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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2004–present *Professor of Anthropology*, Northern Arizona University
- 2005–present *Editor*, Blackwell Studies in Discourse and Culture book series
- 2008–2009 *Visiting Researcher*, University of Helsinki, Department of Folkloristics
- 2003 *Invited Scholar*, L'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, May–June
- 1999–2004 *Associate Professor of Anthropology*, Northern Arizona University
- 1994–1999 *Assistant Professor of Anthropology*, Northern Arizona University

EDUCATION

- 1994 Ph.D. in Anthropology, University of California, Los Angeles
Dissertation: *Repressed Eloquence: Patients as Subjects and Objects of Complaints in Matlab, Bangladesh*.
Committee: Paul Kroskrity (Chair), John G. Kennedy, Keith Kernan, Nancy Levine, Stanley Wolpert.
- 1983 M.A. in Asian Studies, Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, CA
Summa Cum Laude.
Thesis: *Caste and Class among South Asian Muslims: Changing Patterns of Identity and Ideology*.
- 1978 M.Div., Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA. Emphasis in Field Linguistics and Cross-Cultural Studies.
- 1975 B.A., Azusa Pacific College, Azusa, CA. *Summa Cum Laude*.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Ethnography of Communication

Verbal Art and Ethnopoetics, especially Lament

Language Ideologies

Semiotics

Embodiment and Phenomenology

Medical and Ethnopsychiatric Discourse, Doctor-Patient Communication, Idioms of Distress, Madness

Interactive Rhythm in Schizophrenia

Psychological Anthropology, Family and Human Development, the Self, Emotion

Psychologization and the Spread of 'Therapy Culture'

Psychoneuroimmunology

Gender, Caste, and Stratification Systems

Modernity, Globalization, and Metaculture

South Asia

Finland, Finnish Language and Culture

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2009 *Language and Emotion. Studies in the Social and Cultural Foundations of Language*, 25. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 2009 *Crying Shame: Metaculture, Modernity and the Exaggerated Death of Lament*. Malden, MA and Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.
- 2003 *Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems* (editor). Theory and Practice in Medical Anthropology. New York: Routledge.
- 1998 *Eloquence in Trouble: The Poetics and Politics of Complaint in Rural Bangladesh*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Articles in Refereed Journals

- in press* Facets of the Neo-Karelian Lament Revival in Finland [to be translated into Russian]. *Tradicionnaja Kultura [Traditional Culture]*.
- 2011 Sacred Psychotherapy in the Age of Authenticity: Healing and Cultural Revivalisms in Contemporary Finland. (Invited submission for special issue, "Religions and Psychotherapies," *Religions* 2(4):566-589 (<http://www.mdpi.com/2077-1444/2/4/566/>).
- 2011 'Voice' or 'Sound' in Two Contemporary Finnish Healing Modalities. *Medical Anthropology and Bioethics* [Moscow] 1(1). Electronic document, <http://jmaib.iea.ras.ru/englishversion/issues/001/publications/wilce.html>.
- 2009 Medical Discourse. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 38(1): 199-215.
- 2008 Scientizing Bangladeshi Psychiatry: Parallelism, Enregisterment, and the Cure for a Magic Complex. *Language in Society* 37(1): 91-114.
- 2006 Magical Laments and Anthropological Reflections: The Production and Circulation of Anthropological Text as Ritual Activity. *Current Anthropology* 47(6): 891-914.
- 2005 Traditional Laments and Postmodern Regrets: The Circulation of Discourse in Metacultural Context. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 15(1): 60-71.
- 2004 Madness, Fear, and Control in Bangladesh: Clashing Bodies of Knowledge-Power. *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 18(3): 357-375.
- 2002 Genres of Memory and the Memory of Genres: 'Forgetting' Lament in Bangladesh. *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 44(1): 159-185.
- 2001 Divining Troubles or Divining Troubles?: Gender, Conflict, and Polysemy in Bangladeshi Divination. *Anthropological Quarterly* 74(4): 190-199.
- 2000 The Poetics of Madness: Shifting Codes and Styles in the Linguistic Construction of Identity in Bangladesh. *Cultural Anthropology* 15(1): 3-34.
- 1999 Healing. Special issue, "Language Matters in Anthropology: A Lexicon for the Millennium," *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 9(1): 93-95.
- 1998 (Wilce, guest editor) Special issue, "Communicating Multiple Identities in Muslim Communities," *Ethos* 26(2).
- 1998 Communicating Multiple Identities in Muslim Communities: An Introduction. *Ethos* 26(2): 115-119.
- 1998 The Kalimah in the Kaleidophone: Ranges of Multivocality in Bangladeshi Muslims' Discourses. *Ethos* 26(2): 229-257.

