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Academic History

- 2016- Professor, Department of Anthropology and Development Studies, University of Melbourne (concurrent appointment).
- 2014 Visiting Professor, Oslo Summer School, University of Oslo, Norway, July.
- 2013 Co-convenor, International Institute of Asian Studies Winter School, Macau, December.
- 2011 Visiting Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Cape Town, South Africa, August-September.
- 2011- Director, Center for India and South Asia (CISA), UCLA.
- 2010- Research Affiliate, Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE), UCLA.
- 2009 Visiting Professor, Ecole des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales, Paris. May-June.
- 2008 Visiting Professor, Danish Research School of Anthropology and Ethnography, August-September.
- 2007- Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of California at Los Angeles.

Academic History contd.

- 2006 Visiting Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Los Angeles, Fall Quarter.
- 2001 Singhvi Visiting Professor, Edinburgh University, Centre for South Asian Studies.
- 2001 Visiting Associate Professor, *Centre d'Etudes de l'Inde et de l'Asie du Sud*, Ecole des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales, Paris.
- 1997-2006 Associate Professor, Department of Cultural & Social Anthropology, Stanford University
- 1989-97 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, Stanford University.
- 1987-89 Acting Assistant Professor, School of International Studies and Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, Seattle. Joint appointment in International Studies and South Asian Studies programs.
- 1980-88 Graduate study, Stanford University
Ph.D., Engineering-Economic Systems
- 1977-79 Graduate study, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
S.M., Mechanical Engineering
- 1975-77 Undergraduate study, Western Michigan University
B.S., Mechanical Engineering, *summa cum laude*

Awards, Honors, Fellowships and Grants

- 2016 Wenner-Gren Symposium Award for “The Anthropology of Corruption” (with Sarah Muir).
- 2014 Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy Book Prize for *Red Tape*, awarded by the Association for Asian Studies (AAS).
- 2014 School of American Research Advanced Seminar Award for “The Promise of Infrastructure” (with Nikhil Anand and Hannah Appel).
- 2013 Honorable Mention, Gregory Bateson Book Prize for *Red Tape*, Society for Cultural Anthropology, American Anthropological Association.
- 2009 American Institute of Indian Studies Senior Fellowship to support fieldwork in India.
- 2008 Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) Seed Grant, UCLA for research on call centers.
- 2007 Goel Lecturer, University of British Columbia, Vancouver.
- 2006-7 Litt Award (with Purnima Mankekar), Clayman Institute, Stanford.
- 2004-5 Fellow, The Stanford Humanities Center, Stanford.
- 2003 Sirindhorn Anthropology Lecture, Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 2000-1 Fellow, The National Humanities Center, North Carolina.
- 1999 Honorable Mention for *Postcolonial Developments*, American Ethnological Society Book Prize, American Anthropological Association.
- 1999-2002 Elected Member, Nominations Committee, American Anthropological Association.
- 1999-2002 Bechtel Initiative Grant for project on power pricing in Andhra Pradesh, India (with Sam Chiu, Rafiq Dossani, and Bob Crow).
- 1999-2000 Introduction to the Humanities Program, Stanford University, to support course development assistant.
- 1999-2000 South Asia Fund, Institute for International Studies, Stanford University, to support research assistance and course development (with Mark Mancall and Purnima Mankekar).

Awards, Honors, Fellowships and Grants contd.

- 1999-2000 South Asia Fund, Institute for International Studies, Stanford University, for project on Dhan Gopal Mukerji (with Gordon Chang).
- 1997-98 Fellow, The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C. .
- 1995-98 Elected Member, South Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies.
- 1995 Hewlett Fund Grants, Institute for International Studies, Stanford University for colloquium series on South Asia.
- 1995-98 Associate Editor, *American Ethnologist*.
- 1993-94 Fellow, Agrarian Studies Program, Yale University.
- 1993 Presidential Fellow, Salzburg Seminar.
- 1991-92 Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Grant.
- 1990-91 Ford Foundation Grant “Undergraduate Education in a Global Context: Bringing an International Perspective to Undergraduate Courses in the Social Sciences” (with Mark Mancall) for development of course “Modern India.”
- 1988-89 Research Grant, Fritz Endowment for International Studies.
- 1988 GTE Foundation competition grant for lecture series on “Appropriate Technology for Developing Countries” (with others).

Research Experience

- 2012 Field research on call centers and BPOs, Bangalore, India
- 2011 Field research on call centers and BPOs, Bangalore, India
- 2010 Field research on call centers and BPOs, Bangalore, India
- 2009 Field research on call centers and BPOs (Business Process Outsourcing) companies,
Bangalore, India
- 2005 Preliminary fieldwork on call centers in Delhi, India
- 2003 Preliminary fieldwork on call centers in Delhi, India
- 1997-98 Preliminary fieldwork on food in Goa, India
- 1995-96 Preliminary fieldwork on food in Goa, India
- 1991-92 Fieldwork in western Uttar Pradesh, India
- 1984-85 Fieldwork in western Uttar Pradesh, India

Teaching and Research Interests

Teaching interests include the state in developing societies, political economy and postcolonialism, the anthropology of food, the history of globalization, environmental history and identities, nationalism, applied anthropology and the discourse of development, South Asian ethnography, history of anthropological theory, and political anthropology.

Research interests are currently focused on a project on the ethnography of the state in India and environmental history.

Courses Taught

- 1) Food Production, Poverty and Famine (South Asia focus), Win. 1987-88, Win. 1988-89, Fall 1989-90 (Univ. of Washington & Stanford)
- 2) Technology, State and Society, Win. 1987-88, Fall 1988-89 (Univ. of Washington)
- 3) The Political Economy of India, Spring 1988-89 (Univ. of Washington), Spring 1996-97 (Stanford)
- 4) State Organizations and Social Transformation, Spring 1988-89 (Univ. of Washington)
- 5) Nationalism in New States, Fall 1988-89 (Univ. of Washington)
- 6) Practicum in International Studies (graduate methodology course), Win. 1988-89, Spring 1988-89 (Univ. of Washington)
- 7) Topics in Political Economy (grad. core course), Win. 1989-90, Win. 1990-91, Spring 1992-93, Fall 1996-97 (Stanford), Fall 2002-3
- 8) Theory in Social Anthropology, Spring 1989-90, Win. 1990-91, Win. 1992-93 (Stanford)
- 9) Marxisms, Feminisms, Postmodernisms (advanced grad. course), Spring 1990-91 (Stanford)
- 10) Modern India: History, Society, Cultures, Spring 1990-91, Winter 1992-93, Winter 1994-95, Winter 1995-96 (Stanford)
- 11) Indigenous Knowledges (advanced grad. course), Spring 1992-93 (Stanford)
- 12) History of Anthropological Theory: The Twentieth Century (required graduate course), Win. 1994-95 (Stanford)
- 13) Anthropological Research Methods (required graduate course), Spring 1994-95, Spring 1995-96, Spring 1999-2000 (Stanford)
- 14) Proposal Writing Seminar (required graduate course), Spring 1994-95, Spring 2001-2, Spring 2002-3, Spring 2003-4, Spring 2005-6.
- 15) Political Economic and Poststructuralist Theories of the State (advanced graduate course), Winter 1995-96, Winter 1996-97 (Stanford)
- 16) Environmental Problems and Development, Spring 1995-96, Spring 1998-99 (Stanford)
- 17) Introduction to Social/Cultural Anthropology, Spring 1996-97, Fall 1998-99 (Stanford)
- 18) The Modern Tradition: Globalization and Modernity (required graduate course, Modern Thought & Literature Program), Fall 1998-99, Fall 1999-2000, Fall 2001-02 (Stanford)
- 19) History, Theory, Methods (required graduate seminar), Winter 1998-99 (Stanford)
- 20) Modern South Asia: History, Society, Cultures, Fall 1999-2000, Fall 2001-02
- 21) Introduction to the Humanities: Encounters and Identities, Winter 1999-2000, Winter 2001-2, Winter 2002-3, Winter 2003-4

Teaching and Research Interests contd.

