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EDUCATION

- 2005-present **Ph.D program, Geography**
Department of Geography and Regional Development
University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Minor in Latin American Studies, Graduate Certificate in Water Policy
- 2005 **M.Sc., Environmental Change and Management**
School of Geography and the Environment
University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
- 1999 **B.A., Political Science and Environmental Studies**
University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

PUBLICATIONS

Varady, R.G., Meehan, K., Rodda, J., Iles-Shih, M., and E. Mc-Govern. (Under review).
Strengthening global water initiatives to sustain world water governance. *Environment*.

Varady, R.G. & Meehan, K. (2006). A flood of institutions? Sustaining global water initiatives.
Water Resources IMPACT 8(6): 19-22.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Dissertation Funding

- 2007 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (Mexico), U.S.
Department of Education, \$28,250
- 2007 International Dissertation Research Fellowship, Social Science Research
Council (SSRC), \$7,500
- 2007 National Estuarine Research Reserve Social Science Graduate Fellowship,
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), \$27,273
- 2007 National Science Foundation (NSF) Doctoral Dissertation Improvement
Grant, \$12,000

2007 Student Research Award, Water Resources Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers, \$300

Past Funding

2006 Travel Grant, Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, \$150
2006 Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant, \$420
2006 Pre-Doc Research Grant, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute, University of Arizona, \$600
2006 Field Study Award, Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers, \$500
2006 Travel Grant, Department of Geography and Regional Development, \$350
2005 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Academic Year Fellowship (Portuguese), University of Arizona, \$15,000
2005 Graduate Fellowship, Department of Geography and Regional Development, University of Arizona, \$5,000
2005 Graduate Registration Scholarship, Department of Geography and Regional Development, University of Arizona, \$2,500
2004 Director's Fund Fellowship, Environmental Change Institute, School of Geography and the Environment, University of Oxford, £21,500
2004 Travel Grant, Green College, University of Oxford, £200
2004 Tinker Foundation Summer Field Grant for Graduate Studies, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, \$1,000

AWARDS

2006 Tom McKnight and Joan Clemons Award for Outstanding Student Paper (with Kiza Gates), Annual Meeting of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, Eugene, OR
2005 Graduated with Distinction, University of Oxford
2004 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Honorable Mention
1999 B.A. with Honors, University of Oregon

RESEARCH

9/2007-present **Dissertation research**
Greywater and the grid: Analyzing wastewater reuse in Tijuana, Mexico
Funded by the Fulbright-Hays DDRA, the Social Science Research Council, NOAA NERR, the NSF, and the AAG-Water Resources Specialty Group

7/2006 **Pre-dissertation field research**
The abject commodity: Spatial perceptions of sewage in San Diego-Tijuana
Funded by the SBSRI and AAG-CAPE Specialty Group

- 8/2005-5/2007 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Geography and Regional Development and the NSF Center for the Sustainability of Semi-Arid Hydrology and Riparian Areas (SAHRA)
Amenity water demand, use and management: The problem of pools
With Dr. Paul Robbins (co-PI) and Dr. Gary Woodard (co-PI)
- 1/- 12/2006 **Graduate Research Associate**, Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Assessing global water initiatives
With Dr. Robert Varady (PI)
- 8/2003-5/2004 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Climate Assessment for the Southwest, Institute for the Study of Planet Earth, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
State decentralization and water institutions in Sonora, Mexico
With Dr. Margaret Wilder (PI)

TEACHING

- 1/-5/2007 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Geography and Regional Development
Introduction to Physical Geography (NATS 101)
- 9/-12/1998 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Political Science, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR
Mexican Politics (POL 199)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

- 7/2002-7/2003 **U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer, Guatemala**
Position: Environmental Education Coordinator, Asociación para el Desarrollo Integral de San Antonio Ilotenango (ADISA), San Antonio Ilotenango, El Quiché, Guatemala
- 6/2000-6/2002 **U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer, Belize**
Position: Environmental Education Coordinator, Sibun Watershed Association, Belmopan, Belize

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

- 2007 *Greywater and the grid: Rethinking economy in Tijuana wastewater reuse.*
Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, 17-21 April, San Francisco, CA

- 2006 *A flood of institutions? Sustaining global water institutions.* With Robert Varady. Presented at the Conference on Water, Ecosystems, and Sustainable Development in Arid and Semi-Arid Zones, 9-15 October, Urumqi, China.
- 2006 *Angler movement patterns and the spread of whirling disease in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.* With Kiza K. Gates, Montana State University. Presented at the 69th Annual Meeting of Pacific Coast Geographers, 7-11 September, Eugene, OR
- 2006 *Using the f-word in political ecology: Towards a non-essentialist nature.* Presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, 7-11 March, Chicago, IL
- 2005 *Streamlining the state? Authority, decentralization and water at work in Guatemala.* Presented at the 68th Annual Meeting of Pacific Coast Geographers, 19-22 October, Phoenix, AZ
- 2005 *Water, climate variability, and decentralization in El Quiché, Guatemala,* Presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, 5-9 April, Denver, CO

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External

2006-2008 Student Representative (Elected), Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers

Internal

2006-2007 Co-President (Elected), Southern Arizona Geographers' Association (Graduate student organization)

2005-2006 Search Committee for Faculty Position in Water Policy (Graduate Student Representative), Department of Geography and Regional Development

2005-2006 Colloquium Committee (Graduate Student Representative), Department of Geography and Regional Development

2004-2005 Graduate Student Representative to Faculty (Elected), MSc Environmental Change and Management, University of Oxford

Referee

Journal: *Geoforum* (2)

LANGUAGES

English (native speaker)

Spanish (advanced fluency, spoken and written)

Portuguese (intermediate, spoken and written)