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Education:

1981 PhD., University of California, San Diego
1976 M.A., University of California, San Diego
1968-70 B.A., S.U.N.Y., College at Old Westbury
1966-68 Pomona College

Employment:

1999-2009 Professor, University of Oregon
1989-99 Associate Professor, University of Oregon
1983-89 Assistant Professor, University of Oregon
1982-83 Postdoctoral Fellow, Research Group on Social Psychology & Mental Health, Indiana University
1981-82 Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of California, San Diego
1977-78 Community Manager, Docker River Aboriginal Settlement
1976-77 Research Anthropologist, Western Australian Museum
1975-76 Tutor, Murdoch University, Perth, Australia.
1971-73 Director, Project Wilderness, Sierra Club Foundation

Awards and Honors:

2009 Fulbright Senior Specialist, Facoltà di Sociologia, Università di Trento, Italy (Jan and Feb)
2008-10 Elected Chair, Board of Directors, International Association for Environmental Philosophy
2007-12 Reelected Associate Member, Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies (five year term),
previously elected in 2002.
2006-09 Elected to Board of Directors, International Association for Environmental Philosophy
2006-10 Designated Fulbright Senior Specialist Professor of Sociology
2004 Fulbright Senior Professor, Department of Studies in Sociology, University of Mysore, India
(Jan-June)
2004-05 Member, Selection Committee for Australia, Institute for International Education (Fulbright)
2002 Summer Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon
1999-2009 Member, Board of Editors, *Human Studies* (journal)
1999 Coordinator, Annual Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
1999 Hero of the Month, Lane County Convention and Visitors Association
1998-99 Editor, *Phenomenology and the Human Sciences* (journal)
1997 Research Grant, American Philosophical Society
1997 Summer Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon
1996 Robert and Evelyn Wulf Teaching Fellow in the Humanities, University of Oregon
1996 "Professor of the Term" University of Oregon
1995-96 Senior Research Fellow, American Institute of Indian Studies
1995 Research Fellow, Oregon Humanities Center
1993-95 Chair, Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences
1993 Program Chair, Annual Meeting, Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences
1992 Grant-in-Aid, American Council of Learned Societies
1991 Research Grant, American Philosophical Society
1990-2009 Member, International Advisory Committee, Institute for Ethnomethodology and
Conversation Analysis
1990 Research Grant, Spencer Foundation for Educational Research
1988 Summer Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon
1987 Summer Research Fellowship, Oregon Committee for the Humanities
1986 Research Grant, Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies
1985 Senior Research Fellow, American Institute of Indian Studies
1984 Summer Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon
1981 Research Grant, National Endowment for the Humanities

Areas of Interest:

Teaching: Ethnomethodology and Phenomenology Language and Social Interaction
 Race and Ethnic Relations South Asian Religions

Research: Ethnomethodology Tibetan Philosophical Practices
 Intercultural Communication Contemporary Ethnic Groups

Languages: Tibetan
 Pitjantjarra and Ngaanyatjarra [Australian]
 Spanish
 Italian
 [also studied French, Mongolian and Kannada]

Association Memberships: American Sociological Association
 Pacific Sociological Association
 Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences
 Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy
 International Association for Environmental Philosophy

Books

- 2007 *Husserl's Criticism of Reason, With Ethnomethodological Specifications*, Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books.
- 2004 *Dialectical Practice in Tibetan Philosophical Culture: An Ethnomethodological Inquiry Into Formal Reasoning*, Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield. Paper edition 2007. (Translated into Chinese)
- 1985 *Understanding Interaction in Central Australia: An Ethnomethodology of Australian Aboriginal People*, London: Routledge.

CD-ROM

- 2004 *Dialectical Practice in Tibetan Philosophical Culture: an interactive introduction to Tibetan debating*. Lanham, Md: Rowman & Littlefield (accompanies book). Also available for free download at <<http://www.thdl.org/DebateTutorials/>>

Refereed Articles:

