

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

- 2011 **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)** in Anthropology and Social Work, Joint Doctoral Program in Social Work and Social Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. USA.

Committee: Dr. Gillian Feeley-Harnik (Co-Chair, Anthropology), Dr. Beth G. Reed (Co-Chair, Social Work), Dr. Holly Peters-Golden (Anthropology), Dr. Letha A. Chadiha (Social Work), Dr. Marcia C. Inhorn (Anthropology, Yale University)

Dissertation Title: *Transplanting Kinship: Transplantation, Kin Relatedness, and Daily Home Life in the U.S. Midwest*. (Nominated for a “Proquest Distinguished Dissertation Award”)
- 2006 **Master of Arts (MA)** in Socio-Cultural Anthropology. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. USA.
- 2004 **Master of Social Work (MSW)** in Interpersonal Practice and Health. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. USA.
- 1998 **Bachelor of Arts (BA)** in Sociology, emphasis in Anthropology). Creighton University, Omaha, NE. USA. Alpha Kappa Delta, Summa Cum Laude.

Scholarly Interests

Medical Anthropology	Kinship, Daily Home Life, Health Care
Informal Caregiving	Hi-Tech Biomedicine
Anthropology of North America	Anthropology of Science, Technology, and Medicine

Teaching

Creighton University:

- ANT 111 – Introduction to Anthropology
- ANT 363 – Medical Anthropology
- 2012 “IGGY Award” for outstanding freshman mentors, counselors, advocates and role models. Creighton University.

University of Michigan:

- ANT 101 – Introduction to Anthropology. (Graduate Student Instructor; Primary Instructor: Dr. Holly Peters-Golden). Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan. (Fall)
- ANT 344 – Medical Anthropology. (Graduate Student Instructor; Primary Instructor: Dr. Holly Peters-Golden)

Research

- 2011-present Co-Investigator. **Pilot Study: The Florence Clinic, Refugee Populations, and Community Health.** Interdisciplinary collaboration at Creighton University with Margo Minnich (MSN, RN), Dr. Laeth Nasir (MD), Dr. Alexander Rödlach (PhD), and Dr. Dianne Travers Gustafson (RN, PhD). Qualitative study to identify the needs and concerns of patients who seek care at a family medicine clinic in Omaha, NE, with special attention to those with a migration and/or refugee background.
- Funding/Support: Creighton University President’s Faculty Research Fund Award: Interdisciplinary Team category.
- 2007-2010 Principal Investigator. **Transplanting Kinship – Organ Transplantation, Kinship, and Daily Life in the U.S.** (Dissertation Research)
Interdisciplinary ethnographic fieldwork to understand the everyday lives of adult transplant recipients and their caregivers. Participant observation in clinical, home, and community settings in a Midwestern region of the United States; face-to-face semi-structured, unstructured, genealogical, and life-history interviews with patients, caregivers, and clinical personnel.
- Funding/Support: National Science Foundation (BCS – Cultural Anthropology) Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant; UM CEW Cecilia Anne Stiborik Dreyfuss Scholarship; UM Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant; UM Social Work-Social Science Summer Funding; Creighton University Department of Sociology and Anthropology Visiting Scholar Program; UM Susan Lipschutz Award; UM School of Social Work Alumni Award; UM School of Social Work Doctoral Dissertation/Thesis Grant; UM School of Social Work Henry J. Meyer Scholarship Award; UM Rackham/Department of Anthropology Block Grant.

- 2005 Principal Investigator. **Negotiating the Liver Transplant Process: A Cross-Sectional Exploratory Research Project.**
Preliminary ethnographic fieldwork in liver transplant clinic and inpatient hospital unit in U.S. Midwest. Gathered data to inform dissertation research design.
- 2004-2005 Principal Investigator. **Social contexts in the diagnosis of children with an inherited genetic condition: Parents' perspectives on cystic fibrosis.**
(Independent Research Internship)
Qualitative interdisciplinary social work and anthropological research with parents of children with cystic fibrosis. Semi-structured face-to-face interviews in participants' homes.
- 2004-2005 Research Assistant and Research Associate. **PILOT PROJECT: Defining Parents' Needs When Their Child Has a Genetic Diagnosis.**
(PI: Deborah R. Schild, PhD, University of Michigan School of Social Work)
Grant co-author; assisted in design of qualitative, longitudinal, multi-sited research protocol, semi-structured telephone interview protocol, and recruitment advertising tools; worked with collaborators at other institutions in Michigan; conducted ongoing literature review and analysis.

Funding/Support: UM Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR) Grant; UM Social Work Graduate Student Research Assistantship; UM School of Social Work Faculty Research Funds.

ALL RESEARCH: Approval through appropriate Institutional Review Boards and other human subjects research review boards; active Certification through the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI).

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 2012 President's Faculty Research Fund Award: Interdisciplinary Team category, "Pilot Study: The Florence Clinic, Refugee Populations, and Community Health" (Proposal Co-Author). Creighton University.
- 2011 Rackham One-Term Dissertation Fellowship. Department of Anthropology and Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2010 Block Grant. Department of Anthropology and Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2009 Henry J. Meyer Scholarship Award for best paper integrating social work and social science. School of Social Work, University of Michigan.
- 2009 Alumni Award (formerly "Sims Medal") for best paper illuminating/improving interactive effects of multiple environments on the functioning of the family. School of Social Work, University of Michigan.

