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Curriculum Vitae

Binghamton University, State University of New York
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2024-present	Assistant Professor, joint appointment between the Department of Sociology and the Global Public Health Program, Binghamton University, SUNY
2021-2024	Civic, Liberal, and Global Education (COLLEGE) Teaching Fellow; Stanford University; Instructor for Stanford Continuing Studies Program; Instructor for Stanford Introductory Seminar; Instructor for Stanford Earth Systems Program; Instructor for Stanford Summer Session

EDUCATION

2024	Ph.D. in Sociocultural Anthropology University of California San Diego Advisors: Joseph D. Hankins and Hanna Garth Dissertation Title: <i>Growing Community, Cultivating Space: Race, Politics, and Values in the San Diego-Tijuana Urban Agriculture Movement</i>
2018	C.Phil. in Sociocultural Anthropology University of California San Diego
2017	M.A. in Sociocultural Anthropology University of California San Diego Thesis: <i>An Anthropological Perspective: The Cultural, the Political, and the Ontological in Kichwa Studies</i>
2013	B.A. in Sociocultural Anthropology, minor in Spanish, <i>magna cum laude</i> Brigham Young University Thesis: <i>An Issue of Legitimacy: Hmong Religious and Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand</i>

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Geographic areas: United States and Latin America
Themes: Agriculture and environment; citizenship and belonging; community; critical geography; critical race theory; cultural anthropology; environmentalism and environmental

ethics; environmental and climate justice; (environmental) sustainability; ethnography; farms and farming; food (in)security, justice and sovereignty; food systems and foodways; morality and ethics; political anthropology; (political) ecology; political economy; prefigurative politics; race and ethnicity; racism(s); social movements and protest; social value; urban agriculture; urban sociology; urban studies.

PUBLICATIONS

Works in Progress

“Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones: Assessing the Viability of California’s AB551.” Article in progress.

Book proposal for Routledge Book Series “Bridges to Another World.” Series editors: Cynthia Kaufman, Fred Block, and Kathryn Kish Sklar, and Belinda C. Ramírez.

Book review of *We Want Land to Live: Making Political Space for Food Sovereignty* by Amy Trauger.

Book review of *Raise: What 4-H Teaches 7 Million Kids & How its Lessons Could Change Food and Farming Forever* by Kiera Butler.

Book review of *Translating Food Sovereignty: Cultivating Justice in an Age of Transnational Governance* by Matthew Canfield.

“Anthropology, Advocacy, and Urban Agriculture.” Article for *Anthropology News*.

Under Review

Book in peer review: Chapter for edited volume *Nurturing Food Justice*, edited by Alison Hope Alkon and Julian Agyeman; “No Justice Without Land: The Struggle for Autonomy in the San Diego Urban Agriculture Movement”

Book Chapter

2015 Nuckolls, Janis B., Tod D. Swanson, and **Belinda Ramirez** Spencer. “Demonstrative Deixis in Two Dialects of Amazonian Quichua.” In *Quechua Expressions of Stance and Deixis*, edited by Marilyn S. Manley and Antje G. Muntendam, ch. 3. Vol. 11 of *Brill’s Studies in the Indigenous Languages of the Americas*. The Netherlands: Brill.

Public Scholarship

2021 “A Collection that Grows: Food Justice and Food Security in Public and Academic Libraries.” Conference presentation proceeding for the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials Virtual Conference in October 2020, co-authored with Destiny Rivera.

2017 “National Association of Student Anthropologists: Advocating for Anthropologists-in-Training since 1985.” *Anthropology News*, 58(4): 27.

Also: *Anthropology News* website, August 4, 2017. doi: 10.1111/AN.558

2014 “An Issue of Legitimacy: Hmong Religious and Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand.” *National Social Science Journal*, 42(1): 96-104. https://nssascholars.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/MasterNSSJ_2001-2016_Index.pdf

Dissertation/Theses

- 2024 *Growing Community, Cultivating Space: Race, Politics, and Values in the San Diego-Tijuana Urban Agriculture Movement*. Retrieved from eScholarship ProQuest Dissertations and Theses, ID: 3071800287, <https://www.proquest.com/dissertations-theses/growing-community-cultivating-place-race-politics/docview/3071800287/se-2>
- 2017 *An Anthropological Perspective: The Cultural, the Political, and the Ontological in Kichwa Studies*. Retrieved from eScholarship ProQuest Dissertations and Theses, ID: Ramirez_ucsd_0033M_16397, <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/247314hs>
- 2014 “An Issue of Legitimacy: Hmong Religious and Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand.” BYU Honors Program.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Research Fellowships and Grants