- 2009 "The Itinerary of Intersubjectivity in Social Phenomenological Research, *Alfred Schutz Annals*, Vol. 1 (ed. by Michael Barber), Zeta Books, in press.
- 2009 "Playing Karnatic Music: the Public Life of a South Indian Musical Form," *South Asian Popular Culture* 7, No. 2 (Routledge), in press.
- 2008 "Larry Wieder's Radical Ethno-Inquiries," *Human Studies* 31, No. 3, pp. 251-57.
- 2008 "Aboriginal Education," in Malia Villegas, Sabina Rak Neugebauer, and Kerry R. Venegas (Eds.), *Indigenous Knowledge and Education: Sites of Struggle, Strength and Survivance*, Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press (reprinted from *Harvard Educational Review* 51, No. 1, pp. 139-44).
- 2008 "The Reflexivity of the Authenticity of Hatha Yoga," in Jean Byrne and Mark Singleton (Eds.), *Yoga: Contemporary Perspectives*, London: Routledge, pp. 102-117.
- 2008 "The Virtues of Sophistry: Sophistry In and As Its Course," *Argumentation: an International Journal on Reasoning* (Selected Proceedings of the 6th conference of the International Association for the Study of Argument, Springer) 22. pp. 59-70.
- 2007 "An Inquiry into the Intercorporeal Relations Between Humans and the Earth," in Suzanne L. Cataldi and William S. Hamrick (Eds.), *Merleau-Ponty and Environmental Philosophy: Dwelling on the Landscapes of Thought*, Albany, NY: State University of New York Press, pp. 37-49.

- 2007 Harold Garfinkel and Kenneth Liberman, "The Lebenswelt Origins of the Sciences," *Human Studies* 30, No. 1, pp. 3-7.
- 2006 "The Development of Research in Intersubjectivity and the Lebenswelt in Contemporary Sociology," in *On the Future of Husserlian Phenomenology* [Website, New School University, New York] <http://www.newschool.edu/gf/phil/husserl/Future/Future_Main.html>
- 2001 "The Digital Ethnography: multimedia in qualitative analysis," *Glimpse* 3 (1), 2001, pp. 63-67.
- 2001 "Prospects for an Emerging Discourse in Environmental Philosophy," *Call of the Earth* 3 (2), pp. 2-6.
- 1999 "The Social Praxis of Communicating Meanings," *Text* 19, No. 1, pp. 57-72.
- 1999 "The Dialectics of Oppression: A Phenomenological Perspective," *Philosophy Today* 43, No. 3, pp. 272-282.
- 1999 "From Walkabout to Meditation: Craft and Ethics in Field Inquiry," *Qualitative Inquiry* 5, No. 1, pp. 47-63.
- 1996 "'Universal Reason' as a Local Organizational Method," *Human Studies* 19, pp. 289-301.
- 1995 "The Hermeneutics of Formal Analytics: The Case of Tibetan Philosophical Criticism," *International Philosophical Quarterly* 35, No. 2, pp. 129-40.
- 1994 "Asian Students' Perspectives on American University Education," *International Journal of Intercultural Relations* 18, pp. 173-92.
- 1994 "Knowing and Being," *Human Studies* 17, pp. 355-362.
- 1994 "A Natural History of Some Intercultural Collaboration," *Research on Language and Social Interaction* 28, No. 2, pp. 117-46.
- 1991 "The Grammatology of Emptiness: Postmodernism, the *Madhyamika* Dialectic and the Limits of the Text," *International Philosophical Quarterly* 31, No. 4, pp. 435-48.
- 1990 "An Intercultural Collision: The Collective Character of Aboriginal Disputes," in *Sociolinguistics* 19, pp. 89-98. [Reprinted in Michael Lynch and Wes Sharrock (Eds), *Harold Garfinkel*, Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Masters of Sociological Thought Series, 2004.]
- 1989 "Decentering the Self: Two Perspectives from Philosophical Anthropology," in Arlene Dallery and Charles Scott (Eds.), *The Question of the Other* (1989 Issue of the Series, "Selected Studies in Phenomenology") Albany: SUNY Press, pp. 127-142.
- 1984 "The Hermeneutics of Intercultural Communication," *Anthropological Linguistics* 26, No. 1, pp. 53-83.
- 1982 "The Economy of Central Australian Aboriginal Expression: an Inspection from the Vantage of Merleau-Ponty and Derrida," *Semiotica* 40, no. 3/4, pp. 81-160.
- 1982 "Some Linguistic Features of Congenial Fellowship," *International Journal of the Sociology of Language* 36, pp. 35-51.
- 1982 "The Organization of Talk in Aboriginal Community Decision-Making," *Anthropological Forum* 5, No. 1, pp. 38-53.
- 1981 "Understanding Aborigines in Australian Courts of Law," *Human Organization* 40, No. 3, pp. 247-55.
- 1980 "The Decline of the Kuwarra People of Australia's Western Desert," *Ethnohistory* 27, No. 2, pp. 119-33.
- 1980 "Ambiguity and Gratuitous Concurrence in Intercultural Communication," *Human Studies* 3, No. 1, pp. 65-86.

