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### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. Temple University. Cultural Anthropology. January 1990. Dissertation entitled, Political Discourse of Shetland: Confabulations and Communities.
- M.A. Temple University. Cultural Anthropology. August 1981. Thesis entitled, Ideology, Articulation and Reproduction on Martha's Vineyard: A Study of Part of the Tourist Service Sector.
- B.A. Hampshire College. Communications & Social Theory. May 1978. Division III concentration entitled, Wary of Everyday Life: A Theory of Social Reality.

### **PRESENT POSITION**

Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, and Director of the program in Cultural Anthropology. 2016-present.

### **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

Associate Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice. Interim Director of the program in Criminal Justice and the program in Global Security and Emergency Management, 2014-2015.

Associate Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, and Faculty in Residence and Liaison to Arcadia Online. 2006-2009.

Associate Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, and Coordinator of the Liberal Studies Program, Arcadia University. 2004-2009.

Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Arcadia University (formerly Beaver College). 2000-2004.

Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Beaver College. 1997-2000.

Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, and Coordinator of the General Education Program, Beaver College. 1994-1997.

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Beaver College. 1992-1994.

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Sociology, Division of Social Sciences, Widener University. 1991-1994.

Lecturer, Department of General Studies, Thomas Jefferson University and Medical School. 1991-1994.

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology, Drexel University. 1986-1992.

Director of Marketing, Legal Communications Ltd., Philadelphia PA. 1989-1991.

Director of Circulation, Packard Press Publishing, Philadelphia PA. 1987-1989.

### **FIELDWORK**

Shetland Islands, Scotland. August 2006. Collaboration in the construction of an online Shetland dialect dictionary.

Shetland Islands, Scotland. March-July 2004. Research on Shetland dialect revitalization.

Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania and Amherst Massachusetts. May 2000-present. Ethnographic research on "Talking Toward Techno-Pedagogy: A Collaboration Across College and Constituencies," supported by a grant from the Mellon Foundation.

Acheron's Call, September 2000-August 2003. Research on identity formation in an online gaming community. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. March 1996- April 1998. Research on volunteer caregivers within AIDS organizations.

Shetland Islands, Scotland. July-August 1995. Research on local government policy regarding economic development in a declining oil and fishing economy.

Shetland Islands, Scotland. May-June 1992. Research on economic and social changes brought about by the success of salmon farming.

- Shetland Islands, Scotland. January-February 1988. Research on the invented tradition of Up-Helly-Aa, Europe's largest Viking fire festival, and the postmodern confabulation of heritage, identity and culture.
- Shetland Islands, Scotland. 1984-1986. Doctoral research on changing political ideologies and the construction of community within the context of a rapidly developing oil and fishing economy.
- Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts. April-September 1980. Master's Thesis research on ideology, labor processes and seasonal labor migration within a tourism economy.
- Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts. April-December 1979. Collection of preliminary data on the tourism service sector.

### HONORS AWARDED

- Faculty Inductee, Phi Kappa Phi. March 2005.
- Lindback Distinguished Teaching Award, Beaver College. March 1998.
- Recipient of the Bernard C. Watson Award for the Outstanding Dissertation in the Social Sciences and Education, Temple University. 1990.

### APPOINTMENTS

- Program Reviewer, AOIR (Association of Internet Researchers), 2011-2014
- Parliamentarian, American Anthropological Association Annual Business Meeting. 2009-2011, 2013
- Program Committee Member, Society for the Anthropology of Europe. 2009.
- Ethnographic Researcher, "Talking Toward Techno-Pedagogy: A Collaboration Across College and Constituencies," supported by a grant from the Mellon Foundation. May 2000-May 2002.
- Research Fellow, Drexel University. September 2000-present.

### GRANTS AWARDED

- Arcadia University Faculty Development Fund Grant for Ethnographic Research on the Shetland Islands. 2006.
- Arcadia University Faculty Development Fund Grant for Ethnographic Research on the Shetland Islands. 2004.
- Beaver College Faculty Development Fund Grant, for Ethnographic Research on *Acheron's Call*, an Online Computer Gaming Community. 1999
- Beaver College Faculty Development Fund Grant for Ethnographic Research on the Shetland Islands. 1995.
- Temple University Dean's Dissertation Writing Grant. 1986.
- Shetland Islands Council Research Grant. 1985-1986.
- Fulbright Scholar, Full Grant for Ethnographic Research. 1984-1985.
- Postgraduate Worker, Appointed by the Faculty, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Edinburgh. 1984-1985.
- Temple University Graduate School Fieldwork Fellowship. 1984.

