CURRICULUM VITAE

**Education**

2014 | Ph.D. | Department of Anthropology | Syracuse University   
2007 | M.A. | Department of Anthropology | Syracuse University

2001 | B.A. | Department of Anthropology | University of North Texas

**Teaching and Research Expertise**

Applied anthropology, infrastructure and urban planning, development and non-governmental organizations, cultural and architectural heritage, cultural and environmental conservation, gender and intersectionality, tourism, human-computer interaction (HCI), ethnographic methods, ethics, material culture, anthropological theory, space and place. AREAS: South Asia, Himalayas (India/Pakistan/China), America. LANGUAGES: Hindi, Urdu, Spanish

**Doctoral Dissertation:** *Accommodating Conservation: Regulating Architectural Heritage in a Himalayan Tourist Town*  
I conducted longitudinal multi-sited, mixed-method ethnographic research in the Himalayan capital of Leh, Ladakh – an autonomous region of Jammu and Kashmir, India – to understand the impact of development and tourism on Ladakhi cultural and architectural heritage. Theoretical debates over modernity and authenticity aside, my critique rests on the premise that vernacular architecture is an environmentally sensitive and culturally appropriate adaptive mechanism. Commodification of Leh’s built heritage transcribes social value into economic value without concern for the social and environmental consequences. I recently returned to Leh on a Global Engagement Grant and am now analyzing findings.

**Doctoral Coursework and Training**

Anthropology of Physical Design, Gender and Culture, Global Civil Society, Interdisciplinary Theories of Space and Place, Language and Culture, South Asian Studies, Theory and Methods in Cultural Anthropology, Theory and Methods in Historical Archaeology, Theory and Methods in Physical Anthropology, Urban Anthropology

**Renowned Teachers**

Susan S. Wadley, PhD, Ford-Maxwell Professor of South Asian Studies, Syracuse University; A.H. Peter Castro Associate Professor, Anthropology, Robert D. McClure Professor of Teaching Excellence Syracuse University; Douglas V. Armstrong, PhD, Professor and Chair, Anthropology, Maxwell Professor of Teaching Excellence, Laura J. and L. Douglas Meredith Professor for Teaching Excellence, Syracuse University; Robert Rubenstein, PhD, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and Professor of International Relations, Syracuse University; Cecilia Van Hollen, PhD, Professor and Head of Studies, Yale-NUS, Public Policy Scholar in Global Sustainability and Resilience Program

**Teaching and Research Experience**

2015 – present Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of North Texas

2016 – present Principal Investigator (PI): “Impact of Water-Energy Nexus Awareness on North Texans’ Natural Resource Conservation and Waste” Conducted in collaboration with the North Texas Municipal Water District Water Resource and Public Education Department.

2017 PI: “Needs Assessment for the University of North Texas Women’s and Gender Studies Program”

2017 Invited Interviewer: “Dr. Ann T. Jordan, Professor Emeritus and Business Anthropologist.” Society for Applied Anthropology and the Nunn Center for Oral History at the University of Kentucky

2016 – present Key Personnel: “Impact of Community of Practice’s Shared Mental Models on Member Beliefs and Practices to Perceived Cyber-Threats”. Susan Squires, PhD, PI, Dr. Hassan Takabi, Co-PI.

2015 – 2016 PI: “Extraction and Estrangement from Familiar Ground: Livelihoods and Limestone in Lueders, Texas.”

2014 – 2015 Visiting Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of North Texas

2012 - 2015 Associate Faculty, Collin County Community College District

2009 - 2014 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Texas Christian University

2009 - 2014 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Anthropology, University of North Texas

2009 - 2011 Lecturer, National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Experience for Underrepresented Undergraduates (REU) Summer Research Program in Anthropology, University of North Texas

2009 - 2012 Homeschool Instructor, Job description and references available upon request

2006 - 2007 Graduate Assistant, Women in Science and Engineering (WISE), Syracuse University

2003 - 2006 Teaching Associate, Department of Anthropology, Syracuse University

**Undergraduate-level Courses Taught**

Anthropology of Tourism (cross-listed), Anthropology of Material Culture (Fall 2019), Development of Anthropological Thought, Non-governmental Organizations and Development (cross-listed), Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective, History of Anthropological Theory, Indigenous Peoples of North America, Introduction to Anthropology, Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Peoples and Cultures of South Asia, Urban Anthropology; **Blackboard/Canvas:** American Culture and Society, Culture and Society, Introduction to Anthropology, Introduction to Cultural Anthropology **(Course Designer)**

**Graduate-level Courses Taught**

# Anthropology of Tourism (cross-listed), Applied Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Methods, Non-governmental Organizations and Development (cross-listed), Blackboard/Canvas: Graduate Seminar in Sociocultural Anthropology, Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Methods for Non-Anthropology Graduate Students

# Independent Study Supervision Theory and Methods in Urban Anthropology (graduate-level); Physical Design and the Built Environment (graduate-level); Fieldmethods in Visual Anthropology (undergraduate-level)

# Papers and Publications

2018 Takabi, Hassan, Susan Squires and Jamie K Johnson. “Rethinking Cybersecurity as a Group Phenomenon: Impact of Shared Mental Models on Cybersecurity Decisions within Communities of Practice.” *Proceedings for the 1st* *Interdisciplinary Workshop on Privacy and Trust,* in conjunction with *the 13th International Conference on Availability, Reliability and Security*. August 27 – August 30, 2018, Hamburg, Germany.

