

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

PhD, Geography; April 2012

Dissertation Title: “Spaces of Faith: An Affective Geographical Exploration of Houses of Worship”
Successfully defended dissertation on January 27, 2012
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
Advisor: Victor Mesev, 3.97 GPA

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy and Religious Studies; Minor: Social Sciences, May 2007

Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC
Graduated *Summa Cum Laude*, 3.94 GPA

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, 2014

Visiting Instructor, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, 2013-2014

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, 2012-2013

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Geography, Florida State University, 2012-2013

Graduate Teaching Assistant (Instructor of record), Department of Geography, Florida State University, 2008-2012

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Geography, Florida State University, Spring 2008

COURSES TAUGHT

- FSEM 100L9: Geography of Religion
- GEOG 101: World Regional Geography
- GEOG 102: Introduction to Human Geography
- GEOG 102: Introduction to Human Geography (Online Course)
- GEOG 245: Environment and Society
- GEOG 252: Introduction to Quantitative Methods in Geography (formerly GEOG 200C: Spatial Statistics, Special Topics Course)
- GEOG 335: Sacred Spaces (formerly GEOG 410V: Sacred Spaces, Special Topics Course)

- GEOG 491: Independent Studies in Geography
- URES 197: Directed Undergraduate Research Projects

PUBLICATIONS

Gregory, Meredith, and **Caitlin Finlayson**. 2018. "The Paradox of Cracker Barrel: A Case Study on Place and Placelessness." In preparation for submission to the *Southeastern Geographer*.

Devine, Phil, **Caitlin Finlayson**, and Christine MacKrell. 2018. "Visualizing Sacredness using Mental Maps and GIS." In preparation for submission to the *Southeastern Geographer*.

Finlayson, Caitlin C., Hallie Heinzen, Kathleen Boston, Ailish McGaughey, and Madeline Coughlin. 2017. "(Im)Perfect Food: A Visual Analysis Of The Ugly Food Movement." *Bulletin of Geography*. Submitted.

Finlayson, Caitlin. 2017. "Unbelief." In *World Religions Today: A Guide to Religion for the 21st Century*. Under editorial review.

Finlayson, Caitlin. 2018. "Perfect Food: Perspectives on Consumer Perceptions of Fresh Produce Quality." *Fennia*. Accepted subject to revision.

Finlayson, Caitlin. 2017. "The Invention of Nature." [Review of the book *The Invention of Nature: Alexander von Humboldt's New World*, by Andrea Wulf. New York: Vintage Books, 2015]. *Environment, Space, and Place* 9(2): 135-137.

Finlayson, Caitlin. 2017. *World Regional Geography*. <http://caitiefinlayson.com/worldregional/>

Finlayson, Caitlin, Meredith Gregory, Clara Ludtke, Christian Meoli, and Michael Ryan. 2017. "Integrating a Student-Led Research Study on Food Waste into the Geography Classroom." *Review of International Geographical Education Online* 7 (1): 80-93.

Finlayson, Caitlin C. 2017. "Church-in-a-box: making space sacred in a non-traditional setting." *Journal of Cultural Geography* 34(3): 303-323.

Finlayson, Caitlin C. 2017. "Ireland." *Etiquette and Taboos around the World: A Geographic Encyclopedia of Social and Cultural Customs*. Ed. Ken Taylor. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO/Greenwood.

Finlayson, Caitlin C. 2017. "Poland." *Etiquette and Taboos around the World: A Geographic Encyclopedia of Social and Cultural Customs*. Ed. Ken Taylor. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO/Greenwood.

Finlayson, Caitlin. 2016. "Visualizing Emotion and Affect: Visitor Encounters at St. Peter's Basilica." *International Journal of Euro-Mediterranean Studies* 9(2): 45-58.

Finlayson, Caitlin. 2016. "Walking Where Jesus Walked: American Christians and Holy Land Pilgrimage" [Review of the book *Walking Where Jesus Walked: American Christians and Holy Land*

Pilgrimage, by Hillary Kaell. New York: New York University Press, 2014, 288 pages]. *American Ethnologist* 43(3): 581-582.

Finlayson, Caitie. 2016. "On the edge of Providence Canyon." *Southeastern Geographer* 56(2): 139-141.

Finlayson, Caitlin Cihak. 2015. "Performativity and the art of Tai Chi: Understanding the body as sacred." *Southeastern Geographer* 55(3): 362-376.

Finlayson, Caitlin C. 2014. "Using Focus Groups to Enhance Student Voice: A Work-in-Progress Exploration of Student Learning Experiences in Large Classes," *Enhancing the Learner Experience in Higher Education* 6: 49-54.

Finlayson, Caitlin Cihak and Victor Mesev. 2014. "Emotional Encounters in Sacred Spaces: The Case of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints," *The Professional Geographer* 66:436-442.