- 2025 Binghamton University Presidential Diversity Research Grant (course release Fall 2025)
- 2019-2020 UCSD Department of Anthropology Teaching Assistantship and Research Fellowship (~\$36,000)
- 2018-2019 UC San Diego Chancellor’s Interdisciplinary Collaboratories Fellowship (\$21,000 total, \$7,000 individually)
- 2017-2018 University of California Global Food Initiative Student Fellowship/Internship (\$4,000)
- 2016-2017 UCSD Department of Anthropology Teaching Assistantship and Research Fellowship (~\$36,000)
- 2016 UCSD Tinker Grant (\$2,000)
- 2016 The Explorers Club San Diego Chapter Award (\$500)
- 2015-2016 UCSD Department of Anthropology Melford E. Spiro Fellowship (~\$37,000)
- 2015 UCSD Friends of the International Center Scholarship (\$2,000)
- 2015 BYU Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship (\$7,500)
- 2014-2015 UCSD Department of Anthropology Graduate Student Fellowship (~\$36,000)
- 2013 Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Award (\$1,000)
- 2013 The Explorers Club Youth Activity Fund (\$1,300)
- 2013 Van Pelt Memorial Fund Award (\$1,000)
- 2012 Robert K. Thomas Scholarship (\$1,178)
- 2012 BYU Office of Research and Creative Activities (ORCA) Grant (\$1,500)
- 2012 BYU Anthropology Department Award (\$500)

Course Development

- 2025 Binghamton University Community-Engaged Learning Course Development Stipend (\$1,000)

Dissertation Completion and Fieldwork Support

- 2020-2021 University of California President’s Dissertation Year Fellowship - “Cultivating a

- Community of Ethical Subjects: An Exploration of Values, Race, and Politics in the San Diego-Tijuana Urban Agriculture Movement” (\$20,000)
- 2019 UC Santa Barbara Blum Center Research Grant on Poverty, Inequality, and Democracy (\$2,000)
- 2018 UCSD Department of Anthropology F.G. Bailey Fellowship (\$4,000)
- 2018 UCSD Department of Anthropology In-Absentia Fellowship (\$6,320)
- 2018 UC San Diego Chancellor’s Research Excellence Scholarships (CRES) Award - “From Food Deserts to Food Forests: The Case for Urban Agriculture in San Diego County” (\$25,000)

Travel Awards and Conference Grants

- 2020 Society for Applied Anthropology Del Jones Memorial Travel Award (\$500)
- 2020 UCSD Graduate Student Association (GSA) Travel Grant (\$500)
- 2017 UC Humanities Research Institute Humanists @ Work Travel Grant
- 2017 UCSD Graduate Student Association (GSA) Travel Grant (\$500)
- 2013 BYU Inquiry Conference Presenters Grant (\$636)
- 2012 BYU College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences Conference Participation Grant (\$1,160)

Other Awards and Honors

- 2022 Ecological Farming Association EcoFarm Scholarship (\$710)
- 2019 Ecological Farming Association EcoFarm Scholarship (\$615)
- 2018 San Diego Small Business Development Center Business of Farming Scholarship (\$300)
- 2018 UC San Diego Institute of Arts and Humanities Interdisciplinary Research Group Award (\$500)
- 2018 University of California Global Food Initiative Student Ambassador (\$4,500)
- 2016 Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship (Honorable Mention)
- 2013 Best Undergraduate Paper and Gail McClay Award (\$100)
- 2012 National Association of Student Anthropologists Carrie Hunter-Tate Award (\$500)
- 2011 BYU Alumni Replenishment Grant (\$553)
- 2010 BYU Alumni Replenishment Grant (\$553)
- 2010- 2013 BYU Academic Scholarship (half-tuition during Fall/Winter, full-tuition during Spring/Summer)
- 2007 California State University, Los Angeles President’s Scholar Award (Declined)

RESEARCH AND FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

- 2024-present Urban agriculture and food sovereignty in Colombia
- 2022-2024 Urban agriculture in the San Francisco Bay Area
- 2021-present Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones; CA AB551
- 2021-present Food sovereignty and seed libraries; “The Potential of Seed Libraries to Democratize Food Access and Promote Alimentary Autonomy”

2018-2021	Dissertation research in the San Diego-Tijuana metropolitan area
2018	Research Assistant to Dr. Hanna Garth, UCSD, Southern CA Black foodways
2017-2018	Preliminary dissertation fieldwork in San Diego County, USA and Tijuana, México
2016	Ethnographic research in Tena, Napo and Puyo, Pastaza, Ecuador
2015	Ethnographic research and linguistic training at the Andes and Amazon Field School outside of Tena, Ecuador
2013	Brigham Young University Ecuador Linguistics Study Abroad, linguistic and ethnographic research at the Andes and Amazon Field School outside of Tena, Ecuador
2013	Research Assistant to Dr. Janis B. Nuckolls, BYU
2012	Brigham Young University Thailand Anthropology Field School, ethnographic research in northern Thailand
2011-2013	Research Assistant to Dr. Jacob R. Hickman, BYU
2011	University of Cambridge Pembroke-Kings Programme, Direct Enrollment through BYU Honors Program

