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EDUCATION

- 2007- 2022 Ph.D. Department of Ethnology and Linguistic Anthropology.
University of New Mexico.
- 2007-2009 M.A. Department of Ethnology and Linguistic Anthropology.
University of New Mexico.
- 2003-2007 B.A. Dual concentration in Anthropology & Religious Studies.
University of Chicago.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022-present Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of New Mexico.
- 2015-2022 Graduate Assistant Instructor (various semesters), *Cultures of the World Online/ Introduction to Cultural Anthropology*, Department of Anthropology, University of New Mexico, Main Campus and University of New Mexico, Los Alamos.
- 2008-2015 Graduate Assistant, *Introduction to World Religions*, Department of Religious Studies, University of New Mexico.
- 2007-2012 Graduate Assistant, *Cultures of the World* and *Introduction to Anthropology and Ritual and Symbolic Behavior*, Department of Anthropology, University of New Mexico.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2021-2022 Anthropology Department Dissertation Fellowship. Granted \$22,000 for dissertation completion between the 2021 and 2022 academic year.
- 2017-2018 Latin American and Iberian Institute Ph.D. Fellowship. Granted \$12,550 for dissertation research, analysis, and write-up during 2017-2018 academic year.
- 2016-2017 Latin American and Iberian Institute Ph.D. Fellowship. Granted \$12,550 for dissertation research, analysis, and write-up during 2016-2017 academic year.
- 2012 Latin American and Iberian Institute Field Research Grant (FRG). Granted \$2,453 for research related travel costs to field sites in Brazil (October, 2012).
- 2012 Frieda D. Butler Lecture Series. Granted \$650 to deliver the Frieda D. Butler lecture at the annual Graduate Student Colloquium Series.
- 2010-2011 US Department of Education Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship. Granted \$15,000 for the 2010-2011 academic year to study Portuguese and Brazilian history.
- 2010 Research Project and Travel (RPT) Grant. Awarded \$397.32 for the cost of living while conducting research in Brazil for June 2010.
- 2010 Latin American and Iberian Institute Field Research Grant (FRG). Granted \$1,248 for research related travel costs to field sites in Brazil (June, 2010).
- 2007-2008 Binford Fellowship in Ethnology. Granted \$13,500 for the academic year by the University of New Mexico Department of Anthropology for expanded research in Ethnology.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

INVITED:

- 2022 Keynote address, Department of Anthropology 2022 Spring Convocation.
2012 “Religious Realignment: Activating Orthodoxy in Brazil’s Urban Middle Class.” Paper delivered as stipulated in the Frieda D. Butler Award and delivered at the Graduate Student Colloquium Series, March 2012

CONFERENCE:

- 2020 Traditions is a “Straight Line”: Connecting to an Imagined Orthodox Christian Citizenry in Brazil’s Middle Class. Paper prepared for the Society for Applied Anthropology Conference, March 2020 (meeting was canceled).
2018 “A Straight Line” to the Authentic: Crafting Orthodox Christian Tradition in Brazil’s Middle Class; Paper presented at the LAII PhD Fellows Colloquium, April 2018.
2017 Roundtable presentation at Society for Applied Anthropology, March 2017.
2013 “Wholly Brazilian and Wholly Orthodox: Paradoxes of Simultaneity in Brazilian Orthodox Christianity;” Paper presented at the Biennial Meeting for the Society of the Anthropology of Religion, Pasadena, April 2013.
2011 “Religious Realignment: Activating “Orthodoxy” in Brazil’s Urban Middle Class.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Montreal, November 2011.
2010 “Orthodox Internationals: Constructing Tradition in Urban Brazil;” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, November 2010.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Anthropological Association, Society for the Anthropology of Religion, Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

GEOGRAPHIC AND THEORETICAL FOCI

Anthropology of Christianity, authenticity, middle class, urban Brazil, semiotics of ritual, and linguistic anthropology

LANGUAGES

- Portuguese (advanced: coursework in Brazilian Portuguese through the University of New Mexico, supported by a FLAS grant as well as a summer semester service learning program in Brazil instructed by Margo Milleret of the Portuguese Department),
- Spanish (intermediate)
- Modern Greek (intermediate)

TRAVEL AND FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

- 2015 (January 21-June 30) preliminary dissertation fieldwork in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 2012 (October 1-29) pilot study in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 2010 (June 1-30, August 1-30) pilot study in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and a service learning project in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, with Margo Milleret, director of the UNM Portuguese Department
- 2009 (July 5-31) assessing potential fieldsites: Recife, Manaus, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 2008 (April 8-19) assessing potential fieldsites: Salvador and Recife, Brazil

REFERENCES

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE:

Suzanne Oakdale (chair). Professor, Department of Anthropology (Ethnology). University of New Mexico. Email: soakdale@unm.edu

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