

Krista Billingsley

Curriculum Vitae

Department of Anthropology and Sociology · Saint Michael's College
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2020-Present Director of Criminology Program
Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Criminology
Saint Michael's College

2018-2020 Provost's Postdoctoral Research Scholar
Department of Anthropology
University of South Florida

EDUCATION

2011-2018 Ph.D. in Anthropology
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Graduate Certificate in Disasters, Displacement, and Human Rights
Dissertation: Children and Transitional Justice in Nepal: Entrenched Violence and Marginalized Perspectives

2005-2007 B.A. in International Studies
University of West Florida
Kugelman Honors Program, Honors Techné Scholar
Minor: Political Science, Maurice Harling Scholar

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed

Books

2023 Billingsley, Krista. *Children and Transitional Justice in Nepal: Exclusionary Policies and the Inequitable Redress of Human Rights Violations* in preparation for full review with Routledge.

Journal Articles

2021 Billingsley, Krista. "It's a Girl! A New Life During a Global Pandemic." *Anthropology and Humanism* 46(2).

2021 Billingsley, Krista and Dillon Mahoney. "Engaged Research in a Hurry: the Case for and Complications of Immediate Anthropology." *Human Organization* 80(2).

- 2021** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Constraining Reconciliation and Memorialization: The Creation and Contestation of National Narratives in the Wake of Internal Armed Conflict.” *Social Science Quarterly* 102(4).
- 2020** Mahoney, Dillon, Renice Obure, **Krista Billingsley**, Michaela Inks, and Roberta Baer. “Evaluating Understandings of State and Federal Pandemic Policies: the Situation of Refugees from the Congo Wars in Tampa, Florida. *Human Organization* 79(4): 271-280.
- 2020** O’Connell, Caela and **Krista Billingsley**. “A Place at the Well: the Imperative for Farmer Inclusion in Water Quality Policy Design.” *Culture, Agriculture, Food and Environment* 42(1): 51-62.
- 2019** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Making Them Accountable: Activists’ Approaches to Engaging with Truth-Seeking Commissions in Nepal.” *Journal of Human Rights Practice* 11(1): 35-57.
- 2019** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Childhood and Divergent Experiences of Armed Conflict in Nepal.” *Neos: the Anthropology of Children and Youth* 11(1): 8-9.
- 2018** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Intersectionality as Locality: Children and Transitional Justice in Nepal.” *International Journal of Transitional Justice* 12(1): 64-87.

Journal, Guest Editor

- 2018** **Billingsley, Krista.** Editor, *Special Issue: Building Collaborations through Anthropological Research on the Missing. Practicing Anthropology* 40(2).
- 2018** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Introduction to the Special Issue.” *Special Issue: Building Collaborations through Anthropological Research on the Missing. Practicing Anthropology* 40(2): 1-8.
- 2018** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Critical Conversations about Transitional Justice in Nepal: Building Collaborations for Victim-Centric Practice.” *Special Issue: Building Collaborations through Anthropological Research on the Missing. Practicing Anthropology* 40(2): 32-41.

Other Publications

- 2022** **Billingsley, Krista.** “Teaching Anthropology Under Oath: Establishing Expertise in Asylum Hearings through Anthropological Training, Research, and Publications.” *Fieldsites*, Society for Cultural Anthropology, December 9, 2022.
- 2019** **Billingsley, Krista.** “How Community Input to the Design of Public Policies can

Further Successful Implementation.” Policy Brief, Scholars Strategy Network, January 2019. <https://scholars.org/scholar/krista-billingsley>

- 2018** O’Connell, Caela and **Billingsley, Krista**. “Feasibility of Water Quality Trading Research Report.” University of Tennessee, May 2018.
- 2018** **Billingsley, Krista**. “Critical Conversations about Transitional Justice in Nepal: Building Collaborations for Victim-Centric Practice.” Blog Post for *Practicing Anthropology*, March 15, 2018. <https://practicinganthropology.sfaa.net/2018/03/15/forthcoming-in-april-2018/>
- 2016** **Billingsley, Krista**. “Conflict over Transitional Justice in Nepal.” *Anthropology News* 57(7).
- 2014** **Billingsley, Krista**. “Transitional Justice in Nepal: An Anthropological Perspective.” *Transitional Justice Newsletter, Transitional Justice Resource Center*, Kathmandu, Nepal, July 2014:16-20.

