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**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D., Geography** with distinction, 1997, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York.

Dissertation: *Gendered Prisons: Gender, Identity and Place in Belfast Northern Ireland.*

**M.L.A., Landscape Architecture**,1993,State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY-ESF), Syracuse, New York.

Thesis: *Design Alternatives in Conflict Areas: A Case Study, Belfast, Northern Ireland.*

**B.S., Business Administration**, 1980, Manhattan College, Bronx, New York.

**APPOINTMENTS**

Current

**Professor**, Departments of Geography and Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Penn State, 2019-Present

**Associate Head of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**, Department of Geography, Penn State, 2021-Present.

Past

**Associate Professor**, Departments of Geography and Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Penn State, 2003-2019.

**Visiting Faculty**, Department of Geography, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, Spring 2015.

**Visiting Faculty**, Manhattan College, Bronx, New York, Fall 2014.

**Visiting Research Fellow**,The Institute for Humanities Research, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, 2008.

**Undergraduate Officer**, Department of Geography, Penn State, 2008-2012.

**Program Head/Department Head**, Program/Department of Women’s Studies, Penn State, 2004-2007.

**Assistant Professor**, Department of Geography and Women’s Studies, Penn State, 1997-2003.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Undergraduate Courses

Apocalyptic Geographies

Introduction to Cultural Geography

Place, Space and Culture

Introduction to World Regional Geography

Introduction to Human Geography

Gender Geographies

Gender and Social Justice, Service Learning, Tanzania

Graduate Courses

Geographies of Care,Vulnerability and Responsibility

Critical Geopolitics

Feminist Methodologies

Gender and Nationalism

Cultural Landscape

Qualitative Methodologies

Violence, Terrorism and Resistance

New Readings in Social Theory

Graduate Student Advising

Current:

* Jacklyn Weier, ABD
* Chanel Lange-Maney, Candidate

## Jenna Christian, (defended), *Making a Military: Race, Citizenship, and a School-to-Military Pipeline in Houston, Texas* (co-adviser L. Nelson, University of Arizona).

*Ph.D.*

## Azita Ranjbar: Ph.D., 2017, *The Greening of Human Rights in Iran,*

## Dana Cuomo: Ph.D., 2015, *Policing Citizenship: The State Response to Intimate Partner Violence in Centre County, Pennsylvania* (co-adviser M. Wright).

## Cris Livecchi: Ph.D., 2014, *There's no Place Like Home: Home, Mobility, and U.S. Military Kids.*

## Nicole Laliberté: Ph.D., 2013, *Scaled Violence: A Feminist Geopolitics of Post-War Development in Northern Uganda.*

* Greg Lankenau: Ph.D., 2012, *Awaken 101: Student Experiences in Transformative Environmental Education.*

## Jennifer Fluri: Ph.D., 2005, *Beyond the Burqa: The Spatial Politics of Afghanistan's Revolutionary Women.*

## Risa Whitson: Ph.D., 2004, *Reworking Place, Gender, and Power: Informal Work in Urban Argentina.*

* Jeffrey Davis: Ph.D., 2003, *Producing Place and Indigenous Tourism Development: Re-Creating Bikini Atoll*.
* Margaret Farrar: Ph.D. (Dept of Political Science), 2000, *Building the Body Politic: Power and Urban Space in Washington* D.C.
* Beth Zeleny: Ph.D., 2000, *Gendered Space in Afghan Refugee Camps*.

*Master of Science*

* Isabel Taylor, MS, 2020, *Immigrant Entrepreneurship and Urban Redevelopment: The Interplay of Scale, Discourse, and Policy* in Columbus Ohio.
* Jenna Christian, MS, 2012, *Postwar Transformations: Women and the Work of Peace in Liberia.*
* Marina Viola, MS, 2009, *Deconstructing the Myth of California: Gender and Race in Disney's California Adventure.*
* Nicole Laliberté, MS, 2008, *Conceptions of Community During Amenity-Based Development: A Case Study.*
* Morgan Windram, MS, 2005, *Recognizing Women's Work in the Cocaine Trade: A Case Study of Jamaican Cocaine Couriers.*
* Jennifer Fluri, MS, 2001, *The Physical and Social Reproduction of White Separatism in the United States.*
* Amy Trauger, MS, 2001, *Getting Back to Our Roots: Women Farmers in Sustainable Agriculture: Work, Space and Representation.*

