

# Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

### DEGREE

Princeton University  
Department of Anthropology

Ph.D.      Dissertation: The Anastenaria: A Study in  
Greek Ritual Therapy. 1978

M.A.      Thesis: Greek Shadow Theater: A Metasocial  
Commentary. 1974

Amherst College

B.A.      Summa Cum Laude, Department of Classics.  
1971

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2004-present	Charles A. Dana Professor of Anthropology
2000- 2004	Chair, Department of Anthropology
1991- 2004	Professor of Anthropology, Bates College
1993-1997	Chair, Department of Anthropology
1990-1991	Visiting Associate Professor of Anthropology, Princeton University (on leave from Bates College)
1985-1991	Associate Professor of Anthropology, Bates College
1978-1985	Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Bates College
1982-1983	Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Princeton University (on leave from Bates College)
1974-1975 & 1972-1973	Teaching Fellow, Athens College, Athens, Greece

### GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND PRIZES

2004-2005      National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for College Teachers and  
Independent Scholars

1997      Honorable Mention, American Ethnological Society's Senior Book Award for The  
Macedonian Conflict

- 1997-1998 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for College Teachers and Independent Scholars
- 1996 The Macedonian Conflict was selected for the CHOICE list of outstanding academic books for 1996
- 1992-1993 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for College Teachers and Independent Scholars
- 1991-1992 Fulbright Scholar Award for research in Melbourne, Australia
- 1991 Firewalking and Religious Healing was selected for the CHOICE list of outstanding academic books for 1991.
- 1990 First Prize, Chicago Folklore Prize, for Firewalking and Religious Healing
- 1986-1987 Andrew W. Mellon Fellow, National Humanities Center, Research Triangle Park, NC
- 1978 Fulbright-Hayes Grant to study Greek Shadow Theater  
(I was unable to accept this grant.)
- 1975-1976 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Grant
- 1975-1976 Wenner – Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research Grant-in-Aid
- 1971-1975 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship
- 1971 Phi Beta Kappa

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2011 Children of the Greek Civil War: Refugees and the Politics of Memory (with coauthor Riki Van Boeschoten). Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- 2011 “Macedonians.” In Ethnic Groups of Europe, Jeffrey Cole, ed. ABC-CLIO.
- 2010 “Ancient Macedonia, Alexander the Great, and the Star or Sun of Vergina: National Symbols and the Conflict between Greece and the Republic of Macedonia.” In J. Roisman and I. Worthington eds. A Companion to Ancient Macedonia. Blackwell. Pp. 572-99.
- 2008 Konflikti Maqedonas (Albanian translation of The Macedonian Conflict). Skopje: Shkupi.
- 2008 “The Battle for the Name Macedonia Begins in Australia.” Globus. May 25 (In Macedonian).
- 2008 “Collective Memory and the Construction of Identities in the Work of Nicholas Gage” (in Greek). In Memory and Forgetting: The Greek Civil War, Network for the Study of Civil Wars, Epikentro, Thessaloniki.
- 2004 Metaphors of Mediation in Greek Funeral Laments (Chapter 4 of The Death Rituals of Rural Greece). Reprinted in Death, Mourning, and Burial: A Cross-Cultural Reader, Antonius C. G. M. Robben, ed. Oxford: Blackwell. Pp. 156-166.

