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### Current Positions: Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago.

joined as an Associate Professor, 1994. Professor, 2002.

Visiting Professor of Social Science, Yale-NUS College, 2014-15.

### **Specializations:** Cultural Anthropology

**Social and cultural theory.** Anthropology and history; theory of situation; ritual in history; globalization; political economy, dialectics and dialogics.

Capitalism, colonialism and the nation-state: genealogies in theory and practice.

**Anthropology of knowledge**: science, technology and the state; histories of non-western knowledge; philosophy of science; technography; semiotic technologies; transvaluation.

**Post-colonial societies: Fiji Islands, Indo-Fijians**. Indian Diaspora. The Pacific: comparative colonial capitalism, non-western capitalisms.

**South Asia**. Post-colonial period: changing religious forms, national and transnational politics. Bandung conference theory and reality. Colonial period: countercolonial discourse and practice. Early Historic India: polity and economy, linguistic and philosophical systems, old social movements. technography of Sanskrit as a semiotic technology.

**Highland Asia** Nagaland, Manipur, highland Burma, northern Thailand, Naga, Kachin, Karen, colonial and postcolonial ritual, borderlands and nation-state politics

**Baseball.** Sports and globalization. Baseball as a corporate commodity. Race, nation, and international relations in professional baseball.

#### **Education:**

1988 Ph.D. University of Chicago, Anthropology.

1982 M.A. University of Chicago, Anthropology.

1980 A.B. magna cum laude with highest honors, Harvard University, Social Studies.

### **Previous Academic Positions:**

2006-2009 Chair, Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago

2002-2005 Master, Collegiate Division of the Social Sciences,

Deputy Dean of the Division of the Social Sciences,

Associate Dean of the College, University of Chicago

2000 Spring Semester, Visiting Associate Professor, Vassar College

1994-2003 Associate Professor, Dept of Anthropology, University of Chicago.

1988--1994 Assistant Professor, Dept of Anthropology, Princeton University. tenure offered 1994.

1987--1988 Harper Instructor, Collegiate Social Sciences Division, University of Chicago.

#### Field and Archival Research:

Fiji Indians, colonialism, capitalism, decolonization.

Fieldwork: in Suva, Fiji, and Ra province, Fiji, on <u>bhakti</u> devotionalism and capitalism in the daily lives of Indo-Fijians.

Archival research: in Suva, Fiji, in Australia, New Zealand, on the culture and history of Fiji Indians, changing ritual system and changing colonial and post-colonial politics.

In Fiji 1982 (summer), 1984-1985 (19 months), 1991 (2 months), 1998 (one month), 2002 (two weeks), 2009 (mid June-July).

Indian Semiotics and anthropology of knowledge.

Reading and research: in Pune, India (1990, six months) study of Indian philosophy, especially <u>vyakarana</u> (grammatical and semiotic philosophy). Study of Bhartrhari, Patanjali, Panini, Buddhist Sanskrit.

Sanskrit study: three years coursework, also study of Indian philosophy, at University of Chicago. Reading of Panini, Bhartrhari, also Kautilya, Nagarjuna, Samkara. (apologies for omitted diacritics for Sanskrit words here and elsewhere)

Highland Asia, decolonization, self-determination, counterinsurgency and human rights: study trips to:

Thailand, Kawthoolei and Burma (Sept 2004, Sept 2005, Burma one day in 2009)

Tibet and Southwest China (June 2008)

Northeast India, including Assam, Nagaland and Manipur (Aug-Sept 2009) study trips also concerning Asia, decolonization, war and human rights:

Korea (June 2003)

Vietnam (August 2005)

Singapore (July 2010, August 2012, Oct 2012)

Language Proficiencies: Sanskrit, Hindi (reading), Fiji Hindi.

## Fellowships, Grants, and Honors:

member, Charlotte W. Newcombe final selection committee, 2013-

member, Bernard S. Cohn Prize Committee, 2011-13

Howard Foundation Fellowship, 2000-2001

University Preceptor, Princeton University, 1991-1994:

appointed Elias Boudinot University Preceptor 1991-92,

Class of 1936 University Preceptor, 1992-94.

Faculty Summer Travel and Research Grant, Princeton University, 1991

American Institute of Indian Studies Senior Research Fellowship, 1990

Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellowship, 1985-86

William Rainey Harper Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1985-86 Social Science Research Council International Doctoral Research Fellowship, 1983-85 Roy D. Albert Prize for Masters Essay, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Chicago, 1982 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1980-83

### **University Service:**

at U of Chicago, 94--present:

interim Chair, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, 2013-14

elected member, Committee of the Council of the Faculty Senate, 2011-13

elected member, Council of the Faculty Senate, 2010-13

Director, South Asia Language and Area Center, 2011-13

co-Director, Big Problems course program, the College, 2010-

Convenor, Colonizations core course staff, 2010-12

Director, Rights and Duties Project, Human Rights Program, 2012-

interim Director, Human Rights Program, 2011-12

member, Human Rights Program Faculty Board, 2009-

chair, search committee for new Master, Social Sciences Collegiate Division, 08

co-director, workshop on "Empires and Colonies," 2007-08

Senior Fellow, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, 2006-

member, Council on Advanced Studies in the Humanities & Social Sciences, 2002-05, 2011-

co-organizer and co-director, workshop on "Human Rights: Rights and Duties," 2012-

co-organizer and co-director, workshop on "Knowledge/Value," 2011-

co-organizer & director, workshop on "Science, Technology, Society and the State," 2002-09

co-director, workshop on "Theory and Practice in South Asia," 2003-9

member, Board of General Studies, 2001-2004

chair, Appointments Committee, Dept. of Anthropology, 2002

chair, Self, Culture, and Society (college core course), Spring 2002

Convenor of fellowships committee, Committee on Southern Asian Studies, 2002-09, 2010-

Senior Fellow and co-chair, Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, 1999-2002

co-organizer, Workshop on Anthropology and History, 99.

Director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of Anthropology, 98-99.

Social-Cultural Graduate Program Committee Chair, 97-99.

member, College Council, 95-96.

member, search committee for new Master, Social Sciences Collegiate Division, 96, 02

member, Social Sciences Division faculty grants committee, 96.

co-chair, Anthropology Dept. Long Range Planning Committee, Spring 95.

member, Long Range Planning Committee, 95-96.

PEW teacher training program, for graduate student lecturers and TAs, 95-96,97-99,

2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2010, 2013

Undergraduate Program Committee Chair, Anthropology, 94-96.

member, Committee on Southern Asian Studies, 1994-

## at Princeton:

Committee on Rights and Rules, 1990-1992

Faculty Fellow of Mathey College 1988-94 Academic Advisor to Mathey College Freshmen and Sophomores, 1989-94 Undergraduate Program Advisor, Anthropology, 1990-91

# Courses Taught:

Taught at U of Chicago, 94--present: Knowledge and Power. Seminar on Commodity Fetishism. Capitalism, Colonialism, and Nationalism in the Pacific. Bakhtin, Dialogical Theory and Ethnography. The Development of Social and Cultural Theory, Part I. Self, Culture, and Society (college core course). Ethnography of the Raj (co-taught with Bernard Cohn). Exchange, Money, & Language. New Nations, Great Traditions, and Decolonization. Weber, Veblen, and Genealogies for Global Capitalism. Military Theory and Practice. Sports, Society and Science (team taught). Irreductive Methodologies. Burma and Human Rights. Colonizations (college core course). Decolonization and Pax Americana. Power, Identity, Resistance (college core course). History and Culture of Baseball. Self-Determination: Theory and Reality. Signs and the State. Political Struggles of Highland Burma. Weber, Bakhtin, Benjamin, and the Four Roads out of Kant.

