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## EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor. **Pitzer College, Claremont, CA**, 07/2008 – present.  
Environmental Analysis

Postdoctoral Fellow. **UC Institute for Mexico and the United States (UCMEXUS)**  
09/2006 – 06/2008.

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. **University of California, Berkeley**, Environmental Science, Policy & Management,  
07/2006.

M.S. **University of California, Berkeley**, Environmental Science, Policy & Management,  
05/2004.

B.A. **McGill University**, Montreal, International Development and Environmental Studies,  
05/1997.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Natural resource management, environmental justice, race and immigration, social inequality,  
critical geography.

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Pitzer College Faculty Research Award, *2010, 2011*
- Morris K. Udall Dissertation Fellowship, *2005 (2 awarded nationally each year)*
- Rural Sociological Society Dissertation Fellowship, *2003 (2 awarded in 2003)*
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship, *2001-2003*
- Community Forestry Dissertation Fellowship, *Ford Foundation, 2003*
- Soroptimist Dissertation Fellowship, *2005*
- Frank Myers Scholarship in Forestry, *UC Berkeley, 2003*
- W.S. Rosencrans Fellowship, *UC Berkeley, 2002*
- Human Rights Fellowship, *UC Berkeley, 2002*
- Community Forestry Predissertation Fellowship, *Ford Foundation, 2002*
- Institute of Labor and Employment Predissertation Fellowship, *UC Berkeley, 2002*
- Graduate Student Instructor of the Year Award, *UC Berkeley 2002*
- Humanities Research Grant, *UC Berkeley, 2001*
- Solomon Prize in Sociology, *McGill University, 1994*

## PUBLICATIONS

- Sarathy, Brinda. 2012. *Pineros: Latino Labor and the Changing Face of Forestry*. Vancouver, BC: University of British Columbia Press.
- Sarathy, Brinda. 2009. A Review of: "Li, Judith L., ed. To Harvest to Hunt: Stories of Resource Use in the American West." *Society and Natural Resources*, 22(8): 785-787.
- Sarathy, Brinda. 2008. "The marginalization of *pineros* in the Pacific Northwest," *Society and Natural Resources*, 21(8):671-686.
- Sarathy, Brinda, and Vanessa Casanova. 2008. "Guest workers or unauthorized immigrants? The case of forest workers in the United States," *Policy Sciences*, 41(2): 95-114.
- Wilmsen, Carl, William Elmendorf, Larry Fisher, Jacquelyn Ross, Brinda Sarathy, and Gail Wells, eds. 2008. *Partnerships for Empowerment: Participatory Research for Community-Based Natural Resource Management*. London, U.K.: Earthscan Press.
- Sarathy, Brinda, and Heidi Ballard. 2008. "Inclusion and exclusion: Immigrant forest workers and participation in natural resource management." In Carl Wilmsen, William Elmendorf, Larry Fisher, Jacquelyn Ross, Brinda Sarathy, and Gail Wells, eds., *Partnerships for Empowerment: Participatory Research for Community-Based Natural Resource Management*. London, U.K.: Earthscan Press.
- Sarathy, Brinda. 2006. "The Latinization of forest management work in southern Oregon: A case from the Rogue Valley," *Journal of Forestry*, 104(7): 359-65.
- Sarathy, Brinda. 2006. "The politics of race and difference in Douglas fir production: Comments on Scott Prudham's *Knock on Wood*," *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography*, 38(5): 1081-84. [Book review]
- Sarathy, Brinda. 2006. "The Fourth Circle: A political ecology of Sumatra's rainforest frontier," *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*. 26(4): 602-03. [Book review]
- Sarathy, Brinda. 1997. "A Critique of Power and Discourse Between a Dominant Paradigm and Traditional Ecological Knowledge," *Latitudes: The McGill Journal of International Development Studies*, 4(1).

**PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS**

- Sarathy, Brinda. Invited paper. "What makes for environmental justice? Reconsidering cases written out of the narrative." Berkeley Workshop on Environmental Politics. University of California, Berkeley. 12/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Invited talk. "Pineros: Forest labor in the Pacific Northwest." Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, 10/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Presenter. "Farm and forest labor in rural Oregon: A comparative analysis of Latino worker advocacy." Annual meeting, Rural Sociological Society, Boise, ID. 07/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Presenter. "Farm and forest labor in rural Oregon: A comparative analysis of Latino worker advocacy." Annual meeting, Rural Sociological Society, Boise, ID. 07/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Presenter. "Rewriting the Environmental Justice Narrative: The Stringfellow Acid Pits and Community Participation in Environmental Regulation." Invited talk at 5-C EA Luncheon, Pomona College, Claremont, CA. 04/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Panel Chair and Organizer. "Bringing Critical Ethnic Studies to Environmental Studies." Critical Ethnic Studies and the Future of Genocide, University of California, Riverside. 03/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Panel Chair and Organizer. "Environmental apartheid and justice in the Inland Valley." Critical Ethnic Studies and the Future of Genocide, University of California, Riverside. 03/2011.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Panel Chair and Organizer. "A tale of two valleys: Immigrant activism in the Willamette and Rogue Valleys, OR." Annual meeting, Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, NV. 03/2009.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Panelist. "The politics of place and mobility: Community forestry discourses and Latino settlement in the Rogue Valley, OR." Annual meeting, Rural Sociological Society, Santa Clara, CA. 08/2007.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Panel Chair and Organizer. "Land Politics: Race, Class and Gender in the Field." Annual meeting, Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, CA. 04/2007.
- Sarathy, Brinda. Panelist. "The Politics of Race and Geographic Inquiry." Annual meeting, Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, CA. 04/2007.
- Sarathy, Brinda. "The Marginalization of *Pineros* in the Pacific Northwest." Presentation at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada. 08/2006.
- \_\_\_\_\_. "The Marginalization of Immigrant Forest Workers in the Pacific Northwest." Presentation at the annual meeting of the International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, Vancouver, BC. 06/2006.
- \_\_\_\_\_. "Immigrant Labor and the Management of Forest Landscapes." Presentation at the annual meeting of the American Society for Environmental History. Minneapolis, MN. 03/2006.
- \_\_\_\_\_. "Racing the Environmental Debate: Immigrant Forest Workers in Oregon." Presentation at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, IL. 03/2006.

- \_\_\_\_. “The Marginalization of Immigrant Forest Workers in the Pacific Northwest.” Invited presentation to the Sustainable Forestry in the West conference, Center for the Study of the American West, Stanford University. 02/2006.
- \_\_\_\_. “Mobilizing for participation in natural-resource management: Comparisons between Latino forestry-workers, Ecosystem restoration workers and Mushroom harvesters in Southern Oregon.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Montreal, QC. 07/2003.
- \_\_\_\_. “Mobilizing for participation in natural-resource management.” Presentation at the Institute for Labor and Employment Conference, Santa Barbara, CA. 02/2003.
- \_\_\_\_. “Dissonant Development? AKRSP and the Extension Volunteer Model.” Presentation at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual South Asia Conference, Berkeley, CA, 02/2001.
- \_\_\_\_. *AKRSP's E.V. Model: Assessing Sustainability in the Long-term.* Report to the Aga Khan Rural Support Program, Ahmedabad, India. 04/1998.
- \_\_\_\_. *Deconstructing Development- Damning Dams and the Rise of New Social Movements in India.* Honors Thesis, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec. 04/1997.

## TEACHING

**Assistant Professor, Pitzer College, 09/2008-present**

- Courses in environmental justice, environmental policy, and the political economy of natural resources

**Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley, 08/2001-12/2001**

- Course: The Political Ecology of Natural Resources
- Gave guest lectures to class of 40 students on issues of participatory development
- Received University-wide award for teaching

## RESEARCH

**Dissertation fieldwork in Southern Oregon, 02/2004-08/2005**

Research activities included:

- Archival searches
- Qualitative interviews
- Participant observation

**Researcher, US Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station. 07/2004-01/2005**

Conducted literature review on community forestry scholarship in North America

**Research Assistant, Labor Center, UC Berkeley. 08/2003-12/2003**

The Labor Center is a project whose mission is to link the University's resources with initiatives for social and economic equity. Responsibilities include:

- Copyediting case study work
- Conducting research on labor curricula and leadership development for workers
- Assisting in outreach efforts to union leaders

**International Development Management Intern, Gujarat, India, 1997-1998**

Selected by Aga Khan Rural Support Program in Ahmedabad, India.

- Conducted research on participatory models of community natural resource management
- Designed and conducted a survey in the local language of village extension volunteers and NGO field workers; produced a report on the effectiveness of management schemes