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

2025	Sociology 280X / Africana Studies 280N / Environmental Studies 281V / Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies 280B: Global Food Sovereignty; Binghamton University
2024	Global Public Health 380H / Sociology 380D / Africana Studies 382R: The Power and Justice of Food; Binghamton University
2024	COLLEGE 106: Environmental Sustainability: Global Predicaments and Possible Solutions; Stanford (served as Course Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
2024	Social Justice Studies 04: Climate Justice in the U.S.: Understanding Disparities and Building a Sustainable Future; Stanford Continuing Studies
2024	COLLEGE 102: Citizenship in the 21st Century; Stanford (served as Course Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
2023	Earth Systems Program / Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity / Sociology 37Q IntroSem: Food Justice Now! Power and Politics in the Ways We Eat; Stanford
2023	COLLEGE 101: Why College? Your Education and the Good Life; Stanford
2023	Sociology 129D: Food, Sustainability, and Culture; Stanford Summer Session
2023	COLLEGE 106: Environmental Sustainability: Global Predicaments and Possible Solutions; Stanford (served as Course Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
2023	Earth Systems Program 134: Environmental Justice: Reflection; co-taught with Sibyl Diver
2023	COLLEGE 102: Citizenship in the 21st Century; Stanford (served as Course Coordinator for this course's teaching team)

- 2022 COLLEGE 101: Why College? Your Education and the Good Life; Stanford (served as Course Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
- 2022 Sociology 129D: Food, Sustainability, and Culture; Stanford Summer Session
- 2022 Social Justice Studies 04: Cultures of Climate Justice; Stanford Continuing Studies
- 2022 COLLEGE 106: Environmental Sustainability: Global Predicaments and Possible Solutions; Stanford (served as Course Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
- 2022 COLLEGE 102: Citizenship in the 21st Century; Stanford (served as Tech Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
- 2021 COLLEGE 101: Why College? Your Education and the Good Life; Stanford (served as Tech Coordinator for this course's teaching team)
- 2020 Anthropology 103: Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology; UCSD
- 2020 Anthropology 21: Race and Racisms; UCSD

Teaching Assistantships

- 2020 Anthropological Sciences 147: Global Health and the Environment; UCSD
- 2019 Anthropology 21: Race and Racisms; UCSD
- 2017 Anthropological Sciences 166: Film and Culture in Asia; UCSD
- 2017 Anthropology 21: Race and Racisms; UCSD
- 2017 Anthropological Sciences 125: Gender, Sexuality, and Society; UCSD
- 2016 Anthropology 21: Race and Racisms; UCSD
- 2015 International Studies 101: Culture, Development, and Social Change; UCSD
- 2011 Cultural Anthropology 101 Seminar (two semesters); BYU

Class Guest Lectures

- 2025 Environmental Studies 470: Indigenous Knowledge Systems and the Environment; Binghamton University; Instructor: Barrett Brenton
- 2025 Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies 271: Research Methods in LACS; Binghamton University; Instructor: Marina Malli
- 2024 Earth Systems 181: Urban Agroecology; Stanford; Instructor: Patrick Archie
- 2024 Ethnic Studies / Nutrition 2180.05: Ethnic Studies of Food, Nutrition, and Health Disparities; California State Polytechnic University Pomona; Instructor: Emily Kiresich
- 2024 Environmental Studies Teaching Demo; Dickinson College
- 2024 Anthropology and Sociology 103: Introduction to Sociology; Lafayette College; Instructor: Kendra Pospisil
- 2024 Environmental Sciences 480: Climate Change Adaptation and Justice; San Francisco State University; Instructor: Aritree Samanta
- 2024 Environmental Science/Studies, Environmental Justice; Westminster College; Instructor: Patrick Krantz
- 2024 Sustainability 101: Introduction to Sustainability; George Washington University; Instructor: Lisa Benton-Short
- 2024 Environmental Science and Resource Management 303: Data Visualization and Climate Communication; California State University Channel Islands; Instructor: Sean Anderson

- 2024 [Environmental Justice and Policy Teaching Demo](#); University of Delaware
- 2024 Integrative Studies 201.05: Diversity in the U.S.; Grand Valley State University (virtual); Instructor: Dan Cope
- 2023 Earth Systems 10: Introduction to Earth Systems; Stanford; Instructors: Kevin Arrigo and Richard Nevle
- 2023 Internship class at The Forge Garden; Santa Clara University; Instructor: Becca Nelson
- 2023 Earth Systems 109: Rethinking Meat: An Introduction to Alternative Proteins; Stanford; Instructor: David Lobell
- 2023 Sustainability 225: Decision Making for Sustainability; Stanford; Instructor: Garry Sotnik
- 2023 Earth Systems 181: Urban Agroecology; Stanford; Instructor: Patrick Archie
- 2020 Literature/Cultural Studies 165: The Politics of Food: Justice, Diversity, Community; UCSD; Instructor: Stephanie Jed
- 2019 Literature/Cultural Studies 165: The Politics of Food: Justice, Diversity, Community; UCSD; Instructor: Stephanie Jed
- 2019 Communication 114J: Food Justice; UCSD; Instructor: Keith Pezzoli

