

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Caroline Nagel**

## **EDUCATION**

- BA University of California, Berkeley, Political Science, Latin American Studies, 1991 (Highest Graduation Honors; Phi Beta Kappa)
- MA University of Colorado, Geography, 1994 (Thesis: 'Capital, the state, and the farmworker regional community in Northeastern Colorado')
- PhD University of Colorado, Geography, 1998 (Dissertation: 'Identity, organizational participation, and geographies of segmented integration: The case of London's Arab communities')

## **CURRENT APPOINTMENT**

Professor (January 2018-present), Department of Geography, University of South Carolina

## **PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS**

Department Chair, Department of Geography, University of South Carolina (2017-2020)

Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of South Carolina (2011-2017)

Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of South Carolina (2007-2011)

Lecturer in Human Geography, Department of Geography, Loughborough University, UK (2001-2007)

Research Lecturer, Department of International Studies, Nottingham Trent University, UK (1999-2001)

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Geography, University of Kentucky (1998-1999)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### *Articles and Essays in Peer Reviewed Journals*

Nagel, C. (2025). Immigration policy in the second Trump administration: Restriction, removal, and the limits of MAGA nativism, *Geographical Journal*, <https://doi.org/10.1111/geoj.70015>

- Nagel, C. and Grace, B. (2023). Navigating the 'refugee ecosystem' in research at home, *Geographical Review*, 114(5): 584–601, <https://doi.org/10.1080/00167428.2023.2276941>.
- Nagel, C. (2023). Moving beyond the migration state (review essay), *International Migration Review*, 57(2): 846-852.
- Bialasiewicz, L. and Nagel C. (2021). Religion, politics, and publics in Lynn Staeheli's work, *Political Geography*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2021.102520> [commentary for special section in honor of Lynn Staeheli].
- Nagel, C. (2021). Doing missions right: Popular development imaginaries and practices among US evangelicals, *Geoforum*, 124: 110-119.
- Nagel, C. (2021). Christian short-term missions: Creating global citizens? *Geopolitics* 26(5): 1286-1306.
- Burrell, K., Hopkins, P., Isakjee, A., Lorne, C., Nagel, C., et al. (2018). Brexit, race, and migration (symposium article; Nagel contribution: Populism, immigration, and the Trump phenomenon in the U.S.) *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space*, 37(1) [listed among top 10 most-read articles in *EPC* over 6-month period].
- Nagel, C. (2018). Southern exceptionalism and the perils of region. *The Professional Geographer*, 70(4): 678-686.
- Ehrkamp, P. and Nagel, C. (2017). Policing the borders of church and societal membership: Immigrant and faith-based communities in the U.S. South, *Territory, Politics and Governance* (Special Issue: 'Polymorphic Borders'), 5(3): 318-331.
- Nagel, C. and Ehrkamp, P. (2017). Immigration, Christian faith communities, and the practice of multiculturalism in the U.S. South, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 40(1): 190-208 [listed among top-15 most-read articles in *ERS*, 2017-2019].
- Nagel, C. (2016). At home with the Lebanese diaspora (review essay), *Arab World Geographer*, 19(3-4): 368-376.
- Nagel, C. (2016). Southern hospitality? Islamophobia and the politicization of refugees in South Carolina during the 2016 election season, *Southeastern Geographer*, 56(3): 283-290 [invited contribution to special section on the 2016 Presidential campaign; included in multidisciplinary #IslamophobiasRacism syllabus].
- Nagel, C. and Ehrkamp, P. (2016). Deserving welcome? Immigrants, Christian faith communities, and the contentious politics of belonging in the U.S. South, *Antipode*, 48(4): 1040-1058. [republished in *Antipode* virtual special issue, 2017]
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2015). Nature, environmentalism, and the politics of citizenship in post-civil war Lebanon, *Cultural Geographies*, 23(2): 247-263.
- Nagel, C. Alderman, D., Inwood, J., et al. (2015). Intervention: Legacies of the U.S. Civil Rights Act, fifty years on, *Political Geography*, 48: 159-168.

- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2015). International donors, NGOs, and the geopolitics of youth citizenship in contemporary Lebanon, *Geopolitics*, 20(2): 223-247.
- Ehrkamp, P. and Nagel, C. (2014). Under the radar: Undocumented immigrants, Christian faith communities, and the precarious spaces of welcome in the U.S. South, *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 104(2): 319-328.
- Nagel, C. (2013). Reconfiguring belonging in the suburban South: Diversity, 'merit', and the persistence of white privilege, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 37(2): 618-640.
- Staeheli, L. and Nagel, C. (2013). Whose awakening is it? Youth and the geopolitics of civic engagement in the 'Arab Awakening', *European Urban and Regional Research*, 20(1): 115-119.
- Ehrkamp, P. and Nagel, C. (2012). Immigration, places of worship and the politics of citizenship in the U.S. South, *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 37(4): 624-638.
- Staeheli, L., Ehrkamp, P., Leitner, H. and Nagel, C. (2012). DREAMing the ordinary: Daily life and the complex geographies of citizenship, *Progress in Human Geography*, 36(5): 627-643.
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2011), Muslim political activism or political activism by Muslims? Secular and religious identities amongst Muslim Arab activists in the United States and United Kingdom, *Identities*, 18(5): 437-458.
- Nagel, C. (2010). Arab in the third person: Personal reflections on positionality, geographical belonging, and the production of knowledge, *Arab World Geographer*, 13(2): 93-107 (Invited contribution to special section on scholars of Arab heritage).
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2010). ICT and geographies of British Arab and Arab American activism, *Global Networks*, 10(2): 262-281.
- Nagel, C. (2009). Rethinking geographies of assimilation (commentary), *The Professional Geographer*, 61(3): 400-407.
- Staeheli, L., Mitchell, D., and Nagel, C. (2009). Making publics: Immigrants, regimes of publicity and entry to 'the public', *Environment and Planning D*, 27: 633-648.
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2008). Integration and the negotiation of 'here' and 'there': The case of British Arab activists, *Social and Cultural Geography*, 9(4): 415-430.
- Staeheli, L. and Nagel, C. (2008). Re-thinking security: perspectives from Arab American and British Arab activists, *Antipode*, 40(5): 780-801.
- Nagel, C. (2007). Ummah, locality, and in-between: Muslim American perspectives on societal membership, *Arab World Geographer*, 10(3): 141-152.
- Staeheli, L. and Nagel, C. (2006). Topographies of home and citizenship: Arab American activists, *Environment and Planning A*, 38(9): 1599-1614.

- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2005). 'We're just like the Irish': Narratives of assimilation, belonging, and citizenship among Arab American activists, *Citizenship Studies*, 9(5): 485-498.
- Nagel, C. (2005). Skilled migration in global cities from 'other' perspectives: British Arabs, identity politics, and local embeddedness, *Geoforum*, 36 (Spring): 197-210.
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2004). Citizenship, identity, and transnational migration: Arab immigrants to the US, *Space and Polity*, 8(1): 3-24.
- Nagel, C. (2002). Constructing difference and sameness: The politics of assimilation in London's Arab Communities, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 25(2): 258-287.
- Nagel, C. (2002). Reconstructing space, re-creating memory: sectarian politics and urban redevelopment in post-war Beirut, *Political Geography*, 21: 717-725.
- Nagel, C. (2002). Geopolitics by another name: Immigration and the politics of assimilation, *Political Geography*, 21: 971-987 [reprinted in J. Dittmer and J. Sharp (eds.) *Geopolitics: An Introductory Reader*, 2014]
- Nagel, C. (2001). Hidden minorities and the politics of 'race': The case of British Arab activists in London, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 27(3): 381-400.
- Nagel, C. (2001). Contemporary scholarship and the demystification—and re-mystification—of 'Muslim women' (review essay), *Arab World Geographer*, 4(1): 63-72.
- Nagel, C. (2001). Nations unbound? Migration, culture, and the limits of the transnationalism-diaspora narrative (review essay), *Political Geography*, 20: 247-256.
- Nagel, C. (2000). Ethnic conflict and urban redevelopment in downtown Beirut, *Growth and Change*, 31(2): 211-233.
- Staeheli, L. and Nagel, C. (1997). Farm laborers and the 'new urban politics': Bridging the urban-rural divide, *Urban Geography*, 18(8): 667-688.

### *Special Issue/Section Introductions*

- Nagel, C. and Hopkins, P. (2025) The next four years: Geographical reflections on the second Trump administration. *Geographical Journal* [in press]
- Nagel, C. and Lizotte, C. (2024). Introduction to the Virtual Forum: Gaza's past, present, and futures. *Political Geography*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2024.103204>.
- Nagel, C. and Grove, K. (2021). Introduction: Populist nationalisms and new geographies of exclusion, *Political Geography*, 89, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2021.102429>.
- Nagel, C. (2021). Introduction: Electoral geographies of the 2020 U.S. Presidential race, *Political Geography*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2021.102349>

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### *Books*

Menga, F., Nagel, C., Grove, K., and Peters, K. (eds.) (2024), *Political Geography in Practice: Theories, Methods, and Approaches*, Palgrave Macmillan.

Mavroudi, E. and Nagel, C. (2023). *Global Migration: Patterns, Processes, Politics*, Second Edition, London: Routledge

Mavroudi, E. and Nagel, C. (2016). *Global Migration: Patterns, Processes, Politics*, London: Routledge.

Falah, G. and Nagel, C. (eds.) (2005). *Geographies of Muslim Women: Gender, Religion, and Space*, New York: Guilford Press.

### *Chapters in Books*

Nagel, C. (forthcoming). Migration, in C. Flint (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Geopolitics*, Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar. [in press]

Nagel, C. (2025). American Evangelicals and the problem of 'culture', in L. Kong, O. Woods, and J. Tse (eds.), *Handbook on the Geographies of Religion*, Cham, Switzerland: Springer Nature.

Nagel, C., Menga, F., Grove, K., and Peters, K. (2024). Introduction: Political Geography in Practice, in Menga, F., Nagel, C., Grove, K., and Peters, K. (eds.), *Political Geography in Practice: Theories, Methods, and Approaches*, Palgrave Macmillan (pp. 1-16).

Nagel, C. (2020). The 'problem' of religion in the secular state: Sectarianism and state formation in Lebanon, in S. Moisi, A. Jonas, N. Koch, C. Lizotte, and J. Luukkonen (eds.), *Handbook on the Changing Geographies of the State: New Spaces of Geopolitics*. Northampton, UK: Edward Elgar.

Nagel, C. and Boyle, P. (2019). Migration, in A. Kobayashi (ed.), *International Encyclopedia of Human Geography* (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition), Elsevier.

Nagel, C. and Ayoob, A. (2016). Community activism: Advocacy, identity politics, and the formation of a collective consciousness, in M. Amer and G. Awad (eds.), *Handbook of Arab American Psychology*, London: Routledge (pp. 76-88).

Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2015). NGOs and the making of youth citizenship in Lebanon, in K. Kallio, S. Mills, and T. Skelton (eds.), *Geographies of Politics, Participation, Resistance, and Rights* (volume 7 of *Geographies of Children and Young People* series), Singapore: Springer. DOI: 10.1007/978-981-4585-94-1\_21-1.

