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Professional Appointments

2018-	Charles C. Tillinghast, Jr. '32 Professor of International Studies, Brown University
2014-	Professor of Anthropology, Brown University
2013-	Faculty Fellow, Watson School of International & Public Affairs, Brown University
2001-	Faculty Associate, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University
2016-26	Director, Africa Initiative, Watson School of International & Public Affairs, Brown University
2015-18	Royce Family Professor of Teaching Excellence, Brown University
2012-19	Chair, Department of Anthropology, Brown University
2010-11 & 2021-22	Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology, Brown University
2009-10	Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Anthropology, Brown University
2007-14	Associate Professor of Anthropology, Brown University
2006-11	Associate Director, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University
2004-07	Stanley J. Bernstein Assistant Professor in the Social Sciences and Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Brown University
2001-04	Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Population Studies, Department of Anthropology, Brown University
1999-2001	Mellon Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University

Education

1999	Emory University, Ph.D. in Anthropology. Dissertation: "Having People: Family, Fertility and Modernity in Igbo-speaking Nigeria"
1989	Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, M.P.H.
1983	Harvard University, A.B. in Sociology

Completed Research and Scholarship

Books

- 2022 *Every Household Its Own Government: Improvised Infrastructure, Entrepreneurial Citizens, and the State in Nigeria*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- 2017 *To Be a Man Is Not a One-Day Job: Masculinity, Money, and Intimacy in Nigeria*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. (Special Commendation for the 2017 Amaury Talbot Prize for African Anthropology from the Royal Anthropological Institute)
- 2014 *AIDS Doesn't Show Its Face: Inequality, Morality, and Social Change in Nigeria*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. (Winner of the 2015 Elliott P. Skinner Award from the Association for Africanist Anthropology)
- 2009 *The Secret: Love, Marriage, and HIV*. (Co-authored with Jennifer S. Hirsch, Holly Wardlow, Harriet Phinney, Shanti Parikh and Constance A. Nathanson.) Nashville, TN: Vanderbilt University Press. (A *CHOICE* Outstanding Academic Title of 2010)
- 2007 *A Culture of Corruption: Everyday Deception and Popular Discontent in Nigeria*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
(Winner of the 2008 Margaret Mead Award, presented jointly by the American Anthropological Association and the Society for Applied Anthropology)

Special Issues of Journals

- 2015 "Population and Development: Comparative Anthropological Perspectives." Special issue of *Studies in Comparative International Development*, Daniel Jordan Smith and Jennifer Johnson-Hanks, editors, Volume 54, Issue 4.

Refereed Journal Articles

- Forthcoming "Masculinity, Perceived Economic Hardship, and Fertility Transition in Nigeria: An Ethnographic Perspective." *Journal of African Population Studies*.
- 2026 "How Nigerians See the State: An Essay in Honor of James C. Scott." *HAU: The Journal of Ethnographic Theory* 16(2):331-336.
- 2025 "Reflections on the Value of Anthropology for Understanding Population Processes." *Population and Development Review* 51(1):575-596 (online version published October 4, 2024).
- 2024 "'A Debt Never Dies': Navigating Trust and Betrayal in Southeastern Nigeria." *Ethnography* 25(4):486-504.
- 2024 "Conspicuous Redistribution: Money, Morality, and Masculinity in Nigeria." *Journal of Contemporary African Studies* 42(2):230-244.
- 2023 "Water Entrepreneurs, Infrastructural Citizenship, and State Power in Nigeria." *Journal of Business Anthropology* 12(2):183-291.
- 2021 "The Pentecostal Prosperity Gospel in Nigeria: Paradoxes of Corruption and Inequality." *Journal of Modern African Studies* 59(1):103-122.

- 2020 "Masculinity, Money, and the Postponement of Parenthood in Nigeria." *Population and Development Review* 46(1):101-120.
- 2018 "Corruption and 'Culture' in Anthropology and in Nigeria." *Current Anthropology* 59(S18):S83-S91.
- 2015 Smith, D.J., and J. Johnson-Hanks. "Introduction" to special issue, "Population and Development: Comparative Anthropological Perspectives." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 54(4):433-454.
- 2014 "Corruption Complaints, Inequality, and Ethnic Grievances in Post-Biafra Nigeria." *Third World Quarterly* 35(5):787-802.
- 2012 "AIDS NGOS and Corruption in Nigeria." *Health & Place* 18(3):475-480.
- 2011 "Benefiting from AIDS in Contemporary Nigeria." *Anthropology Now* 3(3):1-9.
- 2011 "Rural-to-Urban Migration, Kinship Networks, and Fertility among the Igbo in Nigeria." *African Population Studies* 25(2):320-336.
- 2010 Smith, D. and B. Mbakwem. "Antiretroviral Therapy and Reproductive Life Projects: Mitigating the Stigma of AIDS in Nigeria." *Social Science & Medicine* 71(2):345-352.
- 2010 "Corruption, NGOs, and Development in Nigeria." *Third World Quarterly* 32(2):243-258.
- 2010 "Promiscuous Girls, Good Wives, and Cheating Husbands: Gender Inequality, Transitions to Marriage, and Infidelity in Southeastern Nigeria." *Anthropological Quarterly* 83(1):123-152.
- 2007 "Modern Marriage, Men's Extramarital Sex, and HIV Risk in Nigeria." *American Journal of Public Health* 97(6):997-1005.
- 2007 "Corruption, Culture Politique et Démocratie au Nigeria: Réactions Populaires à la Croisade Anti-corruption du Président Obasanjo." *Politique Africaine* 106:28-45.
- 2007 Smith, D. and B. Mbakwem. "Life Projects and Therapeutic Itineraries: Marriage, Fertility, and Antiretroviral Therapy in Nigeria." *AIDS* 21(suppl 5):S37-S41.
- 2006 "Cell Phones, Social Inequality, and Contemporary Culture in Southeastern Nigeria." *Canadian Journal of African Studies* 40(3):496-523.
- 2006 Smith, D. and B. Mbakwem. "Love, Marriage and Positive Living." *Sexuality in Africa* 3(4):4-6.
- 2005 White, M., E. Tagoe, C. Stiff, K. Adazu, and D. Smith. "Urbanization and the Fertility Transition in Ghana." *Population Research and Policy Review* 24(1):59-83.
- 2005 "Legacies of Biafra: Marriage, 'Home People' and Human Reproduction among the Igbo of Nigeria." *Africa* 75(1):30-45.

- 2004 “Contradictions in Nigeria’s Fertility Transition: The Burdens and Benefits of Having People.” *Population and Development Review* 30(2):221-238.
- 2004 “The Bakassi Boys: Vigilantism, Violence and Political Imagination in Nigeria.” *Cultural Anthropology* 19(3):429-455.
- 2004 “Burials and Belonging in Nigeria: Rural-Urban Relations and Social Inequality in a Contemporary African Ritual.” *American Anthropologist* 106(3):569-579.
- 2004 “Youth, Sin and Sex in Nigeria: Christianity and HIV-Related Beliefs and Behaviour among Rural-Urban Migrants.” *Culture, Health & Sexuality* 6(5):425-437.
- 2004 “Premarital Sex, Procreation and HIV Risk in Nigeria.” *Studies in Family Planning* 35(4):223-235.
- 2003 “Patronage, Per Diems and ‘The Workshop Mentality’: The Practice of Family Planning Programs in Southeastern Nigeria.” *World Development* 31(4):703-715.
- 2003 “Imagining HIV/AIDS: Morality and Perceptions of Personal Risk in Nigeria.” *Medical Anthropology* 22(4):343-372.
- 2002 “‘Man No Be Wood’: Gender and Extramarital Sex in Contemporary Southeastern Nigeria.” *The Ahfad Journal* 19(2):4-23.
- 2001 “Romance, Parenthood and Gender in a Modern African Society.” *Ethnology* 40(2):129-151.
- 2001 “Kinship and Corruption in Contemporary Nigeria.” *Ethnos* 66(3):344-364.
- 2001 “Ritual Killing, ‘419’ and Fast Wealth: Inequality and the Popular Imagination in Southeastern Nigeria.” *American Ethnologist* 28(4):803-826.
- 2001 “‘The Arrow of God’: Pentecostalism, Inequality and the Supernatural in South-eastern Nigeria.” *Africa* 71(4):587-613.
- 2000 “‘These Girls Today *Na War-O*’: Premarital Sexuality and Modern Identity in Southeastern Nigeria.” *Africa Today* 47(3-4):98-120.

