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Curriculum Vitae

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APPOINTMENTS

- 2018- Associate Professor, University of Oregon, Department of Global Studies
Affiliated Faculty: Anthropology; Latin American Studies; Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies; Disability Studies
- 2019- Faculty Success Coach, National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity
- 2016-21 Director, University of Oregon, Global Health Program
- 2012-18 Assistant Professor, University of Oregon, Department of International Studies
- 2012-13 Assistant Professor, University of Oregon, Dept. of Women's and Gender Studies
- 2012-18 Mentor & Co-Investigator, National Institute of Minority Health Disparities, International Mental Health Research and Training Program (Puebla, Mexico).
- 2011-12 Lecturer, University of California, San Diego, Anthropology & Global Health

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, USA

- PhD Department of Anthropology, 2011 (Sociocultural & Medical Anthropology)
- MA Department of Anthropology, 2007
- MPH Department of Community Health Sciences, School of Public Health, 2004
- MA Latin American Studies Program, 2004

Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR, USA

- BA Department of Sociology/Anthropology (Honors), 1994

RESEARCH AREAS

Transnational Migration; Global Health & Global Mental Health; Migrant & Refugee Health; Health Disparities; Latin America & U.S. Latinx Communities

PUBLICATIONS

Book: Yarris, Kristin E. 2017. *Care Across Generations: Solidarity and Sacrifice in Transnational Families*. Stanford University Press.

Versión en Español. 2019. (Traducida por Lillian Levy.) *El Cuido a Través de las Generaciones*. Managua, Nicaragua: Imprenta por Servicio Jesuita para Migrantes.

Journal Articles (Peer-Reviewed)

Humphris, Rachel and Kristin Yarris. (In Press). Welcoming Acts: Inverting Exclusion and Reinforcing Deservingness among Asylum Volunteers in the US and UK. *Migration & Society*.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2021. ICE Offices and Immigration Courts: Accompaniment in Zones of Illegality. *Human Organization: The Journal of the Society for Applied Anthropology* 80(3): 214-223.

McWhirter, Ellen H., Kristin E. Yarris & Bryan O. Rojas-Araúz. 2021. Description and Pilot Evaluation of a Dreamer Ally Training for Higher Education Staff and Faculty. *Journal for Social Action in Counseling and Psychology* 13(1): 2-22.

Ponting, C., Delgadillo, D., Rivera-Olmedo, N. & Kristin E. Yarris*. 2020. A Qualitative Analysis of Gendered Experiences of Schizophrenia in an Outpatient Psychiatric Hospital in Mexico. *International Perspectives in Psychology: Research, Practice, Consultation*. 9(3): 159-175. *Note: convention in Psychology is P.I. and senior author listed last.

Yarris, Kristin Elizabeth, Brenda Garcia-Millan and Karla Schmidt-Murillo. 2020. Motivations to Help: Local Volunteer Humanitarians in US Refugee Resettlement. *Journal of Refugee Studies* 33(2): 437-459.

Yarris, Kristin Elizabeth and Carolyn Ponting. 2019. Moral Matters: Schizophrenia and Masculinity in Mexico. *Ethos: The Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology* 47(1): 35-53.

Ramírez-Stege, Alyssa and Kristin Elizabeth Yarris. 2017. Culture in La Clínica: Evaluating the Utility of the Cultural Formulation Interview (CFI) in a Mexican Outpatient Setting. *Transcultural Psychiatry* 54(4): 466-487. Supplementary data available through the Qualitative Data Repository at: [doi: 10.1177/1363461517716051](https://doi.org/10.1177/1363461517716051)

Mendenhall, Emily, Kristin E. Yarris and Brandon Kohrt. 2016. Utilization of Standardized Mental Health Assessments in Anthropological Research: Possibilities and Pitfalls. *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry* 40(4): 726-745.

Yarris, Kristin E. and Nicolette J. Dent. 2016. Gender, Inequality and Depo-Provera: Constraints on Reproductive Choice in Nicaragua. *Global Public Health* 12(4): 449-468.

