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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. Anthropology, Indiana University, 2007
Minor: East Asian Studies

Dissertation: "Pure Mixed-Blood: The Multiple Identities of Amerasians in South Korea"
(Anya Peterson Royce, Chair; Roger L. Janelli; Phillip Parnell; and Marvin Sterling)

M.A. Anthropology, Indiana University, 2004

B.S. Psychology and Sociology, Honors at University of Evansville, Evansville, 1995

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Identity - gendered, ethnic, national, global, spatial, ascribed and claimed; race and blood; media representation; Korea; East Asia; US and international policy; US military; citizenship, transnationalism; human rights; social movements; medical anthropology – mental health and health and illness; Asian diaspora; Amerasians and "mixed-blood" peoples.

My specific research focuses on citizenship, identity, blood, gender and transnationalism by examining the identities of Amerasians in South Korea. It explores how Amerasians as local, national and global citizens identify themselves and strategically use their identities to maneuver within Korean society and the globalizing world.

PUBLICATIONS:

- Revise & Resubmit* "‘We’re Never Off-Duty’: US Soldiers in the Camptown, Transnational Spaces of Interaction and Power (in review with *Focaal Journal of Global and Historical Anthropology*)
- February 2008 "Conversation with Roger L. Janelli," *Folklore Forum*.
October 2007 Original article (less expanded) printed in *2007 Anthropology News* 48(7): 64-65.
- March 2007 "The ‘Amerasian Problem’: Blood, Duty and Race," *International Relations* 21(1): 86-102.
- March 2007 "Transcending Descent in Asian America," *Rice Paper*, Spring 2007 issue.

- December 2003 “What to do with Race?: The Changing Perspectives about Race in the Social Sciences,” *Journal of Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry* 27(4): 435-45. Co-authored with David D. Takeuchi, University of Washington.
- September 2003 “Helpseeking Behavior among Filipino Americans: A Cultural Analysis of Face and Language,” *Journal of Community Psychology* 31(5): 469-88. Co-authored with Fang Gong, Indiana University.

PROFESSIONAL PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS:

- “Almost Korean: Amerasians and Multiculturalism in South Korea,” Cornell University Telluride House, Ithaca, New York – July 14, 2010.
- “‘What are You?’: Mixed Asian Americans and Visual Economy,” National Association for Ethnic Studies, Washington, DC - April 2010. Panel organizer of “The Race in ‘Mixed-Race’: Reiterations of Power and Identity.”
- “‘U.S. Military as Empire?’: Reflections on Teaching a U.S. Military Focused Course,” Northeast Anthropological Association March 2010, Buffalo, New York. Panel organizer of “Sightings of Empire: Reflections on the Borders of the U.S. Military.”
- “On Being Mixed: ‘Asian’ Encounters in ‘America,’” HOME, Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York – February 15, 2010.
- “Issues of Long-term US Military Engagement in Afghanistan,” Panel Titled “Afghanistan 101” hosted and organized by Peaceful Gatherings in Corning, New York – November 12, 2009.
- “Politics and policies of recognition: ‘Diversity,’ ‘multiculturalism’ and ‘mixed-race’ Koreans in South Korea,” Northeast Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Providence, Rhode Island – March 2009. Panel organizer and chair of “Creating Identity Across Borders.”
- “Living ‘Amerasian’: Defying and (Re)defining Identity in South Korea,” 106th American Anthropological Association Meeting, Washington, DC – November 2007. Panel co-organizer of “Almost Korean: (Re)emerging Differences and Inequalities in South Korea.”
- “‘Never Off-Duty’: US Soldiers in the Camptown, Transnational Spaces of Interaction and Power,” 105th American Anthropological Association Meeting, San Jose, California – November 2006. Panel co-organizer of “Off Limits: US Military and Transnationalism.”
- “We Want What Everybody Else Wants, to Live,” Indiana University, Midwest East Asian Education Network, Dissertation Workshop, Bloomington, Indiana – April 2006.
- “Racing Self and Otherness in South Korea,” Asian Culture Center, Bloomington, Indiana – October 2005.
- “The ‘Amerasian Problem’: Blood, Duty, and Race,” 104th Annual American Anthropological Association Meeting, San Francisco, California – December 2005. Panel co-organizer of “Blood Measures.”

“The Multiple and Contested Identities of Amerasians in South Korea,” Society for East Asian Anthropology at Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois – Spring 2005.

“‘Mixed-Race’ Asians and Amerasians and the Racial Paradigm,” Mid-Western Asian American Student Union, Bloomington, Indiana – Spring 2003.

“Amerasian Immigration and Mental Health: How Do They Fit into Our Social Theories?” New Paradigms in Asian American Studies: A Colloquium Series, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana – Spring 2003.

“Social Perceptions of ‘Race’ and ‘Mixed-race’ in South Korea: Some Preliminary Findings.” National Institute of Mental Health Seminar, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana – Fall 2002.

“Helpseeking Behavior among Filipino Americans,” co-authored with Fang Gong, American Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois – Fall 2002.

“The Faces of Silence: Narratives of the Korean Comfort Women,” an Artistic Interpretive Performance, Asian Culture Center, Bloomington, Indiana – Spring 2001 & Bloomington Arts Week – Spring 2002.

“Voices of the Silenced: Voice and Agency of the Former Korean Sex Slaves for the Japanese Military,” Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio – Spring 2002.

“Preservation and Transformation: The Multiple Roles of One Korean Woman in the United States,” Central States Anthropological Society Conference, Lexington, Kentucky – Spring 2001.

“Cheating Behavior: Endemic or Epidemic,” Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference, George Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri – 1995.