

# Anya M. Bonanno

Ph.D. Candidate  
Curriculum Vitae  
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## RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

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Environmental Anthropology; Institutions and Property; Agrarian & Rural Studies; Feminist Political Ecology; Development; West Africa; Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Pedagogy of Writing in the Disciplines, Accessibility in Higher Education

## EDUCATION

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- Expected 2023**      **Ph.D., Environmental Anthropology**, University of Georgia, Athens, GA  
Certificates: Online Teaching and Learning  
Dissertation Advisor: Dr. Laura A. German  
GPA: 4.0/4.0
- 2011**            **B.A., Intercultural Studies**, Houghton College, Houghton, NY  
Minors: Art, Islamic Studies, and Spanish  
Thesis Advisor: Dr. Ronald J. Oakerson  
GPA 3.97/4.0, *Summa cum laude*

## AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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- 2021**    **P.E.O. Scholar Award** - \$20,000  
International Chapter of the P.E.O Sisterhood
- 2020**    **U.S. State Department Student Fulbright Program Finalist** - \$19,750  
Student Researcher to Sierra Leone for 2020-2021 academic year
- 2020**    **Dean's Award for Dissertation Research** - \$4,500  
Graduate School, University of Georgia
- 2020**    **Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award**  
Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Georgia
- 2020**    **Charles Hudson Excellence in Teaching Award**  
Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia
- 2020**    **J. Peter Brosius Integrative Conservation Research Award**

Center for Integrative Conservation, University of Georgia

Jointly received with co-authors on “Environmental governance: broadening ontological spaces for a more livable world” paper

- 2019 Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant** - \$2,000  
Graduate School, University of Georgia
- 2019 Melissa Hague Field Study Award** - \$600  
Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia
- 2019 Graduate School Travel Award** - \$250  
Graduate School, University of Georgia
- 2018 Graduate Research Award** - \$1,250  
Willson Center for the Humanities, University of Georgia
- 2018 Conference Travel Grant** - \$200  
Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia
- 2017 Graduate Scholars: Leadership, Engagement, & Development** - \$5,000  
Fellow in NSF-funded University of Georgia Graduate School innovative program in leadership & community engagement for STEM doctoral students
- 2017 Roberta Ann Dunbar Graduate Student Prize** - \$200  
Jointly received with co-author in recognition of best graduate paper presented at the Southeast Regional Symposium on African Studies Fall Meeting, Auburn, AL.
- 2011 Summa Cum Laude**  
Houghton College, Houghton, NY

## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2020** German, Laura A., **Anya M. Bonanno**, Laura Catherine Foster, and Lorenzo Cotula. 2020. “‘Inclusive business’ in agriculture: evidence from the evolution of agricultural supply chains.” *World Development* 134. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2020.105018>

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PRESS

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- 2021** DePuy, Walker, Jacob Weger, Katie Foster, **Anya M. Bonanno**, Suneel Kumar, Kristen Lear, Raul Basilio and Laura German. “Environmental governance: broadening ontological spaces for a more livable world.” *Environment and Planning: E*.

## REPORTS

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- 2018 German, Laura, Lorenzo Cotula, Katie Gibson, Anna Locke, **Anya Bonanno** and Julian Quan. 2018. "Land governance and inclusive business in agriculture: advancing the debate." *LEGEND State of the Debate Report 2018*. London: ODI.
- 2018 Oakerson, Ronald J., Andrew V. Bonanno and **Anya M. Bonanno**. 2018. *Kalanthuba Chiefdom: A baseline study of development in Sierra Leone*. Houghton, NY: Houghton College.
- 2018 Oakerson, Ronald J., Andrew V. Bonanno and **Anya M. Bonanno**. 2017. *How subsistence farmers hold and access land in Sierra Leone*. Houghton, NY: Houghton College.

