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**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

2009 Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, City University of New York  
2005- Julien J. Studley Faculty Scholar and Distinguished Professor, Anthropology Program,  
City University of New York Graduate Center.  
2003-04 Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan  
2000-2002 Director, Center for Russian and East European Studies, University of Michigan  
1997-2005 Eric R. Wolf Professor of Anthropology, University of Michigan  
1989-92 Chair, Department of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University  
1987-97 Professor of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University  
1983-87 Associate Professor of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University  
1977-83 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University

**EDUCATION**

1977 Ph.D., Anthropology, Stanford University, Stanford, California  
1971 M.A., Anthropology, Stanford University, Stanford, California  
1970 B.A., Anthropology, Reed College, Portland, Oregon

**CURRENT SPECIALIZATIONS**

Eastern Europe, Romania; socialism and postsocialist transformation; property; political anthropology; agrarian political economy; secret police organizations.

**HONORS, SPECIAL LECTURES, AND AWARDS**

2014 The Sidney Mintz Lecture, Johns Hopkins University.  
2013 Distinguished Lecture, joint meeting of the American Ethnological Society and Association for Political and Legal Anthropology, Chicago.  
2012 Natalie Zemon Davis Lectures, Collegium Budapest, Hungary.

- 2012 Prizes awarded for *Peasants under Siege*, co-authored with Gail Kligman:  
 Davis Center Book Prize in Political and Social Studies of the Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies, for the outstanding monograph on Russia, Eurasia, or Eastern Europe in anthropology, political science, sociology, or geography  
 Barbara Jelavich Prize of the Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies, for the most distinguished monograph published on any aspect of Southeast European or Habsburg studies since 1600, or nineteenth- and twentieth-century Ottoman or Russian diplomatic history  
 Society for Romanian Studies prize, for best book on Romania  
 Heldt Prize of the Association of Women in Slavic Studies, for best book by a woman scholar in Slavic Studies  
 Honorable Mention, Wayne S. Vucinich Prize of the Association for Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies, for the most important contribution to Russian, Eurasian, and East European studies in any discipline of the humanities or social sciences  
 Honorable Mention, Barrington Moore Book Award in Comparative and Historical Sociology, American Sociological Association  
 Honorable Mention, Political Sociology Book Award, American Sociological Association
- 2011 J. I. Staley Prize in Anthropology, for *The Vanishing Hectare*
- 2011 Keynote speaker, Soyuz conference, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2010 Oskar Halecki Lecture, GZWO, University of Leipzig, Germany
- 2010 Plenary speaker, Annual Conference of Sociological Research, Bucharest, Romania
- 2008 First Daphne Berdahl Memorial Lecture, University of Minnesota
- 2007 George A. Miller Endowment Visiting Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 2004-2005 Phi Beta Kappa Lecturer
- 2004 William A. Douglass Prize of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe, for *The Vanishing Hectare*
- 2004 Honorable mention, Wayne Vucinich Prize of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, for *The Vanishing Hectare*
- 2004 Honorable mention, Barbara Jelavich Prize of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, for *The Vanishing Hectare*
- 2004 John D'Arms Graduate Mentorship Award, University of Michigan
- 2004 Guggenheim Fellow
- 2004-2007 President-Elect, President, and Past President, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies.  
 Presidential lecture 2006, "Bringing the Anthropologists (Back) In."
- 2000 University of Michigan Faculty Excellence in Research award.
- 1999 Heldt Prize of the Association of Women in Slavic Studies, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, for *The Political Lives of Dead Bodies*
- 1998 Reburying Transylvania's Bishop Inochentie Micu. Inaugural lecture for University of Michigan Collegiate chair as Eric R. Wolf Professor of Anthropology.
- 1998 Harriman Lectures, Harriman Institute, Columbia University.

- 1997 Participant, Nobel Symposium on "Nationalism and Internationalism in the Post-Cold War Era." Stockholm, Sweden.
- 1997 Keynote speaker, conference on "The Anthropology of Post-Communism," Bergen, Norway.
- 1996 Colin Miller Distinguished Lecture, Center for Russian and East European Studies, University of California Berkeley
- 1996 Distinguished Lecture, American Ethnological Society.
- 1995 Elected to American Academy of Arts and Sciences.
- 1993 Ethnicity, Nationalism, and Post-modernism: *Ethnic Groups and Boundaries* Past and Present. Keynote Lecture for conference on the Anthropology of Ethnicity, Amsterdam.
- 1993 What Was Socialism and What Comes Next? Distinguished Lecture, Center for Comparative Research in History, Society, and Culture, University of California, Davis.
- 1992 Beyond the Nation in Eastern Europe. Distinguished Lecture, Center for Comparative Social Analysis, Rutgers University.
- 1992 The Transition from Socialism: Anthropology and Eastern Europe. The Lewis Henry Morgan Memorial Lectures, University of Rochester, NY.
- 1991 Honorary member, Institute of History, Iași, Romania.
- 1977 Dissertation Prize from ACLS-SSRC Joint Committee on Eastern Europe.
- 1970 Phi Beta Kappa.

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2010-2011 Fellow, Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton University.
- 2010-2012 National Council for Eurasian and East European Research grant for research on the Romanian Secret Police (\$38,000)
- 2006-2007 National Council for Eurasian and East European Research grant for write-up of collectivization project (\$13,000)
- 2004-2005 American Council of Learned Societies grant for write-up of collectivization project
- 2004-2005 Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship
- 2004-2005 Fellow, Russell Sage Foundation, New York
- 2004-2005 Fellow, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton (declined)
- 2004-2005 Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford (declined)
- 2001 Fellow, Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Germany (2000-2001).
- 2001 National Science Foundation grant for research on collectivization in Romania, 1948-1962 (with Gail Kligman) (\$209,000).
- 2000 National Council for Eurasian and East European Research grant (with Gail Kligman) for "Unmaking and Remaking Property: Collectivization in Romania, 1949-1962" (\$54,913)
- 2000 National Endowment for the Humanities grant (with Gail Kligman) for "History as Lived, History as Recorded: Collectivization in Romania, 1949-1962" (\$44,071).