- 22) South Asian Studies: Globalization, Spring 2002-3
- 23) The Anthropology of Development (graduate seminar), Winter 2005-6.
- 24) Environmental Ethics, Winter 2005-6.
- 25) The Anthropology of Food, Spring 2005-6 (Stanford), Spring 2007 (UCLA), Spring 2008, Winter 2010, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Winter 2013, Winter 2015, Fall 2016.
- 26) The Anthropology of the State (graduate seminar), Spring 2007 (UCLA), Winter 2008 (UCLA).
- 27) Environmental Ethics, Winter 2008, Fall 2008.
- 28) Ethnographies of Information Technology, Spring 2008.
- 29) Culture, Power, Social Change, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2014, Winter 2015, Spring 2015, 2016-17.
- 30) Core Course on Anthropological Theory, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2013.
- 31) Economic Development and Cultural Change, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2013, Winter 2016.
- 32) The Anthropology of Development, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2013, Winter 2016.
- 33) Urban Hybridity in the Postcolonial Age, Univ. of Macau, Dec. 16-20, 2013.
- 34) Comparative and Global Social Futures, University of Oslo, July 21-25, 2014.

Publications

Books and Special Issues of Journals

- 2018 *The Anthropology of Corruption* (edited with Sarah Muir), *Current Anthropology* (under review).
- 2018 *The Promise of Infrastructure* (edited with Nikhil Anand and Hannah Appel). Duke Univ. Press (under contract).
- 2015b *Antropología del Estado* (with Philip Abrams, Timothy Mitchell, Marcela Pimentel (Translator), Fausto Trejo (Translator), and Marco Palacios). Umbrales, Kindle Edition.
- 2015a *Infrastructure Toolbox*, Special Collection for Theorizing the Contemporary (TtC), *Cultural Anthropology* (edited with Nikhil Anand and Hannah Appel)
<http://www.culanth.org/fieldsights/725-the-infrastructure-toolbox>
- 2012b *Red Tape: Bureaucracy, Structural Violence, and Poverty in India*. Delhi: Orient Blackswan (Indian edition).
- 2012a *Red Tape: Bureaucracy, Structural Violence, and Poverty in India*. Durham: Duke University Press. (Coomaraswamy Book Prize, AAS; radio interview on BBC4; 38 reviews. Reviewed in: *American Ethnologist*, *Anthropological Notebooks*, *Anthropological Quarterly*, *Antipode*, *Asian Affairs*, *Asian Studies Review*, *Biblio*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Contemporary South Asia*, *Contributions to Indian Sociology*, *Economic and Political Weekly*, *Economy and Society*, *European Journal of Sociology*, *Governance*, *Hindustan Times*, *JRAI*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *PoLAR Review*; *Political Studies Review*, *Postcolonial Studies*, *Progress in Development Studies*, *Social Anthropology*, *Society and Space*, *South Asian History and Culture*, *Studies in Indian Politics*, *The Book Review*, *The Hindu*)
- 2011 *The State in India after Liberalization* (edited with K. Sivaramakrishnan), Routledge.
- 2006b *Anthropological Locations: Boundaries and Grounds of a Field Science* (edited with James Ferguson), Chinese edition.
- 2006a *The Anthropology of the State: A Reader* (edited with Aradhana Sharma), Blackwell.
- 2002 *Caste and Outcast* (edited with Gordon Chang and Purnima Mankekar), Stanford University Press.
- 1999 Special Issue, "Asian Transnationalities: Media, Markets, and Migration," *Positions*, vol.7, no.3 (edited with Inderpal Grewal and Aihwa Ong).
- 1998 *Postcolonial Developments: Agriculture in the Making of Modern India*, Duke University Press and Oxford University Press (India).

PublicationsBooks and Special Issues of Journals

- 1997b *Anthropological Locations: Boundaries and Grounds of a Field Science* (edited with James Ferguson). Berkeley: University of California Press.
- 1997a *Culture, Power, Place: Explorations in Critical Anthropology* (edited with James Ferguson), Duke University Press.
- 1992 Theme Issue, "Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference," *Cultural Anthropology*, vol. 7, no.1 (edited with James Ferguson).

Publications contd.Scholarly Articles

- 2018c “Changing Forms of Corruption in India,” *Modern Asian Studies* (accepted for publication).
- 2018b “The Future in Ruins: Thoughts on the Temporality of Infrastructure,” in *The Promise of Infrastructure* eds. Nikhil Anand, Akhil Gupta, and Hannah Appel. Duke Univ. Press (under contract).
- 2018a “Introduction: The Promise of Infrastructure” (with Hannah Appel and Nikhil Anand) in *The Promise of Infrastructure* eds. Nikhil Anand, Akhil Gupta, and Hannah Appel. Duke Univ. Press (under contract).
- 2017 “Farming as a Speculative Activity: The Ecological Basis of Farmers’ Suicides in India,” in *The Routledge Companion to Environmental Humanities* eds. Ursula K. Heise, Jon Christensen, and Michelle Niemann. Oxfordshire, UK: Routledge, pp. 185-193.
- 2016c “On Structural Violence” in Kalpana Kannabiran ed. *Violence and its Habitations in India*. Delhi: Oxford Univ. Press.
- 2016b “Paradoxical Infrastructures: Ruins, Retrofit, and Risk,” (with Cymene Howe, et. al.), *Science, Technology, & Human Values*, 1-19.
<http://sth.sagepub.com/content/early/2015/12/23/0162243915620017.full.pdf+html>
- 2016a “Intimate Encounters: Affective Labor in Call Centers,” (with Purnima Mankekar), *Positions*, 24(1): 17-43.
- 2015f “State, Corruption, Postcoloniality: A Conversation with Akhil Gupta on the 20th Anniversary of ‘Blurred Boundaries’” (with David Nugent and Shreyas Sreenath), *American Ethnologist* 42(4):581-591.
- 2015e “Is Poverty a Global Security Threat?” in Ananya Roy and Emma Shaw Crane eds. *Territories of Poverty: Rethinking North and South*, University of Georgia Press, pp. 84-102.
- 2015d “Editors Introduction: The Infrastructure Toolbox,” (with Hannah Appel and Nikhil Anand), *Theorizing the Contemporary (TtC)*, *Cultural Anthropology*.
<http://www.culanth.org/fieldsights/714-introduction-the-infrastructure-toolbox>
- 2015c “Suspension,” *Theorizing the Contemporary*, *Cultural Anthropology*.
<http://www.culanth.org/fieldsights/722-suspension>

Publications contd.

- 2015b “An Anthropology of Electricity from the Global South,” *Cultural Anthropology* 30(4): 555-568.
- 2015a “Viewing States from the Global South” in Christopher Krupa and David Nugent eds. *State Theory and Andean Politics: New Approaches to the Study of Rule*. Philadelphia: Univ. of Pennsylvania Press, pp. 267-277.
- 2014 “Authorship, Research Assistants, and the Ethnographic Field,” *Ethnography*, 15(3): 394-400.
- 2013d “Messy Bureaucracies,” *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*, 3(3): 435-440.
- 2013c “Structural Violence and Politics,” *Economy and Society*, 42 (4): 686-692.
- 2013b “Review Forum on Akhil Gupta’s *Red Tape*,” *Society and Space—Environment and Planning*, <http://societyandspace.com/2013/08/28/review-forum-on-akhil-guptas-red-tape/>
- 2013a “Arbitrariness, Structural Violence, and State Theory,” *Society and Space—Environment and Planning*, <http://societyandspace.com/reviews/reviews-archive/gupta-akhil-2012-red-tape-bureaucracy-structural-violence-and-poverty-in-india-response-by-akhil-gupta/>
- 2012b “A Different History of the Present: The Movement of Crops, Cuisines, and Globalization” in Krishnendu Ray and Tulasi Srinivas eds. *Curried Cultures: Globalization, Food, and South Asia*. Berkeley: Univ. of California Press, pp. 29-46.
- 2012a “Interview: Anthropological Research on NGOs” (with Jennifer Curtis and James Ferguson), *PoLAR online* spillover conversation, pp. 1-9. <http://www.polaronline.org/polar/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/NGO-Interview.pdf>
- 2011 “National Poverty and Global Poverty in the Age of Neoliberalism,” *Cahiers d'Études Africaines*, LI(2-3):415-426.
- 2010c “Introduction: The State in India After Liberalization” in Gupta, Akhil and K. Sivaramakrishnan eds. *The State in India after Liberalization*, Routledge, pp. 1-27.
- 2010b “Global Poverty: An Anthropological Critique,” *World Social Science Report*, UNESCO International Social Science Council, pp. 13-16.
- 2010a ““Overstated” Objections,” *Anthropologica*, 52(1):178-182.

Publications contd.