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Papers Presented

- 2025 *Planting the Seeds of Sovereignty: The Democratizing and Liberatory Potential of Seed Libraries*. To be presented as part of the Critical Food Studies Panel at the American Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico
- 2025 *Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones: Assessing the Viability of California's AB551*. To be presented at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Detroit, MI.
- 2024 *Hope in the Soil: Prefigurative Politics in the Urban Agriculture and Food Movements*. Presented as part of the Critical Food Studies Panel at the American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD.
- 2024 *The Possibilities and Limits of Rights-based Frameworks in Food Justice and Sovereignty*. Presented at the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and Association for the Study of Food and Society conference, Syracuse University and SUNY ESF, Syracuse, NY.
- 2023 *No Justice Without Land: The Struggle for Autonomy in the Urban Agriculture Movement of San Diego and Tijuana* as part of the *Nurturing Food Justice* panels, with co-authors of forthcoming edited volume by Alison Hope Alkon and Julian Agyeman. Presented at the Association for the Study of Food and Society and the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society conference, Boston University, Boston, MA.
- 2023 *No Justice Without Land: The Struggle for Autonomy in the Urban Agriculture Movement of San Diego and Tijuana*. Presented at the Food Institute Graduate Council of the Berkeley Food Institute's conference, University of California, Berkeley, CA.
- 2023 *Importance and Complications of the Urban Agriculture Movement for Cultivating Spaces of Equity and Justice*. Presented at the Stanford Environmental Justice and Sustainability conference, Stanford, CA.

- 2022 *Methods of Valuation in the Urban Agriculture Movement of the San Diego-Tijuana Region*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Seattle, WA.
- 2022 *A Collection that Grows: Food Justice and Sovereignty in Public and Academic Libraries*. Presented at the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and the Association for the Study of Food and Society conference, co-presented with Destiny Rivera, University of Georgie, Athens, GA.
- 2022 *Seed Libraries as Tools to Decolonize and Indigenize the Food System*. Presented at the Food Institute Graduate Council of the Berkeley Food Institute's conference, co-presented with Destiny Rivera, University of California, Berkeley, CA.
- 2020 *A Collection that Grows: Food Justice and Food Security in Libraries*. Presented at the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials Virtual Conference, co-presented with Destiny Rivera.
- 2020 *Methods of Valuation within the San Diego-Tijuana Urban Agriculture Movement*. Accepted paper at the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and the Association for the Study of Food and Society conference, Athens, GA. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2020 *Struggling in the Movement: The Challenges of Food Justice Organizing in Neoliberal Contexts*. Accepted paper at the Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, co-written with Hanna Garth, Albuquerque, NM. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2019 *Struggling in the Movement: Difficulties of Radical Food Justice Organizations in Neoliberal Contexts*. Presented at the Association for the Study of Food and Society and the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society conference, co-written with Hanna Garth, University of Alaska, Anchorage, AK.
- 2018 *Claiming and Making Space on the Border: Urban Agriculture in Tijuana and San Diego*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA.
- 2018 *From Food Deserts to Food Forests: A Case for Urban Agriculture in San Diego County*. Presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 *The Conflicts and Interventions of Sustainable Agriculture and Community Food Security in San Diego County*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2017 *An Anthropological Perspective: The Cultural, the Political, and the Ontological in Kichwa Studies*. Presented at the UCSD Anthropology Graduate Student Association Annual Symposium, UC San Diego.
- 2017 *Ñuka Sumak Chagra, 'My Beautiful Garden': The Ontological Foundations of Agrarian Politics among Kichwa-speaking Peoples in the Ecuadorian Amazon*. Presented at the Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies Graduate Symposium, UC San Diego.

- 2016 *Producing Native Stewards: Gendered Indigenous Agriculture and Politics in the Ecuadorian Amazon*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2016 *Religious and Indigenous State-building through Political Involvement in the Ecuadorian Amazon*. Presented at the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, New York, NY.
- 2016 *The Battle over the Left in Ecuador: Rafael Correa versus Indigenous Peoples and Movements*. Presented at the UCSD Anthropology Graduate Student Association Annual Symposium, UC San Diego.
- 2016 *Who Inhabits Left Spaces in Ecuador? Rafael Correa versus Indigenous Peoples and Movements*. Presented at the UCSD-Cornell Left Spaces in Latin America Symposium, UC San Diego.
- 2015 *Religious and Indigenous State-building through Political Involvement in Ecuador*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, CO.
- 2015 *From Problem to Politics: Religious and Indigenous State-building through Political Involvement in the Ecuadorian Amazon*. Presented at the Conference on Ethnicity, Race, and Indigenous Peoples in Latin America and the Caribbean, Virginia Commonwealth University.
- 2015 *Names, Locations, and Meaning: Quechua Toponyms in Ecuador*. Presented at Sandrizona (Graduate Student Linguistic Anthropology Data Workshop and Scholarly Exchange, UC San Diego and the University of Arizona), Tucson, AZ.
- 2013 *Cultural Revision through Religion: (Dis)continuity and a Messianic Hmong Religion in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2013 *Cultural Revision through Religion: A Messianic Hmong Approach in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the Hmong Studies Conference, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minneapolis, MN. [[Panel recording](#) and [Q&A](#)]
- 2013 *An Issue of Legitimacy: Hmong Religious and Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the Society for the Anthropology of Religion biennial conference, Pasadena, CA.
- 2013 *Prophets, Scripts, and Nations: Hmong Religious and Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the National Social Science Association conference, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2013 *Can a Hmong Messianic Religion Build the Hmong Nation?* Presented at the BYU International Inquiry Conference, Provo, UT.
- 2012 *Hmong Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Panels Organized and Chaired

