

Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** **University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado** **2014**
Cultural & Medical Anthropology
Advisor: Professor Donna Goldstein
Dissertation: "Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan"
- M.A.** **University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado** **2007**
Anthropology, with Distinction
- B.A.** **University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware** **2003**
Majors: Anthropology; History (both with Honors)
Minor: Sociology
Phi Beta Kappa

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cultural and Medical Anthropology; Science, Technology and Society Studies; Nuclear Testing and Health; Health Disparities; Cold War Science; Low-Dose Radiation; Political Economy; Neoliberalism; Environmental Governance; Bioethics; Subjectivity; Global Security; Post-Soviet Transformations; NGOs and Civil Society; Central Asia; Kazakhstan.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2018-** **Assistant Professor**
Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina
- 2016-** **Fellow**
The Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Chapel Hill, North Carolina
- 2016-18** **Teaching Scholar**
Department of Sociology and Anthropology, North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina

- 2015-16 MacArthur Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow**
Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. Stanford, California
- 2014-15 Stanton Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow**
Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. Stanford, California
- 2008-13 Graduate Part Time Instructor (GPTI)**
Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
The Instructor of Record for 2 lower-division and 1 upper-division anthropology courses.
- 2004-13 Teaching Assistant**
Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
TA for 18 anthropology courses.
- 2004-08 Research Assistant**
Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado
Global Pharmaceuticals, Brazil.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** "Life on an Atomic Collective: The Post-Soviet Retreat of the State in Rural Kazakhstan." *Études Rurales*. 200(2):196-219.
- 2017 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** "Radiophobia Had to Be Reinvented." *Culture, Theory and Critique*. 58(4):357-374, special issue "Invisible Harm."
- 2017 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** "Everyday Radioactive Goods? Economic Development at Semipalatinsk, Kazakhstan." *The Journal of Asian Studies*. 76(2):423-436, special issue "Catastrophic Asia."
- 2016 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** "I am a Radioactive Mutant": Emerging Biological Subjectivities at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site." *American Ethnologist*. 43(1):144-157.
- 2015 Goldstein, Donna and **Magdalena Stawkowski.** "James V. Neel and Yuri E. Dubrova: Cold War Debates and the Genetic Effects of Low-Dose Radiation." *Journal of the History of Biology*. 48(1):67-98.
- 2014 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** *Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*. University of Colorado Boulder: Dissertation.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 **Stawkowski, Magdalena.** "The Continuing Danger of Semipalatinsk." *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*. October 6. Online: <http://thebulletin.org/continuing-danger-semipalatinsk9969>.

EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS (Total External Funding: \$1, 089,349)

- 2018 *Danish Council for Independent Research* in collaboration with the Danish Institute for International Studies. Project title: "Radioactive Ruins: Security in the Age of the Anthropocene." Project nr: 8019-00020A. Three year multi-sited research project. (\$893,925).
- 2013 *Nuclear Proliferation International History Project, Wilson Center.* Ten-day immersion seminar in Allumiere, Italy. Funded Summer. (Tuition and fees covered; estimated \$5000).

- 2012 *Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Eurasia Program Dissertation Development Award Fellowship*. Grant awarded for dissertation write-up. (PI; awarded \$21,000; \$15,473 received due to other funding).
- 2012 *P.E.O. Scholar Award*. Grant awarded for dissertation write-up. (PI; \$15,000).
- 2011 *The International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX), Individual Advanced Research Opportunities Program (IARO)*. Fellowship awarded for dissertation research in Kazakhstan. (PI; \$21,951).
- 2011 *Museums Community and Collaborations Abroad Educational Grant* for the Atomic Testing Museum (Nevada) and the Karaganda EcoMuseum in Kazakhstan titled: "Nuclear Weapons Testing Legacy: The Tale of Two Cultures." Consulted on the project to produce a joint documentary film on nuclear testing. (Co-PI; Museums were funded \$120,000).
- 2010 Recipient of the *National Science Foundation REG (Research Experiences for Graduates) Supplement* grant to Professor Donna Goldstein's "Global, National, and Local Articulations: The Case of Pharmaceutical Policies in Argentina and Mexico" NSF grant. The title of the project is "Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan." Funded Fall 2009-Spring 2010. (PI; \$5000).
- 2007 Recipient of *Kosciuszko Foundation Grant* for research on Polish Diaspora in Kazakhstan. (PI; \$3000).
- 2006 Summer Workshop in Slavic, East European and Central Asian Languages (SWSEEL) award for a summer study of Kazakh language. Tuition and Stipend. (PI; \$10,000).

INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS (Total Internal Funding: \$29,527)

- 2012 *Graduate School Dissertation Completion Fellowship*. Grant used for dissertation write-up. (\$9527 plus tuition and fees; estimated total \$15,527).
- 2011 Recipient of the *Goldstein Altman Award*, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$1500).
- 2009 Recipient of the *Albert E. Smith Fund for the New Nuclear Age* related research. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2000).
- 2009 Recipient of the *Goldstein Altman Award*, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2500).
- 2008 Recipient of the *Albert E. Smith Fund for the New Nuclear Age* related research. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2000).
- 2007 Graduate Preliminary Research Grant, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2500).
- 2006 Co-Recipient of the *Center to Advance Research and Teaching in the Social Sciences (CARTSS) Grant*, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$1000).
- 2006 Graduate Preliminary Research Grant, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado. (\$2500).

CONFERENCE PAPERS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2018 *"Ethnography in Toxic Places."* The Canadian Anthropology Society, May 16-20. Santiago de Cuba, Cuba.
- 2017 *"The Nuclear Never-Land: Towards Kazakhstan's New Economic Plan."* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 28-December 3. Washington, D.C.
- 2017 *"Summoning the Past: Contestations of Matter, Space, and Time in the Reproduction of State Power."* Discussant and Presenter: *"Life on an Atomic Collective."* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 28-December 3. Washington, D.C.
- 2017 *"Radiophobia and the Soviet Legacies of Nuclear Toxicity."* Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting. March 28-April 1. Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- 2015 *"Life Among "Radioactive Microbes": Survival on the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site."* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 18-22. Denver, Colorado.
- 2014 *"Experimental Rabbits: Replicating Western Radiation Studies in Kazakhstan."* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 20-23. Washington, D.C.
- 2014 *"We Have Adapted to Radiation: Emergent Subjectivities and Health Strategies among Rural Kazakhs at Semipalatinsk."* The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies. November 20-23. San Antonio, Texas.
- 2012 *"Clean Air Is Our Death": Emerging Health Strategies on a post-Soviet Nuclear Test Site in Kazakhstan.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 13-18. San Francisco, California.
- 2012 *"Radioactive Knowledge: 'Self-Help' in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan."* The Association of Central Eurasian Students Conference. March 3. Bloomington, Indiana.
- 2009 *"Inverse Interpretation of Soviet Nuclear Testing in Kazakhstan."* Memory and Truth Interdisciplinary Conference, University of Colorado Boulder. September 25-26. Boulder, Colorado.
- 2008 *"Lolita as Homo Sacer: Violence and Sacrifice"* American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages. December 27-30. San Francisco, California.
- 2008 *"Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan."* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 19-23. San Francisco, California.

PANELS ORGANIZED AND CONFERENCE PAPERS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2016 *"Radiophobia and Radiophobes: Kazakhstan's Nuclear Futures."* Conference panel organizer: *"Affect and the Materiality of Ruins: Radioactive Subjects, Contested Futures, and Evidence of Lost Worlds."* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 16-20, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2015 *"Social and Environmental Legacies of Cartographic Invisibility."* Conference panel organizer and discussant. The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Annual Convention. November 19-22. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2013 *"Na Zdorovye": The Medicinal Properties of Vodka On a Nuclear Test Site."* Conference panel organizer, chair, and presenter. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 18-24, Chicago, Illinois.

- 2012 *Ethnography and Biography: The Practice and Product of Writing Lives*, graduate student interdisciplinary conference organizer. September 28-29, University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado.

