

## VITA

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### I. Academic/Professional Background

#### Educational Background

2010 – 2015 Ph.D. ABD – The Ohio State University, Anthropology

2009 M.A. – The Ohio State University, Anthropology  
Thesis: *Conceptualizing Vulnerability: The Impact, Meaning, and the Human Response to Social Catastrophe*

2003 J.D. – Washington University in St. Louis, Law

2000 B.A. – Washington University in St. Louis, Anthropology (Minors: Political Science, Business)

#### University Experience

- Texas State University, Internship Director/Lecturer, Fall 2023 to present
- Texas State University, Per-Course Lecturer, Fall 2018 to Spring 2023
- Northwest Vista College, Adjunct Faculty, Fall 2018 to Spring 2023
- St. Mary's University, Adjunct Faculty, Fall 2022 to Spring 2023
- Hocking College, Adjunct Faculty, Fall 2015 to Spring 2022
- Ohio University - Athens and Lancaster campuses, Adjunct Instructor, Fall 2013 to Fall 2016
- Purdue University Global (Kaplan University), Online Adjunct, 2013 to 2019
- Ashford University, Online Associate Faculty, 2012 to 2019
- University of North Carolina Greensboro, Online Adjunct Lecturer, 2012 to 2013
- The PAST Foundation, Instructor, Summer 2011
- The Ohio State University, GTA/Instructor, 2008 to 2012

#### Relevant Professional Experience

- SmartRevenue, Ethnographic Consultant, 2010 to 2014
- McGraw Hill Publishing, Freelance Reviewer, 2011
- Ohio University Athletics Academic Services: Learning Specialist, 2011
- Community Organizer Ohio CAN Program, Alliance for Retired Americans, 2007
- AFL-CIO of Ohio, Vote by Mail Organizer, 2006
- Mavrik Jewelry, Manager, 2005 to 2006
- Palank & Associates, Staff Attorney, 2004 to 2006
- US Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois, Law Clerk, Summer 2002

### II. TEACHING

#### Courses Taught:

##### Texas State University

University Seminar (US1100)

Anthropology & the Law (ANTH 3331E) - developed course

Professionalization in Anthropology (ANTH 3102)

Writing Anthropology (ANTH 3101)

Teaching Anthropology (ANTH 5302/7302)

**Northwest Vista College**

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 2351)

Introduction to Physical Anthropology (ANTH 2301)

**Hocking College**

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, online and on-campus (ARCH 2280)

Western Civilization, online and on-campus (HUM 2201)

Introduction to World Religions (HUM 2207)

American Government, online and on-campus (GOVT 1142)

**Ohio University**

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 1010)

Introduction to Biological Anthropology (ANTH 2010)

**Purdue University Global (formerly Kaplan University)**

Community Engagement (SS216).

Exploring the 1960s: An Interdisciplinary Approach (SS310/SS211)

Professional Presence (CS204)..

The Technological Revolution: A Social Scientific Approach (SS250)

**Ashford University**

Language, Communication and Culture (ANT 343)

Urban Anthropology (ANT 347)

Anthropology of Religion, Magic and Ritual (ANT 351)

Anthropology of Gender (ANT 353)

Family, Kin and Groups (ANT 243)

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANT 101)

**University of North Carolina Greensboro**

Introduction to Physical Anthropology – online (ATY 253)

Introduction to Physical Anthropology Lab - online (ATY 253L)

**The PAST Foundation**

Forensics in the Classroom, summer program for middle schoolers

**The Ohio State University**

Introduction to Physical Anthropology (Anth 4200)

World Prehistory (Anth 4201)

Peoples and Cultures: Introduction of Cultural Anthropology (Anth 4202)

Cultural Conflict (Anth 4597.01)

Women, Culture, and Development (Anth 4597.02)

**Teaching Professional Development Certifications**

- Online Teaching Certification, Alamo Colleges
- Online Teaching Certification, Texas State University

**Lecture Experience:**

- Lecture, Authenticity & Confidence, Pi Beta Phi College Weekend, January 2016
- Guest Lecturer, Forensics Fieldschool, The Ohio State University 20 June 2012 - US and Ohio Legal System

Lecture on the US legal system including Ohio Senate Bill 132, 2009 NAS report on strengthening forensic science, physical evidence and chain of custody, Federal and State Rules of Evidence, expert witnesses, and the *Daubert* criteria.

**III. Appointments, Grants, Presentations & Fellowships**

**Fellowships:**

- 2007 – 2008: The Ohio State University Graduate Enrichment Fellowship Recipient

**Grants:**

- 2010 Edward J. Ray Travel Award for Scholarship and Service
- 2010 AGES-SBES Travel Grant
- 2009 Daniel T. Hughes Memorial Fund Travel Grant Recipient

**Appointments and Awards:**

- 2011 AGEP SBES Graduate Research Assistantship
- 2011 Outstanding Chapter Advisor, The Ohio State University Greek Life
- 2010 Institute for Teaching and Mentoring – The Compact for Faculty Diversity
- 2002 – 2003: Research Assistant, Professor Christopher Bracey, Washington University
- 2001 – 2003: Washington University Journal of Law & Policy
- 1998 – 2000: Lambda Alpha Anthropology Honorary, Washington University

**Publications:**

- Cohen Jeffrey H., Bernardo Ramirez Rios, and Lise E Byars.  
2009 The value, costs, and meaning of transnational migration in rural Oaxaca, Mexico.  
Migration Letters 6 (1):15-25
- Byars, Lise E.  
Winter 2007 Su opinion: Remembering Our Roots. ¿Qué Pasa, OSU?

