Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY**

**Education**

1998 Ph.D., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1992 M.S., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1987 A.B. (with distinction), Political Science; Minor, Economics, Stanford University

**Languages**

English: Native

Indonesian: Fluent speaking, reading and writing

Javanese: Proficient speaking

Spanish Intermediate speaking and reading

**Areas of Expertise**

Political Economy of Natural Resources and Development; Comparative-Historical Sociology; Economic Sociology; Environmental Sociology; Southeast Asia (Indonesia)

**Professional and Academic Positions**

2025 Visiting Research Scholar, Earth and Environmental Sciences, CUNY Graduate Center

2022- Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee

2018-24 Director of Global Studies, University of Tennessee

2010-22 Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee

2019-20 Acting Associate Director, Center for the Study of Social Justice, University of Tennessee

2017-18 Affiliated Fellow, Royal Institute for Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies (KITLV), Leiden, the Netherlands

2011-15 Director of Graduate Studies, Sociology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2014 Consultant, Center for International Forestry Research, Indonesia

2010- Fellow, Center for the Study of Social Justice, University of Tennessee

2010-11 Visiting Professor and Fulbright Fellow, Department of International Relations, Paramadina University, Jakarta, Indonesia

2007 Visiting Fellow, Department of Sociology, University of Indonesia

2005-10 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee

2005 Visiting Fellow and SSRC/Japan Foundation Abe Fellow , Institute of Asian Cultures, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan

2004-05 Visiting Scientist and SSRC/Japan Foundation Abe Fellow, Center for International Forestry Research, Bogor, Indonesia

1998-04 Assistant Professor, Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University

1997 Lecturer, Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University

1996-97 Lecturer, International Studies and Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Editorships**

International Advisory Board, Studies in the Political Economy of Public Policy, *Palgrave MacMillan*, 2019-present

Editorial Board, *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 2015-present

Editorial Board, *Journal of World-Systems Research*, 2008-present

**Honors and Awards**

2023 Global Catalyst Teaching and Service Award, University of Tennessee

2022 Advising Award, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Tennessee

2020 Nominated for Chancellor’s Honors Excellence in Undergraduate Advising Award

2019 Nominated for Chancellor’s Honors Excellence in Graduate Mentoring Award

2013-17 Jefferson Prize, Chancellor’s Honor Award, University of Tennessee

2010-11 Fulbright Senior Scholar Award (Indonesia), US Department of State, Council for International Exchange of Scholars

2003-05 Abe Fellowship, Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership, Social Science Research Council and American Council of Learned Societies

1995-96 HEA Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship

1994-95 J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board Fellowship

2010 Quest Scholar of the Week, University of Tennessee

1998 Alpha Kappa Delta (International Sociological Honor Society)

1987 Phi Beta Kappa

**Google Scholar (as of 8/26/2024) Research Gate (as of 8/26/2024)**

Total citations 1749 (930 since 2019)

 h-index 21 (16 since 2019) h-index 19

 i10-index 27 (23 since 2019) Research Interest 847.4

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**Book**

Frey, R. Scott, Paul K. Gellert, and Harry F. Dahms, eds. 2019. *Ecologically Unequal Exchange - Environmental Injustice in Comparative and Historical Perspective.* London: Palgrave MacMillan.

**Journal Special Issue**

Frey, R. Scott, Paul K. Gellert, and Harry F. Dahms, eds. 2017. Special Issue on Ecologically Unequal Exchange in Comparative Perspective. *Journal of World-Systems Research* 23(2). <https://jwsr.pitt.edu/ojs/jwsr/issue/view/67>

**Journal Articles**

**Gellert, Paul K.** 2025 (fc) “The Perils of Wishful Thinking: A Response to Peterson, Bedner, and Berenschot.” *Journal of Contemporary Asia.*

**Gellert, Paul K.** and Sarah D'Onofrioa. 2024. "Flex Commodities and Intertwining World-Ecologies: Indonesian Palm Waste as an Environmental Fix in the New Zealand Dairy Industry." *Political Geography* 108:103038. doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2023.103038.

Edwards, Guy, **Paul K. Gellert**, Omar Faruque, Kathryn Hochstetler, Pamela D. McElwee, Prakash Kaswhan, Ruth E. McKie, Carlos Milani, Timmons Roberts, and Jonathan Walz. 2023. "Climate obstruction in the Global South: Future research trajectories." *PLOS Climate* 2(7):e0000241.

**Gellert, Paul K.** and Paul S. Ciccantell. 2020. “Coal’s Persistence in the Capitalist World-Economy: Against Teleology in Energy ‘Transition’ Narratives.” *Sociology of Development.* 6(2):194-221.

**Gellert, Paul K.** 2019. “Neoliberalism and Altered State Developmentalism in the 21st century extractive regime of Indonesia.” *Globalizations* 16(6):894-918.DOI: 10.1080/14747731.2018.1560189

**Gellert, Paul K.**,R. Scott Frey, and Harry F. Dahms. 2017. “Introduction to Ecologically Unequal Exchange in Comparative Perspective.” *Journal of World-Systems Research* 23(2): 226-235.

Kaup, Brent Z. and **Paul K. Gellert**. 2017. “Cycles of Resource Nationalism: Hegemonic Struggle and the Incorporation of Bolivia and Indonesia.” *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 58(4): 275-303*.* doi: 10.1177/0020715217714298

**Gellert, Paul K**.2015. “Palm Oil Expansion in Indonesia: Land Grabbing as Accumulation by Dispossession.” *Current Perspectives in Social Theory* 34: 65-99. Edited by J. Shefner. Bingley, UK: Emerald Press.

**Gellert, Paul K**. and Andiko. 2015. “The quest for legal certainty and the reorganization of power: struggles over forest law, permits and rights.” *The* *Journal of Asian Studies* 74(3):639-666. doi: 10.1017/S0021911815000613

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2014. “Optimism and Education: The New Ideology of Development in

 Indonesia.” *Journal of Contemporary Asia*. doi: 10.1080/00472336.2014.978352

Andrew Gunnoea and **Paul K. Gellert**. 2011. “Financialization, Shareholder Value, and the

 Transformation of Timberland Ownership in North America.” *Critical Sociology* 37:3

 (May): 265-284. doi: 10.1177/0896920510378764

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2010. “Extractive Regimes: Toward a Better Understanding of Indonesian Development.” *Rural Sociology.* 75(1): 28-57. doi: 10.1111/j.1549-0831.2009.00001.x.

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2010. “Rival Transnational Networks, Domestic Politics, and Indonesian

 Timber.” *Journal of Contemporary Asia.* 40:4(November): 539-567.

**Gellert, Paul K**. and Jon Shefner. 2009. “People, Place and Time: How Structural Fieldwork Helps World-Systems Analysis” *Journal of World-Systems Research* 15(2):193-218. https://doi.org/10.5195/jwsr.2009.318.

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2007. “From Managed to Free(r) Markets: Transnational and Regional Governance of Asian Timber,” *ANNALS: The Annals of The American Academy of* *Political and Social Science.* 610 (March): 246-259.

Feldman, Shelley and **Paul K. Gellert**. 2006. “The Seductive Quality of Central Human Capabilities: Sociological Insights into Nussbaum and Sen’s Disagreement.” *Economy and Society* 35:3 (August) 423-452.

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2005. “The Shifting Natures of ‘Development’: Growth, Crisis, and Recovery in Indonesia’s Forests.” *World Development* 33:8: 1349-1368.

**Gellert, Paul K**.2003. “Renegotiating a Timber Commodity Chain: Lessons from Indonesia on the Political Construction of Global Commodity Chains.” *Sociological* *Forum* 18:1 (March): 53-84.

**Gellert, Paul K**.and Barbara D. Lynch. 2003. “Megaprojects as Displacements.” *International Social Science Journal* No. 175 (March): 15-25.

Reprinted as Chapter 22, in *Megaproject Planning and Management: Essential Readings, Volumes 1 and 2.* Edited by Bent Flyvberg. Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, MA, USA: Edward Elgar, 2014.

**Gellert, Paul K**.1998.“A Brief History and Analysis of Indonesia’s Forest Fire Crisis.” *Indonesia* No. 65 (April): 63-85.