- Ehrkamp, P., Nagel, C., and Cottrell, C. (2015). Changing geographies of immigration and religion in the U.S. South, in S. Brunn (ed.), *The Changing World Religion Map*, Dordrecht: Springer (pp. 1711-1724).
- Staeheli, L. and Nagel, C. (2013). Different democracy? Arab immigrants, religion, and democratic citizenship, in P. Hopkins, L. Kong and E. Olson (eds.), *Religion and Place: Identity, Community and Territory*, Springer (pp. 115-130).
- Nagel, C. (2011). Cultural Diasporas, in B. DeRudder, M. Hoyler, P. Taylor, and F. Witlox (eds.), *International Handbook of Globalization and World Cities*, Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar (pp. 398-407).
- Nagel, C. (2011). Belonging, in V. Del Casino, R. Panelli, P. Cloke, and M. Thomas (eds.), *A Companion to Social Geography*, Malden, MA: Blackwell (pp. 108-124).
- Nagel, C. (2011). Egyptian Americans, in R. Baylor (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Multicultural America*, Santa Barbara, CA: Greenwood Press (pp.577-616).
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2010). ICT and geographies of belonging: Locating immigrant activism on the internet and on the ground, in B. Hahn and M. Zwingenberger (eds.) *Global Cities, Metropolitan Cultures: A Transatlantic Perspective* (Volume 11 of the Bavarian American Academy series), Heidelberg: Universitätsverlag Winter (pp. 144-165).
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2008). To be or not to be 'British Muslim': British Arab perspectives on religion, politics, and 'the public', in P. Hopkins and R. Gale (eds.), *Muslims in Britain: Race, Place, Identities*, Edinburgh: University of Edinburgh Press (pp. 95-112).
- Nagel, C. and Staeheli, L. (2008). Being visible and invisible: Integration from the perspective of British Arab activists, in C. Dwyer and C. Bressey (eds.), *New Geographies of Race and Racism*, Ashgate (pp. 83-94).
- Nagel, C. (2005). Introduction, in G. Falah and C. Nagel (eds.), *Geographies of Muslim Women: Gender, Religion, and Space*, New York: Guilford Press (pp. 1-15).
- Nagel, C. (2004). Questioning citizenship in an age of migration, in Staeheli, L and O'Loughlin, J (eds.), *Globalization and Democracy*, New York: Guilford Press (pp. 231-249).
- Nagel, C. (1999). Social justice, self-interest, and Salman Rushdie: Re-assessing identity politics in multicultural Britain, in J. Proctor and D. Smith (eds.), *Geography and Ethics: Journeys in Moral Terrain*, London; New York: Routledge (pp. 132-146).

## Editorials

- Bennett, M., Coddington, K., ...Nagel, C., Walther, O. (2025). Making space for debate in the digital age, *Political Geography*, 117, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2024.103204>.
- Menga, F., Bennett, M., Coddington, K., Ehrkamp, P., Enns, C., Nagel, C., Vradsis, A. and Walther, O. (2024). Care, continuity, and meaningful change. *Political Geography*, 108: 1-2.

Nagel, C. and Conlon, D. (2022). The promise of open-access publishing in contentious times, *Political Geography Open Research*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpgor.2023.100002>.

Grove, K., Benjaminsen, T. Costalli, S. Menga, F., Nagel, C., Peters, K. and Vradis, A. (2022). To forty more years of *Political Geography*, *Political Geography*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2021.102581>.

Grove, K., Benjaminsen, T. Costalli, S. Menga, F., Nagel, C., Peters, K. and Vradis, A. (2020). Political Geography in and for 2020, *Political Geography*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2020.102258>.

Grove, K., Benjaminsen, T. Costalli, S. Menga, F., Nagel, C., Peters, K. and Vradis, A. (2020). Making and breaking boundaries in times of transition, *Political Geography*, 76.

## BOOK REVIEWS

Natter, K. (2023). *The Politics of Immigration Beyond Liberal States: Morocco and Tunisia in Comparative Perspective*, Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press. (Reviewed for *International Migration*, forthcoming).

Kurien, P. (2017). *Ethnic Church Meets Megachurch: Indian American Christianity in Motion*, New York: NYU Press. (Reviewed for *Sociology of Religion*, 2018, 79(3): 385-386).

Hyndman, J. and Giles, W. (2016). *Refugees in Extended Exile: Living on the Edge*, London; New York: Routledge. (Part of review forum published in *AAG Review of Books*, 2018, 6(2): 124-132).

Gerken, C. (2013). *Model Immigrants and Undesirable Aliens: The Cost of Immigration Reform in the 1990s*, Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press. (Reviewed for *Gender, Place, and Culture*, 2015, 22(8): 1198-1200).

Thomas, E. (2012). *Immigration, Islam, and the Politics of Belonging in France: A Comparative Framework*, Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press. (Reviewed for *International Migration Review*, 2014, 48(1): 274-275).

Gualtieri, S.A.M. (2009). *Between Arab and White: Race and Ethnicity in the Early Syrian-American Diaspora*, Berkeley; Los Angeles: University of California Press. (Reviewed for *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 2010, 34(1): 162-181).

Hopkins, P. (2008). *The Issue of Masculine Identities for British Muslims After 9/11: A Social Analysis*, Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press. (Part of review forum published in *Political Geography*, 2011, 30: 339-348).

