

# KIRK JOHNSON

University of Guam

## EDUCATION

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (1992-1998)** Sociology, *McGill University*, Montreal  
Areas of concentration included Ethnic Relations, Globalization, Development and Social Change. Dissertation- Ethnographic research on television and social change in rural India.

**MASTER OF ARTS (1990-1992)** International Development, *Ohio University*, Athens  
Specialized in international development, comparative education and geography.

**MASTER OF ARTS (1990-1992)** Sociology, *Ohio University*, Athens  
Focused on international development, social movements, gender and race relations in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (1985-1990)** Sociology, *Fort Hays State University*, Hays, Kansas

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- 1998-Present **PROFESSOR (Tenured in 2004; Promoted to Full Professor in 2008)**  
*University of Guam, Mangilao, Guam*
- Courses taught include: Globalization and Human Dynamics, Minority Relations, Social Movements and Change, Human Ecology, Community Development, Sociology of World Religions, Contemporary Social Problems, Juvenile Delinquency, Deviance and Social Control, Criminology, Stratification and Sociology of Sex and Gender and Introduction to Sociology.
- 2004-Present **DIRECTOR - BALI FIELD SCHOOL**  
*University of Guam, Mangilao, Guam*
- Developed and lead a field school in Bali, Indonesia that focused on questions of community development, culture, family, sustainability, and the challenges of modernity.
  - Field School teams include undergraduate students, international and Indonesian scholars, graduate students, Balinese social workers, NGOs, development practitioners, artists, writers, cultural leaders and film makers.
- 2000-Present **ADJUNCT PROFESSOR (Teaching online)**  
*Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas*
- Developed three online distance education courses in Sociology.
  - Courses taught include Sociology of Gender Roles, Modern Social Problems and NGOs: Global Social Innovation.
- 1992-1997 **ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR**  
*College of Lake County, University of Wisconsin, McGill University, Ohio University*
- Introduction to Sociology, Social Problems, Television and Society, Sociology of Mass Communication.

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1992-1995

## RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

*McGill University*, Montreal, Quebec

- Collected statistical data. Analyzed and tabulated data to produce charts.
- Conducted and analyzed qualitative interviews. Wrote grant proposals, secured over \$12,000.
- Coordinated, as chief researcher in Montreal, a national study on Canadian political awareness and attitude

## RESEARCH

### Books

Johnson, Kirk and Brittany Toves. 2017. *Stairs, Prayers and a Thousand Temples: Advancing Understanding of Core Concepts of Community Development in the Pacific Asia Region* (Bali Field School 2017). Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam

Dustan, Brianne, Angelica Alexander and Kirk Johnson (eds.) 2017. *Hinanao Hinemlo' Navigating the Seas of Change: Our Courageous Journey Home*. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam

Johnson, Kirk, Fujihira Francine, and Topasna Nathan (eds.) 2017. *In Search of Meaning: Island Insights and Sociological Perspectives*. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk, Nakamura Maiko, and Dado Williejo (eds.) 2016. *Making Sense of Change: Island Insights and Sociological Perspectives*. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk (ed.) 2012. *From Classrooms to Rice Fields: Cultivating Connections through Field Studies in Bali, Indonesia*. Lanhan, Maryland: University Press of America / Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group. ISBN 978-0-7618-5712-9

Hadley, Alison and Kirk Johnson (eds.) 2011. *Bagus! Weaving Strands of Change, Dyed in the Roots of Culture: Exploring the Foundations of Community Development*. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk (ed). 2009. *Manmakmata I Hale'ya – Awakening Connections – Terbanggunnya Sambungan: Ten Years of UOG Field Studies in Bali (1999-2009)*. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk and Rebecca A. Stephenson (eds.). 2004. *The Bali Field Workshop – Working Papers Series*, Volume 1. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk. 2000. *Television and Social Change in Rural India*. New Delhi: Sage Publications Inc. (248 pages) ISBN # 0-7619-9421-1 (US HB); 0-7619-9422-X (US PB)  
(This book was translated into Chinese in 2005 at the request of the Chinese Government)

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## Manuscripts Currently in Progress

Sinai, Saba, Mehraban Farahmand, Kirk Johnson, Cecelia Farahmand, Nadim Cody. Navigating a Sustainable Future: Reconceptualizing the Moral and Spiritual Realities of Human Nature.

