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Anthropology Department News & Achievements

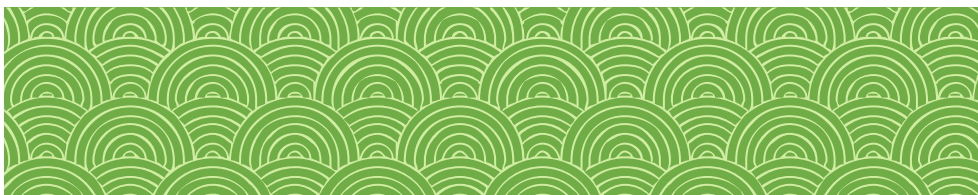
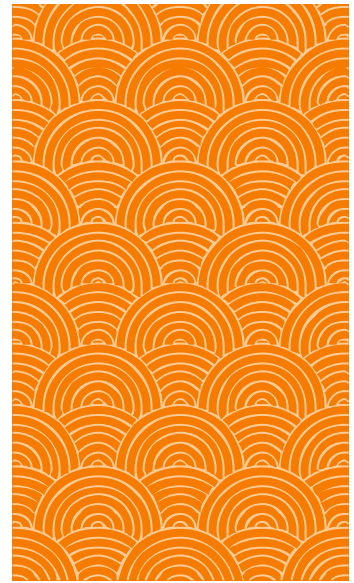
As we head into the end of the semester, news of grants, awards, and other accomplishments just keeps coming in! We are deservedly proud of all of the terrific work of our majors, graduate students, faculty & alumni.

Undergraduate Achievements

- **BU Anthropology major & sophomore Karolena Salmon** has been awarded an Alice M. Brennan Humanities Award by the BU Center for the Humanities.
- **BU Anthropology major & senior Audrey Kurtz** has been awarded a Robert E. Yellin Award by the BU Center for the Humanities.

Grad News & Achievements

- **Archaeology -- now Anthropology -- graduate student Kathleen Forste** has been awarded an Edwin S. and Ruth M. White Prize and an Angela J. and James J. Rallis Memorial Award by the BU Center for the Humanities.
- **Sociocultural grad Anu Ahmed** has been awarded a Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) for her project "'Self-illness,' Biomedicalization, and Reformist Sunni-Islam: Living Ethical 'Modern' Lives in Contemporary Male', Maldives."
- **Bio-Anth student Jessica Hlay's** research (supervised by Prof Carolyn Hodges-Simeon) was featured in a



special issue of the BU Brink on Covid-19 related research.

- **Eleven students** have officially accepted our graduate admissions offer and will be joining us in the fall:
 Zoe Albert (bioanthropology)
 Melissa Zurate (bioanthropology)
 Alexander Dorr (archaeology)
 Trevor Lamb (archaeology)
 Alonso Gabriel Vicencio (archaeology)
 Amirah Fadhlin (sociocultural)
 Sumeyra Gunes (sociocultural)
 Boliang Li (sociocultural)
 Pritika Sharma (sociocultural)
 Aizaz Younas (sociocultural)
 Martin Aucoin (sociocultural)

Alumnae/Alumni Updates

- **Recent PhD (now alumna) Feyza Burke Adli** will begin a three-year post-doc position at Northwestern University in the Dept of Anthropology, officially beginning on May 1.
- **BU Alumna Chun-Yi Sum** has been hired to teach in Boston University's Social Science Division of the College of General Studies. We hope to see her often!
- **BU Alumna Carol Ferrara** has been hired by Emerson College as an Assistant Professor of Marketing Communication, housed in the Marketing Communications Dept of the School of Communications. She will be their resident social scientist, conducting research on topics that bridge anthropology, sociology, marketing, business, and corporate social responsibility

- **BU Alumna Erica Larson** has accepted a post-doc position at the Asia Research Institute at the NUS (National University of Singapore)
- **BU Alumnus Andrea Chiovenda** has a new book out with OUP *Crafting Masculine Selves: Culture, War, and Psychodynamics in Afghanistan*.

Faculty News

- **Professor Cheryl Knott's** lab has generously donated 1000 gloves as well as extra goggles to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center to be used in efforts to fight the corona virus.
- **Professor Shahla Haeri's** new book *The Unforgettable Queens of Islam: Succession, Authority, Gender* has appeared with Cambridge University Press.
- **Professor Fallou Ngom** has a new publication in *Libraries and Archives in the Digital Age*, edited by Susan L. Mizruchi (Palgrave Macmillan, March 2020), 83-107:
<https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783030333720#aboutAuthors> "Digital Archives for African Studies: Making Africa's Written Heritage Visible" pp 83-107.
- **Professor Carolyn Hodges-Simeon** has received an NSF grant "Disentangling the Effects of Extrinsic Morality Risk and Energy Availability on the Timing of Pubertal Events" (jointly reviewed by Biological & Sociocultural teams). She has also received a Wenner-Gren post-PhD grant for research!

More good news? Please let me smhefner@bu.edu or Veronica know vclittle@bu.edu and we will be happy to publish in a future newsletter!