- 2025 *Nurturing Food Justice*. Panel participant with co-authors of edited volume of the same name, at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Detroit, MI.

- 2024 *Neoliberal Capitalism, Charity, and the Right to Food*. Panel moderator at the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and Association for the Study of Food and Society conference, Syracuse University and SUNY ESF, Syracuse, NY.
- 2022 *Tip of the Plow: Emergent Issues in the Transnational Anthropology of Agriculture*. Panel organizer at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Seattle, WA.
- 2017 *Agricultural Matters: Understanding Current Issues in Food Security, Weather, and Markets*. Panel chair at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2016 *Gendered Interventions: Caring through Development and Political Mobilization*. Panel organizer at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2016 *Religious Identities in the Encounter with the State*. Panel chair at the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, New York, NY.
- 2015 *Picking Apart Identity Politics: The Construction and Contrast of Identity in Disparate Contexts*. Panel chair and organizer at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, CO.
- 2013 *Scales of Engagement: Anthropologist as Storyteller and Political Actor*. Panel chair and co-organizer at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2012 *Defining Alterity: Social Boundaries in Disparate Contexts*. Panel co-chair and co-organizer at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Roundtable Presentations

- 2024 *Radical Feminist Affect*. Invited roundtable participant for the Binghamton University Insurgent Ethnography Conference, virtual.
- 2023 *Interrogating Community and its Discontents: Power, Identity, and Building Sustainable Social Movements*. Roundtable participant at the American Studies Association Annal Meeting, Montréal, Ontario, Canada.
- 2022 *The Food-Climate-Migration Network: Bsuilding a Collaborative, Policy-relevant Research Agenda*. Roundtable participant at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Seattle, WA.
- 2020 *Engaging Applied Research in Community Food Movements*. Invited roundtable participant at the Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2020 *Interdisciplinary Connections*. Presented at the UCSD Interdisciplinary Forum on Environmental Research, La Jolla, CA.
- 2014 *Producing Anthropology as Discipline and Perspective*. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C

Other Presentation Formats

- 2023 *The Significance of Urban Agriculture for Cultivating Spaces of Food Justice and Sovereignty*. A short presentation at the Stanford Food Institute's Food Systems Research Symposium, Stanford, CA.
- 2023 *The Urban Agriculture Movement of San Diego-Tijuana*. A 3-minute lightning talk presented at the Environmental Justice and Sustainability Conference, Stanford, CA
- 2023 *Environmental Justice Pedagogy*. A short presentation as part of the IDEAL Pedagogy grant to the Stanford Environmental Justice Working Group, Stanford, CA

Mentoring Events

- 2018 *Solidarity Mentoring Conversation for Graduate Students/Recent PhDs of Color*. Co-organized, at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA.
- 2018 *Ethical Dilemmas in Diverse Anthropology*. Co-organized, at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA.
- 2014 *Peer Mentoring for Rising Scholars: Student Peer Panel and Small Group Discussions*. Session organizer at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.

Poster Presentations

- 2024 *Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones: Assessing the Viability of California's AB551*. Presented at the Urban Food Systems Symposium, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.
- 2024 *Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones: Assessing the Viability of California's AB551*. Presented at the Stanford Food Institute's Food Systems Research Symposium, Stanford, CA.
- 2013 *Prophets, Scripts, and Nations: A Hmong Messianic Religion in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the BYU Honors Symposium Research Poster Session, Provo, UT.
- 2013 *Prophets, Scripts, and Nations: A Hmong Messianic Religion in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the BYU Museum of Peoples and Cultures' Symposium, Provo, UT.
- 2013 *Prophets, Scripts, and Nations: A Hmong Messianic Religious Group in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the Utah Conference for Undergraduate Research, Utah State University.
- 2012 *Prophets, Scripts, and Nations: Hmong Religious and Ethnonational Borders in Northern Thailand*. Presented at the President's Leadership Council Poster Presentation and Luncheon through ORCA Mentored Learning, Brigham Young University.
- 2011 *Taking Sport Seriously: Hmong Ethnonationalism through Sport in Paklang, Thailand*. Presented at the BYU Museum of Peoples and Cultures' Symposium, Provo, UT.