Invited and Non-Refereed Articles:

- 2009 "From Phenomenology to Ethnomethodology," *Scientiae Studia* (Sao Paola, Brasil), in press.
- 2009 "Heidegger's Notion of *Befindlichkeit* and the Meaning of 'Situated' in Social Inquiries," *Quaderni del Dipartimento*, Facoltà di Sociologia, Università di Trento (Italy), in press.

- 2008 "Thinking as a Public Activity," in David Francis and Steve Hester (Eds.), *Orders of Ordinary Action*, London: Ashgate, pp. 159-73.
- 2006 "Response," in "Book Symposium: Kenneth Liberman on Tibetan Debating Practice," *Human Studies* 29 (3), pp. 393-398.
- 2004 "Yoga Tourism in India," *Yoga Life* 35. No. 7, pp. 23-32.
- 2000 "The Other in Tibetan Buddhism," *Who, Exactly is the Other?* (Ed. By Stephen Shankman) Eugene: Oregon Humanities Center, pp. 41-48.
- 2001 "Ethnographic Practice and the Critical Spirit," in *Reflexive Ethnography* (Ed. by David Bromley and Lewis Carter), *Toward Reflexive Ethnography*, J.A.I. Press, pp. 93-116.
- 1998 "Can Emptiness be Formulated?: A Debate from a Gelugpa Monastic University," *The Tibet Journal* 23, No. 2, pp. 33-48.
- 1997 "Meaning Reflexivity: Gendlin's Contribution to Ethnomethodology," in David Michael Levin (Ed.), *Language Beyond Postmodernism*, Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press, pp. 252-67.
- 1996 "Truth and Authority in Tibetan Religious Practice," *Religion and the Social Order* 6, pp. 251-58.
- 1996 "Negative Dialectics in *Madhyamika* and the Continental Tradition," in Ninian Smart and B. Srinivasa Murthy, *East-West Encounters in Philosophy and Religion*, Long Beach: Long Beach Publications, pp., 185-202.
- 1994 "A Case for Convergence in Tibetan and Vedantin Meditative Practice," *Journal of the Indian Council for Philosophical Research* 11, No. 2, pp. 55-68.
- 1992 "Philosophical Debate in the Tibetan Academy," *The Tibet Journal* 17, No. 1, pp. 36-67.
- 1991 "Racism and Essentialism," *New Quest* 89, pp. 273-76.
- 1990 "An Ethnomethodological Agenda in the Study of Intercultural Communication," in *Cultural Communication and Intercultural Contact*, Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, 1990, pp. 185-92.
- 1990 "The Native Environment: Contemporary Perspectives of Southwestern Oregon Native Americans," in *Living With the Land*, Jacksonville, OR: Southwestern Oregon Historical Society, pp. 85-93.
- 1988 "On Issues of Representation and Responsibility," *Canberra Anthropology* 11, No. 1, pp. 82-85.
- 1987 "The World's Most Invisible People," *Cultural Survival Quarterly* 11, No. 1, pp. 81-2.
- 1986 "Toward a Universal Criticism of Reason," *Journal of Phenomenological Psychology* 17, No. 2 (Special Issue on Scientific Validity and Reliability), pp. 113-27.
- 1986 "The Tibetan Cultural Praxis: Bodhicitta Thought Training," *Humbolt Journal of Social Relations* 13, No. 1/2, pp. 113-26.
- 1983 "Intercultural Communication in Central Australia," in R. Bauman and J. Sherzer (Eds.), *Case Studies in the Ethnography of Speaking*, Austin: Southwest Educational Development Laboratory, pp. 316-326. [Reprinted in *Cultural Communication and Intercultural Contact*, Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, 1990, pp. 177-84.]
- 1980 "A Humanitarian Award Raises a Question of Rights," *Los Angeles Times*, Sept. 1, Part II, p. 5.
- 1980 "Australia's Aroused Aborigines," *The Nation* 231, No. 11, pp. 338-40.
- 1980 "Two World-Creative Carpet Snakes from the Australian Desert," *Folklore and Mythology Studies* 3, pp. 6-16.
- 1978 "Problems of Communication in Western Desert Courtrooms," *Australian Legal Service Bulletin* 3, No. 4, pp. 84-86.
- 1978 "Ontology and Cultural Politics," *Dialectical Anthropology* 3, pp. 157-76.

Co-authored textbooks:

- 1989 *Pattern Drills in Intermediate Conversational Tibetan*, with Ngawangthondup Narkyid, Dharamsala, India: Library of Tibetan Works and Archives.

