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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2016- **Associate Professor of Anthropology**
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, & Criminal Justice, Towson University
- 2010-2016 **Assistant Professor of Anthropology**
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice, Towson University
- 2009 **Provost Postdoctoral Fellow**
Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida

EDUCATION

- 2009 **Ph.D., Anthropology**, Northwestern University
- Dissertation:* “Performative Politics: Landless Peasant Strategies of Resistance, 1985-2007.”
- Committee:* Mary Weismantel (chair), Micaela di Leonardo, Robert Albro, Josef Barton and Brodwyn Fischer
- 1999 **B.A., Urban Anthropology**, *magna cum laude*, Mount Holyoke College

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Neoliberalism and globalization; Latin American social movements and resource politics; indigeneity, climate and ecological crisis, environmental justice.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2019 School of Emerging Technology, Towson University
- 2019 Presidential BTU Partnership Award, Towson University
- 2018 Diversity Fellow, Towson University
- 2018 Civic Engagement Fellow, Towson University
- 2016 Faculty Development and Research Grant, Towson University
- 2016 CLA faculty research Award, Towson University
- 2014 Wenner-Gren Foundation International Conference Grant
- 2014 Faculty Development and Research Grant, Towson University
- 2013 Teaching Innovation Grant, Towson University

- 2012 Faculty Development and Research Grant, Towson University
- 2008 Dissertation Year Fellowship, Northwestern University
- 2006 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2006 Alumnae Dissertation Year Fellowship, Northwestern University
- 2006 CICS Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University
- 2005 Graduate Research Grant, Northwestern University
- 2003 National Science Foundation Summer Research
- 1999 Phi Beta Kappa, Mount Holyoke College
- 1999 Fulbright IIE Research Fellowship

BOOKS

- 2021 *Fighting to Breathe in the Black Butterfly: The Struggle for Land in Toxic South Baltimore* (University of California Press, under contract)
- 2012 *Mobilizing Bolivia's Displaced: Indigenous Politics and the Struggle over Land*. UNC Press, November 2012.

EDITED VOLUMES

- 2011 Nicole Fabricant and Bret Gustafson, eds. *Remapping Bolivia: Resources, Territory and Indigeneity in a Plurinational State*. Santa Fe: School for Advanced Research Press, 2011.

ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS (*refereed)

- 2020 Teaching Undergraduates about the Human-Environmental Costs of Coal Frontiers: From the Mountains of Appalachia to the Streets of South Baltimore. *In Handbook of Critical Resource Geography*, Routledge Press.
- 2019 Overburdened Bodies and Lands: Industrial Development and Environmental Injustice in South Baltimore *In Baltimore Revisited: Stories of Inequality and Resistance in a US City*, Nicole King, Kate Drabinski Rutgers University Press.
- 2019* with Mike Fabricant Cognitive Fractures: How disposable bodies and toxic status quo led to the rise of Trump in Appalachia. *Journal of Labor and Society*. 22(1): 187-195.
- 2019* with Nancy Postero. Indigenous Sovereignty and the New Developmentalism in Plurinational Bolivia. *Anthropological Theory*, . 19(1): 95-119.
- 2019 with Linda Farthing: Open Veins Revisited: The New Extractivism in Latin America, Part 2 *Latin American Perspectives* 225(46): 4-9
- 2018 Introduction with Linda Farthing, "Open Veins Revisited: Charting the Social, Economic, and Political Contours of the New Extractivism in Latin America," *Latin American Perspectives* 45(5): 4-18.
- 2018 with Nancy Postero. Chapter 10: Performing Indigeneity in Bolivia *In Indigenous Life Projects and Extractivism: Ethnographies from South America*. Juan Javier Rivera and Andia Cecilie Vindal Ødegaard, eds. Palgrave Press, Forthcoming.
- 2018* with Nancy Postero. Performing Indigeneity in Bolivia: the Struggle over the TIPNIS. *Anthropological Quarterly*, forthcoming.
- 2016* with Kathryn Hicks. The Bolivian Climate Justice Movement: Mobilizing Indigeneity in Climate Justice Negotiations. *Latin American Perspectives* 43(4), 87-104.
- 2016* with Nancy Postero The Indigenous Turn, *In Turn and Turn Again: Twenty Five Years of Latin American Studies in Culture, Power and Politics*, Juan Poblete ed. Under review for a special volume by the Culture, Power and Politics section of Latin American Studies Association.

