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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Anthropology**, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California (2018)
Dissertation Title: “Victims and Veterans: Memory, Nationalism, and Human Rights in Post-Conflict Timor-Leste”
- M.A. Anthropology**, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California (2009)
Master’s Title: “Nationalist Formation in the Former European Colonies of Asia and Africa”
- J.D.** Yale Law School, New Haven, Connecticut (2002)
Yale Law School Intensive Semester Research Program (conducted research in Eritrea on Eritrean human rights victims’ views on reparations; wrote the equivalent of an honors thesis based on this research, 09/01-12/01)
Journal of Law and Humanities (editor)
- B.A. Political Science**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (1998)
Minor in Sociology; *Magna cum laude*

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

2017. “Victims versus Veterans: Agency, Resistance and Legacies of Timor-Leste’s Truth Commission.” *International Journal of Transitional Justice* 11(3): 443-462.

2015. “Democratization of Perpetration: Human Rights, Transitional Justice and Memories of Resistance in Post-Conflict Timor-Leste.” *Conflict and Society* 1(1): 92-108.

Book chapters

2020. “Remembering the Dead in Timor-Leste: Victims, Heroes and Martyrs,” In *The Dead as Heroes, Ancestors and Martyrs in Independent Timor-Leste*. Lia Kent and Rui Feijo, eds. Pp. 219-241. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.

2017. “Malae Melee: A Failed Attempt to Observe the Making of Timor-Leste’s First Feature Film.” In *Fieldwork in Timor-Leste: Understanding Social Change Through Practice*. Maj Nygaard-Christensen and Angie Bexley, eds. Pp. 227-245. Copenhagen: Nias Press.

Conference proceedings

2021. “Victimhood and Martyrdom in Timor-Leste.” In *Remembering the Past, Building the Future: New Ways of Seeing Timor-Leste* 5. Timor-Leste Studies Association. Pp. 153-161.

2017. “Human Rights Victims or Victimized Heroes? Reparations and Competing Notions of Accountability in Post-Conflict Timor-Leste.” Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies (CHGS) Conference Proceedings. Pg. 67-77.

Reviews

2022. Amy Rothschild & Angie Bexley. “Rethinking Human Rights and Peace in Post-Independence Timor-Leste Through Local Perspectives.” *The Asia Pacific Journal of Anthropology* 23(2): 205-206.

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

Articles

2022. "Human Rights [and Anticolonialism] in Timor-Leste's struggle for Independence." *Indonesia*. (forthcoming/accepted for publication)

Conference Proceedings

2022. "Remembering the 12 November Massacre." In *The Santa Cruz Massacre, 1991: Thirty Years On*. Timor-Leste Studies Association and Asian Studies Association of Australia (forthcoming/accepted for publication)

AWARDS AND HONORS

Center for Faculty Excellence Summer Research Stipend, Ithaca College (4,000), 2022 & 2020
Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (\$25,000), 2014-2015
Dan David Prize Scholarship (for Studies on History and Memory) (\$15,000), 2014-2015
UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation Dissertation Fellowship (\$18,000), 2014-2015
UCSD Center for Humanities Dissertation Writing Fellowship (\$1,500), 2014-2015
UCSD President's Dissertation Writing Fellowship (\$22,000), 2013-2014
Wenner-Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grant (\$25,000), 2011-2012
UC Pacific Rim Advanced Graduate Research Fellowship (\$20,000), 2011-2012
Department of Anthropology Dissertation Grant, UCSD (\$6,000), 2011-2012
Institute for Int'l, Comparative, and Area Studies Travel Grant, UCSD (\$4,000), 2010 & 2009
Friends of the Int'l Center Travel Grant, UCSD (\$5,000), 2009
Dean's Summer Fellowship Fund Travel Grant, UCSD (\$2,000), 2009
M.E. Spiro Fellowship, UCSD (18,000), 2008-2009
Regents Fellowship, UCSD (\$18,000), 2007-2008
UCSD Dean's Graduate Fellowship Award, UCSD (\$10,000), 2007
Career Options Assistance Grant Program, Yale Law School (estimate \$5,000), 2002-present
Howard Holtzmann Fellowship in Int'l Dispute Resolution, Yale Law School (\$10,000), 2002-2003
Transitional Justice Internship, Center for Human Rights, Notre Dame Law (\$18,000), 2002-2003
Schell Center Summer Human Rights Fellowship, Yale Law School (\$8,000), 2000

SELECTED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Seattle "Dark Tourism in Timor-Leste," 11/22 (Chair and Presenter)

The Search for Humanity After Atrocity, Kean College, Union, NJ "Collective Remembrance, Victimhood, and Reparations in Post-Atrocity Timor-Leste," 10/22

Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Hawaii "Human Rights in Timor-Leste, 20 Years After Independence," 03/22 (Chair and Presenter)

Northeast Modern Language Association Annual Convention, Baltimore "The 'Hidden Holocaust' in Timor-Leste: Whose Suffering Counts?," 03/22

The Santa Cruz Massacre, 1991: Thirty Years On, Virtual "Remembrance of the Santa Cruz Massacre," 11/21

International Conference on the Self-Determination of Timor-Leste, Virtual "Anticolonialism and Human Rights in Timor's Struggle for Independence," 03/21

Timor-Leste Studies Association Annual Conference, Virtual "Remembering the Dead in Timor-Leste: Victims, Heroes or Martyrs?," 09/20

