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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2021-2024 Postdoctoral Fellow, ERC funded PORTS Project, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Oslo, Norway
- 2022-2023 Visiting Scholar, School of Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

EDUCATION

- 2019 Ph.D., Earth and Environmental Sciences (Human Geography), The Graduate Center, City University of New York (CUNY)
- 2015-2017 Visiting Researcher, Geography, University of California, Berkeley
- 2011 M.A., Geography, Hunter College, CUNY
- 2006 M.F.A., Painting, Rhode Island School of Design
- 1999 B.F.A., Fine Art (Minor: Art History), New School for Social Research

PUBLICATIONS

Dewan C and **Elizbeth Sibilia** (accepted Aug. 2023), “The toxic flows of the shipbreaking industry: global containments, local leakages, and ‘accumulation by contamination’,” *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space*.

Bäumer-Escobar, V, Elisabeth Schober, **Elizabeth Sibilia**, Hege Høyer Leivestad, Giorgos Poulimenakos, (2023) "Crisis in Movement. Making and Remaking Global Supply Chains in Container Ports," *Anthropologica*.

Sibilia E (2019) “Oceanic accumulation: Geographies of speculation, overproduction, and crisis in the global shipping economy,” *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*. Vol. 51(2): 467-486. (Awarded the 2019 Ashby Prize from *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*).

Sibilia E (2015) “Zones of risk: the spaces and places of shipbreaking,” *FOCUS on Geography*. Vol. 58(4).

Bacon N, Matthew Bissen, Marnie Brady, Zoltán Glück, Malav Kanuga, Steve McFarland, Jessica Miller, **Elizabeth Sibilia**, Erin Siodmak, and Laurel Mei Turbin (2012) “Contours of a spatialized influence: a tribute to Neil Smith,” *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 30(6): 935-955.

Sibilia E (in preparation), “Regulating maritime reproduction: environmental regulations and the conditions for uneven development in Bangladesh’s ship recycling industry.”

Sibilia E (in preparation), “Port of Singapore and maritime energy transition: remapping trade through green shipping corridors.”

AWARDS

- 2020 Ashby Prize, *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, Sage Publications
- 2019 Conference Travel Award, Cultural Geography Specialty Group, AAG
- 2018 Workshop Travel Award, Economic Geography Specialty Group, AAG
- 2016 Neil Smith Travel Award, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2015 Photo Award, Cultural Geography Specialty Group, AAG Annual Conference
- 2010 Graduate Student Paper Award, Middle States Division AAG
- 2006 Graduate Award of Excellence, Rhode Island School of Design

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

- 2018 Faculty Research, Scholarship, and Creative Grant, San Jose State University (\$5,000, declined)
- 2016 Dissertation Writing Year Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$22,000)
- 2016 Doctoral Student Research Grant, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$1,345)
- 2015-2016 Graduate D Fellowship, Earth and Environmental Science, The Graduate Center (\$4,000)
- 2015 Knickerbocker Archival Research Award, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$4,000)
- 2012-2015 Graduate Teaching Fellowship, Earth and Environmental Science, The Graduate Center (\$54,000)
- 2014 Human Geography Small Grant, Institute for Human Geography (\$5,000)
- 2014 Doctoral Student Research Grant, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$1,285)
- 2014 Adjunct/ CET Professional Development Grant, PSC Union (\$2,666)
- 2014 Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, American Institute of Bangladesh Studies (\$5,500)
- 2012-2018 Conference Presentation Support, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$2,100)
- 2011-2012 New Media Lab Fellowship, New Media Lab, The Graduate Center, CUNY (\$1,200)
- 2011 London School of Economics, Travel Grant (\$500)
- 2010-2011 Society of Women Geographers Travel Grant, Hunter College, CUNY (\$250)
- 2004-2006 Graduate Painting Fellowship, Rhode Island School of Design (\$5,000)

INVITED TALKS

- 2023 “Green shipping corridors, maritime fuels, and the implications for uneven development,” Economic World’s Seminar Series, University of Nottingham, Fall.
- 2021 “Making Markets: Crises and the Global Production of Shipbreaking in Chittagong, Bangladesh,” Earth and Environmental Sciences Department, Colloquium Speaker Series, The Graduate Center, CUNY, October 21.
- 2021 “Maritime worlds and the ‘nature’ of global capitalism,” Department of Sociology and Human Geography Fall Speaker Series, University of Oslo, September 29.
- 2019 “Geographies of shipping finance, overproduction, and shipbreaking,” University of Oslo, Norway, January 15.
- 2018 “Global Networks,” Critical Theory Working Group, University of California, Berkeley, November 15.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Papers Presented at Professional Conferences

