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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO

2015-present Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology

McMaster University, Hamilton, ON

2015-2021 Courtesy appointment: Adjunct Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology (for purposes of student advising)

2013-2015 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

2012-2013 Advanced Research Fellow, Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

Fall 2012 Lecturer, Department of Anthropology

EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2012 Ph.D. in Anthropology

2008 M.A. in Anthropology

Dissertation “Fragile Kinships: Family Ideologies and Child Welfare in Japan”
Committee: Judith Farquhar (chair), Susan Gal, Michael Fisch, and Danilyn Rutherford (University of California Santa Cruz)

M.A. Thesis “Making the Oral Contraceptive ‘for Me’ in Japan: Signifying Subjects with Bodies”
Bestor Prize for Outstanding Graduate Paper, Society for East Asian Anthropology, American Anthropological Association

Rice University, Houston, TX

2004 B.A. *cum laude* in Anthropology and English

B.A. Thesis “Creating Coherency: The Use of Spoken and Written Narrative in Making Meaning Out of Trauma”
Outstanding Senior Award, Department of Anthropology, Rice University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Kinship, interpersonal relationships

Mental health, psychiatry, neuroscience

Scientific knowledge production, atmospheric pollution

Medical anthropology, social determinants of health, embodiment

Anthropology of Japan

Semiotics, semiotic ideologies, discourse, narrative
Anthropology of social work and social welfare
Engaged anthropology, community-based research, public anthropology

LANGUAGES

Japanese: Advanced written and spoken
French: Beginner written and spoken

RESEARCH

ARTICLES IN PREPARATION

Kumagaya, Shin-ichiro, Satsuki Ayaya, and Kathryn E. Goldfarb. “*Tōjisha kenkyū* in Japan: Decolonizing research through service user expertise,” in preparation for a special issue of *Transcultural Psychiatry*.

Goldfarb, Kathryn E. “Anonymity, Ancestry, and Family Registry: Adoption Debates in Contemporary Japan,” in preparation for *Cultural Anthropology*.

SINGLE-AUTHORED BOOK

2024 Goldfarb, Kathryn E. *Fragile Kinships: Child Welfare and Well-Being in Japan*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.

EDITED VOLUME

2024 Goldfarb, Kathryn E. and Sandra Bamford, eds. *Difficult Attachments: Anxieties of Kinship and Care*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.

EDITED JOURNAL ISSUES

2016 “Family at the margins: State, welfare, and well-being in Japan.” *Japanese Studies* 36(2).

2016 “(De)materializing kinship: Holding together mutuality and difference.” *Social Analysis* 60(2). Co-edited with Caroline Schuster (both editors contributed equally).

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

2024 Goldfarb, Kathryn E. “Not Family Care: Welcoming the Wild Things in Japanese Child Welfare.” In *Difficult Attachments: Anxieties of Kinship and Care*, edited by Kathryn E. Goldfarb and Sandra Bamford. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.

2024 Goldfarb, Kathryn E. and Sandra Bamford. “Ambivalent Affinities: Kinship Beyond Mutuality.” In *Difficult Attachments: Anxieties of Kinship and Care*, edited by Kathryn E. Goldfarb and Sandra Bamford. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.

2021 “Parental Rights and the Temporality of Attachment: Law, Kinship, and Child Welfare in Japan.” *positions: asia critique* 29(3): 469-493.

2018 “Beyond blood ties: Intimate kinships in Japanese foster and adoptive care.” In *Intimate Japan*, edited by Allison Alexy and Emma Cook. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, pp. 181-198.

- 2017 “Food, Affect, and Experiments in Care: Constituting a ‘Household-like’ Child Welfare Institution in Japan.” In *Child’s Play: Multi-sensory Histories of Children and Childhood in Japan*, edited by Sabine Frühstück and Anne Walthall. Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 243-263.
- 2016 “‘Self-Responsibility’ and the Politics of Chance: Theorizing the Experience of Japanese Child Welfare.” *Japanese Studies* 36(2): 173-189.
- 2016 “Editor’s introduction” for special issue, “Family at the margins: State, welfare, and well-being in Japan.” *Japanese Studies* 36(2): 151-154.
- 2016 “‘Coming to look alike’: Materializing affinity in Japanese foster and adoptive care.” *Social Analysis* 60(2): 47-64.
- 2016 “Editor’s introduction” (with Caroline Schuster) for special issue, “(De)materializing kinship: Holding together mutuality and difference.” *Social Analysis* 60(2): 1-12. (Both authors contributed equally.)
- 2015 “Developmental logics: Brain science, child welfare, and the ethics of engagement in Japan.” *Social Science & Medicine* 143: 271-278.
- 2010 “Making the oral contraceptive ‘for me’ in Japan: Managing the semiotics of reproductive health in virtual space.” In *Liberalizing, Feminizing and Popularizing Health Communications in Asia*, ed. K. K. Liew. Farnham, England: Ashgate, pp. 129-148.

EDITOR-REVIEWED AND INVITED PUBLICATIONS

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- 2021 Commentary, Jee Eunsook’s “Singlehood of Unmarried Daughters as Family Caregivers: Changing Family Relationships and Gender Order in Japan.” *Korean Anthropology Review: A Journal of Korean Anthropology in Translation*, March
- 2020 Goldfarb, Kathryn E. and Janet Carsten. “The 25th Anniversary of ‘The Substance of Kinship and the Heat of the Hearth: Feeding, Personhood, and Relatedness among Malays in Pulau Langkawi’.” *American Ethnologist* website, 4 October: <https://americanethnologist.org/features/interviews/the-25th-anniversary-of-the-substance-of-kinship-and-the-heat-of-the-hearth-feeding-personhood-and-relatedness-among-malays-in-pulau-langkawi>
- 2020 “Dear COVIDiaries: Freewriting as Pandemic Pedagogy.” In “Pandemic Diaries,” Gabriela Manley, Bryan M. Dougan, and Carole McGranahan, eds., *American Ethnologist website*, May 16: <https://americanethnologist.org/features/pandemic-diaries/teaching-right-now/boulder-dear-covidaries-freewriting-as-pandemic-pedagogy>
- 2020 “Relationships that Matter: Embodying Absent Kinships in the Japanese Child Welfare System.” In *Handbook of Medical Humanities*, ed. A. Bleakley. London: Routledge. 282-289.

