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EMPLOYMENT:

2011 - present

Assistant Professor, Department of Religion
Wesleyan University, Middletown CT

2009-2011

Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Department of Religious Diversity
Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Goettingen, Germany

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. 2009

Dept. of Anthropology, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Title: *Opening the Roads: History and Religion in Post-Soviet Buryatia*
Dissertation Committee: Susan Gal (chair), Elizabeth Povinelli, Adam T. Smith,

M.A. 2000

Dept. of Anthropology, Columbia University, New York, NY
Thesis: *Reconstruction, Ortsbild and Local Identity in a Black Forest Town*
Thesis Advisors: Lesley Sharp, Volker Berghahn

B.A. 1994

Dept. of Anthropology, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Thesis: *Dream Drums to Menominee DRUMS: Power Beliefs of the Menominee*
Thesis Advisor: Raymond Fogelson

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

2015 *Atheist Secularism and Its Discontents: A Comparative Study of Religion and Communism in Eurasia*, co-edited with Tam T.T. Ngo, Global Diversities Series, London: Palgrave Macmillan

Journal Articles:

2015 "Finding 'Their Own': Revitalizing Buryat Culture through Shamanic Practices in Ulan-Ude", co-authored with Kathryn Graber and Eric Stephen, *Problems of Post-Communism* 62:258-272

Forthcoming, "Performing 'Culture': Diverse Audiences at the International Shaman's Conference and Tailgan on Olkhon Island". co-authored with Eric Stephen, *for a special issue of Etudes Mongoles et siberiennes, centrasiatiques et tibetaines edited by Nikolay Tsyrempilov. Accepted January 2015, expected publication fall 2015.*

2012 Soviet Science and Post-Soviet Faith: Etigelov's Imperishable Body. *American Ethnologist* 39:1:138-154

2008 "What If We Don't Know Our Clan? The City *Tailgan* as New Ritual Form in Buriatia" *Siberica*, Vol. 7:1 Spring 2008

Book Chapters:

2015, "Introduction" with Tam T. T. Ngo, In *Atheist Secularism and Its Discontents: A Comparative Study of Religion and Communism in Eurasia*, co-edited with Tam T.T. Ngo, Global Diversities Series, London: Palgrave Macmillan pp. 1-26

2011 "Symptoms as Signs in Buriat Shamanic Callings" in *The Healing Landscapes of Central and Southeastern Siberia*. David Anderson, ed. Occasional Publication No. 71; Patterns of Northern Traditional Healing Series No. 1 Edmonton, Alberta: Canadian Circumpolar Institute (CCI) Press in cooperation with the Centre for the Cross-Cultural Study of Health and Healing, University of Alberta pp.13 - 27

OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

Book Reviews:

Review of Luehrmann, Sonja. *Secularism Soviet Style: Teaching Atheism and Religion in a Volga Republic*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press (2011) In *Anthropos*, (September 2014) 109.2014/2

Review of King, Alexander D. *Living with Koryak Traditions: Playing with Culture in Siberia*. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, (2011) In *The Russian Review*, (April 2013) 72:2: 359-360

Review of Balzer, Marjorie Mandelstam. *Shamans, Spirituality, and Cultural Revitalization: Explorations in Siberia and Beyond*. Palgrave Macmillan (2011) In *Anthropology News*, (December 2011) p. 38

Research Reports:

Finding "Their Own": Revitalizing Buryat Culture through Shamanic Practices in Ulan-Ude, co-authored with Kathryn Graber and Eric Stephen, Institutional Report for the National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (NCEEER) *Submitted to the grant agency July 2013, this article will be published on the agency's website: www.nceeer.org/papers.html*

SCHOLARSHIP UNDER REVIEW OR IN PREPARATION:

Opening the Roads: History through Ritual in Post-Soviet Buryatia, *book manuscript under revision. Target completion date December 2015*

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS:

2012 NCEEER Research Grant on the Indigenous Peoples of Russia
2007 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship
2004 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship
2004 IREX Individual Advanced Research Grant
2003 Leiffer Pre-dissertation Fellowship, Dept. of Anthropology, Univ. of Chicago
2003 Title VI - FLAS for Summer Language Study – Buryat
2002 - 04 Title VI - FLAS Academic Year Fellowship - Russian
2001 Title VI - FLAS for Summer Language Study – Russian
2000-02 Departmental Fellowship, University of Chicago
1999, 2000 Leopold Schepp Foundation Scholarship, New York, NY

FIELDWORK AND RELATED EXPERIENCES

6/2012 – 8/2012

NCEEER Funded Research Project, Ulan-Ude, Buryatia, Russian Federation

10/2004 – 10/2005

Fulbright-Hays and IREX funded dissertation research, Ulan-Ude, Buryatia, Russian Federation.