- 2000 Fellow, Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna (September).
- 1998-99 Fellow, Indiana University Institute for Advanced Study.
- 1997-98 Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, CA.
- 1997 National Council for Eurasian and East European Research Fellowship for research and writing on decollectivization in Romania (1997-98).
- 1997 American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship for research and writing on decollectivization in Romania (1997-98).
- 1996 American Council of Learned Societies, for conference on Ethnographies of Transition (with Michael Burawoy).
- 1996 Social Science Research Council grant for conference on Ethnographies of Transition (with Michael Burawoy).
- 1995 National Science Foundation grant for research on decollectivization in Romania (\$85,000).
- 1993 International Research and Exchanges Board grant for fieldwork, Romania.
- 1993 Fulbright grant for research and teaching in Romania (declined).
- 1989 Joint Committee on Eastern Europe (Social Science Research Council and American Council of Learned Societies) grant for conference on National Ideology and National Character in Interwar Eastern Europe (with Ivo Banac).
- 1988 Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.
- 1987 International Research and Exchanges Board grant for fieldwork and library research, Romania.
- 1984 International Research and Exchanges Board grant for fieldwork, Romania.
- 1979 International Research and Exchanges Board grant for fieldwork and library research, Romania.  
SSRC postdoctoral fellowship for library and field research, Romania.
- 1976 Center for Research in International Studies, Stanford University, grant-in-aid for dissertation writing.
- 1973 International Research and Exchanges Board grant for fieldwork, Romania.  
Center for Research in International Studies, Stanford University, supplementary grant for fieldwork.
- 1970-73 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

### **Books**

- 2014 *Secrets and Truths: Ethnography in the Archive of the Romanian Secret Police*. The Natalie Zemon Davis Lectures for 2012. Budapest: Central European University Press.
- 2011 *Peasants under Siege: The Collectivization of Romanian Agriculture, 1949-1962* (with Gail Kligman). Princeton: Princeton University Press, 508 pp.  
Awarded the Barbara Jelavich Prize for Southeast European and Habsburg history,

- Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES).  
 Awarded the Davis Center Prize in Political and Social Studies (ASEEES).  
 Awarded the Heldt Prize of the Association of Women in Slavic Studies.  
 Honorable Mention for the Wayne S. Vucinich Prize (ASEEES)  
 Honorable Mention for the Barrington Moore Book Award in Comparative and Historical  
 Sociology, American Sociological Association (ASA).  
 Honorable Mention for the Political Sociology Book Award (ASA).
- 2003 *The Vanishing Hectare: Property and Value in Postsocialist Transylvania*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 426 pp.  
 Awarded the J. I. Staley Prize of the School of Advanced Research.  
 Awarded the William A. Douglass Prize of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe, American Anthropological Association.  
 Honorable Mention for the Wayne S. Vucinich Prize, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS, later ASEEES).  
 Honorable Mention for the Barbara Jelavich Prize (AAASS).
- 1999 *The Political Lives of Dead Bodies: Reburial and Postsocialist Change*. NY: Columbia University Press, 185 pp.  
 Awarded the Heldt Prize, Association of Women in Slavic Studies.  
 Romanian translation București: Editura Vremea, 2007.  
 Chapter 1 reprinted in *Death, Mourning, and Burial: A Cross-Cultural Reader*, ed. Antonius C.G.M. Robben. Blackwell, 2004.
- 1996 *What Was Socialism, and What Comes Next?* Princeton: Princeton University Press, 298 pp.  
 Romanian translation, Iași: Editura Institutului European, 2003.  
 Serbian translation, Belgrade: Edicija REČ, 2005.  
 Greek translation, pending.
- 1991 *National Ideology Under Socialism: Identity and Cultural Politics in Ceaușescu's Romania*. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press, 406 pp.  
 Romanian translation Bucharest: Editura Humanitas, 1994 (*Compromis și Rezistență*)
- 1983 *Transylvanian Villagers: Three Centuries of Political, Economic, and Ethnic Change*. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press, 431 pp.

### **Edited volumes**

- 2004 *Property in Question: Value Transformation in the Global Economy*, co-edited with Caroline Humphrey. Berg Press.
- 1999 *Uncertain Transition: Ethnographies of Everyday Life in the Postsocialist World*, co-edited with Michael Burawoy. Boulder, CO: Rowman and Littlefield, 322 pp.
- 1995 *National Character and National Ideology in Interwar Eastern Europe*, co-edited with Ivo Banac. New Haven: Yale Center for International Studies, 254 pp.
- 1994 Gender and Nationalism in Eastern Europe. Special issue of *East European Politics and Societies* 8 (2), co-edited with József Böröcz.

### **Other book projects**

- 2005 *Puterea și țărănimea: Procesul de colectivizare a agriculturii în România, 1949-1962*, edited by Dorin Dobrințu and Constantin Iordachi, under the coordination of Gail Kligman and Katherine Verdery. Iași: Polirom. (Volume from collaborative project organized with Gail Kligman; extensive editorial involvement.)
- 2009 *Transforming Peasants, Property, and Power: Collectivization of Agriculture in Romania, 1948-1962*. English translation of the previous volume, CEU Press, Budapest. (Extensive editorial involvement.)

### **Books in progress**

*My Life as a Spy: Memoirs of a Cold War Anthropologist.*

*The Subject of Property: Essays.*

### **Articles**

#### **In Progress**

Postsocialism. In *Emerging Trends in the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, Robert A. Scott and Stephen M. Kosslyn, editors. Sage Publications (with Elizabeth Cullen Dunn).

**In press** Hope turned upside down: How the prospects for a communist utopia were dashed in 1950s Romania. In *Hope in the Economy*, Hirokazu Miyazaki and Richard Swedborg, eds. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press.

