

TERESA E. P. DELFÍN, PH.D.

EDUCATION

Stanford University 2007

Ph.D. Program in Modern Thought and Literature (with specialty in Anthropology)

Ph.D. Minor in Cultural and Social Anthropology

University of California, Berkeley 2000

M.A. in Latin American Studies

The Evergreen State College (Olympia, WA) 1997

B.A. Interdisciplinary degree with focus on Anthropology and Latin American studies

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Whittier College 2009-present

Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology; Lecturer of Anthropology

Discovery Channel 2008-2009

Consulting Anthropologist and Script Writer, Latin America

Rhodes College 2007-2008

Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Latin America; Indigenous Social Movements; Tourism & Travel; Gender & Sexuality; Civil Unrest; Ethnographic Methods; Diaspora & Globalization; Race & Ethnicity; Environment & Nature; Digital Media & Filmmaking

CURRENT RESEARCH

Ethnography: *Zona Romántica*. This research explores what it means to be gay in Mexico's world-renowned LGBT neighborhood in Puerto Vallarta, focusing on rites of passage, HIV/AIDS, cross-national relationships, and tourism through the lens of the LGBT

community. Manuscript in progress.

Documentary: *LGBT Multiculturalism in Mexico*. Mexico has never had a unified LGBT rights movement or culture. This multi-part documentary aims to reveal Mexico's multiculturalism through the lens of highly varied and regionally informed expressions of gender and sexuality. The first installment focuses on a transwoman's journey. Fall 2017.

PUBLICATIONS

- “Safe Travels: Tourism and Security in Latin America” in Neighborly Adversaries: Readings in U.S.-Latin American Relations (La Rosa, et al.) “Safe Travels: Tourism and Security in Latin America” 2015
- Book Review: *Coloniality at Large: Latin America and the Postcolonial Debate* (Moraña, et al.) in *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 2010
- Book Review: *Fujimori's Peru: Deception in the Public Sphere* (Conaghan) in *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 2008
- "From Images to Imaginaries: Tourism Advertisements and the Conjuring of Reality" in Tourism & Photography (Ashgate, ed. Mike Robinson and David Picard) 2008
- "Postcards from the Andes: Politics of Representation in the New Peru" in Eco-See: Image, Rhetoric, and Nature (SUNY Press, ed. Sid Dobrin) 2008
- Script: Chichén Itzá (Discovery Channel) 2008
- Script: Uxmal (Discovery Channel) 2008
- Book Review: *Hosts and Guests Revisited: Tourism Issues of the 21st Century* in *Tourism, Culture, & Communication* 2005
- “Mi Pueblito: Icon of Resistance or Identity Crisis?” in *Lucero: A Journal of Iberian and Latin American Studies* 2000

CONFERENCES & PUBLIC LECTURES

- American Anthropological Association Meeting: Washington, DC Panel Organizer, Presenter: "¡Presente! Transient *Jotería* in a Mexican Gayborhood" 2017

American Anthropological Association Meeting: Denver, CO Panel Organizer, Presenter: "Beyond the Closet: Global Queer Rites of Passage"	2015
American Anthropological Association Meeting: Washington, D.C. "No, Gracias: Opting Out of LGBT Organizing in Mexico's Zona Romántica"	2014
"The <i>American</i> Closet: Queer Rites of Passage in Latin America" An interview recorded by KPCC, Southern California's NPR affiliate	2014
American Anthropological Association Meeting: San Francisco, CA Panel Organizer, Chair, Presenter: "Transnational Intimacies"	2008
American Anthropological Association Meeting: Washington, D.C. Panel Organizer, Chair: "Tourism, Temporality, and Identity Formation"	2007
American Anthropological Association Meeting: San Jose, CA Panel Co-Organizer, Co-Chair: "Investing in the Future: Marketing, Selling, and Buying Kinship."	2006
International Vernacular Colloquium: Puebla, México Area Chair, Travel and Tourism Studies	2005
8 th World Symposium of the Organization of the World Heritage Cities: Cusco, Perú	2005
Conference on College Composition and Communication Co-Chair, Graduate Student Special Interest Group	2004
American Anthropological Association Meeting: Berkeley, CA; Atlanta, GA " <i>Vacare</i> to Vacation: Adventure Tourists / Incidental Pilgrims"	2004
Tourism & Photography International Research Conference: Sheffield, UK "From Images to Imaginaries: Tourism as Act and Metaphor"	2003
Signposts: Discourse on Travel: Washington, DC "Wander≠Lust: An Unlikely Story of Sex and Tourism"; panel chair	2002
Canadian Comparative Literature Association Conference: Toronto, Canada "Of Passports and Protests: Encountering a Tourist Politic"	2002
5th Congress of the Americas: Puebla, México "Tourism in Latin America: Suffering and the Authentic"	2001

American Literary Association: Boston, MA “Primitivist Passages: Theodore Roosevelt’s Time Travels in Africa”	2001
Boundaries in Question Conference: Berkeley, CA Conference organizer and panel moderator	2000
Boundaries in Question Conference: Berkeley, CA “Temporal Fantasies: Time-Traveling Tours at the End of the Millennium”	1999

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Hybrid Ethnographies</i> , Sage Publications	2017
Whittier Scholars Council	2015-present
Whittier College first year transfer student advising	2015-2016
Mentored alumni during fieldwork in Mexico	2015-2016
Commencement address at inaugural Global Poets Graduation	2015
Anthropology Focus Group, Oxford University Press	2013, 2014
Manuscript reviewer, Oxford University Press	2014
Mentorship of Whittier College Mellon-Mays fellows	2012-present
Watson Fellowship Selection Committee, Rhodes College	2007-2008
Committee on Latin American Studies, Rhodes College	2007-2008
Committee on Women’s Studies, Rhodes College	2007-2008
Admissions Committee, Modern Thought & Literature, Stanford University	2001-2007
Teaching Consultant, Center for Teaching and Learning, Stanford University	2004-2005

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, FUNDING

Marilyn Veich Award for Outstanding Contributions to Whittier College	2017
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Faculty Research Grant, Whittier College	2017
DigLibArts Grant, Whittier College	2014, 2017
Exception Funding for research assistants, Whittier College	2016-2017
Mellon Foundation grant (awarded to Whittier for my professional development)	2016
Teaching Fellowship, CCSRE, Stanford	2006-2007
Stanford University Fellowship	200-2006
Stanford Center for Teaching and Learning Technology Grant	2004
Graduate Research Opportunities Grant, Stanford University	2003
Centennial Teaching Award, Stanford University	2001
Latin American Studies Departmental Award, U.C. Berkeley	1999

ETHNOGRAPHIC FIELDWORK

Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	2013-present
Sacred Valley, Peru	2001-2005
Panama	2000

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Spanish	Native fluency
French	Fluent
Portuguese	Fluent
Quechua	Conversant, reading knowledge