

**CURRICULUM VITA**  
**GERALDINE TIERNEY**

**EDUCATION:**

- Ph.D. Applied Anthropology, University of South Florida,  
Tampa, Florida. May 1991.  
(Dissertation: Spoiled Goods: Profiles of Skid Row Women/Fieldwork: Participant Observation-  
in Anchorage, Alaska.)
- M.A. Criminal Justice, State University of New York at Albany.  
December 1982
- B.A. Anthropology (Magna cum laude, departmental honors),  
University of Alaska Anchorage. May 1981

**HONORS and AWARDS:**

Herbert H. Lehman Graduate Fellow  
Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi  
Honor Society of Pi Gamma Mu (International Honor Society)  
Honor Society of Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology)  
Nominated for Kemper Teaching Excellence award 1995 and 2004  
Fellow-The Society for Applied Anthropology (1996)  
Faculty Research Grant (2008)

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

TEACHING

International Teaching Experience: Vienna, Austria 1998; Asahikawa, Japan 1999; Bangkok, Thailand  
1999 and 2001; London, UK 2006

2006-present Webster University, professor  
1998-2006 Webster University, associate professor  
1992-1998 Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri. Full-time  
Assistant professor in the Behavioral and  
Social Sciences Department.  
1988-1991 University of Alaska Anchorage, part-time in  
the Anthropology and Sociology Departments.

**RESEARCH:**

**Alaska. \*International Research: Japan, Thailand, Denmark and The Netherlands.**

2008 Circumpolar Peoples: National Museum of Ethnology, Leiden, The Netherlands.  
2008 Circumpolar & Japanese Peoples: National Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark.  
2005 Participant Observation research on Skid Row, Anchorage, Alaska.  
2004 Participant Observation Research on Skid Row, Anchorage, Alaska.  
2004 Research on Japan: Life History; Family Studies-Hokkaido..  
1999 Research on the attitudes of Japanese Students at Asahikawa University, Japan.  
1999 Research on the attitudes of students at the Webster campus in Thailand.  
1999 Collected life history of a farmwoman: Araguchi Kachino in Asahikawa, Japan.  
1997 Collected life histories of Sisters of Loretto for the Loretto archives. St. Louis, MO.  
1997 Field Research at the Catholic Worker Homeless Shelter in Denver, Colorado.  
1996 Updated the research done in 1988. Fieldwork included  
participant observation on skid row in Anchorage, Alaska.  
Updated life-history material on a skid row woman.  
1994 Updated the research done on Skid Row in Anchorage, Alaska 1988.  
Interviewed respondents from the original survey. Collaborated with  
statistician regarding analysis of quantitative data.  
1992 Collected life histories of Alaska Natives. Collected data on Alaska Native  
subsistence practices.

- 1989-1990      CONTRACT WORK, University of Alaska Anchorage.  
Conducted a sociological study on the homeless  
in Anchorage (with a focus on alcoholism). Developed a questionnaire, inter-  
viewed respondents, coded and analyzed data.
- 1988-1989      AIDS PREVENTION COORDINATOR, Alaska Native Health  
Board, Anchorage, Alaska. Developed a questionnaire  
to ascertain the knowledge, attitudes and behaviors (KAB Study for the  
Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia)  
related to AIDS among a sample of Alaska Natives.  
Conducted surveys in the Copper River, Yukon-  
Kuskokwim and NANA regions.  
Trained health aides to administer survey instruments in their  
villages. Conducted workshops for village health  
aides, and made community presentations on AIDS  
prevention. Attended workshops at the Centers for Disease  
Control (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia.  
Position included supervisory and planning tasks.
- 1988             Dissertation research on the homeless in Anchorage,  
Alaska. Six month field work project utilizing Symbolic  
Interactionism and Participant Observation, as well as  
interviewing and administration of a survey instrument.