Bowen, J.R. (2007). *Why the French Don't Like Headscarves: Islam, the State, and Public Space*, Princeton: Princeton University Press. (Reviewed for *Cultural Geographies*, 2009, 16: 421-422).

Merrill, H. (2006). *An Alliance of Women: Immigration and the Politics of Race*, Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press. (Reviewed for *The Geographical Review*, 2007, 97: 574-576).

Moss, P. (ed.) (2002). *Feminist Geography in Practice*, Oxford and Malden, MA: Blackwell. (Reviewed for *Progress in Human Geography*, 2003, 27: 671-672).

Suleiman. M. (ed.) (2000). *Arabs in America: Building a New Future*, Philadelphia: Temple University Press. (Reviewed for *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 2002, 28: 367-380).

Castles, S. and Miller, M. (1999). *The Age of Migration* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), Basingstoke: Macmillan Press. (Reviewed for *Political Geography*, 2000, 19: 653-671).

Eickelman, D. and Piscatori, J (1996). *Muslim Politics*, Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. (Reviewed for *Political Geography*, 1999, 18: 373-376).

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

EXCEL Program, University of South Carolina, 'Overseas Trained Teachers in South Carolina's Public Schools' (with Kara Brown, College of Education), 2024-2025, \$17,000.

Walker Institute Faculty Research Award, 'Overseas Trained Teachers in South Carolina's Public Schools' (with Kara Brown, College of Education), 2023-2024 (\$3000).

Walker Institute Faculty Research Award, 'Youth Short-Term Missions: Creating Global Citizens?', 2018-2019 (\$3700)

ASPIRE Program, 'Mapping the Social Geography of Jim Crow-Era Columbia, SC: An Historical GIS Program (with Conor Harrison), 2017-2018 (\$14,900)

SPARC Program, 'Algerian Networks in France: Place, Social Networks, and Integration' (PhD researcher Elizabeth Nelson), 2016-2017 (\$5,000).

Magellan Scholar Program, 'Education and entrepreneurship in Amman, Jordan' (undergraduate researcher Nicole Bills), 2014-2015 (~\$3000).

National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement grant: 'Youth citizenship, Civic Education, and Spaces of Belonging in a Multicultural Nation' (PhD researcher Catherine Cottrell) (Award number 1233492; 9/1/12-2/28/14, \$15,794).

National Science Foundation, 'Places of Worship and the Politics of Citizenship: Immigrants and Communities of Faith in the New South' (collaborative research with Patricia Ehrkamp, University of Kentucky) (Award number 1021666; \$200,000; USC component \$97,926; 10/1/10-3/31/13).

Fulbright Scholar Award for teaching and research, American University of Beirut, Lebanon. Research project: 'Imagining citizenship in the everyday spaces of Beirut, Lebanon', 2010-2011 academic year (\$80,000 travel and living expenses).



South Carolina Humanities Council, 'Immigrants and communities of faith: Improving understanding in South Carolina classrooms', 2010-11 (\$4500; coordinated by Jerry Mitchell, South Carolina Geographical Alliance; Nagel contribution to project 15%).

Honors College, University of South Carolina, 'Columbia's Hindu Temple and the everyday experience of racial and religious difference in a suburban community', 2008-2009 (\$3,000 for undergraduate research assistant).

Economic and Social Research Council Award (United Kingdom), 'Community, immigration, and the construction of citizenship', 2002-2006 (£31,945; awarded in conjunction with a National Science Foundation Grant of the same title, PI Lynn Staeheli, University of Colorado, \$270,000).

Post-doctoral fellowship grant, University of Kentucky, 1998-1999 (\$5,000).

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, 1997-1998 (\$9900).

Ogilvy Travel Fellowship, Centre for British Studies, University of Colorado, 1997 (\$3500).

Study Abroad Fellowship, University of Amsterdam, Programme on Immigration, Foreigners, and Xenophobia, 1995 (travel, living, and tuition expenses for one semester).

## **COLLOQUIA AND PRESENTATIONS**

### *Colloquia*

"Going rogue": Christian resettlement volunteers and the limits of "self-sufficiency" (co-authored with Breanne Grace, USC College of Social Work), USC Migration Lab, January 2025.

'The limits of the "migration state": Alienage, arbitrariness, and the U.S. asylum system', interdisciplinary colloquium presented at Loughborough University, United Kingdom (via Zoom), November 5, 2021.

'Immigration, Christian faith communities, and the practice of multiculturalism in the U.S. South', interdisciplinary colloquium presented at Wofford College, South Carolina, October 2016.

'Immigration, Christian faith communities, and the "problem" of multiculturalism in the U.S. South', James O. Wheeler Annual Lecture, Department of Geography, University of Georgia, February 2016.

'Nature, environmentalism, and the politics of citizenship in post-civil war Lebanon', colloquium presented to the Department of Geosciences, Georgia State University, March 2015.

‘NGOs and the geopolitics of youth citizenship in Lebanon’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, University of Kentucky, October 2013.

‘Arab American activism and the “problem” of sectarianism’, colloquium presented as part of the ‘Arab and American’ speaker series, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, October 2013.

‘Reconfiguring race and belonging in a South Carolina suburban neighborhood’, colloquium presented to the Department of Political Science, American University of Beirut, December 2010.

‘Locating migrant activism on the internet’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, University of North Carolina, October 2008

‘Locating migrant activism on the internet’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, University of South Carolina, October 2008

‘Locating migrant activism in the diasporic public sphere’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, Dartmouth College, May 2008

‘Religion and the political mobilization of British Arab activists’, colloquium presented to the Centre for Research on Social Policy, Loughborough University (UK), May 2007.

