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**Academic Appointments**

- 2022- Professor, Carleton University, Department of Political Science
- 2019- External Examiner, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Ghana
- 2016- Associate, Bayreuth International Graduate School of African Studies, University of Bayreuth, Germany
- 2002-2022 Rutgers University, Camden
  - 2015-2022 Professor of Anthropology
  - 2008-2015 Associate Professor of Anthropology
  - 2006-2022 Associate Faculty, Department of Childhood Studies
  - 2002-2022 Affiliate, Center for African Studies, Rutgers University
  - 2002-2008 Assistant Professor of Anthropology

**Education**

- 2000 Ph.D., Folklore & Folklife, University of Pennsylvania
- 1995 M.A., Folklore & Folklife, University of Pennsylvania
- 1992 B.A., Religious Studies and English, Wesleyan University

**Honors and Awards**

- Elliott P. Skinner Award (finalist), Association for Africanist Anthropology, for *The New American Servitude*, 2020.
- Chancellor's Award for Outstanding Research and Creative Activity, Rutgers University, Camden, 2020.
- Boahen-Wilks Outstanding Scholarly Article Prize in Ghana Studies (Honorable Mention), Ghana Studies Association, for "Cultural Capital and Transnational Parenting," 2016.
- Elliott P. Skinner Award (finalist), Association for Africanist Anthropology, for the *Scattered Family*, 2015.
- Toyin Falola Africa Book Award, Association of Global South Studies, for *The Scattered Family*, 2014.
- Dissertation Award (Honorable Mention), Council of Anthropology and Education, American Anthropological Association, for "'Not Just Drumming and Dancing': The Production of National Culture in Ghana's Schools," 2001.
- MacEdward Leach Prize for the Best Paper in Folklore, Department of Folklore & Folklife, University of Pennsylvania, 1996. For "Histories of Empire, Nation and City: Four Interpretations of the Empire Exhibition, Johannesburg, 1936."
- Phi Beta Kappa, Wesleyan University, 1992.
- Giffin Prize for Excellence in Religious Studies, Wesleyan University, 1992.

## Books— Authored

- 2021 *Changes in Care: Aging, Migration, and Social Class in West Africa*. Series on Global Perspectives on Aging. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.
- 2019 *The New American Servitude: Political Belonging among African Immigrant Home Care Workers*. New York: New York University Press.
- Reviewed in *Anthropology and Aging Quarterly* (2021) 42(2): 177-179.
  - Reviewed in *Current Anthropology*, (2020) 61(2): 278-279.
  - Reviewed in *Ethnic and Racial Studies* (2020) 43(3): 594-596.
- 2013 *The Scattered Family: Parenting, African Migrants, and Global Inequality*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Reviewed in *American Ethnologist* (2015) 42(1): 200-201.
  - Reviewed in *Anthropological Quarterly* (2014) 87(3): 965-970.
  - Reviewed in *CHOICE* (2014) 51(9): 1687.
  - Reviewed in *International Migration Review* (2016) 50(1): e1-e2.
  - Reviewed in *The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 21(4): 953-954.
  - Reviewed in *Journal of Pan African Studies* (2015) 8(1): 203.
  - Reviewed in *Journal of West African History* 2016) 2(2): 135-137.
  - Reviewed in *Population* (2015) 70(3): 682-684.
- 2005 *The Dilemmas of Culture in African Schools: Nationalism, Youth, and the Transformation of Knowledge*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Reviewed in *Africa* (2006) 76(4): 610-611
  - Reviewed in *African Studies Review* (2008) 51(1): 105-118.
  - Reviewed in *Africa Today* (2006) 53(2): 113-115.
  - Reviewed in *Anthropology and Education Quarterly* (2010) 41(4): 386-187.
  - Reviewed in *Anthropological Quarterly* (2006) 79(1): 159-164
  - Reviewed in *Cahiers d'Etudes Africaines* 186: 209-211.
  - Reviewed in *Comparative Education Review* (2006) 50(2): 288-295.
  - Reviewed in *Journal of Anthropological Research* (2007) 63(1): 153-154.
  - Reviewed in *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* (2010) 16(1): 169-170.
  - Reviewed in *South African Review of Education* (2006) 12(1): 83-85.
  - Reviewed in *Transforming Anthropology* (2011) 19(2): 214-215.

## Books— Edited

- 2019 *Diverse Unfreedoms: The Afterlives and Transformations of Post-Transatlantic Bondages*. Edited by Sarada Balagopalan, Cati Coe, and Keith Green. New York: Routledge.
- 2017 *Transnational Aging and Reconfigurations of Kin-Work*. Edited by Parin Dossa and Cati Coe. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.
- Reviewed in *Anthropology and Aging Quarterly* (2020), 41(2): 254-256.
  - Reviewed in *Anthropology News* (2020), <https://www.anthropology-news.org/?book-review=exploring-familial-relations-across-the-globe>
- 2013 *The Anthropology of Sibling Relations: Shared Parentage, Experience, and Exchange*. Edited by Erdmute Alber, Cati Coe, and Tatjana Thelen. New York: Palgrave.

- 2011 *Everyday Ruptures: Children, Youth, and Migration in Global Perspective*. Edited by Cati Coe, Rachel R. Reynolds, Deborah Boehm, Julia Meredith Hess, and Heather Rae-Espinoza. Nashville: Vanderbilt University Press.
- Reviewed in *Ethos* (2012) 40(4): 1-3.
  - Reviewed in *Journal of Family and Economic Issues* (2011) 32(3): 545-547.

### Special Issues—Edited

- 2020 “Migration and Social Class in Africa: Class-Making Projects in Translocal Social Fields.” *Africa Today* 66 (3-4). Edited by Julia Pauli and Cati Coe. July.
- 2018 “Age-Inscriptions and Social Change.” *Anthropology and Aging Quarterly* 39(1). Edited by Erdmute Alber and Cati Coe.

### Conference Proceedings—Edited

- 2013 *Emerging Perspectives on Children in Migratory Circumstances: Selected Proceedings of the Working Group on Childhood and Migration 2008 Conference*. Edited by Rachel R. Reynolds, Cati Coe, Deborah Boehm, Joanna Dreby, Heather Rae-Espinoza, and Julia Meredith Hess. Philadelphia, PA: Drexel University Department of Culture & Communication and Drexel University College of Arts and Sciences.

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2022 “Disposable Kin: Shifting Registers of Belonging in Global Care Economies,” by Megha Amrith and Cati Coe. *American Anthropologist*. Published online, January 2022. <http://doi.org/10.1111/aman.13688>
- 2021 “Different Kinds of Storytelling: Ethnographic Writing and Documentary Film-making,” for special issue on “How to Write? Experiences, Reflections, and Practices of Ethnographic Writing,” *Ethnoscripts* 23 (1): 148-155. May.
- 2020 “Migration and Social Class in Africa: Class-Making Projects in Translocal Social Fields.” By Cati Coe and Julia Pauli. *Africa Today* 66 (3-4), 3-20. July.
- 2020 “Social Class in Transnational Perspective: Emotional Responses to the Status Paradox among Ghanaian Transnational Migrants.” *Africa Today* 66 (3-4): 161-180. July.
- 2020 “The Enchantment of Neoliberal Education: A Healthcare Certificate, Elusive Adulthoods, and a New Middle Class in Ghana.” *Children’s Geographies* 18(6): 601-613. March. DOI: [10.1080/14733285.2020.1740649](https://doi.org/10.1080/14733285.2020.1740649)
- 2020 “Meaningful Deaths: Home Health Workers’ Mediation of Death at Home.” *Medical Anthropology* 39(1): 96-108. January. <https://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/6JNIVXNKPABHUMIUT3ZM/full?target=10.1080/01459740.2019.1693560>
- Accompanying film: “Mediating Death: The Unsung Skills of Home Care Workers” [6 minutes], July 2019. Available at: <https://doi.org/doi:10.7282/t3-prdg-sq95>
- 2019 “Beyond Kin Care? Institutional Facilities in the Imaginations of Elderly Presbyterians in Southern Ghana.” *Africa Today* 65(3): 69-88. June.

