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## EDUCATION

2007            Ph.D., Geography  
                  University of California—Los Angeles  
                  Dissertation: *The Place of the Nomad: Situating Gypsy and Traveler Mobility in Contemporary England*  
                  Committee: Michael Curry (Chair); John Agnew; Nick Entrikin; Douglas Kellner

2002            M.A., Geography  
                  Rutgers University  
                  Thesis: *An Earth Without Maps: The Alternative Geographies of 'The English Patient'*  
                  Committee: Briavel Holcomb (Chair); Frank Popper; John Belton

1999            B.A., English  
                  Rutgers University  
                  Graduated with Honors

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2011-           Member, Earth and Environmental Sciences Doctoral Faculty, The Graduate Center,  
                  City University of New York (CUNY)

2008-           Assistant Professor (tenure track)  
                  Department of Political Science, Economics, and Philosophy  
                  College of Staten Island, CUNY

2008-2010      Visiting Scholar  
                  Center for European Studies, Rutgers University

2007-2008      Postdoctoral Associate  
                  Center for European Studies, Rutgers University

## PUBLICATIONS

### Refereed Journal Articles

Kabachnik, Peter, Regulska, Joanna, and Mitchneck, Beth. 2010. "Where and When is Home? The Double Displacement of Georgian IDPs from Abkhazia." *The Journal of Refugee Studies*. 23 (3): 315-336.

Kabachnik, Peter. 2010. "England or Uruguay?: The Persistence of Place and the Myth of the Placeless Gypsy." *Area*. 42 (2): 198-207.

Kabachnik, Peter. 2010. "Place Invaders: Constructing the Nomadic Threat in England." *Geographical Review*. 100 (1): 90-108.

Kabachnik, Peter. 2009. "To Choose, Fix, or Ignore Culture? The Cultural Politics of Gypsy and Traveler Mobility in England." *Social and Cultural Geography*. 10 (4): 461-479.

Kabachnik, Peter. 2009. "The Culture of Crime: Examining Representations of Irish Travelers in Traveller and The Riches." *Romani Studies*. 19 (1): 49-64.

### Book Reviews and Other Publications

Kabachnik, Peter. 2007. "Book Review - Here to Stay: The Gypsies and Travellers of Britain." *Romani Studies*. 17 (2): 250-254.

Kovács, Melinda and Kabachnik, Peter. 2001. "A Kvantitatív másság felfedezése: Az EU diskurzusa az 1997- esországvéleményekben ." (Hungarian translation of "Shedding Light on the Quantitative Other"). *Replika*. 45-46 (November): 61-88. (Reprinted)

Kovács, Melinda and Kabachnik, Peter. 2001. "Shedding Light on the Quantitative Other: The EU's Discourse in the Commission Opinions of 1997." In József Böröcz and Melinda Kovács eds. *Empire's New Clothes*. Telford: Central Europe Review. Pages 147-195. Access at: <http://www.rci.rutgers.edu/~eu/Empire.pdf>.

Mitchell, James K., Kabachnik, Peter, Donovan, Robert, Noguchi, Junko and Mitchell, Tom. 2001. "Field Observations of Lower Manhattan in the Aftermath of the World Trade Center Disaster: September 30th, 2001." *Quick Response Report 139*, Natural Hazards Center at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Access at: [www.colorado.edu/hazards/qr/qr.html](http://www.colorado.edu/hazards/qr/qr.html).

## INVITED LECTURES

2011 Speaker, *Perceptions and Constructions of Abkhazia*, Living in Displacement: Prospects for Change? Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia

2008 Speaker, *An Exploration of Long-term Territorial Displacement and Material Lives: The Case of Georgia*. With Beth Mitchneck. Forum on Displacement in Georgia: Human Impact, Policy Implications, and Lessons Learned. Harriman Institute, Columbia University

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2011 Speaker, *Wounds that Won't Heal: Cartographic Anxieties and the Quest for Territorial Integrity in Georgia*, Academic Swiss Caucasus Net Annual Conference, Bazaleti, Georgia

Speaker, *Displacing Blame: Divergent Accounts of the Georgia-Abkhazia Conflict*, Association for the Study of Nationalities World Convention, New York, New York

Speaker, *Traumatic Masculinities: The Gendered Geographies of Georgian IDPs from Abkhazia*, 2011 Regional Policy Symposium: Gender in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Eastern Europe and Eurasia, Washington D.C.

2010 Speaker, *Traumatic Masculinities: The Gendered Geographies of Georgian IDPs from Abkhazia*. Annual Meeting, International Geographic Union, Tel Aviv, Israel

Speaker, *Traumatic Masculinities: The Gendered Geographies of Georgian IDPs from Abkhazia*. Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Washington D.C.

Speaker, *Nomadism and New Labour*. With Andrew Ryder. Romani Mobilities in Europe: Multidisciplinary Perspectives, Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

2009 Speaker, *Traumatic Masculinities: Shifting Gender Roles of Georgian IDPs from Abkhazia*. Association for the Study of Nationalities World Convention, New York, New York

Speaker, *Shaping Abkhazia: The Making and Remaking of a Political Territory* Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, Nevada

2008 Speaker, *Exile and Displacement of Internally Displaced Persons in Georgia: Where is Home?* With Joanna Regulska and Beth Mitchneck. Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Boston, Massachusetts

2007 Speaker, *Where Can We Put Our Homes? – Seeking Social Justice for Gypsies and Travelers in England* Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, California

2006 Speaker, *Nomad's Land: Place, Exclusion, and Sedentarism in England* Annual Meeting and Conference, Gypsy Lore Society, Tucson, Arizona

2005 Speaker, *Out of Place in the UK: Representations of Gypsies in British Media Culture* Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Denver, Colorado

2003 Speaker, *The Other Others: Roma as Perpetual Transgressors* Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, New Orleans, Louisiana

2002 Speaker, *An Earth Without Maps: Geographic Critique in 'The English Patient'* Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Los Angeles, California

2001 Speaker, *An Earth Without Maps: Geographic Critique in 'The English Patient'* Annual Meeting, Middle States Division, Association of American Geographers, Brookville, New York

Speaker, *Shedding Light on the Quantitative Other: The EU's Discourse in the Commission Opinions of 1997 Challenges of the European Union's Enlargement*, University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada

## **PANELS**

2010 Discussant, *Geographies of Exclusion in Europe* session. Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Washington D.C.

2009 Discussant, Global Initiatives Film Series: Human Rights, *Roma Rights*. Rutgers University

2008 Discussant, *How to Study Post-Soviet Space II: Issues of Transition Across Regions and States*. Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Boston, Massachusetts

## **OTHER**

2010 Organizer and Chair, *Geographies of Displacement* session, Annual Meeting, Association of American Geographers, Washington D.C.

## **WORKSHOPS AND SYMPOSIA**

2011 *Gender in the 21st Century Eastern Europe and Eurasia Regional Policy Symposium*, IREX and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars' Kennan Institute (WWC). Washington, D.C. (competitive selection process)

2004      *A Critical Basis for 21st Century Romany Studies*. Three Week Summer Workshop,  
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary (competitive selection process)

## REFEREE ACTIVITIES

### Journal Reviewer

*Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*

*Antipode*

*Geoforum*

*Humanity: An International Journal of Human Rights, Humanitarianism and Development*

*Ethnography*

*British Journal of Sociology*

### Proposal Reviewer

*Leverhulme Trust*

## MEDIA APPEARANCES

Interviewed by Voice of America: Georgia Service, 2011

## MEMBERSHIPS

Association of American Geographers

Gypsy Lore Society

American Geographical Society

Association for the Study of Nationalities