Yarris, Kristin E., Stasiun, Jillian, Musigdilok, Visanee, & Win, Cho. 2015. Generation, Displacement and Deservedness among Karen Refugees in California. *International Migration* 53(3): 111-123.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2014. “Pensando Mucho” (“Thinking too Much”): Embodied Distress among Grandmothers in Nicaraguan Transnational Families. *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry* 38(3): 473-498. **(Awarded the 2015 Stirling Prize of the Society for Psychological Anthropology)**

Yarris, Kristin E. 2014. “Quiero ir y no quiero ir” (I want to go and I don’t want to go): Nicaraguan Children’s Ambivalent Experiences of Transnational Family Life. *The Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 19(2): 284-309.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2011. The Pain of “Thinking too Much”: *Dolor de Cerebro* and the Embodiment of Social Hardship among Nicaraguan Women. *Ethos* 39(2): 226-248. **(Awarded the 2009 Condon Prize of the Society for Psychological Anthropology)**

Edited Journal Issues

Myers, Neely and Kristin E. Yarris. 2019. Introduction, Special Issue: “Extraordinary Conditions: Global Psychiatric Care and the Anthropology of Moral Experience.” *Ethos: Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology* 47(1): 3-12.

Yarris, Kristin E. and Heide Castañeda. 2015. Introduction, Special Issue: “Discourses of Displacement and Deservingness: Interrogating Distinctions between “Forced” and “Economic” Migration.” *International Migration* 53(3): 64-69.

Book Chapters in Edited Volumes (Peer-Reviewed)

Yarris, Kristin E. In Press (Anticipated Pub. 2021). Narrative Testimony and Political Potentiality: Surviving Family Separation, Advocating for Migrants’ Rights. In, Nadia El-Shaarawi and Stéphanie Larchanché (Eds.) *Migration and Health: Challenging the Borders of Belonging, Care, and Policy*. New York: Berghahn Books.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2017. Sacrifice or Abandonment? Nicaraguan Grandmothers’ Narratives of Migration as Kin-Work. pp. 61-82. In, *Transnational Aging and Reconfigurations of Kin-Work*. Parin Dossa and Cati Coe (Eds.) New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2016. Grandmothers, Children and Intergenerational Distress in Nicaraguan Transnational Families. pp. 117-134. In, *Global Mental Health: Anthropological Perspectives*. Brandon Kohrt and Emily Mendenhall (Eds.) New York: Routledge.

Book Reviews

Yarris, Kristin E. 2019. Review of: *Psychiatric Encounters: Madness and Modernity in Yucatan, Mexico*. By Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. 197 pp. Rutgers University Press. In, *American Anthropologist* <https://doi.org/10.1111/aman.13361>.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2019. Review of: *Care across Distance: Ethnographic Explorations of Aging and Migration*. By Azra Hromadzic and Monika Palmberger, Eds. 183 pp. Oxford: Berghahn Books. In, *Anthropology & Aging* 40(2):76-78.

Yarris, Kristin E. 2015. Review of: *Blind Spot: How Neoliberalism Infiltrated Global Health*. By Salmaan Keshavjee, Foreword by Paul Farmer. 288 pp. Oakland: University of California Press. 2014. In, *American Journal of Human Biology* 27(4): 587-588.

Yarris, Kristin. 2013. Review of: *Life Within Limits: Well-Being in a World of Want* (By Michael Jackson. 248 pp. Durham: Duke University Press. 2011). In, NAFSA Global Studies Literature Review No. 4: Cultural Sensitivity and the Global Health Dilemma.

Selected Public Writing (Not Peer-Reviewed)

- Yarris, Kristin, Horton, Sarah, and Whitney Duncan. August, 2021. Engaging with Worker Relief Funds: Countering Immigrant Exclusion during the Pandemic. *Society for Applied Anthropology News*. At: <https://www.appliedanthro.org/publications/news/august-2021/engaging-worker-relief-funds>
- Yarris, Kristin E. 06/28/2021. Survey results – Description of Latinx COVID vaccine inequities. Report Submitted to Lane County Public Health Department.