- 2019 “Embodied relationality beyond ‘nature’ vs ‘nurture’: Materializing absent kinships in Japanese child welfare.” In *The Cambridge Handbook of Kinship*, ed. S. Bamford. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp.153-178.
- 2013 “Japan.” In *Child Protection and Child Welfare: A Global Appraisal of Cultures, Policy and Practice*. P. Welbourne and J. Dixon, eds. London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers, pp. 144-169.

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2017 *Plasticity and Pathology: On the Formation of the Neural Subject*. David Bates Nima Bassiri, New York: Fordham University Press, 2016, 368pp. *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, 31(1). doi:10.1111/maq.12318
- 2015 *The Japanese Family: Touch, Intimacy and Feeling*. *Social Science Japan Journal* 18(2): 291-294. doi: 10.1093/ssjj/jyv023
- 2014 “Anne Allison’s *Precarious Japan*.” *Somatosphere*, May 29.
<http://somatosphere.net/2014/anne-allisons-precarious-japan.html/>

NON-PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 “Futures Past: Absent Kinships and the Japanese Child Welfare System.” Blog post for Anthropology of Children and Youth and Anthropology of Aging collaborative research network on life course, Apr. 27:
<http://anthropologyandgerontology.com/futures-past/>
- 2011 “‘*Katei-teki yōgo*’ ka ‘*katei de no yōgo*’ ka: *Nihon no satooya seido ni okeru bunkateki sokumen ni tsuite*” (‘Household-style care’ or ‘Care in a household’? Cultural factors shaping the Japanese foster care system), *Satooya dayori* 89. [In Japanese]
- 2010 Translation from Japanese of Shirai, Chiaki, “Reproductive technologies and parent-child relationships: Japan’s past and present examined through the lens of donor insemination.” *International Journal of Japanese Sociology*, 19(1): 19-35.
- 2010 “The violence of blood relationships: Lost and found kinship in Japan.” *Japan Anthropology Workshop Newsletter* 54: 51-54.
- 2009 Abstract, “Making the oral contraceptive ‘for me’ in Japan: Managing the semiotics of reproductive health in virtual space.” *Anthropology News* 50(3): 53.

RESEARCH FUNDING (EXTERNAL)

- 2022 Japan Foundation, “(Re)connecting Post-COVID-19: Foster Care Alumni of Japan and the US, Collaborating for Healing, Resilience, and Advocacy.” 5/1/2022 – 4/30/2025. Three-year award for \$69,250 total.
- 2022 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/ National Weather Service Applied Meteorological Research, “Smoke Exposure and Underserved Wildland Fire Communities” (Federal Award ID number NA22NWS4680006). PI; Arielle Milkman co-PI. May 1, 2022 – Apr. 30, 2025. Three-year award for \$406,933.00 total.

- 2016 Northeast Asia Council and Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission research travel award, “Interpersonal Trauma & Psychiatric Expertise: Experiencing Transnational Knowledge in Japan,” Association for Asian Studies
- 2015 Alternate, Abe Fellowship, “Interpersonal Trauma & Psychiatric Expertise: Experiencing Transnational Knowledge in Japan”
- 2009 Wenner-Gren Foundation, “National-Cultural Ideologies and Medical-Legal Practices: Infertility, Adoption, and Japanese Public Policy”
- 2009 Fulbright IIE Dissertation Research Fellowship, “Family Ideology and Medical-Legal Practice: Infertility, Adoption, and Japan's Low Birthrate,” (affiliated with Waseda University Institute for Asia-Pacific Studies, Tokyo, Japan)
- 2009 Fulbright-Hays Dissertation Research Fellowship (declined)
- 2009 Japan Foundation Dissertation Research Fellowship (declined)

RESEARCH AND OTHER FUNDING (INTERNAL)

- 2023 Center for Asian Studies Event Funding for public colloquium series, “Anthropology of Japan,” spring semester 2024, University of Colorado Boulder (\$1,500)
- 2022 Office for Outreach and Engagement Promoting Public Impact Grant, “Marshall Fire Story Project,” University of Colorado Boulder. Primary Investigator. Collaboration with Louisville Historical Museum (\$5,000)
- 2022 Center for Asian Studies Event Funding for “(In)Dispensable: Citizenship and Marginality in Japan,” Apr. 1, University of Colorado Boulder (\$500)
- 2022 Research & Innovation Seed Grant, “Mobility and Environmental Health in Wildfire Response Communities.” Primary Investigator; Arielle Milkman co-PI. University of Colorado Boulder (\$50,000)
- 2022 Center for Asian Studies Event Funding, for the visit of Dr. Emma Cook (Feb. 27, 2023), University of Colorado Boulder
- 2021 Center for Humanities & the Arts small grant, for “Guest Lectures for ANTH 1155,” University of Colorado Boulder (\$2,000)
- 2019 Center for Outreach and Engagement Micro Grant, for “Teaching Ethnography for Social Engagement” faculty workshop, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2019 Benson Center for the Study of Western Civilization faculty funding application, for “Teaching Ethnography for Social Engagement” faculty workshop, University of Colorado Boulder

