Catarina Passidomo

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EMPLOYMENT	
Washington and Lee University	Lexington, VA
Associate Professor of Environmental Studies	2024-
The University of Mississippi	Oxford, MS
Southern Foodways Alliance Associate Professor of Southern Studies and	
Associate Professor of Anthropology	2020-2024
Southern Foodways Alliance Assistant Professor of Southern Studies and	
Assistant Professor of Anthropology	2014-2020
EDUCATION	
The University of Georgia	Athens, GA
Ph.D., Human Geography	2013
Dissertation: Right to (feed) the city: Race, Food sovereignty, and food justice activism in post-	
Hurricane Katrina New Orleans	
Advisor: Dr. Hilda Kurtz	
Exam fields: Urban geography; Agrofood studies; Critical race scholarship	

M.A., Ecological and Environmental Anthropology 2009 Thesis: *The more, the merrier: Social capital amongst farmers across three local foods initiatives* Advisor: Dr. Julie Velásquez-Runk

Washington and Lee University	Lexington, VA
B.A. Sociology and Anthropology	2004
Magna Cum Laude	
Thesis: Jazz and African American ethnicity, identity, and culture	
Advisor: Dr. David Novack	

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Critical food studies; Human-environment interactions; Environmental and social justice; critical race studies; Global/U.S. South; Critical ethnography; Placemaking; Biopolitics; Southern Studies

RESEARCH GRANTS AND FUNDING

National Science Foundation REU Site Grant (co-PI) (\$413,813)	2024
The University of Mississippi	
"Interdisciplinary Study of the Politics of Race and Place"	

College of Liberal Arts Summer Research Grant for Faculty (<i>\$5,000)</i> The University of Mississippi	2023 2018 2016 2015
Center for the Study of Southern Culture Summer Research Grant for Faculty (<i>\$7500</i>)	2021
Fulbright U.S. Scholar Teaching and Research Fellowship (\$13,500) Lima, Peru "Gastrodiplomacy in Peru: Cuisine as Nation-Brand in Postcolonial Context"	2019
College of Liberal Arts Faculty Development Grant for Campus Internationalization: CIEE Seminar in Peru (<i>\$4,000)</i> The University of Mississippi	2015
Summer Doctoral Research Fellowship (\$3,000) The University of Georgia Graduate School	2013
National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (\$12,000) The National Science Foundation, Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences	2012
Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant (\$1,000) The University of Georgia Graduate School	2011
HONORS AND AWARDS	
FACT Institute for Critical Thinking Course Redesign (\$4,000) The University of Mississippi Center for Teaching and Learning	2021
Cora Lee Graham Award for Outstanding Teaching of First-Year Students The University of Mississippi College of Liberal Arts	2020
Best Student Paper Prize American Association of Geographers Food and Agriculture Specialty Group	2013
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award The University of Georgia Department of Geography	2013
Winner, First World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City Internat Paper Competition United Cities and Local Governments, St. Denis, France	ional 2012
Dean's Award University of Georgia Graduate School	2011
Emory Kimbrough, Jr. Honors Thesis Prize W&L University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology	2004

