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EDUCATION

- 1998 Indiana University, Bloomington: Ph.D. in Folklore with Anthropology Minor.
1991 Indiana University, Bloomington: M.A. in Folklore
1986 Yale University: B.A., Comparative Literature (French, Russian)

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2016- **Researcher, research and thesis advisor.** Department of Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology. Uppsala University
2013-2015 **Visiting researcher, instructor, examiner.** Department of Linguistics and Philology. Uppsala University
2012-13 **Researcher.** Zentrum für Interdisziplinäre Regionalstudien. Martin Luther University, Halle-S., Germany
2007-12 **Senior Research Fellow.** Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology. Halle-S., Germany
2007-08 **Resource Faculty.** Open Society Institute/Harvard University Summer Seminars. Choktal, Kyrgyzstan
2006-07 **Visiting Assistant Professor.** Department of German, Russian, East Asian Languages and Cultures. Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, USA
2005-06 **Visiting Assistant Professor and department co-chair.** American University of Central Asia, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
2004 **Visiting Assistant Professor.** Boğaziçi University, İstanbul, Turkey
2002-05 **Visiting Assistant Professor.** University of Toledo, Ohio, USA
1994-2000 **Adjunct Instructor.** University of Toledo, Ohio, USA

FUNDING, FELLOWSHIPS, AND HONORS

- 2016-2019 **Project grant.** Riksbankensjubileumsfond, Sweden
2012-13 **Project grant.** VolkswagenStiftung, Germany
2007-10 **Fieldwork funding.** Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Germany
2006-08 **Mentor grant.** Open Society Institute, Budapest, Hungary
2006-07 **Post-Doctoral Fellow.** Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, USA
2005-06 **International Scholar.** American University-Central Asia, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
1996 **Summer Fellowship.** National Endowment for Humanities, Washington, DC
1994 **Folklore Fellow's Prize.** American Folklore Society, Washington, DC
1992-93 **Fieldwork Research Grants.** Indiana University, Bloomington, USA
1990-94 **Graduate Fellowships.** Foreign Language and Area Studies, Indiana University
1989-90 **MacArthur Scholar.** Indiana Center on Global Change and World Peace, Bloomington, USA
1988-89 **University Fellowship.** Indiana University Graduate School, Bloomington, USA

MONOGRAPHS

Intimate Heritage: Creating Uyghur Muqam Song in Xinjiang. Berlin: Lit Verlag, 2008.

Review by Theodore Levin: <https://search.proquest.com/docview/578498815>

Qazaqs in the People's Republic of China: The Local Processes of History. Bloomington: Indiana Center on Global Change and World Peace, 1994

SELECTED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS (LINKS ARE TO DOI RESOURCES OR OTHER ONLINE VERSIONS)