- 2004 Review of History in Exile: Memory and Identity at the Borders of the Balkans, by Pamela Billings. Slavic Review. 63(1):167-9.
- 2003 "We Crossed a Lot of Borders:" Refugee Children of the Greek Civil War. Diaspora. 12(2):169-209.
- 2003 Alexander the Great: A Contested Symbol of Macedonian Identity. A Companion to the Study of Alexander the Great. Joseph Roisman, ed. Brill. Pp. 347-364.
- 2003 Afterward. The Usable Past: Greek Metahistories. Keith Brown and Yannis Hamilakis, eds. Pp. 211-221.
- 2001 Is the "World Game" an "Ethnic Game" or an "Aussie Game"? Narrating the Nation in Australian Soccer. American Ethnologist. 28 (2):1-25.
- 2001 "We Are Macedonians! We are Not Greeks!" The Macedonian Minority of Northern Greece. Endangered Peoples of Europe: Struggles to Survive and Thrive. Jean S. Forward, ed. London: Greenwood Publishing Group. Pp. 85-99.
- 2000 Ecclesiastical Nationalism and the Macedonian Question in the Australian Diaspora. The Macedonian Question: Culture, Historiography, Politics. Victor Roudometof, ed. New York: East European Monographs. Pp. 25-54.
- 2000 How Can a Woman Give Birth to One Greek and One Macedonian? The Construction of National Identity among Immigrants to Australia from Northern Greece. Macedonia: The Politics of Identity and Difference. Jane Cowan, ed. London: Pluto Press. Pp. 85-103.
- 2000 Review of The New Macedonian Question. James Pettifer, ed. Slavic Review 59 (3):654-55.
- 1999 I Makedoniki Diamahi (Greek translation of The Macedonian Conflict). Athens: Alexandria.
- 1998 An Ethnographer's Lament. Journal of Modern Greek Studies. 16:177-79.
- 1996 Makedonskiot Konflikt (Macedonian translation of The Macedonian Conflict). Skopje: Makedonska Kniga.
- 1996 Review of Being Muslim the Bosnian Way by Tone Bringa. American Ethnologist 23 (3):653-55.
- 1995 The Macedonian Conflict: Ethnic Nationalism in a Transnational World. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- 1995 Review of Nationalism and Communism in Macedonia by Evangelos Kofos. Journal of Greek Studies 13 (2):362-64.
- 1995 Nationalism in Eastern Europe: Nations, States, and Minorities. Guest Editor. Cultural Survival Quarterly. 19 (2).
- 1995 The Macedonian Minority of Northern Greece. Cultural Survival Quarterly. 19 (2):64-70.
- 1995 Transnational Influences on National Conflict: The Macedonian Question. Political and Legal Anthropology Review. 18:19-34.

- 1995 The Anastenaria of Ayia Eleni: Firewalking and Religious Healing (In Greek). Athens: Plethron.
- 1994 National Conflict in a Transnational World: Greeks and Macedonians at the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Diaspora. 3 (3):325-47. (Also published in Balkan Forum. 1995. (3):49-79.)
- 1994 Nationalism and Pluralism in the Heart of the Balkans: The Republic of Macedonia. Cultural Survival Quarterly. Summer/Fall:40-43.
- 1994 "A New Tack Needed to Resolve Old Conflicts," The Age. Melbourne. March 6, 1994.
- 1993 Claims to Macedonian Identity: The Macedonian Question and the Breakup of Yugoslavia. Anthropology Today. 9 (4):3-10.
- 1991 The Resolution of Conflict Through Song in Greek Ritual Therapy. In Gender and Kinship in the Anthropology of Greece, Peter Loizos and Akis Papataxiarchis, eds. Pp. 98-113. Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press.
- 1989 Firewalking and Religious Healing: The Anastenaria of Greece and the American Firewalking Movement. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- 1984 The Ideological Context of the Search for Continuities in Greek Culture. Journal of Modern Greek Studies. 2:53-85.
- 1983 Tradition and Change in Greek Shadow Theater. Journal of American Folklore. 96:281-309. (Reprinted in Théâtres d'ombres: Tradition et Modernité, 1986, Stathis Damianakos, ed. Pp. 159-183. Paris: L'Harmattan).
- 1983 Power Through Submission in the Anastenaria. Journal of Modern Greek Studies. 1:203-223.
- 1983 Introduction: Symbolic Aspects of Male/Female Relations in Greece. Journal of Modern Greek Studies. 1:157-160.
- 1982 The Death Rituals of Rural Greece. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- 1979 The Role of Dance in The Ritual Therapy of the Anastenaria. Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies. 5:141-163.
- 1978 Die Anastenariden. In Griechenland Das Festland, by Tomas and Lida Micek. Pp. 130-157. Munich: Sudeutscher Verlag.
- 1976 Humour and Status Reversal in Greek Shadow Theater. Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies. 2:99-111.

### **PAPERS DELIVERED**

- 2009 "The Refugee Children of the Greek Civil War." Presented at the First Global Conference of the United Macedonian Diaspora, Washington, DC.