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Passidomo, Catarina (2024). "Gastroimaginaries: A framework for conceptualizing narratives of food and place in the American South." *Food, Culture, and Society.* Published Online 26 July.
- 2. Firth, Jeanne and Catarina **Passidomo** (2021). "New Orleans' 'Restaurant Renaissance,' Chef Humanitarians, and the New Southern Food Movement." *Food, Culture and Society*, 25 (2): 183-200.
- Passidomo, Catarina and Sara Wood (2020). "Here, we are all equal: Narratives of food and immigration from the *nuevo* American South" in Agyeman, J. and S. Giacalone, Eds. *The Immigrant-Food Nexus: Borders, Labor, and Identity in North America*. Cambridge: MIT Press. Pp. 245-260.
- 4. Passidomo, Catarina and Jeffrey Miller (2019). "Geographies of Food." In Warf, Barney, Ed. *Oxford Bibliographies in Geography*. New York: Oxford, University Press.
- 5. Passidomo, Catarina (2019). "Southern Foodways in the classroom and beyond." *Southern Quarterly*, 56 (1): 12-28.
- 6. Passidomo, Catarina (2017). "'Our' Culinary Heritage: Obscuring Inequality by Celebrating Diversity in Peru and the U.S. South." *Humanity and Society*, 41 (4): 427-445.
- Passidomo, Catarina and Irene Van Riper (2017). "Autonomy, Coalition-Building, and Cultural Survival: Towards Food Sovereignty in the U.S. South." In Desmarais, Annette, Amy Trauger and Priscilla Claeys (Eds.) *Public Policies for Food Sovereignty: Social Movements and the State.* London: Routledge. Pp. 181-198.
- 8. Passidomo, Catarina (2016). "Community gardening and governance over urban nature in New Orleans's Lower Ninth Ward." *Urban Forestry and Urban Greening*, 19: 271-277.
- 9. Harvey, Daina, Yuki Kato, and Catarina **Passidomo** (2015) "Re-building others' communities: A critical analysis of the role of nonprofits in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina." *Local Environment*. 21 (8): 1029-1046.
- 10. Passidomo, Catarina (2014). "Whose right to (farm) the city: Race and food justice activism in post-Katrina New Orleans." *Agriculture and Human Values*, 31 (3): 385-396.
 Awarded Best Student Paper Prize by the American Association of Geographers Food and Agriculture Specialty Group
- 11. Kato, Yuki, Daina Harvey and Catarina **Passidomo** (2014). "Political gardening in a post-disaster city: Lessons from New Orleans." *Urban Studies*, 51 (9): 1833-1849.
- 12. Passidomo, Catarina (2013). "Going 'beyond food': Confronting structures of injustice in food systems research and praxis." *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems and Community Development.* 3 (4): 89-93.
- Kurtz, Hilda, Amy Trauger and Catarina Passidomo (2013). "The contested terrain of biological citizenship in the seizure of raw milk in Athens, Georgia." *Geoforum*, 48: 136-144.
- 14. Trauger, Amy and Catarina **Passidomo** (2012). "Towards a post-capitalist politics of food: Cultivating subjects of community economies." *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geographies*, 11 (2): 282-303.

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW OR IN PROGRESS

- Passidomo, Catarina (Forthcoming). "Cultural Geographies of Food." In Ashutosh, I. and J. Winders (Eds.) *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Cultural and Social Geography.*
- Passidomo, Catarina (Exp. Publication 2026). *Gastroimaginaries: Dreams of Food and Place in Perú and the American South*. (Under contract with the University of Georgia Press).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Passidomo, Catarina (2023). "Rooted in Sand: A Reflection on Teaching and Tomatoes." *Gravy* (88): 22-27. <u>https://www.southernfoodways.org/rooted-in-sand/</u>
- Passidomo, Catarina (2022). "(Un)docile Bodies." From "Our Two Cents: A Symposium on Getting Something to Eat in Jackson by Joseph Ewoodzie, Jr." Sociology of Race and Ethnicity. DOI: 10.1177/23326492221119904
- Passidomo, Catarina (2020). Review of *Dining Out: A Global History of Restaurants* by Katie Rawson and Elliot Shore. *Food, Culture, and Society*, 23 (2): 272-273.
- Passidomo, Catarina (2019). Review of *The Cooking Gene: A Journey Through African American Culinary History in the Old South* by Michael Twitty. *Southeastern Geographer*, 59 (1): 97-102.
- Passidomo, Catarina (2018) "Continuing Creolization in New Orleans Foodways." American Association of Geographers Newsletter, March 1. <u>http://news.aag.org/ 2018/03/continuing-creolization-in-new-orleans-foodways/</u>
- Passidomo, Catarina (2018) "Report from the field." Geographies of Food and Agriculture Specialty Group Newsletter, March.
- Passidomo, Catarina (2017) Review of *Real Pigs: Shifting Values in the Field of Local Pork* by Brad Weiss. *Agricultural History*, 91 (3): 448-450.
- Passidomo, Catarina (2014) Review of *Edible South* by Marcie Cohen Ferris. *Southern Register*, Fall.
- Passidomo, Catarina (2014). "What does it mean to study food justice?" *Gravy Quarterly*, 52: Social Justice.

TEACHIING EXPERIENCE

Washington and Lee University (2024-)	Lexington, VA
• ENV 295: Food, Place, and Power	
• ENV 396: Pre-Capstone Seminar	
University of Mississippi (2014-2024)	Oxford, MS
• SST 101: Introduction to Southern Studies	5 semesters
• SST 105: Introduction to the South and Food	4 semesters
• SST 401/2: Southern Studies Theory and Methods	2 semesters
SST 555: Southern Food Studies	8 semesters
• GEOG 101/ANTH 104: Introduction to Human Geography	12 semesters
• GEOG/ANTH 338: Food, Place, and Power	5 semesters
University of Georgia (2009-2013)	Athens, GA
• GEOG 3660: The Geography of Food	
GEOG 1101: Introduction to Human Geography	6 semesters