UNIVERSITY EVENTS ORGANIZED

- 2025 *Insurgent Ethnography Conference: Within & Beyond*. Co-organized with the Binghamton University Insurgent Ethnography Lab. To be held April 24-25, Binghamton University, NY.
- 2025 “Decolonizing Higher Education: Engaging Haudenosaunee Partners at Binghamton University.” Co-organized with the Binghamton University Native American and Indigenous Studies (NAIS) Working Group, invited a panel of local Haudenosaunee leaders and partners to the university to engage in dialogue around the building of Native American and Indigenous Studies on campus. February 21, Binghamton University, NY.
- 2025 Invited environmental sociology Dr. Manuel Vallée, University of Auckland, to Binghamton University for talk “Managing Public Resistance to Pesticides through Ignorance Production: New Zealand’s 2002-2004 Urban Pesticide Spraying Campaign.” January 23, Binghamton University, NY.
- 2023 “Vision 2030: Roundtable on Sustainability Research Integrity.” Co-organized with the Coalition for a True School of Sustainability, bringing researchers, activists, and journalists to campus to discuss an ideal future for the Stanford University Doerr School of Sustainability, Stanford, CA.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- 2025 Invited talk at the Binghamton University Sustainability Hub, Binghamton, NY.
- 2024 Panelist for the Binghamton University Multicultural Resource Center’s Culture Chat series for Hispanic and Latine Heritage Month, Binghamton, NY.
- 2024 Invited research talk for California State Polytechnic University Pomona’s Nutrition and Food Science Department, Pomona, CA.
- 2024 Invited research talk for Oberlin College’s Racial and Food Justice Mellon Grant, Oberlin, OH.
- 2024 Invited research talk for Binghamton University’s Department of Sociology and Global Public Health Program, Binghamton, NY.
- 2024 Invited research talk for San Francisco State University’s School of the Environment, San Francisco, CA.
- 2024 Invited research talk for California State University Channel Island’s Environmental Science and Resource Management Program, Camarillo, CA.
- 2024 Invited research talk for Central Washington University’s Interdisciplinary Studies Program, Ellensburg, WA.
- 2024 Invited research talk for University of Nebraska, Lincoln’s Institute of Agricultural and Natural Resources, virtual.
- 2024 Invited research talk for Grand Valley State University’s Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies, virtual.
- 2023 Speaker for climate change and environmental racism teach-in at Notre Dame High School, San Jose, CA.

- 2023 Speaker for panel “What Past Social Movements Can Teach Climate Organizers” with Cynthia Kaufman (De Anza College) at the Howard Zinn Book Fair, San Francisco, CA.
- 2023 Speaker for panel for Civic, Liberal, and Global Education (COLLEGE) Program at New Student Orientation, Stanford University.
- 2023 Invited speaker at C&L Sustainability Foundation’s 2023 Net Zero MZ-Eco Gala, Seoul, South Korea.
- 2023 Invited speaker for Farms to Grow and Stanford Food Institute’s Black Farmer Purchasing Program event, Stanford University.
<https://sustainable.stanford.edu/news/stanford-food-institute-partners-farms-grow-inc-support-black-farmers>
- 2023 Invited speaker for Stanford Roots club’s “Sustainable and Just Food Speaker Series,” Stanford University.
- 2022 Panelist for “Stanford Food Institute Farms to Grow Film Screening” event for the showing of Dr. Gail Myers’ *Rhythms of the Land: The Untold Stories of Black Farmers in America*, Stanford University.
<https://stanforddaily.com/2022/11/17/food-institute-screening-chronicles-black-farmer-discrimination/>
- 2022 Panelist for “Queer the Future: Climate Justice” event as part of the series “Exploratorium After Dark: Pride in our Work,” hosted by [Queer the Future](https://www.exploratorium.edu/visit/calendar/after-dark-pride-in-our-work) and the San Francisco Exploratorium, San Francisco, CA.
<https://www.exploratorium.edu/visit/calendar/after-dark-pride-in-our-work>
- 2020 Panelist for “Slow Bites, Slow Food Solidarity Gathering,” hosted by Slow Food Urban San Diego, virtual.
- 2019 Panelist for Coronado Island Film Festival screening of *The Biggest Little Farm*, hosted by *Edible San Diego*, Coronado, CA.
- 2019 Panelist for “Strong Movements Start from the Roots” at the Soil Shindig, hosted by Wild Willow Farm and Education Center, San Diego, CA.
- 2019 Panelist for “The Nuts and Seeds of Nutrition: A Health and Wellness Fair”, San Diego, CA.
- 2019 *Food Justice and Social Reform Start in Our Own Backyards*. Invited presentation for the opening of the Ocean Beach Public Library Seed Library, San Diego, CA.
- 2019 Table presentation at UCSD Warren Community Garden and Warren College Writing Program Food Insecurity Event, La Jolla, CA.
- 2018 *The Justice of Urban Agriculture in San Diego County*. TED-style talk given at the UCSD Inter-Sustainability Council’s annual Green Talks, La Jolla, CA:
<https://youtu.be/az7SvsoUIK0>
- 2017 Panelist for National GEM Consortium’s Getting Ready for Advanced Degrees (GRAD) Lab
- 2017 Panelist for Academic Enrichment Programs (AEP) Summer Research Program
- 2013 Panelist for the BYU Honors Program on proposing, writing, and defending an honors thesis