***Chapters in Edited Books***

Faruque, Omar and Ruth McKie (Lead Authors); **Paul K. Gellert** and others (contributing authors). 2024. “Climate Obstruction in the Global South” in *First Global Assessment of Climate Obstruction*, edited by Timmons Roberts, Carlos Milani, Jennifer Jacquet, and Christian Downie. Oxford University Press.

Schneider, Jen and Greg Trencher, (Lead Authors); **Paul K. Gellert** and others (contributing authors). 2024. “Coal, Steel, Railroads, Transport, and Utilities. *First Global Assessment of Climate Obstruction*, edited by Timmons Roberts, Carlos Milani, Jennifer Jacquet, and Christian Downie. Oxford University Press.

Ciccantell, Paul S. and **Paul K. Gellert**. 2021. “Migration, Resource Frontiers, and Extractive Peripheries” in *Migration, Racism, and Labor Exploitation in the World-System*, 39th Annual PEWS Conference volume, edited by Denis O’Hearn and Paul Ciccantell, New York: Routledge.

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2020. “The Political Economy of Environmental Degradation and Climate Disaster in Southeast Asia.” in *The Political Economy of Southeast Asia: Politics and Uneven Development under Hyperglobalisation,* (4th Edition), edited by Toby Carroll, Shahar Hameiri and Lee Jones. London: Palgrave Macmillan. <https://www.palgrave.com/us/book/9783030282547>

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2019. "Bunker’s Ecologically Unequal Exchange, Foster's Metabolic Rift and Moore's World-Ecology: Distinctions with or without a Difference?” Chapter 4 in *Ecologically Unequal Exchange - Environmental Injustice in Comparative and Historical Perspective*, edited by R. Scott Frey, Paul K. Gellert, and Harry F. Dahms. London: Palgrave MacMillan

Frey, R. Scott, **Gellert, Paul K**, and Harry F. Dahms. 2019. "Introduction” Chapter 1 in *Ecologically Unequal Exchange - Environmental Injustice in Comparative and Historical Perspective*, edited by R. Scott Frey, Paul K. Gellert, and Harry F. Dahms. London: Palgrave MacMillan

Ciccantell, Paul S. and **Paul K. Gellert.** 2018. “Raw Materialism and Socio-Economic Change in the Coal Industry.” Chapter 7 in *Energy and Society Handbook*, edited by Debra J. Davidson and Matthias Gross. Oxford University Press.

Ciccantell, Paul S. and **Paul K. Gellert**. 2018. “The Longue Durée and Raw Materialism of Coal: Against the So-called ‘Death of Coal’.” *The World-System as Unit of Analysis: Past Contributions and Future Advances*, 40th Annual PEWS Conference volume, edited by Patricio Korzeniewicz. New York: Routledge.

**Gellert, Paul K**. “Extraction and the World-System.” 2012. In *The Handbook of World-Systems Analysis: Theory and Research,* edited by Salvatore Babones and ChristopherChase-Dunn. New York: Routledge.

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2009. “The Politics of Governance of Indonesia’s Forest Industries: Progress and Regress in a Neo-liberal Age,” Pp. 107-120 in *Governance and the* *Depoliticisation of Development*, edited by Wil Hout and Richard Robison. London: Routledge Press.

**Gellert Paul K**.2008. “What’s New with the Old?: Scalar Dialectics and the Reorganization of Indonesia’s Timber Industry,” Pp. 43-55 in *Taking Southeast Asia to Market: Commodities, Nature, and People in the Neoliberal Age*, edited by Nancy L. Peluso and Joe Nevins. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.

**Gellert, Paul K**.2006. “The Shifting Nature(s) of Development in Indonesia.” Pp. 173-192 in *Globalization and the Environment*, edited by Andrew K. Jorgenson and Edward L. Kick. Netherlands: Brill Press.

**Gellert, Paul K**. 2006. “For a Sociology of Socionature: Ontology and a Commodity-Based Approach.” Pp. 65-92 in *Nature, Raw Materials and Political Economy*, edited by Paul Ciccantell, Gay Seidman and David A. Smith. Research in Rural Sociology and Development, Volume 10. Elsevier Science/JAI Press.

**Gellert, Paul K.** 2005. “Oligarchy in the Timber Markets of Indonesia: From Apkindo to IBRA to the Future of the Forests.” Pp. 121-137 in *The Politics and Economics of Indonesia’s Natural Resources*, edited by Budy P. Resosudarmo. Singapore: The Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, in collaboration with the Australian National University.

**Gellert, Paul K.** 2000. “Dynamics of Indonesia’s Timber Industry after the Financial Crisis and after Soeharto: Contradictory Pressures on Loggers, Forests, and Local People, Especially in Kalimantan (Borneo).” Pp. 307-322 in *Borneo 2000: Environment, Conservation and Land*, Proceedings of the Sixth Biennial Borneo Research Conference, edited by Michael Leigh. Kuching, Sarawak: Universiti Malaysia Sarawak.

**Works Under Review and In Progress**

**Gellert, Paul K.** “Vying for Hegemonic Power and Rearranging Commodities and Ecologies: China’s Ascent and Asia Pacific Semiperipheries” submitted June 2024

**Gellert, Paul K.** “Sustainability Nationalism and Concentrated Benefits: the Political Economy of Palm Biodiesel” to be submitted August 2024 for inclusion in special issue on Sustainability Capitalism.

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**OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

**Non-Refereed Articles**

Gellert, Paul K. 2024. “Afterword” to *Social Justice in the Global South*, edited by N. Deb, M. Nair, and G. Muschert**.** Edward Elgar

Gellert, Paul K. 2019. "R. Scott Frey and the Unfinished Agenda of Unifying Economy and Environment in the World-System from Extraction to Waste.” Part of In Memorium: The Contributions of R. Scott Frey. *Journal of World-Systems Research* 25(1):185-93.

**Book Reviews**

Forthcoming. Review of *Resource Nationalism in Indonesia: Booms, Big Business, and the State* by Eve Warburton (Cornell University Press, 2023). *Journal of Contemporary Asia*

2024. Review of *At the Margins of the Global Market: Making Commodities, Workers, and Crisis in Rural Colombia* by Phillip A. Hough (Cambridge University Press, 2022). *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 64(1): 94-97.

2021. Review of *Forest Conservation and Sustainability in Indonesia: A Political Economy Study of International Governance Failure*by Bernice Maxton-Lee (Routledge, 2020). *Journal of Contemporary Asia 52(2): 343-6.*

2010. Review of *The Ecological Revolution* by John Bellamy Foster. (Monthly Review Press, 2009). *Contemporary Sociology* 39(4): 444-445.

2010. Review of *Space, Oil and Capital* by Mazen Labban. (Routledge Press, 2008). *Economic Geography* 86(1): 113-114.

2007. Review of *Do Glaciers Listen? Local Knowledge, Colonial Encounters and Social Imagination* by Julie Cruikshank. (UBC Press, 2005). *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 36(3): 260-262.

2005. Review of *Grounds for Agreement: The Political Economy of the Coffee Commodity Chain* by John M. Talbot. (Rowman & Littlefield, 2004). *Journal of World-Systems* *Research* XI:1: (July) 151-157.

2005. Review of *Community-Driven Regulation: Balancing Development and the Environment in Vietnam* by Dara O’Rourke. (Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press, 2004). *American Journal of Sociolog****y*** 110:4: 1526-1528.

2004/05. Review of *Culture and the Question of Rights: Forests, Coasts and Seas in Southeast Asia*, edited by Charles Zerner. (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2003).*Pacific Affairs* 77:4 (Winter): 772-773.

2004. Review of *The Political Ecology of Tropical Forests in Southeast Asia: Historical Perspectives,* edited by Lye Tuck-Po, Wil de Jong, and Abe Ken-ichi. (Kyoto andMelbourne: Kyoto University Press and Trans Pacific Press, 2003). *Journal of Asian Studies* 63:4 (November): 1205-1206.

2003. Review of *Timber Booms and Institutional Breakdown in Southeast Asia* by Michael L. Ross. (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2001). *Society and Natural Resources* 16:3 (March): 265-267.

2001. Review of *Ecology and the World System*, edited by Wally Goldfrank, David Goodman, and Andrew Szasz. (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1999). *Journal of World-Systems Research* VII:2:304-7.