‘Religion and the political mobilization of British Arab activists’, colloquium presented to the Institute for Cultural Analysis, The Nottingham Trent University, June 2007.

‘To be or not to be “British Muslim”: British Arab perspectives on religion, politics, and “the public”’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, Durham University (UK), November 2006.

‘British Arabs and the re-imagining of multiculturalism’, colloquium presented as part of the Middle East Studies seminar series, University of Nottingham, October 2005.

‘Arab American spaces of activism’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, Lancaster University (UK) October 2003

‘The neo-liberal reconstruction of downtown Beirut’, colloquium presented to the Department of Geography, Miami University, Ohio, November 1999.

#### *Invited Papers and Keynote Addresses at Professional Events*

‘Doing the work of welcome: Refugee resettlement volunteering and evangelical Christianity in South Carolina’ (co-author Breanne Grace, USC College of Social Work), presented at Middle East on the Move: Migration, Diaspora, and Belonging conference, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, March 2024.

Keynote speaker (‘Southern exceptionalism and the perils of region’), themed semester launch event, Texas A&M University-Texarkana, September 2020, via Zoom.

Plenary lecture ('Doing missions right': Development thinking and practice among American short-term missionaries'), Geography of Religion and Belief Systems Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers, AAG Annual Meeting, New Orleans, April 2018.

Keynote speaker and discussant, Maxwell Citizenship Initiative conference and workshop, Syracuse University, April 2017.

'Christian short-term missions: Making global citizens?' presented at Temporalities and Spaces of Cosmopolitanism Workshop, Royal Geographical Society, London (organized by Durham University), October 2016.

Keynote speaker, Post-doctoral Research Symposium, University of South Florida, Tampa, March 2016.

'Open space and the production of citizenship and nationhood in post-civil war Lebanon', presented at Ecologies of Protest Workshop, Durham University, 15-17 January 2014.

'Christian evangelism, missions, and immigrant outreach in the American South', presented at international workshop on Rethinking the Transnational Perspective, University of Fribourg, Switzerland, 13-14 September 2012.

'Faith and citizenship in the American South', presented at symposium on Faith and Suburbia, University College London and Royal Holloway-University of London, May 2011.

'Locating migrant activism in the diasporic public sphere', presented at Conference on Global Cities-Metropolitan Cultures: A Transatlantic Perspective, Bavarian-American Institute, Munich, Germany, May 2008.

'Religion and political mobilization among Arab-origin activists in the UK and the US', presented at the Symposium on Religion in the Public Realm, University of Edinburgh, May 2007.

'British Arab activists' "personal theories" of integration and citizenship', presented at Conference on Citizenship and Belonging in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, University of Leeds, March 2006.

'The mobilization of Arab identities and communities in multicultural Britain', presented at the Conference on Citizenship, Ethnos and Multiculturalism, sponsored by the Heinrich Boell Foundation and the Canadian Embassy, Berlin, Germany, November 2005.

'Citizenship in the "age of migration": the case of Arab-American activists', presented at the Conference on Globalization and Democracy, University of Colorado, Boulder, April 2002.

#### *Invited Panelist and Discussant Presentations at Professional Meetings*

Panelist, 'Advancing women's leadership in Geography', SEDAAG Annual Meeting, Greenville, SC, November 2024.

Panelist, 'The ins and outs of article publishing', Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Denver, April 2023.

Panelist, 'Publishing journal articles', Feminist Geography Conference, Boulder, CO/virtual, July 2022, via Zoom.

Panelist, Presidential Plenary, 'Ethnonationalism and the politics of purity in a global era', AAG Annual Meeting, March 2022, via Zoom.

Panelist presentation, 'Perspectives on contemporary refugee issues', organized by Pablo Bose, University of Vermont, and Sameera Ibrahim, University at Buffalo, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, April 2021.

Discussant presentation, 'Feminist geographies of the Middle East/North Africa', organized by Gabrielle Nassif, University at Buffalo, Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, October 2020.

Discussant presentation 'Migrant politics and the changing geographies of nationalism and citizenship', organized by Liz Mavroudi, Loughborough University, and Marta Erdal, PRIO, Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington DC, April 2019.

Discussant presentation, 'New spaces of bordering, citizenship, and political subjectivity', organized by Derek Ruez, University of Tampere, and Christopher Lizotte, University of Helsinki, Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New Orleans, April 2018.

Panelist presentation, author-meets-the-critics session, *Refugees in Extended Exile*, by Jennifer Hyndman and Wenona Giles(organized by Patricia Ehrkamp, University of Kentucky), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, April 2017.

Panelist presentation, 'Writing up qualitative research' (organized by Amy Piedalue, Australia India Institute), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, April 2017.

Panelist presentation, 'Brexit, race, and migration' (organized by Kathy Burrell, Liverpool, and Peter Hopkins, Newcastle), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, April 2017.

Panelist presentation, 'Teaching Civil Rights as a Geography Awareness Week Theme' (organized by Derek Alderman and Josh Inwood, University of Tennessee), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, 2016.

Panelist presentation, Latino/a Geographies of/in the American South (organized by Jeff Popke, East Carolina University), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Tampa, April 2014.

Panelist presentation, 'Geographies of post-secularism?' (organized by Elizabeth Olson, University of Edinburgh, and Patricia Ehrkamp, University of Kentucky), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, February 2012.

Discussant presentation, 'Migration of professionals and the city - mobility, locality and identities of expatriates and the global elite' (3-part session organized by Lars Meier, University of Munich), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, February 2012.

Panelist presentation, author-meets-the-critics session, *The Issue of Masculine Identities for British Muslims After 9/1* by Peter Hopkins (organized by Rachel Pain, Durham University), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington, DC, April 2010.