Socialist societies. *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, revised edition.

Matthew Hull and ethnographies of the state. *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*.

**2013** An anthropologist in communist Romania, 1973-1988. *Problems of Post-Communism* 60, no. 4 (July-August): 35-42.

**2012** Observers observed: An anthropologist under surveillance. *Anthropology Now* 4 (2): 14-23.

Postsocialist societies: Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. In *Handbook of Social and Cultural Anthropology*, James Carrier and Deborah Gewertz, eds., pp. 439-455. London: Bloomsbury (with Douglas Rogers).

Postsocialist cleansing in Eastern Europe: Purity and danger in transitional justice. In *Socialism Challenged, Socialism Vanquished: China and Eastern Europe Compared, 1989-2009*. Nina Bandelj and Dorothy J. Solinger, eds., pp. 63-82. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Secrets and truths: Knowledge practices of the Romanian Secret Police. Oskar-Halecki-Vorlesung 2010. Jahresvorlesung des Geisteswissenschaftlichen Zentrums Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas an der Universität Leipzig. Leipzig: University of Leipzig.

**2011** Dead ends in the critique of (post)socialist anthropology: Reply to Thelen. *Critique of*

- Anthropology* 31 (3): 251-255 (with Elizabeth Cullen Dunn).
- Research or espionage? In *Thinking Reed*, Roger Porter and Robert Reynolds, eds., pp. 333-343. Portland, OR: Press-22.
- Коллективизация и «различия» в Румынии: 1949-1962 гг. [Collectivization and “difference” in Romania, 1949-1962.] In *Антропология Социальных Перемен: Сборник Статей*, E. Guchilova and G. Komarova, eds., pp. 343-364. Moscow: Росспэн.
- How communist cadres persuaded Romanian peasants to give up their land. *East European Politics and Societies* 25 (2): 361-387 (with Gail Kligman).
- Recollecting 1989. *Focaal: European Journal of Anthropology* special issue.
- 2010** Romania 1989-2009. In *1989-2009: Incredibila aventură a democrației după comunism*, Lavinia Stan and Lucian Turcescu, eds. Iași: Institutul European, pp. 371-380.
- 2009** George William Skinner, 1925-2008 (obituary, with Carol A. Smith). *American Anthropologist*.  
The rural contribution to emigration in 1990s Romania. *Sociologie românească* 8(3): 21-36.  
Thinking between the posts: Postcolonialism, postsocialism, and ethnography after the Cold War (with Sharad Chari). *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 51 (1): 6-34.  
Exploiters old and new: Making and unmaking “rich peasants” in Aurel Vlaicu (Hunedoara Region). In *Transforming Peasants, Property, and Power: Collectivization of Agriculture in Romania, 1948-1962*, ed. Constantin Iordachi and Dorin Dobrinu, pp. 307-328. Budapest: CEU Press.  
Conclusions (with Constantin Iordachi). In *Transforming Peasants, Property, and Power: Collectivization of Agriculture in Romania, 1948-1962*, ed. Constantin Iordachi and Dorin Dobrinu, pp. 455-472. Budapest: CEU Press.
- 2007** “Frangloamerická” antropologie a východoevropská etnografie: vyhlídky na syntézu. *Sociologický časopis (Czech Sociological Review)* 43 (1): 204-208.  
Reprinted as “Franglus” anthropology and East European ethnography: The prospects for synthesis, in *Anthropology’s Multiple Temporalities and Its Future in Central and Eastern Europe*. Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology Working Paper no. 90.  
Descolectivización y migraciones en Rumanía durante la década de los noventa. *Migraciones* 21: 29-58.
- 2006** Bringing the anthropologists (back) in. Presidential address for the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. *NewsNet* 46 (1): 1-11.  
What's in a name? *NewsNet* 46 (2): 1-8.  
Social dimensions of collectivization: Fomenting class warfare in Transylvania. In *World Order after Leninism: Essays in Honor of Ken Jowitt*, edited by Vladimir Tismaneanu, Marc Morjé Howard, and Rudra Sil, pp. 127-146. Seattle: University of Washington Press (with Gail Kligman).
- 2005** Chiaburii vechi și noi: Inchiaburirea și deschiaburirea țăranilor din Aurel Vlaicu. In *Puterea și țăranimea: Procesul de colectivizare a agriculturii în România, 1949-1962*, edited by Dorin Dobrinu and Constantin Iordachi. Iași: Editura Polirom.

