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**Education**

**Ph.D. Anthropology, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand, 2009**

Dissertation: The Negotiation of Takapuneke: A study of Maori-State Relations and the Investment of Value in *Tapu* Lands

Areas of Study: Indigenous-State relations, Landscape, Capital, Maori, Value, New Zealand

**M.A. Anthropology, University of Montana, Missoula, 1999**

Thesis: The Good Hunter: A Study of the Beliefs and Motivations of Appropriate Hunting Behavior by Montana Hunters

Areas of Study: Landscape, Hunting practices, Religious Performance, Value, Montana

**B.A. Anthropology with Honors, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, 1996**

Honors: Sacred and Profane Land in the West: a case study of the Navajo and Hopi

Areas of Study: Indigenous-State relations, Religious Practice, Landscape, Conflict

**Teaching Appointments**

**Instructor, Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville, IL, 2011 – present**

Lecturer 2007 – 2011

Anthropology Department

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Anthropology (Four-Field and Sociocultural Specific)

Anthropology of Disasters

Global Problems and Human Survival (Broad focus and Health Focused sections)

Ethnographic Field Methods

People and Cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean

Anthropology in Contemporary Life

Applied Anthropology

Environmental Anthropology

Urban Anthropology

Public Health Policy

Business and Society

People and Culture of Asia

**Assistant Professor, SLU Prison Program – ERDCC, Bonne Terre, MO – Summer 2012**

Sociology and Anthropology Department

Course: Introduction to Anthropology (1 section to incarcerated students and 1 section to staff students)

**Adjunct Assistant Professor, St. Louis University – St. Louis, MO, 2012 – present**

Assistant Professor 2011-2012

Lecturer, 2007 – 2011

Sociology and Anthropology Department

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Anthropology (Four Field)

Environmental Anthropology

Peace and Conflict Studies

Cultural Anthropology

Peoples of Oceania

Anthropology of Disasters

**Senior Instructor, Pierre Laclede Honors College, University of Missouri – St. Louis, MO, 2007 – 2008**

Courses Taught:

Violence: A Cross-Cultural Perspective

Changing Ideas of Our Place in the World: Place, Space, and Home

**Senior Instructor, University of Missouri – St. Louis, MO, 2005-2006**

Anthropology Department

Course Taught: World Cultures

**Seminar Lecturer, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, NZ, 2003 – 2004**

Sociology and Anthropology Department

Courses Taught:

Anthropological Perspectives

Culture and Society

**Research Interests**

**Preppers/Survivalists** – particularly preparations against potential disasters, groups that prepare (preppers/survivalists/fundamentalists) and their worldviews on their place in society, adoption of preparation attitude among general public, resilience/sustainability, state sponsored preparations and organizational planning

**Meaning making and value** – concepts on how we create meaning and emphasis on how values are formed, transmitted, and performed

**Landscape** – focus on sacred land, land conflicts, hunting behavior, recreation, tourism, history

**Indigenous Sovereignty and the State** – emphasis on colonialisms/development, power relations and policy, relationships between indigenous peoples/state/NGOs

**Identity and Memory** – focus on the creation and recreation of identity and memory, especially in association with landscape, power relations, tourism, ethnicity, and conflict

**Regions** – Oceania, North America, Europe

**Research/Field Experience**

**Current Research – Disaster Preparedness Groups (Preppers) and the creation of Value – August 2009 – present.**

This research is attempting to document and understand how prepping groups, such

as Zombie Squad (an international disaster/catastrophe readiness-training organization that uses a zombie apocalypse scenario as its mythos), have used and created value around the need for preparedness in such a way as to create a successful volunteer groups focused on issues of preparedness. I am particularly interested in how these groups emphasizes community involvement to their membership, including volunteering for larger organizations such as the Red Cross, Service International and numerous local organizations. This research is being expanded to include government agencies or affiliated groups such as CERT (Civilian Emergency Response Teams), disaster organizations, law enforcement and disaster response teams, and several local, governmentally based Emergency Response Organizations. Another focus of the research is to understand the contrastive depictions and creation of discourses around preppers and survivalists. Further, this research analyzes policy that is in place or being put in place that may affect those who claim to be preppers or survivalists.

**Dissertation Fieldwork. June 2003 – December 2004, May – June 2008.**

In Akaroa/Onuku/Christchurch, New Zealand on sacred land disputes, memory, the State, biculturalism and concepts of landscape and heritage with a view toward the theory and practice of policy. This research followed the process of protecting a sacred site from development, including the religious, political, economic and policy implications of the site, and how such sites should be legislated and managed in the future, within the context of the expanding influence of the Treaty process in New Zealand's emerging bicultural society.