Curriculum Vitae of Kathryn E. Goldfarb

- 2019 Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities special events grant, for “Teaching Ethnography for Social Engagement” faculty workshop, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2017 President’s Fund for the Humanities grant, for the visit of Dr. Jason de Leon (Sept. 29-30), University of Colorado Boulder
- 2016 Center to Advance Research in the Social Sciences Faculty Research Award, “Interpersonal Trauma & Psychiatric Expertise: Experiencing Transnational Knowledge in Japan,” University of Colorado Boulder
- 2015 Center for Asian Studies Seminar Series funding, for the visit of Dr. Noriko Manabe (Mar. 4, 2016), University of Colorado Boulder
- 2015 Center for Asian Studies Seminar Series funding, for the visit of Dr. Chika Watanabe (Jan. 22, 2016), University of Colorado Boulder
- 2014 Arts Research Board Conference & Representational Activities grant, for attending the 5th World Congress of Asian Psychiatry, Fukuoka, Japan, Mar. 2015, McMaster University
- 2014 Arts Research Board seed funding, “Interpersonal Trauma & Psychiatric Expertise: Experiencing Transnational Knowledge in Japan,” McMaster University
- 2014 Forward with Integrity Faculty Development Grant (with matching funds from Dean of Social Sciences, McMaster University), “Collaborative Community-Based Research: Applying Lessons from ‘Applied Anthropology’”
- 2012 Postdoctoral Award for Professional Development, Harvard University
- 2011 Social Science Division Small Research Grant, University of Chicago
- 2011 Toyota Dissertation Writing Fellowship, University of Chicago Center for East Asian Studies
- 2010 International Chapter P.E.O. Sisterhood Fellowship for dissertation writing
- 2008 University of Chicago Japan Committee Fellowship for study at Stanford Inter-University Center for Advanced Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama, Japan, “National-Cultural Ideologies and Medical-Legal Practice: Infertility, Adoption, and Japan’s Low Birthrate”
- 2008 U.S. Department of Education Tuition Fellowship for study at Stanford Inter-University Center for Advanced Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama, Japan
- 2008 University of Chicago Provost Summer Fellowship for dissertation proposal writing
- 2007 Leiffer Fellowship for summer pre-field research in Japan, University of Chicago

2007	Center for East Asian Studies Summer Fellowship, University of Chicago
2007	FLAS Title VI Fellowship for summer study at Hokkaido International Foundation for Japanese Language Studies, Hakodate, Japan
2006-07	FLAS Title VI Fellowship for academic year
2006	FLAS Title VI Fellowship for summer study at Middlebury College Japanese Language School, VT
2006	Department and University nominee, Liebmann Fellowship (honorable mention in national competition)
2005	University of Chicago Division of the Social Sciences fellowship (four years)
2005	Finalist, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2005	Finalist, Andrew Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies
2004	Goliard Travel Scholarship, “ <i>Yama asobi</i> : Mountain play”
2002	IES Tokyo Merit Scholarship <i>and</i> AIEJ Scholarship for study at Kanda University of International Studies, Tokyo, Japan

HONORS

2023	2022-2023 Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award, Graduate School, University of Colorado Boulder
2022-	Faculty mentor in the STUDIO program, University of Colorado Boulder
2020-2022	CU Dialogues Faculty Fellow, University of Colorado Boulder
2019-2021	Mansfield Fellow, Cohort V, U.S.-Japan Network for the Future
2018	CU Engage Faculty Course Development Institute, for the development of Practicing Anthropology course, University of Colorado Boulder
2012	Graduate Student Paper Award, Council on the Anthropology of Reproduction, American Anthropological Association, for “Replacement and Remediation: Loss and the Pleasures of the Genealogical”
2012	Starr Prize Lectureship, University of Chicago Department of Anthropology
2008	Bestor Prize for Outstanding Graduate Paper, Society for East Asian Anthropology, American Anthropological Association, for “Making the oral contraceptive ‘for me’ in Japan: Managing the semiotics of reproductive health in virtual space”

2004	Outstanding Senior Award, Department of Anthropology, Rice University
2003-04	Rice Undergraduate Scholars Program
2003-04	Rice University Academic Fellow
2001-04	Rice University President's Honor Roll
2000-04	National Merit Scholar

COLLABORATIVE AND INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH

2023-	Co-Investigator for "Air (In)quality in New York City," Audrey Gaudel Principal Investigator (NOAA/ CU Boulder CIRES), Prathap Ramamurthy Co-Investigator (City College New York).
2022-	Principal Investigator for "Knowing Air," Boulder County, CO.
2022-	Principal Investigator for "Mobility and Environmental Health in Wildfire Response Communities," Arielle Milkman co-PI, research consultants Owen Cooper and Audrey Gaudel (NOAA/ CU Boulder CIRES).
2022-	Collaboration with Louisville Historical Museum, "Marshall Fire Story Project," Boulder County, CO.
2014	Co-Principal Investigator, community-based research project on well-being of LGBTQ+ people in Hamilton, ON, "Looking Back, Moving Forward."

INVITED TALKS

2023	"People Who Have No One: Knowledge and Narration in Japanese Child Welfare." Harvard Anthropology Department Seminar Series. Cambridge, MA, Oct. 17
2023	"Producing People Who Have No One: Child Welfare and Well-Being in Japan." The 31st Keio Symposium on Bridging Humanities, Social Sciences and Medicine: Exploring Health and Illness through History, Anthropology, and Art. Tokyo Japan, May 25
2023	"Producing People Who Have No One: Child Welfare and Well-Being in Japan." University of Michigan Center for Japanese Studies, Jan. 12
2021, '22, '23	"Roles of Kinship and Family in Japanese Society." Getting to Know Japan Webinar, Yokosuka Council on Asia-Pacific Studies public lecture, Aug. 31, 2021, May 31, 2022, Sept. 18, 2023
2020	"Producing People Who Have No One: Child Welfare and Well-Being in Japan." Oxford Brookes University, Oct. 21

