

## **Hilary Oliva Faxon**

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### **Education**

- 2020 PhD Development Sociology, Cornell University
- 2017 MSc Development Sociology, Cornell University
- 2013 Master of Environmental Management, Yale University
- 2011 BA Environmental Studies with Honors in the Major, Yale University

### **Current Positions**

**2022- Assistant Professor of Environmental Social Science.** W.A. Franke College of Forestry & Conservation. University of Montana

**2022- Marie Sklodowska-Curie Fellow.** Department of Food and Resource Economics, Section for Global Development. University of Copenhagen.

### **Previous Positions**

**2020-2 Ciriacy-Wantrup Postdoctoral Fellow.** Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management. University of California, Berkeley.

### **Awards & Honors**

- 2022 J. Warren Nystrom Award for best paper based on a recent dissertation in geography, from American Association of Geographers
- 2020 Graduate Student Paper Award from American Association of Geographers' Political Geography Specialty Group  
Stan Brunn Paper Award (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) from American Association of Geographers' Media & Communication Specialty Group
- 2019 Taietz Award for best graduate conference paper in Cornell's Department of Development Sociology
- 2011 Howard R. Lamar Prize for best Yale undergraduate thesis on the American West

### **Grants & Fellowships**

#### External

- 2022 Association of Asian Studies, Publication Support Grant (\$14,340)
- 2021 Henry Luce Foundation, (co-lead), Rebuilding Democracies through Education: Myanmar's Virtual Federal University (\$100,000)
- 2020 Wenner-Gren Foundation, Engaged Anthropology Grant (\$5,000)  
Facebook Independent Research Award (PI) for research into Digital Literacy, Demographics and Misinformation in Myanmar (\$100,000)  
European Research Council Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship for 'Giving Land Back: Property, Authority and Agrarian Change in Myanmar' (207,000 Euros)  
Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship (declined)  
London School of Economics Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre Visiting Fellowship (declined)
- 2019 Enlightened Myanmar Research Foundation small grant for participatory action research on farmland registration in Kachin State (\$5,000)
- 2018 Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship (\$18,000)  
Wenner-Gren Foundation, Dissertation Fieldwork Grant (\$20,000)
- 2017 Blakemore Freeman Fellowship for 12 months of advanced language study in Myanmar (\$45,000)
- 2015 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention

## Internal

### Copenhagen:

2022 Asian Dynamics Initiative funding for a workshop on 'Land Futures Across Asia' (20,000 DKK)

### Berkeley:

2021 Social Science Matrix Research Team (co-lead) 'Digital Transformations in Property and Development' (\$5,000)

### Cornell:

2020 Cornell Initiative for Digital Agriculture Research Innovation Fund for 'Sociology of Myanmar's Emerging Agritech' (\$9,750)

Erik Thorbecke Summer Write-up Grant

2019 Graduate School, Southeast Asia Program, Development Sociology Conference Travel Grants

2018 Graduate School, Southeast Asia Program, Development Sociology Conference Travel Grants

2017 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Burmese language Fall 2017

Institute of Comparative Modernities Graduate Reading Group 'Theorizing Neoliberalisms'

Einaudi-SSRC Dissertation Proposal Development Program (\$5,000)

Engaged Cornell Graduate Student Grant for participatory research in Myanmar (\$15,000)

Graduate School, Southeast Asia Program, Development Sociology Conference Travel Grants

2016 Institute of Comparative Modernities Graduate Reading Group 'Global Seams and Frictions'

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Burmese language Fall 2016

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Gender-AWARE Travel Grant

Einaudi Center Research Travel Grant

Graduate School, Southeast Asia Program, Development Sociology Conference Travel Grants

2015 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Burmese language Fall 2015 & Spring 2016

Southeast Asia Program Engaged Research Travel Grant

### Yale:

2014 Yale Law School Peter and Patricia Gruber Fellow in Women's Rights for 13 months of work with feminist activists in Myanmar (\$50,000)