- 2008 "The Macedonian Conflict: A 'Global Cultural War' over the Name of the Republic of Macedonia and the Existence of a Macedonian Minority in Northern Greece." Presented at the U.S. State Department at a Conference for Philip Reeker, Ambassador-designate to the Republic of Macedonia.
- 2007 "The Memory of the Evacuation of Refugee Children from the Greek Civil War in the Greek American Diaspora." Presented in Greek at a conference entitled "Revisiting the Political: Anthropological and Historical Research on Greek Society." Mytilini, Lesvos, Greece.
- 2006 "Collective Memory and the Construction of Identities in the Work of Nicholas Gage." Presented in Greek at a conference entitled "Memories of Civil Wars." Kastoria, Greece.
- 2005 The Repatriation of Refugee Children of the Greek Civil War. Presented at Princeton University and sponsored by the Program in Hellenic Studies.
- 2004 Refugee Children of the Greek Civil War. Presented at the 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2003 Homelands, Real and Imaginary: Refugee Children of the Greek Civil War. Presented at the 18<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of the Modern Greek Studies Association, Toronto.
- 2003 "We Came Back Like Angles and Found Ourselves in Hall." The Repatriation of Refugee Children from the Greek Civil War. Presented at a conference entitled "The Child Refugees from Greece in Eastern and Central Europe after World War II" held in Fehervarcsurgo, Hungary.
- 1999 South Melbourne Hellas or South Melbourne Lakers? Cultural Hybridity in a Greek Soccer Club in Australia. Presented at the Modern Greek Studies Association Symposium, Princeton, NJ.
- 1998 Ecclesiastical Nationalism and the Macedonian Question in the Australian Diaspora. Presented at a conference entitled "Negotiating Boundaries: The Past in the Present in SE Europe" held at University of Wales, Lampeter.
- 1997 Makedonia 2 - Hellas 1: Soccer and Politics in Multicultural Australia. Presented at the Third North American-Macedonian Conference on Language, Literature and Folklore held at the University of Toronto.
- 1996 Objectivity and Reflexivity in the Historiography and Ethnography of Macedonia. Presented at the 1996 Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA.
- 1996 The Construction of a Transnational National Community: Macedonians in the Balkans and the Diaspora. Presented at the 1997 Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association. New York, NY.
- 1996 The Construction of National Identities among Immigrants to Australia from Greek Macedonia. Presented at a conference on "Refugees, Diasporas, and Repatriations in Contemporary Balkan Contexts." Institute of Anthropology. University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark.

- 1996 Names, Nationalism, and the International Recognition of the Republic of Macedonia. Presented at the 37th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA.
- 1994 Greeks and Macedonians in the Australian Diaspora. Presented at a conference on Macedonia held at University College London.
- 1994 The Construction of Macedonian Identity. Presented at the Thomas J. Watson, Jr. Institute for International Studies at Brown University.
- 1993 National Conflict in a Transnational World: Greeks and Macedonians at the Conference for Security and Cooperation in Europe. Presented at The 92nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, DC.
- 1993 The Construction of Identity among Immigrants to Australia from Northern Greece. Presented at the Modern Greek Studies Association Symposium, Berkeley, CA.
- 1990 The Anastenaria of Northern Greece. Sponsored by the Program in Hellenic Studies, Princeton University.
- 1990 The Denial of Macedonian Ethnicity in the Hegemonic Discourse of the First International Congress on Macedonian Studies. Presented at the 89th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, LA.
- 1988 New Anastenarides and Old: A Narrative Ethnography. Presented at the 87th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Phoenix, AZ.
- 1988 The Celebration of Community in a Changing World. Presented at a Colloquium on "Representations of Death" sponsored by the George Seferis Chair of Modern Greek Studies, Harvard University.
- 1988 The Resolution of Conflict Through Song in Greek Ritual Therapy. Presented in Greek at the First International Congress on Macedonian Studies. LaTrobe University, Melbourne, Australia.
- 1986 The Resolution of Conflict Through Song in Greek Ritual Therapy. Presented in Greek at the Symposium on Horizons of Current Anthropological Research in Greece, Mytilene, Greece.
- 1984 Yorghos Yavasis: A Religious Leader of Rural Greece. Presented at the 83rd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, CO.
- 1983 The Ideological Context of the Search for Continuities in Greek Culture. Presented at the 115th Annual Meeting of the American Philological Association, Cincinnati, OH.
- 1983 Tradition and Change in Greek Shadow Theater. Princeton University. Sponsored by the Program in Hellenic Studies.
- 1982 Mourning and the Maintenance of Identity Among the Women of Rural Greece. Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 1982 Tradition and Change in Greek Shadow Theater. Presented at the Festival Mondial des Théâtres Marionnettes: Le Théâtre d'ombres aujourd'hui. Charleville-Mézières, France.