- 2019 “Materializing relationships: Embodying absent kinships in Japanese child welfare.” Johns Hopkins University, Oct. 22
- 2019 “Loss and the pleasures of the ‘normal’: Constituting family in Japan.” University of Missouri-St. Louis, Sept. 12
- 2018 “Materializing relationships: Embodying absent kinships in Japanese child welfare.” Hokkaido University Modern Japanese Studies Colloquium Series, July 13
- 2016 “Beyond Blood Ties: Intimate Kinships in Japanese Foster and Adoptive Care.” Hokkaido University Modern Japanese Studies Colloquium Series, Jul. 7
- 2015 “*Ketsuen wo koete: Nihon no satooya yōiku, yōshiengumi katei ni okeru shinmitsu na kazoku kankei*” (Beyond blood ties: Intimate kinships in Japanese foster and adoptive care) (in Japanese). *Shyakaiteki yōgo to yōshiengumi: Sekai to nihon* (Foster care and adoption: The world and Japan) symposium. Japan Women’s University, Tokyo, Japan, Mar. 8
- 2013 “‘Coming to look alike’: Materializing affinity in Japanese foster and adoptive care.” University of Toronto Anthropology Colloquium Series, Toronto, ON, Nov. 8
- 2013 “Developing a modern body politic: Japanese child welfare, advocacy, and the politics of the normal.” History of Medicine Research Group, Tokyo University, Tokyo, Japan, Jan. 15
- 2012 “Developing a modern body politic: Japanese child welfare and the politics of the normal.” Harvard University Department of Anthropology Monday Colloquium, Cambridge, MA, Sept. 17
- 2009 “Reproducing the body politic: Infertility, adoption, and Japanese public policy.” History of Medicine Research Group, Keio University, Tokyo, Japan, Jun. 24

INVITED WORKSHOPS

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- 2023 “Loss and the Pleasures of the ‘Normal.’” “Aging in Asia Conference,” University of Michigan Center for Japanese Studies, Mar. 3
- 2022 “Producing People who have No One.” “Demographic Challenges in Contemporary Japan” Academic Manuscript Workshop, 21st Century Japan Politics and Society Initiative, Indiana University, Feb. 24-25
- 2019 “Knowledge and Narration: Material Mnemonics and Embodied Memory in Japanese Child Welfare.” Keio University’s Medicine and Social Sciences Bridge-Building Workshop, Jan. 17
- 2017 “Anonymity, Ancestry, and Family Registry: Adoption Debates in Contemporary Japan.” Rethinking East Asian Families and Family Laws: Critical Legal, Gender, and Ethnographic Perspectives. Workshop at Indiana University, May 11

- 2016 “(De)Materializing Kinship: Holding Together Mutuality and Difference.” Graduate student master class, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia. Dec. 9
- 2016 “Anonymity, Ancestry, and Family Registry: Adoption Debates in Contemporary Japan.” “Changing Practices of Health and Family in Japan Workshop,” Chinese University of Hong Kong, Jun. 17-18
- 2015 “Receiving care in order to give: Social reproduction in a Japanese ‘household-like’ children’s home.” “Child’s Play: Multi-sensory histories of Children and Childhoods in Japan and Beyond,” UCSB-JSPS Joint Symposium at the University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA, Feb. 28
- 2012 “Loss and the pleasures of the ‘normal’: Constituting family in Japan.” Korean Family in Comparative Perspective Workshop Series, University of Illinois, Champaign, IL, Sept. 28

CONFERENCE AND MEETING PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 “Roundtable: Denaturalizing Culturalism and Essentialism in the Research and Teaching of Japan.” *To be presented* at the Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, Mar. 14-17. *Roundtable organizer, chair, and presenter*
- 2023 “Interdisciplinary and Community-Based Participatory Research to Tackle Environmental Injustice – Focus on Air (In)Quality,” American Geophysical Union Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, Dec. 11-15. *Session co-convenor* (with Audrey Gaudel (NOAA/ CIRES) and Gaike Kerr (George Washington University)
- Gaudel, Audrey, Kathryn E. Goldfarb, Prathap Ramamurthy, “Air (In)quality in New York City” (poster)
- Megan Robertson, Audrey Gaudel, Rebecca Schwantes, Arielle J Milkman, Jordan Schnell, Harold Gamarro, Colin Harkins, Brian C McDonald, Kathryn E. Goldfarb, Owen Roger Cooper, “Air quality models HRRR, RAP-Chem, and WRF-CMAQ present a negative bias for PM2.5, CO and Temperature in extreme wildfire conditions” (poster)
- 2023 “Knowing Fire, Knowing Air: Atmospheric, Epistemic, and Embodied Ecologies in a Wildland Urban Interface.” Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, ON, Nov. 19
- 2023 Chair of roundtable, “Conformity and Change in Japan’s COVID- 19 Response.” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting. Boston, MA, Mar. 17
- 2022 “Beyond Silos: Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Epistemic Transformation,” Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA Nov. 13. *Roundtable organizer, chair, and presenter*