Refereed Chapters in Books

- 2026 “Conspicuous Redistribution: Money, Morality, and Masculinity in Nigeria. In *Moral Economies of Distribution and Redistribution in Africa: The Right and Wrong of Who Gets (and Gives) What and Why*. Tijo Salverda, Cristiano Lanzano and Jörg Wiegratz, eds. Routledge, pp. 105-119. [Reprinted from Smith, D. 2024. “Conspicuous Redistribution: Money, Morality, and Masculinity in Nigeria.” *Journal of Contemporary African Studies* 42(2):230-244.]
- 2022 “Why Is Donald Trump So Popular in Southeastern Nigeria and What Can We Learn from It?” In *Corruption and Illiberal Politics in the Trump Era*, Donna Goldstein and Kristen Drybread, eds. Routledge, pp. 149-161.

- 2022 "Anthropological Demography in Africa." In *The Routledge Handbook of African Demography*, Clifford Odimegwu and Yemi Adewoyin, eds. Routledge, pp. 823-839.
- 2020 "Best, Worst, and Good Enough: Lessons Learned from Multisited Comparative Ethnography." Hirsch, Jennifer, Wardlow, Holly, Smith, Daniel Jordan, Phinney, Harriet, Parikh, Shanti, and Nathanson, Constance. In: *Comparing Cultures: Innovations in Comparative Ethnography*, Michael Schnegg and Edward D. Lowe, eds. Cambridge University Press, pp. 155-179.
- 2019 "Sociality, Money, and the Making of Masculine Privilege in Nigerian Sports Clubs." In *Africa Every Day: Fun, Leisure, and Expressive Culture on the Continent*, Kemi Balogun, Lisa Gilman, Melissa Graboyes, and Habib Iddrisu, eds. Ohio University Press, pp. 93-102.
- 2018 "Progress and Setbacks in Nigeria's Anticorruption Efforts." In *Oxford Handbook of Nigerian Politics*, Carl LeVan and Patrick Ukata, eds. Oxford University Press, pp. 288-301.
- 2018 "From Structural Analysis to Pragmatic Action: Meso-level Modifiable Social Determinants of HIV Vulnerability for Labor Migrants." Hirsch, Jennifer, Philbin, Morgan, Smith, Daniel Jordan, and Parker, Richard. In *Structural Dynamics of HIV: Risk, Resilience and Response*, Deanna Kerrigan and Claire Barrington, eds. Springer, pp. 19-43.
- 2016 "Modern Marriage, Masculinity, and Intimate Partner Violence in Nigeria." In *Marital Rape: Consent, Marriage, and Social Change in Global Context*, Kersti Yllo and M. Gabriela Torres, eds. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 41-54.
- 2015 "The Contradictions of Corruption in Nigeria." In *International Handbook of Political Corruption*, Paul Heywood, ed. Routledge, pp. 56-66.
- 2014 "AIDS and the Moral Economies of Global Aid." In *Medical Anthropology in Global Africa: Current Orientations in Scholarship & Practice*, Kathryn Rhine, John Janzen, Glenn Adams, and Heather Aldersey, eds. University of Kansas Publications in Anthropology, pp. 73-77.
- 2014 "Fatherhood, Companionate Marriage, and the Contradictions of Masculinity in Nigeria" in *Globalized Fatherhood*, Marcia Inhorn, Wendy Chavkin and José-Alberto Navarro, eds. Berghahn Books, pp. 315-335.
- 2011 "Stretched and Strained but Not Broken: Kinship in Contemporary Nigeria." In *Frontiers of Globalization: Kinship and Family Structures in Africa*, Ana Marta González, Laurie de Rose, and Florence Oloo, eds. Africa World Press, pp. 31-69.
- 2010 "Nigerian Scams as Political Critique: Globalization, Inequality and 419." In *Perspectives on Africa: A Reader in Culture, History, & Representation*, Richard Grinker, Stephen Lubkemann, and Christopher Steiner, eds. Blackwell Publishers, pp. 616-628.

- 2009 “Migration, Men’s Extramarital Sex and the Risk of HIV Infection in Nigeria.” In *Mobility, Sexuality and AIDS*, Felicity Thomas, Mary Haour-Knipe, and Peter Aggleton, eds. Routledge, pp. 187-198.
- 2009 “The Paradoxes of Popular Participation in Corruption in Nigeria.” In *Corruption, Global Security, and World Order*, Robert Rotberg, ed. Brookings Institution Press, pp. 283-309.
- 2009 “Managing Men, Marriage and Modern Love: Women’s Perspectives on Intimacy and Male Infidelity in Southeastern Nigeria.” In *Love in Africa*, Jennifer Cole and Lynn Thomas, eds. University of Chicago Press, pp. 157-180.
- 2008 Mbakwem, B. and D. Smith. “‘Returned to Sender’: Corruption in International Health.” In *The Practice of International Health: A Case-Based Orientation*, Daniel Perlman and Ananya Roy, eds. Oxford University Press, pp. 217-230.
- 2008 “Intimacy, Infidelity, and Masculinity in Southeastern Nigeria.” In *Intimacies: Love and Sex Across Cultures*, William Jankowiak, ed. Columbia University Press, pp. 224-244.
- 2006 “Violent Vigilantism and the State in Nigeria: The Case of the Bakassi Boys.” In *States of Violence: Politics, Youth, and Memory in Contemporary Africa*, Edna Bay and Donald Donham, eds. Charlottesville, VA: University of Virginia Press, pp. 127-147.
- 2006 “Love and the Risk of HIV: Courtship, Marriage and Infidelity in Southeastern Nigeria.” In *Modern Loves: The Anthropology of Romantic Courtship and Companionate Marriage*, Jennifer Hirsch and Holly Wardlow, eds. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, pp. 137-153.
- 2006 “Internal Migration and the Escalation of Ethnic and Religious Violence in Urban Nigeria.” In *Cities in Contemporary Africa*, Martin Murray and Garth Meyers, eds. Palgrave, pp. 53-69.
- 2004 “HIV/AIDS in Nigeria: The Challenges of a National Epidemic.” In *Crafting the New Nigeria: Confronting the Challenges*, Robert Rotberg, ed. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner, pp. 199-217.
- 1996 Brown, P., M. Inhorn, and D. Smith. “Disease, Ecology and Human Behavior.” In *Medical Anthropology: Contemporary Theory and Methods, Revised Edition*, C. Sargent and T. Johnson, eds. Westport, CT: Praeger, pp. 183-218.

Other Book Chapters and Non-Refereed Articles

- 2018 “Migration, Death, and Conspicuous Redistribution in Southeastern Nigeria.” In *A Companion to the Anthropology of Death*, A.C.G.M. Robben, ed. Wiley, pp.71-83.
- 2018 “Gender and HIV: Evidence from Anthropological Demography in Nigeria.” In *International Handbook on Gender and Demographic Processes*, Nancy Riley and Jan Brunson, eds. Springer, pp.167-179.
- 2018 “Dash.” In *The Global Encyclopaedia of Informality, Volume I*, Alena Ledeneva, ed. London: University College London Press, pp.193-196.