- 2023 “‘Anxious development’ and the port-city: the urbanization of Singapore’s seas,” American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, March 23-27.
- 2023 “Green shipping corridors, maritime fuels, and the implications for uneven development,” Energy Geography Conference, 21 Jan. (virtual).
- 2018 “Oceanic accumulation: geographies of speculation, overproduction, and crisis in the global shipping economy,” American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, New Orleans, April 10.
- 2015 “Space, Labor and Law: The global production of a landscape for shipbreaking in Chittagong, Bangladesh and the problem of waste,” Precarious Exchange: Materiality, Network, and Value in South Asia in the World, Institute for South Asia Studies, University of California, Berkeley, May 9.
*A version presented at American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, Chicago, April 21.
- 2014 “Towards a dialectical materialist understanding of shipbreaking in Bangladesh and the territorial logic of the global demolition market,” Radical Materialism: Making the World Matter, The Center for Humanities, Graduate Center, CUNY, September 9.
- 2014 “Bumpy waters: producing a landscape of waste in Chittagong, Bangladesh,” Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, University of Kentucky, Lexington, February 28.
- 2012 “Breaking ships in Bangladesh and the shadowed history of development,” Spectrum Conference of Global Studies: Historical Materialism and International Relations Middle Eastern Technical University, Ankara, November 12.

*A version presented at American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, Los Angeles, April 11.

- 2012 “Histories collide on the beaches of Chittagong, Bangladesh: a geographically scaled analysis of shipbreaking,” American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, New York, February 24.
- 2011 “A geographically scaled analysis of shipbreaking in Chittagong, Bangladesh,” Towards a Radical International Law Workshop, London School of Economics, London, May 7.
- 2010 “Breaking ships to supply a market: An analysis of the shipbreaking yards in Bangladesh,” AAG Middle States Conference, West Point, New York, October.

Discussant

- 2023 “(Dis-)Assembling the Life Cycle of Container Ships. Global Ethnographic explorations into Maritime Working Lives: Closing Event,” hosted by Container Ships ERC Project, Gdansk, Poland, Dec 13-15.
- 2023 “Social Anthropology Special Issue Paper Workshop,” hosted by PORTS ERC Project. Gdansk, Poland, Dec 13-15.
- 2022 “Logistical Transformations: Supply Chains and the Politics of Circulation I,” 17th EASA Biennial Conference: Transformation, Hope and the Commons.
- 2020 “Reading for Injustice Across Historical Records,” American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, Denver, April 6-10 (virtual conference).
- 2017 “Global Networks” Critical Theory Working Group, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2013 “Geography Towards Revolution, for Neil Smith Part I: Nature & Development” American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, Los Angeles.

Paper Sessions Organized

- 2023 “The Urbanization of Ocean Space: in and beyond the Port City,” (3 sessions) Co-organized with Tenn Joe Lim. American Association of Geographers Annual Conference. March 23-27.
- 2022 “Engaged’ perspectives: assessing the construction and performance of ‘ocean markets,’” (2 sessions) Co-organized with Casey King. American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, Feb 25- March 1.
- 2021 “Reading for Injustice Across Historical Records,” (3 sessions) Co-organized with Jessica Miller. American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, April 7-11 (virtual conference).
- 2020 “Toxic flows: scales, spaces, and lived experiences of toxicity on bodies and the Environment,” (3 sessions) Co-organized with Camelia Dewan. Anthropology and Geography: Dialogues Past, Present and Future, London, Sept. 14-18 (virtual).

2018 “Critical geography of ships,” (2 sessions) Co-organized with Nick Anderman. American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, New Orleans, April 13.