- 1982            Death Rituals in Rural Greece. Princeton University. Sponsored by the Department of Anthropology and the Program in Hellenic Studies.
- 1981            Death Rituals in Rural Greece. Indiana University. Sponsored by the Departments of Anthropology, Folklore, and Classical Studies.
- 1980            Power Through Submission in the Anastenaria. Presented at the Modern Greek Studies Association Symposium, Philadelphia, PA.
- 1979            Women's Strategies and Powers: A Rural Greek Example. Presented at the 78th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Cincinnati, OH.
- 1978            The Symbolic and Social Resolution of Conflict in Greek Ritual Therapy. Presented at the 77th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Los Angeles, CA.
- 1977            The Role of Dance in the Ritual Therapy of the Anastenaria. Presented at the 76th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Houston, TX.

### **FIELD EXPERIENCE**

- June 2001        Research in northwestern Greece on life histories of refugees from the Greek Civil War.
- August 2000     Research in Toronto, Canada on life histories of refugees from the Greek Civil War.
- July 1998        Research in the Republic of Macedonia on life histories of refugees from the Greek Civil War.
- Sept.-Dec. 1997   Research in Melbourne on Australian nationalism and multiculturalism.
- August 1995     Research and language study in the Republic of Macedonia.
- 1991-1992        Research on ethnic nationalism in the Greek and Macedonian communities of Melbourne, Australia.
- March 1991      Research on the Greek and Macedonian communities of Toronto, Canada.
- June 1990        Research on the Macedonian minority of northern Greece.
- May 1986        Follow-up research on the Anastenaria, a system of ritual therapy in Greece, May 1981, Macedonia.
- June-Aug. 1979   Research on death rituals in central Greece.
- 1975-1976        Research on the Anastenaria, a system of ritual therapy in Greek Macedonia.
- 1970            University of Massachusetts Summer Field School in Archaeology, Grants, NM.
- 1969            Summer Session of the American School of Classical Studies, Athens, Greece.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Ethnicity and nationalism (the construction of identity and the invention of tradition, the analysis of discourse and ideology).

Globalization, diasporas, and the formation of transnational communities.

Ethnographic writing.

Anthropological approaches to the study of religious and symbolic systems (ritual, cosmology, religious conversion).

Psychological and psychiatric anthropology (transcultural psychiatry, non-Western systems of psychotherapy, spirit possession).

The study of oral narrative (formal and structural analyses of folksongs, folk tales, and folk drama).

The ethnography of Greece and Australia.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Symbolic Anthropology

Myth, Folktale, and Popular Culture

Modern Greece and the Mediterranean

Language and Culture

History of Anthropological Theory

Social Anthropology

God, Heroes, Magic, and Mysteries: Religion in Ancient Greece (team taught)

Psychological Anthropology

The Craft of Ethnography

Folklore and Popular Culture

Anthropological Fieldwork Among Local Ethnic Groups

Modern Greek Language and Culture in Greece

American Culture: An Anthropological Perspective

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures:

Advanced Readings in Modern Greek Literature

Advanced Modern Greek

Intermediate Modern Greek

Elementary Modern Greek

## **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

American Anthropological Association

Modern Greek Studies Association

Editorial Board of Journal of Modern Greek Studies, 1986-present

Executive Committee, 1981-1987

Society for Cultural Anthropology

## **REFERENCES**

References available upon request.