Finlayson, Caitlin Cihak. 2012. "Spaces of Faith: Incorporating Emotion and Spirituality in Geographic Studies," *Environment and Planning A* 44: 1763-1778.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 Rees, A. and C. Finlayson. "Active Learning Workshop: Using Team-Based Learning to Engage Introductory Geography Students." American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- 2017 Finlayson, C. and K. Boston. "(Im)Perfect Food: A Visual Analysis of the Ugly Food Movement." SouthEastern Division of the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Starkville, MS.
- 2017 Finlayson, C. "How About Them Apples?: An Analysis of Consumer Perceptions of Fresh Produce Quality." American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- 2016 Finlayson, C. "What We Don't Eat: Analyzing the Discourse of Food Waste." SouthEastern Division of the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Columbia, SC.
- 2016 Ludtke, C. and C. Finlayson. "Perceptions of Food Quality among College Students." SouthEastern Division of the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Columbia, SC.
- 2015 Finlayson, C. "Church-in-a-Box: Making Space Sacred in a Nontraditional Setting." SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Pensacola, FL.
- 2015 Finlayson, C. "Community-Building Techniques for Large Geography Classes." National Conference on Geography Education, Washington, DC.

- 2014 Finlayson, C. "Emerging Spiritual Landscapes: Exploring the Role of the Body in Sacralization." SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Athens, GA.
- 2014 Finlayson, C. "The Space of Memories: Exploring the Influence of Personal Histories on Experiences of Sacred Space." Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL.
- 2013 Finlayson, C. "Bodily Performance and Sacralization: Understanding Tai Chi as Transformative." SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Roanoke, VA.
- 2011 Finlayson, C. "Spaces of Faith: Incorporating Emotion and Spirituality in Geographic Studies." SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA.
- 2010 Finlayson, C. "Affective Religious Experiences: Current Trends and New Directions in the Exploration of Spiritual Practices." SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- 2010 Finlayson, C. "Spaces of Faith: Perspectives on the Geographical Exploration of Houses of Worship." Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 2010 Finlayson, C. "Spinach: A Commodity-Chain and Human-Health Analysis of a Lowly Leafy Green." Environmental Action Research Symposium, Tallahassee, FL.
- 2010 Finlayson, C. "Religious Hate Crimes in America, 1996-2006." Florida Society of Geographers Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL.
- 2009 Finlayson, C. "Traditional Sacred Spaces of Oahu, Hawaii." Florida Society of Geographers Annual Meeting, St. Augustine, FL.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

"The Future of ISIS." 2018. UMW Islamic Student Association. Fredericksburg, VA.

"Perfect Food: How Our Quest for Perfection Impacts the Environment." 2017. UMW Elder Study. Stafford, VA.

"Women in Work." 2017. UMW Introduction to American Studies Panel Q&A. Fredericksburg, VA.

"ISIS." 2017. UMW Islamic Student Association. Fredericksburg, VA.

"Q&A with Caitie Finlayson, OER author." 2017. OpenLearning'17. Interview via Twitter. <https://storify.com/GardnerCampbell/twitter-backchannel-for-interview-with-caitie>

“Recruiting Authors for Open Textbooks.” Open Textbook Network & Rebus Community Virtual Office Hours. 2017. The Open Textbook Network.

“The Geography and Environmental Impacts of Consumer Food Preferences.” 2016. UMW Environmental Studies Research Colloquium. Fredericksburg, VA.

“Visualizing Emotion and Affect: Visitor Encounters at St. Peter's Basilica.” 2016. UMW Social Research Colloquium. Fredericksburg, VA.

“Sacred Spaces: Exploring Religion and Geography.” 2016. UMW ElderStudy. Stafford, VA.

“Spaces of Contemplation.” 2015. UMW Mindfulness Week. University of Mary Washington. Fredericksburg, VA.

“Spaces of Faith.” 2015. Campus Christian Community. University of Mary Washington. Fredericksburg, VA.

Keynote Address. 2013. National Society of Collegiate Scholars Honor Society Induction Ceremony. University of Mary Washington. Fredericksburg, VA.

“Spaces of Faith.” 2013. Windows of the World (WOW). Germanna Community College. Fredericksburg, VA.

STUDENT RESEARCH

2018 Meredith Gregory. “The Placelessness of Cracker Barrel.” Worked with student as an advisor on a Geography departmental honors thesis and honors program capstone.

2017 Katie Boston, Madeline Coughlin, Hallie Heinzen, and Ailish McGaughey. Worked with these students as part of a GEOG 491 course conducting a visual analysis of the ugly food movement. Paper was presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the SouthEastern Division of the American Association of Geographers.

