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PROFESSIONAL  
APPOINTMENTS

**Brown University** | Providence, RI  
2012- | Assistant professor, Anthropology  
Affiliations: Africana Studies, Science and Technology Studies

**Oberlin College** | Oberlin, OH  
2011-12 | Visiting assistant professor, Anthropology

**Dartmouth College** | Hanover, NH  
2009-10 | Post-doctoral Fellow, Global Health  
Dickey Center for International Understanding

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EDUCATION

**Ph.D. Harvard University** | Cambridge, MA  
2009 | Social Anthropology

**A.M. Harvard University** | Cambridge, MA  
2007 | Social Anthropology/Medical Anthropology

**M.P.H. Emory University** | Atlanta, GA  
2001 | International Health and Infectious Diseases

**A.B. Brown University** | Providence, RI  
1999 | Human Biology (Health and Disease)

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PUBLICATIONS

**Book**  
2015 | HIV Exceptionalism: Development through Disease in Sierra Leone.  
Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

**Refereed Journal Articles**

2012 | Introduction to Enumerating Identity, with Thurka Sangaramoorthy,  
Medical Anthropology, 31(4): 287-91. (Special issue, co-editor).

2012 | Exceptional suffering? Numbers and narrative as modifiers of the HIV  
+ experience in Sierra Leone, Medical Anthropology. 31(4): 310-28.

2009 | Finding their level: African American roots travel to Sierra Leone and  
Ghana, co-authored with Kwame Zulu Shabazz. Cahiers d'Etudes Africaines.  
XLIX (1-2), 193-194, 477-511.

**Book Chapter**

2015 | Surgery and the cultural politics of global health in *Vital Signs*,  
Routledge Press, edited by Lenore Manderson, Anita Hardon, and Elizabeth  
Cartwright.

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**Online (invited blog posts)**

- The Not-So-Secret Serum, *Dissent Magazine*, August 16, 2014.  
Ebola, Mistrust and Humanitarian Mobility, Mats Utas' blog, August 18, 2014.  
"It Don't Take a Semiotician..." Or, What We Talk About When We Talk  
About Bushmeat, Mats Utas' blog, August 27, 2014.  
Pundits panicking about Ebola hurt cause they mean to help, *Monkey Cage*,  
*Washington Post* (co-authored with Kim Yi Dionne), September 1, 2014.  
Covered by Andrew Sullivan's "The Dish"  
Race and the immuno-logics of emergency response during the West African  
Ebola crisis, *Somatosphere*, September 19, 2014.  
Watching *Outbreak* during the West African Ebola Epidemic, *Hot Spots*,  
*Cultural Anthropology journal blog*, October, 2014.

**Book Reviews**

- 2014 | Review of Erica James, *Democratic Insecurities*, University of  
California. *Cahiers d'Etudes Africaines*. LIV (3), 215: 835-7  
2012 | Review of Brenda Chalfin. *Neoliberal Frontiers*, University of Chicago.  
*American Anthropologist* 114(4): 699-700.

**Manuscripts in Submission**

- Postcolonial time and global health others: Positive living in the age of AIDS,  
*American Ethnologist* (co-authored with Ippolytos Kalofonos and Thurka  
Sangaramoorthy)  
Innumerable subjects and middle practices in gender violence survey research,  
*Medical Anthropology Quarterly*  
The clinic in crisis: Medical anthropologists rethink medical neutrality, *World  
Health and Population* (co-authored with Sherine Hamdy)  
Risky Business: Race, Nonequivalence and a Humanitarian Politics of Life  
(under revision for *Transforming Anthropology*)  
Chronic Care Model for Rural Surgical Access: A case series from rural Nepal,  
*PLoS Medicine* (co-authored with Maru, Fleming et al.)

**Manuscripts in Preparation**

*Book manuscripts*

- The Ebola Fieldnotes: Remote anthropology in a time of crisis  
Target Zero: The Cultural Politics of Guinea Worm Eradication (co-authored  
with Amy Moran-Thomas)  
Blind Spots: Surgery and the Ideologies of Global Health

*Articles*

- Numbers that Matter: Counts, Proportions, Indices and Ranking in  
*International Development and Global Health* (*Global Public Health*)  
"How could she be so heartless?" Men in global health's blind spot (*Culture,  
Health and Sexuality*)  
Fleas, babies, arrogance: cultural politics of surgery within global health (*World  
Journal of Surgery*)  
Provincializing global health: global surgery and the ideology of public health  
(*American Anthropologist*)
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PUBLICATIONS

