

Education

- Ph.D. Sociocultural Anthropology. Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY. 08/14/2020
- Thesis: *the Impact of European Integration and Securitization on Refugees, Labor Migrants, and Soldiers in Lithuania*. Director: Thomas M. Wilson. Defense: July 23, 2020.
- M.A. Sociocultural Anthropology. Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY. 05/14/2015
- B.A. Anthropology. Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA. 05/14/2011
- BS, Geography. Minor: History. Graduated Magna Cum Laude

Positions Held

- Research Associate, Binghamton University 10/2020 – present
- Fulbright Student Researcher, Fulbright US Student Program 08/2016 – 06/2020
- Research Fellow, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania 05/2016 – 05/2018

Refereed Publications

- Mobilizing Masculinity: Conscription, Gender, and Militarized Identities in Lithuania. In *Journal of International Women's Studies*. (In review)
- Reviving Heritage in Post-Soviet Eastern Europe: a Visual Approach to National Identity. In *Totem: Western Ontario Journal of Anthropology* 20.1, Article 3. <http://ir.lib.uwo.ca/totem/vol20/iss1/3> July 2012

Teaching Experience – Adjunct Lecturer

- ANTH-10400: Intro to Cultural Anthropology, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY 2019-2020
- ANTH-1101: Intro to Anthropology, CUNY CityTech, Brooklyn, NY 2017-2018
- POLS-1230: People, Power, and Politics (Poli Sci), Brooklyn College, NY Fall 2017

Teaching Experience – Instructor of Record, SUNY Binghamton

- ANTH 111: Introduction to Anthropology (TA) Fall 2019
- ANTH-280M: Game of Thrones: Anthropological Perspectives (Online) Summers 2015-2020
- ANTH-280M: Game of Thrones – Anthropological Perspectives (Online) Winters 2016-2020
- ANTH-125: Buried Cities and Lost Tribes (TA, Archaeology) Spring 2016
- ANTH-111: Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology (TA) Fall 2014
- ANTH-114: Language, Culture, and Communication (TA, Linguistics) Fall 2013

Guest Lectures

- *The Fulbright Grant*, Proposal Writing Seminar, SUNY Binghamton Spring 2019
- *Teaching Game of Thrones*, Anthro. of Pop Culture, SUNY Binghamton Fall 2019
- *Visualizing Nostalgia*, Seminar in Studio Art, SUNY Binghamton Fall 2019
- *Political Anthropology*, Intro to Cultural Anthropology, Ithaca College Fall 2019

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

- Richard T. Antoun Graduate Fellowship in Anthropology Spring 2020
- SUNY Binghamton, Departmental Funding Award Fall 2020
- Council of European Studies Travel Grant, to Glasgow, Scotland July 2017
- Fulbright U.S. Student Program, Student Researcher to Lithuania 08/2016 – 05/2017
- SUNY Binghamton, Departmental Funding Award Spring 2016
- Lithuanian State Scholarship, Education Exchanges Support Foundation 2015
- SUNY Binghamton, Departmental Funding Award Fall 2014
- SUNY Binghamton, Departmental Funding Award Fall 2013
- Lithuanian State Scholarship, Education Exchanges Support Foundation July 2013
- Dr. George B. Horner Award: Academic Excellence in Anthropology 05/2011
- Dr. Madhu N. Rao Scholarship: Excellence in Geography 05/2011
- Gamma Theta Upsilon – National Geographic Honors Society 2009

Editorial Experience

- Review Editor, *Journal of International Women's Studies* Fall 2020–Present
<https://vc.bridgew.edu/jiws/editorialboard.html>
- English language editor, Doctoral Dissertation by K. Garalytė, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania Summer 2016
- English language editor, December Issue of *Ethnicity Studies*, Lithuanian Social Research Center, Vilnius, Lithuania Fall 2015

Research and Field School Experience

- *Fulbright Student Researcher*, Fulbright US Student Program, Lithuania 2016–2017
Designed and implemented ethnographic research project, trained student assistants in ethical research practice, evaluation and presentation of data
- *Research Assistant*, Bridgewater State University, Bluefields, Jamaica. Assisted in public health indicators (HIV/AIDS) research, interviews for Cultural Resource Management field school Winter 2011
- *Lithuanian Language and Culture*, Vilnius University, Lithuania. Preliminary field research, Lithuanian language and culture studies on Lithuanian State Scholarship, Education Exchanges Support Foundation Spring, Fall 2015
- *Geography of Coffee*, Bridgewater State University, Study Abroad to Nicaragua Independent Study (2011): field experience analysis - Jamaica and Nicaragua Winter 2009
- *French Exchange*, Sandwich High School, MA to Lyon, France Spring 2005
Produced short film on cultural exchange for senior project