- 1988 *A Workbook on Tibetan Pronunciation*, with Ngawangthondup Narkyid, Dharamsala, India: Library of Tibetan Works and Archives.
- 1987 *Textbook of Modern Colloquial Tibetan Conversations*, with M. Tashi, Dharamsala, India: Library of Tibetan Works and Archives.

Translations:

- 2001 "Nyi hong gi kad la ko an zhes," *Sera Je Monastic University Magazine* 2 (1), pp. 21-24. [Translation into Tibetan of thirteen zen koans], Bylakuppe, India: Sera Je Press.
- 1988 "The Going for Refuge Sutra" (translation), *Bulletin of Tibetology*, New Series, No. 1.

Book Reviews:

- 2008 "Husserl's Phenomenology of Scientific Reason" (Review Essay of James Dodd, *Crisis and Reflection*), *Human Studies* 31 (3).
- 2001 "Rednecks, Eggheads and Blackfellas: A Study of Racial Power and Intimacy in Australia," *Contemporary Sociology* 30 (5), pp. 464-5.
- 1997 Review essay: "Wholeness Lost and Wholeness Regained," *The Tibet Journal* 22, No. 3, pp. 112-16.
- 1996 "The Song of the Earth: Heidegger," in *Phenomenology and the Human Sciences* 21, pp. 2-4.
- 1995 Review essay: "Hegel's Intersubjective Dialectics," (Review of Robert R. Williams, *Recognition: Fichte and Hegel on the Other*), *Phenomenology and the Human Sciences* 20, pp. 2-7.
- 1993 Review essay, "Ethnomethodology Today," *Sociological Inquiry* 63, No. 4, pp. 478-85.
- 1992 "Philosophical Reflections," *International Philosophical Quarterly* 32, pp. 260-61.
- 1990 "Aboriginal Sign Language," *American Ethnologist* 63, No. 1, pp. 181-82.
- 1988 "Sovereign Individuals of Capitalism," *Contemporary Sociology* 17, No. 1, pp. 22-25.
- 1987 "Historical Narratives by Aborigines," *Anthropological Linguistics* 29, No. 3, pp. 319-21.
- 1986 "Reason and Enlightenment in the Central Philosophy of Tibet," *American Anthropologist* 88, No. 1, pp. 211-12.
- 1983 "A Time of the Sign," *American Anthropologist* 85, No. 2, pp. 428-29.
- 1982 "Victims of the Law," *Survival International Review* 41, pp. 102-04.

Selected Academic Papers Presented:

- Feb 2009 "'Situated' Studies in Organizational Research," ALPIS Information Systems Interdisciplinary Seminar (sponsored by Università di Trento), Dolomite Alps (Italy).
- Dec 2008 "The Relation of Ethnography and Ethnomethodology," Facoltà di Sociologia, University of Salento, Italy.
- Oct 2008 Response to "Scholar's Session: the Work of Kenneth Liberman," Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Feb 2007 "The Local Orderliness of Crossing Kincaid," Department of Sociology, U.C. Santa Barbara.
- Feb 2007 "The Structure of Communication in Tibetan Philosophical Debates," Dept. of Religious Studies, U.C. Santa Barbara.
- June 2006 "Sophistry In and As Its Course," International Society for the Study of Argumentation, Amsterdam.
- Oct 2005 "Theory and Practice of Reason in Tibetan Buddhism," Third Conference on Buddhist Philosophy, University of Kathmandu, Nepal.