- 1998 The Pragmatics of 'Madness': Performance Analysis of a Bangladeshi Woman's 'Aberrant' Lament. *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry* 22(1): 1-54.
- 1997 Discourse, Power, and the Diagnosis of Weakness: Encountering Practitioners in Bangladesh. *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 11(3): 352-374.
- 1996 Reduplication and Reciprocity in Imagining Community: The Play of Tropes in a Rural Bangladeshi Moot. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 6(2): 188-222.
- 1995 "I Cannot Tell You All My Troubles": Conflict, Resistance, and Metacommunication in Bangladeshi Illness Interactions. *American Ethnologist* 22(4): 927-952.

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

- 2012 The Grammar of Politics and the Politics of Grammar: From Bangladesh to the United States. In *A Cultural Approach to Interpersonal Communication: Essential Reading*. J. Goodman and L. Monaghan, eds. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers. (Second edition to be released, 2012).
- 2011 Society, Language, History, and Religion: A Perspective From Linguistic Anthropology. In *The Sociology of Language and Religion: Change, Conflict and Accommodation*. T. Omoniyi and J. Fishman, eds. Pp. 126-155. London: Palgrave.
- 2006 The Grammar of Politics and the Politics of Grammar: From Bangladesh to the United States. In *A Cultural Approach to Interpersonal Communication: Essential Reading*. J. Goodman and L. Monaghan, eds. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers.
- 2006 Arabic Loanwords in Bengali. In *Encyclopedia of Arabic Language and Linguistics*, K. Versteegh, general ed. Pp. 146-149. Leiden, The Netherlands: E.J. Brill.
- 2005 Narrative Transformations: Emotion, Language, and Globalization. In *Companion to Psychological Anthropology*. Conerly Casey and Robert Edgerton, eds. Pp. 123-139. Oxford and Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers.
- 2004 To 'Speak Beautifully' in Bangladesh: Subjectivity as *Paglami*. In *Schizophrenia, Culture, and Subjectivity: The Edge of Experience*. Janis Jenkins and Robert Barrett, eds. Pp. 196-218. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

- 2004 Language and Madness. In *Companion to Linguistic Anthropology*. Alessandro Duranti, ed. Pp. 414-430. Oxford and Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers.
- 2003 (second author, with Robert R. Desjarlais) The Cultural Construction of Emotion. In *The Oxford Companion Encyclopedia of Sociology and Social Anthropology* (Part VII, The Personal Sphere and Its Articulation). Veena Das, ed. Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- 2003 Complaint. In *The Encyclopedia of South Asian Folklore*. Margaret Mills, ed. Pp. 118-120. New York: Routledge.
- 2003 Introduction: Theorizing the Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems. In *Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems*, J. Wilce, ed. Pp. 1-16. London: Routledge.
- 2003 (with Laurie Price) Metaphors Our Bodyminds Live By. In *Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems*, J. Wilce, ed. Pp. 50-80. London: Routledge.
- 2002 Tunes Rising From the Soul and Other Narcissistic Prayers: Contested Realms in Bangladesh. In *Everyday Life in South Asia*. Diane Mines and Sarah Lamb, eds. Pp. 289-302. Bloomington: Indiana University Press.
- 2002 Bengali (Language). In *Encyclopedia of Modern Asia*. vol. 1. Pp. 277-278. New York: Scribner's/Berkshire Reference Works.
- 2001 Healing. In *Key Terms in Language and Culture*. Alessandro Duranti, ed. Pp. 91-94. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers.
- 2001 Cura. [Italian translation of Healing article above]. *Cultura e Discorso. Un Lessico per le Scienze Sociali*. Pp. 96-100. A Cura di Alessandro Duranti. Roma: Meltemi Editore.
- 1999 Transforming Lament Traditions: Performativity and Rationalization as Linguistic Ideologies. In *Languages of Sentiment: Cultural Constructs of Emotional Substrates*. Gary B. Palmer and Debra Occhi, eds. Pp. 39-64. New York and Amsterdam: John Benjamins Publishing.