2012 Himalayan Initiative & School of Forestry and Environmental Studies Conference Travel Grants

2010-1 Edward Armbricht Fund for research in Bhutan; Environmental Studies Department Award, Mellon Grant, Richter Fellowship for research in New Mexico

## Publications

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

2023 **Hilary Oliva Faxon** and Courtney T. Wittekind. 'Livestreamed Land: Scams and Certainty in Myanmar's Digital Land Market' *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*. Published online Nov 8 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1177/026377582312059>

2023 Jenny Hedström, **Hilary Faxon**, Zin Mar Phy, Htoi Pan, Moe Kha Yae, Ka Yay and Mi Mi. 'Forced Fallow Fields: Making Meaningful Life in the Myanmar Spring Revolution,' *Civil Wars*. Published Online Aug 10 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13698249.2023.2240620>

2023 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**, Kendra Kintzi, Van Tran, Jasper Awng and Swan Ye Htut. 'Organic Online Politics: Farmers, Facebook and Myanmar's Military Coup,' *Big Data & Society*. 10(1). <https://doi.org/10.1177/20539517231168101>

2023 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. 'Small Farmers, Big Tech: Agrarian Commerce and Knowledge on Myanmar Facebook,' *Agriculture and Human Values*. 40, 897-911. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10460-023-10446-2>

- 2023 Karly Burch et al. (21 authors including **Hilary Faxon**) ‘Cultivating Intellectual Community in Academia: Reflections from the Science and Technology Studies Food and Agriculture Network (STSFAN)’ *Agriculture and Human Values*. 40: 951-959. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10460-023-10439-1>
- 2023 Ritwick Ghosh and **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘Smart Corruption: Satirical Principles for Gaming Accountability,’ *Big Data & Society*. 10(1). <https://doi.org/10.1177/20539517231164119>
- 2023 Courtney T. Wittekind and **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘Networks of Speculation: Making Land Markets on Myanmar Facebook,’ *Antipode*. 55(2): 643-665. <https://doi.org/10.1111/anti.12896>
- 2022 **Hilary Oliva Faxon** and Kendra Kintzi. ‘Critical Geographies of Smart Development,’ *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*. 47(4): 898-911. <https://doi.org/10.1111/tran.12560>
- 2022 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘Welcome to the Digital Village: Networking Geographies of Agrarian Change,’ *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*. 112(7): 2096-2110. <https://doi.org/10.1080/24694452.2022.2044752>
- 2022 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**, Jenny E. Goldstein, Micah Fisher and Glenn Hunt. ‘Territorializing Spatial Data: Controlling Land through One Map Projects in Indonesia and Myanmar,’ *Political Geography*. 98: 102651. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2022.102651>
- 2022 Jenny E Goldstein and **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘New Data Infrastructures for Environmental Monitoring in Myanmar: Is digital transparency good for governance?’ *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*. 5(1): 39-59. <https://doi.org/10.1177/2514848620943892>
- 2021 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘After the Rice Frontier: Producing State and Ethnic Territory in Northwest Myanmar,’ *Geopolitics*. 28(1): 47-71. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14650045.2020.1845658>
- 2021 Mia M. Bennett and **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘Uneven Frontiers: Exposing Myanmar’s Borderlands with Critical Remote Sensing,’ *Remote Sensing*. 13(6):1158. <https://doi.org/10.3390/rs13061158>
- 2020 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘Securing Meaningful Life: Women’s Work and Land Rights in Rural Myanmar,’ *Journal of Rural Studies*. 76:76-84. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrurstud.2020.03.011>
- 2017 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘In the Law & On the Land: Finding the Female Farmer in Myanmar’s National Land Use Policy,’ *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, 44(6):1197-1214. <https://doi.org/10.1080/03066150.2017.1324424>
- Reprinted in *Gender and Generation in Southeast Asian Agrarian Transformations*. 2018. Clara Mi Young Park and Ben White, eds. 2018. Abingdon: Routledge.
- 2015 **Hilary Faxon**, Roisin Furlong and May Sabe Phyu. ‘Reinvigorating Resilience: VAW, land rights, and the women’s peace movement in Myanmar’ *Gender & Development*, 23(3): 463-479.
- 2014 **Hilary Oliva Faxon**. ‘Waking the Watchdog: Needs, Opportunities, and Challenges of Environmental Advocacy in Modern Bhutan,’ *Himalaya: The Journal for the Association of Nepal and Himalayan Studies*, 33(1):57-70. <https://digitalcommons.mcalester.edu/himalaya/vol33/iss1/10>

