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EDUCATION

2000 Ph.D., Geography, McGill University, Montreal
1993 M.Sc., Geography, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
1991 B.A., Geography and Environmental Studies, McGill University, Montreal

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

2019 Joan N. Huber Faculty Fellow, Ohio State
2015- Professor, Geography, Ohio State
2007-2015 Associate Professor, Geography, Ohio State
2001-2007 Assistant Professor, Geography, Ohio State
2015- Courtesy appointment, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Ohio State
2010-11 Special Research Assignment and Faculty Professional Leave from Ohio State
2016- Faculty Affiliate, Center for Folklore Studies, Ohio State
2010- Faculty Affiliate, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Ohio State
2002- Faculty Affiliate, Initiative for Population Research, Ohio State
2002- Faculty Affiliate, Center for Latin American Studies, Ohio State
2000 Instructor, Geography, McGill University, Montreal
2000 Instructor, Geography, Concordia University, Montreal
1994-96 Research Associate, Harvard Institute for International Development (HIID), Honduras
1993 Geography Intern, Geography Education Division, National Geographic Society, Washington, DC

RESEARCH GRANTS

External

2018-20 NSF-EAGER (Disrupting Operations of Illicit Supply Networks), "NarcoLogic," Award #1837698. Nicholas Magliocca (PI), Kevin Curtain, Diana Dolliver, Kendra McSweeney (\$292,974 total; KM portion: \$30,236).

2017-18 NSF-BCS-Geography & Spatial Science-DDRI #1657688: "Doctoral Dissertation Research: Making Spaces of Difference: Territorial Conflicts in Nicaragua's Bosawas Biosphere Reserve" Kendra McSweeney (PI) Nora Sylvander (co-PI). ~\$15,000.

2016-18 National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC) Globalization & Social-Environment Systems Pursuit: "Landscapes in Transformation in Central America (LIT-CA)." Erik Nielsen and Kendra McSweeney, PIs. Funding for two years of meetings with research group of 14 scholars at SESYNC facility, Annapolis, MD.

2015-16 National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC) Workshop: "Modeling the narco-scape: linking illicit cocaine commodity chains with landscape change and development in the Mesoamerican Biological Corridor." K. McSweeney and Erik Nielsen, PIs.

- 2015-16 Open Society Foundations, Global Drug Policy Program. "Evidence for Drug Policy Reform: Drugs, Deforestation, and Skewed Development in Central America." K. McSweeney, PI (with Z. Pearson, E. Nielsen, D. Wrathall and 12 others; \$250,000)
- 2014-15 Open Society Foundations, Global Drug Policy Program: "Research Meeting of the 'Nodes in the inter-American Rural Cocaine Commodity Chain' (NARCCC) Working Group." K. McSweeney (PI), Erik Nielsen, Zoe Pearson, David Wrathall (co-PIs). Funding to hold workshop at Mershon Center for International Security Studies, OSU (\$24,639).
- 2010-14 National Science Foundation, Coupled Natural-Human Systems Program (NSF-CNH Proposal #1010314), "Collaborative Research: Explaining Socioecological Resilience following Collapse: Forest Recovery in Appalachian Ohio," D. Munroe (PI), D. Liu (co-PI), B. Mansfield (co-PI), and K. McSweeney (co-PI). (\$1,333,105)
- 2011-13 National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration. "The Coming Storms: The Dynamics of Vulnerability, Adaptation and Resilience among Honduran Indigenous Communities in an Era of Climate Change." K. McSweeney (PI). (\$20,329)
- 2010-11 American Association of Geographers (AAG) Research Grant: "Vulnerability, Adaptation, and Resilience: Dynamic Responses in Rural Honduras." (\$850)
- 2006-07 US Department of Energy #DE-FG02-04ER63834, "Rural Workforce." PI: David Hansen, Director of the International Program in Agriculture, College of Food, Agriculture, and Environmental Science, Ohio State. McSweeney was Co-PI as of summer 2006; the grant was initially awarded in 2004.
- 2005-06 National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration: "Linking Territorial Security and Ethnopolitics to Demographic Processes among the Shuar of Ecuador's Amazon." K. McSweeney (PI), B. Jokisch (co-PI), and S. Rubenstein (co-PI). (\$19,920)
- 2004-06 National Science Foundation, Geography and Regional Science Program Research Grant (NSF-GRS #0351037): "Land-Use Politics, Disturbance, and Biodiversity in the Indian Aravalli." P. Robbins (PI), K. McSweeney (co-PI; PI from 01/05-06/06), T. Waite (co-PI). (\$200,000)
- 1998 FCAR *Stage* for Overseas Research, Government of Quebec. (CAD\$900)
- 1997-98 Young Canadian Researchers Award, International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Ottawa. (CAD\$4,800)
- Internal**
- 2018 Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Ohio State, "Drug trafficking and socio-ecological transformation in Central America" (\$6,690).
- 2011-12 Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Ohio State, "The Coming Storms: The Dynamics of Resilience to Climate Change, Political Stress, and Economic Shock in Eastern Honduras." (\$10,884)
- 2010-11 College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Small Research Grant, Ohio State. (\$1,000)
- 2010-11 International Poverty Solutions Center Seed/Travel Grant, Ohio State: "Ties that Bind: Land Security, Food Security and Health among the Guaraní of Southern Brazil." B. Piperata (PI), K. McSweeney (co-PI), H. Melgar-Quíñonez (co-PI). (\$67,492)
- 2010-11 International Poverty Solutions Center Seed/Travel Grant, Ohio State: "Reducing Inequality in Appalachian Ohio: The Potential of a 'Socio-Contextual' Approach." B. Mansfield (PI), L. Lobao (co-PI), K. McSweeney (co-PI), M. Partridge (co-PI). (\$60,000)
- 2010 Office of International Affairs Faculty Grant: "Vulnerability and Resilience to Climate Change among the Tawahka of Honduras." (\$4,500)
- 2005-06 Seed Grant Program, Initiative for Population Research, Ohio State: "Indigenous Pronatalism in Latin America: Exploring the Evidence with 2001 Census Data." (\$14,709)

2004-05	Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Faculty Grant for Research on Women, Gender, and Gender Equity, Ohio State: "Indigenous Women's Fertility in Lowland Latin America: Building an Empirical Baseline." (\$3,600)
2001-02	Seed Grant, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Ohio State: "Demographic Dynamism and Land Use Change in a Honduran Protected Area: Building Baselines for Integration." (\$17,413)
2001	McCull Family Fellowship, American Geographical Society: "After the Hurricane: How Native Communities are Adjusting to a Post-Mitch Landscape in the Mosquitia, Honduras." (CAD\$930)
1998	Research Grant, McGill University: "Forest Products in Changing Rural Economies: the Dugout Canoe Trade among the Tawahka of Honduras." (CAD\$2,700)
1992	McClure Scholarship for the Study of World Affairs, University of Tennessee. (\$2,300)

OTHER GRANTS

2015	Teaching Enhancement Grant for Internationalization of the curriculum, UCAT, Ohio State
2014	SBS International Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$1500)
2014	Center for Latin American Studies Faculty Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$500)
2009	SBS International Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$2000)
2007	Course Enhancement Grant, University Libraries, Ohio State (\$2,000)
2005	Center for Latin American Studies Faculty Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$500)
2005	SBS International Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$2000)
2003	SBS International Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$2000)
2002	Center for Latin American Studies Faculty Travel Grant, Ohio State (\$400)
1999	McGill Alma Mater Student Travel Grant (CAD\$500)
1997	McGill Alma Mater Student Travel Grant (CAD\$500)

HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS

2019	Huber Fellowship
2012	Distinguished Undergraduate Research Mentor Award, Ohio State
2011	Recognition from the Tawahka people; presented at the Secretariat of Indigenous Peoples and Afrohondurans of Honduras (SEDINAFROH), Tegucigalpa, Honduras
2005	Lawrence A. Brown Faculty Fellowship, Geography, Ohio State
2005	Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching, Ohio State
2004	2 nd Place, Faculty/Staff-People Category, International Photography Contest, Ohio State
2001	Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)
2001	Finalist, J. Warren Nystrom Dissertation Competition, Assoc. of American Geographers
2000	Dean's Honour List, McGill University
1999-00	Principal's Dissertation Fellowship, McGill University
1996-99	Doctoral Fellowship, FCAR, Quebec
1993	T.G. Long Outstanding Graduate Student Award (Geography), University of Tennessee
1991	First Class Honours, McGill University
1991	Canadian Association of Geographers Undergraduate Award (McGill)
1988	James McGill Entrance Award, McGill University

PUBLICATIONS (* denotes student author)

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Ballvé, T., and K. McSweeney. Forthcoming. The 'Colombianization' of Central America: misconceptions, mischaracterizations, and the military-agroindustrial complex. *Journal of Latin American Studies*.

- 2019 Pearson, Z., S. Ellingrod, E. Billo, K. McSweeney. Corporate Social Responsibility and the reproduction of (neo)colonialism in the Ecuadorian Amazon. *The Extractive Industries and Society*. 10.1016/j.exis.2019.05.016
- 2019 Mansfield, B., R. Lave, K. McSweeney, A. Bonds, J. Cockburn, M. Domosh, T. Hamilton, R. Hawkins, A. Hessel, D. Munroe, D. Ojeda, and C. Radel. [It's time to recognize how men's careers benefit from sexually harassing women in academia](#). *Human Geography* 12(1):82-87.
- 2019 Magliocca, N., K. McSweeney, S. Sesnie, E. Tellman,* J.A. Devine, E.A. Nielsen, Z. Pearson, D. Wrathall. [Modeling cocaine traffickers and counterdrug interdiction forces as a complex adaptive system](#). *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)* 116(16):7784-7792.
- 2018 McSweeney, K., D. Wrathall, E. Nielsen, Z. Pearson. Grounding traffic: the cocaine commodity chain and land grabbing in eastern Honduras. *Geoforum* 95:122-132.
- 2017 McSweeney, K., N. Richani, Z. Pearson, J. Devine, D.J. Wrathall. Why do narcos invest in rural land? *Journal of Latin American Geography* 16(2):91-117.
- 2017 Sesnie, S., B. Tellman*, D. Wrathall, K. McSweeney, E. Nielsen, K. Bennesaiah,* O. Wang, L. Rey. [A spatio-temporal analysis of forest loss related to cocaine trafficking in Central America](#). *Environmental Research Letters* 12 (054015).
- 2016 Piperata, B., K. McSweeney, R. Murrieta. Conditional cash transfers, food security and health: biocultural insights for poverty-alleviation policy from the Brazilian Amazon. *Current Anthropology* 57(6):806-826.
- 2015 Mansfield, B., C. Biermann*, K. McSweeney, J. Law*, D. Munroe, L. Horner, and C. Gallemore*. Environmental politics after nature: conflicting socioecological futures. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 105(2):284-293.
- 2015 McSweeney, K., and B. Jokisch. Native Amazonians' strategic urbanization: shaping territorial possibilities through cities. *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* (Special issue on 'Indigenous Urbanization'; D. Peluso, guest ed.) 20(1): 13-33.
- 2014 McSweeney, K., E.A. Nielsen, M.J. Taylor, D.J. Wrathall, Z. Pearson,* O. Wang, and S.T. Plumb.* [Drug policy as conservation policy: narco-deforestation](#). *Science* 343 (31 January):489-490.
- 2014 Munroe, D., K. McSweeney, J. Olson*, and B. Mansfield. Using economic geography to reinvigorate land change science. *Geoforum* 52:12-21.
- 2013 Law, J.*, and K. McSweeney. Looking under the canopy: the role of smallholders in forest recovery in Appalachian Ohio. *Geoforum* 44(1):182-192.
- 2011 Jokisch, B., and K. McSweeney. The potential of the 'autonomous' indigenous survey as a health and demographic tool: an assessment of the 2005 Shuar Survey, Ecuador. *Human Ecology* 39(5): 683-698.
- 2011 McSweeney, K., and O.T. Coomes. Climate-related disaster opens window of opportunity for rural poor in northeastern Honduras. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)* 108(13):5203-5208.
- 2010 Mansfield, B., D. Munroe, and K. McSweeney. Does economic growth cause forest recovery? Geographical explanations of forest regrowth. *Geography Compass* 4/5:416-427.
- 2009 Robbins, P., K. McSweeney, A. Chhangani, and J. Rice*. Conservation as it is: Illicit resource use in a wildlife reserve in India. *Human Ecology* 37(5):559-575.
- 2009 Lansing, D.*, P. Bidegaray, D. Hansen, K. McSweeney. Placing the plantation in smallholder agriculture: evidence from Costa Rica. *Ecological Engineering* 34:258-372.
- 2008 De Sherbinin, A., L. VanWey, K. McSweeney, R. Aggarwal, A. Barbieri, S. Henry, L. Hunter, W. Twine, and R. Walker. Rural household micro-demographics, livelihoods, and the environment. *Global Environmental Change* 18(1):38-51.
- 2007 McSweeney, K., and B. Jokisch. Beyond rainforests: urbanization and emigration among lowland indigenous societies in Latin America. *Bulletin of Latin American Research* 26(2):159-180.

- 2006 Robbins, P., K. McSweeney, T. Waite, J. Rice*. Even conservation rules are made to be broken: implications for biodiversity. *Environmental Management* 37(2):162-169.
- 2005 McChesney, R.*, and K. McSweeney. Topographic maps: rediscovering an accessible data source for land cover change research. *Journal of Geography* 104(4):161-178.
- 2005 McSweeney, K. Indigenous population growth in the lowland neotropics: social science insights for biodiversity conservation. *Conservation Biology* 19(5):1375-1384.
- 2005 McSweeney, K. Natural insurance, forest access, and compounded misfortune: forest resources in smallholder coping strategies before and after Hurricane Mitch, eastern Honduras. *World Development* 33(9):1453-1471.
- 2005 McSweeney, K. and S. Arps*. "A demographic turnaround": the rapid growth of indigenous populations in lowland Latin America. *Latin American Research Review* 40(1):3-29.
- 2004 McSweeney, K. The dugout canoe trade in Central America's Mosquitia: approaching rural livelihoods through systems of exchange. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 94(3):638-661.
- 2004 McSweeney, K. and R. McChesney*. Outbacks: the popular construction of an emergent landscape. *Landscape Research* 29(1):31-56.
- 2004 McSweeney, K. Forest product sale as natural insurance: the effects of household characteristics and the nature of shock in eastern Honduras. *Society and Natural Resources* 17(1):39-56.
- 2002 McSweeney, K. A demographic profile of the Tawahka of Honduras. *Geographical Review* 92(3):398-414.
- 2002 McSweeney, K. Who is 'forest dependent'? Capturing local variation in forest product sale, eastern Honduras. *The Professional Geographer* 54(2):158-174.
- 2002 Demmer, J., R. Godoy, D. Wilkie, H. Overman, M. Taimur, K. Fernando, R. Gupta, K. McSweeney, N. Brokaw, S. Sriram, and T. Price. Do levels of income explain differences in game abundance? An empirical test in two Honduran villages. *Biodiversity and Conservation* 11(10):1845-1868.
- 2002 Godoy, R., H. Overman, J. Demmer, L. Apaza, E. Byron, T. Huanca, W. Leonard, E. Pérez, V. Reyes-García, V. Vadez, D. Wilkie, A. Cubas, K. McSweeney, N. Brokaw. Local economic benefits of rain forests: comparative evidence from Amerindian societies in Bolivia and Honduras. *Ecological Economics* 40:397-409.
- 2000 Godoy, R., D. Wilkie, H. Overman, A. Cubas, G. Cubas, J. Demmer, K. McSweeney, and N. Brokaw. Valuation of consumption and sale of forest goods from a Central American rain forest. *Nature* 406 (6 July):62-63.
- 2000 Godoy, R., K. O'Neill, K. McSweeney, D. Wilkie, V. Flores, D. Bravo, P. Kostishack, and A. Cubas. Human capital, wealth, property rights, and the adoption of new farm technologies: the Tawahka Indians of Honduras. *Human Organization* 59(2):222-233.
- 1997 Godoy, R., K. O'Neill, S. Groff, P. Kostishack, A. Cubas, J. Demmer, K. McSweeney, J. Overman, D. Wilkie, N. Brokaw, and M. Martínez. Household determinants of deforestation by Amerindians in Honduras. *World Development* 25(6):977-987.
- 1996 Godoy, R., N. Brokaw, D. Wilkie, G. Cruz, A. Cubas, J. Demmer, K. McSweeney, and H. Overman. Rates of return on investments in cattle among Amerindians in the rain forest of Honduras. *Human Ecology* 24(3):395-399.
- 1995 McSweeney, K. The cohune palm (*Orbignya cohune*, Arecaceae) in Belize: a survey of uses. *Economic Botany* 49(2):162-171.

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

- 2018 McSweeney, K. Portrait, landscape, mirror: Reflections on return fieldwork. Chapter in *Giving Back: Research and Reciprocity in Indigenous Contexts*, edited by RDK Herman. Corvallis, OR: Oregon State University Press (revised and updated version of 2008 chapter).

- 2013 McSweeney, K., and Z. Pearson*. Vaccines, fertility, and power: the political ecology of indigenous health and well-being in lowland Latin America. Pp. 139-158 in B. King and K. Crews, eds., *Ecologies and Politics of Health*. London and New York: Routledge.
- 2008 McSweeney, K. Portrait, landscape, mirror: reflections on return fieldwork. Pp. 145-160 in P.H. Herlihy, K. Mathewson, and C.S. Revels, eds., *Ethno- and Historical Geographic Studies in Latin America: Essays Honoring William V. Davidson*. Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge: Geoscience Publications.

Editor-Reviewed Articles

- 2016 Piperata, B., K. McSweeney, and R. Murrieta. 2016. [Response to commentaries]. *Current Anthropology* 57(6).
- 2013 McSweeney, K., E. Nielsen, Z. Pearson*. Prying native peoples from native lands: narco-business in Honduras. *NACLA: Report on the Americas* 46(4):7-12.
- 2011 McSweeney, K., Z. Pearson*, S. Santiago*, A.G. Dominguez. A river tale. *Cultural Survival Quarterly* 354 (December):16-20.
- 2009 McSweeney, K., and Z. Pearson*. Waorani at the head of the table: towards inclusive conservation in Yasuní. *Environmental Research Letters* 4. DOI: 10.1088/1748-9326/4/3/031001.
- 2006 McSweeney, K. Distinguishing the indigenous from the rural poor: Reply to Engelman et al. *Conservation Biology* 20(4):1318-1320.
- 2002 McSweeney, K. Two years after Hurricane "Mix": Indigenous response in the rain forest of eastern Honduras. *FOCUS on Geography* 46(4):15-21.
- 2001 McSweeney, K. Native Honduran canoe carving. *Woodwork Magazine* 70: 54-61.
- 1999 McSweeney, K. The canoe in the tree. *Equinox—The Magazine of Canadian Discovery* Feb-Mar:78-86.

Policy Reports

- 2015 McSweeney, K. *The Impacts of Drug Policy on the Environment*. New York, NY: Open Society Foundations, Global Drug Policy Program. [English version](#); [Spanish version](#).
- 2007 UNICEF-Ecuador. *Diagnóstico de Salud de las Nacionalidades Shuar y Achuar (Informe sobre los Resultados del Diagnóstico de la Situación de Salud de las Nacionalidades Shuar y Achuar de la Provincia de Morona Santiago, FICSH-FIPSE-NAE 2005)*. Informe elaborado por B. Jokisch y K. McSweeney. Quito, Ecuador: UNICEF (con el Ministerio de Salud Pública y La Federación Shuar).
- 2006 McSweeney, K., and B. Jokisch. *Report on Results of the Diagnóstico de la Situación de Salud y de los Servicios de Salud de Las Nacionalidades Shuar y Achuar FICSH-FIPSE-FINAE 2005*. Report submitted to UNICEF-Ecuador, 13 June, 41 pages.
- 2005 McSweeney, K. Forest product sale as financial insurance: evidence from Honduran smallholders. *ODI Wildlife Policy Briefing* 10 (January). London: Overseas Development Institute. 4 pp. Available at: <http://www.odifpeg.org.uk/publications/policybriefs/wildlifepolicy/10.html>

INVITED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS (since 2010)

- 2019 [Keynote Speaker](#), Global Land Programme Open Science Meeting. Bern Switzerland, 26 April. (With follow-up [discussion](#).)
- 2019 Narco-deforestation: agrarian change in Central America's cocaine corridor. Lanegran Day Guest Speaker, Macalaster College. St Paul MN, 7 February.
- 2019 Indigenous population rebound and biodiversity conservation in Latin America. EnviroThursday Speaker, Macalaster College. St Paul MN, 7 February.

- 2018 Plenary presentation, "Rural Transformations in Latin America's Changing Climate," Latin American and Iberian Institute, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque NM, 14-16 November.
- 2018 Agrarian change in the cocaine corridor. Colloquium, Department of Geography, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, 7 November.
- 2018 Co-Leader, 'Socio-Environmental Systems in Transition,' Boundary Spanning: Advances in Socio-Environmental Systems Research (SESYNC, Resources for the Future, University of Maryland), Annapolis, MD, 11-13 June. Related video is [here](#).
- 2018 Drug policy and environmental change: Lessons from Central America. Department of Geography, Penn State, State College PA, 23 March.
- 2017 Embedding the Cocaine Commodity Chain in Central America. Geography Department Colloquium, Ohio University, Athens OH, 27 January.
- 2016 Panelist, "Environmental Consequences of the Drug War," SSDP2016 Students for a Sensible Drug Policy, Rosslyn, VA, 16 April.
- 2016 Grounding traffic: how the cocaine commodity chain embeds in Central America's protected spaces. CICR Eminent Speaker, University of Georgia, 25 March.
- 2016 Communicating science to policymakers and the public. ICON Graduate Student Luncheon, University of Georgia, 24 March.
- 2016 Nielsen, E., K. McSweeney, S. Sesnie, and L. Reymondin. Narcoscapes: Illicit cocaine supply chains and deforestation in Mesoamerica. Brown bag presentation at World Resources Institute, Washington, DC, 21 January.
- 2015 Panelist, [The Impact of Drug Policy on the Environment](#). Open Society Foundations, New York, 8 Dec.
- 2015 Grounding traffic: how the cocaine commodity chain transforms spaces of transit. Colloquium, Geography Department, University of Kentucky, 6 November.
- 2015 Grounding traffic: how the cocaine commodity chain transforms spaces of transit. Colloquium, School of Geographical Sciences & Urban Planning, Arizona State University, 2 October.
- 2015 Linking drugs, deforestation, and development in Central America. Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), Executive Office of the President. Washington, DC, 5 Aug.
- 2015 Presenter/Panelist, 'What does a 'development approach' to drug policy mean in practice? [Identifying Common Ground on Development for the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on the World Drug Problem in 2016](#). United Nations Headquarters, 6 May.
- 2015 Keynote Address, Ohio Academy of Science Annual Meeting, Columbus OH, 11 April.
- 2014 Presenter for three sessions, Climate Change: Science Meets Society, Faculty & Course Development in International Studies (FACDIS), University of West Virginia, 6-7 November.
- 2014 Meeting on Honduras, Conflict Prevention and Peace Forum (CPPF), Social Science Research Council (SSRC), New York, 7 October.
- 2014 Drug, conservation, and development policies: finding common ground. Forum convened by United Nations University, UN Headquarters, New York, 15 July. (Travel cancelled due to weather; J. Cockayne of UNU delivered my remarks)
- 2014 [Drugs, Destruction, and Deforestation](#), "Pushing Boundaries." Explorers Symposium, National Geographic Society, Washington, DC, 12 June. (Published on-line via 'National Geographic Live').
- 2014 Drug policy and sustainable development: what can we learn from narco-deforestation. Policy Forum convened by United Nations University and UN Development Programme, UN Headquarters, New York, 27 March.

- 2014 McSweeney, K., and Erik Nielsen†. Los impactos del narcotráfico en las Areas Protegidas en Centroamérica. SOS Áreas Protegidas, IUCN, Congreso Mesoamericano de Áreas Protegidas, San José, Costa Rica, 18 March.
- 2014 Los impactos del narcotráfico en las Areas Protegidas en Centroamérica. Congreso Mesamericano de Áreas Silvestres Protegidas, San José, Costa Rica, 18 March.
- 2014 Conservación, deforestación y narcotráfico en Mesoamerica. Precongreso Mesoamericano de Áreas Protegidas por Pueblos Indígenas, “Bosques para Siempre,” San José, Costa Rica, 18 March.
- 2014 Conservation surprises and agrarian challenges on Latin America’s frontiers. Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, 20 February.
- 2013 Drug trafficking and deforestation in Latin America. Environmental Lecture Series, Ashland University, Ashland OH, 3 October.
- 2013 Narco-landscapes: drug trafficking, deforestation, and dispossession in Central America. Marsico Visiting Scholar Talk, Department of Geography and the Environment, University of Denver, 24 May.

PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS (since 2010)

Papers Presented (* denotes presenter)

- 2019 Pearson, Z.,* K. McSweeney, E. Nielsen, J. Piccorelli. Illicit cocaine capital flows and their implications for rural development in Central America. *Development Studies Association Annual Conference*, Milton Keynes, UK, 19 June.
- 2019 McSweeney, K. "It's just too political": U.S. conservation community and the environmental consequences of the U.S. war on drugs. Lessons from Central America. *Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting*. Portland, OR, 22 March.
- 2018 McSweeney, K.,* E. Nielsen, Z. Pearson. Narco-capital and rural development in Central America. *35th CLAG Meeting*. San José, Costa Rica, 21 May.
- 2017 McSweeney, K.,* E. Nielsen, Z. Pearson. Narco-capital and rural development in Central America. *Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting*. Boston, MA, 5 April.
- 2016 Nielsen, E., Z. Pearson, K. McSweeney.* Narco-capital and rural development in Central America. *Development in Question: Challenges for the 21st Century*. Cornell University, 7 October.
- 2016 Piperata B.A.*, McSweeney K. 2016. Conditional Cash Transfers and the Rural Household Economy: Understanding Bolsa Familia’s underperformance in the Brazilian Amazon. *14th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists*, Milan, Italy July 20-23.
- 2015 Wrathall, D.,* K. McSweeney, E. Nielsen, Z. Pearson. Narco-scapes: Cocaine trafficking and deforestation in Central America. *American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting*, San Francisco.
- 2015 McSweeney, K., and E. Nielsen (joint presentation). Moral teleconnections: International drug policy shaping land use trajectories in drug transit zones. *Conference on Complex Systems*, Tempe, AZ, 1 Oct.
- 2015 McSweeney, K. The mystery of coca’s non-diffusion beyond the Andes. *Alcohol and Drugs History Society conference*, Bowling Green University, OH, 20 June.
- 2014 McSweeney, K. The limits to socioecological resilience in eastern Honduras. *Sustainable Pluralisms: Linguistic and Cultural Resilience in Multiethnic Societies*, Mershon Research Network, Ohio State, Columbus, OH, 6 September.
- 2014 McSweeney, K. Coca beyond South America? On coca’s non-diffusion. *IBG-RGS Annual International Conference*, London, UK, 29 August.
- 2014 McSweeney, K.* and J. Law. Narratives of forest recovery in Appalachian Ohio. *DOPE—Dimensions of Political Ecology*, University of Kentucky, Lexington KY, 1 March.

- 2013 Piperata, B.A.,* K. McSweeney. *Bolsa Família* and the changing meaning of poverty in the rural Amazon. *American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago IL, 20 Nov.
- 2013 McSweeney, K. Mesoamerica's trafficked forests. *International Congress of Conservation Biology (ICCB)*, Baltimore MD, 23 July.
- 2013 McSweeney, K. Coca counterfactuals: on the non-diffusion of coca beyond the Andes. *Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting*, Los Angeles CA, 11 April.
- 2013 McSweeney, K. Land use, land cover and livelihood trajectories in Central America. *Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting*, Los Angeles CA, 10 April.
- 2012 Jokisch, B.*, and K. McSweeney. How can more be less? Shuar population growth, urbanization, and cultural change. Paper presented in special session, 'Border Crossings and Exchanges: Celebrating the Work of Steven L. Rubenstein' at the *American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco CA, November.
- 2012 McSweeney, K., D. Wrathall,* E. Nielsen, and Z. Pearson.* Narco-trafficking landscapes: drug flows as accelerants of land dispossession. Paper presented at "Global Land Grabbing II: An International Conference on Large-Scale Land Deals." *International Conference on Global Land Grabbing*, Cornell University, Ithaca NY, 17-19 October.
- 2012 McSweeney, K. Biodiversity conservation and the narco-threat in Central America. *4th Annual Eco-Summit*, Columbus OH, 1 October.
- 2012 Pearson, Z.* and K. McSweeney. The impacts of drug trafficking on Central America's biodiversity and rural livelihoods. *DOPE—Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference*, Lexington KY, 14 April.
- 2012 Pearson, Z.* and K. McSweeney. Drug trafficking and its impacts on Central America's forests. *Ohio Latin Americanists' Conference*, Youngstown OH, February.
- 2010 McSweeney, K.,* and B. Jokisch. Emerging trends in policy discussion of indigenous urbanization. *American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans LA, 17 November.
- 2010 McSweeney, K.,* and O. Coomes. Vulnerability, resilience, and unexpected adaptation: long-term outcomes of Hurricane Mitch in rural Honduras. *Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting*, Washington DC, 15 April.
- 2010 McSweeney, K. On the mysterious non-diffusion of coca beyond the Andes. *Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting*, Washington DC, 14 April.
- 2010 McSweeney, K.,* and O. Coomes. Vulnerability, resilience, and unexpected adaptation: long-term outcomes of Hurricane Mitch in rural Honduras. Paper presented at "Climate Vulnerability and Adaptation: Theories and Cases" Workshop of *ICARUS (Initiative for Climate Adaptation Research and Understanding through the Social Sciences)*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign IL, 10-13 February.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (SINCE 2010)

Editorships

- 2016- Editorial Board, Conference of Latin American Geographers Book Series, Springer
- 2012- Advisory Board for Geography, Guilford Press
- 2002-15 Editorial Board, *FOCUS on Geography*, American Geographical Society
- 2007-12 Associate Editor, *Conservation Letters*
- 2007-12 Editorial Board, *Conservation Letters*
- 2011-12 'Environment & Society' Section Editor, *Geography Compass*

- 2008-11 Editorial Board, *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*
 2010-11 Associate Editor and Editorial Board member, *Int'l Journal of Population Research*

Governance (Elected Positions)

- 2017, 18 Nominating Committee, Section on Geology & Geography, AAAS (nominated but not elected)
 2016-18 Chair, Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers (CLAG) (elected)
 2015-17 Honors Committee B (elected), Association of American Geographers
 2014-16 Vice-Chair, Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers (CLAG) (elected)
 2008-11 Chair & member, Meridian Book Award Committee of the AAG (nominated)

Review Panels, Offices & Committees

- 2018 Member and reviewer, Global Land Project Science Committee
 2018 Reviewer, Fellowship Program, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)
 2017-18 Member, Senior Advisory Panel, Geography & Spatial Sciences, NSF
 2014-2016 Discipline peer reviewer, Geography, Fulbright Scholar Program (annually)
 2015 Honors Committee B (elected), Association of American Geographers
 2015 Judge, Evaluation Panel, "What's Your Idea?" National Geographic Society
 2014 Review panelist, National Science Foundation (NSF)
 2014 Review panelist, NSF
 2014 External panelist, NSF
 2011-13 Review panelist, NSF

Reviewer

External program reviewer

- 2017-18 Department of Geography and Environmental Sustainability, University of Oklahoma

Retention, tenure & promotion cases (6 declined)

- 2019 University of New Mexico
 2019 Colorado State University
 2019 Florida Atlantic University
 2018 Utah State University
 2018 University of New Mexico
 2018 University of Georgia
 2018 University of Missouri
 2018 Kansas State University
 2017 University of Alabama
 2017 Boston University
 2016 University of Maryland-Baltimore County
 2016 Ohio University
 2016 Oberlin College
 2016 Louisiana State University

2015	West Virginia University
2015	Illinois State University
2015	Rhodes University (South Africa)
2015	University of Colorado-Boulder
2015	Texas A&M University
2014	University of Utah
2012	University of Richmond, VA
2011	Utah State University
2010	UC-Santa Cruz

Journals

GEOGRAPHY: *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* (17); *Applied Geography* (2); *Area* (2); *Environment and Planning A*; *Geoforum* (6); *GeoJournal*; *Geographical Review* (2 + Special Issue); *J. of Cultural Geography*; *Land Use Policy* (4); *J. of Land Use Science*; *J. of Latin American Geography* (3); *Land*; *Professional Geographer* (3); *Progress in Human Geography* (7); *Space & Polity*; *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* (2)

DEVELOPMENT STUDIES/INTERDISCIPLINARY SOCIAL SCIENCE: *Climate and Development* (2); *Global Food Security*; *J. of Agrarian Change*; *J. of Comparative Family Studies*; *J. of Development Studies*; *J. of Population Research* (2); *Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for Global Change*; *Natural Hazards*; *Natural Hazards Review*; *SANDEE Journal (Nepal)*; *Sustainability: Science, Practice and Policy*; *World Development* (2)

GENERAL SCIENCE: *PLOS ONE*; *PNAS* (3); *Science and Engineering Ethics*

CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES: *Biology Letters*; *BioScience*; *Conservation Biology*; *Conservation and Society* (2); *Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability* (2); *Ecological Economics* (2); *Ecology and Society* (7); *Economic Botany*; *Environment and Development Economics* (2); *Environment, Development & Sustainability* (2); *Environmental Conservation*; *Environmental Management*; *International Forestry Review*; *iForest—Biogeosciences and Forestry*; *J. of Environmental Management* (3); *Population and Environment* (3); *Society and Natural Resources* (13); *Sustainability* (3)

ANTHROPOLOGY AND LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES: *Agriculture and Human Values* (2); *Bulletin of Latin American Research* (5); *Current Anthropology* (3); *Human Ecology* (3); *Human Organization*; *J. of Latin American & Caribbean Anthropology*

Presses

2018	Oxford
2016	Guilford
2014	Oxford
2013	Wiley-Blackwell

Grant proposals & Policy statements

2018	Text on indigenous peoples and local communities contributions to biodiversity and ecosystem services in framework of IPBES Global Assessment.
2016	Pre-reviewer, NSF-LSS proposal, Michigan State University
2009, 2010, 2016	NSF-CAREER-Geography and Spatial Science
2014	National Geographic Society, Conservation Trust
2002, 2009, 2010	National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration
2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014	NSF-BCS-Geography and Regional Science/Spatial Sciences Program

2009 South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics (SANDEE; Kathmandu, Nepal)
 2008 Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada
 2005 NSF-OISE-International Plan and Workshops
 2005 NSF-SES Decision, Risk and Management Sciences

Completed grants

2012 Economic and Social Research Council (UK), Rapporteur on Quality and Impact of completed research program

External examiner

2007 Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Kenyon College, Ohio
 2007 Master's thesis, Department of Environmental Studies, Rhodes University, South Africa

SERVICE TO THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY (SINCE 2010)

Geography Department

Committees

2019- Chair, Promotion and Tenure (Personnel) Committee
 2016-17 Member, Search Committee, Max Thomas Professorship
 2014- Member, Graduate Studies Committee
 2013-14 Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee
 2013-15 Member, Personnel Committee (Associate professor rank)
 2011-12 Chair, Graduate Studies Committee
 2004-11 Chair, Speakers Committee
 2007-10 Member, Personnel Committee (Associate professor rank)

Other Departmental Service

2013-14 Honors Advisor
 2013 Geography representative, Arts & Sciences Fall Open House
 2012 Evaluation of teaching for PhD student Christine Biermann
 2012- Faculty Mentor for junior colleague (assigned)
 2012 Peer evaluation of teaching for Mary Thomas
 2010 Peer evaluation of teaching for Joel Wainwright
 2004-11 Coordinator, Graduate Students' 'Reports from the Field' brown bag events

Service to the College & University

Governance

2011-14 Member, University Senate (elected)
 2011-12 Member, University Senate Steering Committee (elected)

Committees & Review Panels

2018 Review Committee, Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Research Grants, The Women's Place & Department of Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies
 2018 Presidential Fellowship Awards Committee
 2018 Selection Committee, Furniss Book Award, Mershon Center for International Security Studies
 2016- Awards and Recognition Committee, URO
 2016- Global Engagement Oversight (GEO) Committee, Arts & Sciences
 2016 Selection Committee, Summer Research Fellowships, URO
 2016 Selection Committee, Mershon Faculty Research Grant Competition

2015- ASC Education Abroad Committee
 2015- Working group to develop 'Global Option' for ASC undergraduates
 2011- Faculty Advisory Committee, Undergraduate Research Office
 2004- Faculty Advisory Committee, Center for Latin American Studies
 2013-16 Review Committee, Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Research Grants, The Women's Place & Department of Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies
 2015-16 Search Committee for Director, Mershon Center
 2015 Selection Committee, Furniss Book Award, Mershon Center for International Security Studies
 2015 Screening Committee to hire Director of Undergraduate Research Office
 2015 Search Committee for Assistant Director, CLAS
 2013-15 Selection Committee, Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship program, Undergraduate Research Office
 2014 Student Fulbright Review Panel, Undergraduate Fellowship Office
 2014 Advisory Committee, Master's program in International Studies
 2013-14 Planning Committee, "Climate Justice in Latin America" Lecture Series, CLAS
 2009-13 Selection Committee, Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching (university-wide)
 2011 Selection Committee, Ralph D. Mershon Scholarship Committee for Undergraduate Study Abroad
 2007-10 Investigation Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
 2007-10 Planning Committee, International Service Learning program
 2009-10 Selection Committee, Wolfe Study Abroad Scholarships, Office of International Affairs
 2002-09 Selection Committee, FLAS Fellowship, Center for Latin American Studies
 2002-10 Curriculum Oversight Committee, Center for Latin American Studies

Interdisciplinary Working Groups

2014- Founding Member, 'Continuity and Change in the Andes and Amazonia' Working Group, Humanities Institute.
 • Organizer & Discussant: 'Within, Beyond, and Back: A Symposium on Ecuador & Migration,' 2/27/15.
 2014- Cultural Resilience Reading Group, Mershon Center for International Security Studies
 2014- Member, Central American Studies Working Group, Humanities Institute
 2009- Member, Working Group on Changing Environments, Center for Latin American Studies

Mentoring

2019- Member, SRE Mentoring Committee for Dr. Sean Downey, Anthropology
 2011 Mentor, Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP), Graduate School

Student Affairs Committees and Other Student Services

2018 Programming at Smith-Steeb Residence Hall, 29 March
 2018 Global Engagement Dinner, Global Leadership Institute, March
 2018 Luncheon with members of the Eminence Fellows Class of 2021, Kuhn Honors & Scholars Center, 1 Feb
 2017 Programming at Smith-Steeb Residence Hall
 2017 Invited panelist, 'Doing Research: an International Studies Symposium,' International Studies
 2016 Invited Speaker, 'On Research,' Geography Club
 2013 Invited Panelist on Undergraduate Research, Undergraduate Research Office
 2013 Faculty 'expert,' "Education Abroad Discussion Series," OIA and Office of Undergraduate Education Discussion Series
 2012 Invited Speaker, Summer Undergraduate Research Institute (SURI)
 2011 Invited Panelist on Overseas Research, Undergraduate Research Forum
 2009, 2010 Invited Speaker, Maximus "Dialogue with the Dean," a recruitment event for high-performing students

Graduate Faculty Representative

2017 Dissertation Defense, Department of Spanish and Portuguese
2015 Dissertation Defense, Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics
2011 Dissertation Defense, Workforce Development and Education, School of Physical Activity and Educational Services, College of Education and Human Ecology
2011 Dissertation Defense, Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Environmental Economics

Other University Service

2016 Nominated, speaker for 2017 TEDxOhioStateUniversity (declined)
2014- Speaker, OSU Alumni Association Speakers Bureau
2014 Invited panelist for Jeffrey Sachs' keynote address (declined)
2012 Consultant/Reviewer for three IRB Protocol submissions, Office of Responsible Research Practice (ORRP)

COURSES TAUGHT (OSU only)

Undergraduate

Geography Department

Physical Geography and Environmental Issues (5 times)
People-Environment Geography
Life and Death Geographies
Geography of Latin America (2 times)
Geography of Ohio (co-instructor, twice; principal instructor, once)
Environmental Citizenship (2 times)
Change and Challenge in Latin America (10 times)
Group Study in Geography
Research in Human-Environment Geography (6 times)
Undergraduate Research and Professionalization Seminar (4 times)

International Studies Program

Introduction to Latin America

Department of Spanish and Portuguese

Landscapes, Languages and Cultures of Nicaragua's Atlantic Coast, Nicaragua

Graduate Seminars (Geography)

Fieldwork in Human Geography (1 time)
Landscapes of the Americas (1 time)
Population and Environment: Critical Connections (1 time)
Methods in Cultural and Political Ecology (1 time)
Fieldwork in Human Geography: New Questions/Hybrid Approaches (6 times)
Readings in Population and Environment (1 time)

STUDENT COMMITTEES

(with actual or anticipated year of graduation)

Doctoral

Dissertation Advisor

2020 (est.)	Deondre Smiles
2018 (est.)	Nora Sylvander <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research Grant, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, 2016• NSF DDRI, 2017-18 (\$15,000)• Alumni Grant for Graduate Research and Scholarship, OSU, 2018 (\$4,935)
2015	Zoe Pearson <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assistant professor, tenure-track, Global Studies Program, University of Wyoming (2016-)
2014	Justine Law <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assistant Professor, Sonoma State University (2017-); Department of Environmental Studies, Denison University (2014-17)
2012	Susan Wolfenbarger <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project Director for the Geospatial Technologies and Human Rights Project, AAAS, Washington, DC (2012-)
2009	David M. Lansing <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Associate professor, Department of Geography and Environmental Systems, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (2009-)
2008	Julie Wienert <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Lecturer, Department of Geography and Environmental Resources, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale (2008-)
2006	Annemarie Polderman

Dissertation Committee Member () denotes candidacy exam only

	Thelma Velez, Environmental Social Science, SENR
	Gabriel Zeballos-Castellon, Geography (to 2019)
	Fernando Galeana Rodriguez, Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University
	Guillermo Bervejillo (Geography)
	Ashley Toenjes (Geography)
2019	Kelly Yotebieng (Anthropology)
	Jessica Wilson (City and Regional Planning)
	Sam Kay (Geography) (to 2019 only)
	Marisol Becerra (SENR)
	Alex Wesaw (City & Regional Planning)
(2018)	Gordon Ulmer (Anthropology)
	Nathan Young (East Asian Languages, Literatures, & Cultures)
(2017)	Minkyung Koh (Geography)
(2016)	Debangana Bose (Geography; candidacy exam only; 2015-16)
2016	Yuxi Zhao (Geography)
2016	Christopher Hartmann (Geography)
2015	Young Rae Choi (Geography)
2015	Sayoni Bose (Geography)
2014	Hyeseon Jong (Geography)
2014	Christine Biermann (Geography)
2014	Jeff LaFrenierre (Geography)
2013	Gayatri Thampy (Anthropology)
2011	Maria Leon Garcia (School of Educational Policy and Leadership)
2011	Jonathan Hall (Evolution, Ecology & Organismal Biology)
2011	Fletcher Chmara-Huff (Geography)
2011	Nurcan Atalan-Helicke (Geography)
2010	Theresa Wong (Geography)
2010	April Luginbuhl (Geography)

2009	Sarah Corey (Evolution, Ecology & Organismal Biology)
2009	Matthew Mariola (Rural Sociology)
2009	Madhuri Sharma (Geography)
2008	Johanna Haas (Geography)
2008	Marja Bakermans (Ecosystem Science and Management)
2007	Shahna Arps (Anthropology)
2006	Stewart Diemont (Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics)

Master's

Thesis Advisor

2015	Natasha Sadoff
2013	Brian Williams
2010	Christopher Hartmann
2010	Justine Law
2010	Sara Nicholson
2010	Zoe Pearson
2009	Sarah Wright (co-advisor with Dr. Bryan Mark)
2007	Eveily Freeman
2006	Ligia Rivera Lundine
2005	Jennifer L. Rice (co-advisor with Dr. Paul Robbins)
2005	David M. Lansing
2004	Gina Gerbasi
2004	Chia-Chi Shih

Project Advisor

2012	Joseph Lowe, Environment and Natural Resources
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Thesis/Examination Committee Member

2020	Leah Manak (School of Earth and Sustainability, Northern Arizona University)
2019	Rebecca Chapman (Geography)
2019	Brookes Hammock (Geography)
2016	Diana Marcela Ampudia Sjogreen (SENR)
2016 (est.)	Mateus de Nardo (SENR)
2015	Ana Kim (Rural Sociology)
2015	Ariel Rawson (Geography)
2015	Ryan Crumley (Geography)
2014	Emily Nosse-Leirer (Geography)
2014	Juan Gabriel Pérez Sáez (Rural Sociology)
2014	Sam Kay (Geography)
2014	Hayden Shelby (Geography and City & Regional Planning)
2014	Phillip Brettschneider (Anthropology)
2013	Megan Uhrig (Latin American Studies and Public Policy & Management)
2013	Sandy Wong (Geography)
2009	Brant Jones (Geography)
2008	Emily Rupp (Geography)
2008	Paul Hoeffler (Geography)
2007	Lisa Fjeld (Geography)
2004	Kristina Munroe (Geography)
2003	Farida El-Hennawy (Geography)
2002	Teresa Hutchinson (Geography)
2002	Helen Pott (Geography)

Undergraduate

Thesis Advisor

2019	Sandy Lackmann, International Studies and Spanish & Portuguese (Honors). ASC Undergraduate Research Scholarship, \$12,000.
2017	Grace Anderson (Spanish & Portuguese). Received ASC Undergraduate Research Scholarship (\$2,500), and an International Research Grant (\$2,000) for research in Nicaragua.
2017	Alayna Reckner (SENR); research in Belize
2017	Kevin Inks (Geography); research in India
2014-15	Cruz Bonlarron-Martinez (Geography); research in Puerto Rico
2013-14	Lainie Rini (Geography)
2012	Sara Santiago (Geography); research in Honduras
2011	Nathan Mauger (Geography)
2011	Jonathan Kuehnle (Geography)
2009	Laura Thornhill (Biological Sciences)
2009	Rachel Dahlby (International Studies)
2006	Grey Evanson (Geography; co-advisor)
2006	Mark Sundermeier (Geography)
2005	Sarah Schafer (Geography and Natural Resources; co-advisor)
2004	Emily Yerkes (Geography)

Undergraduate Thesis Committee Member: 10 completed

MEDIA & OUTREACH

Reddit [AMA](#) (Ask Me Anything) for *PNAS* article, April 2019. 93% upvoted; 2.7K upvotes total. (Magliocca, McSweeney)

Reddit [AMA](#) for *ERL* article, 2017. 85% upvoted; 3.1K upvotes total. (Sesnie, Tellman, Wrathall)

U.S. coverage featuring unique interviews with McSweeney (2014-)

- NBS News Digital: [Drug traffickers deal lethal blow to Central American forests, study says](#)
- Newsweek: [Narcos In The Mist](#)
- National Geographic Online: [Drug Trafficking Poses Surprising Threats to Rain Forests, Scientists Find](#)
- www.io9.com: [How Drug Trafficking Worsens the Problem of Deforestation](#)
- ClimateWire: [Drug traffickers drive up deforestation in Central America—study](#) and [Community rights are important in curbing drug-fueled deforestation – study](#)
- Arizona Public Radio: [Narco Traffickers Slash Protected Rainforests \(radio\)](#)
- Christian Science Monitor: [Drug trafficking in Central America wreaking havoc on forests, study finds](#)
- National Geographic Radio: [National Geographic Weekend Radio Show #1417 \(radio\)](#)
- Futurist Magazine: [Drug Traffickers Blaze New Trails in Central America’s Rain Forests](#)
- Conservation Magazine: [The disturbing link between cocaine and deforestation](#)
- New York Times: [Lawlessness Is Undoing Effort to Save Honduran Forests](#)
- EcoAméricas Magazine: [Central American forest falling to drug traffickers](#)
- Columbus Dispatch: [Forests losing ground to growing drug trade](#)
- Thomson-Reuters: [Central America forest tribes fight cocaine trafficking “tsunami” – report](#)
- Motherboard/VICE: [How Indigenous Tribes are Fighting the Drug Cartels](#)
- Al Jazeera-America: [Honduran indigenous groups caught in crosshairs of global drug trade](#)
- Al-Jazeera-America: [In Brazil's wetlands, jaguars face a new threat: drug traffickers](#)
- Global Post: [Drug traffickers are wiping out the jaguar in Central America](#)
- Vice News: [The War on Drugs isn't just Destroying Lives it's also Killing the Environment](#)

- Motherboard (4/10/17; 30 min)
- Science: [Cocaine trafficking is destroying Central America's forests](#) (6/16/17)
- Mongabay: [Trumping Colombia's peace: U.S. drug war threatens fragile accord, forests](#) (2/5/18)

International coverage featuring unique interviews with McSweeney (2014-)

- Deutschlandfunk (German radio): [Narko-Kartelle lassen Regenwald abholzen \(radio\)](#)
- Der Standard (Austria): [Kokainschmuggel frisst den Regenwald](#)
- NTN24TV (Colombia): [Narcotráfico aumenta la deforestación \(video\)](#)
- Austrian Public Radio (Austria): [Drogenhandel zerstört Regenwälder \(radio\)](#)
- BBC News (UK): [Drug smugglers boost deforestation](#)
- CBC Radio (Canada): [As it happens \(radio\)](#)
- La Razón (Spain): [Las drogas matan... el bosque](#)
- Le Monde (France): [Le narcotrafic dévaste les forêts tropicales d'Amérique centrale](#)
- Radio France Internationale: [Comunidades indígenas se organizan contra el narcotráfico](#)
- Tico Times (Costa Rica): [Protecting indigenous land rights could help deter drug trafficking in Central America, says new report](#)
- Deutsche Presse Agentur (German news wire): [Drogenhandel lässt Regenwälder schrumpfen](#)
- Deutsche Presse Agentur-Spanish: [Expertos alertan sobre impacto de narcotráfico en selvas tropicales](#)
- Die Tageszeitung (Germany): [Wie Schnee, der Zypressen fällt](#)
- Guardian (UK): [Deforestation of Central America rises as Mexico's war on drugs moves south](#)
- El Universal (Mexico): [Los traficantes eliminan bosques](#)
- El Herald (Honduras): [Narcos han deforestado cinco millones de hectáreas en Honduras](#)
- Agencia EFE (Spanish news wire): [Comunidades mesoamericanas luchan por los bosques afectados por el narcotráfico](#)
- El País (Spain): [La narco-deforestación arrasa Centroamérica](#)
- GuateVisión (Guatemalan TV): [Narcoddeforestación en Centroamérica \(video\)](#)
- El País (Costa Rica): [Narcotráfico trasladó "el salvaje oeste" a Centroamérica](#)
- Diario CRHoy (Costa Rica): [Narcotráfico atemoriza con vuelos sospechosos y presencia de desconocidos las zonas indígenas de Costa Rica](#)
- Agence France-Presse (French news wire): [Comunidades indígenas se organizan para hacer frente a los narcotraficantes](#)
- CB24.tv (Costa Rica): [Comunidades indígenas de Centroamérica y México se organizan para enfrentar a narcotraficantes \(video\)](#)
- Periodismohumano.es (Spain): [Poder indígena vs. narco deforestación](#)
- Deutsche Welle (Germany) 2/26/16: [Drug-driven environmental devastation](#)
- Proceso Digital (Honduras) 6/21/17: [Narcotráfico causa 30 % de deforestación de zonas protegidas de Centroamérica](#)
- Emeequis Magazine (Mexico) [El tráfico de cocaína destruye los bosque de Centroamérica](#)
- El Confidencial (Spain) [El gran incendio blanco: cómo la cocaína está destruyendo las junglas centroamericanas](#)
- Institute of Current World Affairs (Nov. 15, 2016) <https://www.icwa.org/honduras-and-the-hurricane/>
- El País (Spain), 1 April 2019: [Cuanta más cocaína se intercepta, más tráfico hay](#)

Other interviews

- 2011 Interview, OSU Communications: [Climate-related disasters may provide opportunities for some rural poor, study suggests](#)
- 2005 Interview: Norstrom, A. 2005. "How forests decreased vulnerability to hurricane Mitch." *Sustainable Development Update* [Swedish International Development Agency] 4(5): 4. <http://albaeco.com/sdu/23/htm/main.htm>
- 1998 Interview: [Fontaine, L. 1999. Dans la forêt des Tawahka. Interface 19\(6\):50-52](#)

Other detailed coverage featuring research:

Mackey, D. 2018. [The election fraud in Honduras follows decades of corruption funded by the U.S. war on drugs.](#) *The Intercept*, 23 December.

Estrada, Ó. 2017. [El poder del narcotráfico en las economías rurales.](#) *El Pulso (Honduras)*, 9 October. (JLAG study)

Elbein, S. 2016. [From cocaine cowboys to narco-ranchers.](#) *Foreign Policy*, July 16. (*Science* study)

Agrawal, A. 2011. Economics: a positive side of disaster. *Nature* 473(19 May):291-292. (*PNAS* study)

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association of American Geographers (AAG)
Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers (CLAG)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

LANGUAGES

English (native), Spanish (fluent), French (competent), Miskitu (conversant)