**PUBLICATIONS**

Refereed

**Dowler, L.,** and Bartos, A., “Comfort Feminisms: An Uncomfortable Glass Slipper”, (under review) *Gender, Place and Culture.*

**Dowler, L.,** and Bartos, A., “Handle with Care: Slow and Fast Care in NYC During COVID-19” (under review), *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*

McLeod, D., Wright, W., Laliberte N., Bain, A., **Dowler, L**. (at press)

"Embodying Controversy Through Pedagogy". *ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies*

**Dowler, L.** “Afterward”, (at press) Gökarıksel, B., Hawkins, M., Christopher Neubert, C., and Smith, S., *Feminist Geography Unbound: Discomfort, Bodies, and Prefigured Futures*. Morgantown, WV: West Virginia University Press

**Dowler, L.** Cuomo, D., Laliberte, N. Ranjbar, A. and Christian, J., “Care,” *Keywords in Radical Geography: Antipode at 50*, book chapter, 35-39, 2019.

### Christian, J. and Dowler L.,“The Gendered Binary: A Feminist Critique of Slow and Fast Violence,” *ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies,* 18(5), 1066-1075, 2019

**Dowler, L.** and Christian, J. “Lavena Johnson, Sandra Bland, and the Geographies of Slow and Fast Violence,” *Gender, Place and Culture 26(6),* 813-829, 2019*.*

**Dowler, L.** and Ranjbar, A, “Praxis in the City: Care and (Re)Injury in Belfast and Orumiyeh,” *Annals of the American Association of Geographers,* 108, 434-444, 2018.

Christian, J., **Dowler, L**., and Cuomo, D., “Fear, Feminist Geopolitics and the Hot and Banal,” *Political Geography*, 54, 64-72, 2016.

**Dowler, L.**, “Up Against a Wall,” *Political Geography*, 47, 88-90, 2015, essay reviewed by editorial board.

# Dowler, L., Christian, J. and Ranjbar, A., “A Feminist Visualization of the Intimate Spaces of Security,” *Area,* 46(4), 347-349, 2014.

**Dowler, L.**, Cuomo, D. and Laliberté, N., ‘“Challenging the Penn State Way’: A Feminist Response to Institutional Violence in Higher Education,” *Gender, Place and Culture*, 21(3), 387-394, 2014.

**Dowler, L.**, “Waging Hospitality: Feminist Geopolitics and Tourism in West Belfast Northern Ireland,” *Geopolitics,* 18, 779-799, 2013.

**Dowler, L.**, “In the Shadow of the Berlin Wall: The Peace-Lines of Belfast Northern Ireland,” *Political* *Geography,* 33, 52-62, 2013,essay reviewed by editorial board.

**Dowler, L.**, “Banal Militarization: Gender, Militarization and Sovereignty,” *Geography Comp*ass, 6(8), 490-499, 2012.

**Dowler L.**, “The Hidden War: The ‘Risk’ to Female Soldiers in the U.S. Military,”in S. Kirsch and C. Flint (eds.)*, Reconstructing Conflict: The Hidden War,* England: Ashgate. 295-314, 2011, refereed book chapter.

Sharp, J. and **Dowler L.**, “Framing the Field,” in V. Del Casino, M. Thomas and P. Cloke (eds.), *A Companion to Social Geography* for Blackwell, 146-160, 2011, refereed book chapter.

**Dowler, L.**, ‘“Reading Gerry Kearns’ Geopolitics and Empire: The Legacy of Halford Mackinder,” *Political* *Geography*, 30, 49-58, 2011, essay reviewed by editorial board.

Shirlow, P. and **Dowler, L.**, “Wee Women No More: Gender, Resistance and the Post-Imprisonment Experience in Belfast,” *Environment and Planning A,* 42, 384-399, 2010.

Laliberté, N., **Dowler, L.** and Driscoll-Derickson, K., “Advancements in Feminist Thought: Geography’s Contribution to International Studies,” in R. Denemark (ed.), *The International Studies Encyclopedia,* Blackwell, 2010.

Nyaupane, G., Morais, D. and **Dowler, L.**, “The Role of Community Involvement and Number/Type of Visitors on Tourism Impacts: A Controlled Comparison of Annapurna, Nepal and Northwest Yunnan, China,” *Tourism Management*, 27, 1373-1385, 2006.