#### Book Reviews:

- 2019 Review of ‘Limits to Decolonization: Indigeneity, Territory, and Hydrocarbon Politics in the Bolivian Chaco,’ Penelope Anthias. *The British Journal of Sociology*, 70(1):417-419.
- 2012 Review of ‘The Tarai: History, Society, Environment,’ Arjun Guneratne, ed. *European Bulletin of Himalayan Research*, 41: 133-135.

Special Issues:

- 2023- Post-Agrarian Questions. *Antipode*. (with Christian Lund). Co-editor and first author of introduction (special issue proposal accepted; articles in preparation).
- 2022- Digital Transformations in Global Land, Housing and Property. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space* (with Desiree Fields and Thomas Wainwright). Co-editor and first author of introduction (special issue proposal accepted; articles under revision).
- 2020-2 Remaking and Living with Resource Frontiers: Insights from Myanmar and Beyond. *Geopolitics* (with Jasnea Sarma and K.B. Roberts). Co-editor and second author of introduction.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/14650045.2022.2041220>

Book Chapters:

- In press. Caleb Scoville, **Hilary Faxon**, Melissa Chapman, Samantha Jo Fried, Lily Xu, Carl Boettiger, J. Michael Reed, Marcus Lapeyrolerie, Amy Van Scoyoc, Razvan Amironesei. 'Environment, Society and Machine Learning.' for *Oxford Handbook of the Sociology of Machine Learning*. Juan Pablo Pardo-Guerra and Christian Borch, eds. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- In press. Mia Bennett, **Hilary Faxon**, Colin Gleason, Luis Alvarez Leon, Beth Tellman. 'For remote sensing in political geography: Scalar flexibility, the ethics of exposure, and critiques of the state.' for *Political Geography in Practice: methods, theories and methodologies*. F. Menga, K. Grove, C. Nagel and K. Peters, eds. London and New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- In press. Kendra Kintzi and **Hilary O. Faxon**. 'The Smartification of Global Development,' for *The Smartification of Everything*. Mascha Gugganig, Kelly Bronson and Vincent Mirza, eds. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.
- 2022 **Hilary O. Faxon**. 'Mobile Bodies, Stolen Land: Visualizing Gendered Landscapes,' for *Waves of Upheaval in Myanmar: Gendered Transformations and Political Transitions*. Jenny Hedström and Elisabeth Olivius, eds. Copenhagen: NIAS Press.
- 2022 **Hilary O. Faxon** and Jenny E. Goldstein. 'Illicit Digital Environments: Monitoring and Surveilling Environmental Crime in Southeast Asia,' for *The Nature of Data: Infrastructures, Environments, Politics*, Jenny E Goldstein and Eric Nost, eds. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press.