### PUBLICATIONS

- Church, J.T. (2013). Constructing a Neoliberal Archive: Spreadable Media, Video Games, and a Culture of History. In Konstantin Mitgutsch, Simon Huber, Jeffrey Wimmer, Michael G. Wagner and Herbert Rosenstingl (Eds.). Context Matters! Proceedings of the Vienna Games Conference 2013: Exploring and Reframing Games and Play in Context. Vienna: New Academic Publisher.
- Church, J.T.& Klein, M. (2013). *Assassin's Creed III* and the Aesthetics of Disappointment. Proceedings of the DiGRA 2013 Conference: Defragging Game Studies. Paper available at <http://www.digra.org/digital-library/publications/assassins-creed-iii-and-the-aesthetics-of-disappointment/>. Last accessed 19, January 2014.
- Church, J. T. (2009). Quality Matters: Making Commodities and Manufacturing Knowledge in the Virtual University. In *Enhancing Learning in the Social Sciences* 1 (3). [http://www-new1.heacademy.ac.uk/assets/documents/subjects/csap/eliss/1-3-Jonathan\\_Church.pdf](http://www-new1.heacademy.ac.uk/assets/documents/subjects/csap/eliss/1-3-Jonathan_Church.pdf). Last accessed, 18 September, 2015.
- Church, J. T. (2009). Editorial Response. ELiSS: *Enhancing Learning in the Social Sciences*. 1:3. <http://www.eliss.org.uk/PreviousEditions/Volume1Issue3/Editorial/tabid/241/Default.aspx>. Last accessed 29 September 2009.

- Church, J. T. (2008). *Managing Knowledge: Intellectual Property, Instructional Design and the Manufacturing of Higher Education*. In Joyce Canaan and Wesley Shumar (eds.) Structure and Agency in the Neoliberal University. New York: Routledge.
- Church, J. T. (2005). Review of Brian Smith's Toons and Tenants: Settlement and Society in Shetland 1299-1899 in *Journal of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe*.
- Church, J.T. & Shumar, W. (2003). *Above and Below: Mapping Social Positions Within the Academy*. In Cogs in the Factory Classroom, Deborah Herman and Julie Schmid (eds). Greenwood Press
- Madison-Thompson, N. & Church, J.T. (2003). *Are You a Real Female?: Gender and Authenticity in Asheron's Call*. In Race/Gender/Media: Considering Diversity Across Audiences, Content, and Producers, Rebecca Ann Lind (ed). Allyn & Bacon.
- Church, J.T. (2002). "Remarks: Should all Disciplines be Subject to the Common Rule?" *Academe*. May-June, 63-64.
- Church, J.T. & Peters N.D., (2001). *The Sociology of Aids and HIV* in The Sociology of AIDS: Lectures and Materials, American Sociological Association. Second Edition.
- Church, J.T. (2000). *Reimagining Professional Identities: A Reflection on Collaboration and Techno-Pedagogy*. <http://serendip.brynmawr.edu/talking/ReimagProID.pdf> .
- Church, J.T. (1999). *Laboring in the Dream Factory: Part II*. *The International Journal of Qualitative Research in Education*. 12:3:251-262.
- Church, J.T., (1998) "An Adjunct Becomes Real." *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. July 17: A68.
- (1999) Reprinted in *Academic Tenure - Are Reforms Needed: Presentation to the Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education Commonwealth of Virginia* by Sidney O. Dewberry.
- Church, J.T. (1990). *Confabulations of Community: The Hamefarins and Political Discourse on Shetland*. *Anthropological Quarterly*. 63:1:31-42.

#### WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

Shetland ForWirds. <http://www.shetlanddialect.org.uk/>

#### PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, ORGANIZED SESSIONS

- Selling an Unknow Future: Risk, Debt and Failure*. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session reviewed by the Council on Anthropology and Education entitled "Higher Education's Walk of Shame: Dirty Money, Dirty Moral and the Loss of Intimacy. December 2014.
- Constructing a Neoliberal Archive, Spreadable Media, Video Games and Culture of History*. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session reviewed by the Society for Cultural Anthropology entitled "Gaming, Alogrithm, and Digital Personhood." November 2013.
- Constructing a Neoliberal Archive: Spreadable Media, Video Games and a Culture of History*. 7th Vienna Games Conference, Future and Reality of Games (FROG) 2013. September 2013.
- Assassin's Creed III and the Aesthetics of Disappointment*. DiGRA (Digital Interactive Gaming Research Association) 2013 Annual Meeting. August 2013.
- New Media and Orthographic Identity Performance of the Shetland Islands*. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session reviewed by the Society for the Anthropology of Europe. November 2011.

*Whither the University? Neoliberalism and Beyond.* Session Organizer and Chair. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session reviewed by the Council on Anthropology and Education. Discussant: Douglas Foley. December 2009.

*Neoliberalism Online: Professional Identity and Procedural Morality in Higher Education.* Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session reviewed by the Council on Anthropology and Education entitled "Whither the University? Neoliberalism and Beyond." December 2009.

*Cutting Costs, Creating Commodities: With the University.* Wesley Shumar, co-presenter. Rethinking Marxism 7<sup>th</sup> International Gala Conference at a session entitled "Reconsidering Education." November 2009.

*Quality Matters, Making Commodities, and the Manufacturing of Knowledge in the Virtual University.* C-SAP conference (The Higher Education Academy: Sociology, Anthropology Politics C-SAP) "The Virtual University? Social Science Critiques of Learning and Teaching in the Age of Digital Reproduction." London, January 2009.

*Managing Risk, Auditing Others, and Insuring the Ethical Self.* Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session sponsored by the Council on Anthropology and Education entitled "Managing Knowledge: Universities, Knowledge Production, and the Global Economy." December 2007.

*Avoiding the Bio-Medical Bias: The "Common Rule" for the Social Sciences.* By invitation of the South Eastern Pennsylvania Consortium for Higher Education (SEPCHE) Research: Teaching, Technology, and Integrity Faculty Development Conference on a panel entitled "Institutional Review Boards: Best Practices." January 2007

*Wir Midder Tongue: Loss, Language and Identity on Shetland.* Jerry Belcher Faculty Forum, Arcadia University. March 2005.

*Managing Knowledge: Intellectual Property, Instructional Design and the Manufacturing of Property.* Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society. Roundtable. March 2003.

*Comments Presented to National Human Research Protections Advisory Committee, January 29, 2002.* Department of Health and Human Services Meeting of the National Human Research Protections Advisory Committee (NHRPAC) by invitation of NHRPAC of a panel entitled "Should all Disciplines be Subject to the Common Rule?"

*Making it "Real": Negotiating the Narratives of Masculinity for Female Players of Asheron's Call.* Nora Madison-Thompson (co-author). Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at a session sponsored by The Society for Psychological Anthropology entitled, "Cultural Institutions, Popular Practice and the Self. December 2001.

*Creative Control as Compulsory Commodification: Distance Learning and the Discourse of Property.* Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at an invited session sponsored by the General Anthropology Division entitled, "Internet Dreaming: Information Technology and the Restructuring of Post-Secondary Education." November 2000.

*Speculations on Surplus Value: Information Technology and Intellectual Property.* Rethinking Marxism 4<sup>th</sup> International Gala Conference at a session entitled "The New Political Economy of Higher Education: Discourse, Semiotics and Marketization." September 2000.

*Narratives of Changing Times: Buddies for Life?* Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at an invited session sponsored by the American Ethnological Association and the Society for Medical Anthropology entitled, "AIDS/HIV in the Timescapes of a New Millennium." November 1999.

*Forgetting Shetland.* Bryn Mawr & Haverford Bi-College Cultural Anthropology Speakers Series. April 1999.