- 2009 “Nationale Armut, globale Armut und Neoliberalismus: eine anthropologische Kritik,” in Hubertus Büschel and Daniel Speich (Eds.): *Entwicklungswelten. Globalgeschichte der Entwicklungszusammenarbeit*, (Series Globalgeschichte, Volume 6, Series editors: Andreas Eckert, Sebastian Conrad, Ulrike Freitag), Frankfurt am Main, Campus Verlag, pp 113-139.
- 2008b “Globalization and Difference: Cosmopolitanism Before the Nation-State,” *Transforming Cultures*, 3(2): 1-20.
- 2008a “Literacy, Bureaucratic Domination, and Democracy” in Julia Paley ed. *Democracy: Anthropological Perspectives*. Santa Fe, NM: SAR Press, pp. 167-192.
- 2007 “Une Théorie Sans Limite,” in Marie-Claude Smouts ed. *La Situation Postcoloniale*. Paris: Sciences Po Les Presses, pp. 218-221.
- 2006d “Peasants and Global Environmentalism,” in *The Environment in Anthropology: A Reader in Ecology, Culture, and Sustainable Living* eds. Nora Haenn and Richard Wilk. New York: New York University Press, pp. 302-324.
- 2006c “Movimentações globais das colheitas desde a ‘era das descobertas’ e transformações das culturas gastronómicas,” in “*Portugal não é um país pequeno*”: contra o ‘império’ na pós-colonialidade ed. Manuela Ribeiro Sanches. Lisbon: Livros Cotovia, pp. 193-213.
- 2006b Gupta, Akhil and Aradhana Sharma. “Introduction: Rethinking Theories of the State in an Age of Globalization,” in Aradhana Sharma and Akhil Gupta eds. *The Anthropology of the State*. Malden, MA: Blackwell, pp. 1-42.
- 2006a “Globalization and Postcolonial States” (with Aradhana Sharma), *Current Anthropology*, vol. 47, no. 2, pp. 277-307.
- 2005b “Narrating the State of Corruption,” in *Corruption: Anthropological Perspectives* eds. Dieter Haller and Cris Shore. London: Pluto Press, pp. 173-193.
- 2005a “Narratives of corruption: Anthropological and fictional accounts of the Indian state,” *Ethnography*, vol. 6, no. 1, pp. 5-34.
- 2004 “Imagining Nations” in *A Companion to The Anthropology of Politics*, eds. David Nugent and Joan Vincent. Boston: Blackwell, pp. 267-281.
- 2003b “Representing Rural India,” in Jackie Assayag and Veronique Benei eds. *At Home in Diaspora: South Asian Scholars and the West*. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press and Delhi: Permanent Black, pp. 77-90.

Publications contd.

- 2003a "The Transmission of Development: Problems of Scale and Socialization," *Regional Modernities: The Cultural Politics of Development in India* eds. K. Sivaramakrishnan and Arun Agrawal. Delhi: Oxford Univ. Press, pp. 65-74.
- 2002d "Spatializing States: Towards an Ethnography of Neoliberal Governmentality," (with James Ferguson), *American Ethnologist*, vol. 29, no.4, pp. 981-1002.
- 2002c "Reincarnating Immigrant Biography: On Migration and Transmigration," in Elizabeth Mudimbe-Boyi ed. *Beyond Dichotomies*. Albany: State Univ. of New York Press, pp. 169-182.
- 2002b "Reliving Childhood? The Temporality of Childhood and Narratives of Reincarnation," *Ethnos*, vol. 67, no. 1, pp. 33-56.
- 2002a "Afterword: The Homeless Self: Problems of Cultural Translation in Autobiography" (with Purnima Mankekar). In Gordon Chang, Purnima Mankekar, and Akhil Gupta eds. *Caste and Outcast* by Dhan Gopal Mukerji, Stanford University Press, pp. 225-251.
- 2001b "Governing Population: The Integrated Child Development Services Program in India" in Thomas Blom Hansen and Finn Stepputat eds. *States of Imagination: Ethnographic Explorations of the Postcolonial State*, Duke University Press, pp. 65-96.
- 2001a "History, Rule, Representation: Scattered Speculations on *Of Revelation and Revolution, Volume II*," *Interventions: International Journal of Postcolonial Studies*, vol. 3, no. 1, pp. 40-46.
- 1999 "Introduction: Asian Transnationalities: Media, Markets, and Migration," (with Inderpal Grewal), *Positions*, vol. 7, no. 3, pp. 653-666.
- 1998 "Agrarian Populism in the Development of a Modern Nation (India)" in Fred Cooper and Randall Packard eds. *International Development and the Social Sciences: Essays on the History and Politics of Knowledge..* Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 320-344.
- 1997b "Discipline and Practice: 'The Field' as Site, Method, and Location in Anthropology" (with James Ferguson) in Akhil Gupta and James Ferguson eds. *Anthropological Locations: Boundaries and Grounds of a Field Science*. Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 1-46.

Publications contd.

- 1997a “Culture, Power, Place: Ethnography at the End of an Era” (with James Ferguson) in Akhil Gupta and James Ferguson eds. *Culture, Power, Place: Explorations in Critical Anthropology*. Durham: Duke University Press, pp. 1-29.
- 1995 “Blurred Boundaries: The Discourse of Corruption, the Culture of Politics, and the Imagined State,” *American Ethnologist*, vol. 22, no. 2, pp. 375-402.
- 1992c “The Reincarnation of Souls and the Rebirth of Commodities: Representations of Time in “East” and “West,” *Cultural Critique*, pp. 187-211.
- 1992b “Beyond “Culture”: Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference,” *Cultural Anthropology*, vol. 7, no.1 (with James Ferguson), pp. 6-23.
- 1992a “The Song of the Nonaligned World: Transnational Identities and the Reinscription of Space in Late Capitalism,” *Cultural Anthropology*, vol. 7, no.1, pp. 63-79.
- 1989 “The Political Economy of Post-Independence India -- A Review Article,” *Journal of Asian Studies*, vol. 48, no. 4, pp. 787-797.
- 1984 “Revolution in Telengana, 1946-1951,” *South Asia Bulletin*, vol. 4, Part 1: No. 1, pp. 1-26; Part 2: No. 2, pp. 22-32.
- 1983 “Attenborough’s Truth: The Politics of Gandhi,” *The Threepenny Review*, 15, pp. 22-23.

Comments and Reviews

- 2004 “The Politics of Archaeology: Ayodhya and Hindu Nationalism,” *Current Anthropology*, vol. 45, no. 2.
- 2000 Comment on “Ethnography and the Meta-Narratives of Modernity,” *Current Anthropology*, vol. 41, no.2.
- 1999 Review of James C. Scott, *Seeing Like a State*, *Journal of Asian Studies*, vol. 58, no. 4:1093-95.

Reprints and Translations

- 2013 “Disiplina i praktika: “pole” kak mesto, metod i lokal’nost’ v antropologii” (translated by Sergei Sokolovskiy and Olga Povorozniuk). *Etnograficheskoe obozrenie*. no.6, pp. 3-44.

Publications contd.Reprints and Translations contd.

- 2010 "Beyond 'Culture': Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference," in Kim Fortun and Mike Fortun eds. *Cultural Anthropology*, vol. 1. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- 2008c "Discipline and Practice: 'The Field' as Site, Method, and Location in Anthropology" in Sanjeev Khagram and Peggy Levitt eds. *The Transnational Studies Reader: Intersections and Innovations*. New York: Routledge, pp. 83-103.
- 2008b "Más allá de la "cultura": espacio, identidad y las políticas de la diferencia," *Antípoda*, no. 7.
- 2008a Greek translation of "Beyond 'Culture': Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference."
- 2006c "Peasants and Global Environmentalism," in *The Environment in Anthropology: A Reader in Ecology, Culture, and Sustainable Living* eds. Nora Haenn and Richard Wilk. New York: New York University Press, pp. 302-324.
- 2006b Chinese translation of *Anthropological Locations: Boundaries and Grounds of a Field Science*.
- 2006a "Beyond 'Culture': Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference," in Antonius C.G.M. Robben and Jeffrey A. Sluka eds. *Ethnographic Fieldwork: An Anthropological Reader*. Boston: Blackwell.
- 2005b "Beyond 'Culture': Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference," in Henrietta L. Moore and Todd Sanders eds. *Anthropology in Theory: Issues in Epistemology*. Boston: Blackwell, pp. 608-617.
- 2005a "Spatializing States: Towards an Ethnography of Neoliberal Governmentality," (with James Ferguson) in Jonathan Xavier Inda ed. *Anthropologies of Modernity*. Boston: Blackwell, pp. 105-131.
- 2003 "The Song of the Nonaligned World: Transnational Identities and the Reinscription of Space in Late Capitalism," in Seta Low and Denise Lawrence-Zuniga eds. *The Anthropology of Space and Place*. Boston: Blackwell.
- 2002 "Beyond "Culture": Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference," (with James Ferguson) in Jonathan Xavier Inda and Renato Rosaldo eds. *The Anthropology of Globalization: A Reader*. Boston: Blackwell, 2002, pp. 65-80.