Select Non-refereed Articles and Public Scholarship:

- 2023 'Farmers, Facebook and Myanmar's coup,' with Kendra Kintzi, Van Tran, Kay Zak Wine and Swan Ye Htut. May 30. <https://www.newmandala.org/farmers-facebook-and-myanmars-coup/>
- 2023 'Making land markets on Myanmar Facebook,' with Courtney T. Wittekind. Tea Circle. February 6 <https://teacircleoxford.com/politics/making-land-markets-on-myanmar-facebook/>
- 2022 'Critical Geographies of Smart Development,' with Kendra Kintzi. *Geography Directions*. October 6 2022. <https://blog.geographydirections.com/2022/10/06/critical-geographies-of-smart-development/>
- 2022 'Remaking and Living with Resource Frontiers in Myanmar,' with Jasnea Sarma and K.B. Roberts. Tea Circle. March 31 2022. <https://teacircleoxford.com/arts-and-literature/remaking-and-living-with-resource-frontiers-in-myanmar>
- 2021 'Disordered Circulations: Laboring Bodies, Extractive Commodities, and New Mobilities during the COVID-19 Pandemic,' with Brian Klein, Stephanie Postar, Laura Dev and Matthew Libassi. *Edge Effects*. October 14 2021. <https://edgeeffects.net/malagasy-gold/>
- 2020 'Grounding Area Studies: Development Sociology and the Study of Agrarian-Environmental Change in

- Southeast Asia,' with Nancy Peluso and Peter Vandergeest. Cornell Southeast Asia Program Fall 2020 Bulletin.
- 2020 'Justice in Myanmar: The View from Auntie's Shop' New Mandala. January 23 2020. <https://www.newmandala.org/justice-in-myanmar/>
- 2019 'From the Ground Up: Land governance through the eyes of women farmers in Myanmar,' with Catriona Knapman. Research Report. Yangon: Land Core Group. December 2019.
- 2019 'Productive Farmers, Secure Tenure?: Effects of Farmland Registration in Kachin State,' with Khine Zin Yu Aung. Research report. Yangon: Enlightened Myanmar Research Foundation. September 2019.
- 2018 'Learning Feminism from Myanmar's Women Farmers,' with Pyo Let Han. Oxford Tea Circle. September 19 2018. <https://teacircleoxford.com/2018/09/19/learning-feminism-from-myanmars-women-farmers/>
- 2018 'Who are Myanmar's Female Farmers?' Rainfall: Myanmar Feminist Magazine. 2(2). May 2018. (English and Burmese).
- 2017 'Myanmar's First Female Farmers' Forum: Reflections and Findings for Women's Land Governance' with Catriona Knapman. Yangon: Land Core Group. March 2017. (English and Burmese).
- 2015 'Form 7: 7 cases of Farmland Registration in Kachin State,' participatory action research report and policy brief on land registration in northern Myanmar. Yangon: Spectrum. November 2015. (English & Burmese).
- 2014 'Towards Gender Equality in the National Land Use Policy,' policy brief & report to the Government of Myanmar. Yangon: Gender Equality Network. December 2014. (English and Burmese).

### **Presentations & Conference Participation**

#### *Invited Talks:*

- 2023, September 29. 'Surviving the State: Struggles for Land and Democracy in Myanmar,' Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2023, May 30. 'Revolutionary countryside: Life on the land after Myanmar's military coup,' with Jenny Hedström. Myanmar Research Center, Australian National University.
- 2023, May 5. 'Small Farmers, Big Tech: rural livelihoods and networked protest in Myanmar.' MD4SG Colloquium Series.
- 2022, November 23, 'Surviving the State: Struggles for Land and Democracy in Myanmar,' Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, University of Copenhagen.
- 2022, November 8, 'Rice and Revolution on Myanmar Facebook,' Knowledge, Technology and Innovation Group, Wageningen University & Research.
- 2022, September 23, 'From Rice to Revolution: networking geographies of agrarian change,' Department of Geography, Indiana University Bloomington.
- 2022, September 19, 'Welcome to the Digital Village: networking geographies of agrarian change,' Carolina Asia Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- 2022, September 14. 'Digital Village: Networking agrarian change in Southeast Asia,' Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Yale University.
- 2022, May 19, 'Welcome to the Digital Village: networking geographies of agrarian change,' Department of Geography, National University of Singapore.
- 2022, April 11, 'Surviving the State: Struggles for Land and Democracy in Myanmar' W.A. Franke College of Forestry & Conservation, University of Montana.
- 2022, January 25, 'Land Reform amidst Legal Debris: Learning Risky Rights in Myanmar' Thinking Rights, Writing Justice in Southeast Asia Online Lecture Series, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2021, November 30, 'Welcome to the Digital Village: networking geographies of agrarian change' Perry World House Seminar Series, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2021, November 17, 'Methods from the Margins: from Myanmar's digital villages to a global research agenda'

