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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2008-09 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities, History and Social Sciences, Columbia College.
2002-07 Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Graphics and New Media, Johnson & Wales University.
2004 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Media Studies, New School University.
2000-1 Teaching Assistant, Department of Modern Culture & Media, Brown University.
2000-1 Teaching Assistant, Department of English, Brown University.

EDUCATION

Rice University

Ph.D. in Anthropology, in progress

University of Chicago

A.M. in Anthropology, 2008

Thesis: "The Ambiguous Aura: Re-examining Manga in the United States."

Advisor: William Mazzarella

New School for Social Research

M.A. in Media Studies, 2004

Thesis: "Reading Right to Left: Manga, Anime, and the American-Japanese Cultural Exchange."

Advisor: Aras Ozgun

Brown University

A.B. honors independent major in New Media Theory, 2001

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Media, television, and communication

Magic and mysticism

Beauty and grooming Rituals

Japan and Japanese Culture

Globalization

The United States

PUBLICATIONS

forthcoming "Turning Japanese: Selling Japan to American manga fans," in *Manga and Philosophy*, ed. Josef Steiff and Tristan D. Tamplin (Open Court, 2010).

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS

2006-07 University Service Award, Johnson & Wales University
2005-06 Community Service Fellowship, Johnson & Wales University
2004 Honorable Mention, Mixed Messages Art Show, New School University
2004 Graduate Merit Fellowship, New School University
2004 First-Year Teacher of the Year
2003-05 Media Studies Merit Scholarship
2003 Adjunct Teacher of the Year
2003 Department of the Year (group award)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2009-present Co-Coordinator
Ethnographic Film Society
Rice University

2009-present Co-Coordinator
Transnational Asia Graduate Student Conference
Rice University

2009-present Graduate Representative
Honor Council
Rice University

2007 Co-Chair
Student Awards Committee
Johnson & Wales University

2006 Gaming Club Faculty Sponsor
Johnson & Wales University

2005-07 Community Service Advisory Committee
School of Technology
Johnson & Wales University

2004-07 Anime Club Faculty Sponsor
Johnson & Wales University

2003-07 Events Committee
School of Technology
Johnson & Wales University

PRESENTATIONS

- 2010 “Growing Good Citizens: Functionalism and the Role of Religion in the Early Anthropology of Japan.”
Panel: Escaping Japan: Dissidence, Margins, and Locations
Japan Anthropology Workshop
University of Texas, Austin
Austin, TX
- 2010 “In the Eyes of the Beholder: Selling Japan to American Adolescents.”
(Moderator and Panelist)
Panel: Circulating Asia and Transnational Audiences: Spectatorship, Identity, and Pop Culture
Transnational Asia Graduate Student Conference
Rice University
Houston, TX
- 2009 “A Conversation on Asian Wedding Culture and Street Fashion.”
(Moderator and Discussant)
City of Chicago Asian Pacific Heritage Month
Chicago, IL.
- 2009 “The Japaneseness of Manga: Exploring Common Ground between American and Japanese Comics.”
Panel: East Asian Media
Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association
New Orleans, LA
- 2008 “The Ambiguous Aura: Re-examining Manga in the United States.”
Intersections
Chicago Cultural Center & Columbia College
Chicago, IL
- 2008 “The Year 24 Today: Japanese Female Manga Artists in the Late 1960s.”
Global Studies Conference
University of Illinois, Chicago
Chicago, IL
- 2007 “Designing Community: Service-Learning and Digital Art.”
National EPICS Conference
University of California, San Diego
La Jolla, CA
- 2007 “Running a Class as a Company.”
Cassola Conference for Teaching and Learning
Johnson & Wales University
Providence, RI

2005 "The Makeover Paradox: Control and 'The Gaze' in the Films of Audrey Hepburn." Cassola Conference for Teaching and Learning
Johnson & Wales University
Providence, RI

2001 "The Angel Grey"
Electronic Cabaret
Brown University
Providence, RI