Johnson, Kirk; Hadley, Alison; and Farahmand, Mehraban. Reconceptualizing Pedagogy by Stepping out of the Classroom: Reflections on higher learning from a decade and a half of field school experiences in Bali, Indonesia.

## Journal Editor

Johnson, Kirk and Stephenson, Rebecca. 2010. The Danger Inquiry: Travel Study in Dangerous Times (Editors of a Themed collection of 7 essays by different authors). *Journal of Pacific Asia Inquiry* Vol #1

## Journal Articles

Golabi, Mohammad; Johnson, Kirk; and Fujiwara, Takeshi and Ito, Eri. 2014. Transforming Municipal Waste into a Valuable Soil Conditioner through Knowledge-Based Resource-Recovery Management. *International Journal of Waste Resources* Vol. 4:2

Johnson, Kirk and Stephenson, Rebecca. 2010. Introduction to the Danger Inquiry. *Journal of Pacific Asia Inquiry* Vol. 1.

Johnson, Kirk and Stephenson Rebecca. 2010. Ten Important Considerations for Short Term Study Abroad Programs. *Journal of Pacific Asia Inquiry* Vol. 1.

Farahmand, Mehraban and Kirk Johnson. 2006. Internalizing Sustainability: Recognizing the Common Spiritual Foundation. *International Journal of Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability* Volume 2, Issue 5.

Johnson, Kirk and Karlberg, Michael. 2005. Rethinking Power and Caste in Rural India. *The International Scope Review* Vol. 7

Johnson, Kirk. 2005. Globalisation at the Crossroads of Tradition and Modernity in Rural India. *Sociological Bulletin* 54:1.

Johnson, Kirk and Inoue, Yukiko. 2003. Diversity and Multicultural Pedagogy: An Analysis of Attitudes and Practices within an American Pacific Island University. *Journal of Research in International Education* 2:3:251-276.

Johnson, Kirk. 2002. Television and Village Life. *International Journal of Communication* 12:2.

Inoue, Yukiko and Kirk Johnson. 2002. Faculty Attitudes toward Diversity and Multiculturalism in an American Pacific Island University. *Research in the Schools* 9:1.

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Johnson, Kirk. 2001. Media and Social Change: The modernizing influences of television. *Media, Culture & Society* 23: 147-169.

## Book Chapters

Johnson, Kirk. 2017. God is in the Rice: The Material and Spiritual Prosperity of Humankind in Kirk Johnson and Brittany Toves' (Eds.) *Stairs, Prayers and a Thousand Temples: Advancing Understanding of Core Concepts of Community Development in the Pacific Asia Region (Bali Field School 2017)*. Mangilao, Guam: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk. 2012. Conceptualizing the Spiritual Foundations of Education and Development: Some Initial Considerations in Alison Hadley and Kirk Johnson's (Eds) *Bagus: Weaving Strands of Change, Dyed in the Roots of Culture: Exploring the Foundations of Community Development*. Mangilao: University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk and Rebecca A. Stephenson. 2011. Being Balinese in the Global Village: The Conundrums of Daily Life in Ubud in Kirk Johnson's (Eds) *From Classrooms to Rice Fields: Cultivating Connections through Field Studies in Bali, Indonesia*. Lanhan, Maryland: University Press of America / Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group.

Johnson, Kirk. 2009. Reaching Back Across the Ocean and Learning About Ourselves by Engaging Our Ancestral Roots in Kirk Johnson's *Awakening Connections: Ten Years of UOG Field Schools in Bali (1999-2009)*. University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk. 2008. Globalization at the Crossroads of Tradition and Modernity in Rural India in Sawalia Bihari Versa, Yogesh Upadhyaya and Anil Kumar Bajpai (Eds): *Globalization at the Crossroads*. New Delhi, India: Sarup & Sons Publishing

Johnson, Kirk; Lee Johnathan; Stephenson, Rebecca; and Cena Julius. 2006. Higher Learning in the Pacific: Reflections on Diversity and Technology in a Cap-Stone Course at an Island University in Yukiko Inoue's (Eds.) *Technology and Diversity in Higher Education: New Challenges* (248-273). Hershey, PA: Idea Group Publishing.

Johnson, Kirk. 2004. Globalization and Culture in Contemporary India in Nora Chiang, John Lidstone and Rebecca Stephenson's *The Challenges of Globalization: Cultures in Transition in the Pacific-Asia Region* (Eds.) Lanham, USA: University Press of America.