Taught at Vassar, 2000: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology: Human Nature and Culture. Seminar: Semiotic Technologies.

Taught at Princeton: Introduction to Anthropology: Human Nature and Culture. The Ethnographer's Craft (on method). Nationalism, Diaspora, and Postcolonial Societies. Undergraduate Seminars: Discourse, Knowledge, and Culture. Anthropology of Capitalism. The Ethnographic Past: Culture, Power and History. Graduate Seminars: Historical Anthropology. Theories of Worldview. Proseminar (required for first year graduate students). Taught at U of Chicago, 87--88: Social Sciences core sequence: Political Economy. Individual and Society. Interpretation of Culture.

#### **Publications:**

#### **Books and Edited Volumes:**

- in press, Corporate Social Responsibility: Human Rights in the New Global Economy second editor, co-edited with Charlotte Walker-Said. University of Chicago Press.
- 2014 **The Ontological Turn in French Philosophical Anthropology.** edited colloquium. **HAU** 4 (1) 259-360. (journal's title: "The French Ontological Turn.")
- 2010 **Anthropology and Global Counterinsurgency.** first editor, co-editors Bea Jauregi, Sean Mitchell, Jeremy Walton. University of Chicago Press.
- 2006 The American Game: Capitalism, Decolonization, World Domination, and Baseball. Chicago: Prickly Paradigm Press.
- 2001 **Represented Communities: Fiji and World Decolonization.** Chicago: University of Chicago Press. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 1991 A Politics of Virtue: Hinduism, Sexuality, and Counter-Colonial Discourse in Fiji. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- 1991 **My Twenty-One Years in the Fiji Islands** by Totaram Sanadhya. translated from Hindi by John D. Kelly and Uttra Singh. Introduction and research appendices by John D.Kelly. Suva: The Fiji Museum.
- in preparation, Technography: Semiotic Technologies in Early Historic India, and Questions for the Anthropology of Knowledge.
- in preparation, **Laws Like Bullets: Disorder and Colonial Lawgiving**. co-author Martha Kaplan. book under contract with Duke University Press.
- in preparation, Paradoxes of Self-Determination in Asia

# **Articles and Book Chapters:**

- 2014 "The Elementary Forms of Moral Life? Responsibility, Sacred Things, and Durkheim's Ontological Turn." in Forum on "Morals and Life" edited by Jane Guyer. *Hau: Journal of Ethnographic Theory* 4 (1) 421-28.
- 2014 in *The French Ontological Turn* (*Hau* 4 (1); reference above): "Introduction: the ontological turn in French philosophical anthropology" pp.259-69.

- "The Ontological Turn: where are we?" pp.357-360.
- 2013 "Editors' Preface: An Introduction to 'Honor and Honors in Great Britain and India' by Bernard S. Cohn." *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory* 3 (3) 449-55. co-authors Martha Kaplan and Sean Dowdy. (Cohn's paper published pp.457-67.)
- 2013 "Commentary: Translation and Situation: Science, Metabolism, Finance" *Public Culture* 25(3): 551-57. co-author Judith Farquhar.
- 2013 "Professional Team Sports and the Urbanization of Desire" *International Journal of the History of Sport* 30(11): 1271-1286.
- 2013 "What does China Want? Olympism and Dominance, Guangzhou and Missed Opportunity, Major Leagues and Isolation on the Pacific Rim," *International Journal of the History of Sport.* 30(10): 1087-1098.
- 2012 "Seeking What? Subversion, Situation, and Transvaluation" FOCAAL 2012/64: 51-60. issue edited by Ara Wilson, titled The Empire Debate: Hardt and Negri's Anthropological Encounter.
- 2011 "Reason and Magic in the Country of Baseball" *International Journal of the History of Sport.* 28(17): 2491-2505.
- 2011 "Shanti and Mana: The Loss and Recovery of Culture Under Postcolonial Conditions in Fiji" in *Changing Contexts, Shifting Meanings: Transformations of Cultural Traditions in Oceania* edited by Elfriede Hermann. University of Hawai'i Press in association with the Honolulu Academy of Arts. Pp.235-249.
- 2010 "One World, Real World, Memory and Dream: Shadows of the Past and Images of the Future in Contemporary Asian Sports Internationalisms" *International Journal of the History of Sport.* 27(14&15): 2608-2641.
- 2010 in Anthropology and Global Counterinsurgency (citation in books, above) author of one chapter and author or co-author of three introductions:
  - "Introduction: Culture, Counterinsurgency, Conscience" (with Jauregui, Mitchell, Walton) pp.1-16. "Chapter Four: Seeing Red: Mao Fetishism, Pax Americana and the Moral Economy of War," pp.67-83.
  - "Introduction to Section Four: The U.S. Military and U.S. Anthropology" (with Sean Mitchell) pp.209-213.
  - "Introduction to Section Five: Constructions and Destructions of Conscience" pp.273-277.
- 2009 reprint of "Making the World Safe for Baseball: Reflections on Internationalism in Cooperstown and the World Baseball Classic" in *America's Game(s): A Critical Anthropology of Sport*. Benjamin Eastman, Michael Ralph, and Sean Brown, eds., Sport in Global Society, Routledge. Pp.77-99.
- 2008 "Legal Fictions After Empire" for *The State of Sovereignty: Territories, Laws, Populations,* Douglas Howland and Luise White, editors. University of Indiana Press. Pp.169-195. co-author Martha Kaplan.
- 2008 "Neo-imperialism" for the International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, 2nd edition. Farmington Hills,