- 2015* Resource Wars: An on the ground understanding of mountaintop coal removal mining in West Virginia, *Radical Teacher*, No 102 (Summer 2015), 8-16.
- 2015* with Nancy Postero, Sacrificing Indigenous Bodies and Lands: The Political-Economic History of Lowland Bolivia in light of the recent TIPNIS Debate, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, 20(3): 452-474.
- 2014* Performing the “Wounded Indian”: A New Platform of Democracy and Human Rights in Bolivia’s Autonomy Movement, *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power*, Special Issue on Performance Politics: Spectacular Productions of Culture in Contemporary Latin America, 21(4): 395-411.
- 2014 Respatializing the State from the Margins: Reflections on the Camba Counter-Movement in Eastern Bolivia. *Off Centered States*, edited by Chris Krupa and David Nugent, University of Pennsylvania Press, forthcoming.
- 2013* Good Living for Whom? Bolivia’s Climate Justice Movement and the Limitations of Indigenous Cosmovisions, *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies Journal*, 8(2): 159-178.
- 2013* with Nancy Postero, Contested Bodies, Contested States: Performance, Emotions, and New Forms of Regional Governance in Santa Cruz, Bolivia *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, 18 (2): 187-211.
- 2012* Symbols in Motion: Katari as Traveling Image in Landless Movement Politics in Bolivia. *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies Journal*. 7(1): 1-29.
- 2011 Bret Gustafson and Nicole Fabricant. New Cartographies of Knowledge and Struggle. *Remapping Bolivia: Resources, Territory, and Indigeneity in a Plurinational State*, edited by Nicole Fabricant and Bret Gustafson. Santa Fe: School for Advanced Research Press (pp. 1-25).
- 2011 Ocupar, Resistir, Producir: Reterritorializing Soyscapes in Eastern Bolivia *Remapping Bolivia: Resources, Territory, and Indigeneity in a Plurinational State*, edited by Nicole Fabricant and Bret Gustafson. Santa Fe: School for Advanced Research (pp. 146-165).
- 2010* Mapping a New Geography of Space and Power. *Bolivian Studies Journal*, 15-17: 114-149.
- 2010* Local Stagings, Global Productions: The Theatricality of Food Rituals in the Landless Peasant Movement *In Tensions: Performance, Revolution and Pedagogy* 4: 1-60.
- 2010* Between the Romance of Collectivism and the Reality of Individualism: *Ayllu* Rhetoric in the Landless Peasant Movement (MST-Bolivia), *Latin American Perspectives* 37(4): 88-107.
- 2009* Performative Politics: The Camba countermovement in eastern Bolivia. *American Ethnologist* 36(4): 768-783.

BOOK REVIEWS & NOTES

- 2020 A Planet to Win. Why We Need a Green New Deal *NACLA* 52(2): 229-230.
- 2019 Review of Susan Ellison’s book *Domesticating Democracy: The Politics of Conflict Resolution in Bolivia*. *Anthropological Quarterly*. 92(2): 601-606.
- 2017 Symposium on Blood of Extraction: Canadian Imperialism in Latin America. *Briarpatch*. January 2017
- 2016 The Many Shades of Gray in Contemporary Bolivia: A Review of Evo’s Bolivia: Continuity and Change, *Bolivian Studies Journal*, volume 21 (2015) 246-251.
- 2015 Topsy Turvy Path to 21st Century Socialism: The Limitations of the New Left, *Latin American Perspectives*, March 2015: 1-4.
- 2015 Earth Politics: Religion, Decolonization and Bolivia’s Indigenous Intellectuals,

- American Historical Review, June 2015: 1084-1085.
- 2013 Red October: Left-Indigenous Struggles in Modern Bolivia
by Jeffery Webber, *Science and Society*, 2013(42): 284-286.
- 2011 Dilemmas of Modernity: Bolivian Encounters with the Law and Liberalism by
Mark Goodale. *E.I.A.L. Estudios Interdisciplinarios de America Latina y El Caribe*.
Tel Aviv University, September 2011.