- Oct 2004 Review Symposium on *Dialectical Practice in Tibetan Philosophical Culture* (by Kenneth Liberman), Panel: Fred Dallmayr (Notre Dame) and D. Lawrence Wieder (U. Oklahoma), K. Liberman, Respondent, Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, Memphis.
- Aug 2004 “‘There is a Gap in the Literature’,” Section on Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis, American Sociological Association, San Francisco.
- May 2004 “The Heritage of Social Interaction Research in Sociology,” Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India.
- May 2004 “Phenomenology’s Conception of Intellectual Rigor,” National Institute for Advanced Studies, Bangalore, India.
- May 2004 “Ethnomethodology’s Methods,” Department of Sociology, Christ College, Bangalore.
- April 2004 “Coping With Contemporary U.S. Society,” Orientation Conference for Indian Fulbrighters, U.S. Educational Foundation, Goa, India.
- Mar 2004 “Sociology’s Most Overlooked Founder: Georg Simmel and his Legacy,” Karnataka State Open University, Mysore, India.
- Feb 2004 “Edmund Husserl’s Criticism of Reason,” School of Comparative Eastern and Western Thought, University of Pondicherry, India.
- Jan 2004 “A Sociologist’s Look at Plato,” St. Joseph’s College, Mysore, India.
- July 2003 "Philosophers’ Work as a Local Orderliness," Biannual conference of the International Institute of Ethnomethodology and Conversational Analysis, Manchester, U.K..
- Feb 2003 "Organizing the Orderliness of a Tibetan Debate," University of Bologna, Italy.
- Feb 2003 "The Hermeneutics of Intercultural Communication," Catholic University of Milano, Italy.
- Feb 2003 "Using Digital Tools for Analyzing Face-to-Face Interaction," University of Lyon, France.
- Jan 2003 "An Ethnomethodology of Tibetan Philosophical Debating," University of Fribourg, Switzerland.
- Jan 2003 "Merleau-Ponty’s Ecology," University of Lausanne, Switzerland.
- Oct 2002 "Respecifying Reason and Logic in Tibetan Dialectics," Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, Chicago.
- Sept 2002 "How to Conceive the Relations Between Humans and the Earth," Merleau-Ponty Circle, Annual Conference, St. Louis.
- Oct 2001 "*In Vivo* Reasoning Is the Only Reasoning There Is," Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, Baltimore, MD.
- July 2001 "Thinking as a Public Activity," Orders of Ordinary Action Conference (Biannual conference of the International Institute of Ethnomethodology and Conversational Analysis), Manchester, U.K..
- May 2001 "Tibetan Identity in their Diaspora," in Tibetan Peoples and Landscapes Conference, Portland State University,
- May 2001 Panelist, "Modernizing Himalayan Cultures," Portland Art Museum,
- May 2001 "Analysis of a Tibetan Debate," Department of Philosophy, Oregon State University,.
- Feb 2001 "The Digital Ethnography," Society for Phenomenology and Media, San Diego,
- Oct 2000 "Multimedia as an Ethnographic Research Tool," Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, State College, Pennsylvania.

- Mar 1998 "A Common Agenda in Australian and Indian Aboriginal Policies," National Workshop on Indian Tribal Policy, New Delhi.
- Feb 1998 "Formal Reasoning in Buddhist Practice," Tibet House, New Delhi.
- Jan 1998 "Philosophical Bases of Tibetan Tantra," International Seminar on Tibetan Tantra, Gyume Tantric College, Mysore, India.
- Dec 1997 "Phenomenological Theories of Consciousness," Third International Conference on Yoga Research, Bangalore, India.
- Nov 1997 "How People Signify Together," After Postmodernism Conference, University of Chicago.
- Oct 1997 "India's Policies Toward Tibetan Refugees, 1959-1997," India and Pakistan: 50 Years of Independence Conference, University of Oregon.
- Dec 1996 "The Organization of 'Universal' Reason," UCLA Department of Sociology, Los Angeles.
- Oct 1996 "The Organization of Reason in Tibetan Debate," Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, Washington, D.C.
- Mar 1996 "Contingencies of Field Inquiry," Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego.
- Jan 1996 "How Does a Word Mean?" Indian Conference on Knowledge and Language, Mysore, India.
- Dec 1995 "Jnana and Dhyana in Tibetan Yoga," Second International Conference on Yoga Research, Bangalore, India.
- Oct 1994 "The Itinerary of Formal Analysis in Tibetan Philosophy," Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Seattle.
- Aug 1994 "Truth and Authority in Tibetan Buddhist Practice," Assoc. for Sociology of Religion, Los Angeles.
- Apr 1994 "Practices of Reasoning in the Tibetan Academy," Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego.
- Oct 1993 "The Dialectics of Oppression: Looking and Being Seen," Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences, New Orleans.
- May 1993 "Negative Dialectics in Hegel and Nagarjuna," Second International Conference on Comparative Philosophy and Intercultural Studies, California State University, Long Beach.
- Oct 1991 "A Postcolonial Look at Indology," Pondicherry University, India.
- May 1991 "Epistemology in the Tibetan Academy," International Conference on Comparative Philosophy and Intercultural Studies, Mysore University, India.
- Nov 1990 "Dialectics in the Tibetan Tradition," Indian Philosophical Society, Coimbatore, India.
- Mar 1990 "The Practices of Reasoning of Tibetan Scholar Monks," Ethnomethodology Roundtable, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin.
- Feb 1990 "Constructing the Sociological Object: 'Oregon Indian,'" Oregon Council of the Humanities Symposium on the Prehistory of Southwest Oregon, Southern Oregon State University.