keynote lecture for methodological workshop as part of virtual conference on Digitalization and Socio-Spatial Transformations, hosted by Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space, Brandenburg University of Technology and University of Bern.

2021, July 26, 'Conflict, Development and Crisis in Myanmar' for Santo Stefano student summit.

2021, May 4. 'Myanmar Facebook,' for UC Berkeley D-Lab Hate Speech working group.

2021, February 10, panelist for Burma/Myanmar After the Coup: Berkeley Roundtable

2020, November 25. 'Beyond the Digital Divide: Studying Facebook in Myanmar,' for virtual workshop on Social Media & Polarisation in Southeast Asia, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore.

2020, October 14. 'Welcome to the Digital Village: online practices and agrarian change in Myanmar,' UC Berkeley Department of Geography Colloquium.

2020, May 7. 'The Peasant and Her Smartphone: Agrarian Change and Land Politics in Myanmar,' Ronald and Janette Gatty Southeast Asia Program Lecture Series, Cornell University.

2020, February 28. 'Life on the Land and Land Politics in Myanmar,' Introduction to Myanmar workshop for Community College Educators. Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University.

2020, February 18. 'Securing Meaningful Life: Women's Work and Land Rights in Myanmar.' Department of Gender and Women's Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

2019, December 1. 'Portrait, Position, Craft: Using Photovoice and Photo Elicitation,' for panel on Discrimination, Marginalization and Exclusion for EMReF Arts-in-Research Festival, Yangon.

2019, November 26. 'Productive Farmers, Secure Tenure? Effects of Farmland Registration in Kachin State,' UNDP Rule of Law Coordination meeting, Yangon.

2019, November 19. 'Productive Farmers, Secure Tenure? Effects of Farmland Registration in Kachin State.' INGO Forum, Yangon.

2018, May 29. 'Land and Gender in Myanmar,' Land & Gender keynote panel, Mekong Regional Land Governance Forum, Bangkok.

2017, August 2. 'Preliminary Findings from the Land & Gender Research Project.' LCG meeting, Yangon.

2017, July 25. 'Participatory Photography,' with Naw Mu Paw Htoo for research methodology workshop, Mandalay University Department of Anthropology.

2015, March. 'Gender & Land: Lessons from the National Land Use Policy,' Swiss Embassy, Myanmar.

*Panels Chaired and Workshops Organized:*

2023, April. *Workshop Co-Organizer*. 'Land Futures.' University of Copenhagen.

2023, March. *Panel Co-Convener*. 'Geographies of Digital Capitalism' for American Association of Geographers Conference. Denver.

2023, March. *Workshop Co-Organizer*. 'Digital Transformations in Global Land, Housing and Property.' Boulder.

2022, November. *Organizer*. 'Feminist Visual Methods Workshop.' University of Copenhagen.

2022, June. *Panel Co-Convener*, 'What's in a Claim: Making Family, Nation and Territory in Southeast Asia,' for European Association of Southeast Asian Studies (Euroseas) Conference, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales

2022, April. *Roundtable Organizer and Panelist*, 'Digital Transformations in Global Land, Housing and Property,' for UC Berkeley Social Science Research Matrix, virtual

2022, March. *Mentor*. University of California Southeast Asia Graduate Student Workshop. UC Berkeley.