PUBLISHED ESSAYS

- 2020 with Bret Gustafson, The Fall of Evo Morales, *Catalyst* 4(1): 105-134
- 2020 with Heather Hax, The Nation's First Fair Development Zero Waste Campaign,
<https://thenextsystem.org/learn/stories/nations-first-fair-development-zero-waste-plan>
- 2019 The Roots of the Rightwing Coup in Bolivia, *Dissent* December 23, 2019.
- 2018 with Bret Gustafson. Violence against People, Violence Against Nature *NACLA* 49(4):
385-386.
- 2018 with Bret Gustafson Revolutionary Oil: Offshore Drilling in Cuba. *NACLA* 49(4):
441-443
- 2018 *The Battle over West Virginia's Coal Country* The Real News
<https://therealnews.com/columns/battle-west-virginia-coal-country>. August 23, 2018.
- 2018 *Black Neighborhoods Matter: An Interview on Community Trauma and Healing*.
New Politics, 65(1)
- 2018 *The Environmental Justice Movement in South Baltimore: United Workers Take on the
Multiple Crisis of Capitalism*. *New Politics*, Volume XVI (4):33-39.
- 2017 with Bret Gustafson *Revolutionary Oil? Offshore Drilling in Cuba*, *NACLA* 49(4):
441-443.
- 2017 with Bret Gustafson and Laura Weiss *Fossil Fuels and Toxic Landscapes*, *NACLA*
49(4): 385-386
- 2017 with Bret Gustafson, *Socialism from Below: Bolivia in the Era of Extractivism*, *New
Politics*, XVI 3(63).
- 2016 with Bret Gustafson, *Revolutionary Extraction: Mapping the political economy of gas,
soy and mineral production in Evo Morales's Bolivia* *NACLA* 48(3): 271-279.
- 2015 with Bret Gustafson, Moving Beyond the Extractivism Debate, Imagining New Social
Economies, *NACLA Report on the Americas*, 47(4): 40-45.
- 2015 with Bret Gustafson, Revolutionary Extractivism in Bolivia,
<https://nacla.org/news/2015/03/02/revolutionary-extractivism-bolivia>
- 2014 Domestic Drug Policy and the Criminalization of African Americans *NACLA Report on
the Americas*, 47(2): 42-43.
- 2013 Climate Debt: Who Profits? Who Pays: The Struggles for Climate
Justice, Introduction, (Guest Editor of Special Issue) *NACLA Report on the Americas*
46 (1):19-21.
- 2013 with Kathryn Hicks, Bolivia versus the Billionaires: Limitations of the 'Climate Justice
Movement' in International Negotiations, *NACLA Report on the Americas* 46 (1): 27-
31.
- 2013 with Kathryn Hicks, Bolivia's Next Water War: the Struggles over Access to Water
Resources in the 21st century, *Radical History Review*, Issue 116, Spring 2013, pp. 130-
146.
- 2011 The Water is Ours, Dammit!: New Regional and Local Frictions Over
Scarce Water in Bolivia. *ReVista Harvard Review of Latin America*, Fall
2011.
- 2011 From Symbolic Reforms to Radical Politics Through Crisis. *Dialectical
Anthropology* September/October 2011.