- "Possessive identities" in post-socialist Transylvania. In *Between East and West: Studies in Anthropology and Social History*, Ștefan Dorondel and Stelu Șerban, eds., pp. 341-366. Bucharest: Editura Institutului Cultural Român.
- 2004** (with Caroline Humphrey) Introduction. In *Property in Question: Value Transformation in the Global Economy*, Katherine Verdery and Caroline Humphrey, eds. Oxford: Berg Press.
- The obligations of ownership: Restoring rights to land in postsocialist Eastern Europe. In *Property in Question: Value Transformation in the Global Economy*, Katherine Verdery and Caroline Humphrey, eds. Oxford: Berg Press.
- Vom Sozialismus zum Feudalismus? In *Schrumpfende Städte*, Philipp Oswalt, ed. Ostfildern-Ruit, Germany: Hatje Cantz Verlag, pp. 78-111. (Translation of chapter 8 from *What Was Socialism, and What Comes Next?*)
- Anthropological adventures with Romania's wizard of Oz, 1973-1989. *Focaal: European Journal of Anthropology* 43: 134-145.
- Property and politics in and after socialism. In *A Companion to the Anthropology of Politics*, edited by Joan Vincent and David Nugent. Oxford: Blackwell.
- Reprinted in *Revista română de sociologie* XIX (1-2, 2008): 37-55.
- The property regime of socialism. In *Postsocialist Property Relations: Ethnographies of Agrarian Change in Central and Eastern Europe and East Asia*, Janet Sturgeon and Thomas Sikor, eds. Special Issue of *Conservation and Society* 2 (1): 189-198.
- 2003** Post-Soviet area studies? *NewsNet* 43 (5): 7-8.
- 2002** 'Seeing like a mayor,' or How local officials obstructed Romanian land restitution. *Ethnography* 3 (1): 5-33.
- Whither postsocialism? In *Postsocialism: Ideals, Ideologies, Practices*. C. M. Hann, ed., pp. 15-28. London and New York: Routledge.
- Devaluation, risk, and transforming capitals in Romania's decollectivization. In *Dushu* (Journal of Social Science, Beijing, China).
- 2001** Ghosts on the landscape: Restoring private landownership in Eastern Europe. *Focaal* 36: 145-163.
- Inequality as temporal process: property and time in Transylvania's land restitution. *Anthropological Theory* 1(3): 373-392.
- Socialist societies. *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, ed. Neil Smelser and Paul B. Baltes, pp. 14496-14500. Amsterdam: Pergamon Press.
- 2000** Privatization as transforming persons. In *Between Past and Future: The Revolutions of 1989 and the Struggle for Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe*, ed. Sorin Antohi and Vladimir Tismaneanu, pp. 175-197. Budapest: CEU Press.
- Nationalism, internationalism, and property in post-Cold War Romania. In *Nationalism and Internationalism in the Post-Cold War Era*, ed. Kjell Goldmann, Ulf Hannerz, and Charles Westin, pp. 87-102. London and New York: Routledge.



Despre Mihai Pop. *Dilema* nr. 409, 15-21 decembrie, p. 12.

- 1999** Rethinking the 1989 "revolutions" and their aftermath. *East European Politics and Societies* 13 (1). (With Gail Kligman)  
 Civil society or nation? "Europe" in Romania's post-socialist politics. *In Intellectuals and the Articulation of the Nation*, ed. Ronald Suny and Michael Kennedy, pp. 301-344. University of Michigan Press.  
 Fuzzy property: rights, power, and identity in Transylvania's decollectivization. *In Uncertain Transition*, ed. Michael Burawoy and Katherine Verdery, pp. 53-81. Boulder, CO: Rowman and Littlefield.  
 Reprinted in *Transforming Post-Communist Political Economies*, ed. Joan M. Nelson, Charles Tilly, and Lee Walker, pp. 101-116. Washington, D. C.: National Academy Press (1998).
- 1998** Transnationalism, nationalism, citizenship, and property: Eastern Europe since 1989. *American Ethnologist* 25 (2): 291-306.  
 Reprinted in *Law and Anthropology*, ed. Martha Mundy. Aldershot: Ashgate, 2002.  
 Reprinted in *Transnationalism: A Reader*, ed. William Safran and Ajaya Kumar Sahoo. New Delhi: Routledge.  
 Reprinted in *Revista Brasileira de Estudos Constitucionais (Brazilian Constitutional Law Studies Review)* no. 17 (2011).  
 Comment on V. Tishkov, "U.S. and Russian Anthropology." *Current Anthropology* 39 (1): 13-14.  
 Property and power in Transylvania's decollectivization. *In Property Relations: Renewing the Anthropological Tradition*, ed. C. M. Hann, pp. 160-180. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  
 Provocations of European ethnology (with Talal Asad, Michael Herzfeld, et al.) *American Anthropologist* 96:
- 1997** Political identities and property relations in Transylvania, Romania. *PoLAR* 20:120-141.
- 1996** Nationalism, post-socialism, and space in Eastern Europe. *Social Research* 63: 77-95.  
 Post-1989 Intellectual Cooperation and Intellectual Property Rights: A Romanian Case. *East European Politics and Societies* 10 (2): 328-332. (With Jean-Claude Chesnais, Henry David, Claude Karnoouh, Nancy Leys Stepan, and Vladimir Tismaneanu.)
- 1995** Faith, hope, and *Caritas* in the land of the pyramids, Romania 1991-1994. *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 37 (3): 623-669.  
 Decollectivization, democracy, and the "law-governed state": a view from the village. *Anthropology of East Europe Review* 13 (1): 66-70.  
 "Caritas" and the reconceptualization of money in Romania. *Anthropology Today* 11: 3-7.  
 Notes toward an ethnography of a transforming state: Romania 1991. *In Articulating Hidden Histories*, eds. Jane Schneider and Rayna Rapp. Berkeley and Los Angeles: Univ. of California Press.  
 Introduction. In *National Character and National Ideology in Interwar Eastern Europe*, eds. Ivo Banac and Katherine Verdery. New Haven: Yale Univ. Press.

National ideology and national character in interwar Romania. In *National Character and National Ideology in Interwar Eastern Europe*, eds. Ivo Banac and Katherine Verdery. New Haven: Yale Univ. Press.

