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EDUCATION

- 2001-2008. **The University of Washington**. Seattle, Washington
Ph.D. in Geography
“Pregnant Immigrant Women in Paris and the Boundaries of New Public Health”
- 1999-2001. **The University of Arizona**, Tucson, Arizona
M.A. in Geography (2001)
"Rationalities, Identities, and Place: Mapping the Coordinates of Reproductive Cancer in Appalachia."

Areas of specialization

Health geography; Health Disparities; Health Humanities; Narrative Medicine; Feminist Geography; Political Geography; Visual Methodologies; Critical Geographies of Race and Ethnicity; Digital Health.

Teaching specialization

Geographies of Health; Qualitative Field Methods; Narrative Medicine and Medical Humanities; Ethnic Communities; Geographic Perspectives on Gender; World Regional Geography.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND GROWTH

Publications

Donovan, C. and S. de Leeuw. “Geography as Engaged Medical-Health Humanities.” In A. Bleakely (ed.) *Routledge Handbook of Medical Humanities*. London: Routledge (in press).

de Leeuw, S., Donovan, C., Shaffenacker, N. (eds.) “Special Journal Issue on Geo-Medical Humanities”. *GeoHumanities*. (in press).

Donovan, C. and E. Ustundag. “Graphic Narratives, Trauma, and Social Justice.” *Studies in Social Justice* vol. 11, no.2 (2017): 221-237.

Moss, P. and C. Donovan. (eds). *Writing Intimacy into Feminist Geography*. London: Routledge, 2017.

Donovan, C. “Accelerating Intimacy with Digital Health?” in Moss, P. and C. Donovan (eds). *Writing Intimacy into Feminist Geography*. London: Routledge, 2017.

Donovan, C. “Representations of Health, Embodiment, and Experience in Graphic Memoir” *Configurations* vol.22 (2014): 237-253.

Donovan, C. “Graphic Pathogeographies.” *Journal of Medical Humanities* vol. 35, issue 3 (2014): 273-

299.

Kain, N., Donovan, C., and Yee-Melichar, D., (February 2014) "Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities." Melichar-Yee, D., et al (eds.) in *Long-Term Care Administration and Management: Effective Practices in Elder Care*. Springer Publishing: New York, NY.

Donovan, C. and Duncan, R.I. (2009) "Situating Politics in Medical and Health Geography" in Moon, G, McLafferty, S., and Brown, T (eds.) *A Companion to Health and Medical Geography*. Blackwell: Oxford, United Kingdom.

Work Under Review

Donovan, C. and S. de Leeuw. "Geo-Humanities and Health: An Inherent and Necessary Ethics of Care." in S. Atkinson and R. Hunt (eds) *GeoHumanities and Health*. New York: Springer (in press).

Work in Progress

Donovan, C. "Exploring the Importance of Home in Pathogeographies." To be Submitted to *Frontiers of Narrative Studies*.

Donovan, C. and E. Ustundag. "Contesting Clinical Accounts of Traumatic Experiences: Exploring Graphic Novel Discourses." To be submitted to *Emotion, Space, and Society*.

Awards and Honors

Truth Fellow, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. June 2017-June 2018.

Project Zygote Digital Health Fellow. Spring 2017.

Donovan, C. "Narratives for Social Justice." San Francisco State University, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs. March 2017.

Faculty Affairs Travel Award, San Francisco State University, July 2014.

Faculty Affairs Travel Award, San Francisco State University, September 2012.

Donovan, C. "Data Visualization in Medical and Health Geography." San Francisco State University, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

Submitted Grants

National Endowment for the Humanities, Digital Humanities Advancement Grant, \$40,000, Submitted June 2018.

Cal Humanities Quick Grant, \$5000, Submitted June 2017.

National Storytelling Network, Brimstone Award, Submitted April 2017.

Cal Humanities Quick Grant, \$5000, Submitted February 2017.

National Endowment for the Humanities, Digital Humanities Advancement Grant, \$40,000, Submitted January 2017.

Donovan, C. "Healing Arts." National Endowment for the Arts Media Arts Grant, August 2013.

Donovan, C. "Healing Stories: Military Veterans and Art Therapy." Cal Humanities Community Stories Grant, submitted August 2013

Presentations

Invited Presentations and Plenaries

Donovan, C. 2018. "Graphic Narratives, Trauma, and Social Justice" Invited panel participant, Writing for Renewal. Creative Writing Program. Dominican University. June 11, 2018. San Rafael, California.

Donovan, C. and E. Ustundag. 2017. "Graphic Narratives and Nomadic Subjectivities: Critical Geographies of Trauma." Invited keynote, 12th Annual Critical Geographies Mini-Conference. University of Northern British Columbia. September 23, 2017. Prince George, B.C. Canada.

Donovan, C. and E. Ustundag. 2017. "Graphic Narratives and Nomadic Subjectivities: Critical Geographies of Trauma." University of Northern British Columbia Geography Department. September 22, 2017. Prince George, B.C. Canada.

2017. "Exploring the Importance of Home in Pathogeographies" Geography Graduate Group. University of California, Davis. May 17, 2017. Davis, California.

2013. "Gender, Health, and the Environment." Women and Environment Panel Discussion. *Sustainable Initiatives*, San Francisco State University. April.

2008. Invited Chair, "Russia, Geography, Gender, and Sexuality." *American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies*. Philadelphia, PA. November.

2008. Invited talk, "Governing Pregnant Immigrant Women in the Paris Banlieue." San Francisco State University, Department of Geography Colloquium Series. March.

Conference participation and papers presented

2017. Organizer and Discussant, "Graphic Pathogeographies" panel. Comics and Medicine Conference. Seattle, WA. June.

Donovan, C. and E. Ustundag. 2017. "Graphic Narratives and Nomadic Subjectivities" *Comics and Medicine Conference*. Seattle, WA. June.