2022, February. *Panel Co-Convener*, 'From the Edge: A Conversation on the Political Ecologies of Digitization,' for American Association of Geographers Conference, virtual

2022, February. *Invited Discussant*, 'Feminist Digital Natures,' for American Association of Geographers Conference, virtual

2021, September. *Panel Co-Convener*. 'Digital Media, Democracy and Exclusion in Myanmar,' for the European Association for Southeast Asian Studies Conference, virtual.

2021, April. *Panel Co-Convener and Moderator*, 'Towards Global Justice in Digital Geography,' for American Association of Geographers Conference, virtual.

2021, March. *Symposium Organizer and Panel Moderator*. 'Scholar-Activism and the Myanmar Resistance.' UC Berkeley.

2021, March. *Organizer*. 'Action Workshop: Archiving Social Media after the Myanmar Coup.' UC Berkeley.

2020, March. *Invited Discussant*, Southeast Asia Program Graduate Student Conference. Cornell University.

2019, August. *Panel Chair*, 'Indigeneity and Extraction,' Governance at the Edge of the State Conference, University of Copenhagen.

2018, August. *Panel Co-Convener*, 'Remaking the Resource Frontier in Myanmar's Borderlands,' for Asian Borderlands Research Network Conference. American University of Central Asia.

2018, February. *Invited Discussant*, 'Gender, Environmental Governance and Development,' Salween Studies Research Workshop, University of Yangon.

2017, July. *Panel Chair*, 'More Digital, Less Boundaries,' Connected Digital Solutions Conference. Naypyitaw, Myanmar.

2016, November. *Organizing Committee*, Feminist Political Ecology Workshop. York University.

2016, March. *Invited Discussant*, Southeast Asia Program Graduate Student Conference. Cornell University.

2016, February. *Panel Co-Convener*, 'Political Ecologies of Land and Market-Making,' for Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference. University of Kentucky.

2015, April—October. *Organizing Committee*, Burma/Myanmar Research Forum. Cornell University.

*Papers Presented:*

2023, November. 'Small Farmers, Big Tech: Agrarian Commerce and Knowledge on Myanmar Facebook,' ICTforAg 2023, online conference hosted by USAID as part of Feed the Future.

2023, June. 'Revolutionary countryside: Life on the land after Myanmar's military coup,' with Jenny Hedström. International Burma Studies Conference. University of Zurich.

2023, March, 'Networks of Speculation: Making Land Markets on Myanmar Facebook' with Courtney Wittekind, American Association of Geographers Conference. Denver.

2023, March, 'Agrarian Exchange and Rural Revolution on Myanmar Facebook.' Association of Asian Studies Conference, Boston.

2022, January, 'Demonstrating Deservingness: Law and Land in Myanmar,' Training Initiative for Asian Law & Society Scholars workshop, National University of Singapore.

2022, July, 'Land Reform Amidst Legal Debris: Learning Risky Rights in Myanmar,' presented at Law & Society Association Conference, ISCTE University Institute of Lisbon.

2022, June. 'To Each Her Own: Giving land back in Myanmar,' presented at Euroseas Conference, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales.

2022, March. 'Critical Geographies of Smart Development,' co-presented with Kendra Kintzi at the Smartification of Everything Symposium, University of Ottawa (virtual).

2022, February. 'Welcome to the Digital Village: Networking geographies of agrarian change,' presented at American Association of Geographers Conference Nystrom Award Panel (virtual).

2021, October. 'Welcome to the Digital Village: Networking geographies of agrarian change,' presented at 4S Conference (virtual).

2021, October. 'Digital Land, Farmers' Facebook, and Integrating Qualitative Methods into Data Science,' UC Berkeley D-Lab Fellows Talk.

2021, October. 'Digital Land for Sale: Making Markets on Myanmar Facebook,' co-presented with Courtney Wittekind at Harvard University's Political Anthropology and Political Ecology Working Group.

2021, September. 'Digital Land for Sale: Making Markets on Myanmar Facebook,' co-presented with Courtney Wittekind at the European Association of Southeast Asian Studies conference (virtual).