Stephenson, Rebecca and Johnson, Kirk. 2004. Engaging 'the Other', Encountering Ourselves: The Bali Field Workshop in Rebecca Stephenson and Kirk Johnson's (Eds). *The Bali Field Workshop – Working Papers* Volume 1. Mangilao: University of Guam.

## Encyclopedia Articles

Johnson, Kirk and Ana Cornwell, 2010. "The Baha'i Attitude Toward Violence" in Jeffrey Ross'

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(ed.) *Religion and Violence: An Encyclopedia of Faith and Conflict from Antiquity to the Present*. Armonk, NY: M. E. Sharpe, Inc.

Johnson, Kirk. 2001. *Encyclopedia of Nationalism* – Essays contributed on Genocide, Mass Media, United Nations, League of Nations, Minority Groups, One World, and Development (Volume II), San Diego, CA: Academic Press.

## Book Reviews

2002 Women and Development: The Indian Experience, by Seth Mira, in *Contemporary South Asia* 11(3):376-377.

2002 Global Issues, Local Contexts: The Rabi Das of West Bengal, by Ganguly-Scrase Ruchira, in *Contemporary South Asia* 11(2):238-239.

## Conference and Seminar Presentations / Technical Reports

Johnson, Kirk. Mehraban Farahmand, Saba Sinai. 2018. *The Spiritual Roots of Sustainability: Understanding the Missing Link in Sustainability Discourse*. Paper presented at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic, and Social Sustainability, Cairns, Australia - January 17-19, 2018.

Dustan Brianne, Heather Quitigua, Nelisa Brel, Edward Biacan, and Kirk Johnson, 2017. *Navigating the Human Ecology of Guam: Exploring the Culture of Consumerism*. Poster presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences, Singapore - December 19-22, 2017

Borja Ashley, Journey Palaganas, Samantha Uncangco, and Kirk Johnson, 2017. *Navigating the Human Ecology of Guam: Tracking the Movement of Populations*. Poster presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences, Singapore - December 19-22, 2017

Calalang Richell, Mischa Cruz, Kimberly Tudela and Kirk Johnson, 2017. *Navigating the Human Ecology of Guam: Delving into the Fragile Environment*. Poster presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences, Singapore - December 19-22, 2017

Johnson, Kirk. 2016. *Why aren't old people killing themselves? Exploring the Generation gap through a cultural lens and coming to terms with the stark realities of youth suicide on Guam and in Micronesia*. Invited paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Regional International Association for Suicide Prevention. Tokyo, Japan – May 18-21, 2016.

Johnson, Kirk, Dewa Ketut Harya Putra, Alison Hadley and Mehraban Farahmand. 2012. *Bali's Tri Hita Karana: A Slogan for Tourists or the True Foundation for a Sustainable Future*. A collaborative project between the University of Guam and Udayana University in Bali,

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- Indonesia. Paper presented at the Bali in Global Asia Between Modernization and Heritage Formation 16–18 July, 2012, Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia.
- Johnson, Kirk, Mohammad Golabi, Takeshi Fujiwara, and Eri Ito. 2012. *An Island Adrift in a Tidal Wave of Consumerism: Exploring the relationship between waste generation and the social lifestyle on Guam*. A cooperative research project between the University of Guam, in Micronesia and the Okayama University in Japan. Paper presented at the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences Research Conference, University of Guam, Guam March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- Johnson, Kirk. 2011. *The Cycle of Rice: Live simply, consume less, share more: sustaining the end of the earth* – Invited panel conversant along with Jan Reynolds and Stephen Lansing. 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Ubud Writer’s and Reader’s Festival, Bali, Indonesia October 5-9, 2011.
- Hadley, Alison, Perry Guerrero, Jahlil Fielder and Kirk Johnson. 2011. *Guam in the Crosshairs: An Island in Search of Sustainability*. Paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability to be held in New Zealand, January 5 -7, 2011.
- Mugol, Myracle and Kirk Johnson. 2011. *The Cultural Dimensions of Service Learning: Making Higher Education More Relevant as Guam Continues to Navigate Through Uncertain Waters*. Paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability to be held in New Zealand January 5 -7, 2011.
- Mugol, Myracle and Kirk Johnson. 2010. *From Plow to Parasail: The fate of traditional island agriculture in the 21<sup>st</sup> century*. Paper presented at the Hawaiian International Conference on Social Sciences June 2-5, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- Mugol Myracle, Kirk Johnson, Sandra Okada, Jeffry Umayan, and Melissa Quintanillia. 2011. *Service Learning in Higher Education: Lessons in Community Development within an Enclave Community in Northern Guam, Mariana Islands*. A video presentation at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Social, Environmental, Economic and Cultural Sustainability, Wellington, New Zealand, January 3-5.
- Hadley, Alison, Perry Guerrero, Jahlil Fielder and Kirk Johnson, 2010. *Waves of Change: Capturing Guam Moments Before the Military Build-up in 2010*. A visual and narrative presentation at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2-5, 2010.
- Johnson, Kirk and Rebecca A. Stephenson. 2009. *Being Balinese in the Global Village: The Conundrums of Daily Life in Ubud*. Paper presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual International Convention of Asia Scholars, Deajeon, Korea, August 6-9, 2009.
- Smith, Kyle and Kirk Johnson, 2008. *Student Success* – A section of the Final Report from the University of Guam to the Western Association of School and Colleges.