2001. Review of *Nature, Production and Power: Towards an Ecological Political Economy*, Fred P. Gale and Michael M’Gonigle, Eds. (Northampton, MA, USA and Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar, 2000) *Global Environmental Politics* 1:3:142-145.

1997. Review of *Borneo Log: The Struggle for Sarawak’s Forests* by William Bevis (Seattle, WA: University of Washington Press, 1995). *Society and Natural Resources* 10:507-509.

**GRANTS**

**Pending**

**Current**

Climate Social Science Netowrk, “Climate Change Policy Networks in Indonesia: Competing Interests among Palm Oil, Coal, and Sustainable Energy.” Institute at Brown for Environment and Society, Brown University. 2024-25, P.I. ($6,000).

**Completed**

Climate Social Science Network, “Climate Change Policy Networks in Southeast Asia.” Institute at Brown for Environment and Society, Brown University. 2023-24, P.I. ($19,000).

Global Catalyst Category 2 Grant, “Social Networks of Southeast Asian Palm Oil Capitalists,” Center for Global Engagement (CGE) and Office of Research, Innovation, and Economic Development (ORIED), University of Tennessee, 2021-23, P.I. ($20,885)

University of Tennessee, Haines-Morris Grant, “The US in the Globe and the Global in the US: A View from the Southeast Periphery (Global Studies Lecture Series),” 2020-22, P.I. ($6,000)

National Science Foundation, “HNDS-R: Social Networks of Southeast Asian Palm Oil Capitalists,” 2022-2025, P.I. ($318,989, *not funded*).

Global Catalyst Category 1 Grant, “Natural Resource Commodities, Development Trajectories, and Environment in the Global South: The Palm Oil Commodity Chain in Indonesia,” Center for Global Engagement, University of Tennessee, 2019-21, P.I. ($6,000)

National Science Foundation. “Agro-Extractive Commodity Chains, 21st Century National Development, and Social Networks,” 2021-2024, P.I. ($306,604, *not funded*).

University of Tennessee, Haines-Morris Grant, “Global Change from the Periphery to the Core: A PEWS Annual Conference, 2018-2019, P.I. (*partially funded & declined)*

NSF EAGER Grant, “Collaborative Research: Designing a Multi-Scalar, Comparative-Historical Sociology of Coal in the World-System,” 2017, P.I. ($35,104, *not funded*)

NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research, “The Political Economy of Colombian Coal: Tracing Finance and Linking Environmental Justice,” 2017, P.I. Paul K. Gellert, Co-P.I. Tamra L. Gilbertson ($11,929; *not funded*)

University of Tennessee, Jefferson Prize, Chancellor’s Honor Award, “Resource Extraction in Indonesia and Appalachia.” 2013-2017. ($18,000)

NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research, Corporate Political Mobilization: the Case of the American Petroleum Institute, 1919-2014, P.I. Paul K. Gellert, Co-P.I. Elizabeth East ($11,893; *not funded*)

Association of Asian Studies, Late Developing Countries (LDC) Travel Grant for Co-Author (Andiko), Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, San Diego, CA. March 2013. ($2000)

University of Tennessee, Office of Research, SARIF Foreign Travel Support. 2012. ($2,175)

Fulbright Senior Scholar Award, US Department of State, Council for International Exchange of Scholars, Teaching at Paramadina University. 2010-2011. ($44,750)

NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research on “Finance and Forests: Industrial Forestry and the Financialization of the United States.” P.I. Paul K. Gellert, Co-P.I. Andrew Gunnoe ($10,000; *not funded*)

University of Tennessee, Professional Development Award, “Neoliberalization of Indonesian Timber and Oil Markets.” 2006. ($3000)

University of Tennessee, Innovative Technology Center, “Using Technology to Teach the International and Intercultural Origins of Sociological Theory,” (Co-PI with Harry Dahms). 2006. ($15,000)

Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership, Social Science Research Council and American Council of Learned Societies. Abe Fellowship, “Globalization or Regionalization? Japan, Indonesia, the United States and the Political Economy of Timber Markets.” 2003-2005. ($89,000)

Cornell University, Southeast Asia Program, “Liberalization of the Indonesian Oil Sector,” (Co-PI with Dr. Francisia Ery Seda, Sociology, University of Indonesia). 1998-2004. ($12,000)

Cornell University, Graduate Training and Workshop, “Landscape Transformations: Social and Ecological Dimensions of Rapid Regional Change,” (Co-leader with Dr. Barbara D. Lynch, City and Regional Planning, Cornell University). 2000-2002. ($4,300)

Cornell University, International Travel Grant, International Agriculture Program, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. 1999. ($1500)

US Department of Education, HEA Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for Indonesian Language. 1995-1996. ($12,216)

J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board Fellowship. 1994-1995 ($19,090)

University of Wisconsin-Madison, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Scholars Program, Global Studies Research Program, International Studies and Programs. 1993-1994. ($13,000)

Social Science Research Council, International Pre-Dissertation Fellowship. 1992-1993. ($23,700)

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation. 1990-1992. ($12,000)

**INVITED TALKS**

**International**

“China’s Rising Power and the World-ecology of Agro-extractive Semiperipheries.” Department of Geography, National University of Singapore, January 13, 2023.

“Politics of the Biofuel Sector: A case within Indonesia’s Extractive Regime.” Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Indonesia, January 4, 2023.

“China’s Rising Power in a New Asian Epoch: The Political Economy of Southeast Asian Palm ‘Waste’.” Symposium on Environmental Offshoring: Implications for East Asia's Regionalization and Sustainable Development, Graduate School of Global Studies, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan March 15, 2022 (online).

“Environmental Degradation and Climate Change in Southeast Asia.” Workshop on “The Political Economy of Southeast Asia.” Organized by Toby Carroll, Shahar Hameiri and Lee Jones. Asia Research Center, Murdoch University, Perth, Australia, December 17-18, 2018.

“A critical economic history of Indonesia: extraction, nationalism, and semiperipheral capitalism.” KITLV (Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies), Leiden, the Netherlands, April 19, 2018.

“Cycles of Resource Nationalism and 21st Century Extractivism in Indonesia, Institut für Soziologie, Soziologisches Kolloquium, University of Duisburg Essen, December 20, 2017.

“Neoliberalism and altered state developmentalism in the 21st century extractive regime of Indonesia.” Workshop on “Leverage and Marketisation: The Diffusion of the Neoliberal Development Agenda from North to South and Back Again.” Istituto di Scienze Umane e Sociali, Scuola Normale Superiore, Vth floor, Palazzo Strozzi, Florence, Italy. October 26-27, 2017.

“Political Consequences of Natural Resources,” Workshop at the University of Tokyo, November 10-11, 2016.

“Ideas and Ideologies of Development in 21st Century Indonesia: Modernization Theory Assumptions, Middle Class Consumption, and Pancasila Reductions,” Paramadina University, Jakarta, Indonesia, June 12, 2012.

“Commodification of Indonesian Forests: From Timber to Palm Oil” Lee Kwan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, June 20, 2011.

“Max Weber’s *Protestant Ethic* and Indonesian Development: Relevance and Critique” Center for the Study of Islam and the State, Paramadina University, Jakarta, Indonesia, April 13, 2011. [*Presented in Indonesian language*]

“Governance of Indonesia’s Forest Industries,” Department of Sociology, FISIP, University of Indonesia, July 4, 2007.

“The Politics of Governance of Indonesia’s Forest Industries: Progress and Regress in a Neo-liberal Age.” Workshop on Governance and the Politics of Development, Institute of Social Studies (ISS), & Garnet (Global Governance, Regionalisation & Regulation: The Role of the EU), The Hague, The Netherlands, November 16-17, 2006.

“The End of an Extractive Cycle in Indonesia: Timber Exports from The New Order to the Present.” Extractive Industries and Social and Economic ChangeResearch Cluster, Graduate Program, Department of Sociology, University of Indonesia. July 22, 2005. [*Presented in Indonesian language*]

“Oligarchy in the Timber Markets of Indonesia: From Apkindo to IBRA to the Future of the Forests,” Indonesia Update 2004 Conference, Indonesia Project and the Department of Political and Social Change, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, September 24-25, 2004.

