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Education

Ph.D. Candidate (Geography) Expected date of completion 2009
University of Arizona, Tucson
Adviser: Paul Robbins

M.A. (Geography) June 2004
The Ohio State University, Columbus
Adviser: Paul Robbins

B.A. (International Studies) 1997
Ohio University, Athens
Cum Laude

Employment

2005-Current

Teaching Associate Tucson, Arizona
University of Arizona
Geography and Regional Development
Full Instructor for:
Geography of Africa (Geog 413)
Natural and Atmospheric Sciences: Introduction to Physical Geography
(NATS101)
Heath and the Global Economy (Geog 446)
Taught discussion section and graded for:
World Regional Geography (Geog 251)
Individuals and Society (Indv 102)
Introduction to Physical Geography (NATS 101)

Adjunct Faculty

Tucson, Arizona

Pima Community College, Northwest Campus

Instructor for:

Cultural Geography (Geog 103)

- 2002-2005 United States Peace Corps Recruiter** Columbus, Ohio
 Duties included:
 Recruited potential Peace Corps volunteers
 Conducted interviews of applicants
- 2000-2002 Lighthouse Youth Services** Cincinnati, Ohio
 Service Coordinator "Help Me Grow"
 Duties included:
 Coordinated services for at-risk families with children under the age of three
- 1998-2000 United States Peace Corps Volunteer** Mpumalanga, South Africa
 Duties included:
 Served as a teacher trainer for seven rural primary schools
 Initiated community service projects in post-apartheid South Africa

Research Interests

Political Ecology, Development, Afforestation, Land Use, Indigenous Peoples, South Africa, HIV/AIDS, Livelihoods, Power, Health, Medicine

Grants and Awards for Research

- 2007** \$800- SBSRI Dissertation Grant, University of Arizona
 \$1000- SBSRI Grant Improvement Grant
- 2006** \$350- Department of Geography and Regional Development, University of Arizona- AAG annual meeting Travel Grant
- 2005** \$350- Department of Geography, Ohio State University- AAG annual meeting Travel Grant
- 2004** \$800-Department of Geography, Ohio State University-Master's thesis research grant
- 2004** \$350- Department of Geography, Ohio State University- AAG annual meeting Travel Grant

Awards and Recognitions for Teaching

- 2007** Departmental recognition for outstanding teaching evaluations for Introduction to Physical Geography (NATS 101) and Health and the Global Economy (Geog 446)

International Research Experience

June-July 2007 Conducted archival research in South Africa

June 2007 Assisted Professor Mamadou Baro in Senegal, Mauritania, and Mali in preliminary research establishing a partnership between the West African governments and the University of Arizona, Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology.

June-September 2003 Conducted research in South Africa on the effects plantation forestry have on indigenous people and showed how plantation forestry is a literal expression of race and power on the landscape. Used interviewing techniques, archival data, and cartographic data.

Publications

Bishop, Kristina Monroe (2006) "Hidden behind a field of trees: Social impacts of afforestation projects in South Africa," *Focus on Geography* 49(1): 8-15.

Robbins, Paul and Bishop, Kristina Monroe, (2008 in press) "There and back again: Epiphany, disillusionment, and rediscovery in political ecology" *GeoForum*

Bishop, Kristina Monroe (2007). "Swaziland," "Zimbabwe," "Plantation Forestry," "Arbor Day," Entries in *Encyclopedia of Environment and Society*, ed. Robbins, P. Sage Publishing. Thousand Oaks, CA.

Thesis

2004 "Dispossession, Isolation, and Ecological Change: Impacts of Afforestation Projects in the New Scotland Plantation, Mpumalanga, South Africa"

Presentations

April 2007 "How the End of Apartheid Changed Medicine: The Media's Construction of Biomedical and Traditional Treatments for HIV/AIDS" Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA

March 2006 "Reframing an Old Question: HIV/AIDS in Political Ecology" Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL

April 2005 "Dispossession, Afforestation, and the Gold Mine Labor Connection in South Africa" Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Denver, CO

October 2004 "Dispossession, Isolation, and Ecological Change: Impacts of Afforestation Projects in the New Scotland Plantation, Mpumalanga, South Africa" East Lakes Division Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Athens, OH

March 2004 “Dispossession, Isolation, and Ecological Change: The Story of an African Forest” Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

Other Presentation and Training Experience

2002-2005 Gave bi-weekly presentations on Peace Corps. The two-hour presentation explained the application process and answered questions about the Peace Corps experience. Columbus, OH

2000-2002 Worked for the *Help Me Grow* project. Instructed new mothers on ways to improve their child’s development. Attended over 50 hours a year in training seminars. Cincinnati, OH

1998-2000 Trained South African teachers in the new Curriculum 2004, established by the South African government in 1998. Helped teachers with new teaching techniques and classroom management plans. Mpumalanga, South Africa

Department and Community Service

Current Volunteer for Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network
Internal Review Board Departmental Committee, Department of Geography,
University of Arizona
Southern Arizona Geographers Association
SAGA Speakers Committee (2007)
Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology (BARA) *Organization pour
le mise en valeur du fleuve Senegal (OMVS)* committee

Languages

French (fair), SiSwati (basic), Zulu (fair)

Professional Affiliation

Association of American Geographers
Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group
African Specialty Group

References

Available upon request