- Michigan.: Macmillan Reference USA.
- 2008 "Cultural Relativism" *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Farmington Hills, Michigan: Macmillan Reference USA.
- 2007 "Diaspora and Swaraj, Swaraj and Diaspora" in From the Colonial to the Postcolonial: India and Pakistan in Transition, Rochona Majumdar, Andrew Sartori, Dipesh Chakrabarty, eds., Oxford University Press, India. Pp.311-32.
- 2007 reprint of "Gaze and Grasp" in Saurabh Dube, ed., *Historical Anthropology* Oxford University Press, India. Pp.306-332.
- 2007 "Making the World Safe for Baseball: Reflections on Internationalism in Cooperstown and the World Baseball Classic." *International Journal of the History of Sport* 24(2):215-237.
- 2006 "Baseball and Decolonization: The Caribbean, 1945—1975" for "Muscular Christianity" issue of *International Journal of the History of Sport* John MacAloon, ed.. 23(5): 821-837.
- 2006 "Who Counts? Imperial and Corporate Structures of Governance, Decolonization and Limited Liability" in *Lessons of Empire: Imperial Histories and American Power*, Craig Calhoun, Frederick Cooper, and Kevin W. Moore, eds., New York: The New Press. Pp.157-74.
- 2006 "Writing and the State: China, India, and General Definitions" in Seth L. Sanders, ed., *Margins of Writing, Origins of Culture* Chicago: The Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago. Oriental Institute Seminars #2. Pp.15-32.
- 2005 "Integrating America: Jackie Robinson, Critical Events, and Baseball Black and White" *International Journal of the History of Sport* 22(6): 1005-1029.
- 2005 "Exclusionary America: Jackie Robinson, Decolonization, and Baseball Not Black and White" *International Journal of the History of Sport* 22(6): 130-153.
- 2005 "Time Warps: On Poetics of Connection and Difference and Politics of Nonsynchronicity" *Biblio: A Review of Books* X(9&10): 18-19. published in Delhi. (3,000 word essay.)
- 2005 "Boycotts and Coups, Shanti and Mana in Fiji" Ethnohistory. 52(1): 13-28.
- 2005 "Rituals, Riots, and Strikes: Jaikumari, European Fears, and the Strike of 1920," in Brij V. Lal, ed., BitterSweet: the Indo-Fijian Experience. Canberra: Pandanus Books. pp. 47-69.
- 2004 "Gordon Was No Amateur: Imperial Legal Strategies in the Colonization of Fiji," in Sally E. Merry and Donald Brenneis, eds., *Law and Empire in the Pacific: Fiji and Hawai'i*. Santa Fe: School of American Research Press. Pp.61-100.
- 2004 "My ambition is much higher than independence: US power, the UN world, the nation-state, and their critics" pp.131-51 Prasenjit Duara, ed., *Decolonization: Perspectives from Now and Then.* Routledge (Taylor and Francis). with M. Kaplan.

- 2003 "U.S. Power, after 9/11 and before It: If Not an Empire, Then What?" *Public Culture* 15(2): 347-369.
- 2002 "Alternative Modernities or an Alternative to "Modernity": Getting Out of the Modernist Sublime," in *Critically Modern: Alternatives, Alterities, Anthropologies*, edited by Bruce M. Knauft. Bloomington: Indiana University Press. Pp.258-286.
- 2002 "Postcoloniality" pp.11844-49 of the *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences.* N.J. Smelser and Paul Baltes, eds. Oxford: Pergamon, 2001.
- 2001 "Nation and Decolonization: Toward a New Anthropology of Nationalism" *Anthropological Theory* 1(4): 419-37. Co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 2001 "Peace in Fiji," in Brij V. Lal and Michael Pretes, eds., Coup: Reflections on the Political Crisis in Fiji. Canberra: Pandanus Books and the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies. pp. 65-68. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 2001 "Fiji's Fifth Veda: Exile, Sanatan Dharm, and Countercolonial Initiatives in Diaspora." in Paula Richman, ed., *Questioning Ramayanas*. Berkeley: University of California Press, and Delhi: Oxford University Press. Pp.329-51.
- 2001 ""They Cannot Represent Themselves': Threats to Difference and So-called Community Politics in Fiji from 1936 to 1947" in Crispin Bates, ed., Community, Empire and Migration: South Asians in Diaspora. New York: Palgrave. Pp.46-86.
- 2000 "Nature, Natives, Nations: Glorification and Asymmetries in Museum Representation, Fiji and Hawaii" *Ethnos.* 65(2): 195-216.
- 1999 "The Other Leviathans: Corporate Investment and the Construction of a Sugar Colony" in *White and Deadly: Sugar and Colonialism* edited by Pal Ahluwadia, Bill Ashcroft and Roger Knight. Commack NY: Nova Science Publishers. Pp.95-134.
- 1999 "On Discourse and Power: 'Cults' and 'Orientals' in Fiji" *American Ethnologist.* 26(4): 843-63. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 1999 "Race and Rights in Fiji" in Pinar Batur-VanderLippe and Joe Feagin, eds., *The Global Color Line: Race and Ethnic Relations From A Global Perspective.* Research in Politics and Society, Vol. 6. JAI Press. Pp.237-257. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 1998 "Time and the Global: Against the Homogeneous, Empty Communities in Contemporary Social Theory," *Development and Change* 29: 839-871.
- 1998 "Aspiring to Minority and Other Tactics Against Violence in Fiji," in *Making Majorities: Constituting the Nation in Japan, Korea, China, Malaysia, Fiji, Turkey, and the United States*, Dru Gladney, ed., Stanford University Press. Pp.173-197.
- 1997 "Gaze and Grasp: Plantations, Desires, and Colonial Law in Fiji" in *Sites of Desire/Economies of Pleasure: Sexualities in Asia and the Pacific*, Margaret Jolly and Lenore Manderson, eds. University of Chicago

- Press. Pp.72-98.
- 1996 "What Was Sanskrit For? Metadiscursive Strategies in Ancient India," in *Ideology and Status of Sanskrit:*Contributions to the History of the Sanskrit Language, Jan E. M. Houben, ed. Leiden: E.J. Brill. Pp.87-107.
- 1995 "The Privileges of Citizenship: Nations, States, Markets and Narratives," in *Nation Making: Emergent Identities in Postcolonial Melanesia*, ed. Robert Foster. University of Michigan Press. Pp. 253-73.
- 1995 "Diaspora and World War, Blood and Nation in Fiji and Hawai'i," Public Culture 7(3):475-497.
- 1995 "Threats to Difference in Colonial Fiji," Cultural Anthropology 10(1): 64-84.
- 1995 "Bhakti and Post-Colonial Politics: Hindu Missions to Fiji" in Nation and Migration: The Politics of Space in the South Asian Diaspora. ed. Peter van der Veer. The University of Pennsylvania Press. Pp.43-72.
- 1994 "Bhartrhari's Gentle Erudition: Sakti, Apoddhara, Samgraha, and the Task of a Grammarian" in Vacaspatyam (Pt. Vamanshastri Bhagwat Felicitation Volume) Saroja Bhate and Madhav Deshpande, eds., Vaidika Samshodhana Mandala, Pune, India.
- 1994 "Rethinking Resistance: Dialogics of 'Disaffection' in Colonial Fiji," *American Ethnologist* 21(1): 123-151. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 1993 "Meaning and the Limits of Analysis: Bhartrhari and the Buddhists, and Post-Structuralism" *Asiatische Studien / Etudes Asiatiques* XLVII(1): 171-194.
- 1993 "Coolie' as a Labor Commodity: Race, Sex, and European Dignity in Colonial Fiji" *Journal of Peasant Studies*, special issue ed. Jan Breman, Val Daniel, Henry Bernstein. 19(3&4): 246-267.
- 1992 "Fiji Indians and "Commoditization of Labor"." American Ethnologist 19: 97-120.
- 1990 "History, Structure, and Ritual." *Annual Review of Anthropology* 19: 119-50. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.
- 1990 "Discourse About Sexuality and the End of Indenture in Fiji: The Making of Counter-Hegemonic Discourse." *History and Anthropology* 5(1): 19-52.
- 1989 "Fear of Culture: British Regulation of Indian Marriage in Post-Indenture Fiji." *Ethnohistory* 36(4): 372-391.
- 1988 "From Holi to Diwali in Fiji: An Essay on Ritual and History," Man (n.s.) 23: 40-55.
- 1988 "Fiji Indians and Political Discourse in Fiji: From the Pacific Romance to the Coups." *Journal of Historical Sociology* 1(4): 399-422.