2017 Meredith Gregory, Christian Meoli, Clara Ludtke, and Michael Ryan. “Advanced Qualitative Methods.” Worked with this team of research students as part of a GEOG 491 course. This project was a continuation of the food preferences and food waste project and students coded and analyzed the interview responses.

2017 Christine MacKrell. “Global Trends of Feminism: Analyzing Geographic Patterns Based on Search Interest.” Worked with student as part of a 2 credit GEOG 491 research project. Poster was presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers.

2016 Meredith Gregory, Christian Meoli, Clara Ludtke, and Michael Ryan. “Food Geographies.” Worked with this team of research students on a project using surveys and interviews to explore the geography of food preferences and food waste. Meredith and Christian took the course as a 1 credit URES and did more directed research while Michael and Clara

- completed the project as a 3 credit GEOG 491 course and took more of a leadership and decision-making role.
- 2016 Steven Fernando and Michael Ryan. "Visual Methodologies." Worked with student as part of a GEOG 491 project. Michael completed this project for 3 credits and Steven completed the project for 1 credit.
- 2016 Christine MacKrell. "The Utilization of Sacred Space as a Tool for Marginalization." Worked with student as part of a 3-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491, to write and revise article based on student research project and conference presentation. Paper was accepted to the undergraduate research journal *Metamorphosis*.
- 2016 Maria Rivas-Berger. "Geography and Nature Deficit Disorder." Worked with student as part of a 1-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491.
- 2016 Lance Vaughn. "Geographic Analysis of the Star Wars Landscape." Worked with student as part of a 2-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491.
- 2015 Colin Cate and Steven Fernando. "Making Space Sacred in a Nontraditional Setting." Worked with student as part of a URES 197 project.
- 2015 Phil Devine. "Visualizing Sacredness using Mental Maps and GIS." Worked with student as part of a 3-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491. Project presented at the 2015 annual meeting of the SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers.
- 2015 Christine MacKrell. "Gendered Experiences in Mosques: The Utilization of Sacred Space as a Tool for Marginalization." Worked with student as part of a 3-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491. Project presented at the 2015 annual meeting of the SouthEastern Division of the Association of American Geographers.
- 2015 Alex Dudley. "The Geography of Dictatorships." Worked with student as part of a 3-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491.
- 2014 Julia Wood: "Gendered understandings of the lived religious experience: Exploring emotional responses through sacred space." Worked with student as part of a 3-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491. Project was presented at the 2014 annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers.
- 2014 Nathan Slater: "Readings on Christianity in China." Worked with student as part of a 3-credit hour independent study course, GEOG 491.
- 2013 Julia Wood: "Gendered space and faith: A comparison of the spatial roles of women in the Abrahamic religions within the context of modern American society." Presented at the 2013 SEDAAG Annual Meeting in Roanoke, Virginia. Paper completed as part of the Spring 2013 Sacred Spaces course.
- 2013 Matthew Fritz. "Religious Hate Crime in America." Worked with student as part of his GISC 351 course.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

College of Arts and Sciences Summer Pedagogy Grant, University of Mary Washington, 2018

Faculty Research Grant, University of Mary Washington, 2017-2018.

Project: “(Im)Perfect Food: A Visual Analysis of the Ugly Food Movement”

Inquire and Inspire Grant, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, Summer 2018.

Project: World Regional Geography course supplements and instructor’s manual.

Jepson Fellowship, University of Mary Washington, 2016-2017.

Project: “The Geography and Environmental Impacts of Consumer Food Preferences”

College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Development Supplemental Grant, University of Mary Washington, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Summer 2016, Fall 2015, Summer 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013.

Departmental Level Grant, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, Summer 2016.

Project: World Regional Geography course revision.

College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Research Grant, University of Mary Washington, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015.

Faculty Research Grant, University of Mary Washington, 2016-2017.

Project: “Visualizing Emotion and Affect: Visitor Encounters at St. Peter's Basilica.”

Departmental Level Grant, Co-applicant with Dr. Dawn Bowen, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, Summer 2014.

Project: Revision of Introduction to Human Geography assignments.

Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Small Grant Award, 2013.

Meaningful Student Learning Micro-Grant, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, 2013.