2021, April. 'Small Farmers, Big Tech: Myanmar Facebook before & after the coup,' presented at Digital Humanities Fair, UC Berkeley.

2021, April. 'Small Farmers, Big Tech: Reshaping agrarian commerce, knowledge and connection through Myanmar Facebook,' presented at the American Association of Geographers virtual conference.

2021, April. 'The Smart Farm at the End of the Smart Grid: Linking land and labor in digital infrastructure studies,' co-presented with Kendra Kintzi at the American Association of Geographers virtual conference.

2021, March. 'Modern Farmers and Sustainable Smallholders in Myanmar's Emergent Agritech,' presented at The Association of Asian Studies virtual conference.

2021, March. 'Welcome to the Digital Village: Networking Geographies of Agrarian Change,' paper selected for Against Platform Determinism virtual workshop, McGill University Center for Media, Technology and Democracy and Data & Society.

2021, January. 'Critical Remote Sensing of Myanmar's Borderlands,' presented at Political Geography Specialty

Group virtual pre-conference.

2021, January. 'Towards a Critical Sociology of Myanmar's Emergent Agritech.' poster presented for Cornell Initiative for Digital Agriculture virtual conference.

2020, July. 'Studying Myanmar's Digital Villages,' digital short presented at Digital Geographies Research Group's virtual symposium on Using the Digital: Methodologies, Teaching and Everyday Practice.

2020, April. 'Welcome to the Digital Village,' accepted for presentation at the American Association of Geographers Conference (conference canceled).

2019, August. 'Performing Property After Authoritarian Rule,' presented at Governance at the Edge of the State Conference, University of Copenhagen.

2018, October. 'Mother, neighbor, citizen: Gender & land in rural Myanmar,' presented at workshop on Food Security, Agriculture and Livelihoods in Transition: Recent Research from Rural Myanmar, Yangon.

2018, August. 'Intimate Frontiers: Performing Property in Bualpi,' presented at the Asia Borderlands Research Network Conference, American University of Central Asia.

2018, August. 'Who are Myanmar's Female Farmers?' presented with Pyo Let Han at the Burma Studies Conference, Bangkok.

2018, March. 'Feminist Geographers at Work: Feminist interventions in the life-cycle of research' with K.B. Roberts, Sarah Allen and Jasnea Sarma, workshopped at Social-Cultural Geography group, National University of Singapore.

2017, May. 'Gravitational Governance: Farmland Registration in Myanmar's Kachin State,' presented at Oxford-SOAS Graduate Student Workshop on Burma Studies, Oxford University.

2016, October. 'In the Law & On the Land: Finding the Female Farmer in Myanmar's National Land Use Policy,' presented at Development in Question Conference, Cornell University, October 2016.

2016, September. 'Gravity, Fluidity, and Farmland Registration in Myanmar: Re-centering the Edge of the State' workshopped at Governance at the Edge of the State: Spaces of Violent Rule summer school, University of Zürich.

2016, March. 'The Failures of Form 7: Farmland Registration in Myanmar's Kachin State,' presented at the American Association of Geographers Conference, San Francisco.

2016, February. 'The Failures of Form 7: Farmland Registration in Myanmar's Kachin State,' presented at Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, University of Kentucky.

2015, October. 'The Praxis of Axis: Gender in Myanmar's National Land Use Policy,' workshopped at the Burma/Myanmar Research Forum, Cornell University.

2015, June. 'The Praxis of Axis: Gender in Myanmar's National Land Use Policy,' presented at the Land Deals Politics Initiative Conference, Chiang Mai University.

2014, October. 'Research Prospectus: Empowering and Engendering Land Rights in Myanmar,' workshopped at The Burma/Myanmar Research Forum, Cornell University.

2014, March. '(Climate) change in Haa: Development, Environment, and Adaptive Capacity in Southwest Bhutan,' presented at the Association of Nepal & Himalayan Studies Conference, Yale University.