Review Essays and Book Reviews (selected)

- 2004 Passionate Scholarship: Recent Anthropologies of Emotion. *Reviews in Anthropology*. 33: 1-17.
- 2003 Speaking of Feelings. *American Anthropologist* 105(4): 852-855.
- 2003 *Review of Healing Powers and Modernity: Traditional Medicine, Shamanism, and Science in Asian Societies*. *American Anthropologist* 105(2): 399-401.

- 2001 *Review of* Talk, Work, and Institutional Order: Discourse in Medical, Mediation, and Management Settings. *American Ethnologist* 28(1): 252-3.
- 2001 *Review of* Shifting Languages. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 10(1): 131-3.
- 2000 *Review of* Shelter Blues. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 10(2): 303-4.
- 1999 *Review of* Talking Heads. *American Anthropologist* 101(3): 660-661.
- 1998 *Review of* Caste, Protest, and Identity in Colonial India: The Namasudras of Bengal, 1972-1947. *South Asia* 21(2).
- 1998 *Review of* The State, Class Formation, and Development in Bangladesh. *Contemporary South Asia* 7(1): 93-94.
- 1997 *Review of* Caste and Capitalism in Colonial India: The Nattukottai Chettiars. *South Asia* vol. XX, no. 2 (n.s.): 166-167.
- 1994 *Review of* All the Mothers Are One: Hindu India and the Cultural Reshaping of Psychoanalysis. *Anthropology UCLA* 21: 118-120.
- 1994 *Review of* Purity and Communal Boundaries: Women and Social Change in a Bangladeshi Village. *American Ethnologist* 21(4): 986-7.
- 1992 *Review of* Language and the Politics of Emotion. *Language in Society* 21(1): 132-6.

Other Publications (selected)

- 2010 Invited commentary chapter. In *Formative Experiences: The Interaction of Caregiving, Culture, and Developmental Psychobiology*. C.M. Worthman, P. Plotsky, D.S. Schechter, C. Cummings (eds.). Pp. 463-469. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 2004 Where Hybrid 'Monsters' Dwell. *Anthropology News* 45(8):9-11.
- 1998 Coping with the Language of Madness in Rural Bangladesh: Aesthetics and Language Ideologies. In *Language and Ideology: Proceedings of the 5th International Pragmatics Conference*. Pp. 584-595. Antwerp, Belgium: International Pragmatics Association.
- 1998 Coping with the Language of Madness in Rural Bangladesh: Aesthetics and Language Ideologies. In *Proceedings of the Third Annual Conference on Language, Interaction, and Culture*. Pp. 13-26. Los Angeles: University of California, Los Angeles Graduate Student Association/ Department of Applied Linguistics.

- 1998 Lamenting Death, or the Death of Lament?: The Politics of Lament and Religion in Bangladesh and Beyond. In *Salsa V* (Proceedings of the Fifth Annual Symposium About Language and Society). Pp. 235-250.
- 1996 Diglossia, Religion, and Ideology: On the Mystification of Cross-Cutting Aspects of Bengali Language Variation. In *Proceedings of the 1995 Bengal Studies Conference*, University of Chicago.