- 2019 "Political Belonging through Elder Care: Temporalities, Representations, and Mutuality." By Tatjana Thelen and Cati Coe. *Anthropological Theory* 19(2): 279-299. June. Available online December 2017.  
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/1463499617742833>
- Translated into Chinese and republished in *Journal of Qinghai Minzu University*, 46:4 (2020): 9-21. Published March 2021.
- 2018 "Age-Inscriptions and Social Change: Introduction." By Cati Coe and Erdmute Alber. *Anthropology and Aging Quarterly* 39(1): 1-17. September.
- 2018 "Imagining Institutional Care, Practicing Domestic Care: Inscriptions around Aging in Southern Ghana," *Anthropology & Aging Quarterly* 39(1): 18-32.
- Reprinted in *The Cultural Context of Aging*, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, edited by Jay Sokolovsky. ABC-Clio. July 2020.
- 2017 "Transnational Migration and the Commodification of Elder Care in Urban Ghana." Article for special issue on "Ageing in Transnational Contexts: Transforming Everyday Practices and Identities in Later Life," edited by Loretta Baldassar, Lena Näre, and Katie Walsh. *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power* 24(5): 542-556.
- 2017 "Negotiating Elder Care in Akuapem, Ghana: Care-Scripts and the Role of Non-Kin." *Africa* 87(1): 1-18.
- 2016 "Not a Nurse, Not Househelp: The New Occupation of Elder Carer in Urban Ghana." In special issue "Aging in Ghana," edited by Ama de-Graft Aikins and Nana Araba Apt. *Ghana Studies* 19(1): 46-72.
- 2016 "Longing for a House: Ghanaians' Responses to the Dignity Threats of Elder Care Work in the United States." *Ethos* 44(3): 352-374.
- 2016 "Orchestrating Care in Time: Ghanaian Migrant Women, Family, and Reciprocity." *American Anthropologist* 118(1): 37-48.
- 2015 "Cultural Capital and Transnational Parenting: The Case of Ghanaian Migrants in the United States." Cati Coe and Serah Shani. *Harvard Educational Review* 85(4): 562-586.
- Boahen-Wilks Outstanding Scholarly Article Prize in Ghana Studies (Honorable Mention), Ghana Studies Association, 2016
- 2014 "The Divergence of Art from 'African Culture': From Achimota to the Educational Reforms of 1986 in Ghana's Art Education." In special issue "Converging Pedagogies in African Art Education: Colonial Legacies and Postcolonial Aspirations," edited by Amanda Gilvin. *Critical Interventions* 8(1): 52-73.
- 2012 "Growing Up and Going Abroad: How Ghanaian Children Imagine Transnational Migration." In special issue "Transnational Migration and the Study of Children," edited by Katy Gardner and Kanwal Mand. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 38(6): 913-931.
- 2012 "How Debt Became Care: Child Pawning and Its Transformations in Akuapem, the Gold Coast, 1874-1929." *Africa* 82(2): 287-311.
- 2011 "What is Love? The Materiality of Care in Ghanaian Transnational Families." In special issue "Affecting Global Movement: The Emotional Terrain of Transnationality," edited by Deborah A. Boehm and Heidi Swank. *International Migration* 49(6): 7-24.

- 2011 "What is the Impact of Transnational Migration on Family Life? Women's Comparisons of Internal and International Migration in a Small Town in Ghana." *American Ethnologist* 38(1): 148-163.
- 2008 "The Structuring of Feeling in Ghanaian Transnational Families." *City & Society* 20(2): 222-250.
- 2006 "Stories and Selves: Managing the Self through Problem-Solving in School." By Cati Coe and Bonnie Nastasi. *Anthropology and Education Quarterly* 37(2): 180-198.
- 2002 "Educating an African Leadership: Achimota and the Teaching of African Culture in the Gold Coast." *Africa Today* 49(3): 23-46.
- 2001 "Learning How to Find Out: Theories of Knowledge and Learning in Field Research." *Field Methods* 13(4): 392-411.
- Translated into Italian and reprinted by *ACHAB: Rivista di Antropologia* 11 (2007): 18-27.
- 2001 "Histories of Empire, Nation and City: Four Interpretations of the Empire Exhibition, Johannesburg, 1936." *Folklore Forum* 32(1&2): 3-30.
- 1999 "The Education of the Folk: Peasant Schools and Folklore Scholarship," *Journal of American Folklore* 113(447): 20-43.

#### Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

- 2019 "Introduction: Diverse Unfreedoms—The Afterlives and Transformations of Post-Transatlantic Bondages." By Keith Green, Cati Coe, and Sarada Balagopalan. *Diverse Unfreedoms: The Afterlives and Transformations of Post-Transatlantic Bondages*. New York: Routledge. December.
- 2019 "'You are My Slave!': Adjacent Relations of Unfreedom in Care Work and the Racialization of West African Care Workers." *Diverse Unfreedoms: The Afterlives and Transformations of Post-Transatlantic Bondages*. New York: Routledge. December.
- 2017 "Introduction: Transnational Aging and Reconfigurations of Kin-Work." By Parin Dossa and Cati Coe. In *Transnational Aging and Reconfigurations of Kin-Work*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.
- 2017 "Returning Home: The Retirement Strategies of Aging Ghanaian Care Workers." In *Transnational Aging and Reconfigurations of Kin-Work*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.
- To be translated into Italian and reprinted in an edited volume on the anthropology of aging by Meltemi Editore for a series on *Anthropology Today*, edited by Alice Bellagamba, Riccardo Ciavolella and Adriano Favole.
- 2016 "Translations in Kinscripts: Child Circulation among Ghanaians Abroad." In *Affective Circuits: African Migrations to Europe and the Pursuit of Social Regeneration*. Edited by Jennifer Cole and Christian Groes. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- The edited volume was the winner of the 2018 Council on the Anthropology of Reproduction (CAR) book prize.
- 2015 "The Temporality of Care: Gender, Migration, and the Entrainment of Life-Courses." In *Anthropological Perspectives on Care: Work, Kinship and the Life-Course* (pp. 181-205). Edited by Erdmute Alber and Heike Drotbohm. New York: Palgrave.

- 2013 "The Differences in Emotion among Parents and Children in Ghanaian Transnational Families." In *Emerging Perspectives on Children in Migratory Circumstances* (pp. 37-42). Philadelphia: Drexel University.
- 2013 "The Anthropology of Sibling Relations: Shared Parentage, Experience, and Exchange." By Tatjana Thelen, Cati Coe, and Erdmute Alber). In *The Anthropology of Sibling Relations* (pp. 1-28). New York: Palgrave.
- 2013 "Transnational Migration and Changes in Sibling Support in Ghana." In *The Anthropology of Sibling Relations* (pp. 123-146). New York: Palgrave.
- 2013 "Disputes over Transfers of Belonging in the Colonial Gold Coast: Pawning or Fosterage?" In *Child Fosterage in West Africa: New Perspectives on Theories and Practices* (pp. 201-220). Edited by Erdmute Alber, Jeannett Martin and Catrien Notermans. Leiden: E. J. Brill.
- 2012 "Representing Youth: School Dramas and the Role of Youth in Ghana." In *African Childhoods: Survival, Education, and Peace-Building in the Youngest Continent* (pp. 127-140). Edited by Marisa O. Ensor. New York: Palgrave-Macmillan.
- 2011 "Introduction: Children, Youth, and the Everyday Ruptures of Migration." By Deborah A. Boehm, Julia Meredith Hess, Cati Coe, Heather Rae-Espinoza, and Rachel Reynolds). In *Everyday Ruptures* (pp. 1-22). Nashville: Vanderbilt University Press.
- 2011 "How Children Feel About their Parents' Migration: A History of the Reciprocity of Care in Ghana." In *Everyday Ruptures* (pp. 97-114). Nashville: Vanderbilt University Press.
- 2010 "Domestic Violence and Child Circulation in the Southeastern Gold Coast, 1905-1928." In *Domestic Violence and the Law in Colonial and Postcolonial Africa* (pp. 54-73). Edited by Emily S. Burrill, Richard L. Roberts, and Elizabeth Thornberry. Athens: Ohio University Press.
- 2005 "Pedagogies and Politics of 'Culture': Chiefly Authority, the State, and the Teaching of Cultural Traditions in Ghana." In *Pedagogy and Revolution* (pp. 87-106). Edited by E. Thomas Ewing. New York: Palgrave-Macmillan.
- The volume was translated into Turkish and published as *Pedagoji ve Devrim* by Dipnot (2010).

