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Curriculum Vitae

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APPOINTMENTS

- 2022 Consultant, Lane County Public Health, Community Partnerships Program
- 2018- Associate Professor, University of Oregon, Department of Global Studies
Affiliated: Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies; Anthropology; Latin American Studies
- 2019- Faculty Success Program Coach, National Ctr for Faculty Development & 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;
Medical & Psychological Anthropology; Engaged Anthropology

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Yarris, Kristin E. and Whitney L. Duncan (Co-Editors). In Preparation. *Towards an Anthropology of Accompaniment: Engaged Anthropology with Migrant Communities*. (Will be submitted to University of Arizona Press in 2023).

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

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

Book Chapters in Edited Volumes

Yarris, Kristin Elizabeth. 2022. Narrative Testimony and Political Potentiality: Surviving Family Separation, Advocating for Migrants' Rights and Well-Being. pp.173-190. In, *Migration and Health: Challenging the Borders of Belonging, Care, and Policy*. Nadia El-Shaarawi and Stéphanie Larchanché (Eds.) 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.

Journal Articles (Peer-Reviewed; in chronological order)

Pedraza, Alejandra and Kristin E. Yarris. (Under review). Compounded Caregiving: Mexican Women in Migrant-Sending Families during COVID-19. *Medical Anthropology*.

Budd, E. L., McWhirter, E. H., De Anda, S., Mauricio, A. M., Mueller, M., Cioffi, C. C., Nash, A., Van Brocklin, K., Yarris, K., Jackson, A., Terral, H., Garcia, J. R., Oregon Saludable: Juntos Podemos Community and Scientific Advisory Board, William A. Cresko, W. A., DeGarmo, D. S., & Leve, L. D. 2022. Development and Design of a Culturally Tailored Intervention to Address COVID-19 Disparities Among Oregon's Latinx Communities: A Community Case Study. *Frontiers in Public Health Education and Promotion* 23. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2022.9>

Humphris, Rachel and Kristin E. Yarris. 2022. Welcoming Acts: Temporality and Affect among Volunteer Humanitarians in the UK and USA. *Migration & Society: Advances in Research* 5: 75-89.

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).

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*.

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: 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 Reviews

Yarris, Kristin E. Forthcoming. Review of: *Migration and Mortality: Social Death, Dispossession, and Survival in the Americas*. By Jamie Longazel and Miranda Cady Hallett (Eds.) 299 pp. Temple University Press. In, *Bulletin of Latin American Research*.

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 E. 11/21/22. Assessment of CBO Partners: Lessons in best practices. Report prepared for Lane County Public Health.
- 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 Summary of Latinx COVID vaccine inequities. Report Submitted to Lane County Public Health.
- 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.
- 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

- “Expediting Expulsion? The impacts of temporality on asylum claims, due process, and immigrant advocacy in Denver and Portland EOIR courts.” LOI under review. Russell Sage Foundation.
- “Madness Outside In: Morningside Hospital, American Psychiatry, and the Evolving Nation in the mid-20th century.” Submitted to the National Endowment for the Humanities. Not Awarded.
- Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, International Collaborative Research Grant. Principal Investigator. “Transit Migration in Mexico’s *Ruta Pacífica*: 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)

Selected Intramural Awards at UO

- Center for the Study of Women and Society, Faculty Research Grant (2019-20).
- UO-Mellon Library Collaboration Grant (2019-20). To develop project website: <https://morningside.uoregon.edu>
- 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)

Selected Other Academic Awards

- ❖ American Anthropological Association, Op-Ed Project scholarship. (2022)
- ❖ UO College of Arts & Sciences 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]

Oral Presentations:

- 2022 *The Message: Communicating Racism as a Public Health Crisis*. (With Del Borden, Jr.) Oregon Public Health Association annual conference. Corvallis, OR.
- 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’s Annual Conference (Virtual).
- 2021 *Constructing Cultural Citizenship and Belonging: Immigration Politics in the US on National and Local Levels*. American Anthropological Association, Baltimore, MD (Remote).
- 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:

- 2022 *Accompaniment and Anthropology with Im/Migrant Communities*. (Roundtable Chair and participant). Society for Applied Anthropology. Salt Lake City, UT.
- 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]

- 2021 *Affective Acts of Welcome: Volunteer Solidarians and US Asylum Seeker Resettlement*. Conference on the Health and Well-Being of Refugees, Asylum Seekers, and Forcibly Displaced People. UCSD, San Diego, CA.
- 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.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Mentor. Asia Pacific Rim Universities Women in Leadership program (APWiL). 2022-23.

External Evaluator for Tenure & Promotion: Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity (2021); Oregon State University, College of Public Health (2020)

Peer Reviewer for Academic Journals:

Global Networks; Global Public Health; Medical Anthropology Quarterly; Public Culture, Social Science & Medicine; Transcultural Psychiatry; Ethos: the Journal of the Society for Psychological Anthropology; Journal of Refugee Studies; Journal of Health, Migration, and Social Care (Among others).

Peer Reviewer for Academic Presses:

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

Co-Founder & Steering Committee Member: Anthropologist Action Network for Immigrants and Refugees

SELECTED UO SERVICE

Dreamers Working Group, Steering Committee Member (2016-)
United Academics, CAS Steward (2021-22)
Oregon Humanities Center, Faculty Advisory Committee (2020-22)
University Senate (2019-20)
Center for Global Health, Co-Director (2015-)
Global Health Minor Program, Director (2017-18, 2019-20, 2020-21)
Center for the Study of Women and Society, Research Interest Group Coordinator (2012-22)
Center for Latino/a and Latin American Studies, Faculty Committee Member (2012-2018)
Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, Steering Committee, “Migration, Mobility, Belonging.” (2016-2018)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Lane County Public Health, Latinx Advisory Team & Community Partnerships Program (2020-22)
Juntos Podemos, UO Latinx COVID Testing Project (Leslie Leve, P.I.) Community Scientific Advisory Board Member (Stipend declined) (2020-22)
Centro LatinoAmericano (Eugene), Volunteer (2017-22)
Yoga Alliance, Registered Yoga Teacher-200 hours (2021)
Oregon Worker Relief Fund, Volunteer Navigator (2020-21)
Equity Corps of Oregon, Volunteer Navigator (2018-20)
Friends of Sanctuary (Lane County), Board Member (2018-22)
Refugee Resettlement Coalition, Catholic Community Services, volunteer (2020-21)
Civil Liberties Defense Center, Undocumented Community Know Your Rights training (2019)

TEACHING

At University of Oregon:

GLBL 270: Global Political Economy
GLBL 340: Global Health & Development
GLBL 463/563: Population Displacement & Global Health
GLBL 465/565: Global Reproductive Health
GLBL 467/567: Global Mental Health
GLBL 410/510: Transnational Migration
GLBL 410/510: Project-Based Learning in Global Studies & Global Health
GLBL 607: Graduate Research Design and Methods
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 (Mexico, Summers, 2012-18)

Mixed-Methods Research in Global Mental Health: *research design and mixed-methods approaches (in Spanish)*; also, mentored yearly cohort of U.S.-based students on individualized research projects.

LANGUAGES

English (native speaker), Spanish (near-native fluency), Portuguese (conversational)