- 2009 Susan Lipschutz Award for graduate students demonstrating exceptional scholarly achievement, a sense of social responsibility and an interest in the success of women in the academic community. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2009 Doctoral Dissertation/Thesis Grant. School of Social Work, University of Michigan.
- 2009 Graduate Student Research Grant (For Candidates). Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2009 Travel Grant (competitive), to attend the 2009 Society for Medical Anthropology Meeting. National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Grant, PI: Mark Padilla, PhD, MPH. School of Public Health, University of Michigan.
- 2007-2008 Cecilia Anne Stiborik Dreyfuss Scholarship. Center for the Education of Women (CEW) Scholarship Program for Returning Women Students, University of Michigan.
- 2007 Graduate Student Research Grant (For Pre-Candidates). Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2006 National Science Foundation (BCS – Cultural Anthropology) Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant: “Transplanting Kinship – Organ Transplantation, Kinship, and Daily Life in the U.S.”
- 2006/07/08 Social Work-Social Science Summer Funding. School of Social Work, University of Michigan.
- 2005 Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR) Faculty Grant Award for Pilot Research: “Defining Parents’ Needs When Their Child Has a Genetic Diagnosis” (Proposal Co-Author); PI: Deborah R. Schild, PhD, MSW, MPH. OVPR Faculty Grants and Awards Program, University of Michigan.
- 2002-2005 Rackham Regents’ Fellowship Award. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan.

Publications and Manuscripts in Progress

Heinemann, Laura L.

2011 Part of the Plan? Faith In and Through Solid Organ and Blood-Forming Stem Cell Transplantation. Theme issue, “Religion, Health, and Healing: An Interdisciplinary Inquiry,” edited by Barbara J. Dilly and Alexander Rödlach. *Journal of Religion and Society* Supplement 7: 216-234.

Online: <http://moses.creighton.edu/JRS/2011/2011-36.html>

Heinemann, Laura L.

2008 Transplantation and Body Politics: Toward Assessing and Addressing Inequalities. *Michigan Discussions in Anthropology*. 17(1): 76-107.

Heinemann, Laura L.

N.d. For The Sake of Others: Reciprocal Webs of Obligation and The Pursuit of Transplantation as a Caring Act. (Manuscript under review; Submitted to *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, October 2011.)

Heinemann, Laura L.

N.d. Transplantation and Transformations: Changing Contexts in Daily Home Life and High-Tech Health Care. (Manuscript in preparation.)

Academic Presentations

- 2012 “Caregiving Men: Reckoning Masculinities and Transplant Care in the U.S.” *Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology* (Co-Sponsored by the Society for Medical Anthropology), Baltimore, MD.
- 2011 “Transplanting Care: The Transfer and Transformation of Nurturance Between Homes and Hospitals In Organ Transplant Caregiving.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Montreal, QC, Canada.
- 2010 “‘I mean, they’re family!’ Revealing and Reframing Relatedness Through Organ Transplantation in the U.S.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, New Orleans, LA.
- 2010 “Part of the Plan? Faith In and Through Solid Organ and Blood-Forming Stem Cell Transplantation.” “*Religion, Health, and Healing*” *Symposium of the Kripke Center for the Study of Religion and Society*, Creighton University, Omaha, NE.
- 2010 “Transplantation, Local Moralities, and Reciprocal Webs of Care: How Negotiated Values Can and Could Shape the Practice of Biomedicine in the U.S.” *School of Social Work Colloquium Series*, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2009 “Maintaining an Orderly Home: Commitment, Compliance, Embodiment and Transplantation in the U.S. Midwest.” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2009 “Needing to Be There: Transplantation, the Obligation to Live, and Patients-As-Caregivers in the U.S. Midwest.” (Organizer for Panel: “Moralities at the Margins of Life: Obligations and Expectations in the Making and Unmaking of Persons and Social Relations”) *International Conference of the Society for Medical Anthropology*, Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- **Expanded paper was presented to faculty and students for September 2009 Visiting Scholar Lecture, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Creighton University.
- 2009 “Home Life and High-Tech Health Care: The Case of Transplantation.” *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*, Santa Fe, NM.
- 2006 “Cooperative Creation: Cystic Fibrosis, Diagnosis, and the Making of Meaning Through Everyday Parenting” (Poster Presentation). *Joint Meetings of the Society for Medical Anthropology and the Society for Applied Anthropology*, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Other Experience, Training, and Appointments

- 2009-2011 Visiting Scholar. Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Creighton University.
- 2004-2006 Spanish language training. Department of Romance Language and Literatures, University of Michigan.
- 2003 Interpersonal Practice Social Work Internship. Adult Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Unit, University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, MI. Served as patient advocate; co-facilitated patient and family/caregiver support and education group; reported patient progress at weekly interdisciplinary medical team meetings; completed HIPPA-Compliance training.
- 2003 Mini-Preceptorship. Additional MSW-level field experience in Adult Liver Transplant Program. University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, MI.

Professional Service

- 2007 Graduate Student Representative. **Doctoral Committee**. University of Michigan School of Social Work.
- 2007 Co-Founder and Coordinator. **The Ethnography as Activism Working Group** for integrating social justice with ethnographic practice and methods. University of Michigan.
- 2005-2007 Founder and Coordinator. **Michigan Medical Anthropology Reading Group**. University of Michigan.
- 2004-2007 Coordinator. **Conversations Across Social Disciplines (CASD) Interdisciplinary Workshop Series** to integrate scholarship in social work and social science. University of Michigan.

Other Honors

- 2006 Pass with Distinction. Preliminary Examinations in Socio-Cultural Anthropology, University of Michigan.
- 1998 Dr. Jack Angus Award for an Outstanding Sociology Student. Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Creighton University
- 1998 Director's Award. Honors Program, Creighton University.

Membership in Professional Organizations

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| American Anthropological Association | American Ethnological Society |
| Society for Medical Anthropology | Society for Applied Anthropology |
| Society for the Anthropology of North America | Central States Anthropological Society |
| Society for Social Work and Research | |