- 2022 “Saving ‘just one small life’ in Japan: Anonymous infant abandonment as extralegal child welfare mechanism,” Law and Society Conference, Lisbon, Portugal (virtual stream), Jul. 14
- 2022 “(In)Dispensable: Citizenship and Marginality in Japan,” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI Mar. 26. Roundtable presenter
- 2021 “When Kinship is Not Warm and Fuzzy: Part I, Ambiguities of Care/ Part II, Toxic Relations/ Part III, Negative Affect,” three-part on-demand podcast series, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, Nov. 17-21. *Organizer of record for Part II and Part III; Presenter for Part III*
- 2019 “Semiotic Domains of Kinship (Un)Making in Japan.” Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada, Nov. 22
- 2019 Roundtable: “Pathologizing Communication Practices: The Role of Institutions in Cultural Context,” Society for Psychological Anthropology Biennial Meetings, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM, Apr. 5
- 2018 “Approximating a ‘household’: Material semiotics in Japanese institutional care.” Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA, Nov. 14
- 2016 “Biologies beyond the nature/nurture divide: Materializing absent kinships in Japanese child welfare.” Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, Nov. 17. *Panel co-organizer*
- 2016 “Welcoming a diversity of care: Particularizing the “right” to a family in Japan.” LGBTQ+ and EMAC Symposium Intersections: Race, Gender and Sexuality in Research and Teaching, University of Colorado at Boulder. Nov. 11
- 2016 “Anonymity, Ancestry, and Family Registry: Adoption Debates in Contemporary Japan.” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, April 2
- 2015 “Loss and the pleasures of the ‘normal’: Constituting family in Japan.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, Nov. 20
- 2015 “Beyond blood ties: Intimate kinships in Japanese foster and adoptive care.” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, March 29
- 2015 “Everyday therapy: Communicating traumatic pasts in Japanese child welfare institutions.” 5th World Congress of Asian Psychiatry, Fukuoka, Japan, March 4
- 2014 “Welcoming a diversity of care: Particularizing the ‘right’ to a family in Japanese child welfare.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., Dec. 5
- 2013 “Relationships that ‘matter’: Childhood trauma and uncanny semiotics in Japan.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting as part of an invited panel (Society for Medical Anthropology), Chicago, IL, Nov. 21

- 2013 “A time and space for waiting: Child welfare placement decisions in Japan.” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, Mar. 22. *Panel co-organizer*
- 2013 “Theorizing experience: Politics of chance in Japanese state care.” Japan Anthropology Workshop, University of Pittsburgh, PA, Mar. 7
- 2013 “What the body remembers: Japanese child welfare and the feminist politics of care.” Feminism, Science & Materialism Conference, Graduate Center, City University of New York, Feb. 14
- 2012 “‘Coming to look alike’: Materializing affinity in Japanese foster and adoptive care.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Nov. 14. *Panel co-organizer*
- 2012 “The nature of nurture: Tracing care in Japan.” Rise of Child Science and Psy-Expertise Workshop, Brunel University, London, U.K., May 30
- 2012 “Former child in a world of adults: Troubled transformations in a Tokyo self-support group.” Society for Cultural Anthropology Conference, Providence, RI, May 11
- 2012 “Trust in change: temporality and affective relationships among Graduates of Japanese Children’s Homes.” Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Toronto, ON, Mar. 17. *Panel co-organizer*
- 2011 “The state is a cold parent: Archaeologies of care in Japan.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, QB, Nov. 19
- 2011 “Household-style care or care in a household? Cultural factors shaping the Japanese foster care system.” International Foster Care Organization Conference, Victoria, BC, Jul. 11
- 2011 “*Nakama* beyond family: Relational space for cultural critique.” Asian Studies Conference Japan, International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan, Jun. 26
- 2010 “‘Their lips are lonely’: Rituals of exchange in a Japanese children’s home.” Asian Studies Conference Japan, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan, Jun. 19. *Panel organizer and chair*
- 2007 “Making ‘OC for me’: Signifying a knowledge community in Japan.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Nov. 28
- 2007 “Making ‘OC for me’: The semiotics of a pharmaceutical and its virtual knowledge community.” Michiganian Conference, University of Michigan, Apr. 27
- 2004 “Ethics of the Dialectical Narrative.” Psychoanalysis and Narrative Medicine Conference, University of Florida, Feb. 20

OTHER PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 “The Wild Things.” Ethnography in Progress workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Sept. 30
- 2022 “Avoiding the wild things: Unintended consequences of ‘social care’ in Japan.” Mansfield Foundation U.S.-Japan Network for the Future research presentation, Washington, D.C., Sept. 1
- 2021 “The Wild Things.” Presented at “When Kinship is Not ‘Warm and Fuzzy,’ remote workshop co-hosted by University of Colorado Boulder and University of Toronto, Sept. 25
- 2021 “(Dis)Connections in the time of COVID-19: Child welfare system alumni in Japan and the US.” Mansfield Foundation U.S.-Japan Network for the Future research presentation, online, Jan. 20
- 2020 “Producing People without People.” Ethnography in Progress workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Mar. 19
- 2018 “Materializing relationships: Embodying absent kinships in Japanese child welfare.” Presented at Institute for Social Science, University of Tokyo, Jul. 26
- 2018 “Relationships that Matter: Embodying Absent Kinships in the Japanese Child Welfare System.” Ethnography in Progress workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Mar. 16
- 2016 “Knowledge and Narration: Material Mnemonics in Japanese Child Welfare.” Ethnography in Progress workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Sept. 21
- 2016 “Biologies beyond the nature/nurture divide: Materializing absent kinships in Japanese child welfare.” Research presentation at Keio University, Jul. 21
- 2016 Research presentation (Japanese). *Yoiku wo Kangaeru Kai*, Yokohama, Japan, Jul. 11
- 2016 “Beyond blood ties: Becoming Family in Japan.” Modern Japanese Studies Program Workshop at Hokkaido University, Jul. 9
- 2016 “Anonymity, Ancestry, and Family Registry: Adoption Debates in Contemporary Japan.” Center for Asian Studies, University of Colorado Boulder, Apr. 21
- 2015 “Beyond blood ties: Intimate kinships in Japanese foster and adoptive care.” McMaster Anthropology Conference, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Mar. 17
- 2012 “Theorizing experience: Politics of chance in Japanese state care.” Program on U.S.-Japan Relations Seminar, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, Nov. 27

