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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Kentucky: Anthropology (1993)

M.A. University of Kentucky: Anthropology (1986)

B.S. Western Michigan University, Honors College: Anthropology major, English minor (1982)

AREAS OF INTEREST

Political ecology; indigenous populations; economic development; gender; participatory methods; International and Global Studies; the Andes; Central America; rural U.S.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Michigan State University (MSU) (2005-present; Adjunct Associate Professor in Anthropology since 2004)

- Developing/teaching online course focusing on “Gender and Agro-Ecosystems Development” as a section of “WS 403 Women and Change in Developing Countries;
- Redesigned curriculum and currently teaching “SSC 890 Special Topics in Social Science: Seminar on Economic Development” for Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows;
- Serves on four graduate student committees in the Departments of Anthropology (3) at MSU and UC Santa Barbara (1); supervised two graduate students for ANP 890 readings courses (Andean & Central America topics).

Visiting Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Kalamazoo College (2004)

- Designed curriculum and taught “Cultural Dimensions & Dynamics of International Development” (concurrent with work for DAI described below).

Regional Advisor, Latin America and the Caribbean, DevTech Systems, Inc. for USAID/Washington (1996-2000)

- Developed and facilitated professional workshops on: “Gender and Development – Democracy & Governance; Gender and Development – Economic Development; Gender and Development – Environment & Natural Resources

Consultant, CARE USA and CARE International (1994-1996)

- Developed and facilitated professional workshops on: “Livelihood Security – Conceptual Framework”; “Livelihood Security – Rapid Rural Appraisal”

Lecturer/Assistant Professor, Gettysburg College, University of Kentucky, and Western Kentucky University (1990-1995)

- Designed curricula and taught courses in Department of Anthropology and Sociology, including: Gender from a Cross-Cultural Perspective; World Cultures; Introduction to Socio-Cultural Anthropology; Introduction to Latin American Studies; History of Anthropology (theory emphasis)

RESEARCH / OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Michigan State University (MSU) (2005-present)

- **Associate Director, CASID (2008-present)**

Administers Title VI funds from the U.S. Department of Education and coordinates monitoring and evaluation efforts across three Centers at MSU. Serves as Co- Primary Investigator on a National Science Foundation/Coupled Natural and Human Systems grant for research on globalization processes in Nicaragua, and backstops the CASID Director.

- **Advisor, Research & Program Development, GenCen (2006-present)**

Develops collaborative, multidisciplinary research and program opportunities - including project designs, proposals, and promotional materials - for the Gender, Development, and Globalization program (GDG) related teaching, research and outreach activities. Results include over \$4,000,000 in external funds generated to date from the Social Science Research Council, the National Science Foundation, USAID and others.

- **Associate Director, Partnerships for Food Industry Development – Fruits & Vegetables, Institute for International Agriculture (2005-2008)**

Guided program planning, performance monitoring and reporting. Conducted participatory needs assessments, action planning and evaluation to increase participation of marginalized groups in programming activities. Served as technical backstop for projects in Central America and Southern Africa, and as administrative backstop for the program director.

Senior Development Specialist, Development Alternatives, Inc., Bethesda, MD (2001-2005)

Developed strategies to address gender issues and the inclusion of indigenous groups and other rural poor in programs for USAID projects on democracy and governance, agribusiness development and natural resource management. Provided technical leadership and assistance in participatory methods, strategic planning, program design, monitoring and evaluation. Served as technical writer on project proposals to potential donors.

Development Officer, Pact, Inc., Washington, D.C. (2000-2001)

Marketed donors, developed project proposals, and coordinated production efforts. Carried out research on donor trends to advise staff on program development approaches. Collaborated on the development of a fund-raising and financial sustainability training module for local nongovernmental organizations. Provided technical analysis of gender and social science issues in country, regional, and global programs.

