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EDUCATION

- 2006 Ph.D., Anthropology, Rutgers University, New Jersey.
Committee: Louisa Schein, Chair; Fran Mascia-Lees, Peter
Guarnaccia, and Bruce Robbins.
- Doctoral Dissertation Project: *The Impact of Globalization
on Adolescent Sexuality in the West Indies.*
- 1987 M.P.H. San Jose State University, California.
- 1985 B.A. Political Science, Keene State College, New
Hampshire.

PUBLICATIONS-PEER REVIEWED

- 2012 Curtis, Debra. "Capitalism." In *Encyclopedia of Human
Sexuality*. Wiley-Blackwell Press, in press.
- 2009 Curtis, Debra. *Pleasures and Perils: Girls' Sexuality in a
Caribbean Consumer Culture*. Rutgers University Press.
- 2008 Curtis, Debra (with Arthur Frankel). "What's In a Purse?
Maybe a Woman's Reputation." In *Sex Roles: A Journal of
Research*, 59, 615-622
- 2004 Curtis, Debra. "Commodities and Sexual Subjectivities: A
Look at Capitalism and Its Desires." In *Cultural
Anthropology* 19(1): 95-121.
- 1992 King, Roy, Debra Curtis and Guenther Knoblich.
"Biological Factors in Sociopathy: Relationships to Drug
Abuse Behaviors." In *Vulnerability to Drug Abuse*. Myer

Glantz and Roy Pickens, eds. Pp.115-136. Washington DC: American Psychological Association.

- 1991 King, Roy. Debra Curtis and Guenther Knoblich..
“Complexity Preference in Substance Abusers and Controls.” In *Perceptual and Individual Differences* 2:287-291.

ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS

- 2008 Curtis, Debra. “The Sexualization of Girls: “Serving Our Children on Corporate Platters.” Op ed. In *Providence Journal*. January 2.
- 2005 Curtis, Debra. “Fashion for the Field.” In *Anthropology News*. October 2005, Vol. 46, No. 7, Pp 68.
- 1996 Curtis, Debra. “Nightwork: Sexuality, Pleasure, and Corporate Masculinity in a Tokyo Hostess Club.” [Book review] *Gender and Society* 10 (2): 215-216.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2012 “Cultural Interstices and the Erotic: Spaces In-Between.” American Anthropological Association. 111th Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 “Teaching the Anthropology of Sexuality.” American Anthropological Association. 111th Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 “How Good Looking are You? It May Depend on Your Job” Association for Psychological Sciences, Chicago, ILL. May 24-27.
- 2012 “Can a Baby-faced man be an award winning cop? Not Likely.” Eastern Psychological Association Annual Meeting, Pittsburg, PA. March 1-4.
- 2011 "Are There Any Strings Attached to Hooking Up? There are for Acquaintances." American Psychological Science Annual Convention, Washington, DC. May 25 – 29.

“Can a Woman be too Pretty to be a Cop?” Presented at the Eastern Psychological Association, Cambridge, Mass. March 10-13.

2010

“Tourism and Anthropology: Producing Erotic Subjectivities.” American Anthropological Association. 109th Annual Meeting. New Orleans. November 17-21.

“What’s in a college student’s purse? Probably not condoms.” Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Association of Psychological Science, Boston, MA. May, 27-30.

“What’s the cost of a condom? If you’re a woman it’s very high.” Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Brooklyn, NY. March

2009

Public Sex and Private Injuries: Sexual Violence “Among Girls on Nevis.” American Anthropological Association. 108th Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

“Teaching Human Sexuality.” American Anthropological Association. 108th Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

“Assumptions college women make about college women who use condoms.” Poster presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Pittsburgh, PA.

2008

“Money becomes you: How good looking you are may depend on how much you earn.” Poster presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

2007

“Sexual Pleasure and Sexual Violence: A Fine Line Between Coercion and Consent.” American Anthropological Association. 106th Annual Meeting. November 28-December 1.

