

# COLLOQUIUM SERIES

## ANTHROPOLOGY



Our work presents an investigation about perception of the environment, technique and distributed cognition, with fishermen and schools of mullets, on beaches in southern Brazil. We engage with the techniques of the body and operational sequences (*chaînes opératoires*) involved in the lookout for schools of mullets, paddling of non-motorized canoes and net casting, revealing a collective form of monitoring the ways that fish appear on the coast. The examination of the exchange of oral and audiovisual information about fish among fishermen reveals a distributed cognition system that connects traditional ways of obtaining and confirming “news of fish” with the use of smartphones and radio communication. This system reveals clues to the interweaving trajectories of fishermen, fish, fishing grounds and the rhythms of non-intentional design of seascapes. We discuss how the ecological information embedded on the technicity of this collective practices and knowledge systems can relate to the technical system of conservation and distribution of fish at different scales

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***NEWS OF FISH:  
TECHNIQUES AND  
DISTRIBUTED ECOLOGICAL  
KNOWLEDGE AMONG  
FISHERMEN,  
FISH TRADERS AND SCHOOLS  
OF MULLETS IN BRAZIL***

### ***RESEARCH INTERESTS:***

perception of the environment,  
Anthropology of Landscape,  
fishing, Visual Anthropology,  
Anthropology of Techniques,  
sound and experience, trade practices and city  
markets, movement and knowledge

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