Publications in Preparation

- In submission Madness (invited contribution). The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health and Society.
- In preparation Culture and Communication. Cambridge University Press. Contract issued, February 2012.
- In preparation Karelian 'Lament Language' as Honorific Register (journal article).
- In preparation 'Zero Person' and the Construction of Intersubjectivity Among Finnish Neo-Lamenters (journal article).
- In preparation (with Steve Black) In the Beginning Was the Cry: Acoustic and Psychological Resonance in Lament Courses in Finland Today (journal article).

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Invited Presentations/Conference Participation

- 2012 Honorification in Laments Old and New: Performance, Structure, and Registral Regimentation. Invited keynote address for conference on Register. University of Helsinki. Helsinki, Finland. May 23-25.
- 2012 Finnish Revivalist Lamenting as Sacred Therapy: Contemporary Finnish Lament Training as Post-Secular Wellness Practice. Paper presented at invitation-only international conference on Religion, Healing, and Psychiatry. Institute for Ethnology, Münster University (Germany), February 23-25.
- 2010 The Revival of Karelian Lament: New Hypotheses, Unanswered Questions. Paper presented at research seminar. Folkloristics Department, University of Helsinki. Helsinki, Finland. May 28.
- 2010 Registering Change, Enregistering Authenticity: Competing Claims to the Finno-Ugrian 'Lament Language' in a 'Lament Revival.' Invited lecture in

- colloquium series. University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, NV. February 8.
- 2008 Crying Shame: Metaculture, Modernity, and the Exaggerated Death of Lament. Paper presented at research seminar. Folkloristics Department, University of Helsinki. Helsinki, Finland. September 23.
- 2008 'Language' (?) 'Affect' (?). Invited keynote lecture at University of Western Sydney symposium Affect at the Interface: Biology, Culture, and the Human. Sydney, Australia. June 21-22.
- 2007 Scientizing Psychiatry: Conjuring Linguistic Fixes for Psychiatry's Magic Complex. Invited lecture presented at the 30th International Congress on Law and Mental Health. Padua, Italy. June 29.
- 2006 Shame and Unequal Looking Relations: On Display on the Global Stage. Paper presented at invited colloquium Decolonizing Affect Theory. Green College, University of British Columbia. Vancouver, Canada. June 25-27.
- 2005 Globalized Stages for Linguistic Performance: Baptizing New Frames and Inducing New Shame. Invited lecture for linguistic anthropology colloquium series. University of California, San Diego. San Diego, CA. April 27.
- 2004 Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems. Invited lecture for School of Life Sciences seminar series. Arizona State University. Mesa, AZ. September 10.
- 2003 Interactive Synchrony and Its Discontents: Ethnographic Studies of Embodied Interaction (the Semiotics of Madness). Invited lecture. Laboratoire d'Anthropologie Sociale, College de France, Paris, France. June.
- 2003 Communalism and Madness. Invited lecture. L'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France. June.
- 2003 Crying Shame: Global Flows of Discourse Transforming Expressive Genres. Invited lecture. L'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France. May.
- 2003 Semiotic and Cultural Processes: The Micro-Embodiments and Global Flows of Signs. Invited lecture. L'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France. May.
- 2002 Crying Shame: Lament Genres, Modern Sensibilities, and Metacultural Globalization. Distinguished Lecture in Anthropology, Pomona College. Claremont, CA. March.

- 2002 Crying Shame: Lament Genres, Modern Sensibilities, and Metacultural Globalization. Invited lecture for anthropology colloquium, University of Chicago. Chicago, IL. February 18.
- 2001 Crying Shame: Global Flows of Discourse Transforming Genres of Grief. Invited lecture for Medical Anthropology and Cultural Psychiatry Research Seminar (2001-02 series Psychiatry and Rationality). Department of Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School. Cambridge, MA. November 17.
- 1999 Intersubjectivity and Its Discontents: Eloquence in Trouble. Invited presentation for Department of Anthropology colloquium, University of California, Davis. Davis, CA. November 8.
- 1999 Attunement and Its Discontents: The Body as Target and Mediator of Ideologies of Semiosis. Invited lecture for roundtable Discourses of the Body, Cardiff University. Cardiff, Wales. June 9-11.
- 1998 Madness and Gender in Bangladesh: Schizophrenia and Other Forms of *Pagalami*. Invited participant for Symposium on Schizophrenia, Subjectivity, and Culture, Russell Sage Foundation. New York City, NY. October.
- 1996 High Stakes Verbal Art: Performativity, Pronouns, and 'Powerlessness' in a 'Diagnostic' Lament. Invited lecture. Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona. Tucson, AZ. February 27.