**COURSES TAUGHT:**

- \*Introduction to Anthropology (Alaska)
- Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- Introduction to Sociology
- \*Alaska Natives (Alaska)
- Cross-cultural Perspectives of Women
- Culture & Communication
- \*Deviance (Alaska)
- Social and Political Perspectives in Gerontology (Graduate Course)
- \*The Rise of Civilization (Alaska)
- Sex and Gender Roles
- Understanding the Other Through Ethnographic Film (Margaret Mead Film Festival)
- Applied Anthropology
- Cross-cultural Perspectives on Aging
- Homelessness in the United States
- Freshman Seminar-True Grit: Profiles of Bravery
- Images of Women
- Women's Voices
- \*Culture & Communication in the United States (Japan)
- \*Minority Groups in the United States (Japan)
- \*English Conversation (Japan)
- \*Cross-cultural Management (team taught-Thailand)
- \*Media & Culture (Thailand)
- Women in the Criminal Justice System
- \*Kinship & Family (Thailand)
- \*Family: Diverse Images (UK)
- Intentional Interviewing
- Understanding the Other through Film
- Women Who Kill
- Understanding Gender Differences Through Film
- Senior Seminar: Mind, Self & Society
- Deviant Behavior
- Culture and Disease

Peoples and Cultures: Japan  
Food, Environment & Culture  
Freshman Seminar: Cops & Robbers: Media Fascination with Police (2008)  
Senior Seminar: Media Images of the Police (2008)  
\*taught outside Webster University

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

#### **Reviews/Edits:**

Culture Counts: A Concise Introduction to Cultural Anthropology. By Serena Nanda and Richard L. Warms, Thomson/Wadsworth. November 2007. (Second edit)

Serial Murderers and their Victims. By Eric W. Hickey, Thomson/Wadsworth. September 2007.

Culture Counts: A Concise Introduction to Cultural Anthropology. By Serena Nanda and Richard L. Warms. Thomson/Wadsworth. Spring 2007.

Cultural Anthropology: A Perspective on the Human Condition, 7<sup>th</sup> edition. Oxford University Press. Spring 2007.

Cultural Anthropology (Eighth Edition). By Serena Nanda and Richard L. Warms. Belmont, California: Thomson/Wadsworth. Fall 2004.

Indigenous Self-Governance and Alcohol Control in the North American Arctic. National Science Foundation (NSF) grant research proposal: Fall 2001.

#### **Conferences:**

**\*International Conferences: Japan 1999 & 2001; Australia 1999; Cuba 2003; Britain 2005, Canada 2003 & 2006; France 2007, The Netherlands 2008.**

International Conference on the Inclusive Museum. National Museum of Ethnology, Leiden, The Netherlands. June 8-12, 2008.

The Fifth International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities. Discourses Veiled and Unveiled: The Public Intellectual and Islam in New Directions for the Humanities. American University, Paris, France. July 18-21, 2007.

56<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Building Just, Diverse and Democratic Communities. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. August 10-12, 2006.

66<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology. World on the Edge. Vancouver, BC. March 28-April 2, 2006.

The Third International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities. The Humanities in a 'Knowledge Society.' University of Cambridge, UK. August 1-5, 2005.

Public Sociology-What is our Purpose? What are our Priorities? The 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association. Portland, Oregon. April 7-10, 2005.

111<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association. Toronto, Canada. August 7-10, 2003.

15<sup>th</sup> Conference of North American and Cuban Philosophers and Social Scientists. Havana, Cuba. June 17-July 4 2003.

The Other Hokkaido: Gender, Diversity and Minorities. Hokkaido University and Hokkaido International School. Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan. September 28-30, 2001. Conference key note speaker.

Retirement: American Dream or Dilemma? 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Gerontology Workshop Series, Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri. April 10, 2000.

The Exploration of Ainu Culture Symposium. December 1999. Sapporo, Japan.

Discourse, Dissonance and Diaspora: Identities for the New Millennium: The Japanese Studies Association of Australia. Central Queensland University, Queensland, Australia. December 1-4, 1999.

Going Beyond Stereotypes-Comparative Culture Symposium. Asahikawa University, Japan, June 1999.

The Society for Applied Anthropology Conference: Method-Power-Change. Seattle, Washington, March 4-9, 1997

"The History and Experience of Loretto." Loretto, Kentucky. August 29-September 2, 1996.

Fourth United Nations Conference on Women - Spirit of Beijing/Spirit of St. Louis. Webster University, St. Louis, MO, September 27-28, 1996.

Annual Meeting of the Missouri Conference of the American Association of University Professors - The AAUP and Challenges to Higher Education. Saint Louis, MO, March 30, 1996.

Society for Applied Sociology - Sociology 2000: A Vision of Our Future. San Diego, CA, October 12 - 15, 1995.

Loretto Community Assembly-Vision 2000: Building Understanding and Peace. Louisville, KY, July 20-25, 1995.