Morais, D., Yarnal, C., Dong, E. and **Dowler L.**, “Host Women Perceptions of Ethnic Tourism Impacts: A Comparison between Patriarchal Bai and Matriarchal Mosuo.” *Asia Pacific Journal of Tourism Research*, 10(3), 361-367, 2005.

Yarnal, C., **Dowler, L**. and Hutchinson, S., “If the Bastards See You Sweat the Enemy Wins the War Masculinity and Domesticity in the Volunteer Firehouse,” *Environment and Planning A*, 36(8), 685-694, 2004.

Yarnal, C., and **Dowler, L**., “Who is Answering the Call? Volunteer Firefighting as Serious Leisure,” *Leisure/Loisir, Journal for the Canadian Association of Leisure Studies*, 27(3/4), 161-189, 2004.

Kleman Davis, K. Davis, J. and **Dowler. L.**, “In Motion, Out of Place: The Public Spaces of Tourette Syndrome,” *Social Sciences and Medicine,* 59(1), 103-12, 2004.

**Dowler, L.**, “Amazonian Landscapes: Gender, War and Historical Repetition,” in Flint, C. (ed.), *The Geography of War and Peace*: *From Death Camps to Diplomats*, Oxford University Press, 245-274, 2004, refereed book chapter.

**Dowler, L**. and Fluri, J., “Housebound: Women and the Reproduction of White Separatism,”inC.Flint (ed.), *Spaces of Hate: Geographies of Discrimination and Tolerance in the USA*, Routledge, 69-86, 2003, refereed book chapter.

**Dowler, L.,** “Women on the Frontlines: Rethinking Narratives of Heroism Post 9/11,” *GeoJournal*, *An International Journal of Human Geography and Environmental Science*, 58, 159-165, 2002.

**Dowler, L.**, “Till Death Due Us Part:, Masculinity, Friendship and Nationalism in Belfast Northern Ireland,” *Environment and Planning D, Society and Space,* 20(1) 53-71, 2002.

**Dowler, L.**, “The Uncomfortable Classroom: Incorporating Feminist Pedagogy and Political Practice into World Regional Geography,” *Journal of Geography,* 101(2), 68-72, 2002.

Fluri, J. and **Dowler, L.**, “Klanbake: Gender, Etiquette and Racialized Space,” *Historical Geography*, 30, 138-154, 2002.

**Dowler, L.** and Sharp, J., “A Feminist Geopolitics,” *Space and Polity,* 5(3), 165-176, 2001.

**Dowler, L.**, “No Man’s Land: Transgressing the Boundaries of West Belfast, Northern Ireland,” *Geopolitics,* 6(3), 158-176, 2001.

**Dowler, L.**, “The Four Square Laundry: Participant Observation in a War Zone,” *Geographical* *Review,* 91(1-2), 414-422, 2001.

**Dowler, L.,** “Preserving the Peace and Maintaining Order, Irish Catholic Perceptions of Urban Renewal in West Belfast, Northern Ireland,” *Urban Geography,* (22)2, 100-105, 2001.

**Dowler, L.**,“Fieldwork in the Trenches: Participant Observation in a Conflict Area,”inC. Dwyer and M. Limb (eds.), *Qualitative Methods for Geographers,* Arnold, 153-164, 2001, refereed book chapter.

**Dowler, L.**, “‘And They Think I’m Just a Nice Old Lady’: Gender Identities and War in Belfast, Northern Ireland,” *Gender, Place and Culture,* (5)2, 159-176, 1998.

**Dowler, L.**, “The Mother of All Warriors, Women in Belfast, Northern Ireland,” in R. Lentin (ed.), *Gender and Catastrophe*, Zed Publications, 77-90, 1997, refereed book chapter.

Books

**Dowler, L.**, Carubia, J. and Szczygiel, B. (eds.), *Gender and Landscape: (Re)negotiating the Moral Landscape*, in Women and Place Series edited by J. Monk and J. Momsen, Routledge, London, 2005.

Reprints

**Dowler, L.** and Ranjbar, A., “Praxis in the City: Care and (Re)Injury in Belfast and Orumiyeh,” *Annals of the American Association of Geographers,* 108, 434-444, 2018. Reprinted in N. Heynen (ed.), *Social Justice and the City,* Routledge, 2018 (in press).