6/2003 – 8/2003

Title VI FLAS funded Language Study and pre-dissertation research, Ulan-Ude, Buryatia, Russian Federation

6/2001 – 8/2001

Title VI FLAS funded Language Study and pre-dissertation research, Ulan-Ude, Buryatia, Russian Federation

6/1999-9/1999

Archival and Oral History research for Master's thesis, Birkenfeld, Germany

5/1995 – 6/1998

NAGPRA Project Coordinator

Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn N.Y.

Coordinated compliance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), conducted consultations with Native American tribal representatives, designed, wrote and conducted 1996 National Park Service NAGPRA Grant "Identification of Funerary Objects at The Brooklyn Museum" (\$75,000 awarded to the Brooklyn Museum of Art)

LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PAPERS:

Invited Lectures:

"Buryat Shamanism" Invited Talk, Mongolei Colloquium, Zentralasian-Seminar, Institut fuer Asien und Afrikawissenschaften, Humboldt Universitaet Berlin June 8, 2011

“Symptoms as Signs in Buryat Shamanic Healing” in *Idioms of Indigenous Health and Healing*, University of Tromsø, Norway June 4, 2010

Conferences and Symposia Organized:

Organized *Standing on Sacred Ground* Documentary Film Screening and Symposium, Wesleyan University, March 1 - 2, 2014

Religion and Communism Workshop, co-organized with Tam T. T. Ngo, at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Goettingen, Germany. May 5 – 7, 2011

Conference Papers:

“Porous Shamanic Selves: The Morality of Kinship” in *The Relational Morality of Religious Healing Etiologies*” Kimberly Marshall panel organizer. The Society for the Anthropology of Religion Biannual Meeting, April 18, 2015.

“Rediscovered Shrines and Embodied Histories in Contemporary Buryatia” The Mongolia Society and the Mongolian Heritage Foundation of New York Conference to celebrate the 130th Anniversary of the Dilowa Khutughtu, October 11, 2014

“Rediscovered Shrines and Bad Karma: Embodied Histories and Ritual Practice in Buryatia” in “Memory, Narrative and Violence among Contemporary Mongolians and Mongols on the margins of Russia and China” Association of Asian Studies (M. Buyandelgeryin organizer) March 27, 2014

“Shaman Genes: Shamanism as Genetic Heritage in Post-Soviet Buryatia” in “Raced Religion: Neoliberal Identities and the Racialization of Religion” presenter and panel co-organizer with Kimberley Arkin, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting November 21, 2010

“Whose Baikal? Shamans, UFOlogists and the Post-Socialist Politics of Difference” in “Post-Socialist Politics of Difference” panel (D. Dzenovka organizer, Bruce Grant discussant), American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings, November 23, 2008

“Etigilov between East and West: The Border Politics of Buryat Buddhism” 2007 Annual Soyuz Symposium Princeton University April 29, 2007

“God is One: The Continuity of Atheist Discourse in Buryat Religious Revival” (expanded version), Workshop on ‘Reassessing Religion in Siberia and Neighboring Regions’ at the Max-Planck-Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany December 6 – 8, 2006

“What if We Don’t Know Our Clan? The City Tailgan as New Ritual Form in Buryatia” in ‘Sacred Landscapes and Shamans in North Asia’ panel (K. Metzko organizer, Laura Kendall discussant) American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting November 15, 2006

"Post-Soviet Multiculturalisms, Religion and the Politics of Recognition" presented at Baikal Meetings V – Education, Culture and Humanities Research of East Siberia and the North at the beginning of the 21st century, East Siberian State Academy of Art and Culture, Ulan-Ude, Russia. September 28, 2005 Published in conference proceedings, volume II, Ulan-Ude, 2005 pp.149 – 157

"Can Buryatia fit in the Sacred Slot?: A few remarks on Buryatia in the context of International Indigenous Activism" presented at the Philosophical school / UNESCO seminar – International Baikal Information and Cultural Forum, June 24, 2005 – July 1, 2005, Ulan-Ude, Russia.