- Yarris, Kristin E. and Dayna Hansberger. 10/19/20. Survey of Latinx COVID-19 Testing Events in Lane County. Report Submitted to Lane County Public Health Department.
- Yarris, Kristin E. and Karla Schmidt-Murillo. 2020. Oregon's Immigrant Rights Organizations respond to the Coronavirus crisis. *Society for Applied Anthropology News*. At: <https://www.appliedanthro.org/publications/news/may-2020/oregons-immigrant-rights>
- Yarris, Kristin Elizabeth. 2019 (Winter). Crisis and Caregiving: An Intergenerational Perspective on Aging and Migration. *ReVista: Harvard Review of Latin America*. At: <https://revista.drclas.harvard.edu/book/yarris-change-title>
- Horton, Sarah, Kristin Yarris, and Whitney Duncan. 12/9/18. Public Charge Provisions Hurt Citizen Children Too. *The Hill*. At: <https://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/healthcare/420464-public-charge-provisions-hurt-citizen-children-too>
- Horton, Sarah, Whitney Duncan, and Kristin Yarris. 10/29/18. Immigrant Communities and the Public Charge Rule. *Anthropology News*, DOI: 10.1111/AN.1015
- Duncan, Whitney, Lauren Heidbrink and Kristin Yarris. 1/31/18. Introduction: Im/migration in the Trump Era. *Cultural Anthropology Hotspots*. At: <https://culanth.org/fieldsights/introduction-im-migration-in-the-trump-era>
- Yarris, Kristin E. Sanctuary: Reflections on a Social Movement. 1/31/18. *Cultural Anthropology Hotspots*. At: <https://culanth.org/fieldsights/sanctuary-reflections-on-a-social-movement>
- Yarris, Kristin E. Immigration, Families, and Solidarity. Stanford University Press Blog. (Sept. 8, 2017). At: <http://stanfordpress.typepad.com/blog/2017/09/sacrifice-solidarity-and-borders.html>
- “El impacto de la migración en tránsito por Sinaloa: Estado, organizaciones de la sociedad civil y comunidades.” March-April, 2017. *Ser Migrante* (International Organization for Migration-Mexico, OIM-Mexico). (First author, with Fernando Villegas Rivera and Alma Lizárraga Ramos). pp. 1-13. At: <http://www.oim.org.mx/pdf/VersionImpresionSM2Digital.pdf>.
- “Protecting Undocumented Students Post Election.” (Dec. 7, 2016). (First author, with Lauren Heidbrink and Whitney Duncan). *Anthropology News*. At: <http://www.anthropology-news.org/index.php/2016/12/07/protecting-undocumented-students-post-election/>.
- “‘The Stress along the Way’: Medicalization and Transit Migration.” (Feb. 9, 2016). (First author, with Heide Castañeda). *Youth Circulations*. At: <http://www.youthcirculations.com/blog/2016/2/6/the-stress-along-the-way-the-medicalization-of-transit-migration>.
- “Visualizing Risk and Potential: Migrants in Zones of Transit.” January 25, 2016. (Second author, with Heide Castañeda). *Youth Circulations*. At: <http://www.youthcirculations.com/blog/2016/1/25/visualizing-risk-and-potential-migrants-in-zones-of-transit>.
- “Encounters of Violence and Care: Central American Transit Migration through Mexico.” (First author, with Heide Castañeda). *Somatosphere*. (Sept. 3, 2014). At: <http://somatosphere.net/2014/09/encounters-of-violence-and-care-central-american-transit-migration-through-mexico.html>.
- “From Alienation to Protection: Central American Child Migration.” (Third author, with Heide Castañeda and Lauren Heidbrink). *Access Denied: A Conversation on Unauthorized Im/migration and Health*. (Sept. 4, 2014). At: accessdeniedblog.wordpress.com.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

Extramural

- Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, International Collaborative Research Grant. Principal Investigator. "Transit Migration in Mexico's *Ruta Pacifica*: Analyzing the State, Civil Society, and Communities". (2015-16) (Co-Applicant: Dr. Juan Manuel Mendoza Guerrero, Universidad de Sinaloa; Co-PI: Dr. Heide Castañeda, University of South Florida).
- National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant. (2009-11)
"Understanding Consequences of Women's Migration for Family Health and Well-Being in Nicaragua".
- Fulbright Institute for International Education Grant. Nicaragua Country Fellow. (2009-10)
- Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Award. (2009, Declined)
- Foreign Language & Area Studies Title VI Fellowships, for Brazilian Portuguese. (2004; 2006-07)