#### **Book Chapters and Encyclopedia Articles (Not Peer-Reviewed)**

- 2020 "African Indigenous Knowledge, African State Formation, and Education." *The Palgrave Handbook of African Education and Indigenous Knowledge*, edited by Jamaine Abidogun and Toyin Falola, pp. 191-206. New York: Palgrave. June.
- 2020 "Transnational Families." *The Sage Encyclopedia of Children and Childhood Studies*, edited by Daniel T. Cook and Erica Burman. Thousand Oaks: Sage. April.
- 2016 "Child Circulation and West African Migrations." In *Geographies of Children and Young People: Vol 6, Movements, Mobilities and Journeys*. Edited by Caitríona Ní Laoire, Allen White, and Tracey Skelton. Singapore: Springer-Verlag.
- 2012 "Transnational Parenting: Child Fostering in Ghanaian Immigrant Families." In *Young Children of Black Immigrants in America: Changing Flows, Changing Faces* (pp. 265-296). Edited by Randy Capps and Michael Fix. Washington DC: Migration Policy Institute.

- 2008 "Ghana." In *The Greenwood Encyclopedia of Children's Issues Worldwide: Sub-Saharan Africa* (pp. 197-216). Edited by Laura Arnston. Westport: Greenwood Publishing.
- 2004 "Education: Folklore in Schools." In *African Folklore: An Encyclopedia* (pp. 106-109). Edited by Philip M. Peek and Kwesi Yankah. New York: Routledge.

### Work in Progress

- "Care Economies in Return Migration: The Imagination and Materialities of Care in Migrant Decision-Making." Chapter for an edited collection on *Going Back: An Anthropology of Return*, edited by Deborah Boehm and Mikaela Rogozen-Soltar. Accepted, NYU Press, April 2022.
- "Aspiring to Retire: Intergenerational Care in a Ghanaian Transnational Family." Chapter for an edited collection on *Aspiring in Later Life: Making Selves, Places, Relations Across Locales*, edited by Megha Amrith, Victoria Kumala Sakti, and Dora Sampaio. Accepted, Rutgers University Press, June 2021.
- "Settling Out of Place: Narratives of Housing and Strategies of Aging by a Ghanaian Migrant in the United States." Paper submitted to an edited collection on *Narrating Migrations from Africa and the Middle East: A Socio-Temporal Approach*, edited by Ruth Breeze, Sarali Gintsburg and Mike Baynham. Bloomsbury. Accepted, October 2021. Anticipated publication, September 2022.
- "Caregiving Migration: A Comparative Review," chapter in preparation for *Migration, Ethnicity, and Diversity*, edited by Takeyuki (Gaku) Tsuda, Edward Elgar Publishing.
- "The Commodification of Elder Care: Does Transnational Migration Promote Paid Carework in Ghana?" journal article manuscript submitted, May 2022.
- "Blurring the Distinction between Paid and Unpaid Care," journal article manuscript in process

### Book Reviews

- 2021 Review of *The Persistence of Slavery: An Economic History of Child Trafficking in Nigeria*, by Robin Phylisia Chapdelaine. *American Historical Review* 126(3): 1351-1352. November.
- 2021 Review of *The Fixer: Visa Lottery Chronicles*, by Charles Piot with Kodjo Nicolas Batema. *Anthropological Quarterly* 93(3): 291-294. January.
- 2020 Review of *Transfers of Belonging: Child Fosterage in West Africa in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*, by Erdmute Alber. *Social Anthropology* 28(1). <https://doi.org/10.1111/1469-8676.12754>
- 2019 Review of *Dignity of Labour for African Leaders: The Formation of Education Policy in the British Colonial Office and Achimota School on the Gold Coast*, by Shoko Yamada. *American Historical Review* 124 (5): 2000-2001. December.
- 2018 Review of *The Experiences of Ghanaian Live-In Caregivers in the United States*, by Martha Donkor. *International Migration Review* 52 (4): 1283-1286. December.
- 2018 Review of *Spirit Children: Illness, Poverty, and Infanticide in Northern Ghana*, by Aaron R. Denham. *Journal of Religion in Africa* 47:3 (2017): 439-441. Published July 2018.
- 2015 Review of *Integration in Ireland: The Everyday Lives of African Migrants*, edited by Fiona Murphy and Mark Maguire. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 21: 245.

- 2014 Review of *The Global Horizon: Expectations of Migration in Africa and the Middle East*, edited by Knut Graw and Samuli Schielke. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 20: 807-808.
- 2014 Review of *Child Care in a Globalizing World: Perspectives from Ghana*, edited by Christine Oppong, Delali M. Badasu, and Kari Waerness. *Ghana Studies* 15-16: 497-499.
- 2013 Review of *African Children at Work: Working and Learning in Growing Up for Life*, by Gerd Spittler and Michael Bourdillon, eds. *Sociologus* 63 (1/2): 171-174.
- 2013 Review of *A Sociological Study of Street Children in Ghana: Victims of Kinship Breakdown and Rural-Urban Migration*, by Vivian Amantana. *Journal of African History* 54(2): 311-312.
- 2012 Review of *Transnational Families, Migration, and Gender: Moroccan and Filipino Women in Bologna and Barcelona*, by Elisabetta Zontini. *American Ethnologist* 39(1): 217-218.
- 2011 Review of *Diasporic Homecomings: Ethnic Return Migration in Comparative Perspective*, by Takeyuki Tsuda. *Journal of Anthropological Research* 67: 307-308.
- 2007 Review of *Tongnaab: The History of a West African God*, by Jean Allman and John Parker. *African Studies Review* 50(1): 204-205.
- 2006 Review of *The Afterlife Is Where We Come From: The Culture of Infancy in West Africa*, by Alma Gottlieb. *Africa* 76(3): 455-456.
- 2004 Review of *Culture and the Senses: Bodily Ways of Knowing in an African Community* by Kathryn Geurts. *American Anthropologist* 106(3): 618-619.
- 2004 Review of *Religious Encounter and the Making of the Yoruba*, by J. D. Y. Peel. *Journal of Folklore Research*, online review.
- 2003 Review of *Speaking with Vampires: Rumor and History in Colonial Africa*, by Luise White. *Journal of American Folklore* 116(460): 233-234.
- 2001 Review of *Folklore, Heritage Politics and Ethnic Diversity*, ed. Pertti Anttonen in collaboration with Siikala et al. *American Ethnologist* 28(2): 477-479.
- 2000 Review of *Coming of Age in Post-Soviet Russia*, by Fran Markowitz, *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*, online review.
- 2000 Review of *Ethnicity and Nationalism in Africa*, ed. Paris Yeros, *Africa Today*, 47(2): 223-225.

### Research Grants and Fellowships—External

- Canada Research Chair (Fulbright Canada award), “Changes in Care: Aging, Migration and Social Class Dynamics in West Africa.” At the Institute on Globalization and the Human Condition, McMaster University (January-April 2022, \$25,000).
- International Senior Fellow, University of Bayreuth. Research grant to support international collaboration with Dr. Erdmute Alber, “Changing Age-Scripts in West Africa.” (2017-2021, €10,000)
- Visiting Fellow, Bayreuth Academy of African Studies, University of Bayreuth. “The Commodification of Elder Care in Ghana: Changes in Temporality and Class Expectations of the Life Course.” (2016, one-month residential fellowship)
- National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Program. Supplemental grant for “The Impact of Transnational Migration on Family Arrangements in Ghana.” (2010-2011, \$5600)



Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), Multinational Working Group on Youth and Identity in Africa. "The Impact of Transnational Migration on Fosterage in Ghana." (2008-2009, \$5000)

National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Program. "The Impact of Transnational Migration on Family Arrangements in Ghana." (2007-2010, Grant #0718127, \$46,000)

The Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research. Post-Ph.D. Research Grant: "The Impact of Transnational Migration on Family Arrangements in Ghana." (2007-2008, \$500)

The Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research. Workshop grant: "Childhood and Migration." Cati Coe and Rachel R. Reynolds. (2007-2008, \$15,000)

National Science Foundation, Developmental and Learning Program. "2008 Interdisciplinary Conference on Childhood and Migration." Rachel R. Reynolds (PI) and Cati Coe (co-PI). (2007-2008, \$15,000)

Fulbright, Institute for International Education. "Cultural Politics, Development, and Education in Ghana." (1998-1999, \$26,000)

### **Research Grants and Fellowships—Internal**

Research Council, Social and Racial Justice Award, Rutgers University. Research grant to support, "To Stay or Go? Migration Decision-Making and the Pursuit of Wellbeing among Aging Immigrants from West Africa," (2021-2022, \$7,670).

Center for COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness, Rutgers University. Research grant to support "Putting Stories to Work." PI: Bridget Purcell. (2020, \$19,950).

Research Council, Rutgers University. Research grant to support "Making Happiness: Older People Organize Themselves" (2020-21, \$1,000).