Nd. “Automation, Machination and the Invisibility of Infrastructure across the Water-Energy Nexus.” Unpublished manuscript, last modified December, 22, 2017. Microsoft Word file.

2017 Chang, Hsia-Ching, Hassan Takabi, Susan Squires, Jamie K Johnson, and Ryan Kober. “Rethinking Cybersecurity as a Group Phenomenon: Impact of Shared Cybersecurity Beliefs within Communities of Practice on Individual Behaviors of Members.” *Proceedings for the Socio-Technical Aspects in Security and Trust (STAST) Workshop, affiliated with the Annual Computer Security Applications Conference*. Baltimore, MD, December, 2017.

Nd. “Concretely Ambiguous: Architectural Heritage in Ladakhi Guest House Construction.” Unpublished manuscript, last modified August, 10, 2018. Microsoft Word file. (accepted with revisions to *Anthropology Quarterly* in November 2016)

2017 “Dr. Ann T. Jordan, Professor Emeritus and Business Anthropologist.” Interview by Jamie K. Johnson. Society for Applied Anthropology and the Nunn Center for Oral History, University of Kentucky.

Nd. “Development, Tourism and Millennial Goodwill in the Global South.” Unpublished manuscript, last modified May, 13, 2017. Microsoft Word file.

Nd. “Limestone and Livelihoods: Quarrying the Demise of a West Texas Heritage Industry.” Unpublished manuscript, last modified July, 5, 2016. Microsoft Word file. (invited submission to *The Extractive Industries and Society,* <https://www.journals.elsevier.com/the-extractive-industries-and-society/>.)

Nd. “Hidden Design, Hidden Desire: A Retrospective of the American Middle-class Closet.” Unpublished manuscript, last modified December, 28, 2016. Microsoft Word file.

2007 “Playground or Classroom? Gender and Socialization in American Children’s Play Songs.” 2007. *The Maxwell Review* (7)230-257.

2006 “Learning Community Encounters: Strategies for Effective Teaching Assistantship.” In *The Learning Community Book Project*, eds. Terra Peckskamp and Carrie McLaughlin. Syracuse University Press: Syracuse, NY.

2003 “Book Review: *Confronting Consumption*.” 2003. *Journal for Sustainable Communities* (6)1-2.

# Professional Presentations and Panels

2018 Invited Paper: “Towards a Lingua Franca: Engaging Conversations in Gender Studies and Anthropology.” *Speaking of Intersections: Accents and Actions in Women’s and Gender Studies* *Lecture Series.* February 20, 2018.

2017 Panel Chair, Co-Organizer. “Automation, Machination, and the Invisibility of Infrastructure Across the Water-Energy Nexus.” *Illuminating Infrastructural Opacities: Why Invisibility in Urban Design Matters.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, November 29.

2017 Graduate Student Panel Organizer and Discussant. “Exploring Water-Energy Nexus Awareness: Ethnographic Insight into Sustainable Suburban Development.” Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Santa Fe, NM, March 29 – April 2.

2016 Paper Presentation. “Volunteerism or Applied Anthropology? Development Discourses in Leh, Ladakh.”   
 Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

2015 Paper Presentation. “Estrangement from Familiar Ground: Limestone and Livelihoods in Lueders, W. Texas”

AAA Annual Meetings, Denver, CO.

2015 Invited Lecture: “Spaces of Rest: An Anthropological Perspective.” Crow Collection of Asian Art, Dallas, Tx.

2015 Paper Presentation. “Making Distinctions: Anthropological Mediation and Volunteer Tourism”

AES Annual Meetings, San Diego, CA

2009 Paper Presentation. “A Concrete Understanding: Architectural Heritage in Guest House Construction.”

AAA Annual Meetings, Philadelphia, PA

2009 Panelist: Worlding Cities. AES/CASCA Annual Meetings, Vancouver, British Colombia

2008 Invited lecture, Indian Trust for Architecture and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), New Delhi, India

2007 Bharati Memorial Lecture Series; South Asia Center, Syracuse University

2006 Invited lecture: Rethinking Space and Place in Asia, AAS Dissertation Workshop, San Francisco, CA

**Teaching Awards**

2017 Outstanding Faculty Member of the Month - The Learning Center, University of North Texas

2015 Thank a Teacher Award, University of North Texas

**Internal Awards**

2018 UNT International Global Engagement Grant

2008 Claudia DeLys Doctoral Dissertation Scholarship

2007 Maxwell School of Citizenship Dean’s Scholarship for Dissertation Writing

2006 Moynihan Institute Bharati Memorial Fellowship

2006 Roscoe Martin Research Grant

2005 Syracuse University Learning Community Travel Grant

2005 Claudia DeLys Doctoral Dissertation Scholarship

2005 Syracuse University Department of Anthropology Travel Grant

**External Awards**

2017 Letter of Intent for Humanities Texas Grant in support of the 1st Annual International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Indic Studies (not funded).