Other Papers Presented

- 2011 'Voice' or 'Sound' in Two Contemporary Finnish Healing Modalities. Paper presented at the 110th annual meeting, American Anthropological Association. Montreal, Canada.
- 2010 'Healing With Lament': Finnish Psychoculture and the Therapization of Karelian Ritual Lament. Paper presented at the 109th annual meeting, American Anthropological Association. New Orleans, LA.
- 2009 (with Heidi Haapoja) Registering Change, Enregistering Authenticity: Competing Claims to the Finno-Ugrian 'Lament Language' in a 'Lament Revival.' For the invited session "Ends of Enregisterment," 108th annual meeting, American Anthropological Association. Philadelphia, PA. December 5.
- 2006 Finnish Cultural Festivals in Finland and North America: Local and Nonlocal Nostalgias. Paper presented at the 105th annual meeting, American Anthropological Association. San Jose, CA. November 19.

- 2005 A Case of Occluded Nerves: Shameless Media, Group Shame, and Anthropological Anxiety. Paper presented at “Localities and Subjectivities” panel, American Anthropological Association meeting. Washington, D.C.
- 2005 Magical Laments and Anthropological Reflections: Anthropological Writing as Ritual. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Ethnological Society. San Diego, CA. April 7-10.
- 2002 Laments as Intertextual Links: The Circulation of Text in Metacultural Context. Paper presented at the Society for Linguistic Anthropology invited session “Intertextuality in Discourse and Culture: Problems and Prospects,” 101st annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. New Orleans, LA. November.
- 2001 Madness, Fear, and Control in Bangladesh: Clashing Bodies of Knowledge-Power. Paper presented at the panel “Illness and Illusions of Control,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Washington, D. C. November 29.
- 2000 Modernity and the Fate of ‘Emotional Genres’ in South Asia. Paper presented at the panel “Linguistic Modernity and Its Discontents,” American Anthropological Association meeting. San Francisco, CA. November.
- 1999 Divining Troubles: Gender, Conflict, and Polysemy in Bangladeshi Divination. Paper presented at the panel “Situations and Interpretations: Explorations in Interpretive Practice,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Chicago, IL. November.
- 1999 Lamenting the Past, or the Passing of Lament?: The Postcolonial Fate of a Genre in Bangladesh and India. Paper presented at the panel “Genres in Tension and Transformation,” South Asia Conference. Madison, WI. October 16.
- 1999 The Study of Videotaped Interaction: Discourse Methods for Psychological Anthropology. Presidential session on Methods, biennial Society for Psychological Anthropology meeting. Albuquerque, NM. September 22-25.
- 1998 Attunement and Its Discontents: Language Ideologies in the Face of Madness in Bangladesh. Paper presented at the panel “Embodying Linguistic Ideologies,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Philadelphia, PA. December 5.