National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education. Santa Fe, NM, June 1-7, 1995.

3rd Annual Human Rights Conference-Women's Rights as Human Rights. Webster University, St. Louis, MO, April 29, 1995.

Society for Applied Anthropology - Environment, Development, and Health. Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 29 - April 2, 1995.

2nd Annual Human Rights Conference-Killing the Messenger, Changing the Message. Webster University, St. Louis, MO., April 16, 1994.

The Midwest Sociological Conference-Sociology as Society's Looking Glass. St. Louis, MO., March 10-13, 1994.

University of South Florida - National Symposium on Indigenous Knowledge and Contemporary Social Issues. Tampa, Florida, March 3-5, 1994.

Society for Applied Sociology Annual Conference-The Craft of Applying Sociology. St. Louis, MO, October 14-17, 1993.

National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education. New Orleans, LA., June 3-8, 1993.

First Annual Human Rights Conference-Authoritarianism in Democratic Garb-Democracy and Human Rights in Mexico. Webster University, St. Louis, MO., May 1, 1993.

Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Conference-Applying Social Science in a Multicultural Setting, San Antonio, TX., March 10-14, 1993.

Native American Conference, Cahokia, IL, December 3-4, 1992.

**PAPERS/PRESENTATIONS:**

**\*International Papers/Presentations: Japan 1999 & 2001; Australia 1999; Cuba 2003; Britain 2005 and The Netherlands 2008.**

**Unwrapping Circumpolar People's Culture: Knud Rasmussen's Collections and the Historical and Political Ramifications of the Display of Indigenous Artifacts in Museums.** International Conference on the Inclusive Museum. National Museum of Ethnology, Leiden, The Netherlands. June 8-12, 2008.

**Street Moves: Management of Spoiled Identity in the Subculture of Alaska Native Street People.** The Third International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities. University of Cambridge, UK. August 1-5, 2005.

**Down and Out in Alaska: Profiles of Identity Formation, Acquisition and Maintenance Among a Group of Alaska Native Public Inebriates.** The 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association. Portland, Oregon. April 7-10, 2005.

**Cuba:** Panel Presentation (with Dan Hellinger, Anne McIlhaney, Gloria Grenwald and Bill Barrett). Webster University Fall Institute. October 4, 2003.

**Cuba: Castro, Society and Politics:** Panel Presentation (with Dan Hellinger, Anne McIlhaney, Bill Barrett and Leslie McCoy). Fall 2003-International Studies Symposium Series. Webster University. September 25, 2003.

**Applied Anthropology: Tool for Solving Problems and Understanding Cultural Differences.** 15<sup>th</sup> Conference of North American and Cuban Philosophers and Social Scientists. Havana, Cuba. June 17-July 4, 2003.

**Applied Anthropology: Tool for Solving Medical Problems, Particularly HIV/AIDS, and Understanding Cultural Differences.** Presentation made to the Anthropology Department of the University of Havana. Havana, Cuba. June 26, 2003.

**My Life in an Eskimo Village: Tales of an Anthropologist.** Power Point presentation for a brown bag luncheon. Webster University, St. Louis, MO, April 9, 2003.

**Looking at the Family as a Psychosocial Organization through Life History.** Key note speech for the Family Session of the Japanese Studies Conference, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan, September 28-30, 2001.

**"I grew up just like a boy." Profile of Family Dynamics and Gender Acquisition: The Life History of One Hokkaido Woman.** In: East Asian Studies Hokkaido (EASH) Occasional Paper (April 2005). Third Annual EASH Conference on The Japanese Family in Hokkaido. Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan (September 28-30, 2001).

**Growing Up on Hokkaido (Araguchi Kachino 1936-1999): Study of Family Experiences Through the Life History Approach.** Invited presenter. The Other Hokkaido: Gender, Diversity and Minorities. Japanese Studies Conference, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan, September 28 – 30, 2001.

**Changing Family Patterns in Hokkaido and Japan. Panel. Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan, September 28-30, 2001.**

**Recollections of a Foreigner in Japan.** Power Point presentation to the Behavioral & Social Science Club. Webster University, March 30, 2000.

**My Year in Japan: Reflections on the Faculty Exchange Program as Experienced by G. Tierney.** Invited speaker to faculty and administrators at Webster University, February 21, 2000.