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

Open Dialogue: The Open Textbook Library, March 2017

Small Teaching Workshop, August 2016

Appreciative Advising Workshop, University of Mary Washington, August 2015

NCGE Teaching and Learning Seminar for Early-Career Faculty and Graduate Students, National Conference on Geography Education, August 2015

QEP Workshop, University of Mary Washington, May 2014

Writing Workshop with Student Panel, University of Mary Washington Writing Center, March 2014

Evaluating Student Writing Roundtable Discussion, University of Mary Washington Writing Center
February 2014

Class Discussion Workshop, University of Mary Washington Speaking Intensive Program,
January 2014
University of Mary Washington Diversity Academy Workshop, May 2013
Sharing Power in the Classroom and Student Engagement Workshop, University of Mary
Washington Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, April 2013

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Finance Committee Member, American Association of Geographers
Session Organizer, “Open Educational Resources Meeting,” 2018 Annual Meeting of the American
Association of Geographers
Session Organizer and Chair, “Active Learning in Geography: Implementation, Expectations,
Outcomes, and Reflections,” 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Association of
Geographers
Guest Judge, Cultural Geography Specialty Group of the American Association of Geographers
paper competition, Spring 2018
Virginia State Representative, SouthEastern Division of the American Association of Geographers,
2016-2018
International Editorial Board Member, *Geoverse*
Guest Speaker, Open Textbook Network Office Hours: Recruiting Authors for Open Textbooks,
Spring 2017
Contributor, *Authoring Open Textbooks* by Melissa Falldin and Karen Lauritsen, Spring 2017
Reviewer, *Southeastern Geographer*, Spring 2017
Reviewer, *Progress in Human Geography*, Summer 2016
Reviewer, *Excel Statistics* by Salkind, Sage
Reviewer, *Geoforum*, Fall 2013
Reviewer, *Contemporary Human Geography* by Rubenstein, 3rd edition, Pearson
Accuracy reviewer, *Introduction to Geography* by Dahlman and Renwick, 6th edition, Pearson
Reviewer, *Human Geography* by Bjelland, Montello, Fellmann, Getis, and Getis, 12th edition,
McGraw Hill
Reviewer, *World Regions in Global Context* by Marston, Knox, Liverman, Del Casino, and Robbins,
4th edition, Pearson
Reviewer, *Contemporary Human Geography* by Rubenstein, 2nd edition, Pearson
Reviewer, *Introduction to Contemporary Geography* by Rubenstein, Renwick, and Dahlman, Pearson
Reviewer, *The Cultural Landscape* by Rubenstein, 10th edition, Pearson
Reviewer, *Contemporary World Regional Geography* by Bradshaw et al., 3rd edition, McGraw Hill
Reviewer, *Environmental Science Primer*, published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
Reviewer, *World Regions in Global Context* by Marston, Knox, Liverman, Del Casino and Robbins,
3rd edition, Pearson
Session Organizer, “Affective Geographical Explorations of Faith,” 2010 Annual Meeting of the
Association of American Geographers

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Team Based Learning Workshop Organizer and Facilitator, Center for Teaching
Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, Fall 2017
Community Building in the Classroom Workshop Organizer and Facilitator, Center for Teaching
Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, Fall 2017

Human Experience and Society Assessment Working Group, Summer 2017
UMW Open House, Geography Department Representative, April 2017
Team-Based Learning Workshop Organizer and Facilitator, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, Fall 2016
University Sabbaticals, Fellowships & Faculty Awards Committee Secretary, 2016-2017
Writing Intensive Committee Member, 2016-2017
Geography Club Advisor, University of Mary Washington, 2014-Present
Political Science Honors Thesis Committee Member, Christine MacKrell, Spring 2017
Geography Department Admissions Liaison, 2014-2016
Geography Honors Thesis Committee Member, Ian Spangler, Spring 2016
Search Committee Member, Visiting Instructor in the Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, Spring 2016
Faculty Judge, 2015 Writing Intensive Writing Contest, February 2016
College of Arts and Sciences, Geography Department Faculty Senator, 2015-2016
Fulbright Committee Member, University of Mary Washington, Spring 2016
Faculty Fellow and Student Voices Panel Organizer, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, 2014-2015
Honors Service Learning Project Faculty Mentor, University of Mary Washington, 2013-2015
Search Committee Member, Visiting Instructor in the Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, Spring 2015
Symposium Organizer, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, Spring 2015
Judge, Geography Club Photo Competition, Spring 2015
Outside Committee Member, Department of Computer Science/Honors Program Office Administrator Job Search, May 2015
Faculty Judge, 2014 Writing Intensive Writing Contest, February 2015
Rountree Endowment for Geography Grant Application Reviewer, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, Fall 2014
Faculty Judge, 2013 Writing Intensive Writing Contest, February 2014

AWARDS AND HONORS

University of Mary Washington Alumni Association Outstanding Young Faculty Award
“Box of Awesome” Award Winner, Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Mary Washington, 2013
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award Winner, Florida State University, 2010
Florida State University, Career Portfolio Competition, 1st Place Graduate Student, 2010

MEMBERSHIPS

National Center for Research in Geographic Education, Research Coordination Network
SouthEastern Division of the American Association of Geographers
American Association of Geographers
National Council for Geographic Education
Virginia Geographic Alliance