- 1998 Coping with the Language of Madness in Rural Bangladesh: Aesthetics and Language Ideologies. Paper presented at the 6th International Pragmatics Conference. Reims, France. July 20.
- 1998 Coping with the Language of Madness in Rural Bangladesh: Aesthetics and Language Ideologies. Paper presented at the third annual Conference on Language, Interaction, and Culture (CLIC), University of California, Los Angeles. Los Angeles, CA. May 8.
- 1998 Tuneful Prayer as Narcissism: The View From Bangladesh. Presented at the panel "The Pragmatics of Prayer," at the annual meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics. Seattle, WA. March.
- 1997 (with Laurie Price) Immune Metaphors Our Bodyminds Live By. Paper presented at panel "Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems" at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Washington, D.C. November 22.
- 1997 Remembering and Forgetting Lament: Iconicity, Erasure, and De-Generification in Bangladeshi Modernist Responses. Paper presented at the 1997 annual meeting of the American Folklore Society. Austin, TX. October 30.
- 1997 Lamenting Death, or the Death of Lament?: The Politics of Lament and Religion in Bangladesh and Beyond. Symposium about Language and Society in Austin (SALSA). Austin, TX. April.
- 1997 Exploring Immune Links with Naturally-Occurring Grief Discourses. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Medical Anthropology. Seattle, WA. March.
- 1996 The Poetics of Madness: Shifting Codes and Styles in the Linguistic Construction of Identity in Bangladesh. Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 1996 Diglossia, Religion, and Ideology: On the Mystification of Cross-Cutting Aspects of Bengali Language Variation. Paper presented at the 25th anniversary annual Conference on South Asia. Madison, WI.
- 1995 The Kalimah in the Kaleidoscope: Snapshots of the Swirl of Muslims' Identities in Contemporary Bangladesh. Paper presented in the panel "Communicating Multiple Identities in Muslim Communities," at the American Anthropological Association meeting. Washington, D.C.
- 1995 Diglossia, Religion, and Ideology: On the Mystification of Cross-Cutting Aspects of Bengali Language Variation. Paper presented at the Bengal Studies Conference, University of Chicago. Chicago, IL. May.

- 1994 Facing Power and Losing Face: Patients' Encounters with Practitioners in Bangladesh. Paper presented at the dually invited (Society for Medical Anthropology and Society for Linguistic Anthropology) session on Medical Discourse, American Anthropological Association. Atlanta, GA.
- 1994 'Body' Themes in the Body Politic: Rhetoric in a Rural Bangladeshi Moot. Paper presented at South Asian Language Analysis Roundtable XVI "Languages in Contact," University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, PA. May 20-22.
- 1993 The Aesthetics of Complaining: Conflicting Values in a Rural Bangladeshi Illness Performance. Presented in the Society for Medical Anthropology's invited session "Aesthetics, Power, and Medicine," 92nd annual meeting, American Anthropological Association. Washington, D.C.
- 1992 "I Cannot Tell You All My Troubles": Health Complaints as Social Action in Matlab, Bangladesh. Presented at the 91st annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, CA. December 2.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

- 2011 (with Steven Black) Panel co-organizer, "Of Sound, Mind, and Body," 110th annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Montreal, Canada. November.
- 2008–2009 Regular participant in biweekly Folkloristics Research Seminar, University of Helsinki. Helsinki, Finland.
- 2007 Discussant for panel "Language and Affectivity in Local Projects of Modernity," 106th annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Washington, D.C. December 1.
- 2005 Co-organizer for executive session "Purified Pasts, Hybrid Futures?: (Meta)Languages of Science, Magic, and Religion," American Anthropological Association meeting. Washington, D.C.
- 2003 Organizer and discussant for panel "Histories of Emotion/Discourses/Regimes," American Anthropological Association meeting. Chicago, IL. November.
- 2002 Discussant for panel "Misrecognition, Linguistic Awareness, and Linguistic Ideologies: Ethnographies and Approaches," 101st annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. New Orleans, LA. November.