Intramural Awards at UO

- Center for the Study of Women and Society, Faculty Research Grant (2019-20)
- UO Mellon Faculty Fellowship (2019-20).
- Office of the Vice Provost for Research and Innovation (2018)
- Office of International Affairs, Faculty Collaboration Grant (2018)
- Center for Latino/a and Latin American Studies (CLLAS), Faculty Collaborative Grant (2017)
- Ersted Award for Specialized Pedagogy (for achievement in global health) (2017)
- Oregon Humanities Center Wulf Professorship (2017)
- Oregon Humanities Center Faculty Fellowship (2014)
- UO Junior Professorship Development Award (2013)
- UO Center for the Study of Women & Society, Conference Travel Grant (2013)

Selected Other Academic Awards

- UO College of Arts & Sciences Tyekson Excellence in Teaching Award (2021). (For development of Global Health Field Experience course.)
- P.A.T.O.S. Award, Division of Equity and Inclusion, University of Oregon (2018). (For achievements as a UO Chicana/Latina faculty ally on campus and in the community.)
- Strong Voice Award, United Academics, University of Oregon (2017). (For work protecting undocumented students and students from mixed-status families at UO.)
- Stirling Prize, Best Published Article in Psychological Anthropology, Society for Psychological Anthropology (2015). [For: "Pensando Mucho" (Thinking too Much): Embodied Distress among Grandmothers in Nicaraguan Transnational Families. *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*.]
- Richard G. Condon Prize, Best Student Paper in Psychological Anthropology, Society for Psychological Anthropology (2009).

CONFERENCES [Since 2018]

Papers Presented:

- 2021 Budd EL, McWhirter E, Mauricio AM, De Anda S, Mueller M, Yarris
K, Oregon Saludable: Juntos Podemos Advisory Board, Leve L. *Development and Design of a Culturally Tailored Intervention to Address COVID-19 Disparities Among Latinx Communities Across Oregon*. Oregon Public Health Association Annual Conference (Virtual).
- 2020 *COVID & Structural Vulnerabilities in Oregon's Latinx Communities*. American Anthropological Association, Raising Our Voices (Remote).

- 2020 *Dynamics of Solidarity: Politics of Affect and Hierarchies of Deservingness in Asylum Seeker Volunteer Movements in the UK and US*. (With Rachel Humphris). Royal Anthropological Institute-Royal Geographical Institute (Remote).
- 2020 *Solidarity and Sacrifice: Intergenerational Care in Migration Contexts*. Latin American Studies Association. Guadalajara, Mex. (Remote).
- 2019 *Precarious Policies: Migrant Health in Times of Crisis and Rising Xenophobia* (invited participant, Members Policy Advisory Comm.). American Anthropological Association; Vancouver, B.C.
- 2019 *Aspirations in Transit Migration and Humanitarian Care*. Society for Psychological Anthropology Meetings. Albuquerque, NM.
- 2019 *Fostering Spaces of Welcome for (Im)migrants and Refugees in a Hostile Era* (with Karla Schmidt-Murillo). Society for Applied Anthropology; Portland, OR.
- 2019 *Ethnographic Encounters with Migrants: Between Violence and Care*. Who Cares? Annual Gender Studies Symposium; Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR.
- 2018 *Solidarity and Sacrifice: Intergenerational Care in Migration Contexts*. American Anthropological Association Meetings. San Jose, CA.
- 2018 *Assessing Cultural Impacts on Psychiatric Diagnosis and Care: Insights from Mexico*. World Congress of Psychiatry, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 2018 *¿Caravana, Viacrucis, o Invasión? Discursos y respuestas hacia la migración de tránsito por México*. Latin American Studies Association; Barcelona, Spain.
- 2018 *Protecting Undocumented Students*. Invited Executive Session. American Anthropological Association; Washington, D.C.