“The Shifting Natures of ‘Development’: Growth, Crisis, and Recovery in Indonesia’s Forests,” ISEAS Seminar Series, Institute for Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore, December 16, 2003.

“Defining Illegal Logging in Post-Suharto Indonesia: Relative Capacities of State,Private and Citizen Actors,” Congress on Globalization, Localization and Tropical Forest Management in the 21st Century, Amsterdam Research Institute for Global Issue and Development Studies (AGIDS), Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 22-23, 2003.

**National**

“Keynote Address: Semiperipheral Indonesia”. 15th Annual Indonesia Focus Conference. Asian Society of International Relations and Public Affairs (ASIRPA). University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, October 21, 2023.

“Cycles of Extraction and New Frontiers of Accumulation in Indonesian Forests.” Fernand Braudel Center, Binghamton University, February 1, 2013.

“Governance Reform and Competing Transnational Networks: Examining the Power of External Actors in Indonesia’s Forestry Sector.” Conference on “New Directions in Southeast Asian Studies,” University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, October 10-11, 2008.

“What’s New with the Old?: Restructuring Asia’s Markets, Reorganizing Indonesia’s Timber Industry,” 22nd Annual Conference of the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, “Producing People and ‘Nature’ as Commodities in Southeast Asia,” UC Berkeley, February 4-5, 2005.

“For a Sociology of Socionature,” Presented at “Nature, Raw Materials, and Political Economy: A conference celebrating Stephen Bunker’s contribution to Sociology,” University of Wisconsin, Madison, November 2, 2002.

**CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Conference Organizing**

Lead Organizer, “The US in the Globe and the Global in the US: A View from the Southeast Periphery,” Roundtable Series of the Global Studies Program, with Haines-Morris Foundation funding, University of Tennessee, via Zoom 2020-2022, continuing 2022-present.

* 2020-21 held 5 roundtables, 16 speakers and 237 registered attendees, including at least 115 students and 48 faculty (of which 11 from outside University of Tennessee), and 25 community members)

Co-Organizer, Conference on Ecologically Unequal Exchange, Center for the Study of Social Justice and Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee, October 2015

**Conference Presentations - International**

“China and the Palm-Dairy Waste Regime: Accumulation and Ecological Degradations across the Asia-Pacific.” Panel on Transnational Ecologism in a Burning World, Global & Transnational Sociology Section. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August 9-13, 2024.

“Examining Resource Frontiers from the Frontier-End of Congo’s Peatlands.” (with Paul S. Ciccantell and Ojonimi Salihul). Environmental Sociology Panel. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August 9-13, 2024.

“Material interests, state projects, and the structure of climate delay in Indonesia’s Extractive Regime” (with Indri Dwi Apriliyanti). Panel on The Hegemony of Sustainability: Obstacles and Contradictions of Green Capitalism in Southeast Asia. AAS-in-Asia Conference. Yogyakarta, Indonesia, July 9-11, 2024.

“China’s rising power as seen through the world-ecology of palm and dairy.” World-Ecology Research Network (WERN) 8th Annual Conference, “Working Environments, Unruly Natures.” Bonn, Germany, June 8-10, 2022.

“Exploring the origin of land inequality in Colombia: the allocation of baldíos.” (with Álvaro Germán Torres Mora). LANDac Annual International Conference 2021 ‘Land, Crisis, and Resilience,’ Netherlands. Online conference. June 30-July 2, 2021.

“Profits or Justice: objects and relations of resistance in the struggle against resource extractive corporations,” Panel on Resistance: anti-corporate activism in Asia. International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS), Leiden, Netherlands, July 16-19, 2019.

“Oil Palm, Frontiers of Accumulation, and Recurring Forest Fire Crises in Indonesia,” Panel on Land Grabbing and Land Dynamics on Southeast Asian Frontiers, EuroSEAS Conference, Oxford, UK, August 16-18, 2017.

“Coal’s Political Hangover: Bankruptcy, restructuring and coal ownership.” Panel on “Corporate Power and Carboniferous Capitalism,” 3rd ISA Forum, International Sociology Association, Vienna, Austria, July 10, 2016.

“The violence of flexibility: legality, policy, and justice in Indonesian forest lands.” (with Andiko) Political Ecologies of Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation (PE-3C) Wageningen, the Netherlands, 7 - 9 July, 2016.

“Dynamics of Indonesia’s Timber Industry after the Financial Crisis and after Soeharto: Contradictory Pressures on Loggers, Forests and Local People, especially in Kalimantan (Borneo)” Sixth Biennial Conference of the Borneo Research Council, Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia, 10-14 July 2000.

**Conference and Other Presentations – Domestic**

“How China Rearranges Its Agricultural Peripheries in the Asia-Pacific: developmental and socio-ecological consequences.” Solving Global Poverty Conference, Sociology of Development, Johns Hopkins Universtiy, October 18-20, 2024.

"Palm ‘Waste,’ Flex Commodities and the Semi-periphery: Structures of Place and Ecology in a Neoliberal Era." (with Sarah D’Onofrio). Panel on Globalization, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, CA, August 5-9, 2022.

“Exploring the 19th Century Origins of Land Inequality in Colombia.” (with Álvaro Germán Torres Mora). Panel on Historical Sociology. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, CA, August 5-9, 2022.

“Politics, Ownership, and Profits in Indonesia’s Biofuel Sector: A Social Network Analysis of Government-Designated Producer Companies,” Annual Meeting of Association of Asian Studies, Hawai’i, March 2022. (Online presentation at Hybrid Conference)

“Socioecological Change in 21st Century Indonesia; Forest Fires, Responsibility, and the Politics of Commodity Frontiers,” Social Research Workshop, Sociology, University of Tennessee, October 22, 2021.

"Palm ‘Waste’ as Flex Crop in the Neoliberal Asian Epoch." Social Research Workshop, Sociology, University of Tennessee, June 9, 2021.

“Complex Governance and the Politics of the Agro-Extractive Palm Oil Commodity Chain,” PEWS Roundtables, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, August 8-11, 2020. Presented via Zoom.

“Bad companies, bad policies, or a bad system? The political economy of contestation over palm oil in Indonesia,” Panel on Contentious Crop: The Politics of Palm Oil Expansion in Indonesia, Annual Meeting of Association of Asian Studies, Denver, CO, March 21-24, 2019.

 “Resource Frontiers and Migration.” (with Paul Ciccantell) PEWS Annual Conference, Texas A&M University, April 28-29, 2017.

“Bankruptcy as a carboniferous finance mechanism: The case of coal in the US.” (with Tamra Gilbertson). Dimensions of Political Ecology. Lexington, KY, February 24-25, 2017.

 “Cycles of Resource Nationalism: Hegemonic Shifts and the Incorporation of Extractive Peripheries.” (presented by co-author, Brent Z. Kaup) Regular Session on Cross-National Sociology, American Sociological Association, Seattle, August 19-23, 2016.

 “The longue durée of coal: Against the so-called ‘death of coal’ and energy ‘transition’ narratives.” (with Paul Ciccantell) PEWS Annual Conference, University of Maryland-College Park, April 7-9, 2016

 “Political and Legal Aspects of Ecologically Unequal Exchange: Comparing Histories of Access to the Coalfields in the US (Appalachia) and Indonesia (Kalimantan).” Conference on “Ecologically Unequal Exchange.” Center for Study of Social Justice and Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee-Knoxville, October 15-16, 2015.

 “Coal Frontiers and the Production of Socionatural Extractive Peripheries in the US and Indonesia,” ETS Roundtables, American Sociological Association, August 22-25, 2015.

“New Frontiers of Global Accumulation: Palm Oil Expansion, State(s) of

 Engagement and Complexities of Land Grabbing in Indonesia.” 13th Annual

 Conference International Social Theory Consortium (ISTC) on the theme of

 “Globalization, Critique and Social Theory.” University of Tennessee-Knoxville,

 May 15-17, 2014.

“Coal extraction and peripheralization in East Kalimantan, Indonesia and

 Appalachia, US.” Panel on “The Political Economy and Ecology of Coal Extraction

 in the world-economy,” 4th Annual Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference on

 Nature/Society, University of Kentucky, February 27 -March 1, 2014.