- 2015 “Youth, Sin and Sex in Nigeria: Christianity and HIV-Related Beliefs and Behaviour among Rural-Urban Migrants.” In *Culture, Health & Sexuality: A Reader*, Peter Aggleton, Richard Parker, and Felicity Thomas, eds. Routledge, pp. 237-247. (reprinted from 2004 article in *Culture, Health & Sexuality*).
- 2015 “Sexuality: Cultural Aspects.” In *International Encyclopedia of Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 2nd Edition, Volume 21, James D. Wright, ed. Elsevier, pp. 819-824.
- 2014 “From Favors to Bribes: The Social Context of Corruption in Nigeria.” In *How to Pay a Bribe: Thinking Like a Criminal to Thwart Bribery Schemes*, 2014 Edition, Alexandra Wrage & Severin Wirz, eds. TRACE International, pp. 84-94.
- 2010 “Migration, Gender, and Sexual Economies: Young Female Rural-Urban Migrants in Nigeria.” In *International Handbook on Gender and Poverty*, Sylvia Chant, ed. Edward Elgar Publishing, pp. 290-295.
- 2008 “Cell Phones, Sharing, and Social Status in an African Society.” In *Applying Cultural Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 8th Edition, Aaron Podolefsky, Peter Brown and Scott Lacy, eds. McGraw-Hill, pp. 254-260.
- 2007 “Cell Phones, Sharing, and Social Status in an African Society.” In *Applying Cultural Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 7th Edition, Aaron Podolefsky and Peter Brown, eds. McGraw-Hill, pp. 242-248.
- 2007 “Cell Phones, Sharing, and Social Status in an African Society.” In *Applying Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 8th Edition, Aaron Podolefsky and Peter Brown, eds. McGraw-Hill, pp. 305-312.
- 2007 “Café Crimes: The Young Struggle-Men Who Want Your Money.” *WorldView* Spring 2007:33-35.
- 2004 “Igbo.” In *The Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender: Men and Women in the World's Cultures*, Carol R. Ember and Melvin Ember, eds. New York: Kluwer/Plenum, pp. 508-517.

Commentaries and Book Reviews

- 2026 Review of *They Eat Our Sweat: Transport Labor, Corruption, and Everyday Survival in Urban Nigeria*, Daniel Agbibo, in *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 32(1): 316-317.
- 2025 Commentary on “Weathering the Hegemons – Healers and Agency in a Context of Contact,” Chidi Ugwu, in *Current Anthropology* 66(6); published online November 12, 2025: <https://doi.org/10.1086/738930>
- 2025 Commentary on “‘Who Morality Epp?’ Economic Anxiety and the Practice of Faking Militancy in Nigeria’s Niger Delta,” Omolade Adunbi and Babajide Ololajulo, in *Current Anthropology* 66(1): 87-88.
- 2024 Review of *Migrants and Masculinity in High-Rise Nairobi: The Pressure of Being a Man in an African City*, Mario Schmidt, in *Journal of Modern African Studies* 62(4): 369-371.

- 2024 Commentary on “‘We Are All Hypocrites Here’: Patronage as Predation in the ‘Dirty Game’ of Kenya’s Elections,” Peter Lockwood, in *Current Anthropology* 66(5): 1077-1078.
- 2024 Review of *Afropolitan Horizons: Essays toward a Literary Anthropology of Nigeria*, Ulf Hannerz, in *Anthropos* 119(1): 269-270.
- 2024 Review of *Pastoral Power, Clerical State: Pentecostalism, Gender, and Sexuality in Nigeria*, Ebenezer Obadare, in *Journal of Religion in Africa* 54(1): 103-105.
- 2023 Review of *Good Governance in Nigeria: Rethinking Accountability and Transparency in the Twenty-First Century*, Portia Roelofs, in *Journal of Modern African Studies* 61(3): 465-467.
- 2022 Review of *Rainforest Capitalism: Power and Masculinity in a Congolese Timber Concession*, Thomas Hendriks, in *Journal of Anthropological Research* 78(3): 394-395.
- 2022 Review of *A History of the Republic of Biafra: Law, Crime, and the Nigerian Civil War*, Samuel Fury Childs Daly, in *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 53(1): 183-184.
- 2022 Review of *Reimagining Social Medicine from the South*, Abigail Neely, in *The International Journal of African Historical Studies* 55(1):132-133.
- 2021 Review of *Scammer’s Yard: The Crime of Black Repair in Jamaica*. Jovan Scott Lewis, in *The Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 26(3-4):547-548.
- 2021 Review of *Fashioning Postfeminism: Spectacular Femininity and Transnational Culture*, Simidele Dosekun, in *Africa* 91(5):920-921.
- 2020 Review of *The Asaba Massacre: Trauma, Memory, and the Nigerian Civil War*, S. Elizabeth Bird and Fraser M. Ottanelli, in *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 26(1):191-192.
- 2019 Review of *Coastal Sierra Leone: Materiality and the Unseen in Maritime West Africa*, Jennifer Diggins, in *American Ethnologist* 46(2):248-249.
- 2018 Review of *Marriage Without Borders: Transnational Spouses in Neoliberal Senegal*, Dinah Hannaford, in *American Ethnologist* 45(4):561-562.
- 2018 Review of *Mobile Secrets: Youth, Intimacy, and the Politics of Pretense in Mozambique*, Julie Soleil Archambault, in *Anthropological Quarterly* 91(3):1169-1173.
- 2017 Review of *A Fraught Embrace: The Romance and Reality of AID Altruism in Africa*, Ann Swidler and Susan Cotts Watkins, in *Population and Development Review* 43(3):569-573.
- 2017 Review of *Regulating Romance: Youth Love Letters, Moral Anxiety, and Intervention in Uganda’s Time of AIDS*, Shanti Parikh, in *Journal of Anthropological Research* 73(2):340-342.

- 2017 Review of *Faith in the Time of AIDS: Religion, Biopolitics, and Modernity in South Africa*, Marian Burchardt, in *Africa* 87(1):223-224.
- 2016 Review of *Moral Economies of Corruption: State Formation and Political Culture in Nigeria*, Steven Pierce, in *American Ethnologist* 43(3):564-566.
- 2015 Review of *Speculative Markets: Drug Circuits and Derivative Life in Nigeria*, Kristin Peterson, in *Bulletin of the History of Medicine* 89(4):844-845.
- 2015 Review of *When Sex Threatened the State: Illicit Sexuality, Nationalism, and Politics in Colonial Nigeria, 1900–1958*, Saheed Aderinto, in *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 48(3):508-509.
- 2015 “What Happened to the Chibok Girls: Gender, Islam and Boko Haram” Commentary in *Journal of Women of the Middle East and the Islamic World* 13(2):159-165.
- 2013 Review of *Ambiguous Pleasures: Sexuality and Middle Class Self-Perceptions in Nairobi*, Rachel Spronk, in *The Journal of African History* 54(2):294-296.
- 2013 Review of *Morality, Hope and Grief: Anthropologies of AIDS in Africa*, Hansjorg Dilger and Ute Luig, eds., and *This Land Is Dying: Contingency, Creativity and Conflict in Western Kenya*, Paul Wenzel Geissler and Ruth Jane Prince, in *African Studies Review* 56(1):199-201.
- 2012 Review of *Domesticating Vigilantism in Africa*, Thomas G. Kirsch and Telo Gratz, eds., in *Africa* 82(3):493-494.
- 2011 Commentary on *Political Spiritualities: The Pentecostal Revolution in Nigeria*, Ruth Marshall, in *Religion and Society* 2:140-143.
- 2011 Review of *Obasanjo, Nigeria, and the World*, John Iliffe, in *Journal of African History* 52(3):426-427.
- 2011 Review of *The Republic of Therapy: Triage and Sovereignty in West Africa’s Time of AIDS*, Vinh-Kim Nguyen, in *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 44(2a):25-26.
- 2011 Review of *Street Dreams and HipHop Barber Shops: Global Fantasy in Urban Tanzania*, Brad Weiss, in *American Anthropologist* 113(3):536.
- 2010 Review of *Corruption, Inequality, and the Rule of Law: The Bulging Pocket Makes the Easy Life*, Eric Uslaner, and response to Uslaner’s review of *A Culture of Corruption: Everyday Deception and Popular Discontent in Nigeria*; part of the Critical Dialogue series in *Perspectives on Politics* 8(4):1175-1179.
- 2010 Review of *Landlords and Lodgers: Socio-Spatial Organization in an Accra Community*, Deborah Pellow, in *American Ethnologist* 37(1):181-182.
- 2009 Review of *Everyday Corruption and the State: Citizens & Public Officials in Africa*, Giorgio Blundo and Jean-Pierre Olivier de Sardan, in *Canadian Journal of African Studies* 43(2):408-411.