#### **Reviews:**

- 2001 review of James A. Boon, Verging on Extra-Vagance: Anthropology, History, Religion, Literature, Arts, ... Showbiz, for History of Religions 41(1):78-80.
- 2002 review of Annelise Riles, The Network Inside Out, for American Ethnologist.
- 2001 "Fiji: Journeys and Struggles," review essay for **Journal of Pacific History** (36(2): 257-262) discussing: **Fiji Constitutional Review Commission Research Papers, Vol. 1 Fiji in Transition** and **Vol. 2 Fiji and the World,** both edited by Brij V. Lal and Tomasi R. Vakatora, and **Chalo Jahaji: on a journey through indenture in Fiji**, by Brij V. Lal.
- 1999 review of Stanley J. Tambiah, Leveling Crowds, for American Ethnologist 21(1):248-49.
- 1994 review of Lamont Lindstrom, **Knowledge and Power in a South Pacific Society**, for **Journal of Interdisciplinary History**. 24(3): 584-86.
- 1994 review of H. L. Seneviratne, ed., **Identity, Consciousness and The Past**, in **American Ethnologist** 21(3): 645-646.
- 1994 review of Colin Clarke, Ceri Peach, and Steven Vertovec, eds., **South Asians Overseas: Migration and Ethnicity**, in **American Ethnologist** 21(3): 649-650.
- 1993 review of Nicholas Dirks, ed., **Colonialism and Culture**, for **American Anthropologist** 95(4): 1055-56.
- 1993 review of Bruce Lincoln, **Death, War, and Sacrifice: Studies in Ideology and Practice**, in **Ethnohistory** 40(4): 688-690.
- 1993 review of Pierre Bourdieu, Language and Symbolic Power, for Journal of American Sociology: 1200-1201.
- 1992 review of Ronald Hyam, **Empire and Sexuality**, in **The Journal of the History of Sexuality** 2(3): 476-478.
- 1991 review essay on Maurice Bloch, **Ritual, History and Power**. in **The Journal of Ritual Studies** 5(1): 133-35.

## Papers and Discussions, Sessions Organized

"Carved in Stone: Memorials of Sacrifice in Northeast India, Highland Burma and Singapore" paper for session "Sacrifice and the State: the political nature and function of death" Simon May organizer, AAA annual meetings, Chicago, November 20, 2013.

"The Ontological Turn in French Philosophical Anthropology" invited session co-organized (with Emiko Ohnuki-Tierney) and chaired by John Kelly, AAA annual meetings, Chicago, November 23, 2013. Session sponsored by AAA executive committee.

"Co-Existence: Nehru's Anthropology, the Bandung Conference, and the Fate of Highland Asia." invited lecture, Department of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University, Sept 10, 2013

discussant, MA Research Panel, Knowledge/Value Workshop, June 6, 2013

introducer, of William Shultz, Pozen Visiting Professor, lecturing on "Key Issues in Human Rights: What Human Rights Activists Can Learn from Other Social Movements" May 21, 2013.

"Situating Structuralism: The Loss and Recovery of Structure on the Roads out of Kant" a presentation in the roundtable launching the "Structuralism: The First Hundred Years" project. Center for the Study of Communication and Society, Franke Institute, University of Chicago May 21, 2013.

"Bandung, India, China and Tibet: Peaceful Coexistence, or What?" paper for session "In or Out of the Cold War? Non-Alignment" conference on "Cold War in Asia." Center for East Asian Studies and seven other sponsors, including the "Around 1948" seminar. University of Chicago. conference April 25-27, 2013. paper given April 26th; also part of final roundtable, "The Cold War in Asia and the New American Century," April 27th.

interlocutor, K/V4: "property and intellectual property" in session on "Territorialities: Space/Place/Race" Conference sponsored by U Chicago Dept of Anthropology, UC Davis Center for Science and Innovation Studies, Center for Ethnography, and School of Law. Held at U California Davis, April 19-20, 2013, panel on 19th.

"Nehru, Bandung, and the Fate of Highland Asia" invited lecture, Taraknath and Mary Keatinge Das Lecture, South Asia Institute, Columbia University April 15, 2013.

discussant, panel "States of Conflict: Interrogating State Absence and Presence Across Political Divides" (Larisa Kurtovic and Joao Goncalves, organizers) and also discussant, panel "Mediated Formalities in Conflict Landscapes: Politics, Economy and the Law in the Global South" (Emrah Yildiz, organizer) American Ethnological Society / Association for Political and Legal Anthropology joint meeting, Chicago, April 11, April 12, 2013

"Citation and Situation: Truths and States" paper in session "Translation and Its Others"; also participated in roundtable on "Translation as a historical, philosophical, philological and anthropological problem" conference on "Trans-science" Department of Anthropology, Center for the Study of Communitation and Society, the Franke Institute for the Humanities, and the Chicago Center for Contemporary Theory (3CT), University of Chicago, Dec 13-15, 2012. paper given and roundtable both on Dec. 15th.

"Seeing Like a Company, Seeing Like an Empire, Seeing Like a Whig: from Burke to Macaulay and after" paper for panel, "Ideas," workshop on "Spaces of Law: Territories, Boundaries, Corridors and Beyond" Plymouth University, British Privy Council and CSSSC, Kolkata (Centre for the Study of Social Sciences, Calcutta, Kolkata), Kolkata, India, December 11-13, 2012. paper on Dec. 12; also participant in final roundtable, Dec. 13th.

discussion, "The Commodiousness of Alterity, and its Consequences," on Marshall Sahlins paper, "The Cosmography of Value," Knowledge / Value workshop. December 2012.

"Rights and Duties Project" launch presentation, together with Daniel Brudney, Human Rights Workshop, November 7, 2012.

"Professional Team Sports and the Urbanization of Desire" illustrated public lecture, invited by Centre for Liveable Cities and Singapore Sports Council, in CLC lecture series, held at Ministry for National Development, Singapore, October 16, 2012.

"No Country for Old Cows" paper for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Conference of the Asian Borderlands Research Network "Connections, Corridors, and Communities" Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, and the Nalanda-Sriwijaya Centre at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies. October 11-13, 2012.

"Roads, Borders and the Organization of Sovereignty: India, China, Burma" in session on "Contested Land and Infrastructure Development in Asia," New York Conference on Asian Studies. SUNY New Paltz, September 28, 2012.

"Professional Team Sports and the Urbanization of Desire: Races, Nations, and Public Private Participation" paper for workshop "The New Geopolitics of Sport in East Asia" William Kelly, editor, Council on East Asian Studies / International Journal of the History of Sport workshop, New Haven, Yale University, September 14-15, 2012. I presented my paper-in-progress on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

commentator, K/V3, "Information, Databases and Archives," University of Chicago Beijing Center, September 7-9, 2012.