Timor-Leste Studies Association Workshop, Virtual "Accounting for Death" 06/20

Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Boston “Human Rights and Remembering Death,” 03/20 (cancelled due to COVID)

Challenges of Reconciliation, International Workshop, Bishop, Canada “Remembering the Dead in Timor-Leste: Victims, Heroes or Martyrs?,” 10/19

Canadian Council for Southeast Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Montreal “Contests over Pasts of Suffering: Who Owns Timor’s Past?,” 10/19

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Jose “Recovery through Healing? Human Rights and Transitional Justice in Post-Disaster Timor-Leste,” 11/18

5th International Conference on Genocide, California State University, Sacramento “Genocide or Heroic Struggle? The Politics of Memory in Post-Genocide Timor-Leste,” 11/18

Emerging Expertise: Holding Accountability Accountable, The Stassler Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies, Clark University, Worcester, MA “Human Rights Victims or Victimized Heroes? Reparations and Competing Notions of Accountability in Post-Conflict Timor-Leste,” 04/17

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC “Transitional Justice and Resistance: Victimhood and Heroism in the Global Human Rights Era.” Presented talk, “From Victims to Veterans: Memory, Nationalism and Human Rights in Independent East Timor,” 12/14 (Chair and Presenter)

Memory, Media and Technology: Exploring the Trajectories of Schindler’s List, USC “The Santa Cruz Massacre: Resistance, Media and Memory in East Timor,” 11/14

Approaching Perpetrators Workshop, Liu Institute for Global Issues, University of British Columbia “Democratization of Perpetration: Human Rights, Memory and Resistance in East Timor,” 05/14

UC Human Rights Collaboration, UC Davis “Democratization of Perpetration: Transitional Justice and Memories of Resistance in East Timor,” 05/14

Globalizing the Holocaust Conference, UC Davis “The Holocaust, Human Rights and Humanitarian Intervention: A Case Study of East Timor,” 01/14

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago “Heroes or Perpetrators?: Human Rights, Transitional Justice and Timor’s Resistance Movement,” 11/13

State, Society & Governance in Melanesia Program, Australia National University “Victims or Heroes? Memory, Nationalism and Human Rights in Independent East Timor,” 09/13

UCSD Anthropology Graduate Student Association Conference, UCSD “False Veteranhood and Timor’s Resistance Movement” 04/13, 05/15 and 05/16

All Graduate School Research Symposium, UCSD “The Formation of East Timorese National Identity,” 02/10

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia Presented a talk by a colleague (although self-edited) on the joint police-military task force in Timor-Leste, 12/09

WORK EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Sociolegal Studies

Ithaca College 08/19-Present (full time)

Foundations in Law and Justice; Human Rights & Genocide; Laws of War & Disaster, Socio-Legal Research: Investigating Law and Justice on the Ground; Senior Research Capstone Seminar

Instructor

University of California, San Diego, 2014-2019 (part time)

Humanitarian Aid; Race and Racisms; Contemporary Issues in Human Rights; Introduction to Culture

Teaching Assistant

University of California, San Diego, 09/09-08/18 (part time)
Race and Racisms; Debating Multiculturalism; Introduction to Culture; Sociocultural Anthropology; Humans are Cultural Animals; Human Origins; Jokes, Monsters and Strangers; the US Health Care System; Film and Culture in Asia

World Bank Consultant

World Bank, 12/08-06/09 (part time)
Produced a 60-plus page monograph on commercial sex work and HIV/AIDS in West Papua, Indonesia.

Research Assistant, Southwest Youth and the Experience of Psychiatric Treatment

University of California, San Diego, 01-08-06/08 (part time)
Data organization and preparation on this collaborative National Institute of Mental Health-funded project; resulted in eventual manuscript

English as a Second Language Teacher (part time)

Indonesia, Guatemala & Timor-Leste, 04/04-08/07

Regional Gender Support Officer (with Voluntary Service Overseas) (full time)

Ghana Education Service, Girls' Education Unit, Bolgatanga, Ghana, 09/05-03/07
Managed implementation of UNICEF-sponsored child's rights/gender empowerment program.

Assistant to Legal Advisor (internship)

Commission for Reception, Truth and Reconciliation, Dili, Timor-Leste, 10/02-10/03
Refined Commission's human rights database and conducted human rights trainings.

Legal Intern (internship)

Office of the Legal Advisor to the President of Eritrea, Asmara, Eritrea, 09/01-12/01
Documented claims based on international law violations suffered by Eritreans in the Ethiopian-Eritrean war.

Human Rights Advocate (internship)

Lowenstein International Human Rights Clinic, Yale Law School, New Haven, Connecticut, 01/00-12/01

Engaged in legal advocacy activities concerning Ethiopia's mass expulsion of 70,000 people of Eritrean descent.

Legal Intern (internship)

South Asia Human Rights Documentation Center, Delhi, India, 06/00-08/00
Drafted report reviewing India's National Human Rights Commission.

OTHER EDUCATION/CERTIFICATIONS

Certificate in Pedagogy, UCSD College Classroom Course, Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching and Learning Network, Winter 2014

Cambridge Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of other Languages (CELTA), Winter 2003

Semester Abroad Studies in International Relations and the European Union, Katholieke Universiteit, Belgium, 1996

***Indonesian and Tetum language skills** (Tetum is the national language of Timor-Leste)

REFERENCES

Nancy Postero

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