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Graduate and Undergraduate Student Thesis Supervision and Committee Membership	
The University of Mississippi Oxfor	rd, MS
Thesis committee chair	
Jai Williams, MFA in Documentary Expression	2024
Into the Unknown: The Reimagination of Black Existence Through a Southern Blac	ek Gaze
Sarah Morgan Johnson, MA in Southern Studies	2024
Internship with Visit Oxford, Oxford, MS	
Maggie Strieb, BA with Honors in Environmental Studies	2024
A Comparative Examination of Sustainable Dairy Policies in US and France	
Caroline Nolte, MA in Southern Studies	2023
Internship with Viking, Inc., Greenwood, MS	
Jai Williams, MA in Southern Studies	2023
This Land is Our Land: The Erasure and Reclamation of Black Land Ownership in	the U.S.
South	2021
Christian Owen, M.A. in Southern Studies	2021
Just Southern Food: An Interpretation of Food Justice for the Mississippi Delta.	2020
Carlynn Crosby, M.A. in Southern Studies	2020
Potato Capital: Agriculture, Labor, and the (Un)Making of Hastings.	2020
Brenna Gardner, B.A. with Honors in Anthropology and Environmental Studies	2020
<i>American Indian Sovereignty and Climate Change.</i> Sophie Kline, B.A. with Honors, Public Policy Leadership and Environmental Studies	2020
Pecking the Hands that Feed Them.	2020
Kelly Spivey, M.A. in Southern Studies	2020
Raised in Their Mothers' Kitchens: The Southern Evolution of Domestic Science.	2020
Olivia Terenzio, M.A. in Southern Studies	2020
Feijoada and Hoppin' John: Foodways, Collective Identity, and Belonging in Braz	
American South.	
Kevin Mitchell, M.A. in Southern Studies	2018
From Black hands to White mouths: Great 'Big House' cooks of Charleston	
Rebecca Lauck Cleary, M.A. in Southern Studies	2018
documentary film: Swamp Pop	
Grace Myers, M.A. in Anthropology	2017
Into Ireland: An analysis of cultural hybridity, immigration, food, and place in the	Silicon
Docks market in Dublin, Ireland	
Abby Huggins, M.A. in Southern Studies	2017
oral history project, Before me, after me, through me: Stories of food and communi-	ty in
Eastern Kentucky	
Josh Green, M.A. in Southern Studies	2017
internship thesis, Farming for good: An analysis of the opportunities, challenges, a	
of using an agricultural conservation easement to improve land access for African	American
farmers in Mississippi	
Kate Wiggins, M.A. in Southern Studies	2016
internship thesis: A new hospitality: Social responsibility in a Southern business	

Irene Van Riper, M.A. in Southern Studies2016If there wasn't farming, nobody would eat: Small-scale agriculture, community autonomy,
and food sovereignty in Mississippi2015Lindsey Reynolds, M.A. in Southern Studies
internship thesis: Garden and Gun2015

Thesis Committee Member

Master of Arts

Max Conrad, Southern Studies and Anthropology 2024 Riley Moran, Southern Studies, 2024 Cheyenne Bennett, Anthropology, 2022 Catherine Jessee, Southern Studies, 2022 Lillian Slaughter, Southern Studies, 2022 Keon Burns, Southern Studies, 2021 Hilary Word, Southern Studies, 2020 Victoria DeLeone, Southern Studies, 2018 Sophie Hay, Southern Studies, 2016 Stephanie Orsini, Anthropology, 2016 Katie King, Southern Studies, 2015

Master of Fine Arts Lillian Slaughter, Documentary Expression, 2023 Annemarie Anderson, Documentary Expression, 2022 Kelly Spivey, Documentary Expression, 2021 Joshua Nguyen, Poetry, 2020

BA with Honors Max Knerr, Sociology, 2023 Martha Ford, Southern Studies, 2022 James Hirsch, Economics, 2022 Dandridge Parks, Marketing, 2021 Cady Cooper, Public Policy Leadership, 2020

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

"Studying Food from a Place Perspective." NHM 101, Introduction to Food Studies. The University of Mississippi. Oct. 18.	2022
"Food, Place, and Power: Gastroimaginaries and the Study of Food." NHM 101, Introduction to Food Studies. The University of Mississippi. Oct. 21.	2021
Keynote lecture, "Farming is the past, and it is also the future." Back to Your Roots 2021: Reshaping Communities Through Regenerative Agriculture. Eros, LA. September 10.	2021

"Gastrodiplomacy in two Souths: Cuisine as Nation-brand in Peru and the U.S. South." 2019 The University of Mississippi Center for the Study of Southern Culture South Talks lecture series. Oxford, MS. September 4.