- 2000 Organizer of panel “Linguistic Modernity and Its Discontents: Mixed Evidence, Hybrid Models,” American Anthropological Association meeting. San Francisco, CA. November.
- 1999 Co-organizer of panel “Situations and Interpretations: Explorations in Interpretive Practice,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Chicago, IL. November.
- 1999 Organizer of double session “Genres in Tension and Transformation: The Politics and Circulation of Lamentation and Related Forms,” South Asia Conference. Madison, WI. October 16.
- 1999 Discussant for panel “Narrative, Dialogue, Selfhood: The New Wave in Life-History Research in South Asia,” South Asia Conference. Madison, WI. October 15.
- 1998 Discussant for panel “Japanese Speaking Choices: Gender and Language Ideologies,” 6th International Pragmatics Conference. Reims, France. July 20.
- 1998 Chair and organizer of Society for Linguistic Anthropology invited session “Embodying Linguistic Ideologies,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Philadelphia, PA. December 2-6.
- 1997 Chair and organizer of panel “The Social and Cultural Lives of Immune Systems,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Washington, D.C. November 19-23.
- 1997 Chair and organizer of panel “Culture and Immunology,” Society for Medical Anthropology meeting. Seattle, WA. March 4-9.
- 1996 Chair and co-organizer for panel “Looking Back at Looking at Language: The Role of Method in Imagining Language and the World,” American Anthropological Association meeting. San Francisco, CA. November 20-24.
- 1995 Chair and organizer of panel “Communicating Multiple Identities in Muslim Communities,” American Anthropological Association meeting. Washington, D.C. November 15-19.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Grant-Funded Research

- 2008–2011 Re-Sounding Voices: ‘Healing with Lament’ in the Contemporary Finnish Lament Revival. National Science Foundation, Grant No. 0822512 (\$156,420).
- 2005–2008 Language Across the Univers(ity): A Speaker Series in Linguistic Anthropology. Salus Mundi Foundation. \$11,400.
- 1997–1998 (with Heidi Wayment, co-principal investigator) Cross-Cultural Investigation of Health and Emotional Expression. Organized Research Grant, Northern Arizona University. \$11,700.
- 1996–1997 Fragments of Eloquence: The Poetics and Politics of Self and Complaint in a Rural Bangladesh Community. Organized Research Grant, Northern Arizona University. \$10,200.
- 1992–1993 The patient as linguistic agent: Health complaints in Bangladesh. Dissertation Enrichment Grant, National Science Foundation. \$10,000.
- 1991–1992 The patient as linguistic agent: Health complaints in Bangladesh. American Institute for Bangladesh Studies. \$10,000.
- 1991–1992 The patient as linguistic agent: Health complaints in Bangladesh. Graduate Study Abroad Grant, Institute of International Education (Fulbright). \$19,000.

Other Research Experience

- 2003 ‘Revival of Lament’ fieldwork in Uukuniemi, Finland. June 15-28.
- 2000–2001 Schizophrenia; Stress, Globalization, and Culture Change; and Mother-Child Interaction. Fieldwork and videotaping in Bangladesh in collaboration with Dhaka psychiatrists. December-January.
- 1997 Management of Bereavement and Maintenance of Cultural Traditions Among Bangladeshi, Haitian and Hmong Immigrants.
- 1991–1992 The Patient as Linguist Agent: Health Complaints in Rural Bangladesh. Fieldwork in Matlab, Bangladesh, in cooperation with the International Centre for Diarrheal Disease Research.
- 1989 Fieldwork in Los Angeles among Bengali speakers, recording naturally occurring conversations, training transcribers, and conducting interviews.

ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Dissertation Advising

Served as external committee member for the following dissertations:

- 2008 Federica Barbieri. Involvement in University Classroom Discourse. Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.
- 2007 R. Neill Hadder. Apparitions of Difference: Essays on Reflexivity, Blindness, and Cultural Critique. Anthropology, University of Texas, Austin.
- 2003 Sara Soller. Deixis and First-Person Narrators: A Diachronic Study of the American Short Story.
- 2002 Chandrika Balasubramanian. Register Variation in Indian English. Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.
- 2000 Erika Konrad. Directives in Socialization. Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.
- 2000 Kristin Precht, Patterns of Stance in English. Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.
- 1998 Suzanne Scott. Patterns of Language Use in Adult Face-to-Face Disagreements. Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.
- 1997 Marie Helt. Discourse Marker and Stance Adverbial Variation in Spoken American English: A Corpus-Based Analysis. Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.