Research Council, Rutgers University. Research grant to support "Changes in Care: Aging, Migration, and Social Class Dynamics in West Africa" (2019-20, \$1,800).

Research Council, Rutgers University. Subvention to support the publication of *The New American Servitude*. (2018-2019, \$1,500)

Graduate School, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University, Camden. Conference grant to support the Association for the Anthropology of Childhood and Youth Interest Group (AACYIG) biennial conference at Camden. With Sarada Balagopalan, Cindy Dell Clark, and Lauren Silver. (2018-2019, \$10,000)

Research Council, Rutgers University. Research grant to support "Caring as an Occupation in Ghana." (2016-2017, \$2,000)

Graduate School, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University, Camden. Conference grant to support "Diverse Unfreedoms and their Ghosts." With Sarada Balagopalan and Keith Green. (2016-2017, \$7,000)

Research Council, Rutgers University. Research grant to support "Domestic Slavery, Kin, and Elder Care in Ghana." (2014-2015, \$1,300)

Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis, Rutgers University. Research fellowship to "Networks of Exchange" to support "Mobilities and Old Age in Ghana: New Elder Care Arrangements in a Globalized World." (2014-2015, \$2,000)

Research Council, Rutgers University. Research grant to support "Repertoires of Care: Work and Changes in Elder Care in the United States and West Africa." (2012-2013, \$3,000)

Dean's Office, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University, Camden. Research grant to support "Repertoires of Care: Work and Changes in Elder Care in the United States and West Africa." (2012-2013, \$3,600)

Chancellor's Office, Rutgers University, Camden. Civic engagement grant to support course on qualitative research, through a focus on abandoned housing in Camden, Spring 2011. (2010-2011, \$2,530)

Research Council, Rutgers University. "Children's Changing Relations of Belonging in the Gold Coast." (2007-2008, \$1,000)

Research Council, Rutgers University. "Children's Rights and Child Circulation in Ghana." (2006-2007, \$1,000)

Childhood Studies Center, Rutgers University. "Children's Rights and Child Circulation in Ghana." (2006-2007, \$1,000)

Institute for Research on Women Seminar Fellow, Rutgers University. Seminar on Diasporas and Migrations. (2005-2006, \$1,500)

Research Council, Rutgers University. "The Strategies Ghanaian Immigrant Parents Use to Educate Their Children." (2004-2005, \$1,000)

Bildner Diversity Initiative Grant, Rutgers University, for curriculum development. "Representing Culture in Classrooms." (2003-2004, \$3,000)

Dissertation Fellowship, School of Arts and Sciences, University of Pennsylvania. "Drumming and Dancing in Ghanaian Schools: The Politics of Heritage Revival in a Postcolonial State." (1999-2000, \$10,000)

Ford Foundation Dissertation Development Travel Grant, Workshop on the Problematics of Identities and States, University of Pennsylvania. "The Politics of Culture and Identity: International Development Organizations and Education in Ghana." (1997, \$1,500)

Graduate Fellowships, Department of Folklore & Folklife, University of Pennsylvania, 1994-1997.

### **Research/Fieldwork Experience**

*Qualitative interviewing (August-October 2020)*

Follow-up study of 21 African immigrant care workers' experiences during COVID-19, through telephone and Zoom interviews.

*Field research, Ghana (2013-2019, 9 months)*

Field research on the training of home elder carers, government policy about such training, the clients and carers working with home nursing agencies, an old age home in Accra, and the experiences of older adults in Akuapem, Akyem, and Kwawu in the Eastern Region of Ghana.

*Field research, Maryland (2015-2016, 8 months)*

Interviews with African home care workers, their clients/patients, and home health agency staff in the United States.

*Archival research, Basel Mission Archives, Switzerland (2015, ten days)*

Examined archival records related to slavery and old age in Twi and German in southern Ghana.

*Field Research, United States (2014-2015, 9 months)*

Regular phone conversations with seven Ghanaian live-in home health aides working in northern New Jersey over six months.

*Field Research, Ghana (2009, 2 months)*

Follow-up research on survey material, and working with transcribers and translators on interview data.

*Field Research, Ghana and the United States (2008, 5 months)*

Conducted a survey of 92 households in one town, comparing the fosterage patterns of international migrants with internal migrants. Interviews were also conducted with the migrant parents in the United States.

*Archival Research, Basel Mission Archives, Switzerland (2007, 2 weeks)*

Examined the Basel Mission papers in Twi relating to Akuapem cocoa-farming, slavery, and changes in family life.

*Field and Archival Research, Ghana (2005 and 2006, 4 months)*

Conducted research on children “left behind” by migrant parents. Examined court records in the National Archives related to debt pawning and fosterage.

*Archival Research, Africana Studies Library, Northwestern University (2005, 1 week)*

Examined the papers of Polly Hill, a geographer who studied Akuapem cocoa farmers in the 1940s and 1950s.

*Ethnographic Research, Philadelphia and New Jersey (2004-2007, 36 months)*

Participated in Ghanaian immigrant community celebrations and church activities. Interviewed Ghanaians about their parenting strategies.

*Field Research, Ghana (2002, 1 month)*

Follow-up research on cultural competitions.

*Qualitative Research, New Haven (2000-2002, 45 months)*

Conducted qualitative research of a new problem-solving curriculum in five middle schools, involving interviews of key administrative personnel, teachers, and students and observations of classrooms and workshops.

*Field and Archival Research, Ghana (1998-1999, 12 months)*

Dissertation fieldwork. Observation of cultural competitions, classrooms, churches, youth groups, and schools; oral history interviews with teachers and cultural bureaucrats; conversations with teachers, students, and townspeople. Archival research on the history of education and the teaching of “culture” in schools.

*Preliminary Research, Ghana (1997, 2 months)*

Pre-dissertation field research. Observation of cultural competitions, interviews of civil servants and teachers, and collection of policy documents on cultural and educational policy.

*Qualitative Research, Philadelphia (1994, 1995, 1996, 13 months)*

Observed the implementation and effects of various educational interventions involving cultural traditions, math and science, and standards, including observations of workshops and classrooms, and interviews of teachers and administrators.

**Keynote Address**

2018 “The Enchantments of Education: States, Markets, and Transnational Migration in the Constitution of Persons.” Third Conference on Anthropology and Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, October.

**Invited Talks—International**

2022 “Siblings in Elder Care in Ghana: An Example of the Thinning of Kin Relations and Strategies for its Thickening.” Sibling Studies Colloquium, York University, United Kingdom, July.

2022 Talk at Oxford University, Institute on Aging, United Kingdom, May.

2022 “A New Care Market in Ghana: Does Transnational Migration Generate Changes in Care?” Institute on Globalization and the Human Condition, McMaster University, Canada, March.

2022 “If the State Won’t Care, Will the Church? Ambivalence in Religious Programming for Older Adults in Ghana,” Institute for Life Course and Aging, University of Toronto, Canada, February.

2021 “A Failure in Homeland Education: Family Conflict, Educational Differences, and Kin-Timing in Transnational Education,” for a workshop on “Homeland Education in Global Perspective,” University College London, United Kingdom, January.

2020 “Idealizing Kin Care and Employing Domestic Service in Aged Care in Rural Ghana,” for a workshop on “Intergenerational Relations in a Changing Global Migratory Context,” University of Manchester, United Kingdom, December.

2020 “Aspiring to Retire: Intergenerational Care in a Ghanaian Transnational Family,” for a workshop on “Aspiring in Later Lives: Making Selves, Places, Relations Across Locales,” Max Planck Institute, Göttingen, Germany, November.