“Implementing NAGPRA at the Brooklyn Museum of Art” presented at ‘Repatriation of Native American Collections, Related Legislation and Response’ Colloquium, New York University, Institute of Fine Arts, Conservation Center, NYC, December 8, 1997

Presentations/Lectures at Wesleyan:

Division II Lunch Talk: *An Inauguration for Etigelov: Multiple Genres of History in Buryatia*, November 13, 2014

Moderator for *To Not Forget Crimea: Uncertain Quiet of Indigenous Crimean Tartars Panel Discussion*, organized by Katja Kolcio, October 24, 2014

First Year Matters Talk: *Being Human in an Animate World, or Ways of Talking to Trees*, August 29, 2014

Faculty Commenter/Response *Archeology and Politics Symposium*, November 8, 2013

TEACHING:

Current Courses:

REL 151 *Introduction to the Study of Religion* (Spr. 2014, Spr. 2015)

REL 216 *Secularism* (Spr. 2013, Fall 2014)

REL 239 *Modern Shamanism: Ancestors and Ecstasy in the New Age* (Spr. 2012, Fall 2013)

REL 270 *First Year Seminar - Magical Money and Enchanted Capitalisms* (Fall 2013)

REL 289 *Religion and Indigenous Identity Politics* (Fall 2012)

REL 299 *National Religions and Political Rituals* (Fall 2011, Spr. 2013)

REL 307 *Ritual* (Fall 2012, Spr. 2015)

REL 395 *Anthropology of Religion* (Spr. 2012, Spr. 2014)

Theses advised:

Clare McGranahan, *Impossible Enchantment: The Paranormal, the Sacred and the Secular* (Honors 2012-13); Alexandra Sokolow, *Cyberspirituality: Constructing Religion through the Internet* (Honors 2013-14); Eric Stephen, *Shamanic Rituals as Sites of Religio-Cultural Revival: A Statistical Analysis of the Demographic and Cultural Differences of Attendees at Shamanic Ceremonies in Buryatia Russia* (MA in Psychology, second reader/advisor 2013-14); Jill Tan, “*Life is Suffering*”: *Exile, Suffering, and Cure in Tibetan Narratives from Dharamsala* (High Honors 2014-15)

Courses Taught at Other Institutions:

Anthropology of Nationalism and Religion (Fall 2006), Dept. of Social Sciences, The New School for General Studies, New York, NY

After the USSR: The Social Forms of Communism and their Legacy in the former Soviet Union, (Spring 2007) Dept. of Social Sciences, The New School for General Studies, New York, NY

Teaching Intern for *Power, Identity and Resistance* Social Science Common Core (Winter / Spring 2003 University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Writing Instructor for *Reading Cultures* Humanities Common Core (Fall 2002 and 2003 – 04) University of Chicago, Chicago, IL (Completed required training course for Little Red Schoolhouse writing interns, University of Chicago, Summer 2002)

Teaching Assistant for *Symbolic Anthropology*, Prof. E. Valentine Daniel (Fall 1999) Department of Anthropology, Columbia University, New York, NY

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Service to Wesleyan:

Faculty Committee on Rights and Responsibilities (FCRR), serving in academic years 2014-15 and 2016-17. Includes reviewing appeals to Student Judicial Board (SJB) - Title IX cases.

Department of Religion United Way Coordinator 2012-14

Participated in the search committee for the University's Repatriation Coordinator, Summer/Fall 2013 and participated in the unofficial Repatriation Committee 2013-14

Department of Religion representative to the Faculty Computing Committee 2011-2012

Other Service:

Peer Reviewer for various journals including: *American Ethnologist*, *Europe-Asia Studies*, *Nationalities Papers*, *Diversities journal*, *Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity working paper series*, *Sibirica*.

LANGUAGE SKILLS: Near Native German, excellent Russian and Spanish, some French, some Buryat