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

External

- 2023-2027** National Science Foundation, with Vermont EPSCoR Study for Online, Collective Knowledge, and Stories, RII Track-1 Proposal (\$20 million, co-PI)
- 2023-2024** Vermont Biomedical Research Network, “Understanding Diverse Health Outcomes for People who Experienced War-Related Violence as Children” (\$10,000)
- 2022** National Science Foundation, Vermont EPSCoR Study for Online, Collective Knowledge, and Stories (\$5,000 in preliminary funding as PI)
- 2020-2021** Wenner-Gren Foundation Engaged Grant to fund an engaged, film project on conflict victim-led truth-telling in Nepal with children of the disappeared (\$5,000)
- 2019** National Postdoctoral Association Travel Award (\$1,000)
- 2015-2017** Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship (\$37,792)
- 2015-2017** Wenner-Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grant (\$8,995)
- 2015** Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Nepali), Cornell University (\$7,500)
- 2015** Summer Nepali Program Award, Cornell University (\$2,560)
- 2013** Graduate Student Award: American Ethnological Association/Association for Political and Legal Anthropology (\$160)

Internal

2022	Summer Research Grant, Saint Michael's College (\$4,000)
2021	Academic Enrichment Grant, Saint Michael's College
2021-2022	Merit Course Reduction for book completion, Saint Michael's College
2020	Research Funding Grant, University of South Florida, Provost's Office (cash award funding postdoctoral research in Florida) (\$1750)
2020	Postdoctoral Research Travel Award, University of South Florida, Provost's Office (cash award funding travel to conduct research) (\$500)
2019	Research Funding Grant, University of South Florida, Provost's Office (cash award funding postdoctoral research in Florida) (\$1750)
2017-2018	Chancellor's Fellowship, University of Tennessee (cash award funding post-dissertation research in Nepal)
2018	Charles H. Faulkner Award, University of Tennessee, Department of Anthropology (cash award, funded conference travel)
2017	Chancellor's Award for Extraordinary Professional Promise, University of Tennessee
2017	Graduate Student Senate Travel Award for Conference Travel-Spring (\$1,110)
2016-2017	Kneberg-Lewis Scholarship, University of Tennessee, Department of Anthropology (cash award, funded doctoral dissertation write-up)
2016	Graduate Student Senate Travel Award for Conference Travel-Spring (\$1,400)
2014	Graduate Student Senate Travel Award for Conference Travel-Fall (\$1,400)
2014	Graduate Student Senate Travel Award for Conference Travel-Spring (\$1,175)
2013	W.K. McClure Scholarship for the Study of World Affairs awarded for preliminary research in Nepal (\$5,000)
2013	GTA@OIT Teaching Grant, Office of Information Technology grant to improve online learning for undergraduate students studying cultural anthropology (\$1,000)
2013	Research Grant: Center for the Study of Youth and Political Conflict awarded for preliminary research in Nepal (\$850)

- 2013** Graduate Student Senate Travel Award for Conference Travel-Spring (\$528)
- 2013** Chancellor's Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching Award Nomination, University of Tennessee
- 2013** Travel Grant: Center for the Study of Youth and Political Conflict awarded for conference travel (\$378)

TEACHING

Saint Michael's College

2020-2023 Sole Instructor of Record

- Criminology Capstone (CR 449)
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANT 109)
- Research Methods of Anthropology (ANT 209)
- Theories of Crime, Justice, and Race (CR 201)
- Victimology (CR 318)

University of South Florida

2018-2020 Sole Instructor of Record

- Conflict, Violence, and Peace (ANT4930 and ANT 5937)
- Exploring Cross Cultural Diversity (ANT 4401)
- Global Studies of Human Rights Practice (ANG 5937)
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANT 2410)

- 2018** Completed the Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence Two-Day Workshop on Developing Courses with Community Engaged Learning and Civic Engagement

University of Tennessee

2011-2017 Sole Instructor of Record for 13 classes, including

- Anthropology of South Asia (ANTH 459)
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 130, course taught both completely online and on campus)
- Youth and Conflict (ANTH 459 and ANTH 410-Cultural Method and Theory)
- Women and Islam (ANTH 459)

2011-2017 Teaching Assistant for 12 sections

- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
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- 2013** Nominated for Chancellor's Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching Award

- 2011** Completed Best Practices in Teaching Program (seven sessions)