Regional Advisor, Latin America and the Caribbean, DevTech Systems, Inc. for USAID Office of Women in Development, Global Bureau, Washington, D.C. (1996-2000)

Advised operating units on strategic planning to achieve heightened participation and impact with women and men customers. Integrated social and gender analysis in requests for applications and requests for proposals to amplify positive program results. Assessed field programs and annual performance reports to improve project design and reporting related to socioeconomic and gender issues and presented findings to USAID staff to better inform funding decision makers. Conducted research on women's and indigenous issues and developed briefing documents for senior members of the Executive Branch.

Consultant/Team Leader/Trainer, CARE USA and CARE International, Atlanta, Georgia (1994-1996)

Managed teams conducting rapid rural appraisals of livelihood security, integrating socioeconomic, environment, health, and nutrition data. Carried out needs, impact, and institutional assessments; findings resulted in guidelines for improved design and implementation of livelihood security programming. Co-authored development project proposal for USAID Title II funds for CARE Guatemala and secured \$US 7 million in funding.

Research Fellow, Fulbright Commission and National Science Foundation, Ecuador (1988-1990)

Conducted dissertation research on the social, economic, and political aspects of indigenous organizations and analyzed national and international development policy funded by the Fulbright Commission and National Science Foundation.

COUNTRIES OF WORK EXPERIENCE

Bolivia, Botswana, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Moldova, Nicaragua, Peru, Republic of Georgia, South Africa, Tanzania

CERTIFICATES

Local Government Training, International City/County Management Association for the Urban Programs Office, USAID/Washington, Washington, DC, 1998.

Democracy Officer Training, Management Systems International for the Center for Democracy and Governance, USAID/Washington, San Salvador, El Salvador, 1998.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Western Michigan University, Department of Anthropology Alumni Award, 2005

Teaching and Research Assistantships, University of Kentucky, 1990-1993, 1983-1988

Graduated from the Honors College, Western Michigan University with departmental honors in Anthropology, 1982

Waldo-Sangren Scholarship, 1982

Michigan State Board of Education Scholarship, 1978-1982

Western Michigan University Scholarship, 1976-1977

GRANTS

National Science Foundation/Coupled Natural and Human Systems “Globalization and the Connection of Remote Communities: Environmental Implications” in Nicaragua. Co-Primary Investigator, 2008-2013 (\$1,057,123)

Fulbright Dissertation Research Grant, 1988-1989 (monthly stipend) and National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, 1988-1989 (\$10,000)

(A list of team-awarded grants and contracts is also available on request.)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association

Society for Applied Anthropology

LANGUAGES

Spanish – fluent speaking and reading, basic writing; English – native speaker

RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Access, SPSS, EpiInfo, ANGEL, Blogger.com, Camtasia

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Big Brothers, Big Sisters (2006-2011)

Advisory Committee, Cool Cities Initiative, City of Kalamazoo, MI (2003-2007)

Hispanic Leadership Coalition, Kalamazoo, MI (2003-2005)

Board of Directors, Guatemala Human Rights Commission (2000-2003)

Fund Raising Committee, SMGW (next steps program for homeless) (2000-2001)

Partners of the Americas, Kentucky-Ecuador Partnership, (1986-1992)

Gryphon Place Helpline/Crisis Intervention Center (1976-1980)

PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS

Allen, Andrea M., Daniel Boyd Kramer and Kara Stevens (in progress) Tourism and Livelihood Trends: The Political Ecology of Development on the Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua. For submission to Culture, Agriculture, Food and the Environment, the Journal of Culture and Agriculture, American Anthropological Association.

Manfre, Cristina, Deborah Rubin, Andrea Allen, Gale Summerfield, Kathleen Colverson, Mercy Akeredolu (2013) Reducing the Gender Gap in Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services: How to Find the Best Fit for Men and Women Farmers, MEAS Series on Good Practices and Best Fit Approaches. For USAID “Modernizing Extension and Advisory Services” (MEAS) www.meas-extension.org.