INVITED LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

- 2018 *Genetic Engineering and Society Center*. "Mutant Biologies: Survival and Health Strategies at Kazakhstan's Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site." North Carolina State University. January 23. Invited speaker.
- 2016 "*Moral Economies of Medicine Working Group*." University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. October 14. Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Invited discussant.
- 2016 "*Pollution Revisited: Boundaries, Knowledge, and Experience*." Stanford University. May 5. Stanford, California. Invited workshop participant.
- 2016 "*Chernobyl: 30 Years After*." Stanford University. April 28. Stanford, California. Invited roundtable discussant.
- 2016 "*Futures and Ruins: A Workshop on Crisis and Possibility*." Duke University. March 25-26. Durham, North Carolina. Invited workshop participant.
- 2015 "*I am a Radioactive Mutant: Post-Human Adaptation at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site*." Hamilton College. October 7. Clinton, New York. Invited speaker.
- 2015 "*Forsaking the Nuclear Devil and the Opium of the Military Atom: Kazakhstan's Embrace of Uranium Futures*." Workshop: Sheila Jasanoff: Technology and Democracy: Imagining and Designing Futures. Stanford University. May 8, 2015. Stanford, California. Invited workshop participant.
- 2014 "*From Mutant Butterflies to Mutant Subjectivities: Everyday Survival on the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site*." Workshop: Nuclear Landscapes in Eastern Europe and Asia: Knowledge—Practices—Social Change. Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg. November 27-28. Heidelberg, Germany. Invited speaker and workshop participant.
- 2014 "*Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan, or (alternatively) Adapted to Radiation?: Mutant Genes and Subjectivities in Semipalatinsk, Kazakhstan*." Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC). Stanford University. November 13. Stanford, California. Invited speaker.
- 2014 "*Radioactive Knowledge: State Control of Scientific Information in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*." Stanton Foundation Nuclear Security Seminar. October 15-17. Washington, D.C. Invited speaker and seminar participant.
- 2014 *Nuclear Proliferation International History Project, Wilson Center*. Eight-day workshop in Stanford University. September 6-14. Stanford, California. Invited speaker and participant.
- 2014 "*Radiation Adaptation: Emergent Subjectivities and Health Strategies Among Indigenous Kazakhs at Semipalatinsk*." Center for Asian Studies: Catastrophic Asia Symposium. University of Colorado Boulder. April 4. Boulder, Colorado. Invited speaker.
- 2012 "*Disease at the Edges of a Nuclear Test Site: Emerging Health Strategies in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*." Center for Asian Studies. University of Colorado Boulder. April 3. Boulder, Colorado. Invited speaker.

- 2011 *"Two Decades without Nuclear Weapons Testing."* Invited Round Table Discussion Participant. The Atomic Testing Museum. September 1. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2007 *"In a Distant Siberian Steppe: Polish Diaspora in Kazakhstan."* Indiana University. July 27. Bloomington, Indiana. Invited speaker.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

- 2017 Winner of the Soyuz article prize, recognizing outstanding article in postsocialist studies by a junior scholar: "I am a Radioactive Mutant": Emerging Biological Subjectivities at the Semipalatinsk Nuclear Test Site." *American Ethnologist*. 43(1):144-157.
- 2013 Awarded the *Haskell-Houghtelin* Scholarship for scholarly service to the department and broader engagement with the discipline of anthropology. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2013 Nominated for the Graduate Part-Time Instructor (GPTI) Teaching Excellence Award. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2012 Nominated for the Graduate Part-Time Instructor (GPTI) Teaching Excellence Award. Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2011 Awarded for outstanding contribution to the anti-nuclear movement. Recognized by Olzhas Suleimenov, the Ambassador of Kazakhstan to UNESCO, Kazakh poet, and the founder of the Nevada-Semipalatinsk Anti-Nuclear Movement in Kazakhstan.
- 2007 Master's Degree with Distinction, Department of Anthropology. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Courses