Research Presentations

- “Paychecks and Patriotism: How does Neoliberal Securitization Work? In “Work, Human Rights, and Struggle Today,” at Engaging Anthropology: University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst, MA 2019
- “The Lithuanian Citizen-Soldier and the Culture of Emigration,” in “Cultures of Emigration: Geographical and Social Mobility” panel at Society for Applied Anthropology 2019

- Anthropology: "Engaging Change in Turbulent Times," Portland, OR
- "The Lithuanian Citizen-Soldier and the Culture of Emigration in "Citizens Facing the State," at American Anthropological Association: "Change in the Anthropological Imagination," San Jose, CA (accepted) 2018
 - "How Militarization and Free-Market Fundamentalism Compromise the Integration Process in Lithuania," at Society for Applied Anthropology: "Sustainable Futures," Philadelphia, PA 2018
 - "Perspectives from Lithuania: How Militarization and Free-Market Fundamentalism Compromise the Integration Process," at Council of European Studies: "Europe and the World: Mobilities, Values, & Citizenship," Chicago, IL 2018
 - "Perspectives on Cultural Memory and Security in Lithuania Since the Ukraine Crisis," at Council of European Studies: "Memory, Regimes, and Practices" University of Glasgow, Scotland 2017
 - "Dissertation Research and Fieldwork Progress," Graduate Student Presentations, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania 2017
 - "Perspectives on Cultural Memory and Security in Lithuania Since the Ukraine Crisis," American Association of Baltic Studies, University of Pennsylvania, PA 2016
 - "Nuclear Energy and Policy in a Europeanizing Lithuania," at Northeast Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, University of Pennsylvania, PA 2014
 - "Reviving Heritage in Post-Soviet Eastern Europe: A Visual Approach to National Identity," at National Conference of Undergraduate Research (NCUR), Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY 2011
 - "Reviving Heritage in Post-Soviet Eastern Europe: A Visual Approach to National Identity," at Undergraduate Anthropology Research Symposium, Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA 2011
 - "Ethnic Clustering in Brockton and Lowell, MA" at Adrian Tinsley Undergraduate Research Symposium, Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA 2010

Internships and Additional Training

- *Internship Coordinator*, Tioga County Historical Society, Owego NY Fall 2014
- *Fantastical Literature*, Study Abroad: Oxford University, Wadham College Summer 2010
- *Geographic Info. Systems Intern*, Old Colony Planning Council, Brockton MA Summer 2010
- *Participant & Senior film project*, French Exchange to Lyon, France Spring 2005

Service to the University

- *Member*, Family Care Center Committee, Ithaca College, Ithaca NY 08/2019-03/2020
- *Member*, Graduate Student Labor Committee, SUNY Binghamton Spring 2016
- *Liaison*, Graduate Student Employees Union, SUNY Binghamton 2013-2014

Service to the Department

- *Member*, Anthropology Graduate Organization, SUNY Binghamton 2012-2015

- *Steering Committee*, Anthro. Grad. Organization, SUNY Binghamton 2012-2013
- *Member*, Anthropology Curriculum Committee, Bridgewater State University 2010-2011
- *Tutor*, Academic Achievement Center, Bridgewater State University 2009

Service to the Profession and Community

- *Mentor*, Mentor Match Program, Binghamton University Summer 2020 - present
- *Volunteer*, Red Cross Refugees and Migrants Center InLT, Kaunas, Lithuania 2016-2017
- *Mentor*, Japanese exchange students, Showa Women's Institute, Boston MA Fall 2006

Affiliations and Memberships

- Society for Applied Anthropology
- Council of European Studies
- Post-Communist Cultural Studies Interest Group
- American Anthropological Association

Language Proficiency

- Lithuanian (intermediate reading, rudimentary speaking)
- French (intermediate reading, rudimentary speaking)

Research and Teaching Interests

- *Teaching Interests and Ethnography*: interdisciplinary and intersectional teaching, feminist theoretical framework, feminist ethnographic writing, anti-racist pedagogy, applied projects, ethnographic film
- *Nationalism and Identity*: politics of identity and belonging, ethnic conflict and xenophobia, national crisis and public coping, the nation-state, militarism and securitization, conscription and patriotism
- *Medical Anthropology*: material and mental health, community wellbeing, access to healthcare and work, human livelihoods, intersection of medicalization, masculinization, and militarization
- *European Union*: European Integration and securitization, US/NATO in the Baltic States, Ukraine Crisis, post-Communist transition, Soviet nostalgia and memory, ethnic conflict and xenophobia
- *United States and Canada*: immigration, asylum, and "selective resettlement;" military recruitment and social reintegration, militarization of the police, institutional and systemic racism, anti-racist pedagogy, "anti-mask" culture and comparative responses to COVID-19 public health crisis