

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Personal details

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Higher education

1968 B.Sc. (Hons.) Anthropology II(i), London School of Economics and Political Science

1969 University of Leiden, The Netherlands

1973 Ph.D. Social Anthropology, London School of Economics and Political Science

Academic appointments

1972-1973 Lecturer, London School of Economics and Political Science

1973-1980 Lecturer in Social Anthropology, University of Kent at Canterbury

1980-1986 Senior Lecturer in Social Anthropology

1986-1988 Reader in Social Anthropology

1988-2012 Professor of Anthropology and Human Ecology

1996-1999 Head of Department of Anthropology.

2007-2012 Director, Centre for Biocultural Diversity.

Teaching experience

Undergraduate:

Introductory social anthropology and sociology; Sociological consequences of economic change; Economic anthropology; Environmental and social change in Southeast Asia; Language, categories and culture; Anthropology and Language; Culture and Cognition; South East Asian societies; Kinship; Ritual and belief; Ecology, evolution and society; Human ecology; Research methods; Main currents of anthropological thought; Foundations of human culture.

Graduate Teaching and Administrative Experience:

Research methods; MA core course; Material culture; Biosocial anthropology; Semantic and cognitive anthropology; Ethnobiological knowledge systems; Supervision of MA, Postgraduate Diploma and Research students; Convener of Social Anthropology research seminar; Convener and teacher of MSc Ethnobotany and MA in Environmental Anthropology. Director of Research for Anthropology, 1999-2009.

Extra-mural:

1968-9, 1983, 1984, 1989 Introductory Social Anthropology; 1972-73 Prehistoric archaeology; 1973-74, 1984 Anthropology for archaeologists.

External examining

University College London 1977, 1980, 1981, 1982, 2015
Australian National University 1979
University of Cambridge Tripos 1987-89
London School of Economics and Political Science 1988, 1991
University of Sussex, 1991-93
Northern Territory University, 1996, 1997
University of St. Andrews, 1998
University of Cambridge, 1999
University of Oslo, 2000
University of Leiden, 2001
National University Singapore, 2002
University of Surrey, 2002
University College London (Institute of Archaeology), 2002
University of Singapore, 2002
Northern Territory University, Darwin, 2003
London School of Pharmacy, 2005
Wageningen University, 2005
Goldsmiths College, 2007
University of Bradford, 2008

Distinctions

Firth Award, 1973: for essay entitled 'The marsupial in Nuauulu ritual behaviour'
Indonesia Circle Anniversary Lecture, School of Oriental and African Studies, London, 1982
Visiting Fellow, Australian National University, Research School of Pacific Studies, April-May 1981
Visiting Fellow, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study, Wassenaar, January-April, 1984.
Curl Lectureship (Royal Anthropological Institute), 1987: 'Fetishism'
Munro Lectureship (University of Edinburgh), 1994
Visiting Professor, Indonesian Environmental History Programme, University of Leiden, July 1994
Elected Fellow of Linnean Society, 2001
Elected Fellow of British Academy, 2003
Elected Vice President, Royal Anthropological Institute, 2003
President of Anthropology and Archaeology Section, British Association 2004-5
President, Royal Anthropological Institute, 2007- 2011
Stirling Lecture, University of Kent, 2007: 'Fraud, faction and the anthropological imagination'
Elected member of Council, British Academy, 2010-13
Robert Layton Lecture, University of Durham, 2013: 'The aesthetics of diversity'
Visiting Professor, University of Vera Cruz (Cordoba and Xalapa), Mexico, November 2013
Distinguished Economic Botanist award for 2017, Society for Economic Botany

Research awards

SSRC Studentship, 1968-71

Galton Foundation, 1969

London-Cornell Scheme, 1969

Central Research Fund of the University of London, 1969-71, 1973

Hayter Travel Award, 1973: fieldwork on Seram, academic visits to University Nasional Kuala Lumpur and Bangkok

British Council Travel Grant (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst), 1973: academic visits to University of Leiden, Instituut voor den Tropen (Amsterdam), Frei-Universität, Berlin, Museum für Völkerkunde, Berlin, Frobenius-Institut, Frankfurt-am-Main, Universität Heidelberg

SSRC Research Grant, 1975-77: Nuauulu ethnobiology and ecology

British Academy Grant, 1977: subvention towards publication of 'Nuauulu settlement and ecology' ; 1989 conference grant

British Academy Grant (British Institute in Southeast Asia), 1981: fieldwork in the Central Moluccas

South East Asia Travel Grant, University of Kent at Canterbury, 1981: fieldwork in the Moluccas, archival research in Java

British Council, 1984: academic travel grant for archival research in the Netherlands

British Council, February-March 1985: academic travel grant to teach at Andalas University, Padang, West Sumatra

Nuffield Social Science Research Fellowship, 1985-86

ESRC Research Grant, 1991-94: The ecology and ethnobiology of human-rainforest interaction in Brunei

Member of consortium for EU-funded programme: Avenir des peuples de forêts tropicales, 1994-1999

ESRC Research Grant, 1995-1998 Deforestation and forest knowledge in south central Seram, eastern Indonesia

European Science Foundation grant for UKC conference on 'Indigenous environmental knowledge and its transformations', 1996

ESRC Grant, 2001-2004 Frequency and periodicity in Nuauulu ritual reproduction

ESRC, 2005-7: The ethnography, ethnobotany and dispersal of palm starch extraction

Member, Management Committee, COST Action 31, 'Stability and adaptation of classification systems in cross-cultural perspective', 2006-9

British Academy, 2007-8: The eolith controversy as a problem in the history of science, and of archaeology in particular: an approach from cognitive anthropology

Leverhulme Trust, 2007-2010: The Ethnobotany of British Homegardens: diversity, knowledge and exchange

British Academy (South East Asia Committee), 2009-2010: A comparative study of the sociocultural concomitants of cassava diversity in four eastern Indonesian populations in relation to environmental security

British Academy, 2014-2016: Demography, kinship and ritual reproduction: Nuauulu cultural resilience in the 'New Indonesia'.

Leverhulme Emeritus Fellowship, 2018-2020: Nuauulu ethnobotanical cognition and knowledge (Seram, eastern Indonesia)

Conferences organized

1977 'Classification Systems and the Anthropology of Knowledge', held at the University of Kent under the auspices of the SSRC, June.

1978 'Social and Ecological Systems', held at Newnham College, Cambridge, under the auspices of the SSRC and the Association of Social Anthropologists, Easter (jointly with P. Burnham).

1983 'Social anthropology in the eighties', the third decennial conference of the Association of Social Anthropologists, Robinson College, Cambridge, 4-8 July (principal academic co-ordinator).

1989 'Understanding witchcraft and sorcery in Southeast Asia', University of Kent at Canterbury, September (jointly with C. Watson), funded by Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research.

1997 'Indigenous environmental knowledge and its transformations', University of Kent at Canterbury, funded by European Science Foundation.

2003 International Congress of Ethnobiology, held at the University of Kent, June.

2008 COST Conference on 'The Boundaries of Classification: Definitions, Processes and Adaptability'.

Conferences at which papers presented and selected public lectures

1973 'Méthodes d'enquête ethnologiques sur la conceptualisation et la classification des objets et phénomènes naturels', Paris, May.

1973 'Ecologie et société en Mélanésie', Foundation des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris, June.

1975 'Human ecology, conservation and land use in the tropics', British Ecological Society, University College London, April.

1975 'The Social Anthropology of the Body', Annual Conference of the Association of Social Anthropologists, Belfast.

1976 'Anthropologie sociale dans les îles Moluques', Foundation des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris, May.

1976 'The equatorial swamp as a natural resource', Kuching, Sarawak.

1977 'Social organisation and settlement', St. John's College, Cambridge, 4-6 March.

1977 'Classification systems and the anthropology of knowledge', held at the University of Kent at Canterbury under the auspices of the SSRC, June.

1978 'Social and Ecological Systems', Annual Conference of the Association of Social Anthropologists, Newnham College, Cambridge, Easter.

1978 British Ecological Society (Tropical Group) meeting on 'Ethnoecology', School of Oriental and African Studies, London, October.

1978 '50 Jaar Leidse Richting in de Culturele Antropologie', Leiden, The Netherlands, 21-23 November.

1982 American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington D.C.

1983 'The impact of Man on the vegetation of Malesia', Aberdeen-Hull Symposium on Malesian Ecology, Scarborough, 16-18 September.

1985 'Ritual', Zakopane (Poland), 23-30 September.

1986 'Human Ecology of Health and Survival in Asia and the South Pacific', Tokyo, 17-20 March.

1986 Fourth International Conference on Hunting and Gathering Societies', London, 8-13

- September.
- 1988 'The representation of complex cultural categories', King's College, Cambridge, 22-27 March.
- 1990 'First Maluku Research Conference', University of Hawaii, Honolulu.
- 1991 'Fourteenth Annual Conference of the Society of Ethnobiology', George Washington University, St. Louis.
- 1992 'Beyond Nature and Culture: Cognition, Ecology and Domestication', Kyoto and Atami, 16-24 March.
- 1992 'Anthropological perspectives on environmentalism', Annual Conference of the Association of Social Anthropologists, Durham, 30 March - 3 April.
- 1993 'Tropical rainforest: current issues', Royal Geographical Society and Universiti Brunei Darussalam, 9-17 April.
- 1993 'Appropriation et socialisation de la Nature', Muséum national d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, 31 March - 1 April.
- 1993 'Pithecanthropus Centennial: human evolution in its ecological context', Leiden, 26 June - 1 July.
- 1993 'Tropical rainforests', British Association for the Advancement of Science, Keele, 30 August - 6 September.
- 1994 'The construction of nature', European Association of Social Anthropologists, Oslo, June 24-27.
- 1995 'Ethnobotany', Flora Malesiana Conference, Kew
- 1996 'Maluku Research Conference', Ambon, Indonesia
- 1996 'Sociality and nature in Melanesia', American Anthropological Association, San Francisco
- 1997 'Indigenous environmental knowledge and its transformations', Canterbury, May.
- 1997 'Animals in Asia: relationships and representations', International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden
- 1997 'Saperi naturalistici', Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti, Venice, December
- 1998 'The co-management of natural resources', Isabella State University, Canagan, the Philippines
- 1999 'The sustainable management of relict rainforest in West Java using 'hybrid knowledge', British Association for the Advancement of Science, Sheffield, September.
- 2000 Closing remarks: 'Déjà vu all over again, or why we keep on inventing the mandala'. ASA conference 2000, Participating in development: approaches to indigenous knowledge. School of Oriental and African Studies, London, 5 April.
- 2000 'Interdisciplinary research on indigenous environmental knowledge.' European Union funded Workshop on Interdisciplinary Research on Development and Environment, Oslo, May 29-31.
- 2000 White Oak seminar on Innovative Wisdom'. Global Diversity Foundation, White Oak Conservation Center, Florida USA, 19-22 October .
- 2000 Innovation, 'hybrid' knowledge and the conservation of relict rainforest in upland West Java (with J. Iskandar). International Congress of Ethnobiology, Athens, Georgia, 23-27 October.
- 2001 Summing up. The Nordic World and the Malay World: a scholarly tradition Assessed. ATMA-Lund Colloquium, held at ATMA, UKM Bangi, Malaysia, 12-13 November.
- 2001 Closing remarks: exploitation and overexploitation in societies past and present. IUAES Intercongress, July 18-21.

- 2001 The distribution of *Metroxylon sagu* and the historical diffusion of a complex traditional technology. History of food crop production and animal husbandry in Southeast Asia, EUROSEAS Conference, London, 6-8 September.
- 2002 Local knowledge and categorisation of forest diversity among the Nuaulu of Seram, eastern Indonesia. Eighth International Congress of Ethnobiology, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 16-20 September.
- 2003 Escalating socio-environmental stress and the preconditions for political instability in south Seram: the very special case of the Nuaulu. Conference on 'Violence in Eastern Indonesia: causes and consequences, University of Hawai'i and East-West Center, Honolulu, 16-18 May.
- 2004 The persistence and re-negotiation of animist identities, under conditions of socio-environmental stress and communal conflict in the Moluccas. Conference on 'Connecting Cultures', KIASH, University of Kent.
- 2005 Consequences of the demise and re-invention of 'traditional' environmental knowledge: case studies from island southeast Asia. New development threats and promises, Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford, July.
- 2005 The anthropological imagination and the cultivation of falsehoods. British Association Festival of Science, Dublin, 3-11 September
- 2005 A modular approach to understanding constraints in the transmission of technical knowledge (with Susi Soemarwoto); and Production and consumption of *Metroxylon sagu* as a buffer against hard times, Fourth International Congress of Ethnobotany, Istanbul, 21-26 August
- 2006 The relevance of Indigenous environmental knowledge: yesterday, today and tomorrow. Keynote address to the National Seminar on 'The relevance of local knowledge', Hyderabad, India
- 2006 A test of the applicability of general principles of ethnobiological classification to fungi: a Nuaulu case study. Tenth International Congress of Ethnobiology: Biocultural Diversity and Ethnobiology: Contemporary Issues and Challenges, Chiang Rai, Thailand, November.
- 2006 Nuaulu ethnomycological classification, COST Meeting, Landskrona, Sweden.
- 2007 Sago as a buffer against subsistence stress and as a currency of inter-island trade networks in eastern Indonesia', European Association of Southeast Asian Studies conference held in Naples, September
- 2007 How the story of the Kentish Eolithic helps us understand how science works, Public Lecture, Maidstone Museum
- 2007 Anthropology and its sub-divisions in relation to contemporary human science, Anthropology in Europe, Wenner-Gren Workshop, Paris
- 2007 How ethnobiological classifications respond to the introduction, loss and changing significance of different plant species, COST Meeting, Jerusalem, March
- 2007 Anthropological approaches to people-animal relations, British Animal Studies Network meeting, London, 17 November
- 2008 Classifying 'eoliths': how cultural cognition features in scientific claims for the earliest human artifacts between 1860 and 1930, COST conference on 'The boundaries of classification', September
- 2008 The strange case of the Kentish Eolithic and its place in the history of science, Open Lecture at the University of Kent

- 2009 'These rude implements': competing claims for authenticity in the Eolithic controversy. ASA conference on 'Anthropological and archaeological imaginations: past, present and future', University of Bristol, April
- 2009 Theories in anthropology and anthropological theory. RAI Presidential Address. ASA conference on 'Anthropological and archaeological imaginations: past, present and future', University of Bristol, April
- 2010 A comparative study of cassava (*Manihot esculenta*) diversity, local knowledge and management in two contrasting eastern Indonesian populations (with Hermien Soselisa). International Congress of Ethnobiology, Tofino (Canada), May
- 2010 Cassava landrace diversity and toxicity in relation to environmental degradation and food security in the Moluccas (with Hermien Soselisa). EUROSEAS conference, Gothenburg, August
- 2010 Ethnographic and ethnobotanical approaches to the understanding of landscape change in island Southeast Asia. EUROSEAS conference, Gothenburg, August
- 2011 On the concept of cultural transmission. RAI Presidential Address. ASA conference on 'Vital powers and politics: human interactions with living things' University of Wales Trinity Saint David, September.
- 2011 Houseplants, exchange and vegetative propagation (with Reka Komaromi) ASA conference on 'Vital powers and politics: human interactions with living things' University of Wales Trinity Saint David, September.
- 2012 Conceptualising 'core' medicinal flora: A comparative and methodological study of phytomedical resources in related eastern Indonesian populations. International Congress of Ethnobiology, Montpellier (France), May.
- 2012 The cultural cognition of time: some anthropological perspectives. Plenary address at 'Time and Temporality in Language and Human Experience', 11-13 October, University of Lodz, Poland
- 2013 Neither hoaxes nor frauds: eoliths as a problem in cultural cognition. Kenneth Kirkwood Memorial Lecture, Pitt-Rivers Museum, Oxford, 16 March.
- 2013 Nuauulu protection of forest, forms of ritual regulation and the recent history of forestry practices in eastern Indonesia, 5-6 November, Second International Ethnomycology, Symposium, Ethnobotanical Gardens, Oaxaca, Mexico.
- 2014 Demography, kinship and ritual reproduction: Nuauulu cultural resilience in the 'new Indonesia', Austronesia Seminar, London School of Economics and Political Science, 3 March.
- 2014 Tools, agency and the category of 'living things', International colloquium on 'Des êtres vivants et des artefacts: L'imbrication des processus vitaux et des processus techniques, Musée du Quai Branly, Paris, 9-10 April.
- 2014 Tools, agency and the category of 'living things'.
- 2014 Is there a role for ontologies in understanding 'plant knowledge systems'? Plenary address given at 'Botanical ontologies: a cross-disciplinary forum on human-plant relationships', 16-17 May, Oxford, Research Centre in the Humanities.
- 2014 Basic photography as an integrated research tool in ethnographic fieldwork: a forty-year case study. Royal Anthropological Institute conference on 'Anthropology and Photography', 29-31 May, British Museum.
- 2014 What does current work on ethnobiological knowledge and its management tell us about the deep history of human cultural cognition? ASA Decennial Conference on 'Anthropology and Enlightenment', 19-22 June, Edinburgh.

- 2014 Cognitive and linguistic ethnobiology. Eastern European Summer School in Ethnobiology, Saaremaa, Estonia, 28 June-4 July.
- 2014 Tools and living things: some observations on the interconnection between concepts and categories. Workshop: Von der Klassifikation zum Konzept: Interdisziplinäre Heuristiken zur Konzeptualisierung von Flora, Fauna, Mensch und Landschaft. Johannes Gutenberg Universität, Mainz, 21-22 November.
- 2014 Conceptualising natural objects: some issues arising from recent work in cognitive anthropology and ethnobiological classification. Workshop: Von der Klassifikation zum Konzept: Interdisziplinäre Heuristiken zur Konzeptualisierung von Flora, Fauna, Mensch und Landschaft. Johannes Gutenberg Universität, Mainz, 21-22 November.
- 2015 Pragmatism, identity and the state: how the Nuauulu of Seram have re-invented their beliefs and practices as 'religion'. Royal Anthropological Institute, 28 January.
- 2015 Pendekatan Etnografi dan Etnobotany untuk memahami Perubahan Landscape di Maluku (Ethnographic and Ethnobotanical Approaches to the Understanding of Landscape Change in Maluku), Pattimura University, Ambon, Ambon, 27 April; Anthropological fieldwork in Indonesia: reflections on the first 45 years, Padjadjaran University Bandung, Bandung, 29 April; Nuauulu ritual regulation of resources, 'sasi' and forest conservation in eastern Indonesia, Universitas Indonesia, Jakarta, 4 May.
- 2015 Landscapes of exchange and the domestication of Kenari. Clusius Symposium on 'Other ways of gardening', University of Leiden, 29 May.
- 2015 Roots, shoots and leaves: the hand in relation to the whole sensorium in learning how to weed. The Anthropology of Hands Conference, University of Kent, 26 June.
- 2015 (with Angela Muthana) The great eolith debate and the Royal Anthropological Institute, History of the Royal Anthropological Institute, 1871-1918. Royal Anthropological Institute, 8-9 December.
- 2016 Landscapes of exchange. Workshop on 'Domesticated landscapes and the Politics of Nature', Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies, Finland, 21 April.
- 2016 Environmental threats to sustainable living in low-lying reef systems: biodiversity preservation and Moluccan trading networks between 1600 and the present. RAI conference on 'Anthropology, Weather and Climate Change', British Museum, 27-19 May.
- 2016 Transmitting symbolic concepts from the perspective of cultural cognition. International conference on 'Finding, Inheriting or Borrowing? Construction and Transfer of Knowledge about Man and Nature in Antiquity and the Middle Ages', Research Training Group on 'Frühe Konzepte von Mensch und Natur', Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Germany, 14-16 September.
- 2016 Demography, marriage patterns and cultural resilience: a 'traditionalist' pathway to modernity in contemporary Maluku, ASEASUK Conference, SOAS London, 16-18 September; also Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW), Institute of Social Anthropology International Guest Lecture, 6 October.
- 2017 Plants as sociocultural objects: from economic botany to economic anthropology. Address given to the Society for Economic Botany Meeting, 'Living in a global world: ethnobotany, local knowledge and sustainability', Bragança, Portugal, 8 June (Distinguished Economic Botanist Award).
- 2017 Thinking through nostalgia in anthropologies of environment and in ethnographies of landscape, Keynote address for 'Ecological nostalgias: Affects, Memory, and Creativity in the Anthropocene', ULB, Brussels, 14 June.

- 2017 Lines in a landscape: What bamboo water conduits tell us about how Nuaulu conceptualise their environment, European Society for Oceanists Conference, Munich, 1 July.
- 2017 In the footsteps of Rumphius: history and ethnobotanical entanglements in the Spice Islands, Annual Kent-Kew Distinguished Ethnobotanist Lecture, 4 October 2017
- 2018 How can indigenous and local knowledge (ILK) be used to improve island environmental futures? Commentary on Matt Lauer's thematic paper, 7th International Conference on Environmental Future: Humans and Island Environments, 16 – 20 April, Honolulu, Hawai'i.
- 2018 Seeds versus vegetative propagules as strategies for surviving the Anthropocene: social profiles and biocultural consequences, presentation at 'Seedways: the dispersal, evolution and commodification of seeds and plants in a warming world', a symposium held at the Royal Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities, Stockholm, November 14-15.
- 2018 Ritual, 'landscapes of exchange' and the domestication of *Canarium*: a seram case study', a lecture presented at: 'L'ethnoscience aujourd'hui: colloque en l'honneur de Claudine Friedberg', held in la Grande Galerie de l'Evolution, Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, 16 November.
- 2019 The ethnobotany of culturally salient polymorphisms in *Codiaeum variegatum* and Nuaulu symbolic practices, presentation at the Society of Ethnobiology conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, 8-12 May.

Guest lectures and seminar papers outside University of Kent

UK

London School of Economics and Political Science; School of Oriental and African Studies, London; University College London; University of Sussex; University of St. Andrews; Queens University, Belfast; University of Edinburgh; University of Cambridge; Geography Department, University of Oxford; Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Oxford; Nissan Centre, University of Oxford; Mansfield College, University of Oxford; Department of Biological Anthropology, University of Oxford; University of Hull; University of Durham; Working Men's College, St. Pancras; Mill Hill Historical Society; Royal Anthropological Institute.

International

Biology Faculty, UNAM Mexico City; Cornell University; Ethnobotanical Gardens, Oaxaca City, Mexico; INECOL, Instituto de Ecología AC, Xalapa, University of Vera Cruz, Mexico. National University, Singapore; Free University of Amsterdam; University of Leiden; University of Heidelberg; University of Gothenburg (series of guest lectures); University of Stockholm (series of guest lectures); University of Helsinki; University of Vienna, Institute of Forestry; Vienna, Austrian Academy of Sciences; Museum of Mankind; Australian National University; Monash University, Melbourne; George Washington University, St. Louis; University of Hawaii, Honolulu; SUNY Stony Brook; Andalas University, Padang, Indonesia; University of Cracow, Poland; University of Poznan, Poland; National Museum of Ethnology, Kyoto; Brunei Museum; Padjadjaran University, Bandung, Indonesia; University of Georgia at Athens, University of Siena; British Council, Hyderabad; Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona; Jardín Botánico National University of Mexico, Mexico City. In some of these places I have given two or more seminars or lectures over the years.

Fieldwork

1969-71, 18 months: Nuaulu people, south Seram, eastern Indonesia
1973, 3 months: Nuaulu, south Seram, eastern Indonesia
1975, 3 months: Nuaulu, south Seram, eastern Indonesia
1981, 3 months: East Seram, Banda and Kei islands, Moluccas, eastern Indonesia
1986, 4 months: Gorom and Seram Laut archipelagoes, Moluccas, eastern Indonesia
1990, 1 month: Nuaulu, south Seram, eastern Indonesia
1991, 1 month, Brunei
1996, 4 months: Nuaulu, south Seram, eastern Indonesia
2002, 1 month: West Java and north Sulawesi
2003, 1 month: Nuaulu, south Seram
2009, 1 month: South Seram and Kei Islands
2015, 1 month: Nuaulu, South Seram

Professional services

Development consultancy:

1976, 1 month: Central Java and Southwest Sulawesi, 'southeast Sulawesi Transmigration Area Development Project: Sociology', feasibility Study financed by Asian Development Bank for the Direktorat-Jenderal Transmigrasi, Republic of Indonesia.

Grant evaluations

British Academy Grants Officer (Anthropology), 2007-2010; in addition evaluations for British Academy, Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Nuffield Foundation, Leverhulme Trust, Wenner-Gren Foundation, National Institute of Mental Health and National Science Foundation (USA); Indonesian Science Fund (Dana Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia - DIPI).

Journal and book refereeing

Berghahn, Blackwell, Tavistock Publications, Cambridge University Press, Martin Cavendish, Laurence Urdang, Manchester University Press, Oxford University Press, Verhandelingen of the Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde; Anthropos, Biodiversity and Conservation. Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies, Current Anthropology, Human Ecology, Indonesia and the Malay World, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, (and formerly, Man), Journal of Ethnobiology, Journal of Ethnobiology and Ethnomedicine, Journal of Social Epistemology, University of Toronto Press, Wacana. Incomplete.

Media

BBC World Service talk on 'Forum' and interview for 'Science in Action'. Programme background for BBC World Service, Blackrod (for Granada) and Cinecontacts (Channel Four), Horizon, Ray Mear's World of Survival (BBC). Thinking Allowed (Radio 4), 2007. Incomplete.

Non-university appointments

Commonwealth Human Ecology Council Executive Committee, 1978-81
Committee of the Indonesia Circle, School of Oriental and African Studies, 1973-75
Radcliffe-Brown Fund Committee (for Royal Anthropological Institute), 1981-1984

Horniman Trust Committee (for Royal Anthropological Institute), 1982-85
Committee of the Association of Social Anthropologists of the Commonwealth, 1981-85
Honorary Secretary of the Association of Social Anthropologists of the Commonwealth, 1982-85
British Association, Section H Committee 1984, 2002-4
RAI Committee on Biological and Social Anthropology, 1986-1990
Governor, Powell-Cotton Museum, Birchington, 1983 -2002
ESRC Board of Examiners, 1998
Board, International Society of Ethnobiology, 2002, continuing
RAI Council (including Steering Committee for a lesser period), 2003, continuing
Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, 2006-8
Darrell Posey Trust, 2005 continuing
President of the Royal Anthropological Institute, 2007-2011
HEFCE RAE 2008 Member of Panel J42
British Academy: Chair Anthropology group, Grants Officer and Member of Section 3 Standing Committee, 2006-2010; ASEASUK Research Committee, 2010 - ; Elected member of Council, 2010-2013; Member Council Appointments Committee, 2012-2013; Chair, Section S3 (Anthropology and Geography), 2012-2015.
HEFCE REF 2014 Member of Panel C24, 2010-2014.
Chair, Royal Anthropological Institute Manuscripts and Archives Committee, 2012-18.

Professional associations

Fellow: British Academy, Linnean Society, Royal Anthropological Institute; Member: Association of Social Anthropologists, Association of South East Asianists in the United Kingdom, European Association of Social Anthropologists, Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal, Land- en Volkenkunde, International Society of Ethnobiology, Society for Economic Botany.

Editorial activities

1980 Special (Moluccas) issue of *Indonesia Circle*
Managing Editor, Association of Social Anthropologists Research Methods Series, 1980-5
1982-85 *Annals (and Newsletter) of the Association of Social Anthropologists*

Editorial and Advisory Boards: *Reviews in Anthropology*, *Cakalele: Human Ecology*, *Maluku Research Journal*, *Indian Journal of Human Ecology*, *Ethnobiology and Ethnomedicine*, *Environment and Society: Advances in Research* (Berghahn), *Humankind (Journal of the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya, Bhopal)*, *Studies in Human Ecology and Adaptation*.

1994- Editor, *Studies in Environmental Anthropology and Ethnobiology* (Harwood, Routledge, Berghahn)

2011 - Assistant Editor (Human ecology and Environments), *International Encyclopedia of Anthropology*, Wiley-Blackwell, 2011 – 2018.

Documented collections of ethnographic specimens

1969-71 Comprehensive series of Nuaulu artifacts, Seram; deposited in British Museum, London (acc. nos. 1972 AS.1 1-313).

1969-71 Comprehensive series of Nuaulu artifacts, Seram; deposited in Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde, Leiden.

1981 Pottery from the Kei islands, eastern Indonesia; deposited in British Museum, London. Exhibited November-December University of Kent at Canterbury.

Research interests

Classification. Ethnobiological knowledge systems. Indigenous knowledge of the rainforest. Cultural evolution. Sociology of Islam in South East Asia. Social organisation of regional trading networks. Research methods. Ethnography, social organisation and culture history of eastern Indonesia. History of anthropology. Material culture. Sequencing and periodicity in ritual. Cultural cognition approaches to the history of science. Human ecology. Anthropological theory, especially in relation to cultural transmission. The ethnobotany of British homegardens

Publications

Books and edited works:

- (1) 1978. **Nuaulu settlement and ecology: the environmental relations of an eastern Indonesian community.** [Verhandelingen van het Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde 83] The Hague: Martinus Nijhoff.
- (2) 1979. **Social and ecological systems** (edited with P.H. Burnham) [Association of Social Anthropologists Monograph 18] London: Academic Press.
- (3) 1979. **Classifications in their social context** (edited with D. Reason) London: Academic Press.
- (4) 1982. **Environment, subsistence and system: the ecology of small-scale social formations.** Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- (5) 1984. **Ethnographic research: a guide to general conduct** (editor) [Association of Social Anthropologists Research Methods Series 1] London: Academic Press.
- (6) 1988. **Malinowski between two worlds: the Polish roots of an anthropological tradition** (with E. Gellner, G. Kubica and J. Mucha) Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- (7) 1993. **The cultural relations of classification: an analysis of Nuaulu animal categories from central Seram** Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- (8) 1993. **Nuaulu ethnozoology: a systematic inventory** (CSAC Monographs 6) Canterbury: Centre for Computing and Social Anthropology and Centre for Southeast Asian Studies.
- (9) 1993. **Understanding witchcraft and sorcery in Southeast Asia** (edited with C.W. Watson) Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press.
- (10) 1996. **Redefining nature: ecology, culture and domestication** (edited with Katsuyoshi Fukui) London: Berg.
- (11) 2000. **Indigenous environmental knowledge and its transformations: critical anthropological perspectives** (edited with P. Parkes and A. Bicker) [Studies in Environmental Anthropology 5] Amsterdam: Harwood.
- (12) 2003. **On the edge of the Banda zone: past and present in the social organization of a Moluccan trading network.** Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press.
- (13) 2005. **The categorical impulse: collected essays in the anthropology of classifying behaviour.** Berghahn: Oxford.
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