Panelist presentation, author-meets-the-critics session, *Migration* by Michael Samers (organized by Patricia Ehrkamp, University of Kentucky), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington, DC, April 2010.

Panelist presentation, 'Muslim Identity, Citizenship and Belonging: New Questions and Approaches for Geographers', Las Vegas, April 2009 (organized by James MacLean, York University, Canada)

Discussant presentation, 'Transnationalism, Mobility, and Geographies of Home', Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, April 2009 (organized by David Ralph, University of Edinburgh).

Discussant presentation, 'Transnational Adoption (organized by Alec Brownlow, DePaul University), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers', Boston, April 2008.

### *Contributed Papers Presented at Professional Meetings*

"Going rogue": Christian resettlement volunteers and the limits of "self-sufficiency" (co-authored with Breanne Grace, USC College of Social Work), Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Detroit, 2025.

'J1 visas, teacher migration, and the homegrown migration industry', Carolinas Migration Conference, UNC-Charlotte, January 2025.

'Resettlement volunteers and the production of "home"' (session organized by Emily Frazier), Race, Ethnicity, and Place conference, Washington, DC, 2023.

'Citizens of the nation-state and the Kingdom: U.S. Evangelical conceptions of political membership' (session organized by Natalie Koch and Azmeary Ferdoush), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Denver, 2023.

'Policing the borders of church and societal membership: Immigrants and faith-based communities in the U.S. South' (with Patricia Ehrkamp; session organized by Austin Kocher, Andrew BurrIDGE and Lauren Martin), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, 2015.

'Faith-based outreach to immigrants and the production of multiculturalism in the U.S. South' (with Patricia Ehrkamp; session organized by Peter Hopkins, University of Newcastle, and Caroline Nagel), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Tampa, 2014.

'Deserving welcome? Immigrants, Christian faith communities, and the politics of merit in the U.S. South' (with Patricia Ehrkamp; session organized by Mat Coleman and Monica Varsanyi), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Los Angeles, 2013

'Public diplomacy and youth citizenship initiatives in contemporary Lebanon' (with Lynn Staeheli; session organized by Tracey Skelton and Cheng Yi'en, National University of Singapore), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, 2012.

'Places of worship and the politics of citizenship' (with Patricia Ehrkamp; session organized by Claire Dwyer, University College London), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington, DC, 2010.

'Placing the ummah' (session organized by William Jenkins, York University), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, 2008.

'Placing integration: the case of British Arab activists', presented at Centre on Migration, Policy and Society Annual Conference, St Ann's College, Oxford University, July, 2007.

'Rethinking migrants and immigrant incorporation' (session organized by Patricia Ehrkamp, Miami University of Ohio, and Helga Leitner, University of Minnesota), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Philadelphia, 2004.

'National or transnational citizenship? The case of Arab activists in Britain and the United States', presented at the annual meeting of the Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers, London, 2003.

'Beyond the headscarf: skilled migration, gender, and identity in London's Arab community', (session organized by Rachel Silvey, University of Colorado), Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, 2001.

## **TEACHING AND STUDENT SUPERVISION**

### *Courses Taught*

Globalization and World Regions (GEOG 121)  
Geographies of American Cities (GEOG 344)  
Geography of Europe (GEOG 225)  
Global Geopolitics (GEOG 312)  
Geopolitics and Refugees (GEOG 310/SCHC 337)  
Capstone Seminar in Geography (GEOG 495)  
Service Learning in Geography (GEOG 497)  
Migration and Globalization (GEOG 512)  
Seminar in Political Geography (GEOG 735)  
Seminar in Urban Geography (GEOG 712)  
Geography Internship (GEOG 595)

### *Completed PhD Degrees*

Elizabeth Nelson, 'The Politics of Belonging: Identity, Integration, and Spatial Practices of Algerian Immigrants and Their Descendants in Paris, France' (May 2021)

Samuel Nielson, 'Immigrant Belonging in Belgium: Laws, Localities, and Living Together' (August 2020)

Catherine Cottrell, 'Youth Citizenship, Civic Education, and Spaces of Belonging in Tallinn, Estonia' (December 2013).

### *Completed Master's Degrees*

Jessica Flach, 'Between Florida and the world: Young people and the politics of citizenship' (May 2025).

Ben Sylvester, 'Contesting the generic refugee: SIV identity, community, and agency during resettlement' (May 2017).

Alysha Baratta, 'Barriers to success: Refugee mobility in the New South immigrant gateway city of Columbia, SC' (July 2016).

Amelia Ayoob, 'Situating belonging through multi-sited identities: Community building among Middle Eastern Christians in Upstate South Carolina' (December 2014).

William Hogan, 'Contested identities and language education: Inculcating nationalist ideologies in the Basque Region' (August 2013).

Andrew Cockram, 'An examination of the contradictory goals of nation-building and neoliberalism in the Education City project in Doha, Qatar' (August 2010).

John Lauermann, 'Economic practice, space, and identity: Business and labor in the *qat* industry of Sana'a, Yemen' (May 2010).

Kip Chojnacki, 'Perspectives on terrorism: Comparing the geopolitical views of former, current, and future Army officers' (May 2009).