**Dowler L**., “Till Death Due Us Part: Masculinity, Friendship and Nationalism in Belfast Northern Ireland,” *Environment and Planning D, Society and Space,* 20(1), 53-71, 2002. Reprinted in virtual themed issue on “Prisons,” *Environment and Planning D, Society and Space,* 2013. <http://societyandspace.org/2013/09/24/virtual-issue-8/>

Fluri, J. and **Dowler L.**, “Housebound, Women and the Reproduction of White Separatism,” in inC. Flint (ed.), *Spaces of Hate*, Routledge, 2003. Reprinted in G. Massey (ed.), *Readings for Sociology,* 513-530, W.W. Norton, 2008, 2009 and 2011 editions.

**Dowler, L.** and Sharp, J., “A Feminist Geopolitics,” *Space and Polity,* (5)3, 165-176, 2001. Reprinted in K. Dodds (ed.), *Geopolitics*, Vol. 2, Sage, 2009.

Public Scholarship

**Dowler, L**., “Female Firefighters Defy Old Ideas of Who Can Be an American Hero,” *The Conversation,* April 26, 2018*.* <https://theconversation.com/female-firefighters-defy-old-ideas-of-who-can-be-an-american-hero-95342>. Also picked up by Newsweek.com, Salon.com and Upworthy.com.

### Alderman, D. and Dowler L., “Creating Safe Spaces at the AAG for All,”*AAG Newsletter*, American Association of Geographers, January 2018. [http://news.(AAG).org/2018/01/creating-safe-spaces-at-(AAG)-meetings-for-all/](http://news.aag.org/2018/01/creating-safe-spaces-at-aag-meetings-for-all/)

**Dowler, L.,** and Ranjbar A., “This Man’s Army? Women and Heroic Labor,” *Huffington Post*, original post October 8, 2015. <https://www.huffingtonpost.com/azita-ranjbar/this-mans-army-women-and-heroic-labor_b_8101152.html>

Other Publications

**Dowler, L.**, *Military Workfare, The Soldier and Social Citizenship in Canada* **by** D. Cowen (University of Toronto Press, 2008) and *Military Legacies, A World Made By War* **by** J. Tyner (Routledge, 2010), review of paired books in *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 101(3), 694-696, 2011, book review.

**Dowler, L.**, *A Difficult Difference. Race, Religion and the New Northern Ireland* **by** Peter Geoghegan (Irish Academic Press, 2010), review in *Irish Studies* *Review*, 19(4), 449-450, 2011, book review.

**Dowler, L.**, Carubia, J. and Szczygiel B. (eds.), “Introduction,” *Gender and Landscape: (Re)negotiating the Moral Landscape*, Routledge, London, 2005.

**Dowler, L.**, *Subjectivities, Knowledges, and Feminist Geographies: The Subjects and Ethics of Social Research*, **by** L. Bondi (ed.), review in *Social and Cultural Geography*, 5(2), 2004, book review.

**Dowler, L.**, “Towering Heroes: The Masculinization of New York City Post 9/11,” Rights to the City Conference, sponsored by the International Geographical Union Commissions on Political Geography and Public Policy, Rome, 2004, conference proceedings.

**Dowler, L.**, *Textures of Place: Exploring Humanist Geographies,* **by** P. Adams, S. Hoelscher and K. Till (eds.), review in *Gender, Place and Culture*, (9) 220-223, 2002, book review.

Szczygiel, B., Carubia J. and **Dowler, L.** (eds.), *Gendered Landscapes, An Interdisciplinary Exploration of Past Place and Space*,2000, entire conference proceedings.

**Dowler, L**., “Feminist Methodology,” “Ethnography,” “Participant Observation,” “Fieldwork,” and “Militarism,” in J. Sharp and L. McDowell (eds.), *Glossary of Feminist Terms for Geographers*, Arnold, London, 1998, five definitions in glossary.

**Dowler, L.**, *Think Locally, Act Globally! Linking Local and Global Communities through Democracy and Environment,* Association of American Geographers and Norton, 1996, teaching module.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Invited Lectures

October 2020: “Placing Feminist Geopolitics”, Department of Geography, Geographic Thought Graduate Seminar, University of North Carolina (remote).