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION & WORKING GROUPS

- 2023 “Waterfronts: Work transformations, environmental change, and urban development at the port-city nexus,” hosted by PORTS ERC Project, Athens, Greece, May 18-19.
- 2022 “Ship Recycling Lab: Transformation through Innovation,” hosted by the NGO Shipbreaking Platform, Rotterdam, Netherlands, Sept 20-21.
- 2020 “Toxic Flows: Scales, spaces, forms and lived experiences of toxicity on bodies and the environment,” Themed Issue Paper Workshop, co-hosted with Camelia Dewan, June 4-6.
- 2019 “(Dis-)Assembling the Life Cycle of Container Ships. Global Ethnographic explorations into Maritime Working Lives,” University of Oslo, Norway, January 14-15.
- 2018 Summer Institute in Economic Geography, University of Ghent, Belgium, July 7-13.
- 2017 Submergent Archive Working Group, University of California, Berkeley
- 2016-2017 Visiting Scholars Writing Working Group, Humanities and Social Science Association, University of California, Berkeley

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Oslo, Department of Sociology and Geography

Development (graduate), Course Grader, Fall 2022

Qualitative methods (graduate), Course Grader, Spring 2023

North/South development: Energy transitions and sustainability (undergraduate), Seminar Leader, Fall 2023

Economic globalization and regional development (undergraduate), Seminar Instructor, Spring 2024

North/South development: Energy transitions and sustainability (undergraduate), Lecturer, Fall 2023

Qualitative Methods (Graduate), Lecturer, Spring 2022; Spring 2023; Spring 2024

Master’s Thesis Supervision, Spring 2023-Spring 2024

Master’s Thesis, Internal Examiner, Spring 2023

California State University, East Bay, Department of Anthropology, Geography, and Environmental Studies

Human Geography: Diversity and Globalization (undergraduate), Instructor, Fall 2020

Environmental Challenges of the 21st Century (undergraduate), Instructor, Spring 2020 & Fall 2020

San Jose State University, Department of Geography and Global Studies,

Global Geography (undergraduate), Instructor, Fall 2017

City College, CUNY, Colin Powell School for Civil and Global Leadership

International Studies: A Global Perspective (undergraduate), Fall 2012-Spring 2014

Senior Thesis Advising (undergraduate), Fall 2013-Spring 2014

Peopling of New York: The Urban Waterfront (undergraduate), Macaulay Honors College, CUNY, Political Science and Global Affairs Department, Spring 2012

Cambridge College, Multidisciplinary Studies Department

Interdisciplinary Approaches to Content Areas for Teachers (graduate), Spring 2009

Studio Art, Fall 2008 & Spring 2009

Rhode Island School of Design, Painting Department

Translation and Interpretation: The World in Paint (undergraduate), Winter Session 2006

Teaching Assistantships

International Migration (Senior Thesis Seminar), City College, CUNY, Colin Powell School for Civil and Global Leadership, Fall 2013

"Third-Worlding" of New York City, (Senior Thesis Seminar), City College, CUNY, Colin Powell School for Civil and Global Leadership, Spring 2014

Painting Studio, Rhode Island School of Design, Department of Painting, Fall 2005 & Spring 2006

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Reviewer

Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space

Focaal Journal of Global and Historical Anthropology

New American Notes Online

Progress in Human Geography

University Service

2011-2014 Professional Staff Congress, Union member and active participant, CUNY

2011-2012 Doctoral Student Council, At-large Student Representative, Graduate Center, CUNY

Department Service

2021-2024 Seminar Series Organizer, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Oslo

2013-2014 Colloquium Committee, Elected Student Representative, Earth and Environmental Sciences

2013-2015 Alumni Initiative, Student Representative, Earth and Environmental Sciences

2013-2014 Curriculum Committee, Elected Student Representative, Earth and Environmental Sciences

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL WORK

2014 Research photographer for D Cowen and A Mitchell’s chapter on Singapore “Labour of Global City Building” in *Digital Lives in the Global City: Contesting Infrastructures*, University of Chicago Press, 2022.

2012 Discussant & Co-organizer, “Welcome to the New York City Waterfront: A Peripheral Space” Participatory mapping installation, Sheila C. Johnson Design Center, Parsons, The New School for Design, New York

2012 Organizer, “Waterfront and Waterways of NYC: A Conversation” installation exhibited in “Art, Environment Action!” Sheila C. Johnson Design Center, Parsons, The New School for Design, New York

2012 Fieldtrip Co-Organizer & Narrator, “Waterways-Commodity Ways: The Urbanization of the NYC Waterfront” boat tour for the Association of American Geographers Annual Conference, New York

LANGUAGES

English	Native
French	Early Intermediate
Italian	Advanced Beginner
Bangla	Early Beginner

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

2021- European Association of Social Anthropologists

2019- Regional Studies Association

2016- International Studies Association

2014- American Institute of Bangladesh Studies

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