- 1994** Ethnicity, nationalism, and the state: *Ethnic Groups and Boundaries* past and present. In *The Anthropology of Ethnicity: Beyond 'Ethnic Groups and Boundaries,'* ed. Hans Vermeulen and Cora Govers. Amsterdam: Het Spinhuis.  
Translated into Portuguese (2003) as "Etnicidade, nacionalismo e a formação do estado. In *Antropologia da Etnicidade*, ed. Hans Vermeulen and Cora Govers. Lisboa: Fim de Século.
- Decollectivization, democracy, and the "law-governed state": a view from the village. *Sfera politicii* 3 (23 December 1994): 16-17.
- The elasticity of land: problems of property restitution in Transylvania. *Slavic Review* 53 (4): 1071-1109.
- From parent-state to family patriarchs: gender and nation in contemporary Eastern Europe. *East European Politics and Societies* 8 (2): 225-255.  
Translated and published as Vom Elternstaat zum Familienpatriarchen: Gender und Nation im heutigen Osteuropa, in *Inszenierungen des Nationalen*, ed. Beate Binder, Wolfgang Kaschuba, and Peter Niedermüller. Böhlau, 2001.  
Reprinted in *Eastern Europe: Women in Transition*, eds. Irena Grudzinska Gross and Andrzej Tymowski. Peter Lang Verlag.
- Beyond the nation in Eastern Europe. *Social Text* 38: 1-19.
- 1993** Nationalism and national sentiment in post-socialist Romania. *Slavic Review* 52:179-203.
- Whither "nation" and "nationalism"? *Daedalus* (summer 1993): 37-46.  
Reprinted in *Mapping the Nation*, Gopal Balakrishnan, ed., London & New York: Verso, 1996; in volume edited by Zoltán Kántor, Rejtjel University Press; and in volume published by ARS Studio, Skopje, Macedonia.
- What was socialism and why did it fall? *Contention* 3 (1): 1-18.  
Reprinted in:
- 1) *Debating Revolutions*, Nikki R. Keddie, ed., Indiana University Press, 1995.
  - 2) *Beyond Soviet Studies*, Daniel Orlovsky, ed., Woodrow Wilson Center Press, 1995.
  - 3) *The Revolutions of 1989/Revoluțiile din 1989*, ed. Vladimir Tismaneanu (1999), London: Routledge and Iași: Polirom, pp. 75-99 (reprinted in English and Romanian versions).
  - 4) *Anthropology of Development and Globalization: From Classical Political Economy to Contemporary Neoliberalism*, Angelique Haugerud and Marc Edelman, eds., Blackwell, 2004.
  - 5) *Pavilion: Contemporary Art and Culture Magazine*, #10-11, 2007: 5-15.
  - 6) *Politics in Russia: A Reader*, Joel M. Ostrow, ed. Sage, 2013.
- 1992** Ethnic relations, economies of shortage, and the transition in Eastern Europe. In *Socialism: Ideals, Ideologies, and Local Practice*, ed. C. M. Hann, pp. 172-186. London: Routledge.
- Comment, on "The Crisis in Soviet Ethnography," by Valery Tishkov. *Current Anthropology* 33 (4): 392-3.
- Eminescu, protochronism, and Romanian cultural politics: The poet as proto-Marxist. In *Europa Annales* 2, ed. Ambrus Miskolczy.
- Hobsbawm in the East: a comment. *Anthropology Today* 8:8-10. Reprinted in *Polis* 1 (2).

- Romania after Ceaușescu: Post-communist communism? (with Gail Kligman). In *Eastern Europe in Revolution*, ed. Ivo Banac. Ithaca: Cornell Univ. Press, pp. 117-147.
- The "etatization" of time in Ceaușescu's Romania. In *The Politics of Time*, ed. Henry Rutz. American Ethnological Society Monographs, Number 4, pp. 37-61. (Abbreviated version also in *Temps et Changements dans l'Espace Roumain*, Al. Zub, ed., pp. 231-242. Iasi, Romania: Editions de l'Academie, 1991.)
- Women in Romania (with Gail Kligman). In *Women's Studies Encyclopedia*, ed. Helen Tierney. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, pp. 384-386.
- 1991** Romanian protochronism. In *Temps et Changements dans l'Espace Roumain*, Al. Zub, ed., pp. 187-230. Iasi, Romania: Editions de l'Academie.
- Ethno-nationalism and socialism: Examples from Romania. Working Paper of the Center for International Studies, M.I.T.
- Theorizing socialism: A prologue to the "transition." *American Ethnologist*, 18(3): 419-39. Reprinted in *The Anthropology of Politics*, ed. Joan Vincent. Blackwells, 2002. Reprinted in *Reader on Political Anthropology*, ed. Montserrat Cañedo Rodríguez. 2012.
- The production and defense of "the Romanian Nation," 1900 to World War II. In *National Ideologies and the Production of National Cultures*, ed. Richard G. Fox. American Ethnological Society Monograph Series, Number 2, pp. 81-111.
- 1990** Eminescu, protomarxist? *România literara* 23 (45):4-5.
- Romanian identity and cultural politics under Ceaușescu: An example from philosophy. Occasional Paper No. 17 of the Woodrow Wilson Center's East European Institute.
- 1989** The study of ethnicity in context. Proceedings of the Soviet-American Symposium on Ethnic Processes, Erevan: Akademiia Nauk CCCP, Institut Etnografii.
- Homage to a Transylvanian peasant. *Eastern European Politics and Societies* 3:51-82.
- 1988** Are regional stereotypes ethnic? In *Ethnicity Today: Eastern and Western Approaches*, pp. 169-174. Institute for Ethnic Studies, Ljubljana, Yugoslavia.
- Dialog: istorie si antropologie (with Al. Zub). *Vatra* 18(11):8-9.
- Moments in the rise of the discourse on national identity, I: seventeenth through nineteenth centuries. In *Români în istoria universală, III-1.*, eds. I. Agrigoroaiei, Gh. Buzatu, V. Cristian, pp. 25-60. Iasi: Universitatea Al. I. Cuza.
- A Comment on Goody's Development of the Family and Marriage in Europe. *Journal of Family History* 13:265-270.
- Ethnicity as culture: some Soviet-American contrasts. *Canadian Review of Studies in Nationalism* 15:107-110.
- 1987** Moments in the rise of the discourse on national identity, II: early 1900s to World War II. In *Români în istoria universală, II-1*, eds. I. Agrigoroaiei, Gh. Buzatu, V. Cristian, pp. 89-136. Iasi: Universitatea Al. I. Cuza.