Successfully Defended M.A. Thesis Committees Chaired

- 2010 Nicholas D. Endicott. Racial Diversity on American College Campuses: An Examination of a Korean Language Study Group.
- 2009 Shannon Gleason. Language Ideologies, Language Shift, and the Impacts of Formal Schooling in a Tz'utujil Mayan Community.
- 2009 Nathanael Krancus. Criticisms, Agency, and Subjectivity Among Bolivian Pentecostals.
- 2007 Anna Corwin. Beyond He and She: The Linguistic Construction of Gender Among Genderqueer Individuals.
- 2005 Kaylene Day. Nez Perce Language Revitalization.

- 2005 Christopher Engleke. *Wishful Walking: Performing the Self and Other in Hindu Pilgrimage*.
- 2005 Karin Knudsen. *Communicative Practices of Football Coaches*.
- 2002 Michael Adair-Kriz. *Made in Bangladesh*.
- 1998 R. Neill Hadder. *Music in Self Defense*.
- 1998 Derek Taylor. *Authenticity and Culture at the Smithsonian Institution*.
- 1997 Tina Capito. *Battered Women and the Police: Conflicting Perceptions and Common Ground*.

Undergraduate Research Mentoring

- 2004 Nathanael Krancus. *Hopi Language Revitalization*. Hooper Undergraduate Research Fellow.

Courses Taught (selected)

Ethnography of Communication
Advanced Seminar in Linguistic Anthropology
Language in Society
Culture and Communication
Verbal Art in Anthropological Perspective
Anthropological Theory
Language, Power, and Medicine
Madness and Culture
Studying Cultures
Social Life in South Asia
Gender and Healing in South Asia

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropological Association
Society for Linguistic Anthropology
International Pragmatics Association
Society for Medical Anthropology

Society for Psychological Anthropology

American Ethnological Society

Society for Cultural Anthropology

SERVICE

International Service

2012 Reviewer, DFG (German Research Foundation) "Excellence Initiative" for strengthening research at German universities. Onsite review panel considering major grants for the Excellence program, convened in Bonn, Germany, January 9-11, 2012

National Service

- 1999–present External tenure reviewer for numerous institutions, including the University of Chicago; Indiana University, Bloomington; Northwestern University; the University of Hawai'i, Manoa; the University of Massachusetts, Amherst; the University of South Carolina; Queens College, City University of New York; Sonoma State University; Sarah Lawrence College; the University of Houston; and Brandeis University.
- 1997–present Grant reviewer for funding institutions, including the National Science Foundation, the School of American Research, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Auckland Medical Research Foundation, and the Wenner-Gren Foundation.
- 1996–present Reviewer for numerous journals, including *Current Anthropology*, *American Anthropologist*, *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*, *American Ethnologist*, *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, *Social Science & Medicine*, *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, *Qualitative Health Research*, *Transcultural Psychiatry*, and *Medical Anthropology*, and *PoLaR* (Political and Legal Anthropology Review).
- 2009 Finalist in nationwide search for editor of *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*.
- 2005–2008, July 2012–2016 Member, Editorial Board, *American Anthropologist*.
- 2005–2008 Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*.
- 2005 Member, Planning Taskforce on Executive Panels for the American Anthropological Association's Executive Committee.

- 2004–2006 Member, Stirling Prize Award Committee, Society for Psychological Anthropology.
- 2001–2002 Chair, Society of Linguistic Anthropology’s Nominations Committee.

University Service

- 2009–2012 Member, University Graduate Council.
- 1994–present University Advisor, Interdisciplinary Minor in Linguistics.
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- 2006–2008 Member, NAU Interdisciplinary Planning Committee for the Institute for Health.
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- 2000–2004 Member, Arizona Tri-University College of Public Health.

Departmental Service

- 2007–2008 Chair, Search Committee for Medical Anthropologist.
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LANGUAGES

- Bengali: Fluent (speaking, reading, and writing).
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