INVITED TALKS

- 2023** “Understanding War Crimes and Transitional Justice in Nepal,” Vermont Council on World Affairs, Burlington, Vermont, April 4, 2023.
- 2023** “Health, War, and Children in Ukraine,” Invited Discussion with Ukrainian Delegation, University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, Vermont, March 16, 2023.
- 2019** “Measures of Justice: Children’s Perspectives on the Redress of Conflict-Era Violations of Human Rights in Nepal,” Human Rights Speaker Series, the United Nations Association of Tampa Bay, St. Petersburg, Florida November 18, 2019.
- 2017** “Anthropological Approaches to Understanding Human Difference” and “Conducting Research Abroad: Methods and Challenges” at the Charles Ralph Holland Memorial Library in Gainesboro, Tennessee July 27, 2017.
- 2017** “Making Research Accessible” at the Birdhouse in Knoxville, Tennessee May 21, 2017.
- 2016** “Overcoming Barriers to Accessing Mechanisms of Transitional Justice in Nepal” at the United States Embassy in Kathmandu, Nepal December 5, 2016.
- 2016** “Transitional Justice in Nepal: Endemic Violence and Marginalized Perspectives” at the Fulbright Commission in Kathmandu, Nepal December 2, 2016.
- 2016** “Successfully Navigating Graduate School in the United States: Recommendations for Nepali Students,” at the United States Educational Foundation in Kathmandu, Nepal August 3, 2016.
- 2016** “Academic Guidance for Nepali Fulbright Scholars in the United States” at the Fulbright Commission in Kathmandu, Nepal June 9, 2016.
- 2013** “Anthropology and Conflict,” Department of Conflict, Peace, and Development Studies at Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal June 13, 2013.

CONFERENCES

Conferences Organized

- 2018** Co-Organizer, Conference on Disasters, Displacement and Human Rights, *Transitions: Crisis, Uncertainty, Opportunity*, University of Tennessee, February 9-11, 2018.

Panels

- 2021** Panel chair, “Global Political Conflicts with Indigenous Rights” at the Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting March 23-27, 2021.

- 2019** Paper selected for the Plenary Session at the Society for Economic Anthropology Annual Meeting, “Wealth in People,” at the University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida, February 28-March 2, 2019.
- 2018** Co-Organizer, panel on “Innovations in Disasters, Displacement, and Human Rights Research” at the Southern Anthropological Society Meeting, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 19-22, 2018.
- 2018** Organizer, roundtable on “Transitions in Social Justice Activism,” at the Conference on Disasters, Displacement and Human Rights, *Transitions: Crisis, Uncertainty, Opportunity*, University of Tennessee, February 9-11, 2018.
- 2017** Panel chair and discussant, “Issues in Understanding Activism, Identity and Equality” at the Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting Santa Fe, New Mexico March 28-April 1, 2017.
- 2015** Panel chair, “Transnational Engagements: Migration, Diffusion, and Identities” at the Southern Anthropological Society Conference in Athens, Georgia April 9-11, 2015.
- 2014** Panel chair, “Human Rights: Moral and Ethical Subjectivities” at the American Anthropological Association Meeting in Washington, D.C. December 3-7, 2014.

Papers presented

- 2023** “Perpetual Transition: Transitional Justice and the Missing (16 Years) After Nepal’s Armed Conflict” Transitional Justice to be presented at the American Anthropological Association Meeting November 15-19, 2023.
- 2023** “Ethnography as Expertise: Translating Anthropological Research in Nepal” presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting March 28-April 1, 2023.
- 2022** “The Neoliberal Echo Chamber” presented with Dillon Mahoney at the American Anthropological Association Meeting November 9-13, 2022.
- 2022** “Transforming Possibilities for People with Felony Convictions: Barriers to Voting Following the Passage of Florida Amendment 4” presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting March 22-26, 2022.
- 2021** “A Small Hope” A Victim-Led Collaborative Film Project for Post-Conflict Truth Telling and Memorialization in Nepal (during a global pandemic) presented at the American Anthropological Association Meeting November 17-21, 2021.
- 2021** “Memorialization and Victim-Led Truth-Telling in Nepal” presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology Meeting March 23-27, 2021.