**My Experiences in Asahikawa: The everyday life of a Foreign Teacher in Japan.** Invited speaker to the assembly of Social Science students at Asahikawa University, December 1999.

**Reflections of a Foreigner: The Effects of Stereotyping in the Classroom.** Discourse, Dissonance and Diaspora: Identities for the New Millennium: The Japanese Studies Association of Australia. Central Queensland University, Queensland, Australia. December 1-6, 1999.

**The Stereotyping of Japanese College Students: Observations of an Outsider.** Going Beyond Stereotypes-Comparative Culture Symposium, Asahikawa University, Asahikawa, Japan. June 1999.

**The Writing Center: A Valuable Tool for Both Students & Faculty.** Faculty Institute 1996.

**The Anchorage, Alaska Skid Row Revisited.** The Society for Applied Sociology Conference, San Diego, CA, October 12-15, 1995.

**Bottle Gangs: Life on the Skids-A Symbolic Interactionist Perspective.** Midwest Sociological Conference, St. Louis, MO., March 1994.

**Sleep-Off Centers: Rescuing or Enabling Alcoholics? A Case Study from Anchorage, Alaska.** Society for Applied Sociology, St. Louis, MO, October 14, 1993.

**Terrible Fun: Social Interaction in Bottle Gangs.** Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, March 1993.

**Inupiaq Spirituality: Images of the Past.** Native American Spirituality Group, St. Louis, MO, January 22, 1993.

**Making it Pretty: Stigma Management Among Skid Row Women.** Women's Studies Lecture Series, Webster University, December 2, 1992.

**The Promotion of Alaska Native Arts as a Means to Perpetuate Traditional/Cultural Native Values.** Invited Speaker to the Alaska Native Arts and Crafts Board of Directors, Anchorage, Alaska, November 1990.

**Profiles of Homeless Women in Anchorage, Alaska.** Invited Speaker at the Anthropology/Sociology Club of the University of Alaska, March 1989.

**The Effects of Alcoholism on the Spread of AIDS among Alaska Natives.** Invited Speaker at the Alaska Native Health Board Meeting, Alaska Federation of Natives Conference, Fairbanks, Alaska, October 1988.

**Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Homeless Women.** Invited Speaker at the Alaska Women's Conference, Kodiak, Alaska, March 1988.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

**Applied Anthropology.** In: I'm a People Person: A Guide to Human Service Professions. Michael V. Angrosino and Gerry Tierney. Michael Richard and William Emener Eds. Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas Publishers. 2008-Second Edition.

**Becoming a Participant Observer.** In: Doing Cultural Anthropology: Projects for Ethnographic Data Collection. Michael V. Angrosino, Editor. Prospect Heights, Illinois. 2002. (Revision of this article includes updated research from my summer/fall FDL leave in Anchorage, Alaska.) 2007-Second Edition.

**Street Moves: Management of Spoiled Identity in the Subculture of Alaska Native Street People.**

In: International Journal of the Humanities, Volume 3, 2005/2006. Cairns, Queensland, Australia: Common Ground Publishing.

**"I grew up just like a boy." Profile of Family Dynamics and Gender Acquisition: The Life History of One Hokkaido Woman.** In: East Asian Studies Hokkaido (EASH) Occasional Paper (April 2005). Third Annual EASH Conference on The Japanese Family in Hokkaido. Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan (Friday, 28 September 2001).

**Michael V. Angrosino.** (Biography). In: The Biographical Dictionary of Anthropology. Vered Amit, Editor. London: Routledge. 2002.

**Becoming a Participant Observer.** In: Doing Cultural Anthropology: Projects for Ethnographic Data Collection. Michael V. Angrosino, Editor. Prospect Heights, Illinois. 2002.

**Applied Anthropology.** In: I'm a People Person: A Guide to Human Service Professions. Michael V. Angrosino and Gerry Tierney. Michael Richard and William Emener Eds. Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas Publishers. 2002.

**Cross Cultural Perspectives on Aging.** In: Teaching Sociology of Aging. Diana K. Harris and Erdman B. Palmore, eds. Washington, DC: The American Sociological Association. 1996.

**Fair Game: Women on Skid Row.** In: "Society: An Alaskan Perspective." Sharon Araaji, Editor. Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company: Dubuque, Iowa. 1993.

**Spoiled Goods: Profiles of Skid Row Women.** Doctoral Dissertation, University of South Florida. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan, 1991.