Was the peasant uprising a revolution? The meanings of a struggle over the past. *Eastern European Politics and Societies* 1:187-224. (Published under the name E.M. Simmonds-Duke)

- 1986** Social differentiation in the Transylvanian countryside between the two World Wars. *Rumanian Studies* 5:84-104.
- 1985** On the nationality problem in Transylvania to World War I: an overview. *East European Quarterly* 19:15-30.
- The unmaking of an ethnic collectivity: Transylvania's Germans. *American Ethnologist* 12:62-83.
- 1981** Ethnic relations and hierarchies of dependency in the late Habsburg Empire: Austria, Hungary, and Transylvania. In *Ethnicity and Nationality in Southeast Europe*. John W. Cole and Sam Beck, eds. Amsterdam: Anthropological-Sociological Centre, University of Amsterdam, Papers on European and Mediterranean Societies.
- 1979** Internal colonialism in Austria-Hungary. *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 2: 378-399.
- 1976** Ethnicity and local systems: the religious organization of Welshness. In *Regional Analysis, Vol. II: Social Systems*, ed. Carol A. Smith. New York: Academic Press, pp. 191-227.

**Book Reviews** published in: *American Anthropologist*, *American Ethnologist*, *American Historical Review*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Current Anthropology*, *Ethnohistory*, *Ethnos*, *Journal of Modern History*, *JRAI*, *Man*, *Reviews in Anthropology*, *Southeast European Studies*, *Slavic Review*, and others.

## TRANSLATIONS

- 1991 Translation of "The origins of Transylvanian serfdom," by David Prodan. *Slavic Review* 49:1-18.
- 1986 Translation of "Serfdom in sixteenth-century Transylvania," by David Prodan. *Review* 9:649-678.

## RECENT INVITED LECTURES, CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION, AND PAPERS DELIVERED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS (since 2003 only).

- 2013** The Invisible Powers of the Romanian Secret Police. Distinguished Lecture for the American Ethnological Society/Association for Political and Legal Anthropology joint meeting, Chicago, April 2013.
- Three Lectures on Postsocialism, for the summer school of the University of Kazan, held in St. Petersburg, Russia, June 29-July 1.
- Secrets and Truths: Knowledge Practices of the Romanian Secret Police. Invited lecture, University of British Columbia.
- Ethnography in a Secret Police Archive. Invited Lecture, Simon Fraser University, and New York University.

- Ethnography among Securitate Officers. Paper presented at panel on Ethnographies of Secret Police, Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, Boston, Nov. 20-24, 2013.
- 2012** Secrets and Truths: Ethnography in the Archive of the Romanian Secret Police. The Natalie Zemon Davis Lectures, Budapest, Hungary.
- The Secrets of a Secret Police. Keynote address for the Society for Cultural Anthropology, Bucharest, Romania.
- Cold War Imperialism and After: US Anthropology of Eastern Europe. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco.
- Commentator for panel in honor of Sidney W. Mintz, Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco.
- 2011** Anthropologist under Surveillance: Fieldwork and the Romanian Secret Police. Paper presented at the University of Chicago, Center for Russian and East European Studies and Department of Anthropology; City University of New York Graduate Center.
- Commentator for conference "Producing History: Place, Memory, and Documentation," panel on "Archives, Property, and the Production of Heritage," City University of New York Graduate Center.
- Commentator for panel on Graduate Student research, Society for the Anthropology of Europe, at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Montreal.
- Observer Observed: An Anthropologist under Surveillance. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Montreal.
- Property, Class, and State in Socialism and After: A View from the Soviet Bloc. Paper delivered at the conference *Class, State, Power*, organized by Ching Kwan Lee. Beijing, China.
- 2010** Secrets and Truths: Knowledge Practices of the Romanian Secret Police and Dilemmas of Legitimation. Paper presented at the Davis Center seminar, Princeton University.
- What Is Post-Communism and When Does It End? Paper presented at the conference "After Communism: Achievement and Disillusionment since 1989," Columbia University.
- Beyond Public and Private: Privatization and the Global Fiscal Crisis. Panelist's comments at the conference "The Privatization of Public Space? Resisting Enclosure," CUNY Graduate Center.
- Postsocialist Cleansing in Romania's Transitional Justice. Paper presented at the conference "The Limits of Memory," New School for Social Research.
- Postsocialist Cleansing in Eastern Europe's Transitional Justice: The Problems of Secret Police Files. Keynote address for Annual Conference of Sociological Research, Bucharest, Romania.
- 2009** Purity and Danger in Romania's "Transitional Justice": Purging Enemies through the Securitate Files. Lecture delivered at the University of Michigan.
- Postsocialist Cleansing in Eastern Europe: Purity and Danger in Transitional Justice. Paper presented at the conference 1989: Twenty Years After, Dorothy Solinger and Nina Bandelj, organizers, University of California, Irvine.

Observers Observed: Notes on my Secret Police File. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston.

Commentator at conference "1989: 20 Years After," George Mason University.

Party Cadres Corrupt the Party-State. Lecture delivered at Duke University, Anthropology Department.

"Cutting the Network": The Secret World of the Romania Security Police. Paper delivered at Conference on Secrecy, NYU, May 2009

**2008** Commentator, Panel on "The Legacy of Daphne Berdahl," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, San Francisco.

Discussant, Panel on "Socialist Aftermaths," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, San Francisco.

Discussant, Conference on "Critical Spaces of Hope in Post-Socialist Yugoslavia," University of Chicago.

Precursors to the Postsocialist State. Lecture delivered at Bowdoin College.

Viața mea ca spioană. Keynote Lecture delivered at meeting of the Iuliu Maniu Society, New York.

**2007** "Disappearing Property": Strathern in Transylvania. Paper delivered at the session "The Nice Thing about Relations Is that Everyone Has Them," annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.

Abusive cadres in a voracious party-state: Romanian collectivization, 1948-1962. Delivered at Cornell University (Department of Anthropology), Harvard University (Weatherhead Center for International Affairs), and University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (REEEC).

Between the posts: Postcolonialism, postsocialism, and ethnography after the Cold War. Delivered University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (Department of Anthropology).

On Eurasia. Presentation at the panel "What is Eurasia?" at the Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

Anthropology and area studies. Presentation in panel "The Place of Anthropology in the World Today," Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

On property in socialism. Delivered at New York University (Program in Law and Society).