Publications contd.Reprints and Translations contd.

- 2000b “Blurred Boundaries: The Discourse of Corruption, the Culture of Politics, and the Imagined State” in Zoya Hasan ed. *Politics and the State in India*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, pp. 331-378.
- 2000a “Mais Além da “Cultura”: Espaço, Identidade e Política da Diferença,” in Antonio A. Arantes ed. *O Espaço da Diferença*. Campinas, Brazil, pp. 30-49.
- 1999 “The Song of the Nonaligned World: Transnational Identities and the Reinscription of Space in Late Capitalism,” in Steven Vertovec and Robin Cohen eds. *Migration, Diasporas, and Transnationalism*. Northampton, MA : Edgar Elgar.
- 1997b “Beyond “Culture”: Space, Identity, and the Politics of Difference,” (with James Ferguson) in Akhil Gupta and James Ferguson eds. *Culture, Power, Place: Explorations in Critical Anthropology*. Durham: Duke University Press, 1997, pp. 33-51.
- 1997a “The Song of the Nonaligned World: Transnational Identities and the Reinscription of Space in Late Capitalism,” (Revised) in Akhil Gupta and James Ferguson eds. *Culture, Power, Place: Explorations in Critical Anthropology*. Durham: Duke University Press, pp. 179-199.
- 1994 “The Reincarnation of Souls and the Rebirth of Commodities: Representations of Time in “East” and “West,” in *Remapping Memory: The Politics of TimeSpace* ed. Jonathan Boyarin. Minneapolis: Univ. of Minnesota Press, 1994.
- 1986 “Revolution in Telengana, 1946-1951,” *Social Science Probings*, vol. 3, no. 1, 1986, pp. 3-71.

Keynotes, Plenaries, and Named Lectures

- 2016 Inaugural Lecture, “Anthropological Perspectives on Good Governance: Bureaucracy and Corruption,” Network of Bhutan Anthropologists, Thimphu, Bhutan, May 11.
- 2015 Plenary, “The Anthropology of Public Policy,” International Conference on Public Policy, Milan, July 1.
- 2014 Keynote, “Changing Forms of Corruption in India,” Ethnography Winter School, National University of Ireland, Maynooth, December 8.
- 2014 Keynote, “The Future in Ruins: Thoughts on the Temporality of Infrastructure,” Heidelberg Summer School 2014: Politics of Near Futures: Possibilities, Prophecies, Prognoses, Heidelberg, Germany, July 28.
- 2013 Keynote, “On Structural Violence,” at conference, “Violence and its Habitations in India,” Council for Social Development, Hyderabad, Nov. 28.
- 2013 Keynote, “Poverty, Structural Violence, and Bureaucracy,” Class Crits VI Conference, Southwestern School of Law, Los Angeles, November 15.
- 2013 Inaugural Lecture, “Is India Shining? Reflections on India After Globalization,” South Asia Research Institute (SARI), Australian National University (ANU), July 16.
- 2013 Response to panel, “Author Meets Critics: *Red Tape*,” panel at the American Association of Geography (AAG) Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, April 11.
- 2013 Keynote, “The Land Question in Contemporary India,” at workshop, “Contested Spaces: Politics and Representations of Space in South Asia,” University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, March 30.
- 2012 Inaugural M.N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture, “An Anthropologist’s View of India after Liberalization,” India Institute, King’s College, London, March 26.
- 2011 Keynote, “The State in India After Liberalization: The Declining Power of Bureaucracy and the Rise of Service-Sector Capitalism,” at workshop, “Bureaucracy Through South Asia,” South Asia Institute, University of Texas, Austin, September 30.
- 2011 Monica Wilson seminar, “Extreme Poverty as Biopolitics,” University of Cape Town Department of Social Anthropology, Cape Town, South Africa, Aug. 30.
- 2011 Inaugural Lecture, “Is India Shining? Some Reflections on the Last Twenty Years,” Program in Development Studies, Azim Premji University, Bangalore, Aug. 11.

Keynotes and Plenaries contd.

- 2010 Plenary Speaker, "Political and Cultural Expressions of Indian Democracy," Yale University, May 2.
- 2007 Keynote, "Literacy, Bureaucratic Domination, and Democracy," at conference, "Democracy, Development and Civil Society in India," The University of Melbourne, Australia, September 21.
- 2007 3rd Goel Lecture, "Literacy and Democracy: Notes from Anthropological Observations in Rural India," Center for India and South Asia Research (CISAR), University of British Columbia, Vancouver, March 15.
- 2006 Keynote, "Literacy, Bureaucratic Domination, and Democracy," 34th Meeting of the Israeli Anthropological Association, June 8.
- 2005 Keynote, "The Inscribed State: Literacy and Inequality in a Postcolonial Society," *Higher Education in the Crosshairs: Interdisciplinarity and Social Justice*, Pitzer College, Claremont, September 12.
- 2005 Keynote, "Globalization and the State," *World-Scale Ambitions? Two Interdisciplinary Roundtables*, Stanford University, April 28.
- 2005 Keynote, "'If Nothing Else, Make the Train Run on Paper': Bureaucratic Writing as State Practice" *Anthropology of the State – the State of Anthropology*, First Annual Stanford CASA Conference, April 8.
- 2004 Keynote, "The State of Corruption: Official Fictions, Anthropological Accounts," Australian Anthropological Society Annual Meeting, Sep. 28-October 1.
- 2004 Keynote, Annual Spring Symposium, "Neoliberalism in South Asia: Culture, Gender and Labor," University of Hawaii, April 15-16.
- 2003 "The State of Corruption: Official Fictions, Anthropological Accounts," Plenary Session, "Agency, Discourses of Power, and Collective Representations," University of Vienna, August 30.
- 2003 "Bodily Practices and Rebirth," Plenary presentation at the Decennial Conference of The Association of Social Anthropologists of the UK and Commonwealth, University of Manchester, July 14-18.
- 2003 "Global Movements of Crops Since the 'Age of Discovery' and Changing Culinary Cultures," Sirindhorn Anthropology Lecture, Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, March 26.

Keynotes and Plenaries contd.

- 2002 “Representations of Corruption in Official Fictions and Anthropological Narratives,” Keynote Speech in Workshop, “Understanding Corruption: Anthropological Perspectives,” Goldsmiths College, London, June 21.
- 2002 “Global Movements of Crops Since the ‘Age of Discovery’ and Changing Culinary Cultures,” Plenary Speaker, Crossroads in Cultural Studies, Fourth International Conference, Tampere, Finland, June 29 - July 2.
- 2002 “The Impact of Globalization on Cultures Around the Indian Ocean,” Keynote Speech to the Oregon Consortium for Asian Studies, Portland, Oregon, Feb. 16-17.
- 2001 “Reincarnation and Childhood,” Plenary “Agency, Discourses of Power and Collective Representations,” University of Vienna, July 20-30.
- 1999 “Meditations on the Temporalities of Nationalism in the Age of Late Capitalism,” Plenary Session, Society for Cultural Anthropology Conference, “*States of Power*”: *Culture, Capital and Governmentality*, San Francisco, May 21-23.
- 1999 “Meditations on the Temporalities of Nationalism in the Age of Late Capitalism,” Plenary Session, *Global Flows/Local Fissures: Urban Antagonisms Revisited*, Istanbul, May 27-29.