March 2020: “Sports and Social Justice,” Department of Athletics, Manhattan College, New York City, invited lecture (remote).

April 2019: Executive Panel “The AAG and The Conversation”, AAG, Washington D.C.

March 2019: “Sports and Social Justice,” Department of Athletics, Manhattan College, New York City, invited lecture.

May 2018: “Care Ethics and the Discipline of Geography,” Controversy and Feminist Pedagogy: a Geography Workshop, York University, Toronto, Canada, keynote address.

March 2018: “Sports and Social Justice,” Department of Athletics, Manhattan College, New York City, invited lecture.

October 2017: “Lavena Johnson, Sandra Bland, and the Geographies of State Impunity,” Department of Geography, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, colloquium speaker.

May 2017: “Feminist Geopolitics and the Death of Timothy Piazza,” The 3rd International Feminist Geography Conference, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, keynote address.

April 2017: “The 1990s: Feminist Interventions in Research, Teaching and Activism,” 90th Anniversary Distinguished Alumni Talks, Department of Geography, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, colloquium speaker.

May 2016: “Gender and Politics in Geography,” Department of Geography, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland, colloquium speaker.

February 2015: “Feminist Geopolitics and Militarization,” Peace Week, Peace Studies Program, Manhattan College, Bronx, New York City, keynote address.

September 2014: “When the Personal is Geopolitical,” Gender Studies Colloquium, Manhattan College, New York City, colloquium speaker.

March 2014: “Jumping Scales, Violence and the Everyday” (with J. Sharp, University of Glasgow), Presidential Panel, International Studies Association (ISA) 55th Annual Convention, theme: Spaces and Places: Geopolitics in an Era of Globalization, Toronto, Canada, panelist.

March 2013: “Vulnerable Bodies, Gendered Sovereignty and U.S. Militarization,” Symposium, The Intimate Geopolitics of Violent Insecurities, Durham University, Durham, England, keynote address.

September 2013: “State Bodies, Gendered Sovereignty and U.S. Militarization,” Department of Geography, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, colloquium speaker.

April 2010: “Gender, Geography and War,” 2010 Midwest Undergraduate Geography Symposium, Macalester College, Minneapolis, Minnesota, keynote address.

April 2010: “Political Tourism, Northern Ireland and Cuba,” Gustavus Adolphus College. St. Peter, Minnesota, invited lecture.

August 2009: “Leadership Skills for Women,” Camp Blaze, Fire Camp for Young Women, Seattle, Washington, workshop speaker.

April 2008: “Feminism and War,” Institute for Humanities Research Center Colloquium Series, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, colloquium speaker.

March 2008: “Women and War Post 9/11,” Department of Women Studies, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, colloquium speaker.

February 2008: “Feminist Fronts, Gender, Morality and War,” Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, colloquium speaker.

September 2007: “Gender War and Feminist Fronts,” Advanced Research Training for Scottish Postgraduate Human Geographers, Kindrogan, Scotland, for University of Aberdeen, University of St. Andrews, University of Dundee, University of Edinburgh, University of Glasgow, and University of Strathclyde, keynote address.

September 2007: “Fieldwork, Ethics and Public Scholarship, Lessons from Belfast to Chad,” Advanced Research Training for Scottish Postgraduate Human Geographers, Kindrogan, Scotland, for University of Aberdeen, University of St. Andrews, University of Dundee, University of Edinburgh, University of Glasgow, and University of Strathclyde, workshop.

February 2004: “Gender and War: The Irish Revolution and 9/11,” Academy of Irish Cultural Heritages, University of Ulster, Derry, Northern Ireland, colloquium speaker.

February 2004: “Gender and Warfare in a Post 9/11 World,” Department of Geography, University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England, colloquium speaker.

February 2004: “Ethics and Ethnography,” Department of Geography, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland, colloquium speaker.

August 2003: “Challenges for Women Firefighters in the 21st century,” Keynote address for the First Annual Conference of Pennsylvania Women Firefighters, State Fire Academy, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, keynote address.

July 2003: “Leadership Skills for Women,” Camp Blaze, Fire Camp for Young Women, Seattle, Washington, workshop speaker.

July 2002: “Leadership Skills for Women,” Camp Blaze, Fire Camp for Young Women, San Francisco, California, workshop speaker.