- 2012 “Law, blood, and other non-durables: Theorizing the temporality of attachment in Japanese child welfare placements.” Law, Culture, and Society Workshop, University of Chicago, May 16
- 2012 “The nature of nurture: Tracing care in Japan.” Human Development and Clinical Ethnographies Workshop, University of Chicago, Feb. 7
- 2011 “Between state and family: Child welfare in contemporary Japan.” Human Rights Workshop, University of Chicago, Nov. 2
- 2011 “Fragile kinships: Blood ideologies and child welfare in Japan.” P.E.O. Sisterhood Missouri State Conference, Jun. 18
- 2011 “The state is a cold parent: Archaeologies of care in Japan.” Medicine, Body, and Practice Workshop, University of Chicago, Mar. 10
- 2008 “Making the oral contraceptive ‘for me’ in Japan: Signifying subjects with bodies.” Medicine, Body, and Practice Workshop, University of Chicago, Jan. 18
- 2007 “*Fuinchiryō kara, oyako kankei to shakai mondai made*” (From infertility treatment to parent-child relationships and social pathologies). Presentation of research, Hokkaido International Foundation, Aug. 6 (in Japanese)
- 2006 “Tracing discourses of sexual regulation: Legalizing the Pill and Viagra in Japan.” Medicine, Body, and Practice Workshop, University of Chicago, Nov. 30

DISCUSSANT ROLES

- 2023 Discussant for the panel, “Of Hoarding and Housekeeping: Material Kinship and Domestic Space in Anthropological Perspective (Book Forum).” American Anthropological Association annual conference, Toronto, ON, Nov. 15
- 2023 Discussant for the panel, “Extraction, Colonialism, Land.” “Fallout: Asian Networks of Nuclearity” workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Oct. 27
- 2022 Discussant for the panel, “Trauma Talk in Institutions.” Society for Linguistic Anthropology conference, Boulder, CO, Apr. 9
- 2022 Discussant for Angelina Chin, “Challenges with incorporating advanced technologies in care work for elderly people in Japan.” “Demographic Challenges in Contemporary Japan” Academic Manuscript Workshop, 21st Century Japan Politics and Society Initiative, Indiana University, Feb. 24-25
- 2021 Discussant for keynote presentation by Hirokazu Miyazaki, “Nuclear Compensation: Hope, Responsibility, and Collaboration around Fukushima,” as part of the “A Decade of Fukushima” Workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Mar. 18
- 2019 Discussant for papers of Mayanthi Fernando and Carole McGranahan. “Life Revitalized” workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Oct. 25

- 2018 Discussant for the panel, "Rethinking East Asian Families and Family Laws: Critical Legal, Historical, and Ethnographic Perspectives." Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., Mar. 25
- 2016 Discussant for the panel, "Mental Health/Illness in Contemporary Japan." Asian Studies Conference Japan, Tokyo, Jul. 2
- 2016 Miriam Kingsberg, "Cultural Nation." University of Colorado Boulder Department of History faculty workshop, Apr. 8
- 2015 Discussant for the panel, "Deconstructing familiar communities: Engaging contested representations in undergraduate anthropology." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, Nov. 21
- 2015 Discussant for the panel, "Situating the Ethnographer." University of Colorado Boulder Department of Anthropology Graduate Student Conference, Sept. 25
- 2012 Amy Leia McLachlan, "Stranger kinship: gendered alterity and generative power in Amazonia." Semiotics Workshop, University of Chicago, Feb. 16
- 2011 Marianna Staroselsky, "Imagining a transnational *Quilombo*: A study of potential psychological benefits of Capoeira for at-risk boys." Clinical Ethnography Workshop, University of Chicago, Oct. 25
- 2011 Yvonne Smith, "Agency in crisis: Stories of agency in therapeutic crisis intervention training and practice." U.S. Locations Workshop, University of Chicago, Apr. 26
- 2010 Nicholas Harkness, "Clean voice, Christian voice." Medicine, Body, and Practice Workshop, University of Chicago, Mar. 3
- 2008 Lara Braff, "'Somos muchos' ('we are many'): Population politics and moral discourses in Mexican fertility clinics." Medicine, Body, and Practice Workshop, University of Chicago, May 14
- 2008 Nelly Samoukova, "Heal thyself!" Anthropology of Europe Workshop, University of Chicago, Apr. 17
- 2008 Averill Leslie, "Kinship and Kallikaks: Henry Goddard's contextual constitution of families." Workshop on U.S. Locations, University of Chicago, Apr. 8
- 2008 Kathleen McDougall, "Isolated population? Afrikaner genealogy in post-Apartheid South Africa." African Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, Feb. 12
- 2007 Roscoe Nicholson, "Vegan perceptions and rhetoric surrounding nutrition and the case of vitamin B-12." Medicine, Body, and Practice Workshop, University of Chicago, Jan. 15

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

2021	“When Kinship is Not ‘Warm and Fuzzy.’” Remote workshop co-hosted by University of Colorado Boulder and University of Toronto, Sept. 25 & Oct. 2.
2021	Co-organizer (with Tim Oakes) for “A Decade of Fukushima” Workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, Mar. 18-19
2020	Teaching Ethnography for Social Engagement workshop (co-organized with Eric Hirsch), University of Colorado Boulder, Mar. 6

TEACHING

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION, PhD

PhD	Kevin Darcy, University of Colorado Boulder, 4.2017 - present
PhD	Clara Lee, University of Colorado Boulder, 8.2018 - present
PhD	Arielle Milkman, University of Colorado Boulder, 2.2021 - present
PhD	Jessica Misiorek, University of Colorado Boulder, 8.2023 - present
PhD	Daina Stanley, McMaster University Anthropology, 1.2014 - 2021
PhD	Kelly Zepelin, University of Colorado Boulder, 10.2015 - 6.2022