MEDIA INTERVIEWS AND APPEARANCES

- 2023 Discussion with Stanford professor David Palumbo-Liu for his podcast *Speaking Out of Place* about my work with the Coalition for a True School of Sustainability (with Yannai Kashtan and June Choi), September 2023: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/speaking-out-of-place/id1655589688?i=1000629559583>
- 2023 Featured in David Schechter, Chance Horner, and Aparna Zalani's *CBS News* segment "Is Your University Profiting from Climate Change?" May 2023: <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/universities-oil-climate-change/>
- 2020 Ramírez, Belinda. "Let's Grow: Fava Beans." *Edible San Diego Magazine*, No. 57: 7, January 2020: <https://www.ediblesandiego.com/digital-issues/winter-2020>
- 2020 Contributed to piece on Slow Food Urban San Diego's blog, "More Than Enough: The Carbon Sink Convergence by Julia Diaz, Belinda Ramírez, Nathan Lou, and Colin H. Richard," January 2020: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/qJFNL1ryqnZGAWNIX/>
- 2019 Featured in Slow Food Urban San Diego's blog, "SD Speaks: Belinda Ramírez, Urban Food Producer and PhD Researcher," November 2019: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/kJAqUrvxEtLGD9qz/>
- 2019 Discussion with Katie Stokes with *Edible San Diego* for their podcast *Living Local*, Episode 6, about my work with Project New Village and Mt. Hope Community Garden (with Diane Moss), October 2019: <https://www.ediblesandiego.com/articles/creating-a-wellness-hub-with-project-new-village>
- 2019 Featured in Nan Stermann's KPBS show *A Growing Passion*, Season 7, Episode 6, "Gardening as a Community," May 2019: <https://www.pbssocal.org/shows/growing-passion/episodes/gardening-community-97ftjv>
- 2019 Interview with San Diego Food System Alliance, "Growing Hope: Belinda Ramírez on the power of community gardens, and reclaiming food sovereignty in Southeastern San Diego," May 2019: <https://sdfsa.org/blog/growing-hope-belinda-ramrez-on-the-power-of-community-gardens-and-reclaiming-food-sovereignty-in-southeastern-san-diego>

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- 2025-present Binghamton University Sustainable Communities Transdisciplinary Area of Excellence committee member
- 2024-present Binghamton University Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies (LACAS) affiliate member
- 2024-present Binghamton University Native American and Indigenous Studies (NAIS) Working Group member
- 2023-present Book Series Editor for Routledge's "Bridges to Another World"
- 2023-present Food Tank Academic Working Group Member
- 2023-2024 Food Systems Working Group of the Stanford Climate Action Plan
- 2023 Advisory capacity for the 2023 Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Fair, Stanford

2023	Stanford Food Institute's Food Systems Research Symposium Advisory Committee, Stanford
2022-2024	Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education (VPUE) First Year Governance Board Member, Stanford
2022-2023	"Citizenship in the 21st Century" Course Steering Committee Member, Stanford
2021-2024	Environmental Justice Working Group Coordinating Council, Stanford
2021-2022	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Liaison to the Director of Equity and Include of the Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education, Stanford
2017-2019	Interim President and President-Elect, National Association of Student Anthropologists
2017-2018	Communications Officer and Sociocultural Student Representative, UCSD Anthropology Graduate Student Association
2017-2018	Graduate Mentee, Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists
2017-2018	Grad Life Intern, UCSD Graduate Division, Student Affairs Unit
2017	Volunteer, UCSD Women's Center
2016-2017	Social Justice Peer Educator, UCSD LGBT Resource Center
2016	Volunteer, UCSD LGBT Resource Center
2015-2016	Graduate Mentee, Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists
2015-2018	Graduate Student Mentor and Program Coordinator, UCSD Anthropology Mentor-Protégé Program
2015-2017	Chair and Sociocultural Student Representative, UCSD Anthropology Graduate Student Association
2015	Sociocultural Student Representative and Secretary, UCSD Anthropology Graduate Student Association
2014-2018	Communications Officer, Society for the Anthropology of Religion
2013-2017	Undergraduate Student Representative-at-Large, National Association of Student Anthropologists
2011	Secretary, BYU Family, Home, and Social Sciences Student Club Council
2011	Vice President, BYU Anthropology Club
2010-2011	Education Volunteer, BYU Museum of Peoples and Cultures

MENTORSHIP

2025	Honors thesis mentor to Frieda Hynes, undergraduate student in Sociology, Binghamton University
2025	Binghamton University Projects for New Undergraduate Research (BUPNUR) mentor to Neko Collins, undergraduate in Environmental Studies, and Tiffany Chen, undergraduate in Environmental Studies and Sociology
2024	Academic mentor for summer fellowship to Eyrin Kim, undergraduate student in Political Science, Stanford
2024	International Collaboration Fellowship mentor to Zah-Nye Santiago, undergraduate student in Earth System Science, Stanford