### *Current Graduate Student Committees*

Sophia Nissler (PhD, Geography, UNC-Chapel Hill, committee member)

Jill Thornton (PhD, Geography, advisor)

Eleni Econopoulou (PhD, Geography, advisor)

Jessica Flach (PhD, Geography, advisor)

Bianca Malkoc (PhD, Geography, committee member)

Michael Mewborne (PhD, Geography, committee member)

### *Past Graduate Student Committees*

Jenna Haver (MA)

Jessica Flach (MA)  
John David Rinehart (MA)  
Andrew Prado-Alipui (MA)  
Mariah Moran (PhD, College of Social Work)  
Holly Smith (PhD)  
Divin Boutros (MA)  
Sadegh Foghani (PhD, History)  
Jonathan Dunn (MFA, Creative Writing)  
Kurt Hoburg, (MFA, Creative Writing)  
Juliane Bilotta (MA, Anthropology)  
Andrew Valencia (MFA, Creative Writing)  
Mary Thompson (PhD)  
Colby King (PhD, Sociology)  
William Terry (PhD)  
Sarah Schwartz (PhD)  
Natalie Jensen (PhD)  
Brittany Cook (MA)  
Joel Mathwig (MS)

*Current undergraduate student committees*

Molly Mims, thesis advisor  
Miranda Borland, thesis committee member

*Past undergraduate student committees*

Kendall Roy, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2025  
Elise Dosch, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2024  
Mary Alden Cooper, Honors College, thesis advisor, 2023  
Aidan Thomason, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2022  
Clare Steiner, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2021  
Payton Ramsey, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2021  
Grace Cooney, Honors College, thesis advisor, 2020  
Alex Vetack, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2020  
Samira Nematollahi, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2020  
Gabrielle Amos, Honors College, thesis advisor, 2019  
Melissa Slade Honors College, thesis committee member, 2019  
Hannah Marks, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2018  
Arianne Robbins, Honors College, BARSC planning committee  
Briana Nicole Bills, Honors College, thesis advisor, 2015  
Alexander Gutierrez, Honors College, BARSC planning committee  
Dylan Foster, Honors College, thesis advisor, 2013  
Harris Lynch, Honors College, thesis committee member, 2012  
Justin Bagwell, Honors College, thesis advisor, 2008

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**



## *Current Positions*

Setting-the-Agenda Editor, *Political Geography*, 2024-  
Editorial board member, *Arab World Geographer*, 2007-

## *Past Positions and Other Professional Activities*

Guest Co-Editor (with Peter Hopkins), special section on second Trump administration, *Geographical Journal*, 2025.

Organizer, *Political Geography* Plenary, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Detroit, March 2025.

Co-organizer (with Ryan Good, University of Florida), 2-part panel session, Geographers' responses to the shifting political landscape of public universities, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Detroit, March 2025.

Chair, AAG JEDI Committee (Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion), 2022-2024

Editor-in-Chief, *Political Geography Open Research*, 2022-2024

Associate Editor (Setting the Agenda), *Political Geography*, 2020-2021

Editorial board member, *Political Geography*, 2007-

Tenure and Promotion Reviewer for University of Bern (Switzerland), University of Minnesota, UCLA, University of Louisville, SUNY-Albany, Syracuse University, Indiana University-Bloomington, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Colorado-Boulder, Georgia State University, York University (Canada)

Reviewer, Canadian Excellence Research Chair program, 2018, 2023.

Chair, Urban Geography Specialty Group, American Association of Geographers, 2016-2018

Advisory committee member and research-ethics advisor, YouCitizen (European Research Council project on youth citizenship in post-conflict societies), 2014-2017.

Regular manuscript reviewer for *Geoforum*, *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, *Gender, Place and Culture*, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, *Antipode*, and *Social and Cultural Geography*.

Grant proposal reviewer for National Science Foundation (2013, 2014, 2016, 2017), Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2007, 2016), National Geographic Society (2007, 2014) and Berlin American Academy (2014).

Book manuscript reviewer for University of Georgia Press (2022), Wayne State University Press (2016), Oxford University Press (2013, 2014, 2015), Routledge (2014), Pluto Press (2012), Zed Books (2009), and Pearson-Prentice Hall (2005, 2009).

External examiner, PhD thesis, Macquarie University, Australia, 2016.

Vice Chair, Urban Geography Speciality Group, American Association of Geographers, 2014-2016.

Invited Contributor, Society and Space blog 'Echoes of Cologne' forum ("Welcome culture" has ended in Europe; it never started in the U.S.), published online July 2016.

Guest Editor, Intervention: The legacies of the U.S. Civil Rights Act, fifty years on (special section featuring collection of short essay-editorials), *Political Geography*, published September 2015.

Organizer, author-meets-the-critics panel for Jamie Winders' *Nashville in the New Millennium: Immigrant Settlement, Urban Transformation, and Social Belonging*, Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Tampa, April 2014.

Organizer with Peter Hopkins, University of Newcastle (UK), two-part session on Critical Geographies of Religion, Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Tampa 2014.

Editorial board member, *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 2010-2012.

Guest Editor, with Peter Hopkins, University of Newcastle (UK), special issue on 'Spaces of multiculturalism' for *Space and Polity*, published Spring 2010.

End-of-award rapporteur for Economic and Social Research Council (UK) (2002, 2003, and 2007).

Co-organizer with Patricia Ehrkamp, University of Kentucky, workshop on 'Immigrant activism in national and transnational contexts', 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Metropolis Conference, Lisbon, Portugal, October 2006.

Co-organizer with Peter Hopkins, University of Lancaster (UK), and Joe Liebovitz, University of Edinburgh (UK), three-part session entitled 'Urban politics of identity and territoriality,' Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers Annual Conference, London, September 2006.

External examiner, PhD thesis, Durham University, 2006.

External examiner, PhD thesis, Durham University, 2005.

Panel participant, Macarthur Foundation planning committee for new funding program on migration, development, and human rights, May 2005.