Invited Lectures

- 2016 “The Future in Ruins: Thoughts on the Temporality of Infrastructure,” Series: Navigating Social and Cultural Change, University of Melbourne, August 3.
- 2015 “The Ecological Basis of Farmer Suicides in India” Sawyer Seminar on the Environmental Humanities, UCLA, April 15.
- 2015 “The Future in Ruins: Thoughts on the Temporality of Infrastructure” The Tod Spieker Colloquium, UCLA Department of Geography, April 13.
- 2014 “Infrastructure, Biopolitics, and Public Goods,” Center for Energy and Environmental Research in the Human Sciences (CENHS), Rice University, Houston, March 14.
- 2013 “Urban Futures, Biopolitics, and Infrastructure,” International Institute of Asian Studies’ Macau Winter School, Dec. 19.
- 2013 “Reflections on India after Liberalization,” University of Illinois Sociology Department, Urbana-Champaign, Nov. 19.
- 2013 “Structural Violence and Welfare,” paper presented at Second Azim Premji University International Conference on Law, Governance and Development, “Right to Welfare: Education, Food and Work,” July 31.
- 2013 “Farmer Suicides: Seeds of Discontent?” Paper presented at Workshop, “The Cultural Politics of Seeds,” UCLA, May 17.
- 2012 “The Lure of ‘Growth’ in a Call Center in India,” Department of Social Anthropology, Cambridge University, Oct. 20.
- 2012 “Welfare versus Empowerment? Governmentality in the ICDS and Mahila Samakhya Programs,” Azim Premji University, Bangalore, Aug. 2.
- 2012 “The Land Question in Contemporary India,” at Conference “Local Politics, Global Impacts: Steps to a Multi-Disciplinary Analysis of Scales,” University of Chicago Paris Center and the French Development Agency, Paris, June 15.
- 2012 “Red Tape: Bureaucracy, Structural Violence, and Poverty in India,” Department of Anthropology, London School of Economics, London, June 11.
- 2012 Reflections on “The State in India after Liberalization: Interdisciplinary Perspectives,” Department of Sociology, University of Gothenburg, May 22.
- 2012 “Theorizing Indian Political Economy After Market Reforms,” Department of Sociology, UCLA, May 17.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 2012 “Is India Shining? Reflections on India after Globalization,” at Colloquium on Comparative Research (CCR), Brown University, April 18.
- 2012 “An Anthropologist’s View of India after Liberalization,” in Series “The Problems Anthropology Poses,” Department of Anthropology, Harvard University, April 16.
- 2012 “Biopolitics, Infrastructure, and Public Goods,” PEWG Group, Harvard University, April 16; CPSC, UCLA, May 10; School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg, May 23; Module “Property,” Swiss Graduate Program in Anthropology, Castasegna, Switzerland, June 6-8.
- 2012 “Democratic Politics and Capitalism in Contemporary India,” Munroe Center for Social Inquiry lecture series, Democracies (And Forces that Thwart and Pervert Them), Pitzer College, Feb. 28.
- 2011 “Is Literacy Necessary for Democracy? Some Provocations,” Center for India and South Asia (CISA), UCLA, Oct. 10.
- 2011 Respondent to roundtable discussion of *Red Tape*, South Asia Institute, University of Texas at Austin, September 30.
- 2011 “Is India’s Growth Sustainable? The Paradoxes of Progress,” Humanities Institute Lecture, University of Cape Town, South Africa, Aug. 31.
- 2011 “Is India Shining? Some Reflections on the Last Twenty Years,” Department of Anthropology, University of Vienna, June 8.
- 2011 “The State, Poverty, and Structural Violence in India,” UCLA School of Law Faculty Monday Colloquium, April 11.
- 2010 “The Biopolitics of Poverty,” Department of Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology, Uppsala University, May 18; Gothenburg University, May 19.
- 2010 “Managing Globalization in Call Centers,” UCLA CIBER Research Grant Conference, UCLA Anderson School of Management, March 5.
- 2010 “The Political Economy of India After Liberalization,” Center for India and South Asia (CISA), UCLA, Feb. 1.
- 2009 “Theorizing the Indian State After Liberalization,” paper at workshop, "Neoliberal Crises in Post-Reform India: Ethnographic Perspectives on Agrarian and Industrial Distress," Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany, Sep. 23.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 2009 “Refashioning Selves, Reimagining Futures: Media and Mobility in Call Centers,” AIIS-IIC Lecture Series, New Delhi, July 22.
- 2009 “The Paradox of Global Poverty,” Ecole des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, June 3.
- 2009 “Poverty as Biopolitics,” Ecole des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Marseilles, June 2; National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bangalore, May 2.
- 2008 “The State as “The Field”: Some Problems and Reflections,” Department of Anthropology, Aarhus University, Denmark, Sep. 5.
- 2008 “Poverty as Biopolitics,” Department of Anthropology, Copenhagen University, Denmark, Sep. 3.
- 2008 “National Poverty, Global Poverty, and Neoliberalism” in series, Space, Place, & Development, Departments of Development Sociology, and City and Regional Planning, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, April 18.
- 2008 “Literacy, Bureaucratic Domination, and Democracy,” at workshop “Poverty, Inequality and the State,” University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Jan. 11.
- 2007 “A Poor State: Biopolitics and Poverty in India,” Dean’s Lecture Series, University of Melbourne, Australia, Sep. 13; Department of Anthropology, Auckland University, New Zealand, Sep. 26; Department of Anthropology, UC Irvine, Oct. 18.
- 2007 “Literacy, Democracy, and Bureaucracy in Rural India,” South Asia Institute, University of Texas at Austin, April 28.
- 2007 “Theorizing the Indian State,” presented in Center for India and South Asia (CISA) seminar series, UCLA, March 13.
- 2005 Discussant for Workshop, “What to Do with Postcolonial Studies?,” Center for International Studies and Research (CERI), Paris, May 4-5.
- 2005 “Literacy, Bureaucratic Domination, and Democracy,” presented at Department of Anthropology Colloquium Series, Yale University, New Haven, February 20.
- 2006 “‘Let the Paper Train Run’: Bureaucratic Writing as State Practice,” presented at Department of Anthropology Colloquium Series, UCLA, February 8.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 2005 "Literacy, Bureaucratic Domination, and Democracy," paper presented at workshop, "Toward an Anthropology of Democracy," School of American Research, Santa Fe, March 5-11; South Asian Studies Programme, National University of Singapore, August 10.
- 2004 "The State of Corruption," presented at workshop, "Ethnographies Of The Political In South Asia," Columbia University, November 12-13.
- 2004 "Narratives of Corruption," presented at the University of Lisbon, Portugal, Nov. 10.
- 2004 "Globalization and Difference: Cosmopolitanism Before the Nation-State," New University of Lisbon, November 8.
- 2004 Discussant at Birgitta Forum, "Utopian Thought on Sustainable Development," Vadstena, Sweden, August 16-18.
- 2004 "Global Movements of Crops Since the Age of Discovery," UCLA International Institute CIRA lecture, May 20.
- 2003 Discussant for Workshop, "Culture and Hegemony: Politics of Culture in the Age of Globalization," International Conference Sponsored by the Volkswagen Foundation, Heidelberg, Germany, Oct. 8-10.
- 2003 "The State of Corruption: Official Fictions, Anthropological Accounts," presented at Anthropology Department, Harvard University, April 28.
- 2003 "Global Movements of Crops Since the 'Age of Discovery' and Changing Culinary Cultures," South Asia Center, Univ. of Washington, Seattle, Feb. 6.
- 2002 "Globalization and Difference: Cosmopolitanism Before the Nation-State," paper presented at workshop, "Critical Cosmopolitanisms," University of California, Irvine, March 7.
- 2002 "Bodily Practices and Rebirth," paper presented at workshop, "Ethnografeast: An international conference on ethnography for a new century: practice, predicament, promise," University of California, Berkeley, September 12-14.
- 2002 Global Movements of Crops Since the 'Age of Discovery' and Changing Culinary Cultures," University of Iowa, Iowa City, April 12; Department of Anthropology, University of Oslo, Norway, Sep. 25.
- 2002 "Social Issues in Contemporary India," India Briefing, Asia Society, San Francisco, May 10.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 2002 "Reliving Childhood? The Temporality of Childhood and Narratives of Reincarnation," paper presented at workshop "Feminist Interventions: Rethinking South Asia," UC Santa Cruz, May 3-4.
- 2002 "Spatializing States: Toward an Ethnography of Neoliberal Governmentality," Harvard-MIT Joint Seminar on Political Development, Cambridge, March 6; Global Affairs Institute, The Maxwell School of Syracuse University, Syracuse, March 7.
- 2002 "The Homeless Self: Problems of Cultural Translation in Autobiography," South Asia Center, The Maxwell School of Syracuse University, Syracuse, March 8.
- 2001 "Spatializing States: Governmentality in India (with some examples from Africa)," Workshop on "Nation and State in South Asia: Crisis and Renewal," June 12.
- 2001 "Studying the State Ethnographically," paper presented at Centre d'études et de recherches internationales, FNSP/CERI, Paris, June 6.
- 2001 "Reincarnation and Central Problems in Social Theory," paper presented at Laboratoire d'anthropologie sociale, Ecole des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales, Paris, June 5.
- 2001 "Rethinking Culture and Anthropology after the Spatial Turn," paper presented at Centre d'anthropologie des mondes contemporains, Ecole des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales, Paris, May 30.
- 2001 "Global Movements of Crops since the 'Age of Discovery' and Changing Culinary Cultures," Uppsala University, April 27.
- 2001 "The Homeless Self: Autobiography and Cultural Translation in Caste and Outcast," Department of Anthropology, Stockholm University, April 23; Migration Workshop, Edinburgh University, June 14.
- 2001 "Reincarnation and Childhood," paper presented at National Humanities Center, April 5; Vega Symposium, Stockholm, April 24; Research Seminar on Anthropological Theory, The London School of Economics and Political Science, May 25; Edinburgh University, June 13; Workshop, "Agency, Discourses of Power and Collective Representations," University of Vienna, July 20-30.
- 2000 "What is Globalization?" *Globalization, Health Policy and Health Services Seminar Series*, University of California at San Francisco, Jan. 3.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 1999 “Rethinking the Conceptual Basis of State Welfare in the Era of Liberalization,” Workshop, *Confronting Globalization*, University of Colorado at Boulder, October 22-23.
- 1999 “The Gender of the State: The ICDS Program in India,” Anthropology Department Colloquium, University of Chicago, Feb. 22; University of California at Santa Cruz, March 3; University of Minnesota, April 16.
- 1998d “Reincarnating Immigrant Biography: Transmigration and Migration,” paper presented at conference, “Beyond Dichotomies: Histories, Identities, Cultures, and the Challenge of Globalization,” Stanford University, May 8-9.
- 1998 “Studying the State Ethnographically: The Culture of the State in India,” Ford Methodology Workshop, MIT Center for International Studies, April 14; Stockholm School of Economics, June 23.
- 1998 “Transnational Topographies of Power: Governmentality in Africa and India,” Mellon Seminar in Transnationalism and Public Culture, Duke University, April 6 (with Jim Ferguson).
- 1998 “The Gender of the State: The Integrated Child Development Services Program in India,” Department of Anthropology Colloquium, Rutgers University, Feb. 6; *States of Imagination* Conference, Centre for Development Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark, Feb. 14; Anthropology Speakers Series, Georgetown University, March 16; Harvard University, April 13.
- 1997 “The Place of the Indigenous in Agriculture Practices,” Center for European Studies, University of California, Berkeley, May 1.
- 1997 “Peasant Populism” Department of Anthropology, York University, Toronto, March 19.
- 1997 “Engendering the State,” Department of Anthropology Programme Seminar Series, York University, Toronto, March 17.
- 1996 Peasants and Global Environmentalism: Safeguarding the Future of ‘Our World’ or Initiating a New Form of Governmentality?,” Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management, UC Berkeley, March 3; University of Oregon, Anthropology Department Colloquium Series, “Culture, Power, History,” March 5; MacArthur Workshop, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, April 11-12; Department of Urban Planning, UCLA, Los Angeles, April 17.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 1996 “Global Environmentalism: A New Form of Governmentality?,” Cultural Analysis Colloquium, University of California, Santa Barbara, Feb. 14; forum “Science and Media in their Transnational Locations” organized by the “Postdisciplinary Approaches to the Technosciences” Resident Research Group, Humanities Research Institute, University of California, Irvine, May 23; MIT Anthropology Program and the Center for International Studies’ *Peoples and States* Lectures Series on Ethnic Identity and Conflict, Nov. 26.
- 1995 “Discipline and Practice: ‘The Field’ as Site, Method, and Location in Anthropology,” presented to the Anthropology Board, University of California at Santa Cruz, Oct. 9.
- 1995 “The Development of Modernity: Anti-State Agrarian Mobilization in India,” paper presented at the Center for International Security and Arms Control, Stanford University, March 8; South Asia Seminar, Berkeley, March 16; Center for Comparative Studies in History, Society, and Culture, Univ. of California, Davis, June 6; South Asia Seminar/Workshop, University of Chicago, Oct. 19.
- 1994 Discussant, SSRC Workshop on “Languages of Development,” University of California, Berkeley, Oct. 28-30.
- 1994 “Agrarian Populism in the Development of a Modern Nation,” paper presented at SSRC Workshop on “The Dynamics and Transmission of Development Ideas,” Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, May 13-15.
- 1994 “Peasants and Global Environmentalism: Safeguarding the Future of ‘Our World’ or Initiating a New Form of Governmentality?” paper presented at the Agrarian Studies Seminar, Yale University, March 25.
- 1994 “Why Do Indian Peasants Oppose Intellectual Property Rights? Biodiversity, Global Environmentalism, and National Sovereignty,” paper presented at the Institute of Asian Research, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Jan. 28; “Twisted Terrain: Environmentalism, Modernity, and the Nation-State,” Jackson School of International Studies, Univ. of Washington, Seattle, Jan. 31.
- 1993 “Blurred Boundaries: The Discourse of Corruption, the Culture of Politics, and the Imagined State,” Department of Anthropology & School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, Feb. 8; Department of Anthropology, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Feb. 22.
- 1992 “Blurred Boundaries: The Discourse of Corruption, the Culture of Politics, and the Imagined State,” paper presented at Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, March 4; Dept. of Anthropology, Stanford University, Oct. 12.