- Volunteer Caregiving for PLWAS: The Role of the Buddy.* Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Authored by Church, J.T., Peters, N.D., and Ager, C. August 1998.
- Two Tales of Disclosure.* Jerry Belcher Faculty Forum, Beaver College. March 1998.
- Laboring in the Dream Factory: Part II.* Presented at the 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association at an invited session of the Society for the Anthropology of North America entitled, "Late Capitalist Economies and Higher Education: Challenges to Anthropology." December 1997.
- Speculations on the Future of Higher Education: Community, Commodity and Faculty.* Jerry Belcher Faculty Forum, Beaver College. October 1997.
- Self and Community: The Identity of Immunity in Accounting for the Risk of HIV Infection.* Presented by Norah Peters at the 1997 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Authored by Peters, N.D.; Church, J.T., and Ager, C. July 1997.
- The New University as an Ethnographic Site.* Co-presented with Wesley Shumar at the Department of Anthropology Colloquium, State University of New York, Albany. December 1996.
- Above and Below: Mapping Social Positions Within the Academy.* Co-presented with Wesley Shumar at the Politics and Languages of Contemporary Marxism Conference, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Presented at a session entitled, "Academic Struggles." December 1996.
- Accounting for AIDS and HIV: Differing Cultural Calculations and Their Role in Prevention and Education.* Co-presented with Christina Ager and Norah Peters, Jerry Belcher Faculty Forum, Beaver College. September 1996.
- Marginalization and Institutional Restructuring: Struggles of a Flexible Professoriate in the New University.* Co-presented with Wesley Shumar at the National Coalition of Independent Scholars Third National Conference, Princeton. Presented at a session entitled, "Independent Scholars on the Fringe of Academia." April 1996.
- Accounting for AIDS and HIV: Differing Cultural Calculations and Their Role in Prevention and Education.* Co-presented with Christina Ager and Norah Peters, Ethnography in Education Forum. Philadelphia. March 1996.
- Buses, Peats, and 35 mm Film: Traveling "Hame" through Shetland.* Popular Culture Association Silver Anniversary Meeting & American Culture Association 17th Anniversary Meeting, Philadelphia. Presented at a session entitled, "Philosophy: Cultural Landscapes." 1995.
- Travels from Shetland, Writings at "Hame," Confabulations of Self.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. Presented at an invited session entitled "The Selling of Self: Constructing Identities and Touristic Practice." 1991.
- Up-Helly-Aa: Living in the Contradictions of the Inventions of Traditions.* American Ethnological Society Spring Meeting, Charleston SC. Presented at a session entitled "Intellectuals and Demonstrators: Speaking and Fighting for Submerged Nationalities." 1991.
- Cartographic Appropriations: Puncturing the Shetland Landscape.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans. Presented at a session entitled "Other Appropriations: When Symbolic Violence Becomes Symbolic Capital." 1990.
- Voices of Longing: Soothmothers, Shetlanders, and the Simulacra of Identities.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Phoenix. Presented at a session entitled, "Ideology in Transit: Transformations, Expectations and Contradiction as Minority Meets Majority." 1988.
- Shetland Othing: Images of Faroe and The Development of Culture.* Northeast Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Albany. Presented as a session entitled, "Politics and Ideology." 1988.

*Confabulations of Community: The Homefarins and Political Discourse on Shetland.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. Presented at a session entitled, "Tendentious Revisions of the Past: Concealing and Revealing Difference in the Construction of Communities." 1987.

*Identity on Shetland, A Stratagem for Power: The Politics of Imagination and Confabulation.* Northeast Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Amherst. Presented as a session entitled, "Fragmentary Discourse Structure and Resistance." 1987.