- [Kyrgyz Genealogies and Lineages: Histories, everyday life and patriarchal institutions in northwestern Kyrgyzstan](#). *Genealogy* 2.4 (2018), pp. 1-26
- [Foreword](#). In Manja Stephan-Emmrich, Philipp Schröder, eds. *Translocalities and Translations: Mobilities, Boundaries, and Traveling Ideas. Case Studies from Central Asia and the Caucasus*. Cambridge: Open Book Publishers, 2018, pp. 5-25
- [Una historia oral de Shertai Suvanov, superviviente del gulag de Kolymá](#). In Soledad Jiménez Tovar, ed. *Pertenencias múltiples, identidades cruzadas. Nuevas perspectivas sobre Asia Central*. Mexico City: El Colegio de México, 2017, pp. 269-300
- [History, experience and narration: novel accounts and multiplex stories](#). In Svetlana Jacquesson, ed. *History Making in Central and Northern Eurasia: Contemporary Actors and Practices*. Wiesbaden: Dr. Ludwig Reichert Verlag, 2016, pp. 139-161
- [Being specific about generalization: Kyrgyz habitual narratives in ethnographic interviews](#). In Elise S. Ahn and Juldyz Smagulova, eds. *Language Change in Central Asia*. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter, 2016, pp. 33-58
- [Uyghurs on Chinese Social Networking Sites: The creation and destruction of ethnic youth culture](#). *Central Asia Affairs* 2.3 (2015), pp. 264-286
- [Animals in the Kyrgyz Ritual Economy: Symbolic and moral dimensions of economic embedding](#). In Stephen Gudeman and Chris Hann, eds. *Economy and Ritual; Studies of Postsocialist Transformations*. Berghahn Books, 2015, pp. 52-78
- [Self-Sufficiency is not enough: Ritual intensification and household economies in a Kyrgyz village](#). In Stephen Gudeman and Chris Hann, eds. *Oikos and Market: Explorations in Self-Sufficiency after Socialism*. Berghahn Books, 2015, pp. 101-136
- [Muslim Histories of China: Historiography across boundaries in Central Eurasia](#). In Zsombor Rajkai and Ildikó Bellér-Hann, eds. *Frontiers and Boundaries: Encounters on China's Margins*. Harrassowitz Verlag, 2012, pp. 151-76
- [Genealogy, History, Nation](#). *Nationalities Papers* 39.1 (2011), pp. 33-53
- [Epics, Music, and Shamans in Central Asia and Southern Siberia](#) (review of 3 books). *Journal of American Folklore*, no. 484 (2009), pp. 224-228
- [Participation and Analysis in Studying Religion in Central Asia](#). In Gulnara Aitpaeva, ed. *Mazar Worship in Kyrgyzstan: Rituals and Practitioners in Talas*. Bishkek: Aigine Cultural Research Center, 2007, pp. 476-97
- [Cultural Politics and the Pragmatics of Resistance: Reflexive Discourses on Culture and History](#). In Ildikó Bellér-Hann, et al, eds. *Situating the Uyghurs between China and Central Asia*. Ashgate Press, 2007, pp. 49-68
- [An 8th Century Turkic Narrative: Pragmatics, reported speech and managing information](#). *Turkic Languages* 10.2 (2006), pp. 155-86
- [Uyghur Folklore](#). In William M. Clements, ed. *The Greenwood Encyclopedia of World Folklore and Folklife*. Greenwood Press, 2006. Vol. 2, pp. 335-348
- [Sociocultural Diversity](#). In *Forensic Nursing: Concepts and Challenges*, Barbara Moynihan, et al, eds. Jones and Bartlett Publ., 2005, pp. 89-138. 2nd edition in 2011
- [Xinjiang: An Annotated Bibliography](#). *Silk Road Foundation Newsletter*, 3.1 (2005), pp. 28-49
- [Islamic Parts of China](#) (review of 3 books). *Times Literary Supplement*, 10.12.2004
- [Tabloid Archaeology: Is Television Trivializing Science?](#) *Discovering Archaeology*, Mar-Apr. 1999, pp. 98-102
- [Pizza in 30 Minutes, or How to Order a War: A Study of the Political Institution of Time](#). *Journal of American Culture* 17.1 (1994), pp. 5-10
- [Kazakhs of the Tarbaghatai: Ethno-history through the novel](#). *Turkish Studies Association Bulletin* 17.2 (1993), pp. 91-102
- [乌兹别克木卡姆中的一首歌的语言音乐及语义结构](#) ["Verbal, musical and semantic structure in an Uzbek Maqom Song"] *Zhongguo Yinyue* 92.1 (March 1992), pp. 32-3

PEER REVIEWING

Journals:

Anthropological Quarterly

Asian Music

Central Asian Survey

Contemporary Islam

Czech Sociological Review

History and Anthropology

Journal of Middle Eastern Anthropology

Book publishers:

Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna

Berghahn Books, Oxford, UK

Indiana University Press, Bloomington

E. J. Brill Academic Publishers, Leiden

Open Book Publishers, Cambridge, UK

Palgrave Macmillan Press, New York