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EDUCATION

Candidate, Joint Ph.D. in Social Work and Anthropology, August 2007

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI

M.A. in Anthropology, August 2006

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI

M.S.W., April 2004

University of Michigan School of Social Work, Ann Arbor MI

B.A. in Sociology, Special Concentration in Anthropology, May 1998

Summa Cum Laude, Creighton University, Omaha NE

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

2007-2008 CEW Cecilia Anne Stiborik Dreyfuss Scholarship
Center for the Education of Women, University of Michigan

2007 Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant
Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan

**2008, 2007, 2006 University of Michigan School of Social Work-Social Science
Summer Funding**

**2006 National Science Foundation (BCS – Cultural Anthropology) Doctoral
Dissertation Improvement Grant: Transplanting Kinship – Organ
Transplantation, Kinship, and Daily Life in the U.S.**

2002 University of Michigan Regents' Fellowship Award

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & TRAINING

Guest Lecturer

Creighton University Department of Sociology and Anthropology March 26, 2008

- ANT 342 – Peoples and Cultures of Sub-Saharan Africa
- ANT 209 – Qualitative Methods in the Social Sciences
- ANT 363 – Medical Anthropology

Graduate Student Instructor, Anthropology 344 – Medical Anthropology
University of Michigan Department of Anthropology Winter 2006, Winter 2007

Taught three discussion sections for upper-level course on illness and culture.
Met needs of students from diverse educational backgrounds (including non-majors); wrote, administered, and graded exams and paper-writing assignments; provided encouragement and feedback to students through discussion, office hours, and written evaluation of students' work.

Graduate Student Instructor, Anthropology 101 – Introduction to Anthropology
University of Michigan Department of Anthropology Fall 2005, Fall 2006

Taught three discussion sections for introductory four-field anthropology course.
Met diverse needs of students; provided extra tutoring in office hours; wrote, administered, and graded assignments, quizzes and exams; worked with students to improve writing skills.

Graduate Student Instructor Teaching Orientation Fall 2005
University of Michigan Center for Research on Learning and Teaching

CRLT Seminar Series: Postdocs and Faculty Work at Liberal Arts Colleges 1/2007
University of Michigan Center for Research on Learning and Teaching

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Charles Harper, SOC/ANT 350 – Social Change
Creighton University Fall 1998
Read and graded undergraduate term papers

Tutor, Sociological Statistics and College Algebra
Creighton University Fall 1997, Spring 1998

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dissertation Fieldwork Research 9/2007-Present
The Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE Lied Transplant Center
Currently conducting an interdisciplinary ethnographic research study, "Transplanting Kinship – Organ Transplantation, Kinship, and Daily Life in the U.S." Based current research design on findings from preliminary fieldwork research; obtained approval through multiple human subjects research review boards. Conducting semi-structured, unstructured, genealogical, and life-history interviews with patients, caregivers, and clinical personnel; conducting participant observation in clinical and home settings.

Independent Preliminary Ethnographic Fieldwork Research 4/2005 – 12/2005
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI UMHS Liver Transplant Clinic/Unit
Designed and conducted ethnographic research, "Negotiating the Liver Transplant Process: A Cross-Sectional Exploratory Research Project." Worked with University of Michigan Health System (UMHS) Liver Transplant Program Team to obtain permission to conduct research; obtained Institutional Review Board approval; conducted interviews and participant observation to gather data which informed subsequent dissertation research design.

Research Associate I **5/2005 – 8/2005**
University of Michigan School of Social Work, Deborah R. Schild, Ph.D.

Helped secure grant funding for qualitative, longitudinal, multi-sited research project designed to understand and define parents' psychosocial needs when a child is diagnosed with a genetically-based condition; worked with multiple Institutional Review Boards across the state of Michigan to obtain approval for multi-sited project.

Research Internship **5/2004 – 12/2005**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI; UMHS Cystic Fibrosis Clinic Service Area

Designed and conducted all aspects of an independent qualitative research project, "Social contexts in the diagnosis of children with an inherited genetic condition: Parents' perspectives on cystic fibrosis."