“Economic nationalism and extraction in the periphery: Comparing Indonesia and Bolivia.” Paul Gellert (UT Knoxville) and Brent Z. Kaup (William & Mary). Panel on “Green Economy Meets Extractive Economy: State Roles in Development Strategies.” Annual Meeting of SSSP, New York, August 9-11, 2013

“The political economy of forest policy in democratic Indonesia: struggles over law, permits, and rights,” Paul K. Gellert (UTK) and Andiko (Huma, Indonesia), Annual Meeting of Association of Asian Studies, San Diego, March 2013.

“Globalization and Economic (Resource) Nationalism in the Indonesian Mining Sector,” 2nd Annual Conference of the Sociology of Development, Charlottesville, VA, 1-3 November 2012.

“Palm Oil Land Grabs and Development Violence in Indonesia,” PEWS Roundtables, American Sociological Association, 17-20 August 2012

“‘There’s only a crisis of integrity’: Ideas and Ideologies of Development in 21st Century Indonesia.” Panel on Ideologies of Development in Southeast Asia in the 21st Century, Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, Toronto, March 2012.

“Contention Over Land Use Policy in Indonesia: Regional and Commodity Variations or Convergence?” 34th Annual PEWS Conference on “Land Rights in the World-System.” Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida, April 22-24, 2010.

“Financialization, Shareholder Value, and the Transformation of Timberland Ownership in North America.” (with Andrew Gunnoe) Economic Sociology Session on “Nature and the Organization of Economic Life,” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, August 8-11, 2009.

“World Systems and the Dilemmas and Opportunities of Fieldwork.” (with Jon Shefner). PEWS Session on “Archive and Field” American Sociological Association, Boston, August 1-4, 2008.

“Oil, Gas, Timber, Minerals: Empire and Extractive Cycles in Indonesia's Development Trajectory”,” Annual Meeting of the AAG, Boston, April 2008.

“Re-Peripheralization of the Indonesian Political Economy: From Resource-based Industrialization back to Resource Exports.” Panel on Impacts of Globalization under Capitalism on Environments and Human Rights. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 10-13, 2007

“Re-Peripheralization of the Indonesian Political Economy: From Resource-based Industrialization back to Resource Exports,” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, August 8-11, 2007.

“The Devil Is in the Details: Central Human Capabilities and Human Development,” (with Shelley Feldman). Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Minneapolis, MN, November 3-5, 2006.

“The Seductive Quality of Central Human Capabilities: Sociological Insights into Nussbaum and Sen’s Disagreement” (with Shelley Feldman). Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Minneapolis, MN, November 3-5, 2006.

“Persistent Institutions? On the Political Economy of Forestry in Post-Suharto Indonesia,” PEWS Roundtables, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August 14-17, 2004.

“The Devil Is in the Details: Nussbaum’s Central Human Capabilities and Human Development,” with Shelley Feldman, Political Sociology Roundtables, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 16-19, 2003.

“The Seductive Quality of Central Human Capabilities: Rethinking Nussbaum’s Liberal Approach to Development,” with Shelley Feldman, Political Sociology Roundtables, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 16-19, 2003.

“The Transformation of (Socio)nature and the (Socio)nature of Transformation,” Landscape Transformations: A Workshop on the Social and Material Production of Landscape, sponsored by the Einaudi Center Landscape Transformation Working Group, March 8-10, 2002

“Megaprojects as Displacements,” with Barbara Lynch, Conference on “Moving Targets: Displacement, Impoverishment, and Development,” Cornell University, November 9-10, 2001.

“Mapping the Global Wood Products Commodity Chain from late 20th to early 21st Century,” Political Economy of the World System Roundtable Session, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA, August 18-21, 2001.

"Natural Resources and the Recovery of the Southeast Asian Economy," Mini-conference on “Globalization And The Environment: Prospects and Perils,” jointly sponsored by the Political Economy of the World System and Environment, Technology and Society sections of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA, August 17, 2001.

“Moving Up the Timber Commodity Chain: The Politics of Indonesian Producers and Japanese Plywood Markets,” Regular Session on Global Production Networks in the World Economy, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Washington D.C., August 12-16, 2000.

“After the Crisis: Reflections on Forest Resources and Development in Indonesia and the Philippines" Panel on Civic Action, Symposium on “Reassessing Resources: Teaching, Writing and Civic Action,” Cornell Southeast Asia Program, 7-9 April 2000.

“Developmental, Predatory and Extractive Regimes: Understanding the Indonesian State through its Timber Sector,” 24th Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Ft. Worth, TX, November 1999.

“Developmental and Predatory: The Case of the Indonesian State," 94th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, August 6-10, 1999.

“Heads I Win, Tails You Lose? Contradictory Pressures of the Asian Economic Crisis on the Timber Industry and on Indonesia's Forests" 62nd Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Chicago, IL August 4-8, 1999.

"Eco-labeling and Forest Management in Indonesia: Catalyst for Change or Diversion?”, 61st Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, OR, August 5-9, 1998.

“Concentrating Capital with a Spatially Diffuse Commodity: The Political Ecology and Economy of the Indonesian Timber Industry,” Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, Chicago, IL, March 20, 1997.

“Migrant Labor and Ethnic Divisions in the Labor Force of the East Kalimantan, Indonesia Logging Industry,” 21st Meeting of the Social Science History Association, New Orleans, LA, October 10-13, 1996.

“Concentrating Capital with a Spatially Diffuse Commodity: The Political Ecology and Economy of the Indonesian Timber Industry,” PEWS Session on “The Environment and the World Economy,” 91st Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York City, August 16-20,1996.

“The Political Economy and Political Ecology of Indonesia’s Timber Sector: Insights from a Commodity Based Approach,” Sixth International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, Pennsylvania State University, May 18-23, 1996.

“Persistent Policy ‘Failure’: Politics and Economics in Indonesia’s Timber Sector,” MacArthur Consortium Workshop on The Politics and Economics of Development Policy and Institutional Innovation, University of Wisconsin-Madison, March 22-24, 1996.

"Timber Extraction in East Kalimantan, Indonesia: A Multiethnic Labor Force in a Remote Tropical Forest," MacArthur Consortium Workshop on “Natural Resources, Environment, Trade, and Development,” University of Wisconsin-Madison, April 7, 1995.

**Panel Participation**

Discussant, “Financial Capitalism and Agrarian Transformations: Exploring Investments in Environment, Land, and Property across Asia.” Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference, March 16, 2024, Seattle.

Panelist, Book Launch, Shefner and Blad’s *Why Austerity Persists*, Global Studies, University of Tennessee, March 9, 2020.

Invited Panelist, On *Dark Money* by Jane Meyer. Center for the Study of Social Justice, University of Tennessee, April 12, 2017. <https://cssj.utk.edu/dark-money-jane-mayer-a-panel-discussion-with-utk-faculty-members/>

Discussant, “Corporate Power, Politics and the Environment.” Environmental Sociology Panel Session, American Sociological Association, August 22-25, 2015.

Invited Panelist, “Political Ecology and Environmental Sociology: Towards Productive Engagement or Sustaining the Contract of Mutual Indifference?” 4th Annual Dimensions of Political Ecology (DOPE) Conference on Nature/Society, University of Kentucky, Feb 27 -March 1, 2014.

Invited Panelist, “Biofuels and the Politics of Land,” Part of the series on Global Energies: A Public Inquiry into the Ecology, Science and Politics of Energy in the 21st Century, Center for International Studies and Program on the Global Environment, The University of Chicago, January 9, 2014.

Respondent, “Blood Diamonds, Blood Phones, and the Devil’s Gold: Africa’s Resource Curse.” A Conference of the Jazz for Justice Project, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, October 1, 2009.

Presider, "States, Scales and Alternatives." Mini-Conference on “Social and Natural Limits of Globalization and the Current Conjuncture,” Co-organized by PEWS, ETS, and Marxist Sections of ASA, with the Global Division of SSSP and *Critical* *Sociology*. University of San Francisco, August 7, 2009.

Presider and Discussant, “States, Scales and Regulation.” Mini-Conference on “Social and Natural Limits of Globalization and the Current Conjuncture,” Co-organized by PEWS, ETS, and Marxist Sections of ASA, with the Global Division of SSSP and *Critical* *Sociology*. University of San Francisco, August 7, 2009.

Discussant, “Comparative Political Participation.” Political Sociology Panel Session. 104th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA. August 10, 2009.

