

**CURRICULUM VITAE**  
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**SPECIALTY AREAS**

Urban and political geography, governance, development, socio-legal studies, Africa

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2021 - Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Macalester College  
2021 Community Faculty, Open University Program of Metro State University and the Minnesota Department of Corrections  
2020 - 2021 Adjunct Professor, Department of Geography, University of St. Thomas  
2018 - 2020 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Gustavus Adolphus College

**EDUCATION**

2018 Ph.D., Geography, University of Washington  
*Certificate in Comparative Law and Society Studies*  
2008 M.A., International Human Rights Law, American University in Cairo  
2001 B.A., Philosophy, Grinnell College

**COURSES OFFERED**

Urban and Regional Analysis	300-level seminar
Unearthing the Poor Farm: Local geographies of land, law and livelihood	300-level special topic
Urban Geography	200- and 100-level
Geography of World Urbanization	200-level
Race, Place and Space	200-level
Political Geography	200-level
Geography of Africa	200-level
Political Economy of Africa	200-level
Human Rights in Culture and Practice	200-level
Economic Geography: Placing Community and Environmental Futures	200-level special topic
Lives and Legacies of Infrastructure in the Twin Cities	100-level special topic
Human Geography of Global Issues	100-level
Introduction to Human Geography	100-level
World Geography	100-level

**PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)**

Grobelski, Tiffany, Anna Versluis and Jesse McClelland (In Print) Discovering Geography through Doing Geography: Project-Based Learning in an Introductory Undergraduate World Geography Course, *Journal of Geography*.  
McClelland, Jesse (2020) "Planning for 'Renaissance': Vanguard urbanism in Addis Ababa" In Lisa B. Welch Drummond and Douglas Young (Eds.), *Socialist and Post-Socialist Urbanisms: Critical Reflections from a Global Perspective* Toronto: Toronto University Press, 153-167.

## *Curriculum Vitae of Jesse McClelland, March 2023*

- McClelland, Jesse (2018) “Planners and the Work of Renewal in Addis Ababa: Developmental State, Urbanizing Society,” Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Geography, University of Washington. Committee Members: Steven Herbert (Chair), Ben Gardner, Lucy Jarosz, Victoria Lawson.
- McClelland, Jesse (2017) “Urban expansion leads to friction among regions in Ethiopia” *In* Tau Tavengwa and Léonie Newhouse (Eds.), *The Corridor* (Special Issue of Cityscapes Magazine in association with Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity), 7-8.
- McClelland, Jesse (2016) “Situating the Excessive City: Social and material infrastructures of Addis Ababa” *In* Helawie Sewart (Ed.) *Building Ethiopia II: Innovations and Development* Addis Ababa: Ethiopian Institute of Architecture, Building Construction and City Development (Addis Ababa University/ETH-Zürich), 32-39.
- McClelland, Jesse (2008) “Rescaling the Human Right to Adequate Housing: Criteria and Condominiums in Addis Ababa,” M.A. Thesis, Department of Law, American University in Cairo. Advisor: Alejandro Lorite Escorihuela.

### **EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2014 - 2015 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship (US Department of Education) *Dissertation research, Addis Ababa*
- 2012 FLAS Fellowship (US Department of Education and KU African Studies Center) *Amharic language study, Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa*
- 2011 FLAS Fellowship (US Department of Education and KU African Studies Center) *Amharic language study, Summer Cooperative African Languages Institute, University of Florida*

### **INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS**

- 2019 Interdisciplinary grant for Q & A and screening of *The Registry*, with guests Steve Ozone and Seiki Oshiro (Lyceum Lecture of Gustavus Adolphus College)
- 2013 Distinguished Teaching Award for Teaching Assistants (Department of Geography, University of Washington)
- 2011 Howard Martin Travel Grant (Department of Geography, University of Washington)
- 2010 - 2011 Top Scholar Fellowship (Department of Geography, University of Washington)
- 2009 AUC Graduate Conference Grant (Graduate School, American University in Cairo)
- 2008 AUC Graduate Research Grant (Graduate School, American University in Cairo)
- 2007 AUC Graduate Fellowship (Department of Law, American University in Cairo)

### **CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

#### **PAPERS PRESENTED (SELECTED)**

- 2018 *A social infrastructure of the local state? Building a professional cadre of planners in Ethiopia*, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, New Orleans
- 2016 *Planning “integration” along Ethiopia’s urban/regional interfaces*, Inhabiting the Corridor: the implications of surging resource economies on urban life in East Africa, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen

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- 2015 *Placing interlegality: Landed property and precarity in the regeneration of Addis Ababa*, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Seattle
- 2015 *Social mixity and regulatory hybridity in the regeneration of Addis Ababa*, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Chicago
- 2014 *What should global collaborations in urban research look like?*, Beyond the straw men: Post-colonial urban theory and ‘Western’ urban theory: Perspectives and possibilities, Universiteit Gent
- 2013 *Is it “land to the tiller” or land to the builder? Notes on post-socialist urbanism in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Los Angeles
- 2012 *Can We Finally Condemn Ideal Types of the Slum? Poverty Knowledge, Relational Practices and Informality*, Decolonizing Cascadia? Critical Geographies Mini-Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver
- 2009 *Rescaling the Human Right to Adequate Housing: Criteria and Condominiums in Addis Ababa*, European Conference on African Studies, Leipzig
- 2008 *Accounting for a “Surplus Humanity”: Structural Violence and Displacement in African Cities*, Critical Approaches to Internal Displacement, University of Oxford
- 2008 *New social housing in Addis Ababa: Between development policy and mere rent-seeking*, AUC Annual Research Conference: Problematizing Development, American University in Cairo

**SESSIONS ORGANIZED**

- 2018 From the Inside Out: Uncovering Administrative Legal Geographies, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, New Orleans. Organized with Brandon Derman and Tiffany Grobelski
- 2015 Legal geographies: Power, (post)disciplinarity, and practice: State, difference, social control, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Chicago. Organized with Brandon Derman and Tiffany Grobelski
- 2015 Legal geographies: Power, (post)disciplinarity, and practice: Nature, society, economy, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Chicago. Organized with Brandon Derman and Tiffany Grobelski
- 2013 Post-colonial Urbanisms – African Connections and Innovations I: (Re)ordering the City, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Los Angeles. Organized with Léonie Newhouse
- 2013 Post-colonial Urbanisms – African Connections and Innovations II: Crossings, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Los Angeles. Organized with Léonie Newhouse
- 2013 Post-colonial Urbanisms – African Connections and Innovations III: A Discussion, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Los Angeles. Organized with Léonie Newhouse
- 2011 Concluding Discussion: From Occupy to Where? Mapping the Future for Critical Geography, Cascadia Critical Geographies Mini-Conference, Department of Geography, University of Washington, Seattle. Organized with Amy Piedalue

**SESSION CHAIRING**

- 2018 Session: “Friction,” Power at the Margins: A Scholar-Activist Gathering, Departments of Geography and Sociology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

**CONFERENCE CO-ORGANIZING**

- 2011 Cascadia Critical Geographies Mini-Conference, Department of Geography, University of Washington, Seattle  
2008 AUC Before Community Conference, Department of Anthropology, American University in Cairo, Cairo

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)**

- 2019 *Planning as Cooperation: Southern Views for a Better Praxis Everywhere?*, Invited by Dr. Ryan Allen, Introduction to Planning, Humphrey School of the University of Minnesota (December 9)  
2019 *Three Ways of Situating Harar, Ethiopia*, Invited by Dr. Annika Ericksen, Humans and Animals, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Gustavus Adolphus College (November 5)  
2017 *African Cities in a Global Age: Making space for new concepts of urban change*, Invited by Dr. Bill Lindeke, Global Cities, Department of Geography, Environment and Society, University of Minnesota (March 20)  
2016 *Urbanization in the African region: Knowledge, practice, prospects*, Invited by Dr. Mark Purcell, Introduction to Urbanization, Department of Urban Design and Planning, University of Washington (June 1)  
2015 *Human rights, development and urban space in Ethiopia: Practices and prospects*, Meeting of the Human Rights and Development Sub-Group, European Union Commission in Ethiopia, Addis Ababa (January 22)

**ACADEMIC SERVICE**

- 2022 - Institutional Review Board Committee, Macalester College  
2021 - 2022 Planning Committee, David A. Lanegran Days, Department of Geography, Macalester College  
2021 - Steering Committee, Food, Agriculture and Society Concentration, Macalester College  
2018 - 2020 At-Large Board Member, Legal Geography Specialty Group of the American Association of Geographers  
2018 Faculty Advisor of the Diversity Education Exploration Project (DEEP), Gustavus Adolphus College  
2014 Diversity Committee of the Department of Geography, University of Washington  
2012 - 2013 Graduate Executive Committee, Comparative Law and Society Studies (CLASS) Center, University of Washington  
2010 - 2012 Labor Liaison of the Graduate Student Association, Department of Geography, University of Washington  
2008 Faculty Search Committee, Department of Law, American University in Cairo

**AFFILIATIONS**

- Member, American Association of Geographers, 2010 - Present;  
Specialty Groups on Urban Geography, Legal Geography, Political Geography, Development Geography, Africa, Black Geographies