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Curriculum Vitae

Education

The University of South Florida, Tampa, FL August 2023-Present

Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Anthropology, Current Student

Dissertation Topic: Language Access and the Experiences of Spanish-Speaking Latina/o/e/x/Hispanic
Individuals Seeking Abortion Care Services in New York City (Advisor: Nancy Romero-Daza)

Committee Members: Jason Wilson, Rebecca Campbell-Montalvo, Heide Castañeda, Dalia Magaña, Tara
Deubel

Graduate Certificate in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

Master of Arts in Anthropology

2021-2022

Thesis Topic: Neoliberalism, Gender, and Frontline Covid-19 Nurses

GPA: 4.0

Graduate Certificate in Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies

2019-2020

Bachelor of Science in Economics

2014-2018

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

Research - Publishing

Robbins, J. (2025). For Who: the AAA Boycott and Critical Social Justice Activism. *Annals of
Anthropological Practice* (Accepted)

Robbins, J. & Freidus, A. (2024). Neoliberalism and Work-Life Balance Among COVID-19 Nurses. *Human
Organization*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00187259.2024.2322975>

Robbins, J., Appleton, K., and Zacharias, L. (2025). Redefining Originality: Rethinking Reuse in
Academia, an Argument for Accessibility and Change. *Practicing Anthropology*. (In progress)

Robbins, J., Caro, L., & Freidus, A. (2025). Beyond the Workplace: Examining the Etiology of Burnout
Among Frontline COVID-19 Nurses. (In progress)

Robbins, J., Deubel, T., & Naughton, C. (2025). Interpreter Research Experiences: an Ethnography. (In
Progress)

Robbins, J. with A. Freidus and L. Caro. (2021). The Importance of Community in the Experiences of
Frontline Nurses in North Carolina During COVID 19. *SFAA News*.

[https://www.appliedanthro.org/publications/news/august-2021/importance-community-experiences-
frontline-nurses-north-carolina-during-covid-19](https://www.appliedanthro.org/publications/news/august-2021/importance-community-experiences-frontline-nurses-north-carolina-during-covid-19)

Work Experience

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

2023-Present

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Instructor of Record – Linguistic Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology

Peer Mentor

UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2023-Present

Adjunct Professor, Anthropology

*Intro to Four-Field Anthropology, Linguistic Anthropology, Economic Anthropology, Feminist
Anthropology, Anthropology of Gender*

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2019-Present

River Robin Music Studio, Charlotte, NC – Tampa, FL
Founder, Owner, Instructor

Teaching

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2024-Present
ANT 2410: Cultural Anthropology (2024, 2025)
ANT 3610: Linguistic Anthropology (2024)

UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC 2023-Present
ANTH 1101: Intro to Four-Field Anthropology (2023, 2024)
ANTH 2161/ENGL 2050: Linguistic Anthropology (2025)
ANTH 3113: Economic Anthropology (2023)
ANTH 4090/WGST 4050: Feminist Anthropology: Health and Language Access in the US (2024)
ANTH 4090/WGST 4050: Anthropology of Gender (2024, 2025)

Assistantships

Allies for Healing, Choosing Myself, Tampa, FL 2024-Present
Research Assistant for Jill McCracken and Kwaneya Black
Sexual Health Education for Systems-Involved Youth

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 2023-Present
Teaching Assistant for Elena Lesley, John Napora, Nancy Romero-Daza

NSF IRES Program, Sustainability and Amazigh Women's Equity in Argan Oil Production in Morocco
Tampa, FL Summer 2024
Research Fellowship, Working under Tara Deubel
Ethnography, Amazigh women's experiences; language partner experiences

UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC 2021-2022
Teaching Assistant for Sara Juengst, Amaranth Weiss, Sharon Watson, Dennis Ogburn
Research Assistant for Andrea Freidus

Center for Talented Youth, Baltimore, MD 2022
Teaching Assistant for Kathleen Hurlock

Grants

Robbins, J. (PI) (2025). Language Access and the Experiences of Spanish-Speaking Latina/o/e/x/Hispanic Individuals Seeking Reproductive Care in New York City. Wenner Gren Foundation. (Grant in progress) (\$25,000)

