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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Anthropology

Temple University, 2001

Dissertation: "The Impact of Poverty, Violence, and State Repression on the Cultural Identity and Social Agency of Street Children in Port-au-Prince, Haiti"

Committee: F. Niyi Akinnaso (Chair), Thomas C. Patterson, Philip Evanson, Katie Cannon, Donna Keren

M.A., Anthropology

Temple University, 1998

B.A., Philosophy/Anthropology

Muhlenberg College, 1993

GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2006 Summer Research Grant, Muhlenberg College
- 2006 Course Development Grant, RJ Fellowship Program, Muhlenberg College
- 2006 Course Development Grant, Center for Ethics, Muhlenberg College
- 2005 Course Development Grant, Center for Ethics, Muhlenberg College
- 2004 Summer Research Grant, Muhlenberg College
- 2003 Summer Research Grant, Muhlenberg College
- 2003 Course Development Grant, Center for Ethics, Muhlenberg College
- 2002 Henry Award - Faculty, Muhlenberg College
- 2001 FYS Development Grant, Muhlenberg College
- 2001 Mellon Grant Cluster Group, Muhlenberg College
- 2001 Dissertation Completion Grant, Temple University
- 1999 Research Grant, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research
- 1999 Teaching Grant, Temple University
- 1998 Teaching Grant, Temple University
- 1997 Teaching Grant, Temple University
- 1993 Lucille Cafouros Award in Anthropology, Muhlenberg College
- 1993 Phi Sigma Tau National Honor Society for Philosophy, Muhlenberg College

**FIELDWORK &
RESEARCH**

São Paulo (Brazil)

Archival work ongoing; ethnographic fieldwork initiated in summer 2004
Short-term ethnographic research project on youth, poverty, and violence for a University of California Press book manuscript in development with the series editor for Public Anthropology.

Port-au-Prince (Haiti)

October 1994 – March 2004

Archival study and fieldwork

Extended ethnographic research project, eight field seasons, originating with dissertation fieldwork to investigate the combined effects of poverty, displacement and political violence on the cultural identity and social agency of street children. Also conducted a series of ethnographic interviews with youth detainees at Haiti's Prison Juvénile-Sous-Fort at Fort National in 2000.

**RESEARCH
AFFILIATIONS**

Research Initiative on Small Arms/Light Weapons

Center for the Study of Force & Diplomacy

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

2005 - present

Faculty of Social Sciences, University of the West Indies

Mona, Jamaica

2001 - present

Bureau National d'Ethnologie, Université d'Etat d'Haïti

Port-au-Prince, Haiti

1999 – present

BOOKS

2006. *Sleeping Rough in Port-au-Prince: An Ethnography of Street Children and Violence in Haiti.* Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida. In press.

Under Contract. *Dangerous Crossroads: Childhood, Crisis and Vodou in Haiti.*

Piscataway, NJ: Rutgers University Press. Expected publication, 2008.

- JOURNAL ARTICLES**
2006. "Factional Terror, Paramilitarism and Civil War in Haiti: The View from Port-au-Prince (1994-2004)." *Anthropologica*. 48(1).
2002. "Negotiating Dangerous Fields: Pragmatic Strategies for Fieldwork amid Violence and Terror." *American Anthropologist* 104(1): 208-222.
2002. Review of Remaking a World: Violence, Social Suffering, and Recovery, by Veena Das, Arthur Kleinman, Margaret Lock, Mamphela Ramphele, and Pamela Reynolds. *American Anthropologist* 104(2): 674-675.
2001. Review of Marx's Ecology: Materialism and Nature, by John Bellamy Foster. *Human Ecology Review* 8(1): 73-75.
2000. "Anti-Gang, *Arimaj*, and the War on Street Children in Haiti." *Peace Review* 12(3): 415-421.
1999. "Children and the Politics of Violence in Haitian Context: Statist Violence, Scarcity, and Street Child Agency in Port-au-Prince." *Critique of Anthropology* 19(2): 121-138.
- PHOTOGRAPHY**
2006. Cover photograph. "Women and Girls Demonstrate for Peace, Port-au-Prince, Haiti: 2000." *Anthropologica* 48(1).
- CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & PARTICIPATION**
2006. Paper Presentation. "Examining the 'Weapons Effect' in Haiti: The Impact of Small Arms and Light Weapons on Stability and Democracy." Annual Meeting of the Caribbean Studies Association (Port-of-Spain, Trinidad & Tobago).
2005. Paper Presentation, "The Impact of Small Arms and Light Weapons on the Haitian Civil Society." International Conference on Gun Cultures (Bonn, Germany).
2005. Paper Presentation, "An Overview of the 'Weapons Effect' in Haiti." Meeting of the Research Initiative on Small Arms (New York, NY).
2005. Paper Presentation, "Violence, Death and Zombification among Street Youth in Port-au-Prince, Haiti." Annual Meeting of the Caribbean Studies Association (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic).
2003. Paper Presentation, "The Sleeping Wars: The Socioeconomics of Violence among Street Youth in Haiti." Annual Meeting of the Caribbean Studies Association (Belize City, Belize).