**Reports and Working Papers**

- 2014 | More Resources are needed, Ebola exhausts health systems, Nordic Africa Institute, Policy Note No. 3 (August).
- 2009 | Access to primary health care services for the population most affected by the internal conflict – Evaluation Report, Merlin and ECHO, Nepal.
- 2009 | Management Information System Indicator Guide for HIV/AIDS Programs, World Vision International.
- 2007 | Evaluation of Sexuality and Youth (SAY) Project, CARE Sierra Leone.
- 2006 | Evaluation of Na Wi Pot! (It's Our Pot!): Facilitating sustainable peace in the forest region, USAID/West Africa.
- 2005 | Knowledge, attitudes and practices: Baseline survey for post-conflict development program, North Maluku, Indonesia, CORDAID.
- 2004 | Assessing the Prevalence of Gender-based Violence Among Liberian Refugee Women in Three Refugee Camps in Sierra Leone, International Rescue Committee, Sierra Leone.
- 2002 | Gender, Power and Multi-partner Sex: Implications for Dual Method Use in Ghana, CEDPA monograph with Lakshmi Goparaju et al.

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AWARDS AND  
HONORS

**Brown University**

- 2014 | Watson Institute Collaborative Grant
- 2013 | Engaged Scholar, Swearer Center for Public Service
- 2013 | Humanities Initiative, Dean of the Faculty
- 2013 | Pembroke Center Seed Grant
- 2013 | Salomon Faculty Research Award

**Harvard University**

- 2008 | Cora DuBois Dissertation Fellowship
- 2007 | Center for African Studies Travel Grant
- 2006 | National Institutes of Health T32 HIV Clinical Training Grant (2 years)
- 2005 | Graduate Prize Fellowship (3 years)
- 2005 | Center for International Development, Summer Research Fellowship
- 2005 | Saltonstall Fellowship, Harvard School of Public Health

**Other Institutions**

- 2012 | Oberlin College Grant-in-Aid
- 2011 | Quadrant Fellowship, Institute for Advanced Study and the University of Minnesota Press
- 2004 | Chancellor Graduate Fellowship, Washington University (declined)
- 2004 | Minority Graduate Fellowship finalist, Emory University
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INVITED TALKS

Reading Camus during the West African Ebola epidemic, Tufts University, October 15, 2014.

Key issues in addressing Ebola in West Africa, CUNY Graduate Center, September 22, 2014.

Outbreak in West Africa, Roger Williams University Law School, September 19, 2014.

Addressing the Ebola epidemic in West Africa, Humanists of Rhode Island, September 8, 2014.

Mistrust in a time of Ebola, Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden. August 19, 2014.

“But what’s the prevalence?” Innumerable subjects in gender-based violence research, International Women’s Day, Syracuse University, March 21, 2014.

Book talk, Friday Morning Seminar, Harvard University, September 25, 2013.

HIV, Subjectivity and the Politics of Care in Sierra Leone, Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota, September 2011.

Commentary on Erica James’ book, *Democratic Insecurities* (UC Press), Harvard University, March 2011.

Ethnographic methods in conflict and post-conflict zones, Tufts University, 2009.

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MEDIA

Ebola and racial immuno-logics, No Alibis, KCSB-FM, October 8, 2014.

Ebola response, Fresh Outlook, Ebru TV (national cable network), September 6, 2014.

Briefing on Ebola situation, WPRO 99.7FM 630AM, Providence, RI, Saturday morning with Steve Klamkin, September 6, 2014.

Radio Student, Slovenia: “Globally (Not) Dealing with Ebola. September 3, 2014. <http://radiostudent.si/politika/ju%C5%BEna-hemisfera/globalno-nespopadanje-z-ebolo>

Quoted on BBC World Service television program, related to Newsweek Ebola and bushmeat cover story.

August 22 Ebolabekämpning orsakar konflikter <http://sverigesradio.se/sida/artikel.aspx?programid=415&artikel=5944949> (Swedish Science Radio’s weekly magazine)

“As WHO Warns Ebola Death Toll is Underestimated, How Should Global Community Handle Dire Crisis?” Democracy Now! (television and radio), August 15, 2014. [http://www.democracynow.org/2014/8/15/as\\_who\\_warns\\_ebola\\_death\\_toll](http://www.democracynow.org/2014/8/15/as_who_warns_ebola_death_toll)

“Mistrust fuels the deadliest ebola outbreak on record,” The Takeaway (radio), July 29, 2014 <http://www.thetakeaway.org/story/deadliest-ebola-outbreak-record/>

Ju fler som söker vård, desto lägre blir dödstalen (interview on Swedish public radio) <http://sverigesradio.se/sida/gruppsida.aspx?programid=83&grupp=21379&artikel=5941557>

Quoted in Daniel Drezner, “Scare-mongering about Ebola is not such a great idea,” Washington Post, August 15, 2014.

