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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D (2004–present)     **University of Southern California, Los Angeles**  
Department of Geography, Los Angeles CA 90089-0255  
Doctoral Student; Advisors: Ruth Wilson Gilmore and Carolyn Cartier
- B.A. (2001)             **University of Minnesota, Twin Cities**  
College of Liberal Arts, Minneapolis MN 55455  
Individually Designed Interdepartmental Major: “Theories of Space, Gender and Politics,” *summa cum laude*; Thesis: “Consuming Politics: Place, Coffee Shops and Gender;” Committee: Bruce Braun, Lisa Disch and Katherine Solomonson

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Free/Open-Source Software  
Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) and the State  
Politics of Consumption  
Critical Gender Theory  
Racialization  
Cyborgs  
The Politics of Academic Publishing and Intellectual Property

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2000 – 2004             **University of California, San Diego; University Libraries**  
Biomedical and Medical Center Libraries, San Diego, CA 92103-8828  
Worked as Night and Weekend Manager and Computer Resource Specialist. Provided reference services for medical professionals, students, patients and general public. Maintained library computers, websites and networks. Provided instruction for staff and patrons on use of databases, software and hardware.

## APPOINTMENTS

- Spring 2006             **Teaching Assistant**  
University of Southern California, Department of Geography, Professor Ruth Wilson Gilmore, GE Course Geography 100 – Los Angeles and the American Dream  
Guest Lecture: “Mechanical Ecologies: Cyborg Urbanization and the Los Angeles River”

- Fall 2005                    **Teaching Assistant**  
University of Southern California, Department of Geography, Professor Laura Pulido,  
GE Course Geography 100 – Los Angeles and the American Dream  
Guest Lecture: “Cyborg Urbanization: Water and the Environment”
- Spring 2005                **Teaching Assistant**  
University of Southern California, Department of Geography, Professor Ruth Wilson  
Gilmore, GE Course Geography 100 – Los Angeles and the American Dream
- Fall 2004                    **Teaching Assistant**  
University of Southern California, Department of Geography, Professor Jennifer Wolch,  
GE Course Geography 100 – Los Angeles and the American Dream

#### **SELECTED GRADUATE COURSE WORK**

- Spring 2006                COMM 345 – Social and Economic Implications of Communication Technologies  
Fall 2005                    AMST 660 – Interdisciplinary Research Seminar in Race and Ethnicity  
Spring 2005                PLUS 609 – Advanced Research Methods in Planning: Qualitative Methods  
Spring 2005                GEOG 603 – Postmodern Urbanism  
Fall 2004                    GEOG 601 – Sustainable Cities

#### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

- Spring 2006                **President, Geography Graduate Society**  
Implemented a wiki – entitled “The Hitchhiker's Guide to USC Geography” – for our  
Geography Graduate Society to facilitate information sharing between different  
generations of graduate students in the department.
- Spring 2006                **Senator, Graduate and Professional Student Senate**  
Fall 2005                    **Vice President, Geography Graduate Society**

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- 2004–present              American Association of Geographers: Economic Geography Specialty Group,  
Graduate Student Affinity Group, Sexuality and Space Specialty Group