"Gastrodiplomacía en dos sures: Gastronomía como marca nacionál en Perú y el sur de los E.E.U.U." Universidad de San Ignacio de Lloyola, Facultad de Gastronomía y Artes Culinarias. Lima, Perú. June 6.	2019
Gastrodiplomacía en dos sures: La comida como marca nacionál en Perú y el sur de los E.E.U.U." Pontificia Universitaria Católica del Perú, Department of Social Sciences. Lima, Perú. May 8.	2019
"New Orleans' 'Renaissance' and the New Southern Food Movement." Mississippi State University Geosciences Departmental Seminar, Starkville, MS. January 18.	2019
"When the Big Easy Isn't So Easy." Presidential Plenary Session, American Association of Geographers' Meeting, New Orleans, LA. April 10.	2018
"New Orleans and the New Southern Food Movement." The University of Mississippi, Center for the Study of Southern Culture, Oxford, MS. Apri	2018 14.
Distinguished Faculty Panel, Graduate Association of Food Studies Conference, Washington University, St. Louis, MO. Oct. 20.	2017
"Peruvian Food Systems: Balancing Growth and Preservation." The University of Mississippi Division of Global Engagement Faculty Global Developmen Seminar Series. Oxford, MS. November 5.	2015 it
"The Cost of Food" Panel discussion. The University of Mississippi Office of Sustainability. Oxford, MS. October 20.	2015
"Southern Studies Fantasy Camp." Lecture as part of the Southern Foodways Symposium. Oxford, MS. October 15.	2015
"Community organizing and structural racism in the food system" Lecture given to interns of the Mississippi Sustainable Agriculture Network, Oxford, MS	2015
"Food movements and the struggle for social justice in New Orleans." The University of Mississippi Center for the Study of Southern Culture, Oxford, MS. Oct. 2	2014 22.
Moderator, Food Day panel on "The State of Food at UM." Oxford, MS. Oct.16.	2014
"Right to (feed) the Neighborhood: The scalar politics of the right to food in the Lower Ninth Ward neighborhood of New Orleans." Presidential Plenary Session, St. Denis, France. December 11. (* <i>Competitive</i>)	2012

PAPERS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

American Geographical Society Fall Symposium, November 16-18, 2022. Lightning talk presentation: "Works According to Design: Imagining Radically Different Food Systems." Geography 2050: The Future of Food. Columbia University, NYC,

Association for the Study of Food and Society/ Agriculture and Human Values Society Joint Annual Meeting, Athens, GA, May 19-21, 2022. 08/24 Passidomo 7 Paper presentation: "The gastroimaginaries of sustainability in Peru and the US South"

Amsterdam Symposium on the History of Food, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Nov. 15. 2019 "Peruvian Gastrodiplomacy: Cuisine as Nation-Brand in Post-colonial Context."

American Association of Geographers' Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, April 10-16, 2018 Paper presentation: "New Orleans 'Renaissance' and the New Southern Food Movement" Panelist: "Making Agrarian Justice Happen: Strategy, Activism, and Lessons from Grassroots Leaders."

Southeastern Division of the American Association of Geographers' Annual Meeting, Starkville, MS, Nov. 2017.

Paper presentation: "Southern foodways in the classroom and beyond."

American Association of Geographers' Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 2-5, 2017 Paper presentation: "Place-marketing and Mythmaking Through Food in Peru and the American South"

Panelist: "Author Meets Critic: Amy Trauger's We Want Land to Live"

Southeastern American Studies Association Conference, Williamsburg, VA, Mar. 2-4, 2017. Paper Presentation: "Gastrodiplomacy Flows"

Race and Sustainability Conference, University of Mississippi School of Law Oxford, MS. April 2., 2015. Panelist

Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers' Annual Meeting, Athens, GA, November 25, 2014.

Panel Presentation: "Security, access, justice, sovereignty: Shifting discourses on the right to food in New Orleans."

Southern Foodways Alliance and William Winter Institute Graduate Student Conference, Oxford, MS. September 27, 2014.

Panelist: Careers in the field of foodways.

Association of American Geographers' Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, April 11, 2013. Paper presentation: "Whose right to (farm) the city?: Race and food justice activism in post-Katrina New Orleans."

Panelist: "Gaining Ground? Geographies of Viable, Equitable Agricultures."

Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, April 5, 2013. Paper presentation: "Whose right to (farm) the city?: Race and food justice activism in post Katrina New Orleans."

Association of American Geographers' Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, April 15, 2011. Paper pres.: "Urban political ecology and the framing of food sovereignty discourses."