2018 “Uncertainty, Conflict, and Transnationalism in Educating for the Good Life: The Case of Children of African Care Workers in the United States.” Workshop on Negotiating

- Good Lives: Affective Encounters, Hesitant Belonging and the Welfare State in Europe, Radboud University, the Netherlands, October.
- 2018 "Political Belonging through Care: Recognition and Exclusion among African Care Workers in the United States." Radboud University, the Netherlands, October.
- 2018 "Political Belonging through Care: Recognition and Exclusion among African Care Workers in the United States." 2018 International Ph.D. Summer School on "The Engendered Politics of Place and Belonging," Cape Coast, Ghana, July.
- 2018 "Exclusion through Care: Bitterness and Belonging among African Care Workers in the United States." Department of Anthropology, Aarhus University, Denmark, May.
- 2018 "Belonging through Care: Bitterness and Exclusion among African Care Workers in the United States." Department of Anthropology, University of Bayreuth, Germany, April.
- 2018 "'Losing Your Children': Fears and Dreams of the Future in the Parenting Projects of Ghanaian Transnational Migrants." Workshop on Education and Visions of Future(s), Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, University of Bayreuth, Germany, April.
- 2017 "Beyond Kin Care? Inscriptions on Aging in Southern Ghana." Department of Anthropology and Program in African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria, November.
- 2017 "Inclusion and Exclusion through Care: The Complex Dynamics of Belonging among African Home Health Aides in the United States." Interdisciplinary Workshop on Kinship and Politics, Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (ZiF), Bielefeld, Germany, May.
- 2017 "Beyond Kin Care? Openness to New Age Scripts in Southern Ghana." Anthropology Colloquium, University of Hamburg, Germany, May.
- 2017 "Beyond Kin Care? Openness to New Age Scripts in Southern Ghana." Anthropology Colloquium, University of Bayreuth, Germany, May.
- 2016 "Changing Age Scripts and New Kinds of Servants: Consumption of Care Services among the Middle Class in Accra, Ghana." Workshop on African Middle Classes, Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies, Germany, April.
- 2013 "Temporal Strategies of Elder Care: Ghanaian Female Transmigrants in the United States and the Entrainment of Life Courses." Workshop on Migration and Aging, University of Manchester, United Kingdom, October.
- 2012 "The Nationalization of Pedagogy in Immigrant Parents' Work Stories and Gossip." IWALEWA-Häus, Bayreuth, Germany, December.
- 2012 "Temporal Strategies of Care: Ghanaian Female Transmigrants in the United States and the Entrainment of Life Courses." Workshop on Rethinking Care: Anthropological Perspectives on Life Courses, Kin-work, and their Trans-local Entanglements. Humboldt University, Germany, December.
- 2009 "Social Class, Family Ideology, and the Separation of Siblings in Ghanaian Transnational Families," Workshop on Brother- and Sisterhood, University of Bayreuth, Germany, November.
- 2008 "What is the Impact of Transnational Migration on Families Left Behind? An Examination of the Experiences of Mothers and Children in a Town in Ghana."

- Workshop on Transnational Families, Children, and the Migration-Development Nexus, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, December.
- 2007 "Child Fosterage and Debt Pawning: Belonging, Living Together, and the Transfer of Rights in Children." Workshop on Fosterage and Adoption in West Africa Reviewed: New Theoretical Approaches on the Basis of Empirical Research, University of Bayreuth, Germany, May.
- 2006 "Ghana's School Cultural Competitions," School of Performing Arts, University of Ghana, Ghana, June.

### **Invited Talks—Domestic**

- 2021 "Social Class in Transnational Perspective: Emotional Responses to the Status Paradox among Ghanaian Migrants," Eye on Africa lecture series, African Studies Center, Michigan State University, March.
- 2019 "The Role of Non-Kin in Providing Elder Care: A Forgotten History in Ghana." Critical Research on Africa Lecture Series, University of Pittsburgh, November.
- 2019 "Forced Return or Retirement? The Global Distribution of Care and Older and Disabled Ghanaian Migrants' Decision-Making over Residence in Ghana" for Wenner-Gren funded workshop on "Going Back: Toward an Anthropology of Return." Lake Tahoe, Nevada, May.
- 2017 "Institutional and Domestic Care: Inscriptions around Aging in Southern Ghana," African Studies workshop, Harvard University, November.
- 2016 "'Doing it for God': The Challenges of Maintaining Moral Personhood in Care Work." Princeton University, October.
- 2016 "Inclusion and Exclusion through Care: The Complex Dynamics of Belonging among African Home Health Aides in the United States." Brown University, September.
- 2016 "The Scattered Family: Parenting, African Migrants, and Global Inequality." Georgetown University, March.
- 2014 "'Will I Lose My Children?': Cultural Capital and Transnational Parenting among Ghanaian Migrants." Lehigh University, March.
- 2012 "Work Stories, Gossip, and the Ethnicization of Pedagogy among Ghanaian Immigrant Parents." Conference celebrating the Lifework of Margaret Mills, Ohio State University, May.
- 2012 "Global Flows of Patrons: Fosterage among Ghanaian Transnational Migrants." Anthropologies of Africa across Decades and Disciplines: A Day to Honor Sandra Barnes, African Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania, April.
- 2011 "Child Fostering in Ghanaian Immigrant Families: A Measure of Child Well-being in the United States." Program on Immigration and Democracy, Eagleton Institute, Rutgers University, April.
- 2010 "Children's (Im)mobilities: The Effects of Transnational Migration on Children's Circulation in Ghanaian Households." Center for Mobilities Research and Policy, Drexel University, November.
- 2007 "Defilement and Children's Relations of Belonging in the Gold Coast." Symposium on Law and Colonialism, Stanford University, April.

- 2004 "The Public Display of Heritage: How Culture Became Drumming and Dancing in Ghana, 1957-1978." Center for African Studies brown bag series, Rutgers University, December.
- 2004 "Ways of Learning in Ghana." Bard College, October.
- 2004 "Schools, Youth, and Political Participation in Ghana." Childhood Studies seminar, Rutgers University, Camden, March.
- 2003 "Schools, Youth, and Political Participation in Ghana." 11th Annual African Studies Consortium workshop, University of Pennsylvania, October.
- 2002 "Development Morality Plays: Christian Identities and National Imaginings of Ghanaian Secondary-School Girls." African Studies brown bag lunch series, Yale University, February.
- 2002 "Orchestrating Modern Selves: School Cultural Festivals and Competing Modernities in Ghana." African Studies Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, November.
- 2001 "Making 'Culture' Teachable: Age, Youth, and the Construction of Knowledge in Akuapem, Ghana." Harvard Graduate School of Education, February.
- 1997 "Identity, Education, and 'Tradition' in Ghana." Ford Foundation Workshop on the Problematics of States and Identities, University of Pennsylvania, September.

#### **Presentations at Conferences and Annual Meetings**

- 2021 "The Expansion and Contraction of Kinship." For panel on "Kinship Obligations in Reverse." American Anthropological Association annual meeting, November.
- 2021 "The Invisibility of Changes in Care Work: The Growth of Paid Elder Care in Ghana." Conference on Gendered Familial Care Work & Public Health Crises, University of Rhode Island, July.
- 2020 "African Immigrant Care Workers and COVID in the United States: Fears, Protections, and Realignment." Panel on "African Immigrants and Refugees," African Studies Association annual meeting, November.
- 2019 "Migration and Social Mobility in Africa and its Diasporas: An Introduction to Class Acts" (with Pamela Feldman-Savelsberg and Julia Pauli). For panel on "Class Acts: Migration and Social Mobility in Africa and its Diasporas," organized with Pamela Feldman-Savelsberg and Julia Pauli. American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Vancouver, November.
- 2019 "Negotiations about Care: Competing Models of Retirement in a Ghanaian Transnational Family," as part of a panel on "Later-Life Negotiations: Experiencing Older Age Within and Across Borders." Deutschen Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie [German Anthropological Association] biennial conference, Konstanz, Germany, October.
- 2018 "Beyond Kin Care? Institutional Facilities in the Imaginations of Older Presbyterians in Southern Ghana," as part of a panel on "Changing Family Forms and Social Security in Africa," Bayreuth International Research Alumni Conference, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania and Kisumu, Kenya. September.
- 2017 "Longing for a House in Ghana: Social Class Tension among Ghanaian Eldercare Workers in the United States," as part of a panel on "Migration and Social Class:

- Ambiguous Class Identities in Translocal Social Fields," organized by Cati Coe and Julia Pauli, American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, November.
- 2017 "Precarious Pathways to Adulthood: The Cultural Capital of a Healthcare Certificate in Urban Ghana." African Studies Association, Chicago IL, November.
- 2017 "Racialization and Partial Kinning through Care Work: The Political Incorporation of African Home Health Aides in the United States." Society for Psychological Anthropology, New Orleans LA, March.
- 2016 "Translations in Kinscripts: Child Circulation among Ghanaians Abroad," as part of a double panel on "Affective Circuits," organized by Jennifer Cole and Cati Coe, African Studies Association meeting, Washington DC, December.
- 2015 "Openness to New Aging Trajectories: Interest in Old Age Homes in Southern Ghana," as part of a panel on "Migration and Changing Age Scripts," organized by Cati Coe and Erdmute Alber, American Anthropological Association meeting, Denver, November.
- 2015 "Old Age Care in Southern Ghana in the 1860s." The 9<sup>th</sup> Greater New York African History Workshop, New Brunswick, March.
- 2014 "Posted Babies: The Fosterage of Transnational Migrants' Young Children in Ghana," as part of a panel on "Governance, Transnational Migration, and Affective Circuits of Care," organized by Cati Coe and Pamela Feldman-Savelsberg, American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Washington DC, December.
- 2014 "Transnational Migration and the Market in Private Nursing Care in Accra, Ghana." Workshop on Transnational Ageing: Transforming Everyday Practices of Older Age, Ethnicity, Transnationalism, and Migration conference, Helsinki, Finland, October.
- 2013 "Work Experiences, the Figure of the Elder, and the Production of Transnationalism among Ghanaian Health Workers in the United States." American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Chicago, November.
- 2012 "*Patrons and Power* Abroad: Changing Patterns of Fosterage among Ghanaian Transnational Migrants," as part of a panel on "Africa in Theory and Practice: The Influence of Sandra T. Barnes on Diaspora Studies," African Studies Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, December.
- 2012 "Keeping Their Children by Sending Them 'Home': The Transnational Parenting Strategies of Ghanaian Migrants," as part of a panel organized by Vanessa Fong and invited by the Council on Anthropology and Education and the Society for the Anthropology of Work on "How Transnational Migrants Decide Where to Raise their Children," at the American Anthropological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, November.
- 2012 "Adopting a Sibling's Child: Immigration Law and Cultural Notions of Adoption among West Africans." Alliance for the Study of Adoption and Culture, Scripps College, California, March.
- 2011 "'The Hope of a Happier Future': The Chronotopic Strategies of Ghanaian Female Transnational Migrants," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Montreal, Canada, November.
- 2011 "Child Fostering in Ghanaian Immigrant Families: A Measure of Child Well-being in the United States." For the "Young Children of Black Immigrant" project, Migration Policy



- Institute, Washington DC, September.
- 2011 "What a Minor Needs: The Differing Conceptions of US Family Reunification Law and Ghanaian Labor Migrants," as part of a panel organized by Susan Terrio and Cati Coe on "Children, Migration, and the State," American Anthropological Association's Children's Interest Group conference, Charleston, February.
- 2010 "Educating Across Borders: How Transnational Ghanaian Migrants Compare Educational Systems," Comparative and International Education Society meetings, Chicago, March.
- 2009 "Growing Up to Care for Another: Reciprocities between Children and the Elderly in Southern Ghana," African Studies Association meetings, New Orleans, November.
- 2009 "What is the Impact of Transnational Migration on Families Left Behind? An Examination of the Experiences of Mothers and Children in a Town in Ghana," for the American Anthropological Association meetings, Philadelphia, PA, December, as part of a panel Cati Coe organized on "Transnational Family Life and Internal Migration: Continuity or Change?"
- 2008 "The Materiality of Care in Ghanaian Transnational Families," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, November.
- 2008 "The Structuring of Feeling in Ghanaian Transnational Families," Working Group on Childhood and Migration Interdisciplinary Conference, Philadelphia, July.
- 2008 "Reciprocities of Care among Ghanaian Migrant Families: A Historical and Ethnographic Perspective," Wenner-Gren Foundation workshop on Childhood and Migration, New York City, January.
- 2006 "Pawning in Akuapem, Ghana: Thinking about Rights-in-Children," African Studies Association, San Francisco, November, as part of a panel Cati Coe organized on "Relatedness and Rights in Child Fosterage in West Africa."
- 2005 "Child Fosterage among Ghanaian Parents in the United States," American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, November, as part of a Society for Urban, National, and Transnational Anthropology invited panel on "Global Childhood: The Use of Child Fosterage among Transnational Migrants," organized by Cati Coe and Rachel R. Reynolds.
- 2005 "Strategies of Ghanaian Immigrant Women to Raise Their Children," Institute for Research on Women seminar on Diasporas and Migrations, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, November.
- 2004 "Schools, Youth, and Political Participation in Ghana," African Studies Association meeting, New Orleans, November.
- 2003 "Development Morality Plays: Christian Identities and National Imaginings of Ghanaian Secondary-School Girls," African Studies Association, Boston, November.
- 2002 "Nationalizing and Localizing Drum Language: Schools, Youth, and Performance in Ghana." African Studies Association, Washington DC, December.
- 2002 "Slogans and Stories: The Reproduction of Cultural Models in Drug Education," American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, November.
- 2002 "Problem-Solving as a New Narrative Genre," CASCA and SANA Joint Meeting, Windsor, Canada, May.

- 2002 "Pedagogies and Politics of 'Culture': Chiefly Authority, the State, and the Teaching of Cultural Traditions in Ghana," Revolution and Pedagogy conference, Ohio State University, Columbus, April.
- 2001 "'Culture' as School Knowledge: The Construction of Tradition and Authority in Ghana," American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, November.
- 2000 "Christianity, 'Tradition' and the State: Local Understandings of Culture in Ghana," CAE Invited Panel on "The Uses of Culture in Anthropology and Education: Recapturing Culture for Use in the Public Sphere," American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, November.
- 2000 "Development Morality Plays: Christian Identities and National Imaginings of Ghanaian Secondary-School Girls," American Folklore Society, Columbus, October.
- 2000 "Representing 'Tradition' in Ghanaian Schools," American Ethnological Society, Tampa, March.
- 2000 "Drumming and Dancing in the Classroom: Culture, Christianity, and Ghanaian Students," Ethnography in Education Forum, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, March.
- 2000 "Contexts of Learning in a Ghanaian Town," Comparative and International Education Society, San Antonio, March.
- 1995 "Difference and Utopia in an Electronic Community." American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, November.
- 1995 "Performing Empire, Nation, and City: Three Historical Narratives of a South African World's Fair." American Folklore Society, Lafayette, LA, October.
- 1995 "School-Change Teams and Curriculum Reform: Factors Affecting Implementation of Change Across School Sites." Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, March.
- 1994 "Negotiating the Imagined Community in Cyberspace." American Folklore Society, Milwaukee, WI, October.

#### **Invited Participation in Research Institutes**

- 2019 "Going Back: Towards an Anthropology of Return," Wenner-Gren funded workshop. Organized by Deborah Boehm and Mikaela Rogozen-Soltar, May.
- 2017 "Kinship and Politics: Rethinking a Conceptual Split and its Epistemic Implications in the Social Sciences." Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF), Bielefeld University, Germany. Organized by Erdmute Alber, David Warren Sabeau, Simon Teutscher, and Tatjana Thelen.
- 2000-1 "The Interrelationship of Anthropology and Education." Advanced Study Institute, Spencer Foundation. Organized by Kathleen Hall, Bradley Levinson, and Amy Stambach.

#### **Roundtable Participation**

- 2014 Participant in Roundtable on "The Value/s of African Studies in the Changing University." African Studies Association annual meeting, Indianapolis, November.

## Discussant

- 2021 Discussant for panel on “Aging in Contexts of Im/Mobility Regimes,” American Anthropological Association annual meeting, November.
- 2021 Co-discussant (with Ruth Cheung Judge) for panel on “African Transnational Youth Mobilities in Real Time and Across the Life Course,” African Studies Association annual meeting, November.
- 2019 Co-discussant (with Kristin Yarris) for panel on “Care Across Borders: Intergenerational Care through Digital Technologies in Transnational Family Life,” American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Vancouver, November.
- 2018 Discussant of Erdmute Alber’s *Transfers of Belonging* at book launch, Vereinigung für Afrikawissenschaften in Deutschland (VAD, German African Studies Association) biennial meeting, Leipzig, June.
- 2018 Discussant for panel on “Picturing African Futures: Visual Approaches to Aspiration,” American Ethnological Society annual meeting, Philadelphia, March.
- 2016 Discussant for panel on “Securing the Future.” Conference on Middle Classes in Africa: Anthropological and Sociological Perspectives, Bayreuth, April.
- 2015 Discussant for panel on “Affecting Transborder Migration.” American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Denver, November.
- 2014 Discussant for panel on “The Cultural Economies of Migration: Love, Money, Debt, and Transnational Networks.” American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Washington DC, December.
- 2013 Discussant for panel on “African Migrants and the Politics of Place: Identity, Community, Power.” American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Chicago, November.
- 2012 Discussant for panel on “Research Frontiers in the Study of Children and Youth in Africa,” organized by the Children and Youth Interest Group, American Anthropological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, November.
- 2010 Discussant for panel on “Representing the Past and Determining the Future: Issues in Heritage and Citizenship Education,” Comparative and International Education Society annual meeting, Chicago, March.
- 1997 Discussant for panel on “Representations of Africa.” African Studies Annual Day with V. Y. Mudimbe, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, April.