## PRESENTATIONS

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- 2021 Foster Katie, Laura German, and **Anya Bonanno**. [upcoming, June 2021]. "'Inclusive business' or smallholder exclusion in global agricultural value chains?" Will be presented at the Joint Meeting of the Association for the Study of Food and Society, Agricultural, Food & Human Values Society, Canadian Association for Food Studies, and the Society for the Anthropology of Food and Nutrition. Virtual.
- 2019 **Bonanno, Anya**, Katie Foster, and Laura German. June 19, 2019. "Land as an object of 'good governance': beyond rights and property." Presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Ostrom Workshop. Bloomington, Indiana.
- 2019 German, Laura, Jacob Weger, Walker DePuy, Katie Foster, **Anya Bonanno**, Suneel Kumar, Kristen Lear and Raul Basilio. June 19, 2019. "Environmental governance: broadening ontological spaces for a more livable world." Presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Ostrom Workshop. Bloomington, Indiana.
- 2018 **Bonanno, Anya M.** June 14, 2018. "Heirloom seeds, hybrid spaces: Social media as a new pathway for exchange." Presented at the Joint Annual Meeting of the Agriculture, Food & Human Values Society and the Association for the Study of Food and Society. Madison, WI.
- 2017 Bonanno, Andrew V. and **Anya M. Bonanno**. October 21, 2017. "Family farms, family land: National land policy, customary tenure arrangements, and change in northern Sierra Leone." Presented at the Fall Meeting of the Southeast Regional Symposium on African Studies. Auburn, AL.
- 2017 German, Laura A., **Anya Bonanno**, Katie Gibson, Lorenzo Cotula and Julian Quan. 2017. "Inclusive business in agriculture: Questions, leverage points and state of the debate." Presented at the LANDac Annual International Conference 2017, 'Leave No One Behind: Setting the Land Agenda to 2030'. Utrecht, The Netherlands: Overseas Development Institute (UK).

- 2017 German, Laura A., **Anya Bonanno**, and Katie Gibson. March 23, 2017. "Inclusive business in agriculture: Questions, leverage points, and state of the debate." Presented at the Annual World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty. Washington, D.C.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**2020 - Co-PI for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning STEM Writing Philosophy Project**

2021 PI: Dr. Lindsey Harding, University of Georgia, Writing Intensive Program

- *Analyzing how composing formal STEM Writing Philosophy statements shapes biology graduate instructors' approach to teaching writing in the sciences*
- *Contributions to project design, qualitative data analysis, and writing*

**2020 - Co-PI for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Writing Feedback Project**

2021 PI: Dr. Lindsey Harding, co-PIs: Dr. Joshua King, Joseph Powell, University of Georgia, Writing Intensive Program and First Year Writing Program

- *Project examines how prompting students to engage with instructor feedback shapes their understanding of revision in the writing process and writing performance*
- *Contributions to project design, qualitative data analysis, and writing*

**2019 Graduate Research Assistant**

PI: Dr. Don Nelson, University of Georgia, Department of Anthropology

- *Project developed interdisciplinary approaches to analyzing soil in Critical Zone Science*
- *Developed cross-disciplinary annotated bibliography and EndNote database of 50 sources*

**2019 Co-PI for Pre-dissertation Research (in Sierra Leone)**

PI: Dr. Laura German, University of Georgia, Department of Anthropology

- *Field-based study analyzing how women access and claim land for subsistence gardens*
- *Primary lead in project design, grant-writing, and implementation*

**2019 Graduate Research Assistant**

PI: Dr. Don Nelson, University of Georgia, Department of Anthropology

- *Project on linked socio-ecological systems across scales*
- *Developed cross-disciplinary annotated bibliography and EndNote database of 80 sources*

**2018 Co-PI for Online Ethnographic Research**

PI: Dr. Virginia Nazarea, University of Georgia, Department of Anthropology

- *Qualitative study analyzing Instagram-based vegetable seed exchanges*
- *Primary lead in project design, data collection, analysis, and presenting findings*

**2017 Field Research Associate and Course Assistant (in Sierra Leone)**

PI: Dr. Ronald J. Oakerson, Houghton College, Department of Political Science

- *Field-based collaborative baseline study of regional development*
- *Contributions include project design, data collection, data analysis, writing*

