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EDUCATION

- 2016 **PhD, Rural Sociology**, University of Missouri
Minor: International Development · Certificate: Public Health
Dissertation: Sowing and Reaping: A Socio-Cultural Investigation of Farmers' Adoption of Improved Management Practices in South Wollo, Ethiopia
Committee: Dr. J. Sanford Rikoon (chair), Dr. William Meyers, Dr. Jere Gilles, Dr. Hua Qin
- 2011 **MA, Anthropology**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Specialization: Environmental Studies
Thesis: A Survey of Agricultural Productivity and Nutritional Status in Rural Ethiopia
<http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1015&context=anthrotheses>
Committee: Dr. Mary S. Willis (chair), Dr. Shimelis Beyene, Dr. Martha Mamo, Dr. Raymond Hames, Dr. Charles Francis
- 2009 **Honors BSc, Biology**, Northwest Missouri State University (NWMSU)
Minor: Biochemistry
Northwest Missouri State University
- 2009 **Honors BSc, Sociology**, Northwest Missouri State University
Northwest Missouri State University

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2016 Ronald Wimberley Graduate Student Paper Award, Rural Sociology Society
- 2016 Rollins Society, University of Missouri

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social change; social movements; environmental sociology; sustainable development; community and household resilience; climate change mitigation and adaptation; use of agricultural technology and improved crop management practices; extension and farmer relations; on-farm decision making; international and domestic food security; long term impacts of chronic food security on household well-being;

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT AND ACTIVITIES

Current

2016-present **Assistant Professor**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Mississippi

Past

2015-2016 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Deaton Institute for University Leadership in International Development, University of Missouri

2014-2016 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Center for the Collaboration and Development of Educational Innovations, University of Missouri

2011-2016 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Interdisciplinary Center for Food Security, University of Missouri

2012-2014 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of Rural Sociology, University of Missouri-Columbia

2011 **Independent Consultant**, SmartRevenue, Inc., Scotts® and FedEx®

2010 **Laboratory Instructor**, Department of Anthropology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2010 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of Anthropology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Courses

Social Change (SOC 351), University of Mississippi

Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101), University of Mississippi

Social Change and Trends (RS7335/4335), University of Missouri-Columbia

Population and Environment (RS1120/SOC1120/PEAST1120), University of Missouri-Columbia

Introduction to Physical Anthropology (ANTH242), University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH212), University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Zoology Laboratory (04-115), Northwest Missouri State University

Arts and Sciences Freshman Seminar (71-101), Northwest Missouri State University

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed

2016 Kaiser, Michelle and Anne Cafer. "Exploring Long-Term Food Pantry Use: Differences between Persistent and Prolonged Typologies of Use." **Journal of Hunger and Environmental Nutrition**, Accepted February 2016

2015 Cafer, Anne and Michelle Kaiser. "An Analysis of Difference in Predictors of Food Affordability between Rural and Urban Counties." **Journal of Poverty**, 20(1): 34-55.
[DOI:10.1080/10875549.2015.1094760](https://doi.org/10.1080/10875549.2015.1094760)

- 2015 Cafer, Anne, Mary Willis, Shimelis Beyene, Martha Mamo. "Growing Healthy Families: A Survey of Household Production, Food Security, and Well-Being in South Wollo, Ethiopia." *Culture, Agriculture, Food, and Environment* 37(2): 63-73. [DOI:10.1111/cuag.12053](https://doi.org/10.1111/cuag.12053)
- 2014 Cafer, Anne, Kara Riggs, Fridah Mubichi, and Leah Sandler. "A Socio-Cultural Perspective on Agricultural Development within a Sub-Saharan African Context: Paradigm Shifts and Interdisciplinary Engagement." *Agrarian Frontiers: A Rural Studies Review* 2(1):35-47. <https://mospace.umsystem.edu/xmlui/bitstream/handle/10355/43715/AgrarianFrontiersVol2No1.pdf?sequence=1>
- 2013 Cafer, Anne. "Water Poverty? A Political Ecology Approach to the Study of Irrigation in Ethiopia." *Agrarian Frontiers: A Rural Studies Review* 1(1): 88-106. <https://mospace.umsystem.edu/xmlui/bitstream/handle/10355/35700/AgrarianFrontiersV1No1.pdf?sequence=1>
- 2011 Cafer, Anne. "Initiatives in Context: Agricultural Productivity, Water, and the Paradox of Ethiopia." *Nebraska Anthropologist* 1:46-63.
- 2010 Cafer, Anne. "Mitochondrial and Y-Chromosomal DNA in the Analysis of Kinship: Methods, Current Practices, and Areas of Further Inquiry." *Nebraska Anthropologist* 1:25-41. <http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/nebanthro/52/>

