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### **Education:**

Ph.D. in Anthropology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 2003.

BA in International Relations, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, 1989.

### **Positions Held (academic):**

Associate Professor of Anthropology and Latin American Studies. Dept of Anthropology.  
Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Assistant Professor of Anthropology. Dept of Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Anthropology.  
Texas Christian University. Fort Worth, TX. 2004-2006.

Lecturer and Undergraduate Advisor for Social Anthropology. Dept of Anthropology.  
Harvard University. Cambridge, MA. 2003-2004.

Lecturer. Dept of Anthropology and Sociology.  
Tufts University. Medford, MA. Fall 2002 and Fall 2001.

### **Other Professional Experience:**

Research Associate. Human Rights Watch/Americas, Washington, DC. 1993-1994.  
Principal researcher on human rights abuses in Brazil.

Associate. Human Rights Watch/Africa, Washington, DC. 1989-1993.  
Conducted research on Somalia and on U.S. foreign policy in sub-Saharan Africa.

### **Teaching and scholarly awards:**

Master Teacher Award, Loyola University Chicago, 2013  
Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching. (awarded: Spring 2003, Fall 2002,  
Spring 2000. Spring 1997. Fall 1996.)  
Harvard Graduate School Merit Fellowship. 1997-1998.  
Distinction in Ph.D. General Examinations. 1996.

## **Grants and fellowships:**

Sidney R. Knafel Dissertation Fellowship. Harvard University. 2000-2001.  
Fulbright Fellowship. 1998-1999.  
Sawyer Predoctoral Fellowship in the Program on the Performance of Democracies. 1999.  
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship. 1996-1997.  
Tinker Foundation pre-dissertation research grant. 1997.  
Mellon Foundation pre-dissertation research grant. 1996.

## **I. SCHOLARSHIP**

### **Books:**

2014. *Living with Insecurity in a Brazilian Favela: Urban Violence and Daily Life*. Rutgers University Press.

1994. *Final Justice: Police and Death Squad Homicides of Adolescents in Brazil*. New York: Human Rights Watch.

### **Articles and book chapters (peer-reviewed):**

2013. "Invading the Favela: Echoes of Police Practices among Brazil's Urban Poor." In *Policing and Contemporary Governance: The Anthropology of Police in Practice*, William Garriott, ed. Palgrave Macmillan.

2011. "Lost bullets: fetishes of urban violence in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." *Anthropological Quarterly*. 84(20):411-438.

2011. "States of Insecurity: Everyday Emergencies, Public Secrets and Drug Trafficker Power in a Brazilian Favela," in Victoria Bernal, ed. *Contemporary Cultures, Global Connections: Anthropology for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. Cognella Press. (reprint of 2009 article)

2010. "The Owner of the Hill: Masculinity and Drug-Trafficker Power in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil," *The Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, 15(2):317-337.

2009. "States of Insecurity: everyday emergencies, public secrets and drug trafficker power in a Brazilian favela," *PoLAR: Political and Legal Anthropology Review*, 32(1): 407-423.

2008. "The Bastard Child of the Dictatorship: the Comando Vermelho and the Birth of 'Narco-Culture' in Rio de Janeiro," *The Luso-Brazilian Review*, 45(1): 118-145.

2007. "Barbarians on the Beach: media narratives of violence in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil," *Crime Media Culture*, 3(3): 305-325.

2005. "The Shutdown of Rio de Janeiro: the poetics of drug trafficker violence," *Anthropology Today*, 21(5): 3-6.

**Other published materials:**

forthcoming. "An Oral History of Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu: interview with Rolker Gracie" In *The Rio de Janeiro Reader: History, Politics and Culture*, Duke University Press.

2014. "Brazilian Football as a Means of Reflecting Upon Brazilian Society." The Huffington Post. [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/american-anthropological-association/brazilian-football-as-a-m\\_b\\_5498879.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/american-anthropological-association/brazilian-football-as-a-m_b_5498879.html)

2014. "Pacifying Rio's Favelas: innovation, adaptation or continuity." *Anthropoliteia.net*, special forum on Security in Brazil: World Cup 2014 and Beyond (invited blog posting), <http://anthropoliteia.net/2014/05/16/pacifying-rios-favelas-innovation-adaptation-or-continuity/>

2012. "Review of Drug War Zone by Howard Campbell." *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*. 17(2):373-375.

2011. "Review of Ideologies of Marginality in Brazilian Hip-Hop by Derek Pardue." *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*. 16(1):223-225

2009. co-authored with Philip Parnell and Stephanie Kane, "Interview: the New Anthropology of Crime," *PoLAR: Political and Legal Anthropology Review*, 32(1): 465-483.

