

SCHOLARSHIP

Research Interests

Participatory democracy, international development, urban infrastructure, mobility, urban political ecology, affordable housing, Latin American political history

Publications

Peer Reviewed Work

"Stopping the bus: Contesting bus rapid transit infrastructure projects in Bogotá." *Mobilities* (under review).

"Online participation fails to deliver deepened democracy on mobility in Bogotá." *Latin American Perspectives* (under review).

"Negative Socio-Environmental Feedback Loop Fosters Inequality for Urban Marine Subsistence Fishers" (With Sarita Panchang, Lauren Drakopoulos, Lian Guo, Meghna Marjadi and Zach Koehn). *Environmental and Social Policy* 121. July 2021.

"Transdisciplinary Synthesis Research in Unruly Environments: Reflecting on a Case Study of Vulnerability & Urban Fishing in the American Gulf Coast" (With Sarita Panchang, Lauren Drakopoulos, Lian Guo, Meghna Marjadi and Zach Koehn) *Projections*. October 2020.

"Short-term rentals as digitally-mediated tourism gentrification: impacts on housing in New Orleans." (With Christopher Oliver and Eric Nost) *Tourism Geographies*. May 2020.

"Neighborhood Associations and Naming in Post-Katrina New Orleans." *Social Moments*. December 2019

Others

"[Urban Democracy – a Victim of COVID-19?](#)" In *Las Ciudades Ante El COVID-19: Nuevas Direcciones Para La Investigación Urbana y Las Políticas Públicas*. June 2020.

"[E-Commerce of Reproductive Health Supplies in India.](#)" (With Mini Thakur and Brajesh Pandey). Institute for Reproductive Health, Georgetown University. March 2016.

"Neo-bondage in the Age of 'Make in India' and Shramev Jayate." *Mainstream Weekly*. 53(12). March 2015.

"Innovación social en salud: un aporte al avance de los Objetivos de Desarrollo del Milenio" (with María Elisa Bernal). [United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean](#). October 2014.

"Homelessness, community activism, culture & catastrophe profiteering in New Orleans." (With Louise Fabian, Nick Jenisch, Aron Chang, Thomas Bürk, Stefan Höhne, Mikkel Thelle, Morten Nielsen, and Anders Lund Hansen). [4th URO Lab Report](#).

LANGUAGES

English: first language

Spanish: highly proficient

French: highly proficient

INTERESTS

Outdoor activities: Fishing, Tennis, Kayaking

Reading: Sociology, history and fiction

Presentations

“An Urban Political Ecology Approach to Mobility Infrastructure Development.” To be presented at Latin American Studies Association. Vancouver, Canada. May 2021.

“[Urban democracy: a victim of COVID-19?](#)” Presented at Cities and COVID-19: New Directions for Urban Research and Public Policies (online). May 29, 2020.

“Democracy in movement: Mobility and Participation in Bogotá.” Presented at Southwest Council of Latin American Studies. Albuquerque, New Mexico. March 14, 2020.

“Stop the Bus! E-participation and dissent on mobility in Bogotá.” Presented at Changing Political Economy of Research and Innovation Workshop (CPERI). New Orleans, Louisiana. September 7, 2019.

“Airbnb as a new form of tourism gentrification: Growth of STRs and impacts on rental housing affordability.” Presented with Eric Nost at American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting in the Digital Technology, Tourism and Geographies of Inequality II session. Washington DC. April 3, 2019

“Urban ecologies of vulnerability and risk: Spatial patterns of urbanization, inequality, and subsistence fishing in New Orleans.” Presented with Lauren Drakopoulos at American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting in the Sustainable Urbanization—Challenges and Opportunities (I) session. New Orleans, Louisiana. April 14, 2018.

“Bayou St. John: An Ideal Contact Space.” Presented at Tulane CCC Symposium—Sites of Resistance: from Local to Global. New Orleans, Louisiana. March 10, 2017.