Invited Lectures contd.

- 1990 “Space, Transnational Identity, and the Politics of Difference,” paper presented at Department of Geography Colloquium, Univ. of Washington, Seattle, Nov. 2.
- 1990 “Job Reservations in India,” paper presented at Workshop on Economic & Political Change in the Asian Pacific Rim and South Asia, University of California, Santa Cruz, Oct. 20.
- 1990 “The Song of the Nonaligned World: Transnational Identities, Late Capitalism, and the Reinscription of Space,” paper presented at Faculty Seminar on Cultural Nationalism, Stanford University, May 2.
- 1990 Presented paper in Workshop “Vocabularies of the State” organized by Joint Committee on the Near and Middle East of the SSRC & ACLS, Hanover, New Hampshire, March 24-25.
- 1990 “Blurred Boundaries: The Discourse of Corruption, the Culture of Politics, and the Imagined State,” paper presented at Symposium “State Power and Social Forces: Domination and Transformation,” University of Texas, Austin, Feb. 9-11; MIT Center for International Studies Seminar Series on Political Reform and Social Change, April 9; Anthropology Colloquium, University of California, Irvine, May 17.
- 1989 Participant in Workshop “State Power and Social Forces: Domination and Transformation,” University of Washington, Seattle, Dec. 15-17.
- 1989 “Is Third World Poverty Responsible for Environmental Degradation?” lecture delivered at Western Washington University, Bellingham, May 16.
- 1989 Respondent to lecture “The Making of Americans, the Teaching of English, and the Future of Culture Studies” by Gayatri Spivak at Conference “Between the Lines: Rethinking Academic Disciplines,” Center for the Humanities, University of Washington, Seattle, May 6.
- 1989 “The Reincarnation of Souls and the Rebirth of Commodities: Conceptions of Time in ‘East’ and ‘West’,” paper presented to the Comparative Religion Colloquium, Jackson School of International Studies, Univ. of Washington, Seattle, April 18.
- 1989 “A Perspective on Rural Development in India,” paper presented at Conference, “Images of India: Nehru’s India Today,” Jackson School of International Studies, Univ. of Washington, Seattle, April 15.

Conferences and Organized Sessions

- 2016 “The Anthropology of Corruption,” Wenner-Gren Symposium, Sintra, Portugal, Sep. 8-15.
- 2014 “The Promise of Infrastructure,” (with Nikhil Anand and Hannah Appel), workshop at the School for American Research, Santa Fe, Nov. 2-6.
- 2013 Organized session, “The Anthropology of Infrastructure” panel (with Nikhil Anand and Hannah Appel), 112th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, November 23.
- 2011 Organized session, “The Laboring Body in the Global Economy of Services,” panel (with Nadeem Shehzad) for the Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, March 31.
- 2007 “Anthropology and the Making of a Discipline: South Asian Perspectives on "Theory" and "Area",” 106th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC, Nov. 30.
- 2005 Organized conference (with K. Sivaramakrishnan) “The Post-Liberalization State in India,” June 5-6, Stanford University.
- 2002 Organized session “Studying Consumption Among Subalterns and Elites: Questions of Accountability and Narrative,” 17th Annual South Asia Conference, Berkeley, Feb. 15-16.
- 2000 Organized session “Cultures of Globalization: Welfare, Consumption, and Cosmopolitanism in Late Capitalism,” Third International Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference, Birmingham, England, June 21-25.
- 1998 Organized session “What Does it Mean to Study Transnational Flows in the Interstate System Ethnographically?” (with Jim Ferguson), Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference, Tampere, Finland, June 28-July 1.
- 1996 Organized session “Environmental Conflicts and the Negotiation of Identities in South and Southeast Asia” (with Arun Agrawal), 48th Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 11-14.
- 1994 Organized conference (with James Ferguson) *Anthropology and ‘the Field’: Boundaries, Areas, and Grounds in the Constitution of a Discipline*, Stanford University and UC Santa Cruz, Feb. 18-20.