- 2009 Review of *The Intestines of the State: Youth, Violence, and Belated Histories in the Cameroon Grassfields*, Nicolas Argenti, in *African Studies Review* 52(1):174-176.
- 2009 Review of *The Man-Leopard Murders: History and Society in Colonial Nigeria*, David Pratten, in *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 39(4):626-628.
- 2007 Review of *Between a Rock and a Hard Place: African NGOs, Donors and the State*, Jim Igoe and Tim Kelsall, eds., in *Global Public Health* 2(1):97-99.
- 2007 Review of *Traditional and Modern Health Systems in Nigeria*, Toyin Falola and Matthew H. Heaton, eds., in *The International Journal of African Historical Studies* 40(2):341-342.
- 2006 Review of *Uncertain Honor: Modern Motherhood in an African Crisis*, Jennifer Johnson-Hanks, in *Studies in Family Planning* 37(3):222-224.
- 2006 Review of *Farmers and Townspeople in a Changing Nigeria: Abakaliki during Colonial Times (1905-1960)*, Simon Ottenberg, in *American Anthropologist* 108(4):917.
- 2005 Commentary on "How to Ignore Corruption: Reporting on the Shortcomings of Development in South Africa," Erik Bähre, in *Current Anthropology* 46(1):116-117.
- 2005 "Oil, Blood and Money: Culture and Power in Nigeria." Review of *The Pan-African Nation: Oil and the Spectacle of Culture in Nigeria*, Andrew Apter, in *Anthropological Quarterly* 78(3):725-740.
- 2004 Review of *Population and Progress in a Yoruba Town*, Elisha P. Renne, in *Population Studies* 58(2):254-255.
- 2003 Review of *Voices of the Poor in Africa*, Elizabeth Isichei, in *The International Journal of African Historical Studies* 36(2):445-446.
- 2002 Review of *Cultural Perspectives on Reproductive Health*, Carla M. Obermeyer, ed., in *Studies in Family Planning* 33(3):279-80.
- 1999 Review of *Parents' Cultural Belief Systems*, S. Harkness and C. Super, eds., in *American Ethnologist* 26(1):249-50.
- 1998 Review of *African Families and the Crisis of Social Change*, T. Weisner, C. Bradley and P. Kilbride, eds., in *American Ethnologist* 25(3):535-36.

Work under Review

"The Rich Have Their Okada, and We Have Ours': Infrastructural Instability, Entrepreneurial Improvisation, and State Power in Nigeria." Chapter in edited volume, *Everyday Lives of Instability in the Global South*, Gayatri Sahgal and Wale Adebawo, eds.

"A Generational Perspective on Anthropology Departments and Our Discipline." Chapter in *Departmental Futures in Anthropology*, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research.

Research and Training Grants

Current Grants

Completed Grants

National Institutes of Health (D43-TW011308-01; \$299,554; 04/01/19-03/31/24). Co-Investigator (Chris Colvin, University of Cape Town, PI), “Building Research to Integrate and Deepen the Gains against HIV through the Social Sciences: The BRIDGES Programme.”

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation (\$50,000; 07/01/2020 – 06/30/2021). Fellowship for project: “Infrastructural Deficiency, State Complicity, and Entrepreneurial Citizenship in Nigeria.”

National Science Foundation (DGE-0903668; \$3,130,572; 08/15/2009 – 07/31/2014). Co-Principal Investigator (Barbara Stallings, Brown University, PI) on an Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship Program (IGERT) grant, “An Integrated Program on Development and Inequality in the Global South.”

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation (Grant #2009-4053; \$500,000; 07/20/2009 – 07/20/2013), for general support of Brown’s Population Studies and Training Center. Principal Investigator for Training Grant focused on recruitment, pre-doctoral training, and early post-PhD careers of population scientists from developing countries, especially sub-Saharan Africa.

Pentecostal and Charismatic Research Initiative, Center for Religion and Civic Culture, University of Southern California, funded by the Templeton Foundation (Grant # 13893, Subcontract # 143426; \$80,898; 05/1/2010 – 08/31/2012). Principal Investigator for a study entitled “Pentecostalism and AIDS in Nigeria.”

National Institutes of Health (1 R01 HD057792-01A2; \$141,965; 09/30/2009 – 08/31/2011). Sub-contract for ARRA planning grant (Jennifer Hirsch, Columbia University, PI) entitled “Life Projects and Antiretroviral Therapy: The Social Impacts of Scale-up.”

National Institutes of Health – Lifespan/Tufts/Brown Center for AIDS Research Developmental Award (P30 AI042853; \$40,000; 10/01/2006 – 9/30/2008) entitled “Religious Organizations, HIV/AIDS and the Scale-up of Antiretroviral Therapy in Nigeria.” Principal Investigator in pilot study that aimed to examine the extent and nature of Pentecostal churches’ and affiliated associations’ participation in HIV-related activities, the factors that influence such involvement, and its effectiveness.

National Institutes of Health (1 R01 41724-01A1; \$143,683; 08/11/2003 – 06/30/2007) study entitled “Love, Marriage and HIV: A Multi-Site Study of Gender and HIV Risk.” Sub-contractor and the Principal Investigator for the Nigeria component of this \$1.5 million five-country comparative ethnographic study of how changing ideologies and practices of marriage are affecting the social construction of gender roles in ways that influence the epidemiology of HIV transmission, particularly between husbands and wives.

National Science Foundation (BCS-0075764; \$137,139; 08/01/2000 – 07/31/2003) study entitled “Migration, Kinship Networks, and Reproduction in Nigeria.” Principal Investigator in research that combined anthropological and demographic methods to examine social and reproductive processes in an Igbo-speaking community that extends across rural-urban boundaries.

National Institutes of Health (3 P30 HD28251-10S1; \$199,977; 07/01/2000 – 06/30/2003) study entitled “Adolescents, HIV/AIDS, and Rural-Urban Migration in Nigeria.” Primary investigator in research that involved collaboration with Nigerian university and non-governmental organization partners to examine

the effects of adjustment to urban life on sexual behavior and HIV/AIDS risk among adolescent and young adult migrants in two cities in Nigeria.

Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research (#6636; \$18,400; 06/09/2000 – 06/30/2001) pilot study entitled “Migration, Kinship Networks, and Reproduction in Nigeria.” Principal Investigator in research that examined social and reproductive processes as they are affected by rural-urban migration in Nigeria. Pilot study resulted in larger ongoing NSF study described above.

Dissertation Grants (PI for Student Projects)

National Science Foundation (BCS-1021889; \$14,910; Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (Stacey Vanderhurst); 9/01/2010 – 02/29/2012), study entitled “Migration Management in Nigeria.”

National Science Foundation (BCS 0921638; \$15,000; Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (Inna Leykin); 09/01/2009 – 02/28/2011), study entitled “Reproducing Russians: Population Science, Policy, and Kinship in 21st Century Russia.”

National Science Foundation (BCS 0612800; \$12,000; Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (Kathryn Rhine); 08/01/2006 – 07/30/2007) entitled “Positive Living and Antiretroviral Therapy: Marriage, Divorce and the Life Course of HIV-Infected Women in Northern Nigeria.”

National Science Foundation (BCS 0413600; \$12,000; Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (Bruce Whitehouse); 10/15/04 – 10/15/06) entitled “Transnationalism, Islam and Commerce among Malian Immigrants in Brazzaville.”

Academic Honors and Fellowships

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| 2022 | Paper selected for Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation Symposium on Anthropology and Entrepreneurship at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association. |
| 2022 | Karen T. Romer Prize for Undergraduate Advising and Mentoring, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. |
| 2020-21 | John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow. |
| 2020 | Cogut Faculty Fellow, Cogut Institute for the Humanities, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. |
| 2018- | Appointed Charles C. Tillinghast, Jr. '32 Professor of International Studies, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. |
| 2017 | Special Commendation for the 2017 Amaury Talbot Prize for African Anthropology for: <i>To Be a Man Is Not a One-Day Job: Masculinity, Money, and Intimacy in Nigeria</i> . Awarded by the Royal Anthropological Institute (U.K.). |
| 2015-18 | Appointed Royce Family Professor of Teaching Excellence, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. |
| 2015 | Elliott P. Skinner Award for: <i>AIDS Doesn't Show Its Face: Inequality, Morality, and Social Change in Nigeria</i> . Awarded by the Association for Africanist Anthropology. |

- 2011 Scholarly Residency at the Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Center in Italy to complete book project: *AIDS Doesn't Show Its Face: Inequality, Morality, and Social Change in Nigeria*.
- 2008 Margaret Mead Award for: *A Culture of Corruption: Everyday Deception and Popular Discontent in Nigeria*. Awarded jointly by the American Anthropological Association and the Society for Applied Anthropology to a younger scholar for a particular accomplishment that interprets anthropological data and principles in ways that make them meaningful to a broadly concerned public.
- 2007-2009 William G. McLoughlin Award for Teaching Excellence in the Social Sciences, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 2004-2007 Appointed Stanley J. Bernstein Assistant Professor in the Social Sciences, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 1999-2001 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Two-year Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 1998 Emory University. Dean's Teaching Fellowship.
- 1995 National Science Foundation. Dissertation Improvement Grant.
- 1995 Wenner-Gren Foundation. Dissertation Field Research Grant.
- 1995 Fulbright/Institute for International Education. Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowship.
- 1995 The Population Council. Social Sciences Fellowship for Dissertation Field Research.
- 1993 The Carter Center. Hewlett Graduate Research Assistantship.