Journal Reviewer

Social Moments

Tourism Geographies

Tourism Management Perspectives

Teaching

Teaching assistant—Soci3220. Social Theory (Fall 2021). Tulane University

Lead instructor—URST. 2020/ARCH. 2720. The City II (Spring 2020). Tulane University

Research/Writing coach—SISE 2010. Introduction to Social Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship (Spring 2020). Tulane University

Teaching assistant—URST 2010/ARCH 2710. The City I (Fall 2019). Tulane University

Teaching assistant—URST. 2020/RBST. 3020. The City II (Spring 2019). Tulane University

Teaching assistant—ARCH 1121. History & Theory of Architecture + Urbanism, Pre-history-1750 Tulane University

Teaching assistant—SOCL. 1060. Urban Sociology (Fall 2018). Tulane University

Teaching assistant—IDEV. 1010. Introduction to Development (Spring 2018). Tulane University

WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Fellow—Changemaker Institute

Phyllis M. Taylor Center for Social Innovation and Design Thinking, New Orleans (August 2018-May 2019)

Social venture accelerator that builds student entrepreneurial capacities to address social and environmental issues.

Major contributions:

Advised six different ventures over the course of the year, helping them develop in numerous areas including vision/mission, design research, branding, pitching, budgeting and social impact assessment.

Research Analyst

Karak Enterprise Development Services Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi (November 2013-May 2016)

Social development consulting on numerous development issues including public health, WASH, bonded labor, gender, education and corporate social responsibility (CSR).

Clients: Institute for Reproductive Health, International Labor Organization, Save the Children, CARE India, Oxfam India, International Justice Mission, Free the Slaves

Major contributions:

- Lead study on health-related CSR in India
- Data collection, analysis and report writing for 'E-Commerce of Reproductive Health Products: India Case Study'
- Data collection, analysis and report writing on Gender Baseline Study in Madhya Pradesh Nutrition Project
- Report revision of ILO's 'Vulnerability Assessment of Brick Kiln Workers' in the state of Bihar
- Data collection, analysis and report writing for 'Baseline Study to Assess Reading Competencies of Students in Classes 1-4 in U.P and Odisha'
- Data collection, analysis and report writing for 'Social and Market Research: Menstrual and Reproductive Health Beliefs, Products and Markets in Barmer, Rajasthan'
- Data analysis report creation for 'Understanding Best Practices for Bonded Labor Rescue, Relief and Rehabilitation: Case Study of Chhattisgarh'
- Report writing for 'Building Strength and Solidarity for Social Justice and Decent Work: Trade Unions in India'

Professional Internship

United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean- Santiago, Chile (Feb. 2013- July 2013)

Multidisciplinary research on public health innovation in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean, and the creation of a document on the subject.

Major contributions: Update of information about public health programs in the region, identification of important concepts and elements in public health innovation, presentation of these experiences in order to instruct and inspire

Volunteer Food Bank Assistant

French Red Cross- Marseille, France (October 2012 – February 2013)
Participate in the distribution of food and clothing to low-income individuals and families.

Major contributions: Assistance in the systematization and registry of products distributed

Volunteer Research Assistant

Phoenix Health Center for the Homeless- Louisville, United States of America (June 2011 – August 2011)

Help conduct a study on the treatment of mental health patients.

Major contribution: Conduct interviews and surveys with clients to learn about their treatment experiences

Program Specialist

Indiana Department of Workforce Development- Indianapolis, United States of America (October 2010– March 2011)

Appropriation and distribution of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funds.

Major contributions: Research and communicate with educational institutions statewide, approve and deny educational programs.

EDUCATION

PhD. City, Culture and Community: Urban Studies

Tulane University- New Orleans (2016-Expected Spring 2022)

Visiting Scholar

Universidad del Rosario- Bogotá, Colombia (Summer 2019)

Master of Public Health: Society and Development

Aix-Marseille University- Marseille, France (2011-2013)

Bachelor of Arts: Sociology, French, Spanish

Franklin College- Indiana, United States of America (2006-2010)

High school diploma: Academic Honors Diploma

North Harrison High- Indiana, United States of America (2002-2006)

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2021—Graduate Student Summer Write-Up Award

2021—GSSA Travel Award

2020—J.E. Land Fund

2020—GSSA Travel Award

2019—SESYNC Graduate Research Fellow

2019—GSSA Travel Award

2018—Stone Center and Tinker Foundation Summer Field Research Grant

2018—GSSA Travel Award

2017—Taylor Center Changemaker Catalyst Award

References

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