Patch, Kate and Andrea M. Allen (2010) Participant Observation and Community Engagement: An Anthropological Approach to Promote and Assess Transformative Learning with Non-Governmental Organization Internships in Ghana. *Practicing Anthropology*. 32(3):32-37.

Allen, Andrea and Robert Hitchcock (2009) Dos Gatazos: Indigenous Organization and Political Strategy in Two Andean Communities. *Urban Anthropology & Studies of Cultural Systems & World Economic Development*, 37(3-4):251-282.

Allen, Andrea (2005-2007) USAID PFID-F&V Leader Award Annual Workplans & Semi-Annual Reports. East Lansing: Partnerships for Food Industry Development, MSU.

Allen, Andrea and Michael Richards (2006) USAID “Access to Markets Program” (AMP): A Model Program Approach. Guatemala City and East Lansing: Partnerships for Food Industry Development, MSU.

Hopkins, Rose, Andrea Allen and Ricardo Hernandez (2006) USAID PFID-F&V Midterm Review, Phase 2. East Lansing: Partnerships for Food Industry Development, MSU.

Allen, Andrea and Flash Bediako (2005-2006) USAID/South Africa Associate Award Quarterly Reports. Alice & East Lansing: Partnerships for Food Industry Development, MSU & Fort Hare University.

Allen, Andrea (2004) USAID/Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance: Gender Assessment and Action Plan. Washington, DC: DAI for DevTech Systems Inc.

Allen, Andrea, Manuel Glave, Jorge Noriega, Alfredo Riesco, Mariella Sala, and Nydia Villavicencio (2004) Assessment of the USAID Peru-Ecuador Border Region Development Program. Lima, Peru: Development Alternatives for USAID/Peru.

Allen, Andrea (2003) Operationalizing the Project Gender Strategy: Long-Term Technical Assistance and Workplan Considerations. Chisinau, Moldova: BASIS/Moldova Land Tenure Support Project for USAID/Moldova.

Allen, Andrea, Monica Crespo, Frida Saenz, Tatiana Campero and Kim Glick (2002) Gender Strategy 2002-2005: Increasing Inclusion for Greater Results. Cochabamba, Bolivia: CONCADE/DAI for USAID/Bolivia.

Allen, Andrea (2002) Promoting Democratic Values and Practices: A Cross-Cutting Approach to Democracy and Gender. Washington, D.C.: WIDTECH for USAID/Peru.

Allen, Andrea (1999) Concept Paper: A Gender Strategy for DDCP (Democratic Decentralization and Citizen Participation Project). Washington, D.C.: The WIDStrat Project at USAID. For USAID/Bolivia.

Allen, Andrea (1999) Concept Paper: El Encuentro Nacional and Promoting Women's Participation in Bolivia. Washington, D.C.: The WIDStrat Project at USAID. For USAID/Bolivia.

Allen, Andrea (1998) From Petrona's Perspective: An Andean Life Cycle and a Lesson for Development. *INSTRAW News*, No. 29. (Publication of the United Nations Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women). Second Semester.

Allen, Andrea (1998) Gender Action Plan for USAID Peru: Findings and Recommendations. The WIDSR Project at USAID. For USAID/Peru.

Allen, Andrea (1997) Democracy and Gender: Women's Legal Rights and Political Participation in Peru. Washington, D.C.: The WIDSR Project at USAID. For USAID/Peru.

Allen, Andrea (1996) Evaluation of CARE-FISE (NGO add-on to Ecuadorian Social Investment Fund). Quito: CARE International.

Allen, Andrea (1995) Title II Program Institutional Assessment: Guatemala. Atlanta: Food Security Unit, CARE USA.

Allen, Andrea (1995) Rapid Food Security and Nutrition Assessment: Guatemala. Atlanta: Food Security Unit, CARE USA.

Allen, Andrea (1994) Rapid Food Security and Nutrition Assessment: The Republic of Georgia. Atlanta: Food Security Unit, CARE USA.