The propertied person in a socialist state: Romanian collectivization, 1948-1962. Delivered at New York University Department of Anthropology.

The anthropology of politics. Lecture delivered at Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

On decollectivization in Romania. Lecture delivered at Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

**2006** Peasants into Poles, peasants into Lumpen: Does Eugen Weber travel East? Paper delivered at the conference "*Peasants into Frenchmen* Thirty Years After: Papers in Honor of Eugen Weber," UCLA (Department of History).

"'Western' and 'Eastern' Anthropology: A Synthesis?" Paper presented at the meeting of the European Association for Social Anthropology, Bristol, UK.

Abusive cadres in a voracious party-state: Romanian Collectivization, 1948-1962. Delivered at University of Minnesota. Institute for Global Studies.

Anthropology and Eastern Europe: A marginal discipline? Delivered at Wayne State University.

Creating the Communist Party as a collective agent: Social relations, bureaucracy, and cadre formation in Romania, 1948-62. Delivered at the New York Academy of Sciences, Princeton University, and University of Chicago.

**2005** Commentator for panel on Anthropologies of Postsocialism, American Anthropological Association annual meeting.

Abusive Cadres in a Voracious Party-State: Romanian Collectivization, 1948-1962. Delivered at Yale University (Agrarian Studies seminar) and Columbia University (Harriman Institute faculty seminar).

**2004-2005** Phi Beta Kappa Lecturer. Lectures and seminars delivered at Hobart/William Smith Colleges; Millsaps College; Knox College; Kalamazoo College; Haverford College; Oberlin College; University of Virginia; Middlebury College.

**2004** Commentator, Conference "The World Looks at Us: Rethinking the US State," organized by Ida Susser and Jeff Masakovsky.

Dialogic Collectivization: "Rich Peasants" and Unreliable Cadres in the Romanian Countryside, 1948-1959. Invited colloquium, Harvard University, Russian and East European Research Center.

Re-formed Cooperatives and Rural Impoverishment in Transylvania. Invited lecture, World Bank, Washington, D.C.

Fomenting class warfare in Transylvania: The drive to collectivize agriculture. Invited colloquium, New School University, Stanford University, Columbia University, and UC Davis.

**2003** Making EUtopia? Comments prepared for the concluding Round Table at the conference "EUtopia: Enlargement and the Politics of European Identity," University of Illinois.

"*Intellectuals on the Road to Class Power*, 25 year later." Paper presented for panel on Konrad and Szelenyi's book, AAASS meetings, Toronto, CAN, November 20.

Seeing Like a Mayor, or How Local Officials Obstructed Romania's Land Reform. Invited colloquium, Department of Anthropology, Washington University at St. Louis.

Workshop: "Collectivization in Romania, 1948-1962." Held in Bucharest, Romania, February 2003. Coorganized with Gail Kligman (UCLA).

"Chiaburii noi și vechi." Paper delivered at the above conference.

New Directions in Postsocialist Studies. Colloquium delivered at the University of Minnesota, Program in German and European Studies.

The Autobiography of a Transylvanian Land Parcel. Paper delivered at the University of Minnesota, Program in German and European Studies.

Area Studies after the Soviet Union. Comments for Panel at the Harriman Center, Columbia University.

**COURSES TAUGHT** include: (G = graduate, UG = undergraduate; recent are starred)

Anthropological Approaches to Property (G)\*  
 Anthropology and History: Interdisciplinary Perspectives (UG, G)  
 The Anthropology of Late Capitalism (G)  
 The Anthropology of Time and Space (UG)  
 Comparative Agrarian Societies (G)  
 Comparative Socialist Societies (UG)  
 Contemporary Theory in Anthropology (G)\*  
 Culture and Historical Materialism (G)  
 Eastern European Societies in Transformation (UG)  
 Ethnic Identity and Ethnic Politics (UG)  
 Ethnicity, Nationalism, and Nationness (G)  
 History of Anthropological Theory: Institutionalizing a Discipline (G)  
 Intellectuals, Knowledge, and Power (G)  
 Readings in East European and Postsocialist Ethnography (G)\*  
 Thinking about "the State" (G)\*  
 Traditions in Ethnology (theory course) (G)

#### **EDITORIAL AND ADVISORY BOARDS**

American Ethnologist  
Anthropology Today (consulting editor, 1995-2000)  
Archives Européennes de Sociologie  
Arhivele Totalitarismului (Bucharest)  
Caietele CNSAS (Bucharest)  
Comparative Studies in Society and History  
East Central Europe (Budapest)  
East European Politics and Societies (1990-1998)  
Ethnography  
European Studies Forum  
Focaal: Tijdschrift voor Antropologie (Amsterdam)  
Identities (1992-1999)  
International Political Anthropology (Budapest)  
Revista Română de Sociologie (Romanian Sociological Review)  
Sfera Politicii (The Sphere of Politics)  
Slavic Review (1991-96)  
Sociologie românească (Romanian Sociology)

Duke University Press series in Culture, Power, History (series editors George Steinmetz and Julia Adams)

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International Advisory Board, Foundation "A Treia Europa" ("The Third Europe") Romania.  
 International Advisory Board, Ethnocultural Diversity Resource Center, Cluj, Romania



## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropological Association  
 American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies  
 American Ethnological Society  
 American Sociological Association (1980-1995)  
 Association for Political and Legal Anthropology  
 East European Anthropology Group  
 Society for the Anthropology of Europe  
 Society for Comparative Research  
 Society for Romanian Studies  
 Soyuz: Post-communist Cultural Studies