## Films

- 2021 “Stories from Home Care,” 13 minutes, July.  
Available at: <https://doi.org/10.7282/00000097>
- Screened in the Society for Visual Anthropology’s Film and Media Festival, November-December 2020.
  - Screened at Rutgers University, Camden, October 27, 2021
- 2020 “Making Happiness: Older People Organize Themselves,” 11 minutes, April.  
Available at: <https://doi.org/doi:10.7282/t3-thke-hp15>
- 2019 “Mediating Death: The Unsung Skills of Home Care Workers,” 6 minutes, July.  
Available at: <https://doi.org/doi:10.7282/t3-prdg-sq95>

- 2003 "Turning an Event into Fieldnotes: A Ghanaian Example." 30 minutes, August. Available at: <https://rucore.libraries.rutgers.edu/rutgers-lib/57913/>

### Film Grants

- 2020 Finishing grant for "Stories from Home Care," Philadelphia Independent Media Fund, administered by Scribe Video Center (\$1700).
- 2019 Next Level grant for "Stories from Home Care," Philadelphia Independent Media Fund, administered by Scribe Video Center (\$500)

### Commentary and Essays for the General Public

- 2021 "Dying at Home: The Unsung Role of Home Care Workers." *Public Health Post* (Boston University), April 26. <https://www.publichealthpost.org/research/dying-at-home-the-unsung-role-of-home-care-workers/>
- 2021 "Long-term Care for the Aged in Ghana is on the Back Burner. Here is How to Change It." *The Conversation Africa*, April 5. <https://theconversation.com/long-term-care-for-the-aged-in-ghana-is-on-the-back-burner-here-is-how-to-change-it-158162>
- 2021 "Biden Stimulus Plan an Overdue Lifeline for Home Health Aides." *The Star Ledger*, February 18. <https://www.nj.com/opinion/2021/02/biden-stimulus-plan-an-overdue-lifeline-for-home-health-aides-opinion.html>
- 2021 "African Immigrant Care Workers & COVID in the US: Their Fears, Protections, and Recalibrations," *Somatosphere*, February 16. <http://somatosphere.net/2021/african-immigrant-care-workers-and-covid.html/>
- 2021 "Many Old People in Ghana Need Daily Care: How the Government Can Help." *The Conversation*, January 27. <https://theconversation.com/many-old-people-in-ghana-need-daily-care-how-the-government-can-help-152767>
- 2019 "The Hidden Connection between Immigration and Health Care: Our Long-Term Care Crisis." *The Hill*, July 17. <https://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/healthcare/453451-the-hidden-connection-between-immigration-and-health-care-our>
- 2019 "'Unskilled' Immigrants Help to Ease the Pain of Dying Americans." *The Conversation*, June 26. <http://theconversation.com/unskilled-immigrants-help-to-ease-the-pain-of-dying-americans-119071>
- Reposted on PMP Magazine, June 29, 2019. <https://vip.politicsmeanspolitics.com/2019/06/29/unskilled-immigrants-help-to-ease-the-pain-of-dying-americans/>
- 2017 "Today's Flexible Workforce Deserves Medicare for All." *Huffington Post*, American Anthropological Association blog, September 28. <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/59cd5f15e4b034ae778d48fe>
- 2016 "Combating Terrorism through Family Sponsorship: The Right Approach?" *Huffington Post*, American Anthropological Association blog, January. [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/american-anthropological-association/combating-terrorism-throu\\_b\\_8916302.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/american-anthropological-association/combating-terrorism-throu_b_8916302.html)
- 2013 "Research Frontiers in the Study of Youth and Children in Africa." *Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group Newsletter* 5:1 (February): 5-6.

- 2002 "Recuperating Tradition while Expanding Schooling." *Anthropology News* March: 8.  
 2000 "A Dangerous Dance: Teaching Heritage in Ghana's Secondary Schools." *The World & I* March: 206-213 (photographic essay).

### Media Interviews

- 2020 Background interview for story about immigrant women working in elder care, with Columbia Journalism School students, 1 October.  
 2019 Interview about home care on "The Attitude with Arnie Arnesen," WNHN 94.7 (Pacifica Network), 3 July. <http://www.wnhnfm.org/category/attitude-3/>  
 2016 Background interview for story on Liberian immigrants sending their children to Liberia, for "Invisibilia" (NPR), 14 January.  
 2007 Interview on Ghanaian immigration and transnational families, Rutgers University, Camden WCCR podcast, 15 December.  
 2006 "Ghanaian Immigrant Parents Choose to Have Children Raised in Ghana," Voice of America Daybreak Africa story, 22 August, at <http://www.voanews.com/english/Africa/2006-08-22-voa52.cfm>

### Presentations to Civic Organizations

- 2022 Panel member on "The Roles and Responsibilities of the Diaspora," Ghana @ 65 Independence Day Celebration, Ghana Union of Canada, March.  
 2019 "A Window onto Global Aging: Senior Care in Ghana." Rotary Club, Philadelphia.  
 2016 "The Scattered Family: Parenting, African Migrants, and Global Inequality." Die Katholische Akademie, Bayreuth, Germany.

### Teaching

Carleton University

Department of Political Science

*Ethnographic Research Methods* (graduate)

Rutgers University, Camden

Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice (all undergraduate):

*Anthropology of Global Health*

*Immigration and Families*

*Individual and Society* (Writing Intensive)

*Introduction to Cultural Anthropology*

*Introduction to Global Studies*

*Peoples and Cultures of Africa*

*Research on Camden Housing*

*Sociology of Education*

Department of Childhood Studies:

*Cross-Cultural Approaches to Childhood* (graduate course)

*Growing Up in Africa* (combined undergraduate/graduate course)

The Honors College:  
*The Politics of Culture*

Global and International Affairs, Study Abroad  
*International service-learning trip to Ghana*, with Dr. Abena Busia (Summer 2014)

Radboud University, Department of Anthropology  
*Ph.D. Master class on kinship, belonging, and migration* (October 2018)

Bayreuth University, University of Cape Coast, and University of Benin  
*Master's research on care in Benin and Ghana*, with Dr. Erdmute Alber, Dr. Hippolyte Amouzouvi, and Dr. Akua Britwum (Summer 2018)

### **Independent Studies**

Rutgers University, Camden  
"Witchcraft and Religion in Ghana and Beyond," Spring 2018  
"Health and Health Care in Africa," Spring 2018

### **Lectures in Other Classes**

"The Invisibility of the Commodification of Care in Ghana," Families, Communities, and Health, graduate seminar in gerontology, Simon Fraser University (Canada), Winter 2022  
"Settling Out of Place: Narratives of Housing and Strategies of Aging by a Ghanaian Migrant," Designing Global Research: Approaches, Methods, and Techniques, graduate class, McMaster University (Canada), Winter 2022  
"Transnationalism and Care: Ghanaian Care Workers in the United States and the New Care Market in Ghana," Care, Caregiving, and Vulnerability, anthropology senior seminar, McMaster University (Canada), Winter 2022  
"Returning Home: The Retirement Strategies of Aging Ghanaian Migrants," Anthropology of Aging, undergraduate class, University of Iowa, Spring 2020 (remote due to COVID-19).  
"Legal Issues in the Separation of Transnational Families from Ghana (West Africa)," Child Migration & U.S. Immigration Law and Policy, law class, Rutgers University Law School, Spring 2018 and Spring 2020  
"Interviewing & Listening," Research Seminar on Gender Studies, undergraduate class, Rutgers University, Camden, Spring 2019  
"On Karen Ho's *Liquidated*," Anthropology of Capitalism, undergraduate class, Bayreuth University (Germany), June 2018  
"On *The Scattered Family*," New African Migrations, undergraduate class, Carleton College, Spring 2016  
"On *Dilemmas of Culture in African Schools* and *The Scattered Family*," Postcolonial Childhoods, graduate seminar, Rutgers University, Camden, Spring 2016