- 2011 A Realigned Bolivian Right: New ‘Democratic’ Destabilizations *NACLA Report on the Americas* 44(1): 30-32.
- 2011 Defending Democracy: Human Rights Discourses in Santa Cruz, Bolivia *NACLA Report on the Americas* 44(5): 23-25.
- 2011 Legitimacy Lost: Human Rights Discourses in Washington, *NACLA Report on the Americas* 44(5): 26-28.
- 2010 Kathryn Hicks, Nicole Fabricant and Carlos Revilla. New Water Wars: Collective Action after Decentralization in El Alto, Bolivia *Anthropology News* 51(1)

CONFERENCE AND PANEL ORGANIZER

- 2020 with Nicole King and Stuart Schrader, “Baltimore School Panels 3: New Landscapes of Organizing: Baltimore’s Grassroots Movements in Creativity and Revolt” American Studies Association Conference, Baltimore, MD.
- 2019 with Melissa Checker “Reimagining and Remapping Environmental and Racial Justice in the Face of a Trumpian Attack,” American Anthropological Association Meetings, Vancouver.
- 2018 with Linda Farthing “Navigating the Terrain of Resource Extractivism in Latin America” submitted for Latin American Studies Conference, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2018 with Nancy Postero “Climate Change in Latin America: Global Problems, Local Struggles” submitted for the Latin American Studies Conference, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2017 with Carwil Bjork James “New Landscapes of Extractivism in the Andes,” Submitted for American Anthropological Association Meetings, Washington DC.
- 2016 Panel co-organizer with Susan Paulson, “Pathways beyond productivist/extractivist development: Efforts to forge more just and sustainable socio-ecological worlds,” Latin American Studies Association, New York City.
- 2014 Panel co-organizer with Tony Lucero, “What’s Left in Bolivia: Honoring the Life and Work of Benjamin Kohl, Invited Session, Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2013 Panel co-organizer with Tomas Perreault, “Producing Territory, Negotiating Identity: New struggles over nature, space and ethnicity,” Latin American Studies Association Meeting, Washington, DC
- 2012 Panel co-organizer with Kristin Monroe, “Communities in Motion: Exploring Mobility as a key construct for understanding power, place, and rights,” American Anthropological Association, Invited Status American, San Francisco, California. Ethnologist and Society for Urban, National, Transnational Anthropology.
- 2012 Panel co-organizer with Nancy Postero, “Performative Politics: Spectacular Productions of Culture in Contemporary Latin America,” Latin American Studies Association XXX, San Francisco, California
- 2012 Panel co-organizer with Emily Steinmetz, “Pushing the Bounds: Ethical, Methodological, and Theoretical Challenges of Ethnographic Work in the Contemporary Period,” Society for Applied Anthropology, Baltimore, Maryland.
- 2010 Panel co-organizer with Bret Gustafson, “Andean Territorialities and the Shifting Circuits of Water, Oil, Gas, and Land,” Invited Status Society for Latin American Anthropology, American Anthropological Association, Invited Status (SLACA), New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2008 Conference organizer, “Decolonizing the Nation, (Re) Imagining the City: Indigenous Peoples Mapping New Terrain,” Northwestern University. Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Evanston, IL.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 “Building a Movement for Community Control over Land” American Anthropological Association Meetings, Vancouver. November 15.
- 2019 Extractive Industries in Bolivia Asia & the Americas pre-congress Roundtable event “Shifting Environmental Politics in Nuestra *Transpacific* America” Boston University, May 22.
- 2019 Roundtable Discussion Fossil Fuels and Violent Environments at Latin American Studies Conference in Boston, May 23.
- 2018 “Whose Land? Our Land? Racialized Capitalism and Predatory development in Baltimore, American Anthropological Association Meetings, San Jose.
- 2018 “Overburdened Bodies: History of Toxicity in South Baltimore.” Paper presented at the Global Studies, Race, and Nationalism Conference, Howard University.
- 2018 “Capital, Climate and Contradictions in Bolivia.” Paper presented at Latin American Studies Conference, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2017 “Mining Disposability: The political economy of Rightwing backlash in Appalachia.” Conference of the Network for the Critical Study of Global Capitalism in the Americas Conference. Havana, Cuba.
- 2017 Roundtable Panelist “Environmental Justice Matters Now More than Ever,” American Anthropological Association Meetings, Washington DC.
- 2017 Landless Peasant Movement Struggles in the Morales Era “Panel on Water and Land: The Politics of Emergent Imaginaries, Paper Presented at the American Anthropological Meetings, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2016 with Nancy Postero, “Between Justice and Extractivism: Lowland Social Movement Challenges in Bolivia” Latin American Studies Conference, New York, New York.
- 2015 with Nancy Postero “Economic Liberation: Indigenous Politics and the New Developmentalism in Plurinational Bolivia,” Post-Politics Conference at University of California, San Diego, Wenner Gren Conference Grant.
- 2015 with Nancy Postero “An End to Indigeneity?” American Anthropological Association Meetings, Washington DC.
- 2014 with Nancy Postero “Shading the World in Color: Remembering the Life and work of Benjamin Kohl,” Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, IL
- 2014 with Nancy Postero “The Contest Over Bolivia’s Lowlands: Natural Resources and Sovereignty in the TIPNIS era,” Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, IL
- 2013 “Good Living for Whom? Bolivia’s Climate Justice Movement and the Limitations of Indigenous Cosmovisions in a Moment of Ecological Crisis,” Latin American Studies Association, Washington, DC.
- 2012 Uneven Mobilities: The Role of International NGOs in Bolivia’s Climate-related Disasters, American Anthropological Association Meetings, San Francisco, California.
- 2012 with Nancy Postero, “Performing Marginality: Spectacle, Emotions, and Strategic Alliances of the Rightwing in Bolivia,” Latin American Studies Association, San Francisco, California.
- 2012 with Kathryn Hicks, “Show Me the Money: Challenges of a Collaborative Project on Global Warming and Water Scarcity,” Society for Applied Anthropology, Baltimore, MD
- 2012 with Kathryn Hicks, “New Frictions of 21st Century: Bolivia’s Struggles for Climate Justice,” Society for Applied Anthropology, Baltimore, MD.
- 2012 with Nancy Postero “Performing Marginality: Spectacle, Emotions, and Strategic Alliances of the Rightwing in Bolivia,” Latin American Studies Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2011 with Nancy Postero, “Contested States, Contested Bodies: The Regional Struggle for Autonomy in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, American Anthropological Association Meetings, Montreal, Canada.
- 2010 “Dangerous Uncertainty: Mapping the Economic and Structural Terrain of Daily Survival

