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PLACE OF BIRTH
Lowell, Massachusetts

EDUCATION


B.A. Tufts University, Medford, Mass. (1976), Department of English, Summa Cum Laude

University of Paris, III, Paris, France; studies in the French language and literature, including course work in Historical Geography, Fall 1974.

Brooks School, North Andover, MA (1972); Magna Cum Laude

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professor Emeritus, Department of Geography, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2017 to present.

Director, LAS Global Studies Program, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2013-2016.
Professor, Department of Geography, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2002 to present.

Directeur de Recherche Associé (rank equivalent to Professor), Centre d’Etudes Africaines, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France 1995-96.

Acting Director, Center for African Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1992-93.

Interim Director, Center for African Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1994-95.

Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1991-2002.


Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1985 to 1991.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1984-85.

PUBLICATIONS

Books


**Journal Articles** (*peer reviewed*)


1988  T. Bassett, "The Development of Cotton in Northern Ivory Coast, 1910-


Chapters in Books


1999 T. Bassett & Koli Bi Zueli, "Fulbe pastoralism and environmental change in northern Côte d'Ivoire" in M. DeBruijn and H. van Dijk (eds.) Pastoralism under Pressure? Fulbe societies confronting change in West-Africa. (Brill, Amsterdam), 139-159.


northern Côte d'Ivoire in Issue 5 (1993)


Journal Articles reprinted in anthologies


Book Reviews (+ invited)


OTHER PUBLICATIONS (Notes, Comments, Briefs, Encyclopedia entries)


GRANTS

National Science Foundation, Geography and Spatial Sciences Program, The Impact of Value Chain Approaches on Gender and Food Security, 2016-2021. Award No. 1539833. ($479,808).

National Science Foundation, DDRI (Charles Fogelman) The Men are Coming Home: Gender, Authority and the Politics of Land Reform in Lesotho, 2013-2014. Award No. 1333186.

National Geographic Society, A Tough Nut to Crack: Cashews and rural household incomes in Côte d’Ivoire, 2012/2013 ($19,949)


National Science Foundation, Betsy Bemyer (co-PI) “Taming the Black Tiger: The political ecology of prawn production in Tanzania, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant. 2008-2009 (NSF-BCS 09-27640 DISS)

Fulbright Program, U.S. Department of Education, Faculty Research Abroad, “Rethinking Opportunistic Grazing: The political ecology of herd mobility in northern Côte d'Ivoire,” Year 2001/02; $45,000 (PR/Award No. 19A010020).

National Science Foundation (with Sosina Asfaw) Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant: The paradox of land degradation: Borana pastoralism and bush encroachment in southern Ethiopia (NSF Award #SBR-9907052), 2000, $10,000.


U. of Illinois Library, Friends of the Library, research assistance and publication subvention grant, Mapping Africa to 1900: A Checklist of Maps of Africa at the Library of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign May 9, 1997, $2500

Educational Technologies Board Grant, (with E. Kalipeni), U. of Illinois, Teaching Computer Mapping to Large Undergraduate Classes, April 1997, $6500.

National Science Foundation (with Leslie Gray) Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant: The social and physical dynamics of environmental change in Western Burkina Faso (NSF Award #9506434), 1996. $10,000.


U. of Illinois Library, Research and Publications Committee, grant awarded from the Downs Fund for a subvention to publish Mapping Africa: A Checklist of Maps of Africa at the Library of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign 1995, $2,800.


University of Illinois Library Research Grant (with Yvette Scheven), 1989-1991: "Sources of African Historical Cartography at the University of Illinois Library."


National Geographic Society Research Grant, summer 1988: "Land in Agrarian Systems of Northern Côte d'Ivoire."

HONORS & AWARDS

2018 Robert McC. Netting Award, Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers. The award recognizes the distinguished research and professional activities that bridge geography and anthropology, April 2018.

Sheth Distinguished Faculty Award for International Achievement, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 2014.


Rockefeller Foundation Resident Fellow, Bellagio Study and Conference Center, Bellagio, Italy, January-February 2006, “Mapping World Hunger.”