The West African Ebola Outbreak, Point of Inquiry, top science podcast on iTunes, August 25, 2014, podcast ranked among the top of the summer.

**Panels organized**

2014 | Epidemiology and Anthropology, American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC (with Thurka Sangaramoorthy and Jennifer Liu)

2014 | The Clinic in Crisis Symposium, Pembroke Center, Brown University (with Sa'ed Atshan, Soha Bayoumi and Sherine Hamdy), May 9-10.

2009 | Technologies of Enumeration, Society for Medical Anthropology meetings, New Haven, CT (with Thurka Sangaramoorthy), September 24-27.

**Papers presented**

2013 | Where it counts: vulnerability and HIV in post-war Sierra Leone, Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV, Paris, France, July 7-10.

2013 | Sideways, through, up: African expatriates in the ethnography of direction, hierarchy and scale. American Anthropological Association, Chicago, IL, November 20-24.

2011 | Race, risk and the humanitarian politics of life. American Anthropological Association, Montreal, QC, November 15-20.

2009 | The state as caring institution? HIV treatment in Freetown, Sierra Leone. American Anthropological Association. Philadelphia, PA, December 2-6.

2009 | You don't know how we suffer! Numbers as modifiers of experience in Sierra Leone, Society for Medical Anthropology, New Haven, CT, September 24-27.

2009 | Interventions of a non-humanitarian kind? HIV and the politics of care in post-conflict Freetown, Sierra Leone, Workshop on the Anthropology of Conflict and Post-conflict Interventions, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. February 27.

2008 | Becoming HIV-positive: shaping selves in Freetown's HIV support associations. American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA, November 19-23.

2007 | Biological citizenship and regimes of the self among HIV-positive persons living in Freetown, Sierra Leone, American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC, November 28-December 2.

2007 | *Yu fo liv positiv*: community-based care and support for HIV in Freetown, Sierra Leone, African Studies Association, New York, NY, October 17-21.

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2007 | Promoting regimes of the self, biological citizenship and responsible sex in Freetown, Sierra Leone, International Association for Study of Sexuality, Culture, and Society, Lima, Peru, June 27-29.

2005 | West Africa Wins Again: Notes from Sierra Leone and Liberia. Medical Anthropology and Cultural Psychiatry Seminar at Harvard, Cambridge, MA, November 4.

2004 | Liberian refugee women in Sierra Leone: mental health and gender-based violence, International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies, New Orleans, LA, November 14-18.

### **Discussant**

Clinic in Crisis: Medics and political violence, May 2014.

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## TEACHING

### **Brown University**

African Issues in Anthropological Perspective, Fall 2014

Professional Preparation for Anthropologists (graduate seminar), Fall 2014

Biopolitics (graduate seminar), Spring 2014

Anthropology and International Development, Spring 2014

Anthropology and Global Social Problems, Fall 2013

Gender and Globalization, Spring 2013

Biological and Social Context of Disease (TA), 1998

Foundations of Biological Systems (TA), 1997, 1998

### **Oberlin College**

Global Health Encounters (advanced seminar), Spring 2012

### **International Honors Program**

Global Health Encounters: Introduction to Medical Anthropology, Spring 2011

Qualitative Research Methods in Health and Community, Spring 2011

### **Harvard University**

Health, Culture and Medicine in Africa, Fall 2009

Sophomore Tutorial in Social Anthropology (TA), Spring 2008

### **Certification and Training**

Dartmouth Center for the Advancement of Learning, 2010

Harvard Graduate Writing Fellows, 2008

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## SERVICE TO PROFESSION

### **Reviewer**

University of Pennsylvania, Human Rights Series

African Studies Review

Medical Anthropology

Medical Anthropology Quarterly

Global Public Health

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DEPARTMENT/  
UNIVERSITY  
SERVICE

**Brown University**

Faculty Coordinator, Department of Anthropology Colloquium  
First-year advisor  
Undergraduate thesis advisor

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RELEVANT  
COMPUTING  
SKILLS

Database: Access, FileMaker Pro (intermediate)  
Statistical analysis: SPSS (intermediate), SAS (basic)  
Qualitative management and analysis: NVivo, Dedoose  
Data entry: CPro  
Office/productivity: Excel, PowerPoint, Keynote (advanced)  
Geospatial data management and analysis: ArcGIS (basic)

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LANGUAGES

Sierra Leone Krio: high intermediate reading, writing, speaking and listening.  
French: advanced reading, writing and intermediate speaking.  
Spanish: intermediate speaking, reading and writing.  
Portuguese: basic speaking, intermediate reading.  
Bahasa Indonesia: basic speaking.