**Washington University, St. Louis, MO – Research Associate, 2005.**

Research position to assist in completing my dissertation.

**Master's Thesis Fieldwork in Missoula, MT on hunting ethics and rituals among non-indigenous hunters in Montana. January 1998 – August 1998.**

This included being appointed as a member of the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department Hunting Behavior Council (1998), which convened to discuss hunting ethics, conservation and law in order to create a program to emphasize and enforce ethical practices among hunters.

**Research Assistant, Dr. Linda Watts, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado – Colorado Springs. August 1995 – May 1996.**

My duties included: learning Ethnograph software; teaching Ethnograph software to supervisor and other research assistants; transcribing interviews; creating a coding system; coding interview data; analyzing data; creating a filing system; supervising other research assistants; consulting other research assistants for report writing.

**Presentations/Panels**

*"Prepper" as resilient citizen: what preppers can teach us about surviving disasters.* Session: Learning from the Locals: The Importance of Community Perspectives in Countering "Expert" Bias in Disaster Response. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting. Santa Fe, NM. March 2017.

*Doomsday Prepper and Survivalists: Exploring the world of preppers and survivalists.* Studentersamfunnet i Bergen (Bergen Student Society lectures). University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway. September 22, 2015. Invited Lecture.

*Prepper or Prepared Citizen: the perception of prepping behavior in media and policy.* Session: Danger! American Anthropological Association 2013 Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, November 2013.

*Instructive Mythologies for Survivors in a Post-Zombie Apocalypse Society: What to do and What to have to Survive.* Session: Spaces of Risk and Death. Central States Anthropological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO. April 2013.  
Workshop Participant: Professional Development for Graduate Students and Junior Faculty. Central States Anthropological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO. April 2013.

*Government on our Side? Conceptions of Nature, Sacredness, and Power on Banks Peninsula, New Zealand.* Session: Fighting for Nature(s): Various Interpretations of Nature in the Context of Environmental Conflicts. American Ethnological Society/Association for Political and Legal Anthropology Joint Spring Meeting. Chicago, IL. April 2013.

Guest Speaker: *If a Tree Falls: A Story of the Earth Liberation Front* (film and discussion). The Energy and Environmental Law Society, Washington University. March 19, 2013

Guest Lecture: *Where there is no Freedom.* Korean Student Association, St. Louis University. April 12, 2012

Session Chair: Research on the American Experience. CSAS Conference. Toledo, OH. March 2012

Panelist/Paper: *Fitting it all in: Teaching Anthropology or Training Anthropologist.* Professional Development Panel: Innovative Methods for Teaching and Engaging Students in Anthropology. Central States Anthropological Society Annual Conference. Toledo, OH. March 2012.

*Government on our Side?: Official Language and power on Banks Peninsula, New Zealand.* Session: Exploring the Dimensions of Language and Culture. Central States Anthropological Society Annual Conference. Toledo, OH. March 2012.

*Zombie Squad to the rescue: Recreating survivalists in America.* Session: Research on the American Experience. Central States Anthropological Society Annual Conference. Toledo, OH. March 2012.

*New Urban Survivalists: How Zombie Squad is Redefining the Characterization of Survivalists while keeping us free from the Walking Dead.* SLU Sociology and Criminal Justice Dept Brown Bag Talk. September 21, 2011.

*The Value of Sacredness: Divergent perceptions of Tapu on Banks Peninsula, New Zealand.* Engaging Indigenous Communities Conference. Sault Ste. Marie, Canada. August 2010.

*The Negotiation of Takapuneke: Maori-State relations and the investment of value in tapu lands.* Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania Annual Meeting. Symposium Title: Indigenous Struggles and Issues in Oceania today. February 2009.

*Takapuneke: The Results of Negotiation – a summary of findings.* Faculty seminar, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand, June 2008.

*Tino Rangatiranga and the control of Wahi Tapu: A study of Maori-Pakeha Relations – An introduction to the research.* Paper presented at Postgraduate Conference, University of Christchurch, Christchurch, New Zealand, November 2003.

*“We are Aztlan”: Chicano Ethnogenesis and the Role of Land.* Northwest Anthropological Conference, Student section, Missoula, MT 1998.