"Nehru, Bandung, and the Fate of Highland Asia," invited colloquium paper, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, July 9, 2012.

"Military Government and Self-Determination in Theory and Reality: Fiji Island Politics from the perspective of Asian Highlands politics." invited paper for conference "India Beyond India" at the Institute for Social and Cultural Anthropology of the University in Göttingen in Göttingen, Germany. Organized by PD Dr. Elfriede Hermann and Prof. Dr. Roman Loimeier. May 24-25, 2012, paper read May 25.

commentator, "Cybernetics and the Disciplines: The Case of Anthropology" Sawyer Seminar "Around 1948" and Franke Institute "Disciplines and Technologies Project" May 9, 2012.

"Nehru, the Nation-State and Bandung: Zhou, Highland Asia, and the Actual Politics of Decolonization" paper for conference "After 1948: Realignments in Politics and Culture" Sawyer Seminar "Around 1948" Franke Institute, paper for session opening conference "Disalignment and the Postwar Left" April 26th. Also co-chaired final roundtable discussion, "Where do we go from here?" April 27, 2012...

"The Anthropology in Nehru's Interventions: Swaraj, Hill Tribes, Comintern, the UN, and Bandung" invited paper for conference, "OSS, Intelligence, and Knowledge of the World," Michael Mazower, organizer, a conference in the "Disciplines Series," the Heyman Center for the Humanities, Columbia University, April 13, 2012.

introduction, James Sparrow talk "The Warfare State: World War II Americans and the Age of Big Government" the Gleacher Center, Franke Institute event, April 11, 2012.

chair and discussant, session on "Colonial Knowledge," SAGSC IX, April 5, 2012.

facilitator, "Rights and Duties: Gandhi's Reply to H.G. Wells and the Idea of a Charter of Human Rights, 1940" an after-dinner discussion, faculty board Program in Human Rights, February 1, 2012. --facilitated after-dinner discussion for undergraduate Human Rights minors, February 22, 1012.

discussant, to Samuel Moyn talk "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948 from a Cosmopolitan Perspective" and chair, workshop following. Sawyer Seminar "Around 1948" Franke Institute, University of Chicago, November 29, 2011.

"Singapore's Experimental Platform: Translation and Arbitrage, Cultural, Commercial, Political, and Scientific," comment on Michael Fischer's paper "Biopolis," K/V2, "Experimental Biologies and Translational Research" University of Chicago, Kaushik Sunder Rajan, organizer. November 6-7, 2011.

"Decolonization and Baseball" and "Globalization and Baseball" illustrated lectures for Parents' Weekend, the College of the University of Chicago, October 22, 2011.

"The powers of finance and the geography of anger," invited lecture, Occupy Chicago October 19, 2011.

discussant, film "Human Terrain," for Center for International Studies World Beyond the Headlines Program, University of Chicago, October 18, 2011.

discussant, panel "The Japanese Empire Unmade: Defeat and Decolonization in East Asia, 2945" conference "Year Zero: The World Unmade, 1945," Sawyer Seminar "Around 1948: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Global Transformation.," Franke Institute, University of Chicago, October 14, 2011.

"Mangan's Long Conversation: The Games Ethic and Postcolonial Studies" plenary lecture Sept 14, "Celebratory Conference for J.A. Mangan / Manufacturing Masculinity The Mangan Oeuvre / Global Reflections: Past into Future" Jesus College, Cambridge University, Sept 13-14, 2011.

"Major Leagues? Baseball, Rugby, and the Pacific Rim" paper prepared for IJHS conference "Baseball on the Western Pacific Rim" The Cairns Institute, James Cook University, Queensland, Australia. Trip cancelled when conference dates had to change, but paper will become an article in the conference volume.

"Countering Counterinsurgency: Strategies, Situations, and Tactics" invited paper for "Counter-Counterinsurgency Convergence" Department of Anthropology (& four other academic units) sponsors, Reed College, April 8-10, 2011, paper given April 9. I also participated in the evening roundtable plenary session on April 9th, as one of "Anthropology's Dissidents." (w/Price, Gonzalez, Alison. Not our choice of title.)

- chair and discussant, panel on "The Limits of the Nation-State," SAGSC VIII, March 3, 2011.
- "Finishing" and "The Job Market" talks for sessions "Completing the Ph.D." and "Academic Jobs," GradUCon, Graduate Student Development Conference, January 21, 2011.
- "Reconsidering the Politics of Subversion, and the Situations of Politics" in "Empire, Multitude and Commonwealth: The Anthropology of the Global in the Radical Political Philosophy of Antonio Negri and Michael Hardt" Ara Wilson and Jeffrey Juris, organizers, invited session, AAA annual meetings, New Orleans, Nov. 18, 2010.
- "Conscience and Situation: Anthropology, Counterinsurgency, and the Quadrennial Defense Review Report" in "Anthropology and Global Counterinsurgency: Constructions and Destructions of Conscience" invited roundtable, Beatrice Jauregui, organizer, AAA annual meetings, New Orleans, Nov. 18, 2010.
- "Citation and Situation: Reconsidering the Location of Texts and the Punctuation of Place" keynote plenary paper for conference "Texts and Places," Center for Urban and Global Studies, Trinity College, October 9-10, 2011. Seth Sanders, Jonathan Elukin, Christopher Hager, organizers. paper given October 9.
- "When in the course of human events? Situating the Cold War" keynote plenary talk for conference "Cold War Cultures: Transnational and Interdisciplinary Frameworks" Center for European Studies et al, University of Texas at Austin, Sept 30 to Oct 3, 2010. keynote delivered Oct 1.
- "Beyond National Liberalism: Decolonization and Self-Determination" seminar talk for Department of Southeast Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, August 16, 2010.
- "Bureaucracy and Self-Determination" paper in panel "Iron Red Tape: Bureaucracy and the Shape of the World" Brian Ashby, organizer. "An interdisciplinary panel discussion on the occasion of Jan Banning and Will Tinneman's exhibition 'Bureaucratics'." University of Chicago, June 2, 2010.
- "Anthropology and Global Counterinsurgency: remarks at Book Launch" hosted by Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University, May 2, 2010.
- moderator, panel on "India's Many Margins: Politics of land, labor and religion," SAGSC VII, April 17, 2010.
- "Asia and World Baseball" Invited lecture, Departments of Anthropology, Asian Studies, Athletics, and International Studies, Vassar College, February 8, 2010.
- "Philosophy and Anthropology, Ends and Means, and Vice Versa," paper read as discussant for panel on "Anthropology and Philosophy," American Anthropological Association annual meetings, Philadelphia, December 2, 2009.
- "Military Governmentality: Reconstituting Citizenship by Martial Rule in Burma and by Coup in Fiji" paper for panel "Constituting Citizenship in South Asia" Tatsuro Fujikura organizer. Annual Meeting on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison. October 23, 2009.
- "Reason and Magic in the Country of Baseball" invited paper for conference "Mapping an Empire of American Sports, Expansion, Assimilation, and Resistance from Global Perspectives" Bancroft Library at the University of California, Berkeley, September 17-18, 2009. Roberta Park, J.A. Mangan and Mark Dyreson,

organizers.