- 2019** “Making Anthropology Accessible” presented at the American Anthropological Association/Canadian Anthropology Society Meeting in Vancouver, Canada November 20-24, 2019.
- 2019** “Scholarships for ‘Children Affected by Armed Conflict’ in Nepal: (Lack of) Education and (Not) Knowing as Proxy” presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology meeting in Portland, Oregon March 19-23, 2019.
- 2019** “Determining the Value of a Human Life: the Commodification of Bodies through Transitional Justice in Nepal” presented at the Society for Economic Anthropology Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida, February 28-March 2, 2019.
- 2018** “‘From Robbing the Bank and Paying for Parking on the Way Out’ to ‘Any Farmer would be Interested if the Price is Right’: Highlighting Complexity among Farmer Perceptions of Water Quality Trading in Tennessee” presented with Caela O’Connell at the American Anthropological Association meeting in San Jose, California November 14-18, 2018.
- 2018** “Critical Engagement for Accountability: Victims’ Participation in Nepal’s Truth Commissions” presented at the Southern Anthropological Society Meeting in Chattanooga, Tennessee April 19-22, 2018.
- 2018** “Silencing Victims’ Stories through Truth-Telling in Nepal” presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania April 3-7, 2018.
- 2017** “Entrenching Inequality through Transitional Justice in Nepal” presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico March 28-April 1, 2017.
- 2016** “Transitional Justice in Nepal: Perspectives of Nepalis Affected by Conflict as Children” presented at the Annual Kathmandu Conference on Nepal and the Himalaya in Kathmandu, Nepal July 27-29, 2016.
- 2016** “Structural Violence and Disaster Management in Nepal” presented at CORDIM 2016: IEEE Workshop of Distributed Systems for Coordinated Disaster Management in Kolkata, India January 2-3, 2016.
- 2015** “Addressing Children’s Rights Violations in Post-Conflict Nepal: Structural Violence as a Barrier to Education” presented at the Southern Anthropological Society meeting in Athens, Georgia April 9-11, 2015.
- 2014** “When Human Rights are Enforced by Terrorists: Examining Maoist Rhetoric and International Response in Nepal” presented at the American Anthropological Association meeting in Washington, D.C. December 3-7, 2014.
- 2014** “Transitional Justice in Nepal: Perceptions of Conflict-Affected Children” presented at the Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group of the

American Anthropological Association meeting in Charleston, South Carolina
February 12-15, 2014.

- 2013** “What is Justice? Examining Peace Education as a Mechanism of Transitional Justice” presented at the American Ethnological Society/Association for Political and Legal Anthropology meeting in Chicago, Illinois April 11-13, 2013.
- 2013** “Analyzing Children’s Participation in Processes of Transitional Justice in Nepal” presented at the University of Tennessee Disasters, Displacement, and Human Rights Symposium in Knoxville, Tennessee February 8-9, 2013.

CAMPUS TALKS

- 2023** “When is Transitional Justice Over? Nepal’s Ongoing Political Instability after the Armed Conflict,” to be presented at Saint Michael’s College for the Social Science Seminar Series, Fall 2023.
- 2020** “Serving as an Expert Witness in U.S. Asylum Cases,” presented for Anthropology in Action Day in the Department of Anthropology at the University of South Florida, February 20, 2020.
- 2019** “Connecting Anthropological Research to Practice” presented for the Undergraduate Anthropology Club in the Department of Anthropology at the University of South Florida, April 2, 2019.
- 2018** “Children and Transitional Justice in Nepal: Performing Justice and the Façade of Inclusion,” Occasional Lecture Series, University of South Florida, October 19, 2018.
- 2018** “Publishing your Research” at the Anthropology Graduate Student Association Brown Bag Lecture Series, University of Tennessee, March 21, 2018.
- 2015** “Structural Violence and Disaster Management in Nepal” Special Exhibition through McClung Museum at the University of Tennessee (Embodying Enlightenment: Buddhist Art of the Himalayas), September 18, 2015.
- 2015** “Conducting Anthropological Research after an Armed Conflict” Undergraduate Anthropology Association at the University of Tennessee March 26, 2015.
- 2015** “Becoming a McClure Scholar,” International House at the University of Tennessee February 4, 2015.
- 2014** “Teaching Peace: Local Perceptions of Justice and Peace Education in Nepal,” McClure Scholars Symposium at the University of Tennessee December 3, 2014.

- 2014** “Transitional Justice in Nepal: Perceptions of Nepalis Affected by Conflict as Children,” Center for the Study of Youth and Political Conflict at the University of Tennessee April 1, 2014.

RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

- 2018-Present Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida
2012-2018 Center for the Study of Youth and Political Conflict, University of Tennessee

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Saint Michael’s College-Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Criminology Program
2023-Present Health Outcomes for People who Experienced War Violence as Children

2022-Present Community Engagement in Restorative Justice Processes in Vermont

2016-Present Post-Conflict Justice, Truth-Telling, and Documenting Mass Atrocities in Nepal (field research in Kathmandu and Bardiya Nepal initiated at the University of Tennessee in 2016 and continued with funding through Wenner-Gren in 2021 for a documentary film project)

University of South Florida-Department of Anthropology

2019-Present Florida Amendment 4, Barriers to Voting, Engaged Citizenship and Reduced Recidivism (field research in Florida)

2019-2020 Participatory Action Research with Female Refugees on Access to Legal Resources and Knowledge about Housing Law and Sexual Harassment Law, co-PI Dillon Mahoney, USF Anthropology (field research in the Tampa Bay area)

University of Tennessee-Department of Anthropology and Center for the Study of Youth and Political Conflict

2017-2018 Research Assistant, Department of Anthropology, Water Quality Trading (field research with farmers in Tennessee)

2013-2017 Transitional Justice in Nepal: Entrenched Violence and Marginalized Perspectives (field research in Kathmandu and Bardiya Nepal)

2013 Perceptions of Peace Education in Nepal (field research in the Mid-Western and Central Regions of Nepal)

University of West Florida-Department of Political Science and Enrollment Services

2009 The Impact of the Positivist Political Scientist through Research and Teaching (based on field research in Washington, D.C. and archival research)

2008 Research Assistant to the Vice President of Enrollment Services, Documentation of Enrollment Statistics (statistical data analysis and editing of university

publications) and Research Assistant to the Chair of Political Science, Predicting Outcomes in the 2008 Presidential Primary Elections (statistical data analysis)

2007 Is the Media Politically Correct? Examining Gender and Racial Bias through the Clinton and Obama Candidacies (field research in New York City, New York and content analysis of print media coverage)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020-Present On-Call Scientist, Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights and Law Program, American Association for the Advancement of Science

2017-Present Expert Witness in U.S. Asylum Cases

2011-2017 Department of Anthropology, Graduate Teaching Associate/Assistant, Sole Instructor of Record (100/400-level courses), University of Tennessee

2005-2010 Enrollment Services (Office of the Registrar, Graduate Admissions, Undergraduate Admissions, and Research Assistant to the Vice President of Enrollment Services) and Department of Political Science (Research Assistant to the Chair of Political Science), University of West Florida

SERVICE

Disciplinary Service

2018-2021 Elected member of the American Anthropological Association Members' Programmatic Advisory and Advocacy Committee

2021 Co-organized Townhall for a More Inclusive AAA, American Anthropological Association Webinar, April 28, 2021

2019 Co-organized Virtual Attendance Pilot at the 2019 American Anthropological Association Meeting

2018-2019 Human Rights Working Group Member, Co-Wrote Updated Human Rights Statement, American Anthropological Association

2018-Present Peer reviewer, *International Journal of Transitional Justice*, interdisciplinary academic journal published by Oxford University Press

2018-Present Peer reviewer, *Neos: the Anthropology of Children and Youth*

2016-2018 Assistant Editor, *Neos: the Anthropology of Children and Youth*

2015-2018 Peer reviewer, *Student Anthropologist*, flagship journal for the National Association of Student Anthropologists

University and Community Service

2020-Present Chair, Criminology Program Steering Committee, Saint Michael's College

2019-2020 Elected Board Member, Internship Director, United Nations Association of Tampa Bay

2019-Present Member, Scholars Strategy Network, Mid-Florida Chapter at the University of South Florida (membership dependent upon publication of policy brief)

2019-2020 Un-docuAlly, University of South Florida (completed two hours of training)

2018-2020 Co-Faculty Supervisor, University of South Florida-United Nations Association Student Alliance

2018-2020 Ally, Safe Zone, University of South Florida (completed six hours of training)

2018-2020 Member, Fulbright Association, Mid-Florida Chapter

2017-2018 Co-Chair, Conference Steering Committee: Conference on Disasters, Displacement and Human Rights, *Transitions: Crisis, Uncertainty, Opportunity*, University of Tennessee, February 9-11, 2018.

2017-2018 Committee Chair, Hospitality Committee: Conference on Disasters, Displacement and Human Rights, *Transitions: Crisis, Uncertainty, Opportunity*, University of Tennessee, February 9-11, 2018.

2017-2018 Committee Chair, Continuing Legal Education: Conference on Disasters, Displacement and Human Rights, *Transitions: Crisis, Uncertainty, Opportunity*, University of Tennessee, February 9-11, 2018.

2017-2018 Elected Cultural Anthropology Graduate Student Representative, Anthropology Graduate Student Association, University of Tennessee

2017-2018 Peer Mentor, Peer Mentor Program, Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee

2014-2015 Conference Steering Committee: The Second Conference on Disasters, Displacement and Human Rights, *Bridging the Collaborative Gap*, University of Tennessee, September 25-27, 2015.

2012-2018 Ally, Safe Zone, University of Tennessee

2012-2018 Alpha of Tennessee Chapter: Lambda Alpha, National Honors Society for Anthropology

2012-2013 Conference Steering Committee: Disasters, Displacement, and Human Rights Symposium, *Framing the Field*, University of Tennessee, February 8-9, 2013.

2012 Outreach Coordinator, Knoxville, TN, Teaching and Learning About Islam: Pedagogies and Perspectives, Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University