Presider, “Globalization and Environment.” Roundtable Session of the Environment and Technology Section. 104th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA. August 11, 2009.

Presider, “The Future of the Theory of the State” panel at Re-Visioning the Future: Modernity between Utopia and Dystopia, 8th Annual Conference of the International Social Theory Consortium (ISTC), University of Tennessee, Knoxville, May 14-16, 2009.

Presider and Discussant, “Emerging Peripheries: Brazil, Russia, India and China.” PEWS Session. 103rd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston, MA, August 2008

Presider, “Actions of Nation-States and Environmental Impacts,” Roundtable Session of the Environment and Technology Section, 95th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Washington D.C., August 12-16, 2000.

Panel Chair and Invited Discussant, “Global Problems, Local Responses,” 63rd Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Washington, D.C., August 13-17, 2000.

Invited Discussant, Closing Plenary Session of Miniconference on “The Environmental State Under Pressure: The Issues and the Research Agenda,” Environment and Society Research Committee (RC 24) of the International Sociological Association, Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago, IL, August 7, 1999.

Presider, "Resource Uses and Human Responses" Roundtable Session of the Environment and Technology Section, 94th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, August 6-10, 1999.

Invited Panelist, “Southeast Asian Forest Fires,” Peace Studies, Cornell University,

 December 4, 1997.

**TEACHING**

**Courses taught at the University of Tennessee (2005-present)**

*Undergraduate – regular courses*

 Introduction to Global Studies (GLBS250/ SOCI250)

 Capstone in Global Studies (GLBS 480), Fa 2023, Fa 2024, Fa 2025

Poverty and Economic Development (SOCI 442)

 Modern World-System (SOCI 446)

*Undergraduate – past courses*

 Sociological theory (SOCI 321), through ca. 2010

Political Economy of Southeast Asia (GLBS 493 / SOCI 493), Fa 2022

Addicted to Oil? (Freshman Seminar), 2009

 Independent Study

Political Economy of Indonesia, Sp2023

Sociology of Arab Spring, 2012

*Graduate*

 Political Economy of Natural Resources

 Sociology of Development

 Political Sociology

 Comparative-Historical Sociology

 Sociology and Social Justice

 Pedagogy and Graduate Instruction

Independent Studies (Political economy of the media, 2007; Shareholder value and political economy of forestry, 2008; Economic concentration and dependency 2010; Web-based research methods, 2013; Sociology of environment 2013; Political sociology of corporate power, 2014; Political economy of agriculture, 2019; Political economy of nature, 2019; World-Systems Analysis: classic readings, 2024)

**Courses taught at the University of Duisburg-Essen, GERMANY (2018-2019)**

*Undergraduate*

 Extraction in the Global North (Germany and US) and the Global South, Summer 2019

Resource Extraction, Indonesian Development(s), and Global Inequality, Winter 2018

**Courses taught at Cornell University (1998-2004)**

*Undergraduate*

 Theories of Society

 Political Economy of Natural Resources Development

*Graduate*

 Economic Development

 Sociological Theories of Development

 Sociology of Natural Resources and Development in Southeast Asia

Independent Studies (“Nature, Nature Lovers and the Nation-State in Indonesia,” “Coal, Communities, and Environmentalism: the Political Ecology of Large-Scale Coal Mining,” “Sociological Perspectives on Solidarity, Collective Action, and Social Movements”)

**STUDENT SUPERVISION & PLACEMENT**

**Ph.D. Chair – University of Tennessee**

Sarah D’Onofrio (2023). “Greenwashing “Brown Gold”: A Critical Analysis of Anaerobic Digesters and California’s Marketized Environmental Programs in Wisconsin’s Dairyland.

Tamra Gilbertson (2020; Lecturer, UTK and Carbon Pricing Education Project Coordinator, IEN) “Compensating for Development at the In-between and Edges of Extractive Capitalism: Socionature and Cultural Erasure in the Northeast Caribbean Colombian Coal Mining Region.”

Nikhil Deb (2019; Assistant Professor, Murray State University) “Slow Violence and Movement Resistance by the *Gas Peddit* in Neoliberal India”

Shannon Williams (2017; Lecturer, Eastern Kentucky University). “Labor’s Share of Accumulation Before and After the Great Financial Crisis.”

Elizabeth East (2017; Post-doctoral scholar, Green Economy Initiative, UT Knoxville). “Capitalist Organizing and Organizations: The Case of the American Petroleum Institute.”

Andrew Gunnoe (2012; Associate Professor, Maryville College). “Seeing the Forest for the Trees: Finance and Managerial Control in the US Forest Products Industry, 1945-2008.”

**Ph.D. External Committee Member**

Perdana Putri Binti Rosaldy (expected 2024). Northwestern University. “How Much Land Does a State Need? The Persistence of the Plantation Economy in Indonesia.”

Fathun Karib Satrio (2022). Binghamton University. “World-Ecology of the Lapindo Mud Flow Disaster.” (Dr. Jason W. Moore, Chair)

Abdil Mughis Mudhoffir (2019). University of Melbourne, Australia. “The State of Disorder: Non-State Violence in Post-Authoritarian Indonesia.” (Dr. Vedi Hadiz, Chair)

Roberto J. Ortiz (2019). Sociology, Binghamton University, “The Political Ecology of Global Oil: Uneven Development, Petrodollar Illusions and Climate Crisis.” (Dr. Jason Moore, Chair)

Bernice M. Lee (2018). Ph.D. in Politics, University of Hong Kong, “Common Sense versus Good Sense: A Critical Analysis of Forest Conservation and Deforestation in Indonesia.” (Dr. Toby Carroll, Chair)

Andrea Cardoso Díaz (2016; Professor, Universidad del Magdalena, Colombia), Ph.D. in Ecological Economics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain, “Socio-Environmental Liabilities of Coal Mining in Colombia: A Political-Ecology Approach to the Global Coal Chain.” (Dr. Joan Martinez-Alier, Chair)

Luky Djani (2013; Lecturer, University of Indonesia). Ph.D. in Politics, School of Social Sciences and Humanities and Asia Research Center, Murdoch University, Australia, “Reform Movements and Local Politics in Indonesia.” (Dr. Richard Robison and Dr. Caroline Hughes, Co-Chairs)

**Ph.D. Committee Member –Sociology (except as indicated), University of Tennessee**

Caleb Gore (expected 2026, Geography), “Strategy of Delay: A Critique of Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage” (Dr. Nikki Luke, Chair)

Traslavina Arias, Teddy Abel (expected 2026, Geography) “Managing scarcity and [infra]structural pressures: Local irrigation management in a rural agricultural organization on the Pacific coast, Lima-Peru.” (Dr. Solange Munoz, Chair)

Raymond Da-boi (expected 2026, Anthropology), “Political economy of conflict in the Mano River Basin, Liberia and Sierra Leone” (Dr. Raja Swamy, Chair)

A.J. Knowles (2023), “Productivity as Social Imperative: Automation and Transformations of Labor in the United States and Germany” (Dr. Harry F. Dahms, Chair)

Enkeshi Thom (2019) “Chocolate City Way Up South in Appalachia: Black Knoxville at the Intersection of Race, Place, and Region” (Dr. Michelle Christian, Chair)

Zachary McKenney (2018) “The State of the Union? Transnational Manufacturing and the US Labor Movement.” (Dr. Jon Shefner, Chair)

William Taylor (2018) “High Stakes Education: The Business of Reform, Grassroots Organizing, and the Community School Alternative.” (Dr. Jon Shefner, Chair)

Kat Gerlaugh (2017) “Twenty-first Century Deindustrialization and Uneven Development in Appalachia” (Dr. Stephanie Bohon, Chair)

Katie Morris (2016) “The Scruffy City: Development in Knoxville, TN.” (Dr. Jon Shefner, Chair)

Rhiannon Leebrick (2015) “Environmental Gentrification and Development in a Rural Appalachian Community: Blending Critical Theory and Ethnography.” (Dr. Harry F. Dahms, Chair)

Nicholas Hauman (2015) “Social Systems and Psychic Confluence: Flashmobs, Communications, and Agency.” (Dr. Harry F. Dahms, Chair)

Eric Keller (2015, Political Science) “Financial Deregulation, Income Inequality, and Partisan Politics from the Great War to the Great Recession.” (Dr. Nathan Kelly, Chair)