- "On *Dilemmas of Culture in African Schools*," International Education and Development, doctoral seminar, University of Minnesota, Fall 2015
- "Education and the Generation Gap," African Immigration in Philadelphia, undergraduate class, University of Pennsylvania, Spring 2014
- "On *The Scattered Family*," Peoples and Cultures of Africa, undergraduate class, Lehigh University, Spring 2014
- "Ethnography in Feminist and Gender Research," Feminist Research in Psychology, undergraduate class, Rutgers University, Camden, Fall 2010
- "Responsibility, Risk, and the Scattered Family: The Emotional Responses of Ghanaian Parents and Children to Transnational Migration," Childhood Studies Proseminar, graduate seminar, Rutgers University, Camden, November 2007
- "On *Dilemmas of Culture in African Schools*," African Education, undergraduate class, Bryn Mawr College, Spring 2007
- "Curriculum Construction," The Red and the Black: American Indians and African-Americans, undergraduate class, Rutgers University, Camden, Spring 2007
- "On *Veiled Sentiments*," Women's Studies senior seminar, undergraduate class, Rutgers University, Camden, Fall 2006
- "Polygamy," Crime and Deviance, undergraduate class, Rutgers University, Camden, Spring 2007 and Spring 2004

## **Supervision and Mentoring**

### *Post-doctoral supervision and mentoring*

- Brady G'Sell (Assistant Professor, University of Iowa), Faculty Reader of Book manuscript "Producing Citizens: Child Support, Race, and Political Belonging in South Africa," for the Obermann/OVPR Book Ends Workshop, University of Iowa, July 2021
- Chenyu Wang (Assistant Professor, Hamilton College), Presidential Fellow Mentor, Council on Anthropology and Education, American Anthropological Association, 2020-2021
- Ruth Cheung Judge (Ph.D., Geography, University College, London), "Displacing Deviance: Second-Generation Migrant Youth, Disciplinary Return and Transnational Social Fields of Inclusion and Exclusion." (3-year Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant, European Union), 2018-2021

## **Teaching Improvement Activities**

- 2020 Online Teaching Certificate, Instructional Design and Technology, Rutgers University, Camden
- 2018-19 Certificate on Effective Instruction, Association of Colleges and University Educators and American Council on Education.

## **Service**

### *External:*

#### *Editorial board membership*

- 2021- Editorial board, *Anthropology & Aging Quarterly*
- 2009- Editorial board, *Anthropology of Education Quarterly*

2007- Editorial board, *South African Review of Education*

*Organization leadership*

2022-2024 President (2023-2024), President-Elect (2022-2023), Association of Anthropology, Gerontology, and the Life Course (AAGE)

*Organizer of scholarly working group*

2004-12 Board member, Working Group on Childhood and Migration

*Conference organizing*

2022 Association of Anthropology, Gerontology, and the Life Course biennial conference (with Brooke Jespersen, Celeste Pang, and Aaron Seaman)

2022 Education program chair, African Studies Association annual meeting

2018 Education program chair, African Studies Association annual meeting.

2017 "Diverse Unfreedoms and their Ghosts" conference (with Sarada Balagopalan and Keith Green). Rutgers University, Camden.

2013 Education program chair, African Studies Association annual meeting.

2011 "Multiple Childhoods, Multidisciplinary Perspectives: Interrogating Normativity in Childhood Studies" conference (with Daniel T. Cook and John Wall). Rutgers University, Camden.

2009 "Childhood and War" conference committee member. Rutgers University, Camden.

2008 Interdisciplinary Conference on "New Directions in Children and Migration" (with Rachel R. Reynolds). Funded by the National Science Foundation and Drexel University.

2008 "Children and Migration" workshop (with Rachel R. Reynolds). Funded by the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research.

*Grant review*

Austrian Science Fund (2018, 2017)

Danida Fellowship Centre (2019)

Dutch Research Council (NWO) (2009)

German Research Council (DFG) (2021, 2020)

National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology program (2019, 2014)

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2020), New Frontiers in Research Fund (2022)

Swiss National Science Foundation (2019)

University of Vienna, Doctoral Fellowships (2019)

*Peer review of book manuscripts and proposals*

Indiana University Press (2013)

New York University Press (2016)

Oxford University Press (2021, 2019, 2017)

Palgrave (2019)

Routledge (2018)



Rowman & Littlefield (2013)  
Rutgers University Press (2016, 2014)  
Stanford University Press (2016, 2015)  
Temple University Press (2020, 2011)  
University of Chicago Press (2015, 2013, 2008)

*Peer review of journal articles*

*Africa, African Studies Review, Africa Today, American Anthropologist, American Ethnologist, Annals of Anthropological Practice, Anthropological Quarterly, Anthropology & Aging Quarterly, Anthropology & Education Quarterly, Anthropology of Work Review, Children's Geographies, City & Society, Comparative Studies of Society and History, Critical African Studies, Cultural Anthropology, Current Anthropology, Disability Studies Quarterly, Ethnography, Ethos, Family Studies, Feminist Economics, Gender & Society, Ghana Journal of Sociology & Anthropology, Ghana Studies, Global Networks, International Migration, Journal of African History, Journal of Cross-Cultural Gerontology, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Journal of Marriage and Family, Journal of Modern African Studies, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Medical Anthropology, Medical Anthropology Quarterly, Oxford Development Studies, Qualitative Social Work, Sociologus, Transforming Anthropology*

*External review for tenure and promotion for ten universities (2012-2022)*

*External examiner for Ph.D. theses*

2021 Innsbruck University (Austria)  
2020 Australian National University (Australia)  
2019 University of Birmingham (U.K.)  
2018 University of Vienna (Austria)  
2018 Oxford University (U.K.)  
2018 Swinburne University of Technology (Australia)  
2017 Edith Cowan University (Australia)

***Rutgers University***

*University-wide*

2021 Oral History Archives IRB guidance adhoc committee  
2020 Working Group on Society and the Pandemic, executive committee member  
2020 Reviewer of grant proposals for social science research on COVID-19  
2018-21 African Studies Center, Executive Committee, member  
2016-21 Institutional Review Board (Arts and Sciences), member  
2015- Rutgers University Press Editorial Board and Press Council, member  
2013-15 Scholarly Open Access Research Committee, member  
2013 Ethnicity, Diversity, and Migration in the Formation of Communities and Nations, Strategic Planning Committee, member  
2012-16 Library Advisory Committee, member

*College of Arts and Sciences, Camden*

- 2020-21 Appointments and Promotions Committee (Social Sciences), member
- 2019 Rutgers Discover Day presenter
- 2018-21 Committee of Review
- 2017 Global Studies Roundtable, presenter
- 2015-17 Women and Gender Studies Advisory Committee, member
- 2015-17 Appointments and Promotions Committee (Social Sciences), member
- 2014-17 General Education Committee, member
- 2013-17 Africana Studies Advisory Committee, member
- 2013-14 General Education Committee, Chair
- 2011-12 General Education Committee, Co-Chair
- 2011 Organized the all-day campus visit and talks of two African scholars, Dr. Susan Kiguli and Dr. Leketi Makalela
- 2010-12 School of Arts and Sciences Senate
- 2010-12 Academic Policy Committee, Chair
- 2005-6 Advisory Committee on Academic Advising, member
- 2004-5 Instructional Technology search committee, member
- 2004-13 Academic Policy Committee, member

*Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice*

- 2020 Chair
- 2020 Tenure review committee, chair
- 2020 Third-year review committee, chair
- 2018-19 AAUP departmental representative
- 2018-19 Budget committee
- 2017 Ad-hoc teaching excellence evaluation committee, Chair
- 2017 Peer evaluation committee, member
- 2016-17 Undergraduate curriculum committee, Chair
- 2016 Third-year review committee, member
- 2016 Tenure review committee, member
- 2015 Third-year review committee, member
- 2015 Tenure review committee, member
- 2015 Cultural Anthropology search committee, Chair
- 2014 Third-year review committee, member
- 2012-13 Curriculum Assessment committee, Chair
- 2010-12 Curriculum Assessment committee, member
- 2010-11 Criminal Justice search committee, member
- 2009-10 Sociology search committee, member
- 2008-9 Helped organize a panel discussion on unaccompanied migrant children

*Department of Childhood Studies*

- 2011 Reappointment review committee, member

- 2009-10 Second-year graduate student review committee, member  
2005-6 Childhood Studies senior search committee, member

*Department of Political Science*

- 2020 Promotion review committee, member  
2018 Tenure review committee, member  
2017 Tenure review committee, member  
2015 Third-year review committee, member  
2013 Third-year review committee, member

*Department of World Languages and Culture*

- 2020 Promotion review committee, member  
2020 Third-year review committee, member

**Professional Associations**

African Studies Association

American Anthropological Association

- American Ethnological Society
- Council on Anthropology and Education
- Society for Urban, National, and Transnational Anthropology
- Aging & Life Course Interest Group
- Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group

Anthropology of Aging and the Life Course

Ghana Studies Council

**Languages**

Twi (conversational, reading, writing)

French (reading)

German (beginner)

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