

# Yancey A. Orr

## Curriculum Vitae

Department of Anthropology  
The University of Maryland  
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### RESEARCH INTERESTS:

**Themes:** Human-Environment Interactions, Indigenous Communities, Epistemology, Digital Perception and Phenomenology, Sustainability, Climate Change

**Regions:** Southeast Asia, Indigenous and Non-Indigenous North America

### EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of Arizona, Anthropology, 2012  
Committee: Steve Lansing (Arizona-Chair), David Graeber (LSE),  
Michael Dove (Yale), Aram Yengoyan (UC Davis), Steve Kuhn (Arizona)
- M.A. University of California-Berkeley, Anthropology, 2007
- M.A. Yale University, Religion, 2005
- B.A. Yale University, History, 2001

### PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2018- Assistant Professor, The University of Maryland: Department of Anthropology,  
College Park, Maryland.
- 2013-18 Lecturer, The University of Queensland: School of Social Science. Brisbane,  
Australia.
- 2015 Fellow, Anthropology of Zoonosis, *Collège de France-Laboratoire d'Anthropologie  
Sociale*. Paris, France.
- 2012-13 Assistant Professor, The University of Alberta: Department of Anthropology.  
Edmonton, AB, Canada.

## PUBLICATIONS

### PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

- Accepted **Y.A. Orr** and R.I. Orr, Tricksters and Experimental Deception: Knowledge Creation in American Indian and Scientific Communities, *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*.
- 2021 Orr, R.I. and **Y.A. Orr**, Victory for All, Administration for Some: An Examination of Differences in the Impact of Indigenous Jurisdictional Expansion in Oklahoma, *Policy Design and Practice*, Vol. 4, No 2.
- 2021 Orr, R.I. and **Y.A. Orr**, Compositional Stasis and Flexibility in American Indian Tribes *Ethnohistory*, Vol. 68:2, pp. 191-213.
- 2019 **Orr, Y.A.** and R.I. Orr, Imagining American Indians and Community in Southeast Asia, *International Journal of Critical Indigenous Studies*, Vol. 12. No. 1., pp.1-17.
- 2018 Orr, R.I. and **Y.A. Orr**. Unrecognized Tradition: American Indian Political Economy and Narrow Conceptions of Indigenous Authenticity, *The Urban Anthropology Journal*, Vol. 7, Issue 2., pp. 166-189.
- 2016 **Orr, Y.A.** Interspecies Semiotics and the Specter of Taboo; The Perception and Interpretation of Dogs, Barks and Rabies in Bali, Indonesia, *American Anthropologist*. Vol. 118, Issue 1., pp. 67-77.
- 2016 **Orr, Y.A.** and R.I. Orr. The Death of Socrates: Managerialism, Metrics and Bureaucratization in Universities, *Australian Universities Review*, Vol. 58. Issue 2., pp. 15-25.
- 2015 **Orr, Y.A.**, J.S. Lansing and M.R. Dove. Environmental Anthropology: Systemic Perspectives, *Annual Review of Anthropology*, Vol. 44., pp. 153-168.
- 2015 **Orr, Y.A.** Animal Magnetism: Perceiving Environmental Objects as Social Subjects among Balinese looking at Roosters, *Visual Anthropology*, Vol. 27., pp. 127-137.
- 2015 **Orr, Y.A.** Structuralism in Eastern Indonesia: An Origin for a Theory in the Social Science, *International Journal of Indonesian Studies*, Vol.3, Issue 3., pp. 1-14.
- 2015 **Orr, Y.A.** Patterns of Culture: Arizona Anthropology, *Arizona Anthropologist*, Issue 23, pp. 33-39.
- 2013 **Orr, Y.A.** and B. Hallmark. Folk Food Webs and the Role of Praxis in Substantive Ecological Knowledge, *Human Ecology: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, Vol. 41. Issue. 6, pp. 339-346.