Allen, Andrea with José Cárdenas A. (1990) Un caso de alta tasa de migración masculina: Gatazo, Provincia Chimborazo. In B. Hess, ed. *Estudios de Casos Sobre la Realidad de la Mujer Ecuatoriana en Sectores Críticos de Desarrollo*. Quito: USAID.

Allen, Andrea with José Cárdenas A. (1990) Un caso de cultivos no-tradicionales para exportación: Guano, Provincia Chimborazo. In B. Hess, ed. *Estudios de Casos Sobre la Realidad de la Mujer Ecuatoriana en Sectores Críticos de Desarrollo*. Quito: USAID.

Broekhuysen, Jan T. and Andrea Allen (1988) Farming Systems Research on the Northern Mossi Plateau. *Human Organization*. 47(4):330-342.

PAPERS PRESENTED

Allen, Andrea M. and Daniel B. Kramer (2013) Gendered Livelihoods and Resilience: Sociocultural and Natural Resource Management on Pearl Lagoon. Invited Session: Enhancing *Sociocultural Resilience* to Multiple Crises in Coupled Human-Natural Systems (CHNS). Co-organizers: Susan Stonich and Andrea Allen. Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) 73rd Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 19-23, 2013.

Allen, Andrea M., Daniel Boyd Kramer and Kara Stevens (2010) Ecotourism, Ethnicity and Gender: Tourist Transactions on the Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua. Paper presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) 70th Annual Meeting, Merida, Mexico, March 24-27, 2010.

Allen, Andrea M. and Anne Ferguson (2009) Gender and Food Systems: Implications for International Development. Paper presented at the Midwest Institute for International/Intercultural Education (MIIE) Workshop on Global Food, Water and Energy, Kalamazoo Valley Community College, August 10-14, 2009.

Patch, Kate and Andrea M. Allen (2008) Participant Observation and Community Engagement: An Anthropological Approach to Promote and Assess Transformative Learning with Non-Governmental Organization Internships in Ghana. Paper presented in Invited Session: Anthropological Contributions to Experiential Learning in International and Intercultural Contexts (Sponsored by GAD). Chair: Susan Buck Sutton; Organizer: Kiran Cunningham. American Anthropological Association (AAA) 107th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA November 19th-23rd, 2008.

Allen, Andrea M. and Robert K. Hitchcock (2008) Dos Gatazos: Indigenous Organization and Political Strategy in Two Andean Communities. Paper presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology. Memphis, Tennessee. March 27, 2008.

Allen, Andrea (2006) Increasing Access to Markets for Small-Scale Producers in Central America: A Model Program Approach. 9th Conference on the Americas, GVSU Latin American Studies Program, October 14, 2006.

Allen, Andrea (2003) Alternatives to Coca: Increasing Participation in Small-Farmer Organization & Extension Services. 7th Conference on the Americas, GVSU Latin American Studies Program, October 11, 2003.

Allen, Andrea (1999) The Promise to Empower, the Potential to Impoverish: Lessons on Decentralization from Bolivia. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology. Tucson, Arizona. April 22, 1999

Allen, Andrea (1996) The Anthropology of Democracy Assistance: Multi-Disciplinary Teams and Methods at Work in Bolivia. Presented at monthly meeting of the Washington Association for Professional Anthropology, December 1996.

Allen, Andrea (1992) Community Organization and Intra-Community Variation in Highland Ecuador. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Memphis, Tennessee, March, 1992.

Allen, Andrea (1986) A Comparison of the Attitudes of Agricultural Cooperative Officials and Women Members. American Farm Women in Historical Perspective, Second Annual Conference, University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 16-18, 1986.

Allen, Andrea and Miriam Fordham (1985) Kentucky Farm Women and Agricultural Cooperatives: Personal vs. Organizational Goals. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., March 1985.

Allen, Andrea and James Boster (1984) Perceptions of Health and Illness: Conventional and Holistic Models Compared. Southern Anthropological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, April 1984.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST