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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

McGill University. Visiting Ph.D. Scholar, School of Architecture, 2019-2020

UC Berkeley. Visiting Ph.D. Scholar, College of Environmental Design, 2018-2019

Hunter College-CUNY. Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Urban Policy & Planning, 2017-2018

Queens College-CUNY. Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Urban Studies, 2017

EDUCATION

The New School

Ph.D. Urban and Public Policy, 2020

Dissertation Committee: Joseph Heathcott (Chair), Virág Molnár, Richard Ocejo, and Fabio Parasecoli

School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

M.A. Gender and Sexuality Studies, (distance learning) 2022

California Polytechnic State University

M. Urban and Regional Planning, 2011

University of California, Santa Barbara

B.A. History of Architecture, 2008

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

Quebec Writers Federation

Creative Writing Workshop, 2020

London School of Economics

Urban Sociology Seminar, 2014

University of Southern California

Historic Preservation Certificate, 2010

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Evolution, use, and meanings of urban space

International migration

Politics of difference

Everyday (in)equalities

TEACHING INTERESTS

Urban studies

Race and gender studies

Social theory

Qualitative research methods

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

“Little Arabia: A California Ethnoanchor.” *Urban History*. February 2021.
DOI:10.1177/0096144221992036

“Mobilizing the Streets: The Role of Food Vendors in Urban Life.” Co-editor with Krishnendu Ray, and Jaclyn Rohel. *Food, Culture and Society* vol. 24 issue 1, 2021.

“Introduction” in Mobilizing the Streets: The Role of Food Vendors in Urban Life, Co-author with Krishnendu Ray, and Jaclyn Rohel. *Food, Culture and Society* vol. 24 issue 1, 2021. DOI: 10.1080/15528014.2020.1860454

“Epilogue: A Round Table on Street Vending,” Co-author with Jaclyn Rohel. *Gastronomica: The Journal of Critical Food Studies*, vol. 20 No. 1, Spring 2020. DOI: 10.1525/gfc.2020.20.1.21

“Migration & Restaurants: Mapping America’s Most Diverse Thoroughfare,” Food-Stuff section. *The Graduate Association of Food Studies*, Volume 4 No. 1, Spring, 2017.

Book Reviews

Fincher, Ruth, Kurt Iveson, Helga Leitner, and Valerie Preston. Review of “Everyday Equalities: Making Multicultures in Settler Colonial Cities.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 2021. DOI: 10.1080/01419870.2021.1900587

Rhys-Taylor, Alex. Review of “Food and Multiculture: A Sensory Ethnography of East London.” *Food and Foodways* vol. 28, 2019. DOI:10.1080/07409710.2019.1642550

Other Publications

“Reimagining Los Angeles’ Public Sphere,” Co-created with Elisabet Ollé. *American Institute of Architects Film Competition*. August 25, 2020.

“Street Food, Spatial Struggles, and Citizenship,” *Medium—Berkeley Interdisciplinary Migration Initiative*. August 24, 2020.

“Little Arabia: A Southern California Ethnoanchor,” *PLATFORM*. October 24, 2019.

In Preparation

Book Manuscript

“Immigrant Foodways: Restaurants, Street Food, and Ethnic Diversity in Queens, New York.” (under contract)

Peer-Reviewed

“Ordinary Nationalism: Restaurants in Multiethnic Neighborhoods,” *Ethnicities* (forthcoming)

Book Chapters

“Sidewalk Vendors along New York City’s Roosevelt Avenue,” in *Home Grown: Limit and Logic of Self-Sufficiency in the Realm of Urban Food Systems*. Urban Research Publications-Terreform. (forthcoming)

Book Review

Mogilevich, Mariana. Review of “The Invention of Public Space: Designing for Inclusion in Lindsay’s New York.” *Buildings and Landscapes*. (forthcoming)

Rosales, Rocio. Review of “Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” *Gastronomica*. (Forthcoming)

Other Publications

“Unpacking Multiethnic Landscapes,” *PLATFORM*. (forthcoming)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Digital Research Director, 2016-Present
New York University, Department of Nutrition and Food Studies-*City Food*
Examines food and cities, focusing on street food vending and markets from comparative global perspectives

Co-Coordinator, 2019-Present
Polytechnic University of Madrid, School of Architecture-*Loisada*
Developing a critical cartography exhibition showcasing existing and new visual documentations of community gardens in New York City

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer, fall 2020
Building Culture Hybrid Seminar-Studio (MArch)
City College of New York, Department of Architecture

Guest Lecturer, fall 2020
Immigrant Food Futures (BA)
The New School, Parsons School of Design

Guest Lecturer, spring 2019
Food History (BA)
Yale University, Department of History

Guest Lecturer, fall 2018
Queens’ Roosevelt Avenue (PhD)
New York University and University of Toronto, Departments of Nutrition and Food Studies

Adjunct Lecturer, spring 2017
Researching New York City (MA)
Queens College-City University of New York, Department of Urban Affairs

Adjunct Lecturer, fall 2017
Introduction to Urban Planning (MUP)
Hunter College-City University of New York, Department of Urban Policy and Planning

Guest Lecturer, fall 2016
Architecture Studios (BArch & MArch)
Columbia University, Graduate School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation

Guest Lecturer, fall 2014
Slums and Urban Development (MA)
The New School, Milano School of Policy, Management, and Environment

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Principal Transportation Planner, 2014-2018
Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York City Transit-Operations Planning

Associate Environmental Planner / Architectural Historian, 2011-2014
California Department of Transportation-District 7 (Los Angeles and Ventura Counties)

Architectural Historian / Environmental Planner, 2010-2011
Galvin Preservation Associates-Los Angeles

Architecture & Planning Consultant, 2010-2011
Design Vidal-Los Angeles

Planning Intern, 2009-2010
City of Los Angeles Planning Department, Office of Historic Resources

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Little Arabia: A California Ethnoanchor," Paper Presentation. PhD Symposium: Divergence in Architecture (peer-reviewed). Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia. March 5-6, 2020.