Invited Lectures

- 2022 “‘I Am Better Than My Neighbor’: Generator Mafias, Electric Power, and the Aspiring Middle Class in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Department of Anthropology and the Working Group on Anthropology and Population at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, April 8, 2022.
- 2021 “Infrastructure, Corruption, and Citizenship in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, January 21, 2021.
- 2020 “Men, Money, and Intimacy: Conspicuous Redistribution in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, September 14, 2020.
- 2018 “‘Money Is God and Money Is the Devil’: Class and Conspicuous Redistribution in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at a workshop on “The Moral Dimensions of Economic Life in Africa,” at the Fritz Thyssen Foundation and the University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany, November 8, 2018.

- 2018 “Conspicuous Redistribution: Masculinity and Money in Contemporary Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, October 25, 2018.
- 2018 “Masculinity, Social Change, and the Postponement of Parenthood in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the German-Italian Center for European Excellence (sponsored by the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research), Menaggio, Italy, September 4, 2018.
- 2018 “Conspicuous Redistribution: Men, Money, and Intimacy in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, April 19, 2018.
- 2018 “Every Household Is Its Own Local Government: Infrastructural Deficiency, State Complicity, and Everyday Entrepreneurship in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Center for African Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, April 16, 2018.
- 2017 “Who Gets Hijacked?: Navigating Collaborative Medical Anthropology Research in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Medical Anthropology Young Scholars Conference, “Medical Anthropology Beyond Academic Borders,” University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland, June 15, 2017.
- 2017 “Masculinity and Mobility: Men, Money, and Migration in an African Setting.” Invited lecture at the Center for Migration Research, Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas, February 1, 2017.
- 2016 “Modern Marriage, Masculinity, and Intimate Partner Violence in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Athens Institute for Education and Research, Athens, Greece, June 13, 2016.
- 2016 “Corruption in Nigeria.” Invited webinar presented to and hosted by the MacArthur Foundation, Chicago, Illinois, May 12, 2016.
- 2016 “Morality, Structural Inequalities, and HIV in Nigeria.” Invited webinar/learning lab presented to the STRIVE Research Programme Consortium, hosted by the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, March 17, 2016.
- 2016 “AIDS, Gender, and Morality in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at South Asian University, New Delhi, India, February 3, 2016.
- 2015 “AIDS, Morality, and Social Change in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Walter Rodney Seminar, African Studies Center, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts, October 26, 2015.
- 2015 “The Imagined Epidemic: AIDS and Morality in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the University of Cape Town School of Public Health, Cape Town, South Africa, July 16, 2015.
- 2015 “AIDS and Social Change in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Center for African Studies and the Department of Anthropology, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, February 11, 2015.

- 2014 “Morality and Behavior during Nigeria’s AIDS Epidemic.” Invited lecture at the Maryland Population Research Center, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, December 8, 2014.
- 2014 “To Be a Man Is Not a One-Day Job: Masculinity, Money, and Intimacy in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Red Lion Seminar, jointly sponsored by the University of Chicago’s African Studies Workshop and the Northwestern University’s Program of African Studies, Chicago, Illinois, November 6, 2014.
- 2014 “Imagining AIDS: Morality and Behavior during Nigeria’s Epidemic.” Invited lecture at the Columbia Population Research Center & the Institute for African Studies, Columbia University, New York, New York, September 18, 2014.
- 2014 “The Imagined Epidemic: Morality and Behavior in Nigeria’s Era of AIDS.” Invited lecture at the Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, March 6, 2014.
- 2014 “Kinship, Patronage, and Politics in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at workshop, “Doing Politics – Making Kinship,” at Re: Work, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, February 15, 2014.
- 2013 “AIDS Doesn’t Show Its Face: Inequality and Morality during Nigeria’s Epidemic.” Invited lecture at University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, September 23, 2013.
- 2013 “Changes in Intimacy and Marriage: Implications for Marital Rape.” Invited lecture at Wenner Gren Foundation “Global Perspectives on Sexual Violence in Marriage” Workshop at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts, May 29, 2013.
- 2013 “Female Migration, Urban Sexual Economies, and Changing Patterns of Gender Inequality in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the International Conference on Gender and Migration, Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey, May 11, 2013.
- 2013 “The Hidden Impact of AIDS in Africa: Understanding the Social Consequences of the Epidemic.” Invited lecture in the African Studies Program, Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, Massachusetts, March 28, 2013.
- 2013 “AIDS Doesn’t Show Its Face: Understanding Health Behavior during Nigeria’s Epidemic.” Invited lecture at the University of Toronto Scarborough, Toronto, Canada, March 11, 2013.
- 2012 “Sex, Marriage and Reproduction among HIV-positive People in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at conference (sponsored by the Population Association of America) on “Marriage Patterns, Union Stability, and HIV in Sub-Saharan Africa,” San Francisco, California, May 2, 2012.
- 2012 “Fatherhood, Companionate Marriage, and the Contradictions of Masculinity in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Yale University conference, “Globalized Fatherhood,” New Haven, Connecticut, April 13, 2012.
- 2011 “Returning Home to Die: AIDS, Kinship, and Anxieties about Social Change in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Colby College, Waterville, Maine, October 12, 2011.

- 2011 “AIDS, NGOs, and Corruption: Inequality, Morality, and Patronage in Contemporary Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, May 23, 2011.
- 2011 “Testing the Strength of Kinship Ties: Rural-Urban Migration, AIDS, and Ambivalence about Social Change in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, March 28, 2011.
- 2011 “Feeding Fat on AIDS: NGOs and Corruption in Nigeria.” Invited Lecture at conference, “Corruption and the Pursuit of Accountability in Africa,” Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts, February 25, 2011.
- 2010 “Pentecostalism and AIDS in Nigeria: Inequality, Morality and Anxieties about Social Change.” Invited lecture at the Council on African Studies, Yale University, New Haven Connecticut, November 3, 2010.
- 2010 “AIDS Sins and Pentecostal Miracles: Inequality, Morality, and Born-Again Christianity in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, October 19, 2010.
- 2010 “AIDS, Informal Economies, and Sexual Morality: Okada Men, Inequality, and Social Change in Nigeria.” Invited lecture in seminar series on “Gender, Sexuality, and Health,” Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York, New York, October 12, 2010.
- 2010 “Corruption and Social Change in Contemporary Nigeria.” Invited lecture at U.S. Department of State and National Intelligence Council Ambassadorial Seminar on Nigeria, Arlington, Virginia, October 4, 2010.
- 2010 “Donors, Dollars, and Deception: AIDS, NGOs, and Corruption in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the London School of Economics, London, England, September 21, 2010.
- 2010 “Morality, Inequality, and AIDS.” Invited lecture at “Medical Anthropology and Global Africa” conference, Kansas African Studies Center, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, September 17, 2010.
- 2010 “Motorcycle Taxis, Informal Economies, and AIDS: Okada Men as Icons of Social Change in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Institute for Ethnographic Research and the Department of Anthropology, George Washington University, Washington, D.C., April 5, 2010.
- 2009 “Corruption, Inequality, and Culture in Nigeria.” Invited lecture in Summer@Brown Speaker Series, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, July 28, 2009.
- 2009 “The Challenges of Global Health: Finding Ways to Make a Difference.” Invited lecture to American Medical Student Association, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, April 23, 2009.
- 2009 “AIDS and Masculinity.” Invited lecture in “Innovative Approaches to Global Health” lecture series, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, March 12, 2009.