February 2001: “Terror Tours, Political Tourism and Gender in Belfast Northern Ireland,” Gender and Globalization Symposium, Departments of Anthropology, International Relations and Women’s Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, keynote address.

November 2000: “Gender and the White Supremacist Movement,” East Strasbourg University of Pennsylvania (with C. Flint), keynote address.

November 2000: “The Ethics of Interviewing Agents of Violence,” Religion and Human Rights: Ideology, the Rhetoric of Hate and the Language of Reconciliation, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, invited lecture.

November 1999:“Terror Tours, Political Tourism in Belfast, Northern Ireland,”

Participant Observer or Voyeur,” and “‘They Think I’m Just a Nice Old Lady,’: Women and War in Belfast Northern Ireland,” Women’s Studies, Clarion University, Clarion, Pennsylvania, three invited lectures.

February 1999: “‘And They Think I’m Just a Nice Old Lady,’ Women and War in Belfast Northern Ireland,” Peace Studies Program, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, colloquium speaker.

November 1998: “Pennsylvania and Hate Crimes,” Penn State Women’s Awareness Week, sponsored by Panhellenic Council and Womyn’s Concerns, University Park, Pennsylvania, keynote address.

January 1998: “Masculinity and the Politics of Memory: The Irish Hunger Strike,” Geography Department, East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina, colloquium speaker.

January 1997: “The Mother of All Warriors, Women in Belfast, Northern Ireland,” Department of Justice Studies Colloquium, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, colloquium speaker.

December 1996: “Borders or Frontiers? An Examination of Women and Political Space in Belfast Northern Ireland,” Department of Geography, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, colloquium speaker.

Conference Presentations

#### April 2019: Paper, “Nonconsensual Nationalisms and Affective Privilege”, Washington D.C.

#### April 2019: Panelist, “Sexual Harassment and Bullying Policies in Academia”, Washington D.C.

April 2019: Panelist, “Innovations in Teaching Qualitative Methods in Geography”, AAG, Washington D. C.

April 2019: Panelist, “Blue Collars Scholarship”, AAG, Washington D.C.

April 2019: Panelist, “ Alcohol and The Academy”, AAG, Washington D.C.

#### April 2018: Panelist, “Political Geographies of Discomfort Feminism and Uncomfortable Intimacy,” AAG, New Orleans

#### April 2018: Panelist, “Integrating Radical Scholarship and Activism Inside the Neoliberal University,” AAG, New Orleans.

#### April 2018: Panelist, “Revolutionary Methodologies and Implications for Challenging Hegemonic Knowledge Production,” AAG, New Orleans.

#### April 2018: Panelist, Author Meets Critics, Marcia England’s Public Privates, AAG, New Orleans.

#### April 2018:“Nonconsensual Nationalism in the Age of Trump,” AAG, New Orleans.

June 2017: “Lavena Johnson, Sandra Bland, and a Care(full) Geopolitics,” The 6th International Emotional Geographies Conference, Long Beach.

April 2017: Lavena Johnson and Sandra Bland, and the Geographies of Slow and Fast Violence,” with J. Christian, AAG, Boston.

May 2016: “‘Americanness’: Violence Against Women, Militarization, and the State,”

Conference of Irish Geographers (CIG), Dublin, Ireland.

March 2016: “Shattering the Glass Ceiling: A Catch 22!” AAG, San Francisco.

April 2015: “Blue Collar Scholar,” AAG, Chicago.

April 2013: “Falling to Peace(s): Adopting a Feminist Ethics of Care at Penn State University,” AAG, Los Angeles.

February 2012: “Waging Hospitality: Political Tourism in West Belfast Northern Ireland,” AAG, New York, New York.

April 2011: “Body Counts: Discounting Women’s Space During War,” AAG, Seattle Washington.

April 2010: “Baring Arms Gender Sovereignty, Politics and Fashion,” with N. Laliberté, AAG, Washington D.C.

April 2010: Panelist, Author Meets Critics, Gerry Kearns’ *Geopolitics and Empire: The Legacy of Halford Mackinder,* AAG, Washington D.C.

April 2009: “Failed States, the United States Failure to Protect Female Soldiers,” AAG, Las Vegas.