**Conferences:**

- Paper Presentation: *Conceptualizing Vulnerability: Inclusion and Exclusion at Times of Social Catastrophe* Alliance for Graduate Education and the Professoriate–Social, Behavioral, Economic Sciences (AGEP-SBES) National Conference, 21-23 April 2010.
- Paper Presentation: *Conceptualizing Vulnerability: The Impact, Meaning and Human Response to Catastrophe*. Presented at panel for Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, 27 March 2010.
- Poster Presentation: *Conceptualizing Disaster: The Impact, Meaning and Human Response to Catastrophe*. 1st Annual Great Lakes Alliance for Social Sciences (GLASS) Alliance for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP) Research Symposium, 6 – 7 February 2009.
- Poster Presentation: *Conceptualizing Disaster: The Impact, Meaning and Human Response to Catastrophe*. SEA Annual Meetings, 2 – 4 April 2009.
- Paper Presentation: *Beyond transnationalism: estimating the costs of migration in rural Oaxaca* (Jeffrey Cohen Ph.D, Bernardo Rios M.A., and Lise Byars J.D.). Presented at the 2008 American Anthropological Association meetings, 19 November 2008.

**IV. Professional Experience:****• SmartRevenue, Ethnographic Consultant, 2010 to 2014**

Conduct ethnographic research for market-based research firm including interviewing consumers and observing shopping behaviors. Conduct ethnographic data preparation including coding and organizing data sets.

**• McGraw Hill Publishing, Freelance Reviewer, 2011**

Review *ArtTalk* and *Exploring Art*, junior high school and high school art textbooks for cultural sensitivity issues.

**• Ohio University Athletics Academic Services: Learning Specialist, 2011**

Work with at-risk football athletes weekly to advise on academics, scheduling, homework and organizational skills. Oversee study-hall hours. Assist with academic advising services of all athletes as needed.

- **Community Organizer Ohio CAN Program, Alliance for Retired Americans, 2007**

Developed Community Advocacy Network program for Ohio aimed towards involving retired Americans in political activism, including creating relationships with senior-based organizations and living facilities. Developed and gave presentations on senior advocacy and community networking in the political arena. Maintained network of Ohio senior organizations, retired union workers and senior living facilities. Wrote manual for implementing the CAN program and presented the manual and program to the Alliance for Retired Americans Board at national meeting.

- **AFL-CIO of Ohio, Vote by Mail Organizer, 2006**

Processed vote by mail applications for union and non-union voters, reached out to voters to provide information on Ohio's vote-by-mail requirements, solicited voter registration, and other tasks as assigned by AFL-CIO 2006 election program.

- **Mavrik Jewelry, Manager, 2005 to 2006**

Managed jewelry boutique and worldwide online store, selected merchandise for boutique and online store, managed 3 – 5 employees, and also developed store merchandizing and online store organization with creative associate. Responsible for minor jewelry repair. Emphasis on styling clients and maintaining long-term client relationships both in boutique and through online store.

- **Palank & Associates, Staff Attorney, 2004 to 2006**

Research case law and perform case preparation, assisted partner on issues including immigration, employment discrimination, estate planning, licensing of biotechnology, and business incorporation. Responsible for creating a client and case organization system for the firm.

- **ACLU of Missouri, Law Clerk, Spring 2003**

Clerked for ACLU of Missouri for third year clinic. Duties included in-take, law research, and community outreach.

- **US Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois, Law Clerk, Summer 2002**

Clerked for the White Collar Crime Division. Responsibilities included legal research and brief preparation, trial organization and prep.

#### **IV. Service Experience:**

- 2022 to present: Board Member, Counseling Bridge
- 2021to present: Pi Beta Phi Inclusion Specialist, Region 6
- 2019 to 2021: Pi Beta Phi Chapter Support Officer
- 2018 to 2019: Pi Beta Phi Operations Specialist, Region 8
- 2013 to 2018: Pi Beta Phi Membership Specialist, Region 2
- 2013: Pi Beta Phi Collegiate Coordinating Specialist, Region 2
- 2011 to 2013: Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Advisory Counsel, Ohio Alpha Chapter
- 2010 to 2011: Volunteer Coordinator for 2011 Society for Ethno-Biology Annual Meeting
- 2010 to 2011: The Graduate Students of Anthropology Association (GSAA) President
- June 2010: Ohio Hispanic Leadership Summit volunteer
- 2009 to 2010: The Graduate Students of Anthropology Association (GSAA) Vice President
- 2006 to 2010: *Que Pasa, OSU?* – Contributor and Article Reviewer

- 2006 to 2011: Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Advisory Counsel, Ohio Beta Chapter
- 2002 to 2006: Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Advisory Counsel, Missouri Beta Chapter

**Affiliations:**

- Missouri Bar Association – Inactive Member
- Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women
- Girl Scouts of America