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION, MA

MA	Conor Lanning, University of Colorado Boulder, 8.2022 - present
MA	Stephanie Mayell, McMaster University Anthropology, 9.2014 - 6.2016
MA	Lucas Rozell, University of Colorado Boulder, 8.2022 - present

UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESIS SUPERVISION

Sheri Binkly, University of Colorado Boulder, 9.2023 - present
Amy Martinez, University of Colorado Boulder, <i>summa cum laude</i> 10.2018 - 2019
Abby Marynowski, University of Colorado Boulder, 10.2020 - 2021

GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND EXTERNAL EXAMINER

PhD	Katherine Arnold-Murray, University of Colorado Boulder (Linguistics), 5.2023 - present
MA, PhD	Lauren Barrett, University of Colorado Boulder, 1.2018 - 4.2020
PhD	Boushra Batlouni, University of Colorado Boulder (Media Studies), 3.2021 - 6.2022
PhD	Christopher Chapman, University of Oxford (Social Anthropology), external examiner, 2023

Curriculum Vitae of Kathryn E. Goldfarb

PhD	Bailey Duhé, University of Colorado Boulder, 9.2018 - 5.2022
PhD	Paige Edmiston, University of Colorado Boulder, 1.2021 - present
MA	Alison Hanson, University of Colorado Boulder, 3.2016 - 4.2016
PhD	Ben Joffe, University of Colorado Boulder, 8.2019 - 12.2019
PhD	Dawa Lokyitsang, University of Colorado Boulder, 4.2019 - present
PhD	Anna Lughezzani, University of Padua and Ca' Foscari University of Venice (Historical, Geographical and Anthropological Studies), external examiner, 2023
MA	Melanie Matteliano, University of Colorado Boulder, 9.2020 - 12.2020
PhD	Patrick McKenzie, University of Colorado Boulder, 4.2023 - present
PhD	Arielle Milkman, University of Colorado Boulder, 3.2016 - 2.2021
PhD	Daniel Naumenko, University of Colorado Boulder, 1.2023 - present
PhD	Blessed Ngoe, University of Colorado Boulder (Communications), 1.2022 - present
MA	Kelly O'Toole, University of Colorado Boulder, 4.2016 - 12.2016
PhD	Ayden Parish, University of Colorado Boulder (Linguistics), 10.2016 - present
PhD	Morgan Seamont, University of Colorado Boulder, 8.2017 - 10.2018
PhD	Austin Sibley, University of Colorado Boulder, 1.2020 - present
PhD	Robert Scott, University of Colorado Boulder (Sociology), 7.2023 - present
MA	Rebeca Spencer, University of Lethbridge (Anthropology), 9.2023 - present
MA	Hannah Van Eendenburg, University of Colorado Boulder, 2.2020 - 5.2020
PhD	Garian Vigil, University of Colorado Boulder (Sociology), 3.2022 - present
PhD	Irina Wagner, University of Colorado Boulder (Linguistics), 10.2018 - 5.2021
PhD	Anna Wynfield, University of Colorado Boulder, 12.2020 - present
PhD	Tian Yang, McMaster University Anthropology, 2014 - 2015

UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESIS COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Jason Pasquale, University of Colorado Boulder (English), 2023 - present

Marianna Marquardt, University of Colorado Boulder (Linguistics), 2019 - 2020

COURSES TAUGHT AT CU BOULDER DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

“Bio/Social,” Graduate seminar, 2023.

“Kinship Matters: Relatedness and Identity in Archaeological and Sociocultural Anthropology,” Co-instructed graduate bridging seminar (with Samantha Fladd), 2022.

“Ethnographic Approaches to Language and Storytelling,” Graduate seminar, 2018.

“Kinship: Being and Belonging,” Graduate seminar, 2020.

“Mental Health and Embodiment,” Graduate seminar, 2017.

“Ethnographic Methods Mini-Course,” Graduate mini-course (ARSC 5040), 2023.

“Introduction to Cultural Anthropology,” Undergraduate lecture, 2021, 2020, 2018, 2017, 2016.

“Anthropology of Japan,” Undergraduate lecture, 2023, 2022, 2015.

“Anthropology of Neuroscience,” Upper-level undergraduate/ graduate seminar, 2023, 2019, 2015.

“Kinship: Being and Belonging,” Upper-level undergraduate/ graduate seminar, 2021, 2019, 2016.

“Practicing Anthropology,” Upper-level undergraduate/ graduate seminar, 2022, 2020, 2018.

COURSES TAUGHT AT MCMASTER UNIVERSITY ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT

“Being and Belonging: Family in Global Perspective,” Graduate seminar, 2014.

“Applied Anthropology,” Fourth-year undergraduate seminar, 2015, 2014.

“Anthropology of Health, Illness, and Healing,” Third-year undergraduate lecture, 2014, 2013.

“Neuro: The Anthropology of Brain Science,” Fourth-year undergraduate seminar, 2014.

COURSE TAUGHT AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

“Anthropology of Relatedness in East Asia,” Graduate seminar, 2012.

COURSES TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

“Reading Ethnographies: Embodied Experience,” Starr Prize Lectureship, Department of Anthropology, Upper-level undergraduate seminar, 2012.

“Power, Identity and Resistance,” Collegiate Division of the Social Sciences, Undergraduate seminar, 2011. “Power, Identity and Resistance,” Collegiate Division of the Social Sciences, Undergraduate seminar. Teaching Intern, 2007, 2008.

“Anthropological Methods,” Department of Anthropology, Graduate seminar. Teaching assistant. 2011.