Lauren Copley (2014) “Uncovering Latino Sex Trafficking in a New Destination Area: A Case Study” (Dr. Stephanie Bohon, Chair)

Aaron Rowland (2013) “How Left a Turn? Legacies of the Neoliberal State in Latin America,” (Dr. Jon Shefner, Chair)

Alex Stoner (2013) “Human-Ecological Transformation and Contemporary Ecological Subjectivity: Sociobiophysicality and Cold War” (Dr. Harry F. Dahms, Chair)

Sarah Hendricks (2013) “Mobility and Isolation: Latino Immigrant Adjustment in Atlanta, Georgia”

James Maples (2012) “Changes in US Ethnic Niches, 2005-2010” (Dr. Stephanie Bohon, Chair)

Robert Keeton (2012) “To Preserve This Much-Injured Race”: Techniques of Neutralization and Indian Removal, 1829-1831 (Dr. Lois Presser, Chair)

Nurhaya Muchtar (2009, Communications) “The Impact of International Media Training on Radio Professionals in Indonesia”

Dima Sarbo (2009) “Contested Legitimacy: Coercion and the State in Ethiopia” (Dr. Jon Shefner, Chair)

**Ph.D. Member – Cornell University**

Bjorn I. Sletto (2005, City and Regional Planning; Associate Professor, UT Austin) “Burn Marks: The Becoming and Unbecoming of an Indigenous Landscape” (Dr. Barbara D. Lynch, Chair)

Jeffrey Hadler (2005, History and Southeast Asian Studies; Assoc Professor, UC Berkeley; deceased) “Places Like Home: Islam, Matriliny, and the History of Family in Minangkabau.” (Dr. Benedict R. O’G. Anderson, Chair)

**M.A. Chair – University of Tennessee**

Husnul Khitam (2024) “Contention within the Family: Environmental Justice and Religion in Indonesia.” Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Sarah D’Onofrio (2017) “‘Only the Intervenor Cared’: Critical Junctures in the Rise of Dairy CAFOs and Neoliberal Environmental Policy in Wisconsin.” Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Nicholas Zeller (2012) “Comparison of Two Southeast Asian Dam Projects.” Sociology, University of Tennessee (continued to Ph.D., History, University of Wisconsin).

Shannon Williams (2008) “ALBA: A development alternative in Latin America.” Sociology, University of Tennessee

**Masters Chair – Cornell University**

Christian Lentz (2004, Development Sociology; Assistant Professor, Geography, UNC Chapel Hill) “Seasons of Sorrow, Cycles of Change: Peasant subsistence and crisis in upland Sumba, Indonesia.”

Mui Ling Han (2001, Asian Studies) “Tourism, Regionalism, and the State: The Case of the Indonesia-Malaysia-Singapore Growth Triangle”

**M.A. Member – University of Tennessee**

Michael Ickowicz (2020) “Comparative Research Funding for Education” (Dr. Harry F. Dahms, Chair). Principal and Founder, Patdome Productions.

A.J. Knowles (2017) “Artificial Intelligence and Labor” Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Elizabeth (Lisa) East (2012) “The Politics of Protection and Promotion: a Case of the Coal Industry in Environmental Politics” Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Liam Hysjulien (2012) , M.A., Sociology, University of Tennessee, “Growing a Local Movement: New Social Movements, Food, and Activism” Academic Advisor in Dept. of Political Science, University of Tennessee.

Eric Lybeck (2010) “Modernity, Capitalism, and War: Toward a Sociology of War in the Nineteenth Century, 1815-1914.” Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Cambridge, UK.

Aaron Rowland (2008), M.A., Sociology, University of Tennessee, “From the Authoritarian Dirty War to the Neoliberal “Democratic” Class War in Argentina.” Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Tennessee.

James Maples (2008), M.A., Sociology, University of Tennessee, “Effects of industrial concentration on quality of life among residents of US counties.” Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Erika Borek (2007) “Does National Policy Influence Individual Car Driving Behavior: A Cross-National Study of the European Union.”

Katie Kirkpatrick (2007), M.A., Sociology, University of Tennessee, "From Scuffletown to the Sunsphere: Downtown Knoxville Development and the Urban Growth Machine." Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Ryan Wishart (2007) "Extraction, Ecology, Exploitation, and Oppression: The political economy of coal in Appalachia.” Continued to Ph.D., Sociology, University of Oregon.

**Undergraduate Thesis Chair – University of Tennessee**

Stewart, Rachel. 2023. (Co-Chair with Christina Ergas.) “Radiation, Remediation, and Radio(activism):  Tracing Uranium Legacies and Futures in Mailuu-Suu, Kyrgyzstan.”College Scholars Program and Haslam Scholars Program.

Homan, Aiden. 2023. Centrality and Compliance: Unitary vs. Federalist Political Systems in the Implementation of the Kyoto Protocol in Argentina and Uruguay.” Baker Scholars Program and Chancellors’ Honors Program.

[\*Award Winner, Social Science Division, EUReCA (Exhibition of Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement) ]

Lee, Margaret (Maggie). 2021. “TVA as Public Corporation? Neoliberal Governance and Declining Citizen Participation” Sociology Honors Thesis.

Myers, Katie. 2017. “Power Lines: Broadband, Access, and Inequality in East Tennessee.” , College Scholar’s Program.

 [Fellow at *Grist*, 2023; previously journalist at WMMT; Appalachian Transition Fellow; SEAD Task Force; CWEET; Sunset Gap Community Center

**Undergraduate Thesis Member – University of Tennessee**

Siddighi, Diba. 2023. “Immigration and Illness: Understanding Healthcare Access Barriers Of Refugees in Appalachian Tennessee. College Scholar’s Program.

Currin, Grant. 2017. “The Ecolodge and the Park: Conservation in Costa Rica.” , College Scholar’s Program

**Publications by Mentored Undergraduate Students – University of Tennessee**

Mohyuddin, Sabiha Iman. 2017. “Female Migrant Labor in the Philippines: The Institutionalization of Traditional Gender Roles in the Name of Economic Development.” *Pursuit – The Journal of Undergraduate Research.* <https://trace.tennessee.edu/pursuit/>

Davis, Erica. 2016. “Sustainable Development in Vietnam: The Interconnectedness of Climate Change, Socio-Economic Development, Land Use, and Food Security” *Pursuit – The Journal of Undergraduate Research.* <https://trace.tennessee.edu/pursuit/>

**SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

**National Service**

National Screening Committee, U.S. Student Fulbright Program, Southeast Asia, Institute of International Education, <https://us.fulbrightonline.org> . 2014-2017.

Discipline Peer Review Committee Member, Fulbright Scholar Program, Council for International Exchange of Scholars, <http://www.cies.org/PeerReview/> . 2013.

**Promotion and Tenure Reviews**

Department of Sociology, Boston College, 2023

Department of Economics, Merrimack College, 2023,

School of Environment and Natural Resources (SENR), The Ohio State University, 2020

Department of Sociology, Binghamton University, 2015

 **Occasional Peer Reviewer**

*(*listed alphabetically with most recent year since 2018 noted*) American Sociological Review; Asian Journal of Political Science (2024); Asian Studies Review; Capitalism, Nature, Socialism; Critical Historical Studies (2018); Critical Sociology (2018); Economic Geography (2020); Environment and Society: Advances in Research (2018); Environmental Policy and Governance (2021); Environmental Science and Policy (2021); The Extractive Industries & Society (2020); European Political Science Review; Forest Politics & Economics (2019); Geoforum (2021); Indonesia (*Cornell University Press); *Globalizations (2021); International Journal of Comparative Sociology (2021); International Journal of the Sociology of Agriculture and Food; Journal of Contemporary Asia (2024); Journal of Agrarian Change; Journal of Public Policy (2021); Journal of Human Trafficking (2022); Journal of Rural Social Sciences; Journal of Southeast Asian Studies* (Singapore)*; Journal of World-Systems Research (2021); Land (2019); Land Use Policy; Nature Climate Change (2024); New Political Economy (2021); Organization & Environment; Population and Environment* (2021)*; Political Geography (2024) Review of International Political Economy (2023); Rural Sociology; Social Science Research; Social Forces; Society and Natural Resources; Sociology of Development (2019); Sociological Forum (2021); SOJOURN; Theory, Culture, and Society; World Development (2018)*

