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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, The State University of New York at Stony Brook, 2024-

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology, Northwestern University, 2024

- With a certificate in Middle Eastern and North African Studies

M.A., Sociology, Northwestern University, 2019

B.A., with Honors, Sociology, Macalester College, 2017

- With a concentration in Middle Eastern Studies and Islamic Civilizations

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

Bascuñan-Wiley, N. and Jungsuk Howard, M. (Forthcoming). Illegible Multiculturalisms: Making and Digesting Empanadas and Doenjang-jjigae. Special issue of *The Journal of Electronic Publishing*.

Bascuñan-Wiley, N. and Brockway, E. (2023). Making and Breaking Bread: The Promises and Pitfalls of Migration Discourse in Food Tour Television. *Food, Culture, and Society*, online first.

Bascuñan-Wiley, N., DeSoucey, M., and Fine, G.A. (2022). Convivial Quarantines: Cultivating Co-presence at a Distance. Special issue of *Qualitative Sociology*, 45(3), 371-392.

Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2021). Migration and the Senses. *Sociology Compass*, 15(3), 1-16.

Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2019). *Sumud* and Food: Remembering Palestine through Cuisine in Chile. Special issue of *Mashriq & Mahjar: Journal of Middle East and North African Migration Studies*, 6(2), 100-131.

Book Chapters

Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (Forthcoming). Sensory Authenticity: Embodying and Commodifying “the Other.” In Jackie Hogan, Fae Chubin, and Sarah Whetstone (eds), *Consuming Bodies: Body Commodification and Embodiment in Late Capitalist Societies*. Routledge.

Miller, M., Bascuñan-Wiley, N., and Busse-Cárdenas, E. (2020). Families and Migration in the 21st Century. In Tanja Bastia and Ronald Skeldon (eds), *Routledge Handbook of Migration and Development*, 191-200. Routledge.

Review Articles and Other Publications

- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2024). Book Review “Moving Memory: Remembering Palestine in Postdictatorship Chile” by Siri Schwabe. *Memory Studies*, 17(3), 630-634.
- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2022). Book Review “Disruptive Situations: Fractal Orientalism and Queer Strategies in Beirut” by Ghassan Moussawi. *Gender and Society*, 36(2), 289-291.
- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2021). Book Review “Kids at Work: Latinx Families Selling Food on the Streets of Los Angeles” by Emir Estrada. *Latino Studies*, 19(1), 137-139.
- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2021). A Place at the Table. *Ethnographic Marginalia: Dispatches from the Field*.
- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (2019). Article Review “Scents and Sensibility” by Karen Cerulo. *Newsletter of the ASA Culture Section*, 31(2), 32-33.

Works in Progress

- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. and Schwalb, J. (Abstract accepted). Binding Identity: Palestinian-Chilean Cookbooks and the Formation of a Diasporic Cuisine. Special issue of *The Jerusalem Quarterly*.
- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (Under review). Keeping in Touch: Exchanging Food Parcels in a Pandemic. *The Senses and Society*.
- Bascuñan-Wiley, N. (In preparation). Culinary Mutualism: The Creative Work of Ingredient Distributors. *Journal of Ethnicity and Migration Studies*.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Middle Eastern and North African Studies Research Grant, Northwestern University, 2024 (\$2,000)
- Sociology Fieldwork Research Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2022
- Dissertation Research Travel Award, Roberta Buffett Institute for Global Affairs, 2022 (\$4,800)
- Middle Eastern and North African Studies Graduate Research Grant, Northwestern University, 2021(\$500)
- MacArthur Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University, 2020 (\$1,000)
- Ethnography Summer School, The University of Texas at Austin, 2020 (Cancelled due to Covid)
- Robert F. Winch Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Lecturer, 2019-2020
- Summer Language Grant, The Graduate School at Northwestern, 2019 (\$2,000)
- Robert F. Winch Award for Best Published Paper, 2018-2019
- Robert F. Winch Award for Outstanding Teaching Assistant, 2018-2019
- Sociology Department Alumni Fund Grant, Northwestern University, 2018 (\$600)
- Mellon Cluster fellow in Middle Eastern and North African Studies, Northwestern University, 2017
- Berry-Rinder-Swain Award for Academic Excellence in Sociology, Macalester College, 2017
- Alpha Kappa Delta, Gamma of Minnesota, Macalester College, 2017
- Macalester College President’s Research Fund, Macalester College, 2016 (\$500)

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

Instructor of Record

Sociology of Migration (Sociology 390), SUNY Stony Brook, Fall 2024

Between the Middle East and the Americas: Diaspora and Transnational Identities (Middle East Studies 301/Latin American Studies 391, cross-listed) Northwestern University, Winter 2024

Global Foodways (International Studies 395/Environmental Policy and Culture 390, cross-listed). Northwestern University, Fall, Winter, and Spring 2020-2021

Guest Lectures

The (Racial) Politics of National Belonging. *Department of Sociology*, Brown University, April 2024 (online).

The Sociology of Culture. *Department of Sociology*, Colby College, March 2024 (online).

Ethnographic Observation and Sensory Ethnography. *Communication, Rhetoric, and Digital Media Program* (online) at North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, February 2022.

Teaching Training and Service

Sociology Teaching Committee (member), Northwestern University, 2020-2021

Practicum in Foundations of Online Teaching, Northwestern University, 2020

Searle Center Teaching Certificate Program, Northwestern University, 2019-2020

Graduates Mentoring Undergraduates Program (chair), Northwestern University, 2017-2020

Seminar on College Teaching, Northwestern University, 2018

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

Foodways of the Chilean Mahjar. *Project on Food, Homemaking and Social Integration for Syrian Women in Istanbul, Gaziantep, and Hatay* (online) at Özyegin University, Turkey, March 2024.