- 2012 **Orr, Y.A.** Coconuts and the Emergence of Violence in Sulu; Beyond Resource Competition Paradigms, *Bijdragen tot de Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde / The Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences of Southeast Asia and Oceania*, Vol. 168, No 2., pp. 253-273.
- 2012 **Orr, Y.A.**, R. Schimmer and R. Geerken. Ethno-ecology in the Shadow of Rain and Light of Experience; Local Perceptions of Drought and Climate Change in East Sumba, Indonesia, *Climate Change and Threatened Communities: Vulnerability, Capacity & Action*, Practical Action Publishers, London. Peter Castro, Dan Taylor and David Brokensha (ed.), pp. 175-184.
- 2012 Schimmer R., R. Geerken and **Y.A. Orr**. Pastoralist Cultural Responses to Climate Variations Potentially Contributing to Drought Conditions in Northern Kenya, *Climate Change, Pastoral Traditional Coping Mechanisms and Conflict in the Horn of Africa*. UPEACE Africa Programme, Mulugeta Gebre Hiwot and Jean-Basco Butera (ed.), pp. 88-122.
- 2010 **Orr, Y.A.**, The East Sumba Household in Perspective: Ecology, Economy and Hierarchy/ Rumah Tangga di Sumba Timur dalam Perspektif; Ecologi, Ekonomi dan Hirarki, *Jurnal Ilmiah Widya Sosiopolitik*, Vol. 1 (2) December., pp. 46-61.
- 2004 **Orr, Y. A.** and R.I. Orr, Moro Rebellion in the Southern Philippines, *Culture and Peace Studies*, Vol. 5 (1), pp. 23-33.

#### RESEARCH MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

- Revision R.I. Orr and **Y.A. Orr**, Historical and Contemporary Perspectives on Health from Inside and Outside the Tribe, *Native American Psycho-social Identity and Worldview*. edited by Eugene Hightower and Gayle Mores, Oxford Press, (submitted 7/20/20).
- In Prep. Alipio, Cheryl and **Y.A. Orr**, From Historical Maritime Slavery to Contemporary Transnational Migration: Patterns of Comparative Forced Labor and Antislavery Practices in Island Southeast Asia, *Journal of Modern Slavery* (Special Issue).
- In Prep. Lansing, J.S., **Y.A. Orr**, W.B. Arthur, C. Folke, S.A. Levin and S. Thurner. A Roadmap to Management of the Global Commons.
- In Prep. **Orr, Y.A.** Perceptual Lines of Bricolage; Koh's Block Design in Balinese Craft Production (research article in preparation for *Ethnos: Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology*).

#### REVIEWS AND SHORT ARTICLES

- 2020 In Memoriam. David Graeber. *Anthropology News*. November.
- 2017 Too Fast, Too Laborious?; a review of *Accelerating Academia: The Changing*

- Structure of Academic Time* by Filip Vostal. *Current Anthropology* Vol. 58 (3)
- 2013 Grounds for the Production of Modernity and its Antithesis; a review of *From Modern Production to Imagined Primitive*, by Paige West. *The Australian Journal of Anthropology*. Vol. 23.
- 2010 Ethnography and Journalism; Ethnography and the Global Economy, *Current Anthropology* Vol. 51 (5) Profile of Gillian Tett, U.S. Bureau Chief of the *Financial Times*.
- 2009 Public Anthropology, *Current Anthropology* Vol. 50(4) pp. 413. Profile of Wade Davis, Explorer in Residence of The National Geographic Society.
- 2009 In the Society of Story, *Current Anthropology* Vol. 50(6). Book review of *Lost People; Magic and the Legacy of Slavery in Madagascar* (2007) by David Graeber.
- 2009 Anthropology of Disease; The Bird is the Word, *Current Anthropology* Vol. 50(6). Review of “Community response to avian flu in Central Java, Indonesia” by Siwi Padmawati and Mark Nichter.
- 2009 Archeology of Drug Paraphernalia: Man the Huffer, *Current Anthropology* Vol. 50(5). Review of “Evidence for inter-island transport of heirlooms” by Scott Fitzpatrick.
- 2009 Anthropology of Rebellion; Girls *Not* Gone Wild, *Current Anthropology* Vol. 50(4). Review of “‘Failed Development’ and Rural Revolution in Nepal” by Lauren Leve.
- 2009 Criminal Anthropology; Coercion between Male and Female Co-offenders, *Current Anthropology*, Vol. 50(3). Review of “Partners in Crime” by Stephen Jones.
- 2009 Medical Anthropology; A Culture of Meaning for HIV Transmission, *Current Anthropology*, Vol.50(2). Review of “Pass the Cream, Hold the Butter” by Ellie Reynolds.
- 2009 Psychological Anthropology; Cross Cultural Relaxation, *Current Anthropology*, Vol. 50(1) Review of “Culture and Leisure Constraints” by Gordon Walker et al.

#### NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 Bill looks like a pro and con in Hillary’s camp, *Herald Sun* (Australia’s largest circulating newspaper), essay on dynastic politics in the U.S. (with R.I. Orr).
- 2016 Virtual Reality Bites Back: Trump, *Pursuit*, analysis of Donald Trump, reality TV and Social Media (with R.I. Orr).

- 2016 You've Got Zombies: Devoured by E-mail in the Technological Apocalypse, *PopMatters*, online magazine for cultural criticism.
- 2014 Justin Bieber: Messiah and anti-Christ, *Overland*, Australian Literary Journal.
- 2014 We love reliving the 80s but only through farce, *The Conversation*, public, academic and cultural studies article.

### **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

- 2017-8 Council Affiliate, Yale Council on Southeast Asian Studies, Yale University.
- 2014-5 Award for Early Career Teaching Excellence, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, The University of Queensland. (2,500 AUD)
- 2013-4 Social Science New Staff Research Grant, The University of Queensland. (9,000 AUD)
- 2010-11 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant (#1060427). (17,790 USD)
- 2008-11 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship. (145,000 USD)
- 2007-12 Ford Foundation Fellowship, National Research Council. (32,000 USD)
- 2010 Dozier Research Award, University of Arizona. (400 USD)
- 2009 William and Nancy Sullivan Scholarship, University of Arizona. (400 USD)
- 2008 Arizona Fellowship, University of Arizona. (10,000 USD)
- 2005-7 Chancellor's Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley. (55,000 USD)
- 2006 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS), Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. (2,600 USD)
- 2005 Summer Research Grant, University of California, Berkeley. (3,000 USD)
- 2004 Southeast Asian Center Research Grant, Yale University. (2,400 USD)
- 2003-12 Citizen Potawatomi Scholarship, Potawatomi Nation. (750 USD)
- 2003-5 Graduate Fellowship, American Indian Graduate Center. (1,500 USD)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND**

Environmental Anthropology Graduate Seminar (2020, 2021)  
History of Anthropological Theory (2020)  
Organic, Mechanical and Digital Worlds (2020, 2021)  
The Introduction to Cultural and Linguistic Anthropology (2018, 2019)  
Political Ecology (2018, 2019)

### **THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND**

Environmental Anthropology (Graduate and Undergraduate) (2015, 2016, 2017)\*^  
Introduction to Anthropology (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)\*  
Advanced Anthropological Theory (2013, 2014, 2016)\*^  
Ritual, Religion and Performance (2014)  
\* Departmental Recognition of Teaching Excellence (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)  
^ Faculty of Humanities and Social Science Excellence in Teaching Award (2015)

### **THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA**

History of Human-Ecological Theory (Graduate) (2013)  
Introduction to Anthropology (2013)

### **THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA**

Many Ways of Being Human (2008)

## **PHD/MASTERS/HONORS STUDENTS**

Gillian Paxton, PhD. 2017. (Chair) *Wild Urban Companions: Living with Everyday Native Animals in Brisbane, QLD*.  
Alex Gearin, PhD. 2015. *An Amazonian Shamanic Brew in Australia: Ayahuasca Healing and Individualism*.  
Nathaniel Perry, MA in Development Studies. 2016. *Conceptualizing Wilderness in Earth Jurisprudence*.  
Mardi Reardon-Smith, Honors, 2016. *Timber Getting and Meston's Mission: A Critical History of Land Management and Aboriginal Relations on Fraser Island* - Currently a PhD student at the University of Sydney.  
Adelheid Salzman, Honors, 2016. *Cats in Medieval Europe: An ethnology and archival analysis of ecclesiastical and secular perceptions and behaviors* - Currently a librarian in the National Library of Austria.  
Lachlan Summers, Honors, 2015. *A City By Bicycle: Materiality, Practice and Identity* (National Award for Best Anthropology Honors Thesis in Australia, 2016) - Currently PhD student at the University of California-Santa Cruz under Anna Tsing.