October 2008: “Feminist Fronts,” International Politics in the Twenty First Century: Ending International Feminist Futures? Conference, sponsored by International Studies Association (ISA), University of Aberdeen, Scotland.

April 2007: “The Final Frontier: Gender, Militarization and the Mercury Space Program,*”* AAG, San Francisco.

April 2007: Panelist, “Geographies of Militarism II,” AAG, San Francisco.

April 2007: Panelist, “Resisting/De-centering the Student-Consumer,” AAG, San Francisco.

March 2006: “An Unholy Mother: Cindy Sheehan and the Politics of Public Grief,” AAG, Chicago.

March 2006: Panelist, “The Emotional Geographies of ‘Doing Ethnography,’” AAG, Chicago.

May 2006: Section leader, Women and Geography Study Group Reading Weekend, Hebden Bridge, England.

May 2005: “Manly Women, Women in the United States Fire Service,” Hegemonic Masculinities and International Politics Conference, sponsored by International Studies Association (ISA), University of Manchester, United Kingdom.

March 2004: “Not Just Another Pretty Face, Women in the United States Fire Service” (with K. Kerr, San Francisco Fire Department), AAG, Philadelphia.

March 2004: Panelist, “Beyond Ethnography,” AAG, Philadelphia.

March 2004: Panelist, Author Meets Critics: Carolyn Gallaher’s *On the Fault Line, Race, Class and the American Patriot Movement*, AAG, Philadelphia.

March 2003: “Our Towering Heroes: War, Gender and the Moral Landscape of New York City Post 9/11,” AAG, New Orleans.

May 2002: “Towering Heroes: The Masculinization of New York City Post 9/11,” Rights to the City Conference, sponsored by the International Geographical Union Commissions on Political Geography and Public Policy, Rome.

March 2002: “Solidarity Tourism: Political Activism, Gender and Tourism in Cuba,” AAG, Los Angeles.

March 2002: Panelist, “Teaching Qualitative Methods,” AAG, Los Angeles.

March 2002: Panelist, “Emotion and Human Geography,” AAG, Los Angeles.

February 2001: “In Search of Che: Political Tourism in Cuba,” AAG, New York.

April 2000: Panelist, “Teaching Political Geography in a Politically Unstable World,” AAG, Pittsburgh.

April 2000: “Terror Tourism: The Marketing of War in Belfast Northern Ireland,” AAG, Pittsburgh.

May 1999: “Terror Tours: The West Belfast Landscape and Political Tourism,” Gendered Landscapes Conference, Penn State, University Park.

July 1998: “‘And They think I’m Just a Nice Old Lady,’ Women and War in Belfast Northern Ireland.” 48th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association (ICA), Jerusalem, Israel.

March 1998: “Till Death Due Us Part: Deconstructing the Private Spaces of the Irish Hunger Strike,” AAG, Boston.

March 1998: Panelist, “The Dissertation and Beyond: Strategies for Finishing the Ph.D. and Becoming Job-Marketable,” AAG, Boston.

April 1997: “Theater of Troubles: Cultural Production and the Gaze over Northern Ireland,” AAG, Fort Worth.

April 1997: Panelist, “Normative Terrain’s in Geography,” AAG, Fort Worth.

November 1996: “Legitimate Targets, the Masculine Gaze over Irish West Belfast, Northern Ireland,” Association of American Anthropologists (ASA), San Francisco.

April 1996: Panelist, “Developing Active Learning Modules on the Human Dimension of Global Change I,” Commission on College Geography II, AAG, Charlotte.

April 1996: “Fieldwork on the Front Lines: An Examination of Ethnographic Research in a War Zone,” AAG, Charlotte.

March 1995: “Women and War: The Reconstruction of Identity in Belfast, Northern Ireland,” AAG, Chicago.

April 1994: “The Landscape as a Local Discourse of Terrorism, A Case Study of Belfast, Northern Ireland,” AAG, San Francisco.

**AWARDS AND GRANTS**

2019: Jan Monk Service Award, The Feminist Geography Specialty Group The American Association of Geographers

2018: American Association of Geographers’ Susan Hardwick Excellence in Mentoring Award

2016: Mentoring Award, College of Earth and Mineral Science, Penn State.

2011: National Science Foundation (NSF), GRFP, $1,000 grant to Ph.D. student Jenna Christian with L. Dowler as Principal Investigator (PI).

