolic Power*.

Conducting Research in Zambia: Reflection and Feedback Conference (**Lusaka, Zambia**). Paper Title: *Intimate Labors: Conviviality and Violence at a Zambian Coal Mine*.

UC Davis East Asian Studies Symposium. Paper Title: *Denying Coevalness: Rethinking Contemporary Depictions of Chinese ‘Colonialism’*.

UC Davis Symposium on Language Research. Paper Title: *Reconfiguring Postcolonial Encounters: The Importance of Linguistic and Symbolic Power*.

UC Davis “Reimagining Indian Ocean Worlds” Mellon Research Initiative’s ‘Innovation Lab’. Paper Title: *Refiguring Postcolonial Encounters: The Importance of Linguistic and Symbolic Power at Chinese-Operated Mines in Zambia*.

**2015:**

UC Berkeley Chinese Investment in Africa Conference. Paper Title: *Reconfiguring Postcolonial Encounters: Chinese Mining in Zambia*.

Conducting Research in Zambia: Reflection and Feedback Conference (**Lusaka, Zambia**). Paper Title: *Entanglements Between Labor and Race Among Chinese Industries in Zambia*.

UC Davis Humanities Institute’s Africa-California Research Cluster. Paper Title: *Neocolonial Complications and Racial Entanglements: The Story of a Chinese Mine in Rural Zambia*.

**MEDIA & INTERVIEWS**

2023. Responding to Massacre in Oak Creek, Invoking History in a Zambian Congregation. Interview by Sawyer Martin French & Natalie Konopinski. *Anthropology News*. July 7, 2023. <https://www.anthropology-news.org/articles/responding-to-massacre-in-oak-creek-invoking-history-in-a-zambian-congregation/>

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Courses at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan Campus**

<b>Instructor-</b> ANTH 355- Development and the Politics of Aid	Spring 2024
<b>Instructor-</b> ANTH 100- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	Fall 2023
<b>Instructor-</b> ANTH 100- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	Fall 2022



### **Courses at the University of California, Davis**

<b>Instructor-</b> ANT 139AN- Race, Class, Gender	Summer 2021
TA- ANT 126A- Anthropology of Development	Spring 2021
Reader- ANT 124- Religion in Society & Culture	Fall 2020
<b>Instructor-</b> ANT 2- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	Summer 2020

### **Courses at Hexi University**

<b>Instructor-</b> Theories and Techniques of Literature Study	Spring 2013
<b>Instructor-</b> Introduction to Comparative Literature	Fall 2012
<b>Instructor-</b> Euro-American Literature	Spring 2012
<b>Instructor-</b> Newspaper English	Fall 2011
<b>Instructor-</b> Oral English	Spring 2011
<b>Instructor-</b> English Listening	Fall 2010

Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Certification, Peace Corps 2010

### **ACADEMIC SERVICE/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

2024-present— Manuscript Reviewer for *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography*.

**2023-present— Anti-Racism/Social Justice Seat, Anthropology Advocacy Council (AAC), American Anthropological Association.**

2023-present— Co-Organizer, Chinese Religiosity in Africa Conference, US National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

2023-present— Manuscript Reviewer for *Cultural Anthropology*.

**2022-present— Sustainability Lead, Canadian Anthropology Society 2024 Annual Meeting Local Planning Committee.**

2022-2023— Committee Member, Graduate Student Editor Committee, *African Studies Review*.

2020-2022— Collaborator, Infrastructures of Faith: Religious Mobilities on the Belt and Road International Research Project, University of Hong Kong.

2020-present— Manuscript Reviewer for *Verge: Studies in Global Asias*.

2019— Juror, *Cultural Anthropology* Horizons Prize for Best Research Article.

2015-2016— Member, UC Davis Humanities Institute's Africa-California Research Cluster.

2014-2020— Founding member, Reimagining Indian Ocean Worlds Mellon Research Initiative, UC Davis.

### **RELEVANT WORK AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2010-2013- Peace Corps Volunteer. Zhangye, Gansu Province, China.

2007- Research Intern. The Valley Trust, Bothas Hill, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.

## **FIELDWORK**

Dissertation fieldwork in Hong Kong SAR, China	Aug 2019 – Jul 2022
Dissertation fieldwork in Jiangxi, Hubei, and Guangdong, Mainland China	Apr – Jul 2019
Dissertation fieldwork in Southern and Lusaka Provinces, Zambia	Jan 2017 – Mar 2019
Preliminary PhD fieldwork in Copperbelt and Southern Provinces, Zambia	Summer 2016
Preliminary PhD fieldwork in Singapore and Malaysia	Winter 2016
Preliminary PhD fieldwork in Copperbelt and Southern Provinces, Zambia	Summer 2015

## **LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

Fluent in written and spoken Mandarin  
Advanced proficiency in ciTonga  
Intermediate proficiency in iciBemba  
Intermediate proficiency in Cantonese  
Elementary proficiency in Japanese

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

African Studies Association (ASA)  
American Anthropological Association (AAA), including memberships with:  
    American Ethnological Society  
    Association for Africanist Anthropology  
    Association for Feminist Anthropology  
    Society for Cultural Anthropology  
    Society for Humanistic Anthropology  
    Society for the Anthropology of Religion  
Canadian Anthropology Society (CASCA)  
Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS)  
Reimagining Indian Ocean Worlds Mellon Research Initiative  
Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland (RAI)