- 2009 “AIDS, Antiretroviral Therapy, and Reproductive Life Projects in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Center for AIDS Research (Lifespan/Tufts/Brown), Providence, Rhode Island, March 6, 2009.
- 2009 “AIDS, Antiretroviral Therapy, and Reproductive Life Projects in Nigeria.” Invited lecture in the Global Health and Medicine Lecture Series, Brown University, February 11, 2009.
- 2009 “‘A Criminal on ARVs Is Still a Criminal’: AIDS, Antiretroviral Therapy, and Life Projects in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto, Canada, February 6, 2009.
- 2009 “Corruption, Political Culture and Development in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada, February 5, 2009
- 2009 “From Favors to 419: The Moral Economy of Corruption in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Department of Social Sciences, University of Toronto at Scarborough, Canada, February 5, 2009.
- 2009 “‘The Nigerian Factor’: Development, Inequality and the Paradoxes of Corruption in Africa's Giant.” Invited lecture at the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, Indiana, January 20, 2009.
- 2008 “Popular Perceptions and Participation in Organized Crime and Corruption in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Centre for Information and Research on Organised Crime seminar, “Nigerian Criminal Networks,” Free University, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, October 7, 2008.
- 2008 “Promiscuous Girls, Good Wives and Cheating Husbands: Gender Inequality, Transitions to Marriage and Infidelity in Southeastern Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Seminar, “Changing Transitions to Marriage: Gender Implications for the Next Generation,” New Delhi, India, September 9-12, 2008.
- 2008 “Corruption and Its Discontents: Politics, Culture and Inequality in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Centre of African Studies, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark, April 30, 2008.
- 2008 “Winners, Overcomers and Prayer Warriors: Pentecostal Christianity and HIV/AIDS in Southeastern Nigeria.” Invited lecture at University of Copenhagen conference, “Religious Engagements with HIV/AIDS in Africa,” Copenhagen, Denmark, April 28-29, 2008.
- 2008 “Antiretroviral Therapy and Reproductive Behavior in Nigeria: Sex, Marriage and Fertility among People Living with HIV.” Invited Lecture at the School of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, April 8, 2008.
- 2008 “Corruption and the Political Economy of International Health Policy.” Invited lecture at the School of Public Health, Harvard University, Boston, Massachusetts, March 11, 2008.

- 2008 “Stretched and Strained but Not Broken: Kinship in Contemporary Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Social Trends Institute and IESE Business School, University of Navarra conference, “Family Structures and Globalization: Africa,” Barcelona, Spain, March 6-8, 2008.
- 2008 “Corruption, Conflict and Crisis in Contemporary Africa: Pessimism, Optimism and Realism among Ordinary Africans.” Invited lecture at the World Affairs Council of Rhode Island, Providence, Rhode Island, March 3, 2008.
- 2007 “The Paradoxes of Popular Participation in Corruption.” Invited lecture at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences/Harvard University Kennedy School of Government conference, “Corruption and World Order,” Cambridge, Massachusetts, December 6-8, 2007.
- 2007 “Corruption and Its Discontents: Politics, Culture and Inequality in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C., November 16, 2007.
- 2007 “The Nigerian Factor: Corruption and Its Discontents.” Invited lecture at American University, Washington, D.C., November 2, 2007.
- 2007 “Corruption and Socio-Economic Factors.” Invited lecture at U.S. Department of State and National Intelligence Council Ambassadorial Seminar on Nigeria, Arlington, Virginia, September 18, 2007.
- 2007 “What Kind of Problem Is Corruption?: Political Culture and Social Transition in Nigeria.” Invited lecture in the Senior Seminar, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England, May 4, 2007.
- 2007 “Popular Responses to Anti-Corruption and the 2007 Elections in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the African Studies Centre, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England, May 3, 2007.
- 2007 “Corruption in Conflict and Post-Conflict Zones: What Makes It Different?” Invited lecture at The Fletcher School, Tufts University at colloquium “The Nexus: Conflict, Corruption and Peacebuilding,” Medford, Massachusetts, April 13, 2006.
- 2007 “From Favors to 419: Corruption and Its Discontents in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Institute for African Studies and the Institute for Comparative and International Studies, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, March 23, 2007.
- 2007 “Scam Letters as Political Critique: Understanding Nigerian Fraud.” Invited lecture in the “Illicit Flows” speaker series, Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University, February 6, 2007.
- 2006 “Life Projects and Therapeutic Itineraries: Marriage, Fertility and Antiretroviral Therapy in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Bay Area Colloquium on Population, University of California at Berkeley, November 2, 2006.
- 2006 “Love, Marriage and HIV in Nigeria.” Invited lecture at the Program of African Studies, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, October 12, 2006.

- 2006 "Militias, Cults and Vigilante Groups." Invited lecture at National Intelligence Council and U.S. State Department Conference: "Are Paradigms of Nigerian Politics Changing?" Arlington, Virginia, October 5, 2006.
- 2006 "Antiretroviral Therapy and Life Projects in Nigeria: Marriage, Fertility, and the Dilemmas of Living Positively." Invited lecture at the HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, the New York State Psychiatric Institute and Columbia University, New York, NY, September 25, 2006.
- 2006 "Praying for Health and Wealth: Pentecostal Prayer Warriors, the Prosperity Gospel, and People Living with HIV/AIDS." Invited lecture to the Africa Group, Watson Institute for International Programs, Brown University, September 21, 2006.
- 2006 "Corruption and Political Culture in Nigeria." Invited lecture at the United States Department of State, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Washington, D.C., February 17, 2006.
- 2006 "Modern Marriage: Masculinity and the Risk of HIV in Nigeria." Invited lecture at the Center for AIDS Research (Lifespan/Tufts/Brown), Providence, Rhode Island, February 3, 2006.
- 2005 "Love, Marriage and HIV in Nigeria." Invited lecture at the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, December 1, 2005.
- 2004 "Morality, Sexual Relationships and the Risk of HIV among Young Migrants in Nigeria." Invited lecture at the Population Council, New York, New York, May 10, 2004.
- 2004 "Morality, Sexual Relationships and the Risk of HIV in Nigeria." Invited lecture at the Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University, March 11, 2004.
- 2003 "Violence and Vigilantism in Democratic Nigeria: The Case of the Bakassi Boys in Nigeria." Invited lecture at Emory University conference "Africa and Violence: Identities, Histories and Representations," Atlanta, Georgia, September 11-14, 2003.
- 2003 "The Bakassi Boys of Southeastern Nigeria: Vigilantism and Political Violence." Invited lecture at the University of Connecticut Humanities Institute conference "Aggressions, Transgressions, Repressions – Representations of Violence," Storrs, Connecticut, April 12, 2003.
- 2003 "HIV/AIDS Risk Among Young People in Urban Nigeria: Explaining Disparities between Knowledge and Behavior." Invited lecture at The University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, March 27, 2003.
- 2002 "Ethnographic Approaches to Studying HIV/AIDS in Nigeria." Invited lecture at the Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies, Brown University, March 15, 2002.
- 2001 "Who is Rural and Who Is Urban? Migration, Kinship and Community in Nigeria." Invited Lecture at the Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University, November 1, 2001.

- 2001 “Kinship and Corruption in Nigeria: The Legacy of Colonialism” and “Gender in Igboland: Perspectives on the Past and the Present.” Invited lectures at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, October 18, 2001.
- 2001 “Migration, Kinship, and Reproductive Behavior in Nigeria: Social Networks as Institutions.” Invited lecture the Population Studies Center, The University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 27, 2001.