2006 Association of Asian Studies Dissertation Workshop Grant

**Fellowships**

2006 - 2007 Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships to attend Summer 2006, and Summer 2007 American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS) Intensive Urdu Immersion Program, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India

**Symposiums and Workshops**

Energy Transformation in the 21st Century Symposium – Colorado State University (2017); Water and Environment Association of Texas (WEAT) Workshop – Austin, Texas (2015); National Association of Practicing Anthropologists (NAPA) Workshop: Market Research/Analysis (2014); NAPA Workshop: The Design Process (2014), Peer-reviewed Journal Submission Workshop (2014); Future Professoriate Program, Syracuse University (2004 – 2007)

**Professional Memberships (past and current)**

American Anthropological Association; American Ethnological Society; American Institute for Indic Studies; International Association of Ladakh Scholars; National Association for Practicing Anthropologists; Society for Urban, National, Transnational/Global Anthropology; Society for Applied Anthropology; Society for the Anthropology of Consciousness

**Working Groups and Interdisciplinary Collaboration**

Shared Cybersecurity Beliefs within Communities of Practice (Anthropology, Computer Science, and Cognitive and Information Science, University of North Texas); University of North Texas Women’s and Gender Studies Affiliated Faculty; The Urban Network: Interdisciplinary Mentoring in Urban Studies, University of North Texas

**Academic Service**

2018 – 2019 Faculty Liaison for Department Move, Department of Anthropology

2016 - present Faculty Sponsor, Lambda Alpha National Honor Society, University of North Texas ETA

2015 – present Committee Member, Applied Anthropology Graduate Admissions Committee

2017 – present Chair, Department of Anthropology Alumni Awards Committee

2017 – present Committee Member, Department of Anthropology Curriculum Reform Committee

2015 - present Committee Member, Department of Anthropology Larry L. Naylor Memorial Scholarship

2017 – 2018 Moderator, Anthropology Expo Career Panel

2017 - 2018 Committee Member, Department of Anthropology Faculty Job Search

2017 – 2018 Steering Committee, American Institute for Indic Studies, University of North Texas

2017 Principal Investigator, Needs Assessment for the UNT Women and Gender Studies Program

2014 - 2015 Committee Member, Department of Anthropology Mission Statement Revision

2014 UNT Faculty Liaison, Graduate Fair, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting

2010 Panel Judge, AddRan Festival of Undergraduate Scholarship and Creativity, Texas Christian University

2005 - 2007 Future Professoriate Program (FPP) Series Coordinator, Syracuse University

2005 - 2006 President, Anthropology Graduate Student Organization (AGSO), Syracuse University

2004 - 2005 Representative to the Faculty, AGSO, Syracuse University

**Master’s and Doctoral Thesis Committees**

2018 – present Tara Zimmerman, Ph.D. Student, Information Science

2017 – present Kayeron D. Bell, MA Candidate, Applied Anthropology

2017 – present Ana Roeschley, M.S., M.A., Ph.D. Student, Interdisciplinary Information Science

2017 – present Hammad Khan, Ph.D. Candidate, Information Science

2016 – present Skye O’Neill, Master’s Candidate, Applied Anthropology

2015 – 2016 Hira Hasan, MA – Applied Anthropology

**Faculty, Graduate Student, and Undergraduate Mentorship available upon request**

**Community Service**

2017 Fundraiser Chair, Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity, Dallas, Tx.

2016 – present Volunteer, Faith in Texas – Compassionate Counteraction for Unlawful Incarceration, Dallas, Tx.

2015 – 2016 Volunteer, Operation Blessing, Tornado Relief Efforts, Rowlett/Garland, Tx

2015 Volunteer, Carrollton Senior Center, Josey Ranch Branch, Carrollton, Tx.

2011 – 2014 Exhibit Manager, Dallas Cityscape at the Galleria Dallas, Dallas, Tx.

2013 Team Captain, Strikes for Strays, League of Animal Protectors DFW Chapter, Plano, Tx.   
2010 - 2012 Volunteer, SAT and ACT College Preparatory Tutor, DFW Metroplex  
2011 - 2012 Volunteer, Habitat for Humanity, Trinity Branch  
2008 - 2009 Volunteer, Coppell Community Gardens, Coppell, Texas

**Professional References available upon request**