

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Academic Qualifications

- D.Phil. in Social Anthropology, University of Oxford, 1985
- Diploma in Ethnology, Oxford University, Linacre College, 1973
- BA (Hons) Modern History, University of Durham, St Aidan's College, 1972

### Positions held

#### Academic

- Professor of Educational Anthropology, Danish University of Education, Copenhagen, May 2003-present
- Director of Higher Education Academy's Centre for Learning and Teaching – Sociology, Anthropology and Politics (C-SAP), University of Birmingham, 2000-3
- Senior Lecturer in Cultural Studies, University of Birmingham. 1998-2002
- Lecturer in Social Anthropology, University of Sussex, 1985-97
- Fellow of British Institute for Persian Studies, 1983-84
- Associate Researcher, Department of Planning, University College London, 1978-83

#### Visiting Professorships

- Visiting Professor; GLEA, University of Coventry, UK, 2021 -
- Professor in Practice, Department of Anthropology, University of Durham, 2020 -
- Visiting Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, 2003 and 2001
- Visiting Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Aarhus, 2000
- Visiting Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Stockholm, 1998

#### Other Academic

- Convenor of National Network for Teaching and Learning Anthropology (NNTLA) (one day per week), 1994-1999
- Teaching and Learning Development Officer (half-time), School of Cultural and Community Studies, University of Sussex, Jan-Dec 1994
- Evaluator of Unemployment Strategy, Cleveland County Council, Jan-Dec 1991
- Rural Community Worker, Cleveland Council for Voluntary Service, 1984-85

#### Field Research

- University reform in Denmark, current
- University reform in UK, short periods each year 1996-2003
- Culture and world governance, through participation in UNESCO events, 1997-2003
- Transformation of governance in UK, fieldwork of 3-6 month search year, 1985-1995
  - Central government: contested emergence of Mrs. Thatcher's 'individual'
  - Local government: mobilizing 'community' to resist the roll back of the state
  - Voluntary action: concepts of 'community' and 'development' in community arts
  - Ex-mining village: gendered concepts of 'individual' and 'community' in local organizations
- Participation in rural governance, UK: participant observation as a community worker, 1984-5
- Decision Making for Rural Areas: Government commissioned study of central, local and parish government (Dorset, Lincolnshire and Cleveland) 1978-1983
- Political organization in Doshman Ziari, Iran during the Shah's modernization, 1974 (4 months), 1975-6 (16 months), and after the Islamic revolution, 1992, 1995, 1996 (2-6 weeks).

#### Professional Activities

UNESCO

- UK-UNESCO National Commission, Chair of Culture Committee 2000-3

- UNESCO's Convention on Intangible Cultural Heritage, participant in Drafting Group of International Experts and UK delegate to meeting of European National Commissions, June-July 2002
- UNESCO General Assembly, member of UK Delegation, November 2001
- Foundation Working Party to establish UK-UNESCO, member, 1998-9
- UNESCO Intergovernmental Conference 'The Power of Culture', invited participant and member of UK delegation, 30 March-2 April 1998
- Cultural Diversity and Citizenship organiser of the UK-UNESCO seminar, Birmingham 1997.
- British Association for the Advancement of Science
- President of the Anthropology and Archaeology Section, 1996-7
- President's Day Conference on 'The Politicisation of Culture'.
- Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)
- Member of Training Board, 1994-96
- Chair of Panel for Recognition of Advanced Courses in Anthropology, 1996
- PhD Studentship Competition Examiner and Advanced Course Recognition Assessor, 1994.

### **Professional Associations**

#### ***Trans-Atlantic Forum on the Future of Universities (Ford Foundation funded)***

Member 2005-present Organiser of international 'capstone' conference, Copenhagen, 28-29 June 2006

#### ***American Anthropological Association - Interest Group for the Anthropology of Public Policy***

IGAPP Steering Group 2004-present Member of AAA since 1999.

#### ***National Network for Teaching and Learning Anthropology (NNTLA)***

• Founder and Chair 1994-9.

#### ***Anthropology in Action (incorporating GAPP)***

• Co-founder and Convenor of AinA 1988-90, 1994

• Committee member of AinA 1990-3, 1995

• Convenor of Group for Anthropology in Policy and Practice (GAPP), 1987-91

• Member of GAPP since 1981.

#### ***Association of Social Anthropologists (ASA)***

• Committee member 1990-1994

• Member since 1988.

#### ***Royal Anthropological Institute (RAI)***

• Trustee of Radcliffe Brown Memorial Fund 1991-4.

#### ***European Association of Social Anthropology (EASA)***

• Member since 1989.

### **Journal Editing**

#### ***LATISS, Learning and Teaching in the Social Sciences***

• Founder and Co-Editor, 2003-present

#### ***Qualitative Research***

• Editorial Board, 2003-2008

#### ***Anthropology in Action***

Editorial Advisory Board, 2005-present

#### ***Community Development Journal***

• Editorial Board, 1986-1991.

### **Consultancies**

• Department of Anthropology, University of Stockholm: one-week Demos project on 'Local Perceptions of Good Governance', 1998.

• Department for International Development: "'Culture" in Anthropology and Development' address to Network of International Social Development Advisers, 1997.

• Ministry of Rural Reconstruction, Iran: field-based staff training on qualitative and participatory research on poverty (one-week, in Persian); two-day seminars on participatory institutions for rural development, Shiraz and Tehran, 1996.

• Centre for Urban and Regional Studies, Sussex University: voluntary sector and participatory housing development in Bulgaria, 1992.