Technical Reports, Manuals, and Curricula

- 2016 Cafer, Anne, Darren Chapman, Kathlee Freeman and Sandy Rikoon. "2016 Missouri Hunger Atlas," Columbia, Missouri: Interdisciplinary Center for Food Security.
- 2015 Cafer, Anne and Ben Weikert. "Missouri Grown Small Scale Horticultural Production"—University of Missouri Horticultural Specialist Field Curriculum. Columbia, Missouri: Center for the Collaboration and Development of Educational Innovations
- 2013 Cafer, Anne, Matt Foulkes, Colleen Heflin, Joan Hermsen, Nikki Raedeke, and Sandy Rikoon. "Coping with Hunger in 2013: Food Pantry Clients and Households in the Service Region of the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri: Results of the 2013 Survey." Columbia, Missouri: Interdisciplinary Center for Food Security, University of Missouri. http://foodsecurity.missouri.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/Coping-with-Hunger_Dec-2013.pdf
- 2013 Cafer, Anne, Jordan Dawdy, Matt Foulkes, Colleen Heflin, Joan Hermsen, Michelle Kaiser, Jill Lucht, Nikki Raedeke, Sandy Rikoon, and Jessica Scott. "2013 Missouri Hunger Atlas." Columbia, Missouri: Interdisciplinary Center for Food Security, University of Missouri. <http://foodsecurity.missouri.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Missouri-Hunger-Atlas-2013-Full-Report.pdf>

Book Reviews

- 2014 Cafer, Anne. *Food and Society: Principles and Paradoxes*, by Amy E. Guptill, Denise A Copelton, and Betsy Lucal, Malden, MA: Polity Press, 2013. *Rural Sociology* 79(3): 414-416. DOI: 10.1111/ruso.12048_2

Under Review/ In Preparation

- Under Review Cafer, Anne, Hua Qin. *Sustainable Intensification and the 2013 Montpellier Panel: An Analysis of Rhetoric in Practice*. **Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development**
- Under Review Cafer, Anne. *Land Fragmentation, Compulsory Agricultural Modernization, and a Changing Rural Identity: A Case of Subsistence Farmers in the Ethiopian Highlands*, **Journal of Rural Social Sciences**
- In preparation Cafer, Anne. Tef, Khat, and the Smallholder Dilemma: A Mixed-Methods Analysis of Innovation Adoption in the Ethiopian Highlands, **Agriculture and Human Values**
- In preparation Cafer, Anne. Khat: Adaptive Community Resilience Strategy or Short-Sighted Money Maker, **International Journal of Agricultural Sustainability**
- In preparation Meador, Elliot, Anne Cafer, and Darren Chapman. *Healthful or Harmful? Impacts of Market-Based and Education-Based Approaches to Food Insecurity on Self-Rated Health*, **Food Policy**
- In preparation Cafer, Anne, "Healthy Yards for Clean Streams"—University of Missouri Forestry Extension Field Curriculum. Columbia, Missouri: Center for the Collaboration and Development of Educational Innovations

GRANTS AND AWARDS

TOTAL DOLLARS: \$83,126

- \$2500 Private Donor, CAFNR International Programs, Mizzou Advantage, CAFNR Division of Applied Social Sciences, for Interdisciplinary Engagement and Student Collaboration: Washington, DC. (2016)
- \$3,500 International Comparative Rural Policy Studies Institute, University of Missouri-Columbia, for travel and lodging to attend 2015 summer institute, Dublin, Ireland. (2015)
- \$3,200 Mizzou Advantage: Food for the Future funding, University of Missouri-Columbia, for travel to "From the Ground Up: Translational Research Pathways to Improve Lives of Smallholder Farmers" Symposium (University of Missouri and Center for Strategic International Studies), November 13, Washington D.C. (2014)
- \$1,100 Mizzou Advantage: Graduate Student Travel Award and Division of Applied Social Sciences, University of Missouri-Columbia, for poster and paper presentations at 2014 Rural Sociological Society Annual meeting, New Orleans, LA. (2014)
- \$2,500 College of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources (CAFNR) International Programs, CAFNR Division of Applied Social Sciences, and University of Missouri College of Engineering University of Missouri-Columbia, grant for visiting scholar and interdisciplinary engagement workshop for graduate students and faculty. (2014)