- in El Alto, Bolivia” American Anthropological Association Meetings, New Orleans, LA.
- 2009 “Gendering the Movement: Women’s Political Labor in New Water Wars” American Anthropological Association Meetings, Philadelphia.
- 2008 “Beyond *Polleras*: Exploring Gender Politics in the Morales Era,” American Anthropological Association Meetings, San Francisco
- 2008 “Cuban Doctors and the Shifting politics of health-care in Bolivia” American Anthropological Meetings, San Francisco
- 2008 “Reterritorializing a Movement: Birth and Growth of Landless Movement” Rethinking Intellectuals in Latin America, Washington University at St. Louis
- 2007 “An *Ayllu* in Santa Cruz: The Politics of Community in the Landless Movement (MST)” Indigenous Peoples Mapping New Political Terrain in Bolivia, Northwestern University
- 2007 “Camba Counter-Movement in Morales Era,” Toward a Comparative Discussion on “Rightist” Movements, Graduate Center, City University of New York.
- 2007 “Commodified Tales of Violence and Terror: Exploring Dominant and Resistant Narratives of Land Occupation Yuquises, Santa Cruz-Bolivia,” LASA-After the Washington Consensus, Collaborative Scholarship for a New America.
- 2006 “La Sociedad como Materia fuera del lugar: Resistencia simbólica, política y cultural de MST-Bolivia,” Bolivian Studies Association Meetings Sucre, Bolivia.