"Sanskrit and the Science of Language" invited lecture at the Indian Culture Centre, Suva Fiji (K.K. Mishra, director), centre sponsored by the Indian High Commission to Fiji. July 24, 2009.

"Gandhi, Swaraj and Diaspora: India's Independence and Fiji's Decolonization." invited lecture at Fiji Institute of Technology, faculty of Humanities, Communication and Creative Arts, July 24, 2009.

moderator, "Prophet in Good Times and Bad" session on core curriculum and teaching Karl Marx, Founders Circle Forum, the College, University of Chicago, May 21, 2009.

moderator, panel on "Applications and Implications of Environmental Justice On the Ground" for the conference "Does the Environment Have a Right?" University of Chicago program on the Global Environment, May 10, 2009.

"Self-determination and the World of Pax Americana" paper read as the "orienting remarks" for the conference on "Reconsidering American Power, April 23, 2009.

Conference organizer, conference on "Reconsidering American Power," University of Chicago, April 23-25, 2009. Co-Organizers Evalyn Tennant, Jeremy Walton, STSS Workshop.

moderator, panel on "Space," conference SAGSC VI: Foundations for the Study of South Asia. COSAS, TAPSA, CSRPC, and the Divinity School, sponsors. April 17, 2009.

moderator, panel on "Ramifications, Philosophical and Political," conference on "Financial Crisis 2009" sponsored by workshop on Money and Markets, University of Chicago, April 10, 2009. My session broadcast on C-SPAN.

discussant for panel "Cultural Politics of Food and Beverages in the Asia-Pacific Region" (Seungsook Moon, organizer) Asian Studies Annual Meetings, Chicago, Friday March 26, 2009.

"Proliferation, and, Making the World Safe: Towering Ambitions of the Twentieth Century, from Scientific Socialism to Globalization, with Special Attention to Pax Americana" paper for session "Towering Ambition: Babel-ing On" Michael Silverstein, organizer, Chicago Humanities Festival, October 11, 2008.

"Recent Research Trends in Anthropology and History," invited lecture, Department of Anthropology, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China, June 30th, 2008. with Martha Kaplan.

"The Moral Economy of War: Galula Fetishism and its Consequences for Pax Americana" paper read at conference on "Anthropology and Global Counterinsurgency" April 26th, 2008.

Conference organizer, conference on "Anthropology and Global Counterinsurgency," University of Chicago, April 25-27th, 2008. Co-organizers Bea Jauregi, Sean Mitchell, Jeremy Walton., STSS workshop.

Discussant and chair, session on "Ethnographies of the Indian State and its Subjects" for conference on "New Perspectives in South Asia Research," SAGSC V (The Fifth Annual South Asia Graduate Student Conference): TAPSA workshop and COSAS, sponsors, April 11th 2008.

Discussant, for session "Mapping a Space among Criticism, Consumption and Complicity: Ethnographic Experiences of American Power vis-a-vis the 'War on Terror' " AAA Annual meetings, Washington DC, Sunday Dec. 2, 2007.

Co-Chair, AES and APLA invited session, "Different and Unequal: Violence and the Scope of Rationality in the Work of Stanley J. Tambiah" AAA Annual Meetings, Washington DC, Nov. 30, 2007.

Panelist, roundtable on "Military Ethnographers?" workshop on Science, Technology, Society and the State, University of Chicago, November 2007.

"Beyond the Limits of National Liberalism" invited campus lecture, Illinois Wesleyan University, Nov. 15th, 2007.

"Rugby, Muscular Christianity and the Spirit of Capitalism," presentation to the Society of Fellows in the Liberal Arts, University of Chicago, November 2007...

"Team Sports, Muscular Christianity, the Spirit of Capitalism, and Postcolonial Responses: From *Tom Brown's Schooldays* at Rugby School, to the Haka at the World Cup in Paris" Musee du Quai Branly, Paris, September 1, 2007.

"Making the World Safe for Baseball: Corporate Arbitrage of Global Disjunctures" Department Colloquium, Anthropology, University of Chicago, May 21, 2007

"Legal Fictions After Empire: The Unintended Consequences of Pax Americana" invited talk, Department of Anthropology, Helsinki University, Finland. April 23, 2007.

"Market, Shop, Store, and Empire: Morality, Economy and Luxury Reconsidered," paper for conference "Economies of Empire: British Political Economy and Modernization" Nicholson Center for British Studies, University of Chicago, February 9, 2007

"Shanti and Mana: The Loss and Recovery of Culture Under Postcolonial Conditions in Fiji" paper for conference "Changing Contexts – Shifting Meanings: Transformations of Cultural Traditions in Oceania" Elfriede Hermann, organizer, for session "Global and (Trans)local Processes," Honolulu Academy of Arts, Feb 25th, 2006.

"Legal Fictions after Empire," paper for conference "Art of the State: Sovereignty Past and Present," at The Center for Twenty-first Century Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (Douglas Howland and Luise White, organizers), Oct. 21, 2005. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.

"Anthropology and History: The Legacy of Bernard Cohn" conference co-organizer, University of Chicago May 13-14, 2005, with Jean and John Comaroff, Martha Kaplan

"Baseball and Decolonization: The Caribbean, 1945—1975" paper for conference on "Muscular Christianity," John MacAloon, organizer, University of Chicago, April 20, 2005.

"Diaspora and Swaraj, Swaraj and Diaspora" paper for the conference "From the Colonial to the Postcolonial: South Asia in Transition, 1937-1960," University of Chicago Committee on Southern Asian

Studies, Rochona Majumdar, Andrew Sartori, and Dipesh Chakrabarty, organizers. Franke Institute, University of Chicago, April 16, 2005. paper co-authored with Martha Kaplan.

"Writing and the State: China, India, and General Definitions" Paper for conference on "Margins of writing, origins of cultures: Unofficial writing in the ancient Near East and beyond." Seth Saunders, organizer. Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, February 25, 2005.

discussant, University of Chicago South Asia Graduate Student Conference "New Perspectives on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries," session on "Democracy and National Life in India, 1930-2004." February 25, 2005. (yes, the same day as the Oriental Institute event.)

[[ cancelled AAA paper on Isaiah Berlin for Philosophy and Anthropology session organized by Gretchen Bakke, and cancelled discussion of Gyan Pandey's Partition book in session organized by Navida Khan ]]

"Intervention into What? Political Armies, New Wars and Actually Existing Pax Americana" Paper for session on "Asian Nation-States, Citizenship, Sovereignty and the 'Pax Americana" organized by Martha Kaplan New York Conference on Asian Studies, Bard College October 30, 2004.

"Remembering Bernard Cohn" **Co-organizer** of Memorial Service for Bernard S. Cohn on behalf of Departments of Anthropology, History and the Committee on Southern Asian Studies, University of Chicago, May 13, 2004.

Discussant, session on "Ethnography in New Settings," title approximate, and final roundtable organizer and leader, annual conference on South Asian Studies, University of Chicago, ?Feb 27, 2004.

"Semiotic Technologies and the Emergence of the State in Early Historic South and East Asia," **session** on "Semiotic Technologies and the State," John Kelly and Matthew Hull, organizers, annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Friday Nov. 21, 2003.