Conferences and Organized Sessions contd.

- 1993 Organized session “Anthropology and ‘the Field’: Boundaries, Areas, and Grounds in the Constitution of a Discipline,” 92nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., Nov. 17-21 (with Jim Ferguson).
- 1989 Organized session “The Ethnography of the State,” 88th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., Nov. 15-19.
- 1988b Organized session “The Culture and Politics of Space,” 87th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Phoenix, Nov. 16-20.

Conference Papers

- 2016 “New Geographies of Wealth and Poverty,” paper presented at workshop, “Politics and Democracy,” Emory University, Atlanta, April 16.
- 2014 “The Future in Ruins: Thoughts on the Temporality of Infrastructure,” paper presented at workshop, “The Promise of Infrastructure,” School of Advanced Research, Santa Fe, November 3.
- 2014 “Reflections on Food Anthropology,” paper presented at panel “The Social Life of Food,” UCLA Anthropology at 50: Celebrating the Human Experience,” Los Angeles, April 30.
- 2014 “Changing Forms of Corruption in India,” paper presented at workshop, Changing Role of State in Asia II: Comparative Perspective, Asia Research Institute (ARI), Singapore, May 30-31; American Anthropological Society Annual Meetings, Dec. 4.
- 2013 “Ruins of the Future,” paper presented at panel, “The Anthropology of Infrastructure,” 112th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, November 23.
- 2013 “Intimate Encounters: Affective Labor in Call Centers,” paper presented at workshop, “Rethinking Global Capitalism Through Intimate Industries,” Pomona College, March 7.
- 2012 “The United States and India: Imperialism or Irrelevance?” paper presented at panel, “Imperialism: An Overdue Dialogue,” American Anthropological Association Annual meeting, San Francisco, Nov. 15.
- 2012 “Is Poverty a Global Security Threat?” paper presented at conference, “Territories of Poverty,” Univ. of California at Berkeley, Sep. 14.
- 2011 “Intimate Encounters: Immaterial Labor in Call Centers,” paper presented (with Purnima Mankekar) at panel, “The Laboring Body in the Global Economy of Services,” The Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI, March 31.
- 2010 “Agency and Governmentality: Some Reflections,” Workshop “Studying the Agency of the Governed,” School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg, May 20.
- 2009 “Theorizing the Indian State After Liberalization,” Workshop, “Neoliberal Crises in Post-Reform India,” Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany, September 23.

Conference Papers contd.

- 2008 Respondent on panel, "The State/Civil Society" at conference "The Gender of Terror," UCLA, May 2.
- 2007 Discussant on panel, "The Anthropology of Global Politics: A Franco-American Dialogue on Studying Governance across States," 106th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC, Dec. 1.
- 2007 "Born Again: "Theory" and "Area" in Anthropological Thought," paper presented on panel, "Anthropology and the Making of a Discipline: South Asian Perspectives on "Theory" and "Area"," 106th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC, Nov. 30.
- 2007 Discussant for *Everything Was Forever, Until It Was No More* book talk by Alexei Yurchak, Center for European and Eurasian Studies, UCLA, April 5.
- 2003 "Representations Of Corruption In Official Fictions And Anthropological Narratives," paper presented on panel, "Critiquing The Modern State: The Colonial Domains Of Modern Europe," 102nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Nov. 19-23.
- 2003 Discussant for panel, "Fragile Borders and Common Miracles: Death Reconsidered," 102nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Nov. 19-23.
- 2003 "Bodily Practices and Rebirth," paper presented on panel, "Bodies, Histories and Attachments: Fragments toward a history of modern subjects in Colonial and Post-colonial India," 18th Annual South Asia Conference, Berkeley, Feb. 14-15.
- 2002 "Global Movements of Crops Since the 'Age of Discovery' and Changing Culinary Cultures," paper presented on panel, "Studying Consumption Among Subalterns and Elites: Questions of Accountability and Narrative," 17th Annual South Asia Conference, Berkeley, Feb. 15-16.
- 2000 "Globalization: Some Conceptual Problems for Non-Eurocentric Histories," paper presented on Presidential panel, "Southern Perspectives on Historical Social Science," Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Oct. 26-29.
- 2000 "Global Movements of Crops since the 'Age of Discovery' and Changing Culinary Cultures," Xth World Congress of Rural Sociology, Rio de Janeiro, July 30-Aug. 5 (could not attend personally).

Conference Papers contd.

- 2000 “Rethinking the Conceptual Basis of State Welfare in the Era of Liberalization,” paper presented on panel, “Cultures of Globalization: Welfare, Consumption, and Cosmopolitanism in Late Capitalism,” Third International Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference, Birmingham, England, June 21-25.
- 1999 “‘My Life as a Public Servant’: Official Fictions and Anthropological Narratives,” paper presented at session “Mapping Governmentality: Engagements of State and Subject,” 14th Annual South Asia Conference, University of California, Berkeley, February 13-14.
- 1998h Panelist on Invited Session, “Public Anthropology,” 97th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia, Dec. 2-6.
- 1998g “History, Rule, Representation: Scattered Speculations on *Of Revelation and Revolution, Volume Two*,” paper presented at session “Authors Meets Critics: Reading Jean and John Comaroff’s *Of Revelation and Revolution, Volume Two*,” 97th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia, Dec. 2-6.
- 1998f Panelist, “Labor and the Law,” Conference on Culture, Power, and the Law, University of California, Berkeley, Oct. 25.
- 1998e “Saving Women and Children as a Global Project,” paper presented on panel, “What Does it Mean to Study Transnational Flows in the Interstate System Ethnographically?,” Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference, Tampere, Finland, June 28-July 1.
- 1998c Participant in Roundtable, “Communities in Nature: Romance, Disillusionment, Realities in South and Southeast Asian Settings,” paper presented at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, DC, March 26-29.
- 1998b Discussant for Conference, “Asian Americans and Politics,” Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington DC, March 13-14.
- 1998a Discussant for Panel, “Traveling Discourses, Regional Modernities” at conference “Rethinking Development and Environment,” Yale Center for International and Area Studies, Feb. 27-March 1.
- 1997a Discussant at conference “Against the Odds: Fifty Years of Democracy in India,” Princeton University, Oct. 31-Nov. 1.

Conference Papers contd.

- 1996e “Narrativizing Governmentality: State Discourses in Contemporary India,” paper presented at Invited Session, “History and Narrative in Late Modern Anthropology” 95th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, Nov. 20-24.
- 1996d Discussant for Invited Session “Splitting the Difference: Transnational Culture and the Politics of Localization,” 95th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, Nov. 20-24.
- 1996c Discussant for Session “Voices of History, Visions of State,” 25th Anniversary Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, Oct. 17-20.
- 1996b Discussant for panel “Local Narratives of Global History,” American Ethnological Society Annual Meetings, San Juan, Puerto Rico, April 18-20.
- 1996a “Contested Views of the Ecological Impact of ‘Green Revolution’ Agriculture in North India,” paper presented on panel, “Environmental Conflicts and the Negotiation of Identities in South and Southeast Asia” 48th Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 11-14.
- 1995c Discussant for panels “State Making at the Fringes of Development,” and “Unintended Consequences: On the Practice of Transnational Cultural Critique,” 94th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., Nov. 15-19.
- 1995b “Engendering the State: Paternalistic Development Programs as Disciplinary Regimes,” paper presented on panel, “The Gender of the State,” 24th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Oct 20-22.
- 1995a Discussant for panel “Representations of the Rural in Urban Indian Imaginations,” 47th Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, DC, April 6-9.
- 1994b “Recovering “The Indigenous”: Postcolonial and Nationalist Theories,” paper presented on panel, “Intersections: Minority Discourse/Area Studies/Cultural Studies,” 93rd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Atlanta, Nov. 30-Dec. 4.
- 1994a Discussant for panel “Coming to Terms With Social Space: Ethnographic and Theoretical Approaches from Mexico and South Asia,” 93rd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Atlanta, Nov. 30-Dec. 4.