## **DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

2021- Graduate Education Committee, Department of Anthropology, The University of Maryland, College Park

- 2019-21 Faculty Advisory Committee, Department of Anthropology, The University of Maryland, College Park.
- 2019-21 Undergraduate Education Committee, Department of Anthropology, The University of Maryland, College Park.
- 2015- 6 Departmental Teaching Committee, School of Social Science, The University of Queensland.
- 2014 Departmental Ethics Committee Member, School of Social Science, The University of Queensland.
- 2013 Convener, Seminar Series for School of Social Science, The University of Queensland.
- 2014 Convener, Bachelor of Development Studies, School of Social Science, The University of Queensland.

#### **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

- 2019- Editorial Board Member, *Human Ecology: An Interdisciplinary Journal*.
- 2019 Reviewer, Graduate Women in Science, National Fellowship Program.
- 2019 Panelist, National Science Foundation, Dissertation Improvement Grant.
- 2018 Panelist, National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship Program.
- 2015-9 Book Review Editor, *Human Ecology: An Interdisciplinary Journal*.
- 2013 Member, Thematic Action Group on Ethnobiology and Socioeconomy. The International Thematic Action Groups of the COGENT Network.
- 2007-8 Editorial Assistant, *Current Anthropology*.

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2010-11 Consultant, Department of Agricultural Research and Technology (BPTP), UNESCO Committee, Provincial Government of Bali, Indonesia. Provided legal analysis and planning for the Balinese UNESCO Proposal for the preservation of traditional rice agricultural and religious systems.
- 2007-8 Technical Advisor, LPMAM. Timika, Papua, Indonesia. Advised and managed the programs and budgeting for the NGO, Lembaga Pengembangan Masyarakat Amungme Kamoro.

- 2003-4     Researcher, Paglas Corporation - Subsidiary of Chiquita Banana Inc., Mindanao, Philippines. Researched agricultural systems and violence in smallholder and plantation settings within the context of the Muslim rebellion.
- 2002-3     History Teacher, Palmer Trinity School, Miami, Florida. Taught high school and middle school European History and Geography.

**TRIBAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES**

- 2020        Co-Founder, Mentoring Network for Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Provides mentoring for Potawatomi who are applying to graduate and professional schools.
- 2020        Presenter, Citizen Potawatomi Nation Department of Education, Program for Graduate School
- 2020        Monarch butterflies and the disconnect from the natural world, *The Hownikan*, Citizen Potawatomi Nation Newspaper.
- 2012        Potawatomi Abroad, *The Hownikan*, Charles Clark, Citizen Potawatomi Nation’s Newspaper.
- 2004-5     Researcher and Writer, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Shawnee, Oklahoma. Wrote and directed a documentary film on the history of my Native American tribe, The Citizen Potawatomi Nation.

**PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND MEDIA COVERAGE**

- 2020        Writer, National Black Church Initiative. Instructions for reopening churches during Covid-19 Pandemic.
- 2020        Monarch butterflies and the disconnect from the natural world, *The Hownikan*, Citizen Potawatomi Nation News Paper
- 2019        Panelist, *Yale University Environmental Film Festival*, New Haven, CT.
- 2016        White House Presidential Champions of Change, Washington, D.C. Recognized as a co-creator of a sustainable cuisine and foraging techniques under the lead chef and recipient, Bun Lai, for contributions made to marine conservation and environmental justice.
- 2015        *Why did the Chicken Cross the World*, Andrew Lawler, Arita Press.
- 2015        The Invasivore’s Dilemma, Rowan Jacobsen, *Outside Magazine*.