Sessions Organized or Chaired:

- 2020 *Engaged Anthropology with Immigrant Communities during the Coronavirus Pandemic*. American Anthropological Association, Raising Our Voices (Remote Conference 11/5/2020).
- 2019 *Dreaming of a Better Future: Anthropological Explorations of Aspiration in Migratory Journeys*. Society for Psychological Anthropology meetings. Albuquerque, NM.
- 2018 *Resistance and Resilience in Contemporary U.S. (Im)migration Movements* (with W. Duncan). Executive Session. American Anthropological Association meetings. San Jose, CA.

Invited Discussant:

- 2019 *Care across Borders: Intergenerational Care through Digital Technologies in Transnational Family Life*. American Anthropological Association; Vancouver, B.C.

INVITED TALKS [Since 2018]

- 2020 *Social Determinants of U.S. Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Coronavirus*. IntroDucktion, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.
- 2019 *Care across Generations: Solidarity and Sacrifice in Transnational Families*. University of Oregon Author Talk. Eugene, OR.
- 2018 *Solidarity and Sacrifice: Intergenerational Care in Migration Contexts*. Ageing Across Borders: Care, Generations, Citizenship conference. Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity. Göttingen, Germany.

SERVICE TO THE ACADEMIC PROFESSION

External Tenure Evaluator: Oregon State University, College of Public Health (2020)

Peer Reviewer for Academic Journals:

American Ethnologist; Anthropological Quarterly; BMC Public Health; Culture, Medicine & Psychiatry; Ethos; The Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology; Global Networks; Global Public Health; Medical Anthropology, Medical Anthropology Quarterly; Social Science & Medicine; The Journal of Latin American and

Caribbean Anthropology; The Journal of Migration, Health, and Social Care; Transcultural Psychiatry; Journal of Refugee Studies

Peer Reviewer of Book Manuscripts for Academic Presses:

University of Arizona, Palgrave, Rutgers University Press, Stanford University Press; University of California Press, Vanderbilt University Press; Oxford University Press.

Invited Judge:

Anthropology of Mental Health Interest Group. Student Conference Prize. (2019)
Society for Psychological Anthropology, Lemelson Student Award Committee. (2017-2020)
Society for Medical Anthropology, Rudolf Virchow Graduate Award (2012 & 2019)

Member of Professional Associations: American Anthropological Association, Society for Latin

American & Caribbean Anthropology, Society for Medical Anthropology, Society for Psychological Anthropology, Society for Applied Anthropology.

Steering Committee Member: Anthropologist Action Network for Immigrants and Refugees

SELECTED UNIVERSITY SERVICE at UO

Oregon Humanities Center, Faculty Advisory Committee (2020-)
Dreamers Working Group, Steering Committee Member (2016-)
University Senate (2019-20)
Center for Global Health, Co-Director (2015-)
Global Health Minor Program, Director (2016-18, 2019-21)
Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, Steering Committee (2016-2018)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Lane County Public Health, Latinx Advisory Board (2020-)
Juntos Podemos, UO Latinx COVID Testing Project (Leslie Leve, P.I.) Community Scientific Advisory Board Member (Stipend declined) (2020-)
Centro LatinoAmericano (Eugene), Volunteer (2017-)
Oregon Worker Relief Fund, Volunteer Navigator (2020)
Equity Corps of Oregon, Volunteer Navigator (2018-20)
Friends of Sanctuary (Lane County), Board Member (2018-)
Refugee Resettlement Coalition, Catholic Community Services, volunteer (2020-)
Civil Liberties Defense Center, Undocumented Community Know Your Rights (certificate, 2019)

TEACHING

At University of Oregon: (note: all courses GLOBL as of Fall, 2020)

INTL 340: Global Health & Development
INTL 463/563: Population Displacement & Global Health
INTL 465/565: Global Reproductive Health
INTL 467/567: Global Mental Health
INTL 410/510: Transnational Migration
INTL 410/510: Project-Based Learning in Global Studies & Global Health
WGS 407/507: Gender, Family, and Transnational Life
CHC (Clark Honors College) 424: Suffering, Violence and Healing

With Latino Mental Health International Research Training Program (in Mexico)

Mixed-Methods Research in Global Mental Health (in Spanish).

LANGUAGES: English, Spanish, Portuguese (conversational)

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