

INTERCOUNTRY LECTURESHIP QUESTIONNAIRE 2008

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PRESENT POSITION US: Professor of Anthropology and History

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LANGUAGES: Moderate French and German.

GERMAN HOST INSTITUTION: John F. Kennedy Institute, Freie Universitat, Berlin

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ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE: Cultural Anthropology

AREAS OF RESEARCH: American-Hawaiian relations; American and German colonial policies in Oceania; family and kinship (adoption); visual anthropology.

POSSIBLE LECTURE TOPICS: Sovereignty Movements in Contemporary Hawaii; Family and Child Placement Policy in Hawaii; Law and Custom (Hawaii); Adoption and Foster Care (United States); History of American cultural anthropology.

ACADEMIC TRAINING AND DEGREES:

Ph.D. In Anthropology, March 1978 - University of Minnesota, 1973-78

The Johns Hopkins University, 1976 (nonmatriculated)

University of Pennsylvania, 1974-76 (nonmatriculated)

M.A. In English, June 1965 - Columbia University, 1963-65

B. A. June 1963 - Vassar College, 1959-63.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS:

2001-7 Director, Center for the Arts in Society, Carnegie Mellon University

2000 Acting Director, Center for the Arts in Society, Carnegie Mellon University

1994 Professor, Anthropology and History, Carnegie Mellon University

1994 Adjunct Professor, Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh.

1991-1994 Associate Professor, Anthropology, History, and Art, Carnegie Mellon University.

1984-1990 Assistant Professor, Anthropology, Carnegie Mellon University.

1981-1984 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Colby College.

1983-84 Director of Undergraduate Program in Human Development, Colby College.

PUBLICATIONS (selected):

Books

(Im)permanence: Cultures In/Out of Time (co-edited with Stephen Brockmann). Carnegie Mellon and Penn State Press, 2008.

Constructing Moral Communities: Pacific Islander Strategies for Settling in New Places.
Editor, Special Issue, *Pacific Studies*, March-June 2002.

A Sealed and Secret Kinship: The Culture of Policies and Practices in American Adoption, New York: Berghahn Books, March 2002.

A Town without Steel: Views of Change in Homestead (with Charlee Brodsky),
Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, October 1998.

Kinship with Strangers: Adoption and Interpretations of Kinship in American Culture.
Berkeley: University of California Press, 1994.

Ruth Benedict: Patterns of a Life. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1983.

Articles and Essays (selected)

“International Adoption: Lessons from Hawaii” IN *International Adoption*. New York:
New York University Press, forthcoming.

“Adoption in Cross Cultural Perspective” IN *The Chicago Companion to the Child*.
Chicago: University of Chicago Press, forthcoming.

“Writing Lives: Ruth Benedict’s Journey from Biographical Studies to Anthropology” IN
Pacific Studies, forthcoming.