- 2023-2024 Mentor to Haas Distinguished Visitor Angela McKee-Brown, founder and CEO of [Project Reflect](#)
- 2023-2024 Research, Action, and Impact through Strategic Engagement (RAISE) fellowship mentor to Sierra Castañeda, PhD student in Earth System Science, Stanford
- 2023 Cardinal Quarter Fellowship mentor to Calista Triantis, undergraduate student in Earth Systems Program, Stanford
- 2023 Cardinal Quarter Fellowship mentor to Acacia Lynch, undergraduate student in Earth Systems Program, Stanford
- 2023 Academic mentor for summer fellowship to Christine Kang, undergraduate student in Political Science, Stanford

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2023 The All We Can Save Project Climate Wayfinding participant, Omega Institute, NY
- 2021 National Young Farmers Coalition & Arizona State University Farmer Citizen Food Policy Certificate
- 2018 Business of Farming course completion certificate, South San Diego Small Business Development Center
- 2018 UC Berkeley Center for Ethnographic Research Intensive Ethnography Workshop
- 2018 ESRI Getting Started with GIS Certificate
- 2017 Humanists @ Work Graduate Career Workshop, Riverside, CA
- 2017 Teaching and Learning at the College Level, Certificate Recipient, UCSD

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 2024-present [Binghamton 2 Degrees](#) Food Security and Agriculture Working Group member
- 2024 Volunteer at Stanford Powwow
- 2023-2024 C&L Sustainability Foundation Faculty Director and Board Member
- 2022-2024 Organizer, [The Coalition for a True School of Sustainability](#) (Stanford)
- 2022 Volunteer at Stanford Powwow
- 2021 Interim Chair, Slow Food Urban San Diego
- 2020-2021 Farm Hand, San Diego Seed Company
- 2020-2021 Soil Farmer, Food2Soil
- 2020 Interim Vice Chair, Slow Food Urban San Diego
- 2020 Culinary Gardener, W.D. Dickinson Farm
- 2019-2021 Food Justice Co-Chair, Slow Food Urban San Diego
- 2019-2021 Garden Consultant, Jardín Eldora
- 2019 Food2Soil Community Composter Internship
- 2019 Advocacy Training and Lobby Day Participant, National Young Farmers Coalition
- 2019 Mt. Hope Community Garden Manager, Project New Village
- 2018-2019 Food Justice Committee Member, Slow Food Urban San Diego
- 2018-2019 Good Food District Advisory Board Member, Project New Village

2018-2019	Intern, Wild Willow Farm and Education Center
2018-2020	Member, County of San Diego “Increasing Access to Healthcare and Healthy Foods” Promise Zone Workgroup
2018	Master Composter Training Course, City of Chula Vista
2017-2020	Urban Agriculture Working Group Member, San Diego Food System Alliance
2009-2010	Mentor, Provo Youth Mentoring
2009	Tutor, Tutor Outreach to Provo Schools

PERTINENT GRADUATE COURSEWORK

New Directions in Anthropology: Culture, Politics, and History; Debates in Anthropology; Scholarship of Colonial Latin American History; Core Seminary in Linguistic Anthropology; Core Seminar in Social Anthropology; Scholarship of 19th Century Latin American History; Core Seminar in Cultural Anthropology; Andean Marxism: Special Topics in Latin American History; Andean Indigenismo: Indigenista Themes in Latin American Literature; Latin American Social Movements; Core Seminary in Biological Anthropology; Deep Ecology: Knowing Place; Race, Ethnicity, and Citizenship; Science and Analysis of Environmental Justice; Independent Study on Food and Society; Geospatial Analysis in Cultural Anthropology

Ph.D. Candidacy Exam Position Papers:

“Toward a Hybrid Theory of Social Movements: The Food Movement, Urban Agriculture, and Political Economy of the Everyday”

“Urban Agriculture at the Nexus of the Production of Space, Community, and Social Values”

“Growing Community, Cultivating Space: Race and Politics in the San Diego-Tijuana Urban Agriculture Movement”

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/ASSOCIATIONS

Food Tank

American Anthropological Association

The Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society

Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists

National Association of Student Anthropologists

Anthropology and Environment Society

Culture and Agriculture

Society for Applied Anthropology

Slow Food USA and Syracuse University Chapter

American Studies Association

National Young Farmers Coalition

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Spanish: advanced speaking, reading, and writing

Kichwa: beginning speaking, reading, and writing

Qualitative Analysis software: NVivo, Dedoose, QDA Miner, WordStat, ANTHROPAC, UCINET

GIS Software: ESRI products (ArcGIS, etc.)

Adobe Programs: InDesign, Illustrator, and Photoshop

Microsoft Office Programs: Word, PowerPoint, and Excel

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