\$14,180 U.S. Borlaug Fellows in Global Food Security Program Graduate Research Fellowship Grant Program funded via United States Agency for International Development (**USAID**), Purdue University and International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT) *for* dissertation project entitled: *'Sowing and Reaping: A Socio-Cultural Investigation of Farmers' Adoption of Improved Management Practices in South Wollo, Ethiopia'*
<http://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/releases/2014/Q2/purdue-center-for-global-food-security-awards-31-research-grants-on-us-student-projects.html> (2014)

\$700 CAFNR International Programs Travel/Conference Grant, University of Missouri-Columbia *for* participation in the 2013 "World Food Prize" Event and Borlaug Dialogue in Des Moines, IA (2013)

\$600 CAFNR Division of Applied Social Sciences Graduate Travel Grant and Graduate Student Association Travel Grant, University of Missouri-Columbia *for* paper presentation at the 75th Annual Rural Sociological Society Conference entitled: *Food Affordability and Spatial Inequality: Addressing the Hunger Gap in Rural Missouri* (2013)

\$110 Food Research and Action Center Travel Scholarship *for* attendance at the 2012 National Anti-Hunger Policy Conference, Washington D.C (2012)

\$40,000 G. Ellsworth Huggins Fellowship, University of Missouri-Columbia, MO (2011-2016)

\$1,200 Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources Travel Grant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE *for* poster presentation at the American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, and Soil Science Society of America International Conference entitled: *Healthy Crops, Healthy Families: The Importance of Water in South Wollo, Ethiopia.*(2011)

\$600 Champe/Weakly Travel Grant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE *for* presentation at Annual Society for Applied Anthropology meeting entitled: *Unearthing Agricultural Factors, Health Indicators, and Development Concerns in South Wollo, Ethiopia* (2011)

\$2,000 Champe/Weakly Research Grant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE *for* MA thesis research project entitled: *The Role of Agricultural Productivity on Nutritional Status* (2010)

\$5,636 Edgren Graduate Tuition Fellowship, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE (2009)

\$4,000 Graduate Tuition Award Flavia Waters and John L. Champe Memorial Fund, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE (2009)

\$500 Irene Mueller Biology Award, Northwest Missouri State University, MO *for* outstanding performance in Biology (2009)

\$800 Gayle Miller Bilden Memorial Award for Physics & Chemistry, Northwest Missouri State University, MO *for* outstanding performance in Chemistry and Physics (2007)

Pending

\$4,998,523 POWER-UP Mississippi: Preventing Obesity with Education, Research, and United Partners. USDA-NIFA, Childhood Obesity Prevention Challenge. PI-Kathy Knight, Role: Evaluator.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Paper

- 2016 Cafer, A. *Problematic Policy: Land Fragmentation and Its Role in Undermining Adoption of Agricultural Innovations in South Wollo, Ethiopia*. XIV World Congress of Rural Sociology, Toronto, Canada.
- 2016 Cafer, A. *Khat: Adaptive Community Resilience Strategy or Short-Sighted Money Maker?* Rural Sociology Society, Toronto, Canada
- 2016 Cafer, A. *Tef, Khat, and the Smallholder Dilemma: A Mixed-Methods Analysis of Innovation Adoption in the Ethiopian Highlands*. Rural Sociology Society, Toronto, Canada.
- 2016 Cafer A., Riggs, K. and Mubichi, F. *Wicked Problems: Training Interdisciplinary Scholars to Solve Modern Challenges*. Association of International Agriculture and Rural Development, Washington D.C.
- 2015 Cafer, A. *Sustainable Intensification and Community in Sub-Saharan Africa*. Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI
- 2015 Cafer, A. *Land Fragmentation, Compulsory Agricultural Modernization, and a Changing Rural Identity: A Case of Subsistence Farmers in the Highlands of Ethiopia*. Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI.
- 2014 Mubichi, F, K Riggs, L Sandler, and A Cafer. *A Socio-Cultural Perspective on Agricultural Development within a Sub-Saharan African Context: Paradigm Shifts and Interdisciplinary Engagement*. Rural Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA.
- 2014 Kaiser, M and A Cafer. *Contributors to Frequent Pantry Use: A Survey of Missouri Food Pantry Clientele*. Rural Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA.
- 2014 Cafer, A, E Bent, and J Thomas. *Filling the Professional Development Gap: A Look at Institutional and Grassroots Responses to Graduate Student Needs*. Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, NE.
- 2012 Cafer, A, and M Kaiser. *Food Affordability and Spatial Inequality: Addressing the Hunger Gap in Rural Missouri*. Rural Sociological Society, Chicago, IL.
- 2012 Cafer, A. *Doing More with Less: A View of Female Directed Production from Livestock to Childrearing in South Wollo, Ethiopia*. University of Missouri Cross-Disciplinary Project, Columbia, MO.