SERVICE

ACADEMIC SERVICE

2023-present	Member of Institutional Review Board Panel A (Social and Behavioral Sciences), University of Colorado Boulder
2023	Research and Innovation Office Seed Grant reviewer, University of Colorado Boulder
2022-2023	Anthropology Department Executive Committee member, University of Colorado Boulder
2022-2023	Chair for American Anthropological Association David M. Schneider Award graduate student paper prize panel
2021	AB Nexus Grant reviewer, University of Colorado Boulder
2021-present	Arts & Sciences Fund for Excellence Committee, University of Colorado Boulder
2021	Manuscript conference panel member for Michaela Kelly, "The Role(s) of Women's Social Networks in Contemporary Japan," Harvard University, May 24
2021	Panelist for American Anthropological Association David M. Schneider Award graduate student paper prize
2020-2021	Anthropology Department Climate and Diversity Committee Chair, University of Colorado Boulder
2020 summer	Boulder Faculty Assembly COVID AY20-21 Faculty Response Committee
2019-present	Boulder Faculty Assembly Diversity Committee member, University of Colorado Boulder
2021-present	Center for Asian Studies Speaker and Event Committee Member, University of Colorado Boulder
2019-2021	Center for Asian Studies Speaker and Event Committee Chair, University of Colorado Boulder
2019	Organizer for visiting lecture from Dr. Danilyn Rutherford of Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research
2018	Organizer for visiting lecture from Dr. Whitney Duncan of University of Northern Colorado, University of Colorado Boulder
2018	Organizer for visiting lecture from Dr. Eli Thorkelson of Stellenbosch University, University of Colorado Boulder
2018-2022	Boulder Faculty Assembly Representative, University of Colorado Boulder
2018-2021	Center for Asian Studies Executive Committee member, University of Colorado Boulder
2018-2019	Anthropology Department Honors Council Representative for Cultural Anthropology, University of Colorado Boulder
2018-2020	Anthropology Department Ethnography Certificate committee member, University of Colorado Boulder
2017	Co-organizer for visiting lecture from Dr. Karen Barad of UC Santa Cruz, University of Colorado Boulder
2017-2019	American Anthropological Association Rapid Response Network for Academic Freedom, member
2016-present	Ethnography in Progress writing workshop faculty organizer, University of Colorado Boulder
2016-2018	Center for Asian Studies Curriculum Committee member, University of Colorado Boulder

2016-2018	Anthropology Department Graduate Student Conference organizing committee member, University of Colorado Boulder
2016	Anthropology Department Climate Survey committee member, University of Colorado Boulder
2016	Organizer for visiting lecture from Dr. Noriko Manabe of Princeton University, University of Colorado Boulder
2016	Organizer for visiting lecture from Dr. Chika Watanabe of Manchester University, University of Colorado Boulder
2014-2015	Undergraduate Committee, Department of Anthropology, McMaster University
2013-2015	Community Engaged Research Consultative Group, McMaster University
2013-2015	Community Engaged Research Consultative Group, Ethics Group Sub-Committee, McMaster University
2013-2015	Core Member, Asia Research Working Group, McMaster University
2007-2008	Student Coordinator, Medicine, Body, and Practice Interdisciplinary Workshop, University of Chicago
2006-2007	Research Assistant for Dr. George Stocking, University of Chicago
2005-2006	Research Assistant for Dr. Judith Farquhar, University of Chicago
2003-2004	Writing Consultant, RiceOwl Writing Service, Rice University

PEER REVIEWS

Anthropology Southern Africa Journal
Asian Studies Review
Brill
Cambridge Encyclopedia of Anthropology
Cambridge Journal of Anthropology
Cornell University Press
Cultural Anthropology
Current Anthropology
Ethnos
Human Organization
Journal of International & Intercultural Communication
Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences
Journal of the Royal Anthropological Society
Medical Anthropology
National Science Foundation
Numen – International Review of the History of Religions
Research in Economic Anthropology
Routledge
Rutgers University Press
Rowman & Littlefield (Lexington Books)
Science, Technology, & Human Values
Social Politics
Social Science & Medicine
Suomen Antropologi: Journal of the Finnish Anthropological Society
Swiss National Science Foundation

PUBLIC SERVICE AND OUTREACH

2023-	Board President, International Foster Care Alliance
2021-2023	Board member, International Foster Care Alliance
2020	Expert panel member, Northglenn High School problem-based learning student project on student experiences during COVID-19, Dec. 11
2020	Anti-Racism Teach-In, “Underlying Conditions: ‘Race,’ Racism, and Health,” Sept. 5. Available at https://www.colorado.edu/anthropology/kathryn-goldfarb
2019-2021	Adviser to documentary film and book by Matt Miller, <i>My Invincible Compass</i> , about mental health resources and supporting children in institutional care in Japan
2017	“Talk Back” at Boedecker Theater for film, <i>After the Storm</i> , March 29
2014	Undergraduate Poster Competition Chair, Asia-Canada: Transnational Collaborative Research Conference, Hamilton, ON, April 4
2013	Translator, International Foster Care Organization youth program, Osaka, Japan, Sept. 13-16
2012	Judge, Chicago Area Undergraduate Research Symposium, Chicago, IL, March 3
2011	Volunteer editor for online content and government reports of the Kenya Network of Care Leavers (Nairobi-based NGO for youth who aged out of child welfare institutions)
2011	Research presentation, Jewish Home for the Aging, Los Angeles, CA, Sept. 11
2011	Research presentation, Scott Elementary, Greeley, CO, Sept. 1
2011	Research presentation, P.E.O. Chapter EG meeting, Kansas City, MO, Feb. 7
2010	Research presentation, Scott Elementary, Greeley, CO, Mar. 15
2009	Research presentation (in Japanese), Yokohama International Student House, Yokohama, Japan, June 1

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association
Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group
Anthropology of Mental Health Interest Group
Association for Asian Studies
Association for Feminist Anthropology
International Foster Care Alliance
International Foster Care Organization
Society for Cultural Anthropology
Society for Linguistic Anthropology
Society for Psychological Anthropology