2008. "Review of Lucia: Testimonies of a Drug Dealer's Woman." *The Luso-Brazilian Review*, 45(2): 205-208.

2002. "Warriors for Peace: the Luta Pela Paz boxing academy." *Revista*, Harvard Review of Latin America. Spring.

1999. Encyclopedia entries on: Berimbau, Manguera, Jackson do Pandeiro, Mestre Pastinha, Mestre Bimba, Tia Ciata. In *Microsoft Encarta Africana*. Microsoft Corporation.

1998. "Citizenship or Favelaship: an interview with Caio Ferraz." *DRCLAS News* (David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies), Spring.

**Human rights reports:**

1994. "Brazil: Violence Against the Macuxi and Wapixana Indians in Raposa Serra do Sol and Northern Roraima from 1988 to 1994," *News From Human Rights Watch/Americas*. New York: Human Rights Watch, June.

1993. Co-authored, with Stephen L. Kass, "The Killings at Candelária and Vigário Geral: the Urgent Need to Police the Brazilian Police," *News from Human Rights Watch/Americas*. New York: Human Rights Watch, November.

1993. Co-authored, with Juan E. Méndez, "Beyond the Warlords: The Need for a Verdict on Human Rights Abuses in Somalia," *News from Human Rights Watch/Africa*. New York: Human

Rights Watch, March.

1993. Chapter on Brazil in *Human Rights Watch World Report 1993*. New York: Human Rights Watch, December.

1992. Chapters on Brazil, Malawi, and Mozambique in *Human Rights Watch World Report 1992*. New York: Human Rights Watch, January.

1992. Chapter on U.S. Policy in *Conspicuous Destruction: War, Famine and the Reform Process in Mozambique*. New York: Human Rights Watch/Africa, July.

1991. Chapter on U.S. Policy in *Kenya: Taking Liberties*. New York: Human Rights Watch.

1991. Chapter on Brazil in *Human Rights Watch World Report 1990*. New York: Human Rights Watch, January.

### **Papers and Presentations:**

2014. "Narratives of Displacement: the ambiguities of violence in a Brazilian favela." Latin American Studies Association annual conference, Chicago, IL, May 22.

2014. "How Futebol (Soccer) Explains Brazilian Society." Invited Lecture, Kellogg School of Management, Global Programs Series, Northwestern University, March 13, 2014.

2014. "Favelas and Futebol in the Brazilian Social Imaginary." Symposium on Popular Reactions and Responses to Mega-Events Policies in Brazil. Center for Latin American and Latino/a Studies, Georgia State University, April 7.

2014. "'The World at Brazil's Feet': Futebol in the Brazilian Social Imaginary." Invited Lecture, Kellogg School of Management, Global Initiatives in Management, Northwestern University, February 18, 2014.

2013. "Pacifying Rio: Mega-Events and Urban Disorder." Invited lecture at Denison University, November 4.

2012. "Learning to Flow: Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and Ways of Being." Invited lecture at University of Oklahoma, October 8.

2011. "The Face of a Bandit: Racialization and Policing in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, QC, Canada, November 17.

2011. "Invading the favela: echoes of police practices among Brazil's urban poor." Invited lecture, Watson Institute for International Affairs, Brown University, Providence, RI, March 17.

2010. "Police and Bandidos: the antagonism of opposites in a favela in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 20.

2009. "Lost bullets: fetishes of urban violence in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 11.

2008. "Now you know what it's like: police raids and moments of crisis in a Brazilian favela." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 20.

2008. "Stray Bullets: Fetishes of Urban Violence in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." Invited lecture at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, November 14.

2008. "Spatial Segregation and Urban Violence in Brazil." Invited lecture at the Center for Urban Research and Learning, Loyola University Chicago, October 10.

2008. "Lost Bullets: Fetishes of Urban Violence in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." Invited lecture at Denison College, October 6.

2008. "The Owner of the Hill: Masculinity and Drug-Trafficker Power in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." Brazil Studies Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, March 28.

2007. "Lost Bullets: Fetishes of Urban Violence." Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Fall Seminar Series. Michigan State University. October 3.

2007. "Lost Bullets: Fetishes of Urban Violence." Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Brown Bag Lecture Series. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. September 27, 2007.

2007. "The Owner of the Hill: masculinity and drug-trafficker power in Brazil." Panel on Masculinity and War, Gender Research Seminar. Loyola University Chicago, April 4, 2007.