INVITED LECTURES

- 2019 Community Land Trusts and Alternative Development in Baltimore, Georgetown University, Feb 2019.
- 2018 Climate, capitalism and contradictions in Bolivia, Latin American Studies Department at Vassar College, April 5.
- 2017 Baltimore Roundtable with Authors of Baltimore Revisited, *Baltimore City Historical Society*, Invited Lecture, Overburdened Bodies and Lands in Curtis Bay, Baltimore.
- 2015 Food Sovereignty in an Era of Extreme Agro-Industrial Development, Invited Lecture, George Washington University, Washington, DC.
- 2014 Food Justice: Native Peoples Struggle for Land, Rights, and Resources in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, Invited Lecture, Colgate University, New York.
- 2014 Sustainable Futures: Movements for Land and Water in Bolivia, Invited Lecture, American University, Washington DC.
- 2014 Contested Global Landscapes, Moral Economies of the Landless, Invited Lecture, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- 2013 The Social, Economic, and Environmental Consequences of the Drug Wars in Bolivia, NACLA Panel for Left Forum, New York, New York.
- 2013 Environmentalism vs. Extractivism: Challenges in Bolivia and Southwest Virginia, Latin American Studies colloquium on the Environment, Invited Lecture, NYU, New York.
- 2013 Bolivia’s Climate Justice Movement: The Limitations of Buen Vivir in a Moment of Radical Ecological Shift, Syracuse University, Invited Lecture Anthropology Colloquium
- 2013 Water for whom?: Challenges of Climate Justice Movement in Bolivia, Brown University, Invited Lecture New Security Challenges in the Americas.
- 2013 Mobilizing Indigeneity: The Cultural Politics of Resistance in Bolivia’s Resource Movements, Tulane University, Invited Lecture, Department of Anthropology.
- 2013 Mobilizing Bolivia’s Displaced: Indigenous Politics and Struggle over Land, Book Talk, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA.
- 2013 Mobilizing Bolivia’s Displaced: Indigenous Politics and Struggle over Land, Book Talk, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA.
- 2011 Uneven Flows: Race, Class, and Regionalism in Bolivia’s Second Water Wars, Towson University, Latin American Studies Brownbag Workshop Series.

- 2010 Discussant, Repositioning Indigeneity in Latin America. Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore MD.
- 2010 Uneven Flows: Race, Class, and Regionalism in Bolivia's Second Water Wars, New York University, CLACS/ILAS faculty working group on Racisms in Comparative Contexts.
- 2009 Bolivia's New Water Wars, Environmental Engineering Colloquium, University of South Florida.
- 2008 Gendering Bolivia's Resource Wars, Global Inequalities, Global Cultures, Northwestern University.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2010-present **Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Towson University**
 - ANTH 207 Cultural Anthropology
 - ANTH 210 Honors Cultural Anthropology
 - ANTH 369 Revolution and Resistance in Latin American Society
 - ANTH 343 Resource Wars of the 21st Century
 - ANTH 388 Rethinking Indigeneity
 - ANTH 401 Anthropological Theory
 - ANTH 450 Life in the City
 - ANTH 380 Ethnographic Research Methods
 - ANTH 370 TOPICS in Anthropology: Environmental Justice
 - TSEM 190 Political Economy of Water

- 2009-2010 **Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida**
 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
 - Introduction to Ethnographic Methods
 - Global Water Crisis
 - Environmental Justice

- 2002-2008 **Department of Anthropology, Northwestern University**
 - Instructor for Social Justice and Immigration
 - Instructor for Ethnographic Methods
 - Graduate Student Instructor, Introduction to Anthropology (four field)

SERVICE & OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2013-Present Director of Latin American and Latino/a Studies, Towson University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- NACLA Report on the Americas (Interim Chief Editor 2020-2021)
- NACLA Report on the Americas (Member of Editorial Board)
- New Politics (Member of Editorial Board)
- Latin American Perspectives (Member of Editorial Collective)
- American Anthropological Association (AAA)

The Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology (SLACA)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

LANGUAGES

Spanish –fluency in speaking, reading and writing