### **Publishing**

*“For Preppers, the Apocalypse is Just Another Disaster”* SAPIENS. 14 March 2018.  
<https://www.sapiens.org/culture/prepping-anthropology/>

*“Prepper” as resilient citizen: what preppers can teach us about surviving disasters.* In Companion, Michele, and Miriam S. Chaiken, eds. *Responses to Disasters and Climate Change: Understanding Vulnerability and Fostering Resilience.* CRC Press, 2016. pp. 239-247.

*“The Negotiation of Takapuneke: conflicting notions of value of a tapu site.”* *Social Identities.* Vol 18. No 4. July 2012, 1-13.

*“Protection from Development/Development of Protection: balancing power and capital on Banks Peninsula, New Zealand”.* *Anthropologies.* available at: <http://www.anthropologiesproject.org>. February 2012.

### **Public Anthropology**

Shannon, Jen, narrator. *“Are you ready for Teotwawki?”* SAPIENS. Season 1, episode 3. Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Studies, 2018.  
<https://www.sapiens.org/culture/teotwawki/> and  
<https://www.sapiens.org/culture/preppers/>

*Awaiting Armageddon.* KMOX News Radio 1120/CBS Radio. Featured in Parts 3 (March 1) and 5 (March 3). Radio Interview by Megan Lynch. March 2017.

*Doomsday Preppers are planning to 3D print their way through the apocalypse.* Cecilia D’Anastasio. *Motherboard/VICE.* June 17, 2016. Interview. Accessed

at: [https://motherboard.vice.com/en\\_us/article/doomsday-preppers-are-planning-to-3d-print-their-way-through-the-apocalypse](https://motherboard.vice.com/en_us/article/doomsday-preppers-are-planning-to-3d-print-their-way-through-the-apocalypse)

Radio Interview on prepping in US. Clare Mortenson. Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) – Canberra. January 25, 2017.

*Doomsday Preppers and Survivalists: exploring the world of survivalists and preppers.* Studentersamfunner i Bergen (The Bergen Student Society lecture series). University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway. September 22, 2015. <http://studentersamfunnetibergen.no/program/doomsday-preppers-and-survivalists>

*Prepper Pinterest: Inside the fascinating, bizarre world of Doomsday survivalists.* Caitlin Dewey. *The Sydney Morning Herald*. September 5, 2015. Accessed at: <http://www.smh.com.au/digital-life/digital-life-news/prepper-pinterest-inside-the-fascinating-bizarre-world-of-doomsday-survivalists-20150905-gjfrn1.html>

*Ebola gives 'doomsday preppers' another reason to prepare for the end of civilization.* Jonathan Kaminsky/Reuters. *Raw Story*. October 22, 2014. Accessed at: <http://www.rawstory.com/2014/10/ebola-gives-doomsday-preppers-another-reason-to-prepare-for-the-end-of-civilization/>

*"Prepping" increases in an increasingly unprepared Sweden.* Emma Bengtsson. *Svenska Dagbladet*. July 14, 2014. Accessed at: <https://www.svd.se/prepping-okar-i-ett-allt-mer-oforberett-sverige>

*Preparing For Disaster.* Peter Katel. *CQ Researcher*. August 2, 2013. V. 23 N. 28. pp 669-692. Interview.

*En attendant l'apocalypse.* Julie Zaugg. *Le Temps* (Swiss). Saturday, June 22, 2013. p30. Interview. Accessed at: <https://www.letemps.ch/societe/2013/06/21/aux-etats-unis-plus-plus-nombreux-attendre-apocalypse>

*'Doomsday Preppers': Our New Threat?* Guest Blog Post: American Anthropological Association. January 16, 2013. Accessed at <http://blog.aaanet.org/2013/01/16/doomsday-preppers-our-new-threat/>

*Are you prepared for zombies?* Guest Blog Post: American Anthropological Association. April 11, 2012. Accessed at <http://blog.aaanet.org/2012/04/11/are-you-prepared-for-zombies/>

Post Dispatch/STL.Today.com – “11/11/11 is a popular pick for weddings,events” Evan S. Benn. Interview.

KTVI-FOX 2 – “11-11-11: Looking at the Numbers” – Consultant and on-screen interview for morning news program. Nov 11, 2011.

## **Grants**

William & Ina Cartwright Scholarship 2004/2005

Competitive scholarship based on teaching (NZ\$6000 per annum).

University of Canterbury Doctoral Scholarship 2003 – 2006

Competitive scholarship based on academic merit (NZ\$15000 per annum).