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My research is concerned with a situated analysis of global logistics. Working across large infrastructures in the Republic of Georgia and the South Caucasus, I seek to map the ways in which planetary projects of circulation, such as the Belt and Road Initiative, are translated into local contexts. In dialogue with feminist critiques of capitalism, my analysis highlights the different kinds of work that this translation entails.

Education

October 2017 - March 2021	Ph.D UCL, Geography Department (<i>passed with no corrections</i>) <i>Reproducing the logistical future: ethnography, infrastructure and the making of Georgia's global connections</i> Supervisors: Prof. Andrew Barry, Dr Hannah Knox Funded by the Economic and Social Research Council
October 2015 - September 2017	M.A. University of Nottingham Russian and East European Studies (<i>Distinction</i>) + 9 months ESRC-funded difficult language training: Georgian.
October 2012 - October 2014	M.A., Anthropology and Cultural Politics Goldsmiths College, University of London (<i>Distinction</i>)
October 2009 - September 2012	B.A., Anthropology and Media Goldsmiths College, University of London (<i>First Class Honours</i>)

Teaching Qualifications

June 2021	Associate Fellow HEA (Recognition reference PR224270)
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Scholarships and Grants

2020	Mead Research Travel Award, UCL (£500)
2017 -2020	ESRC UBEL DTP +3 Scholarship, UCL (£22.892 <i>per annum</i>)
2015 - 2017	ESRC DTC PhD 1+3 Scholarship, University of Nottingham (20.892 <i>per annum</i>)
2014	Research Residency at GeoAir, Tbilisi (£1000)

Teaching Experience

Lecturing

- Term 1 2023/2024 – Lecturer Paper 4 *Spaces of Citizenship*, Cambridge (BA)
- **Term 2 2022/2023** - Lecturer Paper 1 *Globalisation and its Crises*, Cambridge (BA)
- **Term 2 2021/22** - Associate Lecturer PO52052A *Politics and Technology*, Goldsmiths (BA).
- **Term 1 2021/22** - Visiting Lecturer ANTH0073 *Digital Infrastructure*, UCL (BA, MA);
Visiting Lecturer GEOG0065 *Geographies of Infrastructure* (BA).
- **Term 1 2017, 2018** – Guest Tutor + Trip Coordinator, DS3 MA Architecture Studio, Oxford Brookes (Master in Architecture year 2).

Post graduate teaching assistant, UCL

- **2021/2022** – GEOG0065: Geographies of Infrastructure (3rd year BA)
- **2020/2021** – GEOG0056: Geopolitical Events (3rd year BA), GEOG0039: Migration and Transnationalism (3rd year BA), GEOG0086: Advanced Geopolitics (3rd year BA)
- **2019/2020** – GEOG0084: Geo-Politics (MA), GEOG0023: Economic Geography (2nd year BA)

Guest lectures

- **Jan 2021** - Guest Lecture *Ma Research Architecture*: "Key Works: Collaboration, Conflicts and Negotiation Within and Against The Field", Centre For Research Architecture, Goldsmiths College.
- **Oct 2019** – Guest Lecture *Ma Environment Politics and Society*, “Logistical Geopolitics”, Geography Department, UCL.
- **Jan 2019** – Guest Lecture *Ma Program Research Architecture*, Goldsmiths College: “(Re)making the Georgian New Silk Road”, Centre For Research Architecture, Goldsmiths College
- **Jan 2018** – Guest Lecture *Ma Program Research Architecture*: “The Logistics of trial and error on the Black Sea”, Centre For Research Architecture, Goldsmiths College
- **Sep 2017** – Guest Lecture *Ma Program Policy Lab*: “Participatory Research and Militant Ethnographies”, Centre for Cultural Studies, Goldsmiths College

Selected conference presentations

- **16 March 2023** – “Mapping Logistical Chaos”, **workshop**: “Silk Road Cities and beyond: New dialogues in the emerging urban geographies of infrastructure-led development”, ICTA-UAB Barcelona
- **2 September 2021** – “Key questions for a study of Silk Road urbanisation”, *RGS IBG Annual International Conference*, online.
- **11 June 2021** – “Green transition? Witchy ecologies, temporality and ‘green’ extraction in the Republic of Georgia”, *Ethnography and Qualitative Research Conference*, online.
- **10 June 2021** – “Gendering ethnography: going Gendered fieldwork between hubris and vulnerability”, *Ethnography and Qualitative Research Conference*, online.
- **10 April 2021** – “Reimagining Post-Socialist Political Geographies through a Logistical Gaze”, *American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting (AAG)*, online.
- **December 2020** – “Multiple Logistics: Borders, Time and Finance in the Republic of Georgia”, *Conjunctural Geographies of the post-Soviet and Postcolonial Conditions Symposium*, online.
- **11 November 2019** – “Remaking Anaklia: Trial, Error and Reproduction in the Making of a Logistical Frontier”, *Frontiers of the Urban*, UCL.
- **1 May 2019** – Invited presenter “Frictions and Conflicts on the Baku-Tbilisi-Kars Railway”, EMC Forum, *Visions from the South*, Tbilisi, Georgia.
- **10 November 2018** – Keynote “Challenging Logistical AI”, *Ambient Revolts Conference*, Zk/U Centre for Arts and Urbanistics, Berlin.
- **21-24 February 2018** – Invited participant: Logistical Nightmares Field Trip and Symposium. Amsterdam/Rotterdam, Centre for Research Architecture in collaboration with Sonic Acts Academy.
- **2 September 2016** – ‘The Social Lives of Spectacular Buildings: Architecture and Dissent in Contemporary Tbilisi’, *RGS IBG Annual International Conference*. London.
- **September 2011- September 2014** – Co-organiser *Migrant Struggles Seminar*, and *No Borders Convergence*, Goldsmiths College.

Affiliations and Research Groups

Sited Logistics Network, Supply Chain Studies Network; Environment, Politics and Society, UCL; Centre on Labour and Global Production, Queen Mary University; Transnational Social Strike Assembly; Fair Infrastructure Platform, Tbilisi.

Languages Spoken

Italian – Mother Tongue; English – Proficient; Georgian – Upper Intermediate; French – Intermediate; Spanish – Intermediate.