Diasporic Sensations: Orienting the Embodied Dimensions of Migrant Belonging and Mobility.

- *Department of Sociology*, SUNY Stony Brook, December 2023.
- *Department of Politics, Law, and Society*, Bryant University, December 2023.
- *Department of Social Justice and Social Change*, Hamline University, November 2023.
- *Department of Sociology*, Appalachian State University, October 2023.

Convivial Quarantines: Cultivating Co-presence at a Distance. *Digital Ethnography Working Group* (online) at Rutgers University, NJ, September 2022.

La Segunda Parte de Palestina: Palestinian (Be)Longing in Chile. Yalla Ila Amrika: Formation of Arab Christian Communities in Latin America at the Alwaleed Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding & Center for Contemporary Arab Studies at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., October 2019.

Diasporic *Sumud*: Palestinian Food-Memory and Resistance in Chile. *The Global Encounters Lunch Series* at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL, September 2019.

Patronato: A Palestinian Cosmonational Foodscape. *Migration and Incorporation Workshop* at the University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, January 2019.

Competitively Selected Conference Presentations

Sensing movement: (A)Kinesthesia along Diasporic Food-Ways. *Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies Annual Conference*, Asheville, NC, April 2024.

Binding Identity: Palestinian-Chilean Cookbooks and the Formation of a Diasporic Cuisine. *The 25th annual Chicago Ethnography Conference*, Evanston, IL, March 2024. Presented with Jessica Schwalb.

Diaspora as Sense. *American Sociological Association Annual Congress session on "The Educative Power of Sociology,"* Philadelphia, PA, August 2023.

Sensory Re-composition: Exchanging Food Parcels in a Pandemic. *North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Grand Rapids, MI, March 2023.

Sensing the Mahjar: Mobility and Belonging in Palestinian-Chilean Kitchens. *The Department of Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies Graduate Student Conference on Borders and Boundaries* (online) at Columbia University, March 2022.

Memory as a Field Site: Making (Sense of) Empanadas and Doenjang-jjigae. *International Symposium on Autoethnography and Narrative* (online), January 2022. Presented with Matthew Jungsuk Howard.

Eating Apart Together: Online Foodways in a Time of Social Distancing. *Food Matters and Materialities: Critical Understandings of Food Cultures* (online) at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, September 2021.

Authentic Sensation: Assembling the Biography of Comida Árabe. *American Sociological Association Annual Congress session on "Culture and Identity,"* (online) Chicago, IL, August 2021.

Redes de sensibilidad, articulaciones de sentido, y composiciones de sujetos en tres escenas de la Chilenidad globalizada. *Latin American Studies Association Annual Congress*, (online) Vancouver, Canada, May 2021. Presented with Steve Wiley and Daniel Bascuñan-Wiley.

Layered Authenticities: The commodification of Arab identity in the Chilean foodscape. *Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, November 2019.

Culinary Place-Identity: Palestinian Belonging in the Chilean Foodscape. *The 34th annual Middle East History and Theory Conference on Migration, Diaspora, and Movement of Peoples* at the University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, May 2019.

From Beit Jala to Patronato: Transregional identities and Culinary Connections. *Cities of the Arab World: Theory, Investigation, Critique* at Michigan State University's Global Urban Studies Program, East Lansing, MI, February 2019.

Sumud and Food: Remembering Palestine through Cuisine in Chile. *From "Mjaddarah" to "Fatti de Luxe:" Food and Middle Eastern Diasporas* at North Carolina State University's Moise A. Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies, Raleigh, NC, April 2018.

The Palestinian Experience in Chile as a Form of Diasporic Re-Territorialization. *The 20th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference* at the University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, March 2018.

Contextualizing Palestinian Hybridity: How Pragmatic Citizenship Influences Diaspora Identities. *Midwestern Sociological Society Annual Meeting / Couch-Stone Symposium*, Milwaukee, WI, April 2017.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal article reviewer for: *Environment and Planning C (Politics and Space)*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Frontiers in Sociology*, *International Migration Review*, *Humanities & Social Sciences Communications*, 2021-2024

Co-president, Sociology Graduate Student Association, Northwestern University, 2019-2020

Co-chair, Middle East and North Africa Graduate Student Group, Northwestern University, 2018-2020

Co-founder and organizer, Chicago Network of Immigration Scholars (Intercollegiate workgroup with Northwestern University, University of Illinois Chicago, University of Chicago, and Loyola University), 2017-2020

Co-founder and organizer, Northwestern Immigration Workgroup, Northwestern University, 2017-2020

Organizer and treasurer, Macalester Students United for Palestinian Equal Rights, Macalester College, 2016

Communications specialist, Jerusalem Fund and Palestine Center, Washington D.C., 2015

Organized Colloquia

Worlds of Culture: The Local and Global Dimensions of Ethnography. The 25th annual Chicago Ethnography Conference. Lead conference organizer, Northwestern University, 2024.

Palestine in Context: A Special Series Highlighting Palestinian History, Politics, and Culture. Series organizer, Northwestern University MENA Program, 2023-2024.

Locating the Field: New Directions in Middle East and North African Studies, Lead conference organizer, Northwestern University, 2020 (Cancelled due to COVID-19).

The Ethnography Workshop, Student coordinator, Northwestern University, 2019-2020.

Macalester Colloquium on Palestine, Conference organizer, Macalester College, 2016.

Gaza Today and Tomorrow, Jerusalem Fund and Palestine Center Lecture Series, Conference organizer, 2015.

LANGUAGES

Arabic (Levantine Dialect): intermediate proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing

English: native-level proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing

Spanish: native-level proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

Middle East Studies Association

Latin American Studies Association

Buffet Institute for Global Studies