**2017 Contracted Research Assistant**

PI: Dr. Laura German, University of Georgia Department of Anthropology  
For the Overseas Development Institute, London, UK

- *Study of the current discourse and evidence on “inclusive” agribusiness*
- *Contributions include literature review, data analysis, and writing*

**2016 Field Research Associate and Course Assistant (in Sierra Leone)**

PI: Dr. Ronald J. Oakerson, Houghton College, Department of Political Science

- *Field-based baseline study of local land tenure system*
- *Contributions include project design, data collection, data analysis, writing*

**2012 Research Intern**

Sierra Leone Alliance, Buffalo, NY; and on-site in Sierra Leone

- *Conducted field-based program assessment for partner organizations*

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

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**2019 - 2021 Graduate Teaching Assistant**

UGA Writing Intensive Program, co-instructor for WIPP 7001 - “Teaching Writing in the Disciplines”

- *Responsible for approximately 85 graduate students across six sections*
- *Co-designed in person and hybrid course syllabi and activities, created three new course assignments, updated ten existing course assignments, built course page on UGA’s learning management system, synthesized thousands of student evaluations for programmatic evaluation, assessed student work, served as primary lead on student projects, resolved student concerns*

**2017 - 2020 Graduate Teaching Assistant**

UGA Department of Anthropology, assisted with ANTH 1102 - “Introduction to Anthropology”

- *Responsible for approximately 230 students across 5 sections*
- *Assessed student assignments and exams, created test questions, facilitated learning in person and online, updated course materials on learning management system, proctored exams, held office hours, lead review sessions, managed attendance records, resolved student concerns*

LECTURES & SHORT TALKS

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**2019** “Re-Examining Property through Women’s Land Claims in Sierra Leone.” March 27, 2019. Three Minute Thesis, University of Georgia.

**2019** “Customary land tenure and gender in Sierra Leone.” February 6, 2019. Apero Lecture. African Studies Institute, University of Georgia.

## DISCIPLINARY SERVICE

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- 2020 Judge** for the 2020 Georgia Junior Science & Humanities Symposium student research paper competition
- 2018 Reviewer** for conference paper submissions to the Society for Economic Anthropology's 2019 Annual Conference on "Wealth in People"

## DEPARTMENTAL LEADERSHIP

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- 2021 Volunteer Researcher** – Conducted exploratory study on the impacts of required course material costs on undergraduate students and submitted preliminary report to Dept. Undergraduate Committee
- 2021 Panelist** – Department panel on teaching tips & opportunities for new graduate students
- 2020- Chair** – Affinity group for doctoral students pursuing non-faculty careers  
**2021 Anthropology Graduate Student Organization**
- 2019 Graduate Curriculum Reviewer** - provided feedback on program goals and structure to the Department's Graduate Committee
- 2018 - Mentor** for an Undergraduate Anthro. Student  
**2020 Anthropology Graduate Student Organization Mentorship Program**
- 2018 Panelist** - Panel on Graduate School Success for Undergraduate Anthropology Majors  
**Anthropology Graduate Student Organization Mentorship Program**

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

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- 2017 - Master Gardener Extension Volunteer**  
**Present** Athens-Clarke County Extension and UGA College of Agriculture
- 2020 - Community Garden Volunteer**  
**Present** Salvation Army Community Garden, Athens, GA
- 2019 - Community Garden Volunteer**  
**2020** Piedmont College Garden, Athens, GA
- 2017 - Community Garden Volunteer**  
**2019** One Community Garden, Athens, GA
- 2015 - Community Garden Volunteer**  
**2016** Hyde Park Community Garden, Hyde Park, NY
- 2013 - Volunteer ESL Instructor**  
**2014** Northern Dutchess Church, Red Hook, NY

**2011 Student Coordinator and Organizing Committee Member**

Symposium on Immigration & Refugee Issues, Houghton College, Houghton, NY

SCHOLARLY & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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2021 – Present	Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society (AFHVS)
2017 – Present	Southeast Regional Symposium on African Studies (SERSAS)
2017 – Present	UGA Anthropology Graduate Students Organization (AGSO)