"The Invention of Language in Early Historic South Asia: What was Sanskrit For?" **roundtable** on "Semiotic Technologies and the State," workshop on Science, Technology, Society and the State, Nov. 19, 2003.

"Who Counts? Imperial and Corporate Structures of Governance, Decolonization, and Moral Vectors of Self-Determination," paper for conference "Lessons of Empire," SSRC, New York City, September 27, 2003.

"Race, Rights, and the Nation-State in Fiji" co-authored with Martha Kaplan, presented to Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race, Columbia University, April 4, 2002.

"Hegemony in Anthropological Theory" paper for session on "Current Theoretical Perspectives and Directions in Sociocultural Anthropology" Society for American Archaeology, annual meeting, Denver, March 23, 2002.

"Diaspora and Decolonization," paper for conference "Diasporas, Transnationality, and Global Conflict," Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies, March 16, 2002. Also delivered at Davis Seminar, Princeton University Dept of History, Oct. 11, 2002.

"Power, Now" Ethnohistory workshop, University of Pennsylvania, February 28, 2002.

"On Sovereignty, Hardt and Negri," comment on paper "Sovereignty" by Michael Hardt and Antonio Negri, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., December 1, 2001.

"Patanjali's Sanskrit, or, Reason and Practical Culture," annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., November 29, 2001.

"The Nation-State and War," War, Dissent, and Justice Teach-In, sponsored by Hyde Park Committee Against War and Racism and Students for Peaceful Justice, November 27, 2001.

"Boycotts and Coups, Shanti and Mana in Fiji," Anthropology Department Colloquium, University of Wisconsin-Madison, November 19, 2001.

"Gordon Was No Amateur: Imperial Legal Strategies in the Colonization of Fiji." paper for seminar on "Law and Empire in the Pacific:: Intersections of Culture and Legality." Sally E. Merry and Donald Brenneis, organizers. School of American Research, March 18-22, 2001.

"Alternative Modernities or an Alternative to Modernity: Getting Out of the Modernist Sublime" annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, November 16, 2000.

Discussant, invited session on "Language, Democracy and the Localities of Power," J. Bernard Bate, organizer. annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, November 16, 2000.

"Boycotts and Coups, Shanti and Mana" paper for session on "Outside Gods, Foreign Powers: Making Local History With Global Means in the Pacific" (session organized by Martha Kaplan and John D. Kelly) at Wenner-Gren sponsored plenary sessions at annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, London Ontario, Oct. 18, 2000.

Organizer (with Marshall Sahlins) and Chair of **Plenary Session** on "The Relations of Global and Local Histories" Wenner-Gren sponsored session at Ethnohistory meetings, see previous entry. October 19, 2000.

"Reconstituting Fiji: the 2000 Coups" 'brown bag' lecture, Center for South Asian Studies, University of Michigan, September 22, 2000.

"Sanskrit and the Anthropology of Knowledge" project overview, Center for South Asian Studies, University of Michigan, September 22, 2000.

"Gandhi and the Twenty-first Century" P.E.A.C.E. discussion series, Vassar College, April 5, 2000.

"After Postmodernism, and before it: Globalization, Postcoloniality, and Ruth Benedict's Critique of American Power" public lecture, Department of Anthropology and Office of the Dean of the Faculty, Vassar College, March 28, 2000.

Discussant, session on "Figures of Writing: Chinese Perceptions of Graphic and Textual Systems" annual meetings of the Association For Asian Studies, San Diego, March 12, 2000.

"Making the World Safe for Differences: Ruth Benedict and World War II, Globalization and American

Anthropology" annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, Nov. 17, 2000.

"Modernity or What? Setting the Context of Globalization" paper for Rosenfield Symposium "Globalization and the Nation-State in the Post-Cold War Era." Grinnell College, Feb. 24, 1999. --paper also discussed in the Duara/**Kelly**/Lomnitz workshop on "Anthropology and History," November 30, 1999.

"Nation and Decolonization: Postcoloniality, American Power and Globalization in the Twentieth Century" paper for Appadurai/Sassen workshop on "The Sociology and Cultures of Globalization" University of Chicago, January 26, 1999. co-authored with Martha Kaplan.

"Tender Legalities: Money, Taxes, Monopolies, and Mana in Colonial Fiji" New York Conference on Asian Studies, SUNY New Paltz, Oct.17, 1998, in **session** "The Morality of the State in Asia," co-organized by John D. Kelly and Martha Kaplan.

"Suicide, Adultery, and Indenture: Gender Chaos in Narratives from Indenture Period Fiji" New York Conference on Asian Studies, SUNY New Paltz, Oct.17, 1998.

"The Ramayan in Fiji: Exile and Sanatan Dharm, and Colonial Holy Books and Diasporic Consciousness" invited paper read at University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji, July 9, 1998.
----also read at South Asian Studies Program, University of Iowa, February 25, 1999.

"Corporations and Plantations: Locating the Capitalism of Colonial Fiji" at workshop "Unpacking Sugar: Postcolonial Approaches" Department of History, University of Adelaide, July 4-6, 1998. paper presented July 5.

"Dilemmas in Glorification: Histories of Struggle and Asymmetries in Representation, Fiji and Hawaii," paper for conference "Anthropology, Museums, and Contemporary Cultural Processes" 29-31 May, 1988, Stockholm, Sweden. presentation on 29 May.

"Whorf And Wells: Linguistic Relativity and the New World Order," at AAA annual meetings, Washington D.C., November 22, 1997, in **session** "Benjamin Lee Whorf and The Politics of Relativism," co-organized by John D. Kelly and Michael Silverstein.

"Rationality or What?" Midwest Faculty Seminar, conference on "Rationality, Quasi-Rationality, and Rational Choice," November 7, 1997.

"They Cannot Represent Themselves': Threats to Difference and So-called Community Politics in Fiji from 1936 to 1947," presented at conference on "Communalism and Migration: Ethnic Conflict in Indian Ocean States," The University of Edinburgh, June 19-20, 1997.

Discussant, session on "The Self Production of Areal Objects," conference on "Reconceptualizing South Asia: Old Territories, New Places" December 6, 1996.

"Discourse and its Consequences: "Cults" and "Orientals" in Fiji," co-author Martha Kaplan, presented at annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco CA, November 20, 1996.

Discussant, session on "States of Representation: Post-Colonial India and the Construction of the National/Global Citizen," the Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 19, 1996.

"Strange Wars: Greenpeace Versus France and Other Struggles in a Transnational Panopticon," co-authored with Martha Kaplan, presented at "Dislocating States: Representing Struggles in Transnational Times," conference organized by The Globalization Project & The Rockefeller Program in Public Spheres and the Globalization of Media at the Chicago Humanities Institute, May 17, 1996.

"Strange Wars: Conflict in a Global Panopticon from Gandhi to Greenpeace," co-authored with Martha Kaplan, presented to Department of Anthropology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, May 14, 1996.

discussant, for Upendra Baxi's paper "Acquisitive Mimesis in the Theories of Reflexive Globalization and the Politics of Human Rights," Regional Worlds Program, Chicago Humanities Institute, May 10, 1996.