- *Understanding Other Cultures* (100-level)
- *Cultural Anthropology* (200-level)
- *Humans Going Nuclear: Atomic Bombs, Cold War, and the Fallout* (200-level)
- *Anthropology of Central Asia* (300-level)
- *Political Economy of Health and Social Inequalities* (300-level)
- *Medical Anthropology* (400-level)
- *Medical Anthropology* (500-level)

Graduate Courses

- *Medical Anthropology* (500-level)

Graduate Part-Time Instructor (University of Colorado Boulder, Department of Anthropology)

- 2013 *Culture and Power (ANTH 1200)*-undergraduate lower division cultural anthropology course.
- 2012 *Anthropological Inquiries: Cold War, Nuclear Testing, and Human Rights (ANTH 4020)*-undergraduate upper division cultural anthropology course.

2008 *Frontiers to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 2100)*-undergraduate lower division cultural anthropology course.

Teaching Assistant

2004-13 Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado

- *Frontiers of Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 2100)*
- *Peoples of the South Pacific (ANTH 3160)*
- *The Holocaust: An Anthropological Perspective (ANTH 4580)*
- *The Caribbean in Post-Colonial Perspective (ANTH 1115)*
- *Culture and Power (ANTH 1200)*
- *Regional Cultures of Africa (ANTH 1150)*

DEPARTMENTAL, UNIVERSITY, AND OTHER SERVICE

2018 Graduate Student Committee Member. University of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina.

2018 Assessor for the Program in International Studies. North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina.

2018 Reviewer for *Laboratorium*.

2018 *Polish Week* co-organizer. The Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

2017 Honor's Thesis committee member. North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina.

2016 Reviewer for *American Ethnologist*.

2016 Reviewer for *Culture, Theory and Critique*.

2016 Curriculum Committee. North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina.

2015 Interdisciplinary nuclear reading group organizer. Sanford University. Stanford, California.

2013 Graduate student representative on the Assistant Professor job search committee. University of Colorado Boulder. Boulder, Colorado.

2013 Co-founder and graduate student representative of the *Survival in Nuclear Age Initiative*, the Center to Advance Research and Teaching in Social Science (CARTSS) sponsored program.

2012 *The Center to Advance Research and Teaching in Social Sciences (CARTSS)* graduate student representative board member.

2009 *CU Center to Advance Research and Teaching in Social Sciences (CARTSS)*, graduate student representative board member.

2008 *Holocaust Film Series* member, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.

2007 *Ethnographic Methods in Anthropology Colloquium Series* co-founder, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.

2004/6 *Brown Bag Committee* member whose role was to arrange speaker series for faculty and graduate students, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Mould, David. 2016. "No Polygon, No Problem." In: *Postcards from Stanland: Journeys in Central Asia*. Athens: Ohio University Press. p. 233-257.

MacInnes-Rae, Rick. "Radio Interview." *CBCRadio Dispatches*. February 9, 2012.

Mould, David. "Warming to Life in the Hot Zone." *Times Higher Education*. January 12, 2012. p. 41-43.

Rogers, Keith. "Soviet Nuclear Legacy surfaces at Atomic Museum." *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. September 3, 2011.

Bonet, Pilar. "Tras el Sueno Atomico de la URSS." *El Pais*. July 7, 2011.

Mould, David. "In Kazakhstan, the Grass is Greener on a Nuclear Test Site." *Transitions Online*. June 9, 2011. <http://www.tol.org/client/article/22461-in-kazakhstan-the-grass-is-greener-at-the-nuclear-test-site.html>.

LANGUAGES

Polish (native); Russian (fluent); English (fluent); Kazakh (basic/reading)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Anthropological Association (member since 2004)
- American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages (member since 2005)
- Anthropology and Environment Society (member since 2006)
- Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (member since 2005)
- Central Eurasian Studies Society (member since 2007)
- Society for Applied Anthropology (member since 2014)
- Society for Cultural Anthropology (member since 2004)
- Society for Medical Anthropology (member since 2007)
- Society for Social Studies of Science (member since 2016)
- The Canadian Anthropology Society (member since 2017)