2006. "States of Insecurity: Everyday emergencies, public secrets and drug trafficker power in a Brazilian favela." Latin American Studies Association. Annual Meeting. San Juan, Puerto Rico. March 15-18.

2004. "Times of War and Times of Peace: Justice, Order and Power in Rio's Favelas." Latin American Studies Association. Annual Meeting. Las Vegas, NV. October 7-9.

2004. "A New Generation of Murderers: Crime, Disorder, and Political Subjectivities in Rio de Janeiro." Brazil in Bold: Dialogue Across Disciplines. University of Massachusetts at Amherst. February 14.

2003. "Zones of War: the Criminalization and Racialization of Urban Space in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil." American Anthropological Association. Annual meeting. Chicago, IL. November.

2002. "Constructing the *Favela*." New England Council of Latin American Studies. Annual meeting. Worcester, MA. October.

2001. “‘It was here that Estella was shot’: Violence, place and memory in a Brazilian slum.” American Anthropological Association. Annual meeting. Washington, DC. November.

2001. “‘*Os Homi Tão na Área*’: Policing, race and marginality in a Brazilian favela.” Latin American Studies Association. Annual meeting, Washington, DC. August.

2000. “Police and Bandidos: Violence and the Law of the Hillside.” Harvard Committee on Human Rights Studies, Cambridge, MA. May.

2000. “From Boston to the Favela: Fieldwork, the Media and the Law of Silence in a Brazilian Slum.” American Anthropological Association. Annual meeting. San Francisco, CA. November.

## II. TEACHING

### Teaching Interests:

Race and ethnicity in Latin America, Brazilian society and culture, violence and human rights, the social impact of globalization, urban poverty and the global drug trade, anthropological theory, political anthropology, urban anthropology, Latin American popular culture.

### Classes taught:

Loyola University Chicago:

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Fall 2006, Spring 2007, 2008, 2010- 2014  
Peoples of Latin America, Fall 2006-2014  
Violence and Culture, Fall 2007, 2009 and 2012  
Anthropology and Human Rights, Fall 2008 and 2010  
The Body in Cultural Perspective, Fall 2011, Fall 2014  
Social Movements and Activism, Fall 2013  
Introduction to Latin American Studies, Spring 2007, 2008, 2010-2013  
Human Rights in Latin America, Spring 2014

Texas Christian University:

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Spring 2005 and Spring 2006  
Anthropology of Violence, Spring 2005 and Spring 2006  
Language and Culture, Fall 2004 and Fall 2005  
Latin American Popular Culture, Fall 2004 and Fall 2005.

Harvard University:

Sophomore Tutorial on Anthropological Theory, Spring 2004.  
Latin American Popular Culture, Spring 2004.  
Introduction to Social Anthropology, Fall 2003.

Tufts University:

History of Anthropological Thought, Fall 2002 and Fall 2001.

### **III. SERVICE**

#### **Departmental and University service:**

Anthropology Department Undergraduate Program Director, Loyola University Chicago  
Fall 2011-present

Fellow, Center for Interdisciplinary Thinking, Loyola University Chicago  
Fall 2013-present

Coordinator, Peace and Social Justice Faculty Research Network, Loyola University Chicago  
Fall 2013-present

Anthropology Department representative to the Academic Council, Loyola University Chicago  
Fall 2008-Fall 2011.

Member of the Grievances Committee, Anthropology Department, Loyola University Chicago  
Fall 2007-present.

Member of the Steering Committee, Latin American Studies Program, Loyola University  
Chicago, Fall 2008-present.

Member of the Faculty Advisory Board, Peace Studies Program, Loyola University Chicago, Fall  
2008-present.

Member of Search Committee, Anthropology Department, Loyola University Chicago, Fall  
2010-Spring 2011.

Member of Search Committee, Anthropology Department, Loyola University Chicago, Spring  
2009.

Coordinator of the Anthropology Program, Texas Christian University.  
Fall 2005-Spring 2006.

Faculty Advisor, TCU Anthropology Society, Texas Christian University.  
Fall 2004-Spring 2006.

Member, Anthropology Program Curriculum Committee, Texas Christian University.  
Fall 2004-Fall 2005.

Undergraduate Advisor for Social Anthropology, Harvard University.

Fall 2003-Spring 2004.

**Academic service:**

Session organizer and chair for panel entitled “Violence, the City and Experience of Place.”  
American Anthropological Association annual meeting. Washington, DC, November 2001.

**Community service:**

Brazil Country Expert, Amnesty International USA.  
2003-2007.

**Membership in professional organizations:**

American Anthropology Association  
Latin American Studies Association  
Brazilian Studies Association