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Education

- 2018 - Present **University of Georgia, Athens**
PhD., Anthropology
Major Professor: Dr. Donald R. Nelson
- 2017 **University of South Alabama**
B.A., Anthropology; Sociology minor, *Cum Laude*. University of South Alabama

Teaching Experience

- 2025 **Adjunct Instructor**, Oxford College of Emory, Oxford, GA
- Introduction to Anthropology (2 session – Fall 2025)
- 2018 – 2025 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of Anthropology, Athens, GA
- Introduction to Anthropology (Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Summer 2022)
- Water Worlds (Spring 2020, Summer 2020)
- Contemporary Native America (Summer 2025)

Writing Intensive Courses:
- Introduction to Anthropology Honors (Fall 2021)
- Introduction to Biological Anthropology (Fall 2024)
- Introduction to Bioarcheology (Spring 2025)
- 2024 – 2025 **Writing Coach**, Anthropology Writing Lab, Department of Anthropology, Athens, GA
- Employed Writing Intensive Program techniques to help undergraduate students improve writing within the discipline of anthropology.
- Developed worksheets and hand-outs to facilitate the writing process in every stage.
- 2020 – 2021 **Mentorship**, Department of Anthropology, Athens, GA (2 semesters)
- Mentor/Mentee Anthropology Undergraduate program

Research Experience

- 2022 – 2024 **Researcher**, twenty-four months of doctoral fieldwork research in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- Fieldwork resulted in robust fieldnotes, over 40 semi-structured, audio recorded interviews, documents from archival work, and the production of a community-based participatory research method, photovoice.
- 2020 - 2022 **Member**, Brazilian Natural Resource Governance Initiative, University of Georgia, and Federal University of Pará
- Contributed to epistemological exchanges between institutions and aided in the establishment of a network consolidation.

- 2018 –2020 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Cambodian-Laotian Community Strength & Resilience Project, Department of Human Development and Family Sciences (4 semesters)
- Duties included data processing from interviews through transcribing, coding, and analyzing.
 - Conducted over 10 hours of an Oral History with a Cambodian refugee.
 - Presented research outcomes in four interdisciplinary conferences.
- 2018 **Ethnographer**, Cambodian-Laotian Community Strength & Resilience Project, University of Georgia, Athens, (April – July)
- Conducted semi-structured interviews with a culturally sensitive approach to refugee communities.
 - Participant-observation collecting ethnographic data and notetaking.

Grants and Awards

- 2024 Graduate Student Domestic Travel Award for Conference, Graduate School, UGA (\$800)
- 2022 National Science Foundation. Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant. Doctoral Dissertation Research: Measuring Variation in Water Pollution Impacts and Water Insecurity Infrastructures Across Socioeconomic Status (\$15,763)
- 2022 Willson Center Graduate Research Award, UGA (\$1,250)
- 2022 Tinker Latin American & Caribbean Studies Institute, UGA (\$2,000)
- 2022 Dissertation research in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Melissa Hague, department of Anthropology, UGA (\$1,200)
- 2021 Graduate Student Degree Accelerator Award, Graduate School, UGA (\$5,000)
- 2021 Photovoice training with Photovoice Worldwide. Summer Research Grant, Graduate School, UGA (\$1,383)
- 2019 Pre-dissertation research in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Tinker Latin American & Caribbean Studies Institute, UGA (\$1,000)
- 2019 Pre-dissertation research in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Robert Rhoades Pre-Dissertation Travel Award, department of Anthropology, UGA (\$800)
- 2019 Cambodian and Laotian Strength and Resilience Summer Research Award, Department of Human Development and Family Sciences, UGA (\$3,000)
- 2017 University of South Alabama Foundation Anthropology Scholarship (\$750)

Publications

In Progress

- 2025 Basilio, Raul L. P. The Making of a Cultural Identity through More-Than-Human Lives in a Contaminated Urbanscape. *Cultural Anthropology*.

Published

- 2024 Basilio, Raul L. P. Vivendo Entre Humanos e Jacarés no Recreio dos Bandeirantes, Rio de Janeiro. *Revista Mapinguary*. Vol., 1 N., 1. Universidade Federal do Pará.

- 2023 Seigerman, Cydney K., S. Kyle McKay, **Raul Basilio**, Shelly A. Biesel, Jon Hallemeier, Andressa V. Mansur, Candice Piercy, et al. Operationalizing equity for integrated water resources management. *Journal of the American Water Resources Association* 59(2): 281–298. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1752-1688.13086>.
- 2023 **Basilio, R.** (Book Review) Olivia Angé and David Berliner, Editors: Ecological Nostalgias: Memory, Affect & Creativity in Times of Ecological Upheavals. *Hum Ecol.* 51, 357–359 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10745-022-00380-y>
- 2021 Seigerman, C., **R. Basilio**, and D.R. Nelson. Secas entrelaçadas: Uma abordagem integrativa para explorar a sobreposição parcial e as divisões volúveis entre definições, experiências e memórias da seca em Ceará, Brasil. In *Memória ambiental e o tempo vivido: Etnografia da duração e coleções de imagens*. Porto Alegre: Editora UFRGS, Associação Brasileira de Antropologia.
- 2021 DePuy, W., Weger, J., Foster, K., Bonanno, A. M., Kumar, S., Lear, K., **Basilio, R.**, & German, L. Environmental governance: Broadening ontological spaces for a more livable world. *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/25148486211018565>
- 2020 **Basilio, Raul**. Seeds of memory, Memory of Seeds – Interview with Dr. Virginia Nazarea. *Revista Iluminuras*. <https://doi.org/10.22456/1984-1191.99064>