Donovan, C. and E. Ustundag. 2016. "Contesting Clinical Accounts of Traumatic Experiences: Exploring Graphic Novel Discourses." *Association of American Geographers*. San Francisco, CA. March.

2016. "The Visual Field and Sequential Art in Health Geography." Association of American Geographers. San Francisco, CA. March.

2016. Co-organizer (with De Leeuw, S.) "Health Geography, Medical Humanities, and Narrative Medicine." *Association of American Geographers*. San Francisco, CA. March.

2014. "Trauma and Embodiment in Graphic Memoir." *Comics and Medicine Conference*. Johns Hopkins Medical Campus. Baltimore, MD. June.
2014. "Representations of Health, Embodiment, and Experience in Graphic Memoir." *Feminist Geography Conference*. Omaha, NE. May.
2014. "Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities." *Center for Healthy Aging in Multicultural Populations (CHAMP) Conference on Health and Aging*. San Jose, CA. April.
2014. "Geographic Representations of Trauma in Graphic Novels" *Association of American Geographers*. Tampa, Fl. April.
2014. Co-organizer (with McKinney, K.) "Geographies of Comics and Graphic Novels." *Association of American Geographers*. Tampa, Fl. April.
2014. Co-organizer (with Moss, P.) and panelist. "Methodologies of Intimate Writing." *Association of American Geographers*. Tampa, Fl.
2013. "Healing Arts: Art Production in Health Geography." *International Medical Geography Symposium*. East Lansing, MI. July.
2013. "Of Politics and Praxis: Graphic Novels in the Academic World." *Comics and Medicine Conference*. Faculty of Medicine, University of Brighton. July.
2013. "Art as Healing: Military Veterans and the Role of Art Therapy in Managing PTSD." *American Association of Geographers*. Los Angeles, CA. April.
2012. "Visualizing Medical Data through Graphic Novels." *Comics and Medicine Conference*. Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. July.
2012. "Graphic Pathogeographies" *American Association of Geographers*. New York, NY. February.
2011. Invited talk, "Graphic Pathogeographies? Graphic Novels as a Tool for Conveying Health Geography Concepts," Department of Geography, Colloquium Series. September.
2011. "Graphic Pathogeographies in David B.'s *Epileptic*." *Comics and Medicine Conference*. Northwestern Medical School, Chicago, Ill. June.
2007. "Managing Pregnant Immigrant Women in the Paris Banlieue. The Differential Approaches of Health and Immigration Policy." *Association of Pacific Coast Geographers*. Long Beach, California. October.
2007. "Experiencing Perception in the Paris Banlieue." *Association of Pacific Coast Geographers*. Long Beach, California. October.
2007. Organizer and presenter, "Critical Perspectives on Globalization and Public Health." *International Medical Geography Symposium*. Bonn, Germany. July.

SERVICE TO CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY

Service to the Department, San Francisco State University, Department of Geography and Human Environmental Studies

Department

- Undergraduate Program Advisor, August 2012-present.
- Developed a course proposal (2011) to revise and streamline an existing undergraduate course (GEOG 423, “Geographic Perspectives on Gender”)
- Hospitality Committee, 2010-present
- Faculty Coordinator, Graduate Student masters proposals, AY 2009-2010
- Graduate Program Advisor, July 2009-August 2012
- Developed a course proposal (2009) to establish a graduate program requirement for research design and proposal writing
- Represented Geography Department at University-wide event for in-coming freshman, Spring 2009 and Spring 2012
- Undergraduate Cultural Geography Advisor, 2008-present
- Department program review, AY 2008-2009
- Faculty Search Committee, AY 2007-2008, 2008-2009
- Graduate Admissions Committee, 2008-present
- Department Curriculum Committee, 2007-present
- Developed a course proposal (2008) to cultivate a relationship with Health Education and Geography (“The Geography of Health and Health Care”)

Service to academic community

- Affiliated faculty, SOUL Lab, San Francisco State University, January 2017-present.
- Affiliated faculty, Health Equity Institute, San Francisco State University, August 2016-present.
- Reviewer, Pruitt Dissertation Fellowship. Society of Women Geographers. May 2016.
- San Francisco State University Sustainability Committee, August 2014-present.
- Selection Committee, Rosenblatt Community Service Scholarship. San Francisco State University, October 2013.
- Faculty Marshal, Commencement 2013.
- San Francisco State University Human Subjects Review Board, alternate, June 2013-present.
- Faculty representative, Honors Convocation 2010.
- 5/2010-10/2010. Consultant for UCSF project, “Exploratory Study of Organizational, Community, and Geographic Factors Affecting Mammography Access and Use Among Older Limited-English-Speaking Chinese Women.”
- Faculty Marshal, Commencement 2009.
- Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, Planning Committee, 2008-2010
- 2008. Invited Chair, “Russia, Geography, Gender, and Sexuality.” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. Philadelphia, PA. November.

Service to academic community: journal refereeing

May 2017-present. *Literature and Medicine*.

March 2017-present. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*

March 2017-present. *Gender, Place, and Culture*

March 2017-present. *Medical Anthropology, Cross-Cultural Studies in Health and Illness*
May 2016-present. *The Canadian Geographer*
April 2016-present. *Journal of Medical Humanities*
January 2014-present. *Health and Place*
December 2005 – present. *Social and Cultural Geography*

MEMBERSHIP

Association of American Geographers

- Geographic Perspectives on Women Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers
- Medical Geography Specialty Group, Association of Americans Geographers (student representative 2007-2008)
- Urban Geography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers
- Political Geography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers
- Qualitative Methods Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers

American Public Health Association

Association for Bioethics and Humanities

National Storytelling Network

REFERENCES

Available upon request