LAS Fellow for Faculty Study in a Second Discipline, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, "The Surveying and Mapping of French West Africa: 1880-1900", Spring 1994.

Arnold O. Beckman Award, University of Illinois, 1998.


National Resource Fellowship (Africa/Bamana), University of California, Berkeley, 1982-83.

Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies, International Doctoral Research Fellowship, Africa Program, 1981-82.

University of California Regents Fellowship, 1980-81.

Tufts University Liberal Arts Scholarship, 1972-1976.

Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Tufts University, 1976.

Cum Laude Society, Magna Cum Laude with distinctions in French and English; the Drama Prize, Brooks School, 1972.
PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Editorial Board, Natures, Sciences, Sociétés, Paris, France https://www.nss-journal.org/fr/, 2019 to present


Scientific Advisory Committee, EchoGéo (http://echogeo.revues.org/?lang=en) PRODIG. University of Paris 1, France. 2016 to present

Editorial Board, Development Studies Research, 2013-2019 (http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/U3tDol7Sw5s)


Editorial Board, African Geographical Review; a peer-reviewed academic journal published by the Africa Specialty Group of the AAG, 2001--present


TALKS, LECTURES, INVITED PRESENTATIONS AT OTHER INSTITUTIONS (since 2000)


2020.  T. Bassett. Conceptualisation de la vulnérabilité et de l'adaptation dans la


2018 T. Bassett (with William Munro and Moussa Koné). Bringing to Scale: The Scaling-Up Concept in the Agricultural Value Chain Literature Department of Geography, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, Sept 27, 2018


2013 Hunger vulnerability and market-based solutions: Scaling up to what and for whom?” Invited presentation to Oxfam America Board of Directors,
Washington, D.C., Oct 24, 2013


2010 Land privatization and livestock raising in northern Côte d’Ivoire, UR Foncier rural, Institute de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD), Montpellier, France, July 1, 2010.


2001 Circulating Power: Rural and Urban Hunters in Côte d’Ivoire. Invited presentation at the Festschrift for Professor Philip Porter, Department of Geography, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, April 20, 2001.


TEACHING (since 2000)

Courses Taught


Geography 412, Geospatial Technologies and & Society, Sp. 2004, Fall 2009, Fall 2011 (new course co-taught with Sara McLafferty),


SERVICE ON GRADUATE COMMITTEES (since 2000)

Ph.D.
Ryan Stock, PhD committee member, 2016-
Pronoy Rai, PhD committee member, 2015-
Alex Peimer, Ph.D Committee Co-Chair
Charles Fogelman, Ph.D Committee Chair
Karen Rousseau, Agro Paris Tech, France; committee member, 2013
John Taylor, PhD committee member
Rafter Ferguson, PhD committee member
Denis Gautier, Habilitation, Doctoral School in Geography, U. of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris, France, July 1, 2011
Betsy Beymer, Ph.D. committee, Chair (defended Spring 2011)
Leo Zulu, Ph. D. committee member (completed 2006)
Jamie McGowan, Ph.D. committee, Chair.
Moussa Koné, committee, Chair (defended Spring 2011)
Batamaka Somé, committee member (Anthropology)
Lisa Henne, committee member; (Urban and Regional Planning) (defended Spring 2002)
Lamissa Banagali, committee member (Anthropology) (defended Spring 2002)

M.A.
Nathan Pavlovic, M. A. Committee Chair
Andrew Clinard, Crop Sciences, MA committee member
Sasha Cuerda, M. A. Committee Chair (completed Spring 2012)
Katie Coulter, MA. Committee Chair (completed Spring 2011)
Joseph Miller, MA Committee, Chair (completed Spring 2010)
Nicole List, MA Committee, Chair (completed Spring 2009)
Sosina Asfaw, M.A committee, Chair. (completed 2006)
Ben Juday, M.A. committee, Chair (completed 2002)
Deb Sinha, M.A. committee, Chair (completed 2002)
Rob Daniels, M.A. committee, Chair (completed 2001)