Co-organizer with Kathrin Horschelmann, University of Plymouth (UK), three-part session entitled 'Population, youth, and society in transition: identities, citizenship, and representation in the New Europe,' Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers Annual Conference, London, September 2003.

Guest Editor, special issue on 'The geopolitics of international migration' for *Political Geography*, 2002

Co-organizer with Eleonor Kofman and Parvati Raghuram, 'New patterns, new theories: a conference on international migration', held at Nottingham Trent University, September 2000.

## **UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

### *University and College Service*

Search Committee, Walker Institute—Global Studies humanitarianism and gender, 2024  
President's Executive Committee (2022- 2023)  
Chair, Faculty Ad Hoc Committee on Environmental Sustainability (2021-2022)  
Advisory Committee, Walker Institute of International and Area Studies (2013-2016; 2021)  
College of Arts and Sciences Academic Planning and Curriculum Group (2019-present)  
Phi Beta Kappa Executive Council (2019-2022)  
Walker Institute research grant reviewer (2019)  
Maxcy College Fellow (2017-2021)  
Global Studies Core Faculty/Advisory Member (2018-2021)  
Faculty Advisor, Gamecocks Aiding Refugees in Columbia student organization (2017-2020)  
Director, Islamic World Studies Program (2012-2016)  
Graduate Curriculum Committee (2015-2016)  
Graduate Council (2013-2015)  
Chair, Graduate Council Fellowship and Awards Committee (2014)  
Specialty Committee Chair, Global and Multicultural Understanding, Carolina Core (2012-2013)  
Faculty Associate, Office of Academic Integrity (2007-2012)  
Faculty Associate, Walker Institute of International and Area Studies (2007-present)

### *Departmental Service*

Graduate Director (2013-2016; 2023-2024)  
Tenure and Promotion Chair (2021-2023)  
Faculty Senator (2020-2023)  
Department Chair (2017-2020)  
Graduate Admissions Committee Chair (2012-2013)  
Colloquium Coordinator (2011-12)  
Graduate Admissions Committee (2008-2012)  
Undergraduate Advisor (2008-2013)  
Coastal Zone Management Search Committee member (2007)

### *Past Service Activities (Department of Geography, Loughborough University)*

Undergraduate Admissions Tutor (2006-2007)  
Department Disabilities Coordinator (2005-2007)  
Master's Degree Thesis Coordinator (2005-2007)

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

Speaker, 'Understanding unauthorized immigration', South Carolina Geographic Alliance Geofest (January 2025)

'Mission trips are an evangelical rite of passage for US teens—but why?', *The Conversation* (July 2023)

Speaker, Columbia Museum of Art ArtBreak series (in conjunction with art exhibit by Anila Quayyum Agha) (March 2022)

Research Advisor, Marga Institute of Sri Lanka (local development think-tank), organized by the Rule of Law Collaborative, University of South Carolina (2021-2022 academic year)

Speaker, 'Gender and Im/Mobility', AP Geography Teachers' Workshop, via Zoom (September 2021)

Speaker, 'Immigration and Race', part of Building Beloved Community series, St. Martin's in the Fields Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC (September 2019)

Speaker, 'U.S. Immigration Law, Past and Present' (2-part session), Shepherd's Center community lecture series (May 2019)

Podcast interviewee, Memory and the Lebanese Civil War (produced by Mahran Azzam, University of Warwick, UK), 'Orders of Decay' podcast series (February 2019)

Speaker, 'Lebanese Migration in Historical Perspective', The Lebanese of Georgetown County symposium, Georgetown, SC (October 2018).

Speaker, 'Refugees and immigration', Monday Lunch Group, Columbia, SC (May 2018).

Speaker, World Refugee Day event, Columbia Museum of Art, organized by Columbia Refugee Task Force and Carolina Peace Resource Center (April 2017).

Panelist, 'Islamophobia: A Response', public panel discussion sponsored by Carolina Peace Resource Center and USC Islamic World Studies Program, University of South Carolina (April 2016).

Co-organizer, public performance of one-woman play, *My Name is Rachel Corrie*, co-sponsored by Islamic World Studies Program and Students for Justice in Palestine (February 2016).

Speaker, 'Islam and Islamic Radicals in Europe', Palmetto Forum lecture series, Columbia (January 2015)

Participant, AP Geography Teacher Workshop, South Carolina Geographic Alliance (February 2015).

Speaker, 'Immigration' (four-part session), Shepherd's Center community lecture series (May 2015).

Organizer, public panel on Syrian refugee crisis, sponsored by Islamic World Studies Program and Walker Institute of International and Area Studies (November 2015).

Speaker, 'Immigration and "Welcoming the Stranger" (4-part series), St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church adult education program, Columbia SC (October-November 2013).

Participant/Lecturer, South Carolina Geographic Alliance GeoFest (February 2012).

Speaker, 'Lebanon and the Arab World in Transition', Palmetto Forum lecture series, Columbia (November 2011).

Participant, Teacher workshop on religious diversity in South Carolina sponsored by South Carolina Geographic Alliance, in conjunction with Patricia Ehrkamp, University of Kentucky (April 2011).

Speaker, 'Global Migration', Shepherd's Center community lecture series, Columbia (March 2009).

Participant/Lecturer, South Carolina Geographic Alliance Summer Geography Institute (June 2009).

Participant/Lecturer, South Carolina Geographic Alliance Summer Geography Institute (June 2008).

Participant/Lecturer, South Carolina Geographic Alliance GeoFest (February 2008).

Contributor, Consultation on Refugee Rights and Responsibilities, Information Centre about Asylum and Refugees in the UK, 2007.