Research Assistant **5/2004 – 8/2004**
University of Michigan School of Social Work, Deborah R. Schild, Ph.D.

Acted as Study Coordinator; maintained relations with study collaborators at other institutions; conducted ongoing literature review and analysis; co-presented research proposal to potential collaborators.

Graduate Student Research Assistant **1/2004 – 4/2004, 9/2004-12/2004**
University of Michigan School of Social Work, Deborah R. Schild, Ph.D.

Acted as Study Coordinator for qualitative, longitudinal, multi-sited research project designed to understand and define parents' psychosocial needs when their child is diagnosed with a genetically-based condition.; maintained relations with study collaborators at other institutions; obtained PEERS certification; conducted literature review; helped design research protocol and semi-structured interview protocol; designed study recruitment advertising tools; helped write and revise research grant.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & TRAINING

Interpersonal Practice Social Work Intern **1/2003 – 12/2003**
University of Michigan Health System (UMHS), Ann Arbor MI
Adult Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Unit

Interpersonal hospital social work practice on adult inpatient unit: conducted psychosocial assessment and support; patient advocacy; co-facilitated patient and family/caregiver support and education group; reported patient progress at weekly interdisciplinary medical team meetings; completed HIPPA-Compliance training.

Interpersonal Practice Social Work Mini-Preceptorship **2/2003**
UMHS Adult Liver Transplant Program, Ann Arbor MI

HONORS & AWARDS

2006 Passed with Distinction, Preliminary Examinations in Anthropology

1998 Creighton University Sociology/Anthropology "Student of the Year"
Departmental Award

1998 Creighton University Honors Program "Director's Award"

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Poster presentation: "Cooperative Creation: Cystic Fibrosis, Diagnosis, And the Making of Meaning Through Everyday Parenting"

2006 Society for Medical Anthropology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC

PUBLICATIONS

Heinemann, Laura L. "Organ Transplantation and the Body: Revisiting Theoretical Constructs." *Michigan Discussions in Anthropology*. In Press.

ACADEMIC/COMMUNITY SERVICE

Coordinator, Conversations Across Social Disciplines (CASD) **2004-2007**
University of Michigan

Planned, organized and facilitated perennial interdisciplinary workshop series funded by University of Michigan Rackham Graduate School; maintained and updated series website; publicized workshop events; wrote annual report and funding renewal requests. This series integrates social work literature and research with that of five affiliated social science disciplines.

Coordinator, The Ethnography as Activism Working Group **2007**
University of Michigan

Contacted and coordinated guest speaker visits for interdisciplinary workshop series funded by University of Michigan Rackham Graduate School; was head of budgeting and finance. This working group is oriented to, and directed by, the research interests of graduate students concerned with the integration of social justice with ethnographic practice and methods.

School of Social Work Doctoral Committee Student Representative **2007**
University of Michigan

Founding Member, Michigan Medical Anthropology Reading Group **2005-2007**
University of Michigan

Started and coordinated a collaborative reading group in which graduate students read and discuss medical anthropological ethnographies, and workshop ideas for our own and each other's research projects.

OTHER RELEVANT TRAINING & MEMBERSHIPS

Creating Professional-Looking Conference Posters **3/2006**
University of Michigan Teaching and Technology Collaborative Workshops

Introduction to NVivo Workshop **9/2005**
University of Michigan Library Instructional Center

Student Member, American Anthropological Association **3/2003-Present**
American Ethnological Society; NASA; Society for Medical Anthropology

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Gillian Feeley-Harnik, PhD

Kathleen Gough Collegiate Professor of Anthropology
Professor of Anthropology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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Marcia C. Inhorn, PhD, MPH

Helmut Stern Professor, Institute for the Humanities (2007-2008)
Professor, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, Department of
Anthropology, Program in Women's Studies, and Center for Middle Eastern and
North African Studies
Past-President, Society for Medical Anthropology/American Anthropological
Association

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****Please note that, beginning in Fall 2008, Prof. Inhorn will be a Professor of
Anthropology in the Department of Anthropology at Yale University. I do not yet
have her updated contact information at this new position.**

Holly Peters-Golden, PhD

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