

## LYDIA MONTE

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Community Development, Conflict Transformation, Peace Building, Language, Gender Equity, Migrant and Displaced Populations, Indigenous Populations, Cross-Cultural Communication, Social Identification, Social Justice, Middle Eastern Affairs, International Relations

### EDUCATION

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<b>University of New Mexico</b>	Albuquerque, NM
<i>M.A. in Sociocultural and Linguistic Anthropology</i>	Expected 2026

<b>Simpson University</b>	Redding, CA
<i>B.A. in Cross-Cultural Transformational Community Development, Summa Cum Laude</i>	April 2016
<i>B.A. in Spanish Language and Culture, Summa Cum Laude</i>	April 2016

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Department of Cross-Cultural Studies, Simpson University</b>	Redding, CA
<i>Teaching Assistant, Cross-Cultural Communication</i>	September 2015 – April 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Collaborated with faculty in developing course content and leading class sessions, advised students on research topics and methods, and reviewed and graded student course work</li></ul>	

<b>Department of Theology and Ministry, Simpson University</b>	Redding, CA
<i>Teaching Assistant, Old Testament Theology</i>	September 2015 – April 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Collaborated with faculty to develop and manage instructional resources and learning activities for newly designed online course, and reviewed and graded student course work including quizzes, papers, and online discussion posts</li></ul>	

### PRESENTATIONS

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- "A Place at the Table: Peacebuilding and Community Development in Colombia," Simpson University Undergraduate Research Symposium, March 2016

### HONORS & AWARDS

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- Communications Award, Simpson University, 2015-2016
- Gateway Scholarship, Simpson University, 2014-2016
- Academic Achievement Award, Simpson University, 2014-2016
- Compton Award, Simpson University, 2013-2016
- Eells Award, Simpson University, 2013-2016
- Student Service & Leadership Award, Simpson University, 2014-2015
- World Servant Scholarship, Simpson University, 2013-2015
- AB Simpson Scholarship, Simpson University, 2012-2014
- Provost Academic Award, Simpson University, 2012-2014

## **SERVICE & COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

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### **Community Peacemaker Teams**

Al-Khalil, Palestine

*Peace Delegate*

November 2017 – December 2017

- Participated in a peace-building initiative working to build partnerships in areas of conflict to transform violence and oppression. CPT works to support Palestinian-led, nonviolent, grassroots resistance, through fundraising, solidarity, and advocacy with Palestinians living in the H2 area of Al-Khalil/Hebron city, and south Hebron Hills. Observed and reported on incidents of human rights violations published for partners like the United Nations and Save The Children.

### **Simpson University**

Redding, CA

*Global Impact Coordinator*

September 2014 – April 2015

- Participated in inter-cultural conflict resolution training and team building workshops. Collaborated with international workers to plan events such as a week-long ministry fair, fundraising campaigns, cultural discussions and panels, and international dinners. Contact for students interested in overseas opportunities and ministries.

### **World Associates LTD**

Al-Aqaba, Jordan

*Community Development Intern*

April 2014 – June 2014

- Lead a team of six on a two-month field experience practicum in Jordan in which we assisted in a local development project working at a community center teaching English, wellness and fitness classes to refugee and displaced women. Spearheaded all fundraising efforts for the group and secured \$18,000 in almost 6 months. Worked in marketing and design for the social enterprise project, Green Creations, which provided employment, education, and additional resources to displaced women.

## **LANGUAGES**

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Spanish: Intermediate reading and conversational knowledge

Italian: Intermediate reading and conversational knowledge

## **REFERENCES**

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### **Stephen Bailey, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor, Department of Missions and Development Studies

Asbury Theological Seminary

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### **David Strong, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor and Department Chair, Department of Intercultural Studies (*retired*)

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### **Debora Rager, M.A.T.L.**

Assistant Professor of Spanish, Communication Department Chair

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