2013 A Radical Anthropologist Finds Himself in Academic Exile, Christopher Shea, *Chronicle of Higher Education*.

2013 Battling Invasive Species, Kate Frazer, The Nature Conservancy.

#### PAPERS GIVEN

2020 Compositional Stasis and Flexibility in American Indian Tribes, The University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.

2020 Ethnoscience and Perception, The University of Texas, Austin, TX.

2020 Applied and Academic Anthropology in Southeast Asia, The University of North Texas, Denton, TX.

2018 Knowledge, Ecology and the Environment. Trent University. Peterborough, Ontario, CA.

2018 Knowledge Systems and Restaurants: 3,000 BC to 2010, The Jacques Pépin Institute, Johnson and Wales University, Providence, RI.

2017 Environmental Anthropology. American University, Washington D.C.

2017 Ethnoscience at the Level of Perception: Knowledge, Symbols and Praxis in Bali, Indonesia, Reed College, Portland, OR.

2017 Experiencing Nature: The Emergence of Cognitive and Perceptual Knowledge of the Environment in Bali, Indonesia, The University of Toronto, ON

2017 New Perspectives in Experiencing Nature: Symbols, Labor and Knowledge in Bali, Indonesia, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA.

2015 The Specter of Taboo and Zoonosis, The Anthropology of Zoonosis, *Collège de France*, Paris, France.

2015 Sensing Climate Change; the Role of the Body for Ethno-climatology in East Sumba, Indonesia, *American Anthropological Association*, Denver, CO.

2015 Ecology, Empirical Phenomenology and Philosophical Thought, *École Normale Supérieure*, Department of Philosophy Graduate Seminar, Paris, France.

2015 The Resurrection of the secular body in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Brisbane Religious Assembly, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

2014 Towards a Grammar for Experiencing Nature, The University of Hawaii, Department of Anthropology, Honolulu, HI.

- 2014 Praxis and Industrialization, The University of Hawaii, Honors College, Department of Philosophy, Honolulu, HI.
- 2014 Art and Ecology in the Paleolithic, The University of Hawaii, Honors College, Department of Art History, Honolulu, HI.
- 2014 Foraging and cuisine in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, Mashantucket Pequot Foxwood's Museum of American Indians, Mashantucket, CT.
- 2014 Invasive Species, Ecology and Diet, The Rockfall Foundation, Middletown, CT.
- 2013 Perception of Dog Barks and Rabies in Bali Indonesia, Australian Anthropological Society, Canberra, ACT, Australia.
- 2013 Coconuts and Ecological Violence, Australian Political Science Association, Perth, WA, Australia.
- 2013 Symbolic Power and the Necktie, Sydney University of Technology, Sydney, NSW, Australia.
- 2012 Interspecies Semiotics and Taboo; The Perception and Interpretation of Dogs, Barks and Rabies in Bali, Indonesia, American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 Cognitive and Phenomenal Ecology, Yale University, School of Forestry, New Haven, CT.
- 2012 *L'émergence de la connaissance écologique indigène: La cognition, la perception, et le travail social dans la société indonésienne*, École Normale Supérieure (Department of Philosophy) and Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, France.
- 2010 Local Perceptions of Rabies, Conference for the Control of Rabies, Department of Animal Husbandry, Bali, Indonesia.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### PANELS ORGANIZED / CHAIRED

- 2015 Panel Chair, Ecological Anthropology, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Invited panel session for Anthropology and Environment section.

2012 Panel Chair and Session Organizer, Ecological Anthropology 2012, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Invited panel session for Anthropology and Environment and Society for Anthropology Sciences sections.

### **LANGUAGES**

Intermediate command of conversational and professional Indonesian.

Basic conversational and professional French (studied at Sorbonne - *Ecole pour Les Etrangers*).

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

The American Anthropological Association

Animal Behavior Society

International Society for Biosemiotics

The International Coconut Genetic Resource Network

Society of Ethnobiology

## REFERENCES

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