"Tambiah, and the Prospects for an Anthropology of Violence: Introductory Remarks," preceding Stanley J. Tambiah's "Ethno-nationalist Conflicts and Collective Violence in South Asia," U of Chicago, Department of Anthropology "Intergenerational Conversation" series, April 22, 1996.

"Pathos, Nations and Transnational Communalism in Asymmetric Global Time," paper presented at "Conference on Globalization and the Construction of Communal Identities," sponsored by WOTRO, Globalization Project, et. al., Amsterdam, March 2, 1996.

"Price and Value, Law and Race, Strikes and War, from Empire to Nation-State in Fiji: the Crises of 1943, 1991, and 1997," at workshop on "South Asian Labour: Linkages Local and Global," International Institute of Social History & International Institute of Asian Studies, Amsterdam, Oct. 27, 1995.

"Gaze and Grasp: Plantations, Desires, and Colonial Law in Fiji," paper discussed in South Asia Workshop, University of Chicago, May 9, 1995.

"Diaspora and World War, Blood and Nation in Fiji and Hawai'i," presentation at conference on "Global Transnationality," Chicago Humanities Institute, Feb. 4, 1995.

"The Blinded Giant is Growing New Eyes: Colonial Capitalism, Past and Future" faculty and post-field students' seminar on works in progress, Anthropology, U of Chicago, Jan. 16, 1995.

Participant in "transnationalism" roundtable discussion, Transnationalism Study Group, Nov. 29, 1994.

"What Was Sanskrit For? Metadiscursive Strategies in Ancient India," IIAS conference on "Ideology and Status of Sanskrit in South and Southeast Asia," Leiden, November 17, 1994.

"Aspiring to Minority: An Indo-Fijian Tactic Against Violence," paper presented at conference on "Minority/Majority Discourse: Problematizing Multiculturalism" at East-West Center, Honolulu Hawai'i, August 12, 1994.

Respondent, session on "Ritual in History/History in Ritual" American Academy of Religion, annual meetings, Nov 21, 1993.

Discussant, session on "Ambiguities of Imperial Civilization," the Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, November 5, 1993.

"The Buddhist Turn to Sanskrit" New York Conference on Asian Studies, SUNY New Paltz, Oct 16, 1993.

"Loyalty and Manhood: The Indians, the Army, and World War II in Fiji" paper for conference on "Race, Gender and Empire," University of California at Berkeley, May 1, 1993.

"Gaze and Grasp: Indian Bodies and Colonial Law in Fiji" Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania annual meetings, March 26, 1993.

"What Was Sanskrit For? Metadiscursive Strategies in Ancient India" Departments of Anthropology and Asian Studies, University of Hawai'i at Manoa, March 19, 1993.

Discussant for session on "The Everyday Politics of Bodies, Persons and Places in South Asia," American Anthropological Association annual meetings, Dec. 2, 1992.

"Imperial Dispositions: Capital and Labor in Colonial Fiji" paper for conference "Production and Coercion" University of Pennsylvania Nov. 14, 1992.

"Meaning and the Limits of Analysis: Bhartrhari and the Buddhists, and Post-Structuralism" paper for conference on Bhartrhari, University of Poona, India, Jan. 1992.

"Threats to Difference in Colonial Fiji," American Anthropological Society annual meetings, Chicago, Nov. 24, 1991.

"Is Capitalism the World? A System? A Structure? A Process? Habitus? An Economy? A Carnival? A Culture? Or What?" paper for conference on "Transformations of Systems of Value," Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago, Nov. 18-19, 1991.

"Bhakti and Post-colonial Politics: Hindu Missions to Fiji," at South Asia Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Nov. 6, 1991.

"Dialogics of 'Disaffection' in Colonial Fiji," co-authored with Martha Kaplan, for Colloquium on "Ethnicity and Power in Colonial Encounters," Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton University, April 5, 1991. another version delivered at annual meetings, Society for Cultural Anthropology, Austin Texas May 16, 1992.

Discussant for session on "Nationalism and National Culture in Melanesia," The Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania, annual meetings, Victoria, British Columbia, March 28, 1991.

"Indian Counter-Colonial Voices and Their Fate in the Independent State of Fiji," American Ethnological Society meetings, Charleston SC, March 14, 1991.

"Capitalist Plantations in Colonial Fiji: Law, Sex, "Coolies" and the Colonial Imagination," At Department Seminar, Anthropology, University of Chicago, Jan. 7, 1991. Also at Department Seminar, Anthropology, Cornell University, May 3, 1991. Discussant for session on "Vedic Religion Reconsidered: New Perspectives on the Vedic Contribution to Hinduism," Association for Asian Studies Mid-Atlantic regional meetings, Rutgers University Oct. 20 1990.

"Rationality, Contradictions, and the Rise and Fall of Capitalist Plantations in Colonial Fiji" paper for conference on "Capitalist Plantations in Colonial Asia," SSRC/Center for Asian Studies Amsterdam, Sept. 27-29, 1990.

"Colonial Authority, The Politics of Virtue, and the Failure of the Arya Samaj in Fiji, 1929--1932," American Anthropological Association meetings, Nov. 15, 1989.

"An Indian National Congress, The Arya Samaj, and Colonial Authority in Fiji: The Failure of Two Organizing Projects, 1929-1932," at The Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, in session "Congresses, Communities, and Counter-Colonial Discourse in Indian Nationalism: (part one) Constituting Nationalist Identities, (part two) Religious Identities and Nationalism" organized by Mary Des Chene and John D. Kelly, Nov. 3, 1989.

"The Methodicality of Fiji "Gujarati" Businessmen and the Ontological Basis of an Economic Rationality," Association for Asian Studies annual meetings, March 18, 1989.

"The Methodicality of the Fiji "Gujaratis" and the Ontological Basis of an Economic Rationality," India-China Seminar, Harvard University, Dec. 9, 1988.

"South Indians and "Indian" Political Projects in Fiji," The Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Nov. 5, 1988.

"Fear of Culture: British Regulation of Indian Marriage in Post-Indenture Fiji," AAA Meetings, AES sponsored **session** on "Constituting Moments: Constructions of "Religion" and "Custom" in the British Empire," organized by Martha Kaplan and John D. Kelly. Nov. 21, 1987.

"The Politics of Virtue and the Failure of the Arya Samaj in Fiji, 1929--1932," SSRC workshop on "Transforming Traditions: Religion and Change in Modern South Asia," Amherst College, Aug. 14, 1987.

"Fiji Indians and the Commoditization of Labor." paper for Anthropology-Sociology faculty, Mt. Holyoke College. Feb. 9, 1987.

"Rationality, Ontology, and Capitalism: The Work Ethic of the Gujaratis in Fiji." AAA Meetings, AES invited **session** on "Rationality in Asian Commercial Cultures," organized by John D. Kelly and David Rudner. Dec. 5, 1986.

"Unnatural Selection: The Fate of Fiji Indian Caste." AAA Meetings, Dec. 4, 1986.

"From Holi to Diwali in Fiji: Changing Religious Foci of the Fiji Indians." Central States Anthropological Society meetings, March 21, 1986.