- 2011 Cafer, A. *Water Poverty: A Look at Water Sources, Shortage, and Usage in South Wollo, Ethiopia*. Water for Food Conference, Lincoln, NE.
- 2011 Cafer, A. *Tradition and Innovation in Rural Ethiopian Farming Communities: A Survey of Health and Farming in South Wollo*. Nebraska Academy of Sciences, Lincoln, NE
- 2011 Cafer, A. *Unearthing Agricultural Factors, Health Indicators, and Development Concerns in South Wollo, Ethiopia*. Society for Applied Anthropology, Seattle, WA.
- 2010 Cafer, A. *Use of Mitochondrial DNA and the Y-chromosome in Kinship Analysis*. 6th Annual AnthroGroup Conference, Lincoln, NE.

Panel

- 2016 Smith, J., A. Cafer, H. Bombiella, and M. Sanchez Gonzaez. *Critical Views of International Development Models: Students' Perspectives*, moderated by J. Green and C. Flora. Rural Sociology Society, Toronto, CA.
- 2016 Koch, M., A. Cobb, K. Kafle, K. Wilson, C. Habiyaremye, A. Cafer, S. Raines. *Applied Research and Interdisciplinary Engagement in Hunger Mitigation*, moderated by K. Riggs. 11th Annual Universities Fighting World Hunger Summit, Columbia, MO.
- 2010 Kumsa, A., R. Namara, C. Wortmann, K. Tesfaye, M. Mamo, S. Beyene, A. Cafer, Y. W/Hawariat, R. Yoder. *Pathways to Greater Food Production: Lessons from Ethiopia*, moderated by R. Hames. Water for Food International Conference, Lincoln, NE.

Posters

- 2015 Meador, JE, A Cafer, D Chapman. *Healthful or Harmful? A look at the Impacts of Food and Nutrition Program Use on Self-Rated Health among Missouri Pantry Clients*. Rural Sociology Society, Madison, WI **(Received 1st place in poster competition)**
- 2015 Riggs, K, A Cafer, and R Sharp. *Root Resilience: A Hidden Opportunity for Water and Food Security*. Association of International Agriculture and Rural Development, Washington, D.C.
- 2014 Cafer, A, and E Bent. *Filling the Professional Development Gap: A Look at Institutional and Grassroots Responses to Graduate Student Needs*. Rural Sociology Society, New Orleans, LA. **(Received 2nd place in poster competition)**
- 2013 Rathert, G and A Cafer. *Connecting Food Security and Health in Mid-Missouri*. Missouri Public Health Association, Columbia, MO.
- 2012 Cafer, A, M Willis, Y Wolde-Hawariate, S Beyene, M Mamo. *Gendered Production: A Holistic View of Food Security, Water, and Resource Access in Female-Headed Households in Rural Ethiopia*. Water for Food Conference, Lincoln, NE.
- 2011 Cafer, A, M Willis, Y Wolde-Hawariate, A Negwo, S Beyene, M Mamo. *Healthy Crops, Healthy Families: The Importance of Water in South Wollo, Ethiopia*. American Society of Agronomy,

Crop Science Society of America, and Soil Science Society of America International Conference, San Antonio, TX. **(Received 3rd place in global agronomy poster competition)**

2011 Cafer, A. *Irrigation and Nutrition: The Importance of Water in South Wollo, Ethiopia*. Water for Food Conference, Lincoln, NE.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

State/National/International

- 2016-present **Member**, Training and Educating the Next Generation to Compete working group, Association for International Agriculture and Rural Development (AIARD)
- 2016-present **Member**, Supply Chains, Distribution, Loss and Waste working group, for "[The Challenge of Change: Engaging Public Universities to Feed the World](#)", Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU)
- 2016 **Missouri State Coordinator**, Missouri Youth Institute, University of Missouri and Global Youth Institute/World Food Prize Foundation
- 2016 **Moderator**, Gender, Class, and Development, International Development Research Interest Group Session, Rural Sociology Society, Toronto.
- 2015-2016 **Student Engagement and Program Coordinator**, 11th Annual UFWH Summit, Universities Fighting World Hunger
- 2015 **Member**, Steering Committee, Missouri Youth Institute, University of Missouri and Global Youth Institute/World Food Prize Foundation
- 2015 **Guest Instructor**, United States Department of Agriculture-Cochran Fellowship Program: Poultry Feed Formulation and Tef, Ghana
- 2015 **Assistant Chair**, Teaching and Curriculum Research Interest Group, Rural Sociology Society
- 2014, 2015 **International Ambassador and Events Coordinator**, United States Department of Agriculture: Foreign Agricultural Service and CAFNR International Programs, University of Missouri