Conference Papers contd.

- 1993g “Anthropology and the ‘Field’” (with Jim Ferguson), paper presented on panel “Anthropology and ‘the Field’: Boundaries, Areas, and Grounds in the Constitution of a Discipline,” 92nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., Nov. 17-21 (with Jim Ferguson).
- 1993f “Ontologized Knowledges: ‘Fieldwork Experience Required’,” paper presented on panel “Anthropology and ‘the Field’: Boundaries, Areas, and Grounds in the Constitution of a Discipline,” 92nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., Nov. 17-21 (with Jim Ferguson).
- 1993e “Blurred Boundaries: The Discourse of Corruption, the Culture of Politics, and the Imagined State,” paper presented on panel “Studying States: Cultural, Institutional, and Societal Approaches,” 18th Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Baltimore, Nov. 4-7.
- 1993d “Peasants and Global Environmentalism: Safeguarding the Future of ‘Our World’ or Initiating a New Form of Governmentality?” presented on panel “Peasant Cultures and the Global Economy,” 13th International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, Mexico City, July 29-Aug. 5.
- 1993c Participant, Salzburg Seminar “Ethnicities, Culture, and the Making of Nations,” Salzburg, Austria, June 13-25.
- 1993b “Grassroots’ Views of the State, Or Two Stories in Search of Theories,” presented on Panel “Theory of the State: Critiques from the Grassroots,” Association for Asian Studies Meetings, Los Angeles, March 25-28.
- 1993a “‘Indigenous’ and Modern in Postcolonial India,” presented on panel at South Asia Conference, Berkeley, Feb. 18.
- 1992a “The Location of the “Indigenous” in Critiques of Modernity,” paper presented on panel, “Constructions of the Modern and the Anti-Modern,” 91st Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, Dec. 2-6.
- 1991a “Transcending Nation-ness: The Nonaligned Movement and Transnational Identity,” paper presented on panel, “Contesting Nationness: Sub-versions of National and International Order,” 113th Annual Meeting of the American Ethnological Society, Charleston, March 14-16.
- 1990b “Translation and the Politics of Writing,” paper presented on panel, “Quandaries of Representation and Writing: Postethnographic Texts,” 89th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Society, New Orleans, Nov. 27-Dec. 2.

Conference Papers contd.

- 1990a “Tales of Traveling Bodies: Rebirth and Migration,” paper presented on panel “The Body and the Categorization of People,” Annual Meeting of the American Ethnological Society, Atlanta, April 26-29.
- 1989b “Is an Ethnography of the State Possible?,” paper presented on panel, “The Ethnography of the State,” 88th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., Nov. 15-19.
- 1989a “India’s Image in America: Perspectives on Rural Development,” at Conference “Images of India: Nehru’s India Today” organized by the South Asian Studies Program, University of Washington and the Indian Association of Western Washington, Seattle, April 15.
- 1988b “Space and Time in the Politics of Culture,” paper presented on panel, “The Culture and Politics of Space,” 87th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Phoenix, Nov. 16-20.
- 1988a “The Political Economy of Post-Independence India: A Review,” paper presented on panel, “Approaches to Indian Political Economy,” Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Seattle, Oct. 21-22.
- 1987b “Local Politics, Agrarian Capitalism and the State: Factions in Rural North India,” paper presented on panel “Local Politics Through History and Culture,” Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Nov. 18-22.

Academic and Administrative Experience

- 2016- Editorial Board, *American Ethnologist*.
- 2016-17 Member, Steering Committee for the Graduate Food Studies Certificate Program, UCLA.
- 2015-16 Chair, Diversity Committee, Department of Anthropology, UCLA.
- 2015 Chair, Search Committee, Council on Academic Personnel.
- 2015 Ad-hoc Review Committee, Council on Academic Personnel, and Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel.
- 2013-15 Faculty Mentor, Graduate Summer Research Mentorship (GSRM) Program.
- 2015-16 University Committee on International Education (UCIE) Review Committee for the UC Education Abroad Program.
- 2015-18 Editorial Board, *Cultural Anthropology*.
- 2014- Editorial Board, *Cartografie sociali: Rivista di sociologia e scienze umane*.
- 2014-15 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2014-15 Chair, Diversity Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2013-15 International Editorial Advisory Board, *Social Anthropology/Anthropologie Sociale*.
- 2013-14 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2012-13 UC President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program Review Committee.
- 2012-13 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2013- Advisory Board, "Studies in Contemporary South Asia," Palgrave Press.
- 2013- Editorial Board, *World Development*.
- 2012-15 Editorial Board, *Social Anthropology/Anthropologie Sociale (SAAS)*, journal of the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA).
- 2011-12 UC President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program Review Committee

Academic and Administrative Experience contd.

- 2011-12 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2011- Director, Center for India and South Asia (CISA), UCLA.
- 2011- South Asian Archive Expert Group, Taylor and Francis Publishers.
- 2010- Faculty Advisory Committee, International Development Studies (IDS) Program, UCLA.
- 2010- Faculty Advisory Committee, Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE), UCLA.
- 2010-11 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2009-11 Member, Diversity Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2009-10 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2008-10 Editorial Board, South Asia Across the Disciplines, book series jointly published by Columbia Univ. Press, Univ. of Chicago Press, and Univ. of California Press.
- 2008- Editorial Board, *Occasion*, interdisciplinary electronic journal.
- 2007-08 Admissions Committee, Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- 2007 CISA Lecture Series coordinator, Spring quarter, UCLA.
- 2007 Committee, Sardar Patel Award for Best Dissertation in South Asia, CISA, UCLA.
- 2007 Dean's Ad-Hoc committee, UCLA.
- 2007-11 Chair, South Asian Studies IDP, UCLA.
- 2006- Member, Center for India and South Asia (CISA) Faculty Advisory Committee, UCLA.
- 2000- Member, Editorial Board, *Field Methods*.
- 1999-2006 Member, Editorial Board, *Cultural Studies*.
- 1999-2002 Nominations Committee, American Anthropological Association.
- 1995-97 Advisory Committee, *Stanford Humanities Review*.

Academic and Administrative Experience contd.

- 1995-98 Disciplinary Advisory Committee, Fulbright Council for International Exchange of Scholars.
- 1994-97 Treasurer, American Ethnological Society
- 1994-95 Implementor, Culture and Cultures Committee, Stanford University.
- 1994-95 Member, Office of Technology Licensing Review Committee, Stanford University.
- 1994-95 Placement Committee, Dept. of Anthropology, Stanford University.
- 1992-93 Chair, Admissions Committee, Dept. of Anthropology, Stanford University
- 1992-93 Chair, Placement Committee, Dept. of Anthropology, Stanford University.
- 1992-93 Organizer, Department of Anthropology Colloquium, Stanford University.
- 1990-91 Reviewer of manuscripts and research proposals for American Anthropologist and Wenner-Gren Foundation.
- 1990-91 Member, Policy Board, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, Stanford University
- 1990-91 Chair, Student Finances, Internships & Placement Committee, Dept. of Anthropology, Stanford Univ.
- 1990-92 Editorial Board, *Contemporary South Asia* (Oxford University Press)
- 1990-93 Member, Faculty Seminar in Cultural Studies, Stanford University

Professional Affiliations

American Anthropological Association (AAA)
American Ethnological Society (AES)
Association for Asian Studies (AAS)
Society for Cultural Anthropology (SCA)
European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)

Referee

American Ethnologist
City and Society
Contemporary South Asia
Cultural Anthropology
Cultural Studies
Duke Univ. Press
Environment and Planning
ESRC Research Grants Board
Ethnography
Field Methods
Global Public Health
JRAI
MacArthur Foundation
Modern Asian Studies
National Humanities Center (NHC)
National Science Foundation (NSF)
PoLAR (Political & Legal Anthropology Review)
Princeton University Press
Routledge
Social Anthropology/Anthropologie Sociale (SAAS)
Social Science Research Council (SSRC)
Stanford Humanities Center
Stanford Humanities Review
Stanford Univ. Press
Univ. of Chicago Press
Volkswagen Foundation
Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars
World Development