Papers Presented at Professional Meetings

- 2026 “‘Standby’ Generators: Improvised Electricity and Society in Nigeria’s Petroleum-Dependent Political Economy.” Presented at the conference, “Energy Ethics 2026: Infrastructures of Energy, St. Andrews, Scotland (presented remotely).
- 2024 “‘A Debt Never Dies’: Navigating Trust and Betrayal in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2023 “Population and Development Up Close: Gender, Family, and a Generation of Change in Nigeria” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Toronto, Canada.
- 2022 “H₂O Entrepreneurs and the State in Nigeria: Boreholes, Cart Pushers, and ‘Pure Water.’” Paper selected for and presented at the Symposium on Anthropology and Entrepreneurship (sponsored by the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation) at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Seattle, Washington.
- 2021 “‘Sleeping with One Eye Open’: Infrastructure and Insecurity in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Baltimore, Maryland.
- 2021 “Masculinity, Money, and the Postponement of Parenthood in Nigeria.” Presented (by Zoom) at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, St. Louis, MO.
- 2020 “Okadas and Danfos: Citizenship, the State, and Privately Organized Public Transportation in Nigeria.” Presented (by Zoom) at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2019 “Pure Water: Infrastructural Deficiency, State Complicity, and Entrepreneurial Citizenship in Nigeria.” Presented at the 8th European Conference on African Studies, The University of Edinburgh, Scotland.
- 2018 “Pure Water: Everyday Entrepreneurialism and State Dysfunction in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2017 “Masculinity, Money, and Intimacy in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016 “Masculinity and Engagement with AIDS Care in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2015 “Masculinity and AIDS in Nigeria.” Presented at the Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities of HIV conference, Stellenbosch, South Africa.

- 2014 "Kinship, Conflict, and Corruption in Nigeria." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2013 "Pentecostalism, Prosperity, and Corruption in Nigeria: Political Revolution or Ponzi Scheme?" Presented at the annual meetings for the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Boston, MA.
- 2011 "Migration, Gender, and Urban Sexual Economies in Nigeria." Presented at the 6th African Population Conference, Union for African Population Studies, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.
- 2011 "Marriage and Fertility among HIV+ People in Nigeria." Presented at the 6th African Population Conference, Union for African Population Studies, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.
- 2011 "Gendered Sexual Behavior and Marriage in Southeastern Nigeria." Presented at the 6th African Population Conference, Union for African Population Studies, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.
- 2011 "Modern Marriage, Men's Infidelity, and Gender Conflict in Southeastern Nigeria." Presented at "Ethnographies of Gender & Conflict" conference, sponsored by the Netherlands Association for Gender Studies and Feminist Anthropology, Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
- 2010 "'Flash Me, I Flash You': Cell Phones and Nigeria's Sexual Economy in the Era of AIDS." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Merida, Mexico.
- 2009 "An Epidemic of NGOs: AIDS and Civil Society in Nigeria." Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, New Orleans, LA.
- 2009 "The Social Risks of HIV: Masculinity, Modern Marriage and Women's Vulnerability in Southeastern Nigeria." Presented at the meetings of the Society for Medical Anthropology in New Haven, CT.
- 2009 "Iatrogenic Effects of the International Public Health Response to HIV/AIDS in Nigeria." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Ethnological Association and the Canadian Anthropology Society in Vancouver, Canada.
- 2009 "Modern Marriage, Gender Inequality and HIV Risk in Southeastern Nigeria." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Ethnological Association and the Canadian Anthropology Society in Vancouver, Canada.
- 2008 "'Kano Hides a Poor Man': Rural-Urban Migration and the Burdens of Kinship." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association in San Francisco, CA.
- 2008 "Marital and Reproductive Aspirations and Behaviors among Receiving Antiretroviral Therapy in Nigeria." Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, Chicago, IL.

- 2008 “Antiretroviral Therapy and Reproductive Behavior in Nigeria: Sex, Marriage and Fertility among People Living with HIV.” Presented (with Benjamin Mbakwem) at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in New Orleans, LA.
- 2007 “Corruption and Its Discontents: Inequality and Political Culture in Africa.” Presented at Presidential Session, “Africa Unbound: Trajectories of Equality, Inequality and Social Justice in Post-Colonial Africa,” at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2006 “The Nigerian Factor: Corruption and Culture in Africa’s Giant,” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2006 “Marriage, Masculinity and HIV Risk in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2005 “Modern Marriage, Extramarital Sex, and HIV Risk in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Public Health Association, in Philadelphia, PA.
- 2005 “‘No Romance without Finance’: Modern Marriage and the Social Organization of Extramarital Sex in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in Washington, D.C.
- 2005 “Love, Marriage, and the Social Organization of Extramarital Sex in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, in Washington, D.C.
- 2004 “Premarital Sex, Procreation and Problems of HIV Risk in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2003 “Marriage and Ethnic Identity in Igbo Nigeria: The Legacies of Biafra.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in Chicago, Illinois.
- 2003 “The Bakassi Boys of Southeastern Nigeria: Youth, Vigilantism and Political Violence.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, in Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2003 “Rural Families and Urban Households or Rural Households and Urban Families? Migration, Urbanization and Family Change in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2003 “Condoms as Contraception versus Condoms as Protection: Obstacles to HIV/AIDS Prevention among Young People in Urban Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2003 “Matrimonial Ethnography: The Productive Tensions of Participant Observation.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Ethnological Society, in Providence, Rhode Island.
- 2002 “Condoms, Conspiracies and Christianity: Responses to HIV/AIDS in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, in Washington, D.C.

- 2002 “Imagining Biafra: Vigilantism and the Resurgence of Igbo Nationalism.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in New Orleans.
- 2002 “Internal Migration, Social Exchange, and the Continuing Strength of Family Relationships in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Atlanta.
- 2002 “Sugar Daddies and Razor Blades: Gender, Parenthood and Marital Infidelity in Igbo-speaking Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the European Social Science and History Association, in The Hague, the Netherlands.
- 2001 “Memories of Biafra: Political Security, ‘Home,’ and Human Reproduction in Igboland.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in Washington, D.C.
- 2001 “Rural-Urban Migration and Kinship Relations in an Igbo Community.” Presented at the annual meetings of the African Studies Association, in Houston.
- 2001 “Patronage, Per Diems and ‘The Workshop Mentality’: Public and Private Family Planning Projects in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Washington, D.C.
- 2001 “Population Policy, Patronage and the Practice of Family Planning Programs in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Historical Association, in Boston.
- 2000 “‘Home People’ Abroad: Migration, Kinship and Community among the Igbo in Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in San Francisco.
- 2000 “Gender Roles and Fertility in Contemporary Nigerian Marriages.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Los Angeles.
- 1999 “Courting for Love and Marrying for Children: Romance, Parenthood and Gender in Contemporary Igbo Marriages.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in Chicago.
- 1999 “Having People and Being Modern: Nigerian Social Networks and the Cultural Context of Modernity.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in New York.
- 1999 “Sugar Daddies, Razor Blades, and Handbags: Extramarital Sex, Gender Roles and Contraceptive Decision-making in Igbo-speaking Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in New York.
- 1998 “How Many Children Does It Take to Be Modern? Fertility, Family and Social Transformation in Igbo-speaking Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, in Philadelphia.

- 1998 ““These Girls Na War-O’: The Dynamics of Adolescent Sexuality and Contraceptive Use in Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, in Chicago.
- 1995 “Culture, Rationality and Personhood: Fertility Decision-making in Igbo-speaking Southeastern Nigeria.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for Cross Cultural Research, in Savannah, Georgia.
- 1994 “American Food Aid to Sub-Saharan Africa: Help or Hindrance.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Anthropological Society, in Atlanta.
- 1994 “Doctors and Quacks, Blindness and Skin Luster: Alternatives for the Treatment of River Blindness.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for Applied Anthropology, in Cancun, Mexico.

Teaching

Courses

Undergraduate: “Introduction to Cultural Anthropology”; “Culture and Health”; “Global Health: Anthropological Perspectives”; “Anthropology and International Development: Ethnographic Perspectives on Poverty and Progress”; “Seminar in Development Studies”; “Anthropology and Global Social Problems”; “So You Want to Change the World?: Anthropological Perspectives on Global Poverty and Development”; and “Anthropology of Infrastructure: Comparative Ethnographic Perspectives”; “Are We Really All in This Together?: Culture, Structure, and Health Disparities.”

Graduate: “Principles of Cultural Anthropology”; “Issues in Anthropology and Population”; “Anthropological Demography”; and “International Health: Anthropological Perspectives”; “Theory and Research in Development II”; “Critical Perspectives: Social and Cultural Issues in Africa”; “Anthropology and Development: Critical Ethnographic Perspectives”; “Medical Anthropology.”