- 2006 “Commodity Erotics: Sex, Nevisian Teenage Girls, and Pleasure” American Anthropological Association. 105th Annual Meeting. November 15-19.
- 2005 “Sex, Pleasure, and Girls: Coming of Age in the West Indies.” American Anthropological Association. 104th Annual Meeting. December 15-19.
- 2000 “Capitalism and Its Desires: The Intersection of Sexual Subjectivity and Commodities.” American Anthropological Association. 99th Annual Meeting. November 15-19.
- 1999 “Universality of Human Rights: Writing Against Difference.” 1999. American Anthropological Association. 98th Annual Meeting. November 17-21.
- 1996 “Field Sex: An Analysis of the Silent Taboo.” American Anthropological Association. 95th Annual Meeting. November 20-24.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2012 Salve Regina University, Faculty Research Grant, Office of the Provost (\$1,109)
- 2012 Presidential Award, Salve Regina University
- 2011 Freshmen Advocate Award
- 2002 National Science Foundation (NSF) \$14,000
- 2001 Bigel Fellowship, Anthropology Department, Rutgers University \$2,000
- 2001 Special Study Award, Graduate School, Rutgers University \$1,500

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2007-Present Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island
Assistant Professor

1999- 2006	Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island Professional Lecturer
1998-1999	University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, Dartmouth, Massachusetts, Adjunct Faculty
1995-1996	Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey Adjunct Faculty (Summer sessions)

INVITED LECTURES

2011	“Consumer Culture and Desire.” Invited Lecture. Rhode Island School of Design. April 15, 2011.
2009	“Headhunting and Sexuality: What it Means to be Human.” Invited Lecture. Amherst College. April, 2009.
2003	“Ride for a Ride: Understanding Sexual-Economic Exchange in the West Indies.” Rutgers University, Department of Anthropology. November, 2003.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2012	Search Committee, Director of Multicultural Programs (Appointed by the Dean of Arts and Sciences)
2011-2012	Health Care Major Committee, (appointed by the Dean of Professional Studies)
2012	Atwood Committee (appointed by the Provost)
2011-2012	International Student Enrollment Committee (appointed by the President)
2011-current	Faculty Advisor Multicultural Student Organization
2011	Major/Minor Fair. Ochre Court, Salve Regina University. September 29.
	Open House. Ochre Court, Salve Regina University. September 26.

2011 Coordinator, Eight-week Lecture Series. Topics in American History and Culture for Salve Regina University's Office of International Studies in conjunction with the Spouting Rock Beach Association. July 7-28 2011.

"Social Class in Everyday American Life" Topics in American History and Culture for Salve Regina University's Office of International Studies. July 7, 2011.

"Race in Everyday American Life." Topics in American History and Culture for Salve Regina University's Office of International Studies. July 7, 2011.

2010-current Faculty Advisor, Sociology and Anthropology Club

2010-2012 Social Committee

2010 Invited Speaker, "Forum on Human Dignity and Compassion." Mercy Chapel, November 2.

"What is Anthropology?" Residential Life Program. Mercy Center. October 1.

Major/Minor Fair. Ochre Court, Salve Regina University. October 1.

"Social Class in America." Topics in American Culture for the Salve Regina University International Summer School. July, 15.

2009-2010 Chair, Sub-Committee on Diversity for the Retention Committee, appointed by Dr. Laura O'Toole, Dean of Arts and Sciences.

1999-2007 Faculty Advisor, Anthropology Club

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2011 Invited Speaker. "The Dark Side of Technology." Tiverton High School. January 20.

2010	Invited Speaker. "The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: The Impact of Technology on Our Children." Community College of Rhode Island. November 3.
2007-2010	Chair, Board of Directors, Flying Kites Kenya
2009-2011	Secretary, Board of Trustees, Saint Philomena School

PRESS INTERVIEWS

2004	Press Interview: "Women in the Sex Industry" by Mireya Navarro, <i>The New York Times</i> .
2004	Press Interview: "Female Sexuality" by Fabrice Rousselot, <i>Liberation</i> (French publication).
2004	Press Interview: "Female Sexuality" by Alyson Walls, <i>Pittsburgh Tribune-Review</i> .

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Anthropology

Native Americans

Physical Anthropology

Globalization and Cultural Dynamics

Anthropology of Gender and Sexuality

Anthropology of Human Rights

Cultural Anthropology

Social Theory

Race and Ethnic Relations

Sociology of Deviance

INDEPENDENT STUDIES

Globalization and Cultural Dynamics

Social Theory

MANUSCRIPT REVIEW FOR PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS

Childhood (An international journal on the study of children cross-culturally), 2011

Vanderbilt University Press, 2008

Peer-Reviewer for Funding Agencies

National Science Foundation, 2011 (amount requested, \$94,907)