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- Johnson, Kirk. 2007. *Violence without Virtues – The Case for Character Education in Public Schools*. College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences Conference, University of Guam.
- Johnson, Kirk, 2007. *The Stigma of Suicide*. A report prepared for *I Pinangon* - The Suicide Prevention Resource Center at the University of Guam – Paper presented at the Colloquium Series in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.
- Johnson, Kirk, 2006. *Sustainable Futures: The Problem of the Consumer Culture for Island People*. Paper presented at the Te Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa (The Great Ocean of Kiwa-Oceania) 17<sup>th</sup> Pacific History Association's Biennial Conference, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, 7-10 December 2006
- Farahmand, Mehraban and Kirk Johnson. 2006. *Internalizing Sustainability: Recognizing the Common Spiritual Foundation*. Paper presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic, and Social Sustainability – Hanoi and Ha Long Bay, Vietnam.
- Farahmand, Mehraban and Kirk Johnson. 2005. *Education: The Bridge that Unites Science and Religion*. Paper presented at the Conference on World and Self: Unifying knowledge, Centre for Public Culture and Ideas, Queensland College of Art, Griffith University, Australia.
- Johnson, Kirk and Karlberg Michael. 2003. *Rethinking Caste and Power in Rural India*. Paper presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Convention of Asia Scholars, Singapore August 19-22.
- Johnson, Kirk. 2003. *Globalization at the Crossroads of Tradition and Modernity in Rural India*. Paper presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Convention of Asia Scholars, Singapore August 19-22.
- Johnson, Kirk. 2002. *The Changing Face of Power in Rural India*. Paper presented at the Hawaii International Conference on the Social Sciences, Honolulu - June 11-15.
- Johnson, Kirk. 2001. *Globalization and Culture in Contemporary India: Tradition Vs. Modernity*. 10<sup>th</sup> Pacific Science Inter-Congress: Integration of Natural and Social Sciences in the New Pacific Millennium, Guam - June 1-6.
- Johnson, Kirk. 2000. *Globalization and Culture: A Framework for Social Change in the Pacific*. Paper presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Guam Association of Social Workers. Hilton, Guam – March 23-24.
- Inoue, Yukiko and Kirk Johnson. 2000. *Attitudes toward diversity and Multiculturalism in Higher Education: Survey of faculty at a minority university in the Pacific*. Paper presented at the National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education Conference with the theme of “Research Across Cultures in the New Millennium: Language, Culture and Technology” Kailua-Kona, Hawaii – April 11-15.

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Johnson, Kirk 1999. *Ethnography in Rural India: Globalization and its impact*. Research presented at the Anthropology Area Research Series, University of Guam.

Johnson, Kirk. 1999. *Television and Social Change in Rural India: A study of two mountain villages in Western Maharashtra*. Paper presented at the Annual American Sociological Association Conference: Regular Session "Sociology of Development - Chicago, August 1999 – Abstract published in *Sociological Abstracts*, August 1999:60

Johnson, Kirk. 1999. *Where have all the Values Gone? A Case of Character Education in Public Schools*. Paper presented at the Association for Childhood Education International Conference, Hyatt Hotel: Guam.