2013, April. 'Waking the Watchdog: Environmental Advocacy in Modern Bhutan,' presented at the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Workshop in Sustainable Development, Columbia University.

2012, September. 'Forests, Dams and Dashos: Emerging Environmental Governance in the Land of Gross National Happiness,' presented at the Association of Nepal & Himalayan Studies Conference, Western Michigan University.

#### Photography Exhibitions:

2023, May-June. 'Visualizing Agrarian Change,' exhibition on collaborative knowledge creation through paintings, Illustrations and photovoices in Tanzania, Ghana, Burkina Faso, Thailand and Myanmar, co-organized with Emma Johansson, Francois Questiaux, and Sofie Mortensen. University of Copenhagen.

2021, March. 'Nothing to Lose but Chains,' curated virtual exhibition by Khin Sandar Nyunt for UC Berkeley Symposium on Scholar-Activism and the Myanmar Resistance.

2019, December. 'Portrait, Position, Craft,' photo essay for EMReF Arts-in-Research Festival. Yangon: Secretariat.

2017, May and July. 'A Woman's Place: Life Through the Lens of Myanmar's Woman Farmers,' participatory photography exhibition co-curated with Catriona Knapman and Naw Mu Paw Htoo. Yangon: Myanmar Deitta Gallery and Mandalay: Mandalay University Department of Anthropology.



## **Teaching**

### **Instructor:**

2023, Fall. Environment & Development. University of Montana.

2023, Fall. Political Ecology. University of Montana.

2022, Summer. Movement. Inter-Asia Cultural Studies Summer School, based at Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur. (public session and graduate workshop co-taught with Tharaphi Than; virtual)

2022, Spring and 2023, Spring. Gender, Environment and Sustainable Development. University of Copenhagen. (co-taught with Mattias Borg Rasmussen and Rebecca Leigh Rutt)

2021, Fall. Scholar-Activism and the Myanmar Spring Revolution. Graduate Education and Training in Southeast Asian Studies consortium, based at Cornell University. (co-taught with Tharaphi Than; virtual)

2021, Spring. Researching (with) Social Media. The American Association of Geographers. (workshop selected For Graduate Student Learning Series on Geography Methods during a Pandemic; virtual)

2019, Summer and 2020, Spring. #Development: Environment, Tech and Global Change. Cornell University.

2019, January. Writing Argument. Rainfall Gender Study Organization. Myanmar. (one-week intensive course)

### **Graduate Student Supervision:**

Thi Thi Han 'Mining in Myanmar's Civil Wars: A case study of Kachin State' PhD in Geography at The University of Lausanne. 2023- (minor committee member)

Thea Bjornson (tbd) Masters of Science in Environment & Development at University of Copenhagen. 2023- (co-supervisor)

Dylan Gribble 'Intersectional Analysis of Nepali Community Forest Involvement and Management' Masters of Science in Environment & Development at University of Copenhagen. 2023- (co-supervisor)

Louisa Ellen Mathies 'Anticipations of the Kattagat project on Samsø' Masters of Science in Climate Change at University of Copenhagen, 2022-3. (co-supervisor)

## **Membership & Service**

*Member:* American Association of Geographers; Association of Asian Studies; Society for Social Studies of Science; STS Food and Agriculture Network. Law & Society Association, Euroseas

*Manuscript Review:* Geopolitics, Mobilization, The European Journal of Development Research, Third World Quarterly, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Women's Studies International Forum, Land Use Policy, Agriculture and Human Values, International Journal of Drug Policy, Laws, Journal of Burma Studies, Political Geography, Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers, Big Data & Society, Environment & Planning D; ISEAS Publications, The MIT Press.

*Current Service:* Steering Committee of Myanmar's Virtual Federal University; Board of Directors for Myanmar research institute Nyan Corridor, Board of Directors for Myanmar Gender Equality Network.

## **Languages**

Native English; Advanced Burmese; Intermediate Spanish; Elementary Falam Chin & Dzongkha