### WORKSHOPS CO-FACILITATED

- "Finding Visual Materials to Teach Online." Arcadia University Learning Luncheon. Arcadia University. November 2009.
- "Arcadia Online Luncheon Series." Arcadia University, 8 learning luncheons held throughout Spring 2008. Co-facilitator: Erik Nelson.
- "Arcadia Online Boot Camp." Arcadia University, June 2007. Co-facilitator: Erik Nelson.
- "Integrating Technology in the Middle School Health Curriculum." SEPCHE Institute for Mathematics and Science. Arcadia University, June 2003. Underwritten by a grant from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development. Co-facilitators: Josh Blustein, Jonathan Church, Andrea Crivell-Kovach, Laura Frank, David Paulk, Deborah Pomeroy, and Ray Rose.
- "Pedagogical Aspects of Infusing Information Technology into the Classroom." Arcadia University, June 2003. Underwritten by a Link to Learn Grant. Co-facilitators: Param Bedi, Jonathan Church, Erik Nelson.
- "Health Related Issues for Middle School Personnel: Development of CD-ROM Materials." SEPCHE Collaborative Project, Arcadia University, July 2002. Underwritten by a Congressional Grant from the U.S. Department of Education. Co-facilitators: Josh Blustein, Jonathan Church, Andrea Crivell-Kovach, Laura Frank, David Paulk, Deborah Pomeroy, and Ray Rose.
- "Online Course Creation." Arcadia University, March 2002. Underwritten by a Congressional Grant from the U.S. Department of Education. Co-facilitators: Jonathan Church and Erik Nelson.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Webmaster, Shetland ForWirlds, 2004-2009.
- Volunteer Computer Consultant, Reboot Philly, 1999-2004.
- Volunteer, Computer Consultant, AIDS Fund, 1996-1999.
- Volunteer, Gay Bingo monthly fund raising event for AIDS Fund, 1996-1999.
- Volunteer Route Setup Coordinator, Annual AIDS WALK, 1995-1999.
- Volunteer Conference Program Designer, Philadelphia's Hope in the Cities Conference, 1995.

### COURSES TAUGHT

- Ethnographic Methods*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice. 2013-present.
- Anthropological Theory*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice. 2012-present.
- Reading Ethnography*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice. 2009-present.
- Cultures Power, Conflict*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 2003-present.
- Crime and Punishment*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 2003
- Aesthetics and Performance*, Arcadia University Department of Sociology and Anthropology & English Department's Theater Program. 2001.
- Introduction to Sociology*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 2001.
- Globalization and Culture*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1998-present.
- Master of Arts in Humanities Capstone*, Arcadia University, Master of Arts in Humanities Program. 1999.
- Myth, Magic and Religion*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1998-present
- Senior Seminar in Sociology*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1998-2004.
- Autobiographical Adaptations: Ethnographic Methods for Performance Studies*, Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology & English Department's Theater Program. 1997.
- Conversations on Being Human: Senses, Memory and Postmodernity*. Arcadia University, Liberal Studies Program. 1997-2000.
- Social Issues: HIV & AIDS*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1996-2002.

- Performance: From Ritual to Theater*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology & English Department's Theater Program. 1996.
- Social Theory*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1995-present.
- Pluralism in the United States*. Arcadia University, General Education Program. 1994-1997.
- Inequality: Class, Status and Power*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1994-2000.
- Contemporary Social Problems*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1994.
- Anthropology of the Family*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1992-present.
- Introduction to Anthropology*. Arcadia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology. 1992-present.
- The Sociology of Victimization: Women, Children and the Elderly*. Thomas Jefferson University and Medical School, Department of General Studies. 1993.
- Sociology of the Family*. Widener University, Division of Social Sciences. 1992-1994.
- Classical Social Theory*. Widener University, Division of Social Sciences. 1992.
- Cultural Diversity: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1987-1991.
- Developing Nations and the International Division of Labor*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1991.
- Societies in Transition: The Impact of Modernization and the "Third World."* Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1988.
- Race and Ethnic Relations: A Cross-Cultural Comparative Perspective*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1991-1992.
- Social Planning and Social Change: Conditions of Postmodernity*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1990.
- The Sociology of Deviance*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1991-1992.
- Wealth and Power*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1991.
- Introduction to Sociology*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology, Anthropology. 1986-1992.
- Critical Problems and Issues in Sociology*. Drexel University, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology. 1986-1992.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Globalization and Identity Formation
- Shetland Islands and the Discursive Practices and Production of Community. Political Economy, Social Planning and the Development of Political Technologies.
- Higher Education and Institutional Restructuring.
- Virtual Ethnography and Identity in Video Games.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- AIDS and Anthropology Research Group.
- American Anthropological Association.
- Association of Internet Researchers.
- Digital Games Research Asssocation.
- Society for the Anthropology of Europe
- The Association of Queer Anthropology (AQA)