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Location: Social Sciences 1, room 261

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Monsoon Mobilities: Labor, Debt, and Kinship in the Dhow Trade

I am an Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of California-Santa Cruz. I received my PhD in Anthropology from Cornell University in 2015. I am currently working on a book manuscript based on my dissertation titled “Moorings: The Dhow Trade and States in the Western Indian Ocean.” The book is an historical ethnography that examines interactions between participants of transregional trade networks and multiple regulatory regimes in the Western Indian Ocean. Prior to joining UCSC, I was a Mellon Sawyer Seminar Post-doctoral Fellow at the Center for Humanities at Tufts University, and at the IIAS-ASC at Leiden University. My research and writing have been supported by an SSRC Transregional Research Junior Scholar Fellowship, the ACLS/Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship and a Wenner-Gren Foundation’s Dissertation Fieldwork Grant.