Mentoring and Advising

Currently, I chair four Anthropology PhD students’ committees and serve on the committee of one other. Since 2001, I have supervised more than 30 undergraduate honors theses at Brown and served as a reader for dozens of others. In 2025-26, I was the concentration advisor to four undergraduate Anthropology students. I have served as first-year and/or sophomore advisor for more than 200 students at Brown. Since 2014, I have also served as the faculty academic advisor to the Women’s Varsity Tennis team.

PhD Students Supervised

Primary Advisor

Nomaan Hasan (2026) – postdoctoral fellow, Cornell University
Katyayni Seth (2026) – postdoctoral fellow, McGill University (Canada)
Chelsea Cormier McSwiggin (2017) – senior pathfinding UX researcher, Facebook
Mohamed Yunus Rafiq (2017) – tenured associate professor, Anthropology, NYU-Shanghai (China)
Katharine Stockland (2017) – research manager, Coram (U.K.)
Andrea Maldonado (co-advised with Matthew Gutmann) (2014) – Director of International Admissions, National Student Leadership Conference
Stacey Vanderhurst (2014) – tenured associate professor, Women’s Studies, Kansas University
Inna Leykin (2013) – senior lecturer, Anthropology, The Open University of Israel
Rebecca Warne Peters (2011) – tenured associate professor, Anthropology, SUNY-Oswego
Kathryn Rhine (2010) – tenured associate professor, University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus
Bruce Whitehouse (2007) – tenured full professor, Anthropology & Sociology, Lehigh University

Committee Member

Amanda Votta (2026)

Yuezhu Sun (2021) – Dean’s Faculty Fellow, Brown University

Whitney Arey (2021) – postdoctoral fellow, University of North Carolina

Emily Avera (2020) – tenure-track assistant professor, Anthropology, Colgate University

Marcus Walton (2019 – Political Science) – tenure-track assistant professor, Political Science, Boston University

Stephanie Savell (2017) – Senior Fellow; Director, Costs of War, Watson School, Brown University

Derek Sheridan (2017) – Research Fellow, Institute of Ethnology, Sinica (Taiwan)

Megan Turnbull (2017 – Political Science) – tenure-track assistant professor, International Affairs, University of Georgia

Laura Vares (2015) – affiliated faculty, Emerson College

Kendra Fehrer (2014) – Senior Research Associate, Graduate School of Education, Stanford University

Kristin Skrabut (2014) – tenure-track assistant professor, Urban and Environmental Policy & Planning, Tufts University

Susan Ellison (2013) – tenured associate professor, Anthropology, Wellesley College

Harris Solomon (2011) – tenured full professor, Anthropology, Duke University

Elisaveta Koriouchkina (2011) – Asst Director, Center for Development Economics, Williams College

Maya Judd (2010) – Lecturer, Women’s, Gender & Sexuality Studies, Yale University

Susi Krehbiel-Keefe (2010) – tenured associate professor, Public Health, St. Catherine University

Salome Wawire (2010) – independent consultant (Kenya)

Jan Brunson (2008) – tenured associate professor, Anthropology, University of Hawaii, Manoa

Blessing Mberu (2008 – Sociology) – Senior Research Scientist, APHRC (Kenya)

Caroline Archambault (2007) – Assistant Professor of Global Affairs, University of Leiden (Netherlands)

Lacey Andrews Gale (2005) – Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Mary Ann Larson (2004)

Service and Administrative Experience

University

Brown’s Focal Person, Consortium for Advanced Research Training in Africa (CARTA), 2016-present

Faculty Executive Committee, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, 2024-25

Director, Africa Initiative, Watson School of International and Public Affairs, 2016-26

Search Committee Chair, Watson Africa Initiative Postdoctoral Fellows, 2023-24

Provost’s Working Group on Watson Faculty Appointments, 2023

Committee on Public Health Faculty Appointments, 2023-26

Search Committee, Watson Institute Postdoctoral Fellows Program, 2022

Provost’s Task Force on Global Health, 2016-2020

Provost’s Committee on Watson School Proposal, 2018-19

Coordinator of Africa Group at the Watson Institute for International Studies, 2014-15

Engaged Scholar Program Steering Committee, 2013-2018

Population Studies and Training Center Steering Committee, 2012-26

Brown Global Health Initiative Executive Committee, 2009-2023

Member of TEAM (DOC’s Team Enhanced Advising and Mentoring initiative), 2009-24

Faculty Advisory Board for the Harriet W. Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, 2008-2017

Anthropology Department Liaison to the Harriet W. Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, 2008-13

Faculty leader of TEAM 2010-11

Convener for Brown International Advanced Research Institute (BIARI), “Health and Social Change in Africa,” 2018

Convener for Brown International Advanced Research Institute (BIARI), “Population and Development,” 2012-2015

Convener for Brown International Advanced Research Institute (BIARI), “Development and Inequality in the Global South,” 2010-2011
Convener for University of Witwatersrand, Brown University, University of Colorado, and African Population and Health Research Centre (APHRC) annual “WBCA” colloquium, 2006-2011.
Member International Studies Committee, 2010-11
Member of the International Affairs Advisory Board, 2009-2011
Associate Director, Population Studies and Training Center, 2006-11
Global Health Working Group, 2006-08 (chair)
Health Careers Advisory Committee, 2006-08
Internationalization Committee, 2006-07
College Advisory Board, 2005-06
University Resources Committee, 2002-04 (faculty vice-chair, 2003-04)

Department

Director of Graduate Training, 2022-24
Director of Graduate Studies, 2010-11; 2021-22
Department Chair, 2012-19
Search Committee for Anthropology-IBES Cluster Hire, 2018-19 (chair)
Search Committee for Watson-Middle East Studies position, 2017-18 (chair)
Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2009-2010
Departmental Executive Committee, 2009-11
Search Committee for Anthropology and Population tenure-track position, 2012-13
Search Committee for Anthropology and Population (Cogut) Postdoctoral Fellow, 2012-13 (chair)
Search Committee for Anthropology and Population (Cogut) Postdoctoral Fellow, 2008-9 (chair)
Departmental Self-Study (co-chair), 2008-09
Search Committee for Anthropology and Population Assistant Professor, 2007-08 (chair)

Professional

Journal Referee (number of manuscripts reviewed per journal in parentheses): *Africa* (12), *Africa Today* (3), *African Affairs* (3), *African Journal of AIDS Research* (2), *AIDS Care* (1), *American Anthropologist* (2), *American Ethnologist* (12), *American Journal of Public Health* (4), *Anthropological Quarterly* (3), *Canadian Journal of African Studies* (3), *Comparative Studies of Society and History* (2), *Contemporary Journal of African Studies* (1), *Cultural Anthropology* (5), *Culture, Health & Sexuality* (5), *Current Anthropology* (2), *Current Sociology* (1), *Demographic Research* (1), *Demography* (2), *Ethnography* (1), *Ethnos* (1), *Ethos* (1), *Global Public Health* (3), *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory* (1), *Health Policy* (1), *Human Organization* (1), *International Journal of African Historical Studies* (2), *International Journal of Women's Health* (1), *International Sociology* (1), *Journal of Anthropological Research* (2), *Journal of Contemporary African Studies* (1), *Journal of Cross-Cultural Gerontology* (1), *Journal of Extreme Anthropology* (1), *Journal of Material Culture* (1), *Journal of Modern African Studies* (4), *Journal of Religion in Africa* (1), *Journal of Religious History* (1), *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* (2), *Journal of Social Inclusion* (1), *Journal of West African History* (1), *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* (2), *Medical Anthropology* (5), *Men and Masculinities* (3), *Migration Letters* (1), *National Identities* (1), *Population and Development Review* (1), *Population Studies* (2), *Public Culture* (1), *Religion* (1), *Religion, State & Society* (1), *Social Biology* (1), *Social Dynamics* (1), *Social Forces* (2), *Social Science and Medicine* (9), *Social Science Quarterly* (1), *Sociology of Education* (1), *South African Historical Journal* (1), *Studies in Family Planning* (5), *The Journal of Religious History* (1) (**Total = 133**)

Research Grant Proposal Referee: Andrew W. Mellon Foundation/American Council of Learned Societies Early Career Fellowship Program (2009-11); Economic and Social Research Council, U.K. (2007); Leverhulme Trust (2021); National Institutes of Health (2008); National Science Foundation (2003, 2005,

2007, 2010); Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2023); Social Science Research Council (2005-08); Wellcome Trust (2000).

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