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member, Awards Committee, American Anthropological Association (2012-2014).  
 Member, Grants Selection Panel (SH2), European Research Council of the European Commission, Brussels (2009-2013).  
 Board of Electors, William Wyse Professorship and Chair of Social Anthropology, Cambridge University (2007-8)  
 Board of Overseers, Harvard University, review committee for the Weatherhead Center for International Studies (2006)  
 American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, President-elect (2004), President (2005), and Past President (2006).  
 Executive Board, Social Science Research Council, representative for Anthropology, 2002-2005.  
 Executive Board, American Anthropological Association, 1999-2000.  
 Board of Overseers, Harvard University, Ukrainian Research Institute, 1997-2003.  
 MacArthur Foundation, Research and Writing Selection Committee, 1998.  
 National Academy of Sciences, Task Force on Economies in Transition, 1996-97.  
 American Academy of Arts and Sciences, nominations panel, 1995.  
 American Anthropological Association, Member of Committee on the Status of Women, 1992-1996; chair, 1995-6.  
 American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, member of Committee on Honors and Awards, 1988-91; Board of Directors, 1992-94, Nominations Committee, 1995-96.  
 Social Science Research Council, Advisory Board of project "The Effects of Recent Changes in Europe on European Studies in the United States," 1992-93.  
 Society for Romanian Studies, Vice-President, 1989-90.  
 National Council for Soviet and East European Research, Trustee, 1989-96; Executive Board, 1991-93; Chair of the Board of Trustees, 1995-96.  
 American Ethnological Society, Councillor (Board of Directors), 1987-90.  
 ACLS/SSRC Joint Committee on Eastern Europe, Board member, 1987-91.  
 ACLS-Soviet Academy of Sciences Commission on Ethnography, AAA representative 1987-1990.  
 Woodrow Wilson Center, Advisory Board for East European Program, 1985-87.  
 East European Anthropology Group, Steering committee, 1985-89.  
 Social Science Research Council, Screening Committee for Doctoral Research, Western Europe, 1981-84.  
 American Sociological Association, Section on Political Economy of the World System, Council

member, 1982-83.

**External Review Committee** for Duke University, New York University, Harvard University (Ukrainian Studies Center and Weatherhead International Studies Center).

**Referee for articles/proposals** submitted to: American Anthropologist, American Ethnologist, American Historical Review, Anthropological Quarterly, Anthropology Today, Comparative Studies in Society and History, Contemporary Sociology, Cultural Anthropology, Current Anthropology, Czech Sociological Review, East European Politics and Societies, Ethnic and Racial Studies, Ethnos, Ethos, Identities, Journal of Historical Sociology, Journal of Material Culture, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Journal of Women's History, Man, Medical Anthropology Quarterly, Nations and Nationalism, Slavic Review, Space and Society, Theory and Society, Women's History, World Politics, and others; British Academy, National Council for Soviet and East European Research, National Science Foundation, Swiss National Science Foundation, Russell Sage Foundation, Social Science Research Council, Volkswagen Stiftung, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and others.

**Referee for book manuscripts** for Cambridge University Press, Princeton University Press, University of California Press, University of Chicago Press, and others.

**Tenure/promotion reviews** (anthropology unless otherwise indicated) for Central European University Budapest (history), Colgate University, Columbia University (sociology), Cornell University, George Mason University (sociology), Haverford College (sociology), Hunter College, Indiana University (history), MIT (anthropology and political science), Mt. Holyoke College (anthropology and history), New School University, Rutgers University, UC Berkeley (anthropology and sociology), UC San Diego (sociology), UCLA (sociology), UC Santa Cruz, Princeton University (anthropology and Slavic studies), University of Cambridge (UK), University of Florida, University of Kentucky, University of Massachusetts/ Amherst, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota (anthropology and history), University of New Mexico, University of North Carolina/Charlotte, University of Oregon, University of Ottawa (political science), University of Pittsburgh, University of Vermont, University of Washington, and others.

**External dissertation examiner** for Central European University, Columbia University, Cornell University, University of Denmark, University of Finland, University of Illinois, New York University, New School University, Stony Brook University, and others.

## **SIGNIFICANT UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Johns Hopkins University:

Faculty Budget Advisory Committee, 1995-97

Committee for the 21st Century, 1993-94

Department Chair, 1989-92

University of Michigan:

Acting Chair of Anthropology, 2003-2004

Director, Center for Russian and East European Studies, 2001-2003

Associate Chair, Anthropology, 1999-2000, 2001-2002

Executive Committee, Anthropology, 1999-2000, 2001-2002, 2003-2004

Advisory Council, European Union Center (2001-2003)  
 Promotions Procedure Committee, 2000  
 Dean Search Committee, 1998-99  
 Executive Committee, International Institute, 1998-2001  
 Executive Council, Center for Russian and East European Studies, 1998-2000

City University of New York, Graduate Center:

Deputy Chair, Anthropology, 2009-2010, 2011-2013  
 Student-Faculty Disciplinary Panel, 2009-2011  
 Acting Chair of Anthropology, spring 2009  
 Provost Search Committee 2008  
 Executive Committee 2006-2013  
 Curriculum Committee 2007-2009

## **LANGUAGES**

Romanian (Excellent)  
 French (Good reading knowledge)  
 German and Hungarian (Rudimentary)

## **RESEARCH ABROAD**

2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 Short field trips to Romania, supported by CUNY Research Foundation and NCEEER.  
 2000-2004 Four summers' fieldwork in Romania, supported by NCEEER and NSF.  
 1996, 1997 Two summers' fieldwork in Romania, supported by NSF.  
 1993-94 10 months' fieldwork in Romania, supported by IREX.  
 1990, 1991, 1992 Summers in Romania.  
 1987-88 6 months' library research in Romania, supported by IREX.  
 1984-85 12 months' fieldwork and library research in Romania, supported by IREX.  
 1979-80 4 months' fieldwork in Romania, supported by IREX and an SSRC postdoctoral fellowship.  
 1973-74 17 months' fieldwork in Romania, supported by IREX.  
 1971 10 weeks' fieldwork in Greece, supported by Stanford Anthropology Department and Center for Research in International Studies.  
 1970 10 weeks' fieldwork in Wales and Scotland, supported by Woodrow Wilson summer grant.