University

- 2014-2016 **Advisory Board Member**, African Interdisciplinary Studies Hub (AISH), University of Missouri
- 2014 **Workshop/Lecture Coordinator**, Division of Applied Social Sciences, University of Missouri
- 2013-2015 **Program Co-developer**, Division of Applied Social Sciences, University of Missouri
RSGSA/DASS Graduate Student Professional Development Series · Implemented 2013-2014
DASS/CAFNR Interdisciplinary Student Group · Implemented 2014-2015

Invited Speaker

- 2016 Cafer, A. *Khat and Community Resilience*. Division of Applied Social Sciences, Lunch and Learn Seminar Series, University of Missouri.
- 2015 Cafer, A. *International Agriculture and the Applied Social Sciences*. International Association of Students in Agriculture and Related Sciences Meeting, University of Missouri
- 2015 Cafer, A. *Tef, Poverty, and a Way Out*. From Poverty to Promise Conference, Deaton Institute for University Leadership in International Development, University of Missouri
- 2014 Cafer, A, G. Glass, E. Bent, B. Miranda. *Searching and Applying for Dissertation Funding*. Lunch and Learn Seminar, Division of Applied Social Sciences, University of Missouri.
- 2014 Cafer, A. *Developing Positive Community Dynamics: What Works!*—Invited speaker for Laws Hall Community Programming Event, University of Missouri, Department of Residential Life
- 2013 Riggs, K., L Sandler, A Cafer, and MF Mubichi. *The World Food Prize and the 2013 Borlaug Dialogue* Invited speaker, Plant Talks, University of Missouri-Columbia, Division of Plant Sciences

Department

- 2013-2016 **Website Developer**, Rural Sociology Graduate Student Association, University of Missouri
<http://mizzou.orgsync.com/org/ruralsociologygrad>
- 2013 **Journal Founder**, Dept. Rural Sociology, University of Missouri-Columbia
- 2013-2014 **Graduate Program Evaluation**, Dept. of Rural Sociology, University of Missouri
- Invited Speaker**
- 2015 Cafer, A. *Food Insecurity in the Land of Plenty: Exploring food Access and Affordability in the US*. RS1000: Rural Sociology, University of Missouri, Department of Rural Sociology
- 2010 Cafer, Anne. *Applied Anthropology and Nutrition—Working in Rural Ethiopia* Invited speaker for ANTH 474/874: Applied and Development Anthropology, UNL, Department of Anthropology

Editorial

- 2012-2015 **Editor**: *Agrarian Frontiers: A Rural Studies Review*, Rural Sociology Graduate Student Association, University of Missouri
- 2011 **Assistant Editor**: *Nebraska Anthropologist*, AnthroGroup, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 2014-present **Ad hoc reviewer**: *Agriculture and Human Values* · *Agricultura Tropic et Subtropica*

Community

- Invited Speaker**
- 2015 Cafer, Anne. *Paradox in Paradise: Working with the Ethiopian Smallholder*. Presentation to the Columbia Kiwanis Club, Columbia MO
- 2014 Cafer, Anne. *Making a Difference in Africa*. CAFNR retired faculty luncheon, College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, University of Missouri.
- 2009-2010 **Mentor**, NorthStar High School, Lincoln NE
- 2010 **Workshop Facilitator**, YWCA Youth Leadership Academy, Lincoln NE

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT

Associations

Association of International Agriculture and Rural Development (AIARD)

Rural Sociology Society (RSS)

2015 Assistant Chair, Teaching and Curriculum Research Interest Group

Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA)

American Anthropological Association (AAA)

Culture, Agriculture, Food and Environment, subsection of AAA

National Association for the Practice of Anthropology, subsection of AAA

Rural Sociology Graduate Student Association (RSGSA) · University of Missouri

2012-2014 Co-President

International Association of Students in Agriculture and Related Sciences (IAAS) · University of Missouri

AnthroGroup · University of Nebraska

2010-2011 Co-President

Professional Development Activities

- 2016 CARE Learning Tour to Zimbabwe, CARE USA Learning Tours
- 2015-2016 Preparing Tomorrow's Leaders for Science (PLNT_S 8001-02), College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, University of Missouri Columbia
- 2015 Project Management Seminar, Monsanto Inc, Columbia, MO
- 2015 International Comparative Rural Policies Studies Certificate, University College Dublin, National University of Ireland Galway, and University of Missouri-Columbia
- 2014-2015 Preparing Future Faculty, Department of Graduate Studies, University of Missouri-Columbia