Robbins, J. (Co-PI) and Romero-Daza, N. (PI) (2025). Doctoral Dissertation Research: Language Access and the Experiences of Spanish-Speaking Latina/o/e/x/Hispanic Individuals Seeking Reproductive Care in New York City. National Science Foundation. (Under Review) (\$25,000)

McCracken, J. (PI) and Robbins, J. (Co-I) (2025-2026). Professor to Pinellas County Partnership in Research and Creative Scholarship Grants Program. (Under Review) (\$9996.70)

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McCracken, J. (PI) and Robbins, J. (Co-I) (2025-2027). Choosing Myself: Empowering At-Risk Youth through Sex Education Curriculum Using Anti-Racist and Anti-Oppression Frameworks to Graduate Student Research Collaboration Award. (Under Review) (\$22,000)

Awards

Conference Travel Award SFAA 2025

Conference Travel Award SFAA 2024

Conference Travel Award SEA 2023

Conference Presentations

Robbins, J. (2025). Interpreters in Research: Experiences from Team Fieldwork in Morocco. SFAA. **(Presenter)**

Neives, L., Robbins, J., McCracken, J., Satardeker, A., and Prather, K. (2025). Integrating Trauma-Informed Care into Sexual and Reproductive Health Education. USF Health Research Day. Poster.

McCracken, J. and Robbins, J. (2025). Legacies: 50 Years of Feminist Scholarship, Creative Activity, and Activism in the South. WGS South. **(Co-Presenter)**

Robbins, J. (2025). Anthropology Day, USF. **(Organizer, Director, Moderator)**

McCracken, J. and Robbins, J. (2025). Adapting pedagogy, language, and vulnerability to comprehensive sex education. American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT). **(Workshop, Co-Presenter)**

McCracken, J. and Robbins, J. (2024). Empowering Perspectives: Developing Sexual Health Education with Justice-Involved and Marginalized Youth. National Sex Education Conference (NSEC). **(Co-Presenter)**

Robbins, J. (2024). For Who?: a Critical Inquiry of Theory and Praxis. November 21, 2024. **(Presenter)**

Robbins, J., Davis-Salazar, K., Abell-Selby, E., & Buie, C. (2024). Care as Resistance: Confronting Policy and Power through Praxis. November 21, 2024. **(In-person Panel; Organizer)**

Robbins, J., with Freidus, A. (2024) Neoliberalism and NC Frontline COVID-19 Nurses. Poster at the Annual Conference of the Society for Applied Anthropology (SFAA). March 28, 2024 **(In-person Conference)**

Robbins, J., with Freidus, A. (2022) Neoliberalism and NC Frontline COVID-19 Nurses. Presentation at the Annual Conference of the Society for Applied Anthropology (SFAA). February 23, 2022 **(Presenter)**

Caro, L. & Robbins, J. (2021) Asymmetrical Distribution of Risk. A Rapid Qualitative Appraisal of NC Nurses' Perceptions of Providing Care during COVID. Presentation at the Annual Conference of the Society for Applied Anthropology (SFAA). March 23, 2021 **(Co-Presenter)**

Freidus, A., with L. Caro, J. Robbins, and A. Lee (2020) COVID-19 Rapid Appraisal of Frontline Healthcare Workers in North Carolina. Presentation at the Annual Conference of the North Carolina Organization of Nurse Leaders (NCONL). November 5, 2020 **(Co-Presenter)**.

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Professional Organizations

Anthropology Graduate Student Organization, *President (2024-2025)*

Society for Applied Anthropology, *Member, Mentor*

American Anthropological Association, *Member*

Society for Medical Anthropology, *Member*

Society for Feminist Anthropology, *Member*

Society for Economic Anthropology, *Member*

Society for Ethnomusicology, *Member*

Southern Sociological Society, *Member*

Service

Reviewer. 2025 8th SOQM Interdisciplinary Symposium on Qualitative Methodologies, "Expanding Possibilities for Qualitative Research Across Disciplines."

Mentor. 2025 SFAA Student Committee.

Honors/Certifications

CITI Certified for Social & Behavioral Research (IRB)

Language Competency

English: Native Speaker

Spanish: Advanced Competency

French: Advanced Competency

ASL: Intermediate Competency

Moroccan Darija: Conversational Competency (Verbal only)