## SERVICE

### University of Guam and the Guam Community

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| 2017      | Member - Service Learning (Committee for High Impact Practices)   |
| 2015      | <b>Chair</b> - Faculty Development Day Committee  |
| 2012      | <b>Member</b> - President's Task Force, University's Role in the 21st Century   |
| 2007-2010 | <b>Chair</b> – Faculty Election Commission  |
| 2007-2009 | <b>Member</b> - Faculty Development Committee   |
| 2007      | <b>Panelist</b> – <i>Inafa' Maolek</i> Peace Talk Conference - Topic: Character Education   |
| 2007      | <b>Panelist</b> – <i>I Pinangon</i> Forum on Suicide – University of Guam   |
| 2007      | <b>Keynote Speaker</b> - 1st Annual National Day of Prayer Luncheon.  |
| 1998-2009 | <b>Coordinator</b> - Sociology Program  |
| 2006      | <b>Panelist</b> – <i>I Pinangon</i> Forum on Suicide – University of Guam   |
| 2006      | <b>Presenter</b> - Technical Report on the Stigma of Suicide to the Staff of <i>I Pinangon</i>  |
| 2006      | <b>Coordinator</b> - Award Winning filmmaker Mrs. Jane Walters visit to Guam for two screenings of her film "Bali: Hope in Paradise" at the UOG Lecture Hall. |
| 2004-2005 | <b>Chair</b> – Task Force to develop the Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences Degree   |
| 2004-2005 | <b>Chair</b> – Strategic Planning Committee on Staff Development, Sanctuary Inc.  |
| 2004      | <b>Member</b> – Presidents Research Award Review Committee, UOG   |
| 2003-2005 | <b>Member</b> – Faculty Senate and Senate Committee on Institutional Excellence   |
| 2004      | <b>Panelist</b> – International Human Rights Film Festival  |
| 2003      | <b>Coordinator</b> – Virtues Project (Character Education) Presentation   |
| 2002-2003 | <b>Faculty Advisor</b> – Residence Hall Governing Council   |
| 2002      | <b>Member</b> – College of Arts and Sciences Annual Conference Committee  |
| 2002      | <b>Member</b> – Faculty Senate Task Force to develop Faculty Code of Ethics   |
| 2002      | <b>Member</b> – College of Arts and Sciences Research Conference Committee  |
| 2002      | <b>Panelist</b> for "Comparative Religions" Global Unity Symposium, University  |
| 2002-2003 | <b>Member</b> - University Committee on Research and Service  |
| 2001      | <b>Chair</b> – Sociology Search Committee   |
| 2000-2002 | <b>Faculty Advisor</b> - Sociology Student Association  |
| 2001      | WASC Committee Issue # 2 – Accountability and Institutional Autonomy  |



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- College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee. Elected by Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences to serve a two-year term.
- 2000 **Panelist** at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Global Unity Symposium – Essay presented titled *Gender and Development: The Role of Women in the Process of Social Change*, Hyatt, Guam - April 8, 2000.
- 1999 Sociology Program Five Year Review – 65 pages that includes a historical analysis of the program and its future and relevance to the peoples of the Western Pacific, restructuring and development of the program curriculum and an analysis of the potential and need for sociological research in Guam and Micronesia
- 1999 **Panelist** for “Character Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century” Global Unity Symposium, University of Guam
1998. **Chair** - Sociology Search Committee. Appointed by Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.
1998. President’s Task Force to survey the community of Guam on the future of UOG. Appointed by the President of the University of Guam.
1998. Contributor to the Office of Naval Research Science Grant (\$600,000) Proposal submitted by the College of Arts and Sciences.
1998. Assisted in initiating and organizing first meeting of Faculty for Recycling Group.
1998. **Panelist** on “Ethnic Diversity: Problems and Solutions” - University of Guam.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- 2007 Award for Excellence in Teaching, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, UOG.
- 2001 Award for Excellence in Teaching, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, UOG.
- 2000 Young Alumni Award, Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas.
- 2000 Award for Excellence in Research, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, UOG.
- 1998 Ph.D. Dissertation – Honors – McGill University.
- 1995 Distinction in comprehensive area examinations – McGill University
- 1992 Certificate of recognition for outstanding academic achievement – Ohio University.
- 1991 Nominated and inducted into Phi Beta Delta, International Scholar Society.
- 1991 Department Chair’s recognition for “Outstanding Teaching” – Ohio University.