Recognitions

- 2024 Kenneth J. Lanfear Award, Journal of the American Water Resources Association, Outstanding Technical Paper
- 2020 J. Peter Brosius Integrative Conservation Research Award, University of Georgia

Conference Presentations

- 2025 **Basilio, R.** (Accepted) From Colonial Ghosts to Contested Narratives: A Toponymic Inquiry into a Brazilian Neighborhood. American Anthropological Conference (presentation), New Orleans, LA.
- 2025 **Basilio, R** and Nelson, D. Beyond Death: The Potentials of Contaminated Waters and Lives in an Urban Landscape. Society for Applied Anthropology (presentation), Portland, OR.
- 2024 **Basilio, R.** Taming the Marshes: the past and present of environmental struggle in a Brazilian coastal floodplain. RBC Water Science & Policy Poster Symposium (poster) Athens, GA.
- 2024 **Basilio, R.** A paisagem sensorial da relação humano-mosquito. Reunião Brasileira de Antropologia. (presentation) Belo Horizonte, MG.
- 2023 **Basilio, R.** Águas Viscerais: o lugar da vida mais que humana dentro de um recorte socioambiental urbano. Reunião de Antropologia do Mercosul. (presentation) Niterói, RJ.
- 2020 **Basilio, R.** Steach, C., Lewis, D. C., Seponski, D. M. & DeYoung, S. 2020. Narratives of Unwanted Experiences: Dealing with Environmental Disasters Among Cambodian and Laotian Refugees. Society for Cross-Cultural Research. (presentation) Seattle, WA.
- 2020 Lewis, D. C. and **Basilio, R.** Understanding Cultural Relationships with Water in Alabama Gulf. Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill & Ecosystem Science Conference. (presentation) Tampa, FL.

- 2019 Lewis, D. C., Seponski, D., **Basilio, R** and Ann, S. 2019. The importance of community leadership among Cambodian and Laotian refugee communities. National Council for Family Relations, (poster) Fort Worth, TX.
- 2019 Lewis, D. C. and **Basilio, R**. Lessons of Resilience within a Life History. Society for Cross Cultural Research, (presentation) Jacksonville, FL.

Guest Lectures

- 2022 Basilio, R. “Visceral Waters: The Politics of Water and Waste in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil” At Queens College, CUNY, Class by Olivia Ferrari.
- 2022 Basilio, R. “Guest Lecture on Social Inequality and Waste.” ANTH 3200 – Anthropology of Globalization and Consumption, Professor Shelly Biesel. University of Georgia, Athens.

Service & Leadership

- 2025 Registration Desk Volunteer at the Society for Applied Anthropology Conference
- 2025 Volunteer Judge for the Northeast Georgia National History Day
- 2025 Paper Reader for the 2025 Georgia Junior Science & Humanities Symposium
- 2021 Reviewer for the Classic City Journal - Undergraduate Research Journal at University of Georgia, Athens
- 2020 Graduate Student Association Representative from Anthropology Graduate Student Organization
- 2019 Secretary of Anthropology Graduate Student Organization

Workshops

- 2025 Using Your Anthropological Toolkit in the Working World by Sonja Hodgson, Lance Larkin and Niel Tashima. Society for Applied Anthropology Conference
- 2025 Learning How to Build and Grow Your Network: An Anthropology Career Readiness Network Workshop by Elizabeth Briody. Society for Applied Anthropology Conference
- 2022 The Cultural Anthropology Methods Program, National Science Foundation
- 2022 Teaching Institute Johns Hopkins University by Kelly Clark and Richard Shingles
- 2021 ‘Talking with Pictures’: Photovoice, | Photovoice Worldwide | Laura Lorenz & Stephanie Lloyd
- 2021 University of Massachusetts Online ISSR Summer Methodology Workshops | Photovoice Research Design Intensive | Krista Harper & Brittini Howard
- 2019 Adopt-A-Stream Workshop, Sandy Creek Nature Center, Athens, GA

Professional Affiliations

NSF Cultural Anthropology Methods Program International
Society for Applied Anthropology

Creative Productions & Community Outreach

- 2024 Photovoice Exhibition. “Recreio, Nossas Maravilhas e Mazelas: Um projeto fotovoz com moradores de um bairro em expansão”
- Implemented a collaborative research method using photography to generate knowledge as part of my doctoral research.

- Led a team of eight collaborators in capturing 40 photographs, resulting in a week-long itinerant exhibition at Parque Natural Municipal Chico Mendes and three public schools in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- Reached an estimated audience of over 2,000 people, fostering community engagement and dialogue on urban expansion and environmental issues.

- 2023 Collaborator in Visual Anthropology Documentary. “VIVER E PERMANECER no Morro do Rangel. A galeria 8W, um projecto de arte urbana que resignifica o lugar.” Production of Dr. Catherine Reginensi, Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro.
- Dr. Reginensi and I conducted video-recorded interviews with residents from the 8W street. A street which was remodeled through grafitti by local artist that tell the history of the place. <https://vimeo.com/866264106?share=copy>
- 2020 – 2022 Collaborator at Brazilian Natural Resource Governance Initiative, University of Georgia, and Federal University of Pará.
- Conducted, zoom-recorded interviews with scholars from across partner universities contributing to “Lungs of the Earth? A Digital Story” about reflections and challenges of doing social sciences in Brazil. <https://www.bnrgi.org/lungsoftheearth>

Languages

Portuguese (Native)
 English (Fluent)
 Spanish (Proficient)

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