"Restaurants, Street Food, and Everyday Urban Practices," Paper Session. Society For American City and Regional Planning History, Arlington, Virginia. November 1, 2019.

"Immigrant Foodways: Everyday Urban Practices in Multiethnic Neighborhoods," Paper Session. Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Greenville, South Carolina. October 25, 2019.

"Taste and Place: Engaging Difference in Multiethnic Neighborhoods," Digital Poster. International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities, & Nations. University of Patras, Patras, Greece. June 5, 2019.

"Methods for Understanding Difference in Twenty-First Century Cities," Paper Session. International Conference on Food Studies. Roma Tre University, Rome, Italy. October 26, 2017.

"Mapping the Unmapped: Sidewalk Vendors Along New York City's Roosevelt Avenue," Paper Session. City Food Symposium-A Political and Cultural History of Street Food Vending. Urban Space/The City Panel: New York University, New York, New York. April 5, 2017.

“Negotiating Difference Along America’s Most Diverse Thoroughfare,” Paper Session in the Urban Space and Politics Panel. Krueckeberg Doctoral Conference in Urban Studies, Urban Planning, and Public Policy. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey. March 23, 2017.

SERVICE

Scientific and Organizational Committee Member

2020 City Food Symposium “Food and Regulation: Practitioner Perspectives on Vending and Markets in Four American Cities.” Institute of Public Knowledge, New York University. (Postponed)

2019-2020 Doctoral Student Architecture Round Table. School of Architecture, McGill University.

2018 City Food Workshop: “Comparative Study of Street Vending Across Place and Time.” Nutrition and Food Studies Department, New York University.

2017 City Food Symposium: “A Political and Cultural History of the Street Vendor in the Global City.” Nutrition and Food Studies Department, New York University.

Workshops, Colloquia, Forums, Reviews, & Round Tables Participant

Long Term Care Studio-Review. McGill University, Department of Architecture. January 21, 2021

Building Culture Studio 25-Review. City College of New York, Department of Architecture. November 23, 2020

“Multiethnic Landscapes: Ordinary Architectures,” PhD Student Architecture Round Table. McGill University, Peter Guo-hua Fu School of Architecture, January 17, 2020

“New York City + Ethnic Multiplicity,” Architecture Round Table Presentation. University of California at Berkeley, College of Environmental Design, February 14, 2019

Emerging Creatives Student Summit at James Madison University. Participant at the Alliance for the Arts in Research Universities (a2ru). Theme: Food and Place. February 7-10, 2019

“Street Food Regulations and Policy Panel,” City Food Public Event-A Political and Cultural History of Street Food Vending (Moderator). New York University, Institute of Public Knowledge, April 6, 2017

“Immigrant Restaurateurs: Negotiating Difference Along America’s Most Diverse Corridor,” Presenter at The Kea Fiedler Research Colloquium. The New School, March 22, 2017

“Land Use, People and Environment (URBP 719),” Panelist on graduate students’ final presentations. City University of New York- Hunter College, Department of Policy and Planning. December 6, 2016

Planning Accreditation Board, Program Renewal Process Discussant. City University of New York- Hunter College, Department of Policy and Planning. September 26, 2016

“Land Use, People and Environment (URBP 719),” Panelist on graduate students’ final presentations. City University of New York- Hunter College, Department of Policy and Planning. August 17, 2016

“Global Immigrant Neighborhoods Shaping the Post-Industrial Cities,” Presenter at graduate forum at New York University’s Nutrition and Food Studies Department. May 17, 2016

Peer-Reviewer

Buildings & Landscapes. 2021-Present
Ethnic and Racial Studies. 2020-Present
Food, Culture and Society. 2019-Present
Graduate Journal of Food Studies. 2018-Present

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

Research Grant- Zolberg Institute, 2020
Society of American City and Regional Planning History Travel Award, 2019
Student Research Award- The New School, 2018-2019
Milano School of Policy, Management, and Environment Travel Awards, 2017-2019
Graduate Planning Student Association Thesis Award, 2011
Dean's Scholar, Cal Poly, 2010-2011
UCSB National Society of Leadership and Success Honors recipient, 2006-2008

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP AND MEDIA COVERAGE

Open Belly Podcast, June 2019
Culinary Backstreets, May 2017
Eater New York, March 2017
DNA.info-Queens, March 2017
LAist-Food, March 2012
89.9 KCRW-Good Food, March 2012
Good Food Jobs, January 2012

TECHNICAL SKILLS

QGIS, ArcGIS, SPSS, SketchUp, MAXQDA, WordPress, and Microsoft Office

MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Geographers
American Sociological Association
Association for the Study of Food and Society
Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
Canadian Anthropology Society
Society of American City & Regional Planning History
Vernacular Architectural Forum