Certificate of Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing, Elsevier, 2018

**Book Manuscript Reviewer**

Routledge (2024)

Palgrave MacMillan (2011, 2013, 2020)

Center for International Forestry Research, CIFOR (2009)

Guilford Press (2005)

Asian Books Division, Routledge Press (2002)

Resources for the Future (2000)

**Grant Reviewer**

Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia (2021)

National Science Foundation, (2002, 2006, 2007)

Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2007)

**Association Service**

Panel Organizer, The Hegemony of Sustainability: Obstacles and Contradictions of Green Capitalism in Southeast Asia, AAS-in-Asia Conference, Yogyakarta, INDONESIA, July 2024

Panel Organizer, Power, Politics, and “Green” Biofuels in Indonesia, Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Hawai’i, March 2022

Nominee, Global and Transnational Sociology Section (GATS) Council member, ASA, 2021

Member, Membership Committee, PEWS Section, ASA, 2019-20

Nominee, RC 24 (Environment and Society) Board, International Sociological Association (ISA), 2014

Nominee, Political Economy of the World-System (PEWS) Council member, ASA, 2012

Panel Organizer, “Ideologies of Development in Southeast Asia in the 21st Century,” Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Toronto, March 2012

Nominee, Chair, Environment and Technology Section, ASA, 2011

Nominee, Chair, PEWS Council, ASA, 2011

Panel Organizer, “Emerging Peripheries: Brazil, Russia, India and China,” ASA Annual Meeting, 2008

Co-Organizer, Roundtable Sessions, PEWS Section, ASA, 2003-04

Member, Annual Meeting Program Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 1998-99

**DEPARTMENTAL & UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

**University Level**

Member (at-large), Executive Committee, UTK Chapter, American Association of University Professors, AAUP, 2021-2024

Inaugural Member, Chancellor’s Council for Asian American and Pacific Islanders, 2022-23

Scholarship Review Committee, Office of National Scholarships and Fellowships (ONSF), 2012-

Alternate Reviewer, Departmental Review of IRB, 2019-21

Member, Hunger Studies Working Group, Center for Global Engagement, 2019-21

Review Team, Endowed Graduate School Fellowship Applications, 2019

Search Committee Member, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School, 2014

Fulbright Scholarship Review Committee, 2009-12

Organizing Committee, Community-Campus Dialogues on “Poverty, Energy and

 the Environment,” Office of the Provost and Baker Center, 2010

**College Level**

Mentor, Postdoctoral Scholar in Global Studies, 2024

Director, Global Studies Interdisciplinary Program, 2018-24

Mentor, Postdoctoral Scholar in Global Studies, 2022-23

Internal Member, Review Team, Decadal Program Review of Department of Anthropology, 2021

Acting Associate Director, Center for the Study of Social Justice, 2019-20

Member, Interdisciplinary Graduate Certificate Committee on Social Theory, 2014-

Advisory Board, Asian Studies Interdisciplinary Program, 2005-

Steering Committee, Global Studies Interdisciplinary Program, 2011-17

Representative to Graduate Council, 2013-16

Graduate Education Working Group, College of Arts & Sciences, 2014-15

Representative to Dean’s Council (Fall semester), College of Arts & Sciences, 2013

Discussion Leader (*Eaarth)*, Life of the Mind Program, 2013

Elected Member, Faculty Senate, 2010-13 (unable to serve due to academic leave*)*

Advisory Board, Global Studies Interdisciplinary Program, 2005-10

**Department Level**

Search Committee Member (environmental sociology), 2023-24

Mentor to Junior Faculty member (Moulton), 2020-

Peer Teaching Review Committee (Gill), 2021

Peer Teaching Review Committee (Ergas), 2020

Search Committee Chair (political economy), 2019

Mentor (interim) to Junior Faculty member (Kurti), 2019-20

Climate Committee Member (elected), 2019-21

Theory Qualifying Exam Committee, 2018-2019

Methods Qualifying Exam Committee, 2018-2019

Peer Teaching Review Committee (Christian), 2018

Graduate Studies Committee Member (elected), 2015-17

Theory Qualifying Exam Committee, 2016-17

Faculty Search Committee Member, Gender/Race and Criminology areas, 2016

Peer Teaching Review Committee (Duran), 2016

Co-Organizer, Conference on Ecologically Unequal Exchange, Center for the Study of Social Justice and Department of Sociology, October 2015

Director of Graduate Studies (2 terms, elected), 2011-15

Organizer, Graduate Student Professionalization Series, 2011-15

Faculty Advisor, Graduate Instructors of Sociology 110, 2011-15

Organizer, Department Colloquium Series, 2013-15

Peer Teaching Review Committee (Jones), 2013

Chair, Graduate Program Review Committee, 2011-13

Organizer, Department Colloquium Series, 2011-12

Peer Teaching Review Committee (Banerjee), 2011

Co-Organizer, Political Economy Writing Group, 2008-10

Co-organizer, Department Colloquium Series, 2007-10

Graduate Studies Committee (elected), 2006-10

Graduate Theory Prelim Exam Committee, 2006-10

Search Committee, Environmental Sociologist Position, 2007-08

Joint Search Committee, Sociology and Africana Studies, 2006-07

Undergraduate Affairs Committee, 2005-06

**Service at Cornell University (1998-2004)**

Executive Committee, Southeast Asian Program (SEAP), 1997-04

Curriculum Committee, SEAP, 1999-04

Fellowship Review Committee, SEAP, 1999-04

Faculty Advisory Board, International Political Economy Program, The Mario

 Einaudi Center for International Studies, 1998-05

Member, Center for the Study of Inequality, 2001-05

Faculty Advisor, Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD), International Sociological Honor

 Society, New York State Alpha Chapter, 1997-04

Reference Collection Committee, Polson Institute of Global Development, 2002-04

Faculty Co-leader (with Barbara Lynch, City and Regional Planning), Interdisciplinary Graduate Workshop on “Landscape Transformations: Social and Ecological Dimensions of Rapid Regional Change,” The Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, 2000-02

Faculty Representative, Career Development Office, Office of Academic Programs, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, 1998-01

Faculty Advisor, Rural Sociology Undergraduate Club, 1997-01

Faculty Coordinator, Ford Seminar on “Environmental Policy: Science, Society and Politics,” The Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, 1998-00

Curriculum Review Committee, Graduate Field of Development Sociology, 2000

Fulbright Award Review Committee, SEAP, 2000

Symposium Organizing Committee, SEAP, 1999-00

Graduate Admissions Committee, Development Sociology, 1998-00

Lewiston Sharp Dissertation Prize Committee, SEAP, 1998-99

Seminar Committee, Rural Sociology, 1998-99

Graduate Curriculum Committee, Rural Sociology, 1998

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Sociological Association

Sections on Comparative Historical Sociology; Development Sociology; Environment and Technology; Human Rights; Marxist Sociology; and Political Economy of the World System

Association of Asian Studies

 Research Committees on Economy & Society; Environment & Society

International Sociological Association

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Rural Sociological Society

American Society for Environmental History

Forest History Society

**MEDIA APPEARANCES**

Quoted in David Barboza, “In China, Projects to Make Great Wall Feel Small,” *The New York Times*, January 12, 2015. Available at <http://www.nytimes.com/2015/01/13/business/international/in-china-projects-to-make-great-wall-feel-small-.html?_r=0>

Interview, The Impact of Palm Oil on Indonesia’s Poor, Podcast with Asian Trends Monitoring, Singapore, June 28, 2011. Available at <http://www.asiantrendsmonitoring.com/2011/06/28/the-impact-of-palm-oil-on-indonesias-poor-podcast-with-prof-gellert/> .

Invited Speaker, “President Obama’s Prospects in the 2012 Election” Seminar for Reporters in the International Division of *Antara* (Indonesian National News Agency), Jakarta, Indonesia, April 27, 2011. [Invited; presented in Indonesian language]

Invited Speaker, “Korupsi: Apa Yang Bisa Dilakukan Oleh Presiden YAD” (Corruption: What the Next President Can Do), Halo VOA, One hour interview and radio call-in program in Indonesian, Voice of America, Washington D.C., July 7, 2004.