2002. Organizer and Chair, "Ethnography in the Dangerous Field: Anthropologies of Violence, Terror and Suffering." Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association (New Orleans, LA).
2002. Paper presentation, "Fists, Knives, Rocks and Razors: Sleeping Rough in Port-au-Prince." Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association (New Orleans, LA).
2001. Paper presentation, "Anti-Gang, *Arimaj*, and the War on Street Children in Haiti." Annual Meeting of the American Ethnological Society/Canadian Anthropological Society (Montreal, Quebec).
1999. Paper presentation, "Crafting Selfhood in the Bond: Symbolic Constructions of Aggression in American Fraternal Ritual." Temple University Colloquium in Anthropology (Philadelphia, PA).
1999. Paper presentation, "On the Street and Under the Monkey's Gun: Displaced Childhood and Political Conflict in Port-au-Prince, Haiti." Annual Meeting of the Association for Humanist Sociology (Memphis, TN).
1998. Panelist, "Cross-Cultural Conflict Resolution." International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (Williamsburg, VA).
1998. Paper presentation, "Children and the Politics of Violence in Haitian Context." International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (Williamsburg, VA).
1998. Panelist, "Youth's and Children's Labor in a Globalizing Economy." Annual Meeting of the American Ethnological Society (Toronto, Ontario).
1998. Paper presentation, "Children and the Politics of Crisis in Haitian Context." Annual Meeting of the American Ethnological Society (Toronto, Ontario).
1998. Session Chair, "Beyond the Metropolitan: Colony, State & Nation." *Schuylkill* Interdisciplinary Conference, Temple University (Philadelphia, PA).
1998. Paper presentation, "Social Demarcations of State Terror: Political Violence and Cultural Constraint." *Schuylkill* Interdisciplinary Conference, Temple University (Philadelphia, PA).

1997. Paper presentation, "Representation as Terror and Resistance: Children, Political Violence and the Visual Evidence (Port-au-Prince, Haiti)." Smithsonian Conference of the Human Studies Film Archive (Washington, DC).

**PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS**

American Anthropological Association
American Ethnological Society
Society for Latin American Anthropology
International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences
Association of Caribbean Studies
Research Initiative on Small Arms/Light Weapons
Society of Small Arms Scholars

**PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE**

Rapporteur on UN Policy, Research Initiative on Small Arms/Light Weapons (RISALW)
2005 - present

Responsibilities: Attend meetings of the United Nations Programme on Small Arms; prepare and deliver summary reports of those meetings to the membership of RISALW.

Steering Committee, Research Initiative on Small Arm/Light Weapons (RISALW)
2005 - present

Responsibilities: Coordinate working groups and program priorities; serve as co-chair of RISALW meetings; grant writing.

Manuscript Reviewer, Allyn & Bacon Publishing
2005 - present

Responsibilities: Review and assess the value of manuscripts from a scholarly and research perspective and comment on the overall quality of the work presented in the manuscript.

Manuscript Reviewer, Routledge Press
2005 - present

Responsibilities: Review and assess the value of manuscripts from a scholarly and research perspective and comment on the overall quality of the work presented in the manuscript.

Peer Reviewer, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
2005

Responsibilities: Assess research proposals and make recommendations about prioritizing projects for funding.

Steering Committee, Society of Small Arms Scholars

2004 - present

Responsibilities: Develop and promote academic research that focuses on global problems associated with small arms and light weapons; facilitate a network of scholars from numerous disciplines conducting research relevant to the various causes and consequences of small arms proliferation, availability, circulation, and misuse.

Examination Reviewer, Educational Testing Service

2004 - present

Responsibilities: Write and review questions for the Praxis Social Sciences examinations.

Expert Witness and Consultant, Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center

2001 - present

Responsibilities: Provide testimony and written affidavits on behalf of Haitian and Jamaican refugee children and adolescents seeking asylum in the United States.

Juvenile Advocate Advisor, State Correctional Institution (SCI) - Pine Grove

2001 - 2002

Responsibilities: Served on the Advisory Board to SCI-Pine Grove (Indiana County, PA) in the capacity of Juvenile Advocate, ensuring that the civil rights of youth detainees in the facility are protected and respected.

International Civilian Electoral Observer, Haitian Presidential Elections

1995

Responsibilities: Patrolled polling stations in the central department of Haiti and recorded incidents of voter intimidation and fraud; oversaw and authenticated vote counts when the polls closed.