Asociación Cubana de Tècnicos Agricolas y Forestales, Havana, Cuba, May 19, 2010. Eighth Annual Meeting on Organic and Sustainable Agriculture. Paper presentation: "Agroecology and social capital in three local food initiatives."

Association of American Geographers' Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, April 16, 2010. Paper pres.: "Farming for the people: Social capital across three local food initiatives."

Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and The Association for the Study of Food and Society, Joint Annual Meeting, State College, PA, May 29, 2009. Paper presentation: "Farming for the People: Social Capital Amongst Farmers."

PUBLIC COMMENTARY AND INTERVIEWS

Gibson, Rekaya. 2023. "The difference between Southern food and Soul food? You can taste it." *The Virginian-Pilot*. Oct. 23. <u>https://www.pilotonline.com/2022/10/23/the-difference-between-southern-food-and-soul-food-you-can-taste-it/</u>

"Lawmakers discuss plans to ban critical race theory in Mississippi classrooms." *Mississippi Edition* interview with Kobe Vance for Mississippi Public Broadcasting, August 2, 2021. <u>https://play.acast.com/s/mississippiedition/822021-covid-19-parole-board-critical-race-theory?seek=886</u>

Brown, Brittany. 2021. "Food that's going to stick to your ribs: The significance of soul food in Yalobusha County." *Mississippi Today*, February 26. <u>https://mississippitoday.org/2021/02/26/food-thats-going-to-stick-to-your-ribs-the-significance-of-soul-food-in-yalobusha-county/</u>

"Salt, Soil, and Supper" newsletter from Scalawag magazine, interview with Xander Peters. Feb. 10, 2021. <u>https://mailchi.mp/scalawagmag/salt-soil-supper-2-10-21?e=05ce5d5d9d</u>

Roundabout Oxford Podcast, 2020. Episode 3: Food. Interview with Alex Watson. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4vS1QFDNzaM

"Faculty Spotlight" interview with Alana Huggins for the Association for the Study of Food and Society. March 2019. <u>https://www.food-culture.org/catarina_passidomo/</u>

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Workshop on Inclusive and Equitable Teaching Practices, The University of Mississippi's Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, April 27, 2022.

National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity Faculty Success Program, 2021.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Audit and Workshop with Beloved Community, Center for the Study of Southern Culture, the University of Mississippi, 2021.

Workshop on Food Justice in Appalachia and the U.S. South. West Virginia University Department of Geography/Food Justice Lab, Morgantown, WV, 2018.

National Science Foundation Summer Course for Research Design, The University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 2016.

Engaging the Public Workshop, University of Georgia Graduate School, Athens, GA, 2013.

Undoing Racism in the Food System Workshop, The People's Institute for Survival and Beyond, New Orleans, LA, 2012.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

The University of Mississippi• Co-organizer, Faculty and Graduate Student Forum on Race and Ethnicity2023-2024• Search committee chair, Croft Assistant Professor of Korean Studies and
Anthropology2022• Faculty Advisor to the Southern Foodways Alliance2014-202408/24Passidomo 9

Graduate Program Director, Southern Studies	2020-2024
Faculty liaison, CLA Equity Planning Task Force	2021-2024
CSSC Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee	2022-2024
Co-chair, Critical Race Studies Group	2019-2020
CSSC Undergraduate Curriculum Committee	2018-2019
Soc/Anth Ph.D. Study Committee	2018-2019
Search Committee Member, Director of the CSSC	2018-2019
Search Committee Member, Assoc. Director of the CSSC	2018-2019
Organizer, Southern Foodways Alliance Graduate Student Conference	2015-2018
Search Committee Member, Asst. Prof. of Southern Studies and Soc.	2015-2016
Faculty advisor to the Real Food Rebels	2014-2016
	CSSC Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Co-chair, Critical Race Studies Group CSSC Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Soc/Anth Ph.D. Study Committee Search Committee Member, Director of the CSSC Search Committee Member, Assoc. Director of the CSSC Organizer, Southern Foodways Alliance Graduate Student Conference Search Committee Member, Asst. Prof. of Southern Studies and Soc.

Peer Review

Qualitative Sociology, Journal of Rural Studies; Agriculture and Human Values; Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems and Community Development; Society and Space; University of Georgia Press; University of Mississippi Press; University of Arkansas Press.

Board Member

Association for the Study of Food and Society

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of American Geographers (Specialty Group Memberships: Food and Agriculture; Urban Geography)

Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers

Association for the Study of Food and Society

Southeastern American Studies Association

Latin American Studies Association

Critical Race Studies Group of the University of Mississippi

The Southern Foodways Alliance

2023-