2010: Penn State Institutes of Energy and the Environment, $14,905 grant “Transformative Education for Sustainability” to Ph.D. student Greg Lankenau with L. Dowler as PI.

2009: NSF, DDRI, $11,847 grant “Learning in Place(s): Embodying and Situating Knowledge through Field-Based Education” to Ph.D. student Nicole Laliberté with L. Dowler as PI.

2009: The Society of Woman Geographers, $5,000 grant “The Myth of Stability: Peace, Violence and Gender in Post-War Uganda” to Ph.D. student Nicole Laliberté with L. Dowler as PI.

2008: Visiting Fellow, $20,000 grant, The Institute for Humanities Research, Arizona State University.

2003: Mentoring Award, College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, Penn State.

2001: Wilson Teaching Award, College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, Penn State.

1997: All University Dissertation Award, Syracuse University.

1997: Graduate Marshall, Syracuse University, representing the graduate students at the May commencement.

1996: First Prize, Student Paper Competition, sponsored by GPOW (Geographic Perspectives On Women Specialty Group), Association of American Geographers.

1996: Outstanding Teaching Award, Syracuse University, for outstanding teaching by a graduate student.

1996: Dissertation Recognition Award in Women’s Studies, Women’s Studies Program, Syracuse University.

1994: Maxwell Teaching Fellow, Syracuse University.

1993: Cressey-James Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Geography, Syracuse University.

1993: David Sopher Memorial Fellowship for Cultural Geography, Department of Geography, Syracuse University.

**OTHER CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

April 2017: Discussant, Session on *Countertopographies of Undergraduate Research,* AAG, Boston.

May 2016: Discussant, Session on *Art and Geography (2): Disruptive Practices: Occupying Difficult Spaces,* 48th Conference of Irish Geographers (CIG), University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland.

#### March 2016: Discussant, Session on Childist Landscapes: Geographies of Child Abuse and Neglect, and the Maltreatment of Young People, AAG, San Francisco.

February 2012: Discussant, Session on *Feminist Geopolitics*, AAG, New York City.

February 2012: Discussant, Session on *Capital Cities*, AAG, New York City.

January 2009: Discussant, Session on *Destination War: Political Tourism in Post War Germany, the Israeli-Occupied Territories, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam*, Association of American Historians, New York City.

2002: Co-organizer with D. Wastl-Walter (University of Bern) and L. Staeheli (University of Colorado), Rights to the City Conference, sponsored by the International Geographical Union (IGU) Commissions on Political Geography and Public Policy, Rome.

March 2000: Discussant, Session on *Frontiers in Qualitative Research in Geography II,* AAG, Pittsburgh.

March 2000: Judge, Student Paper Competition, Cultural Geography Specialty Group, AAG, Pittsburgh.

May 1999: Co-organizer with J. Carubia (Dept of English) and B. Szczygiel (Dept of Landscape Architecture), Gendered Landscapes Conference, sponsored by Penn State, University Park.

**MAJOR SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ROLES**

Penn State

2021-Present: Associate Head for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (AHDEI), appointed by head of Department of Geography

2017-Present: Associate Head for Undergraduate Programs (AHUG), appointed by head of Department of Geography.

2016-2017: Member, Committee on the Status of EMS Women, College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, appointed by dean.

2008-2009; 2011-2013; 2015-2017: Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Department of Geography, elected by department faculty.

2011-2017: Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Department of Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies, elected by department faculty

Undergraduate Officer, Department of Geography, Penn State, 2008-2012.

2004-2007: Program Head/Department Head, Program/Department of Women’s Studies, Penn State, appointed by dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Professional

2017-2020: National Councilor, American Association of Geographers, elected by AAG membership.

2014-Present: Member, Editorial Board, *Geopolitics*.

2010-Present: Member, Editorial Board, *Geography Compass* (Political Geography Section).

2018: Member, Selection Committee for National Book Award, The Geographical Society of Ireland.

2003-2009: Advisor to Women in the Fire Service (WFS), Madison, Wisconsin (WFS is a non-profit organization focused on the recruitment and retention of women in the fire service), appointed by WFS.

2000-2003: Advisor to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission interagency task force, which monitors and develops strategies to combat hate activity in Pennsylvania, appointed by commission.