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## **Education**

Ph.D., Integrative Conservation and Anthropology, University of Georgia, Athens, ongoing

MSc., Conservation and Rural Development, University of Kent, Canterbury, 2015

B.S., Forestry, São Paulo State University, Botucatu, 2012

## **Research and Teaching Interests**

Cultural and Environmental Anthropology; Land Use and Landscape History; Traditional Ecological Knowledge; Livelihoods and Household Economy; Integrative Methodologies; Latin America; Amazon; Brazil

## **Grants, Fellowships, and Awards**

**2025 Graduate Student Travel Grant (\$800)** – Graduate School, U. Georgia

**2025 Summer Doctoral Research Assistantship (\$3,944)** – Graduate School, University of Georgia

**2024 Lewis and Clark Fund for Exploration and Field Research (\$5,000)** - American Philosophical Society

**2024 Communication of Research Grant (\$1,000)** – Graduate School, U. Georgia

**2024 Summer Research Grant (\$1,500)** – Graduate School, U. Georgia

**2024 Willson Center Graduate Research Award (\$1,000)** - Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, U. Georgia

**2024 São Paulo School of Advanced Science on Transdisciplinarity for Transformative Change Fellowship** - São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)

**2023 Summer Research Grant (\$1,500)** – Graduate School, U. Georgia

**2022 Tinker Grant (\$1,500)** – The Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute (LACSI), U. Georgia

**2022 Summer Research Grant (\$1,500)** – Graduate School, U. Georgia

**2022 Robert E. Rhoades Pre-Dissertation Travel Award (\$1,800)** – Department of Anthropology, U. Georgia

**2022 Halperin Memorial Fund Award (\$1,500)** – Society for Economic Anthropology (SEA), American Anthropological Association (AAA)

**2021 Cultural Anthropology Methods Program Fellowship** – National Science Foundation (NSF)

**2021 Tinker Grant (\$1,800)** – The Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute (LACSI), U. Georgia

**2021 J. Peter Brosius Integrative Conservation Research Award (\$250)** – Integrative Conservation Program, U. Georgia

**2020 Tinker Grant (\$1,500)** – The Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute (LACSI), U. Georgia

**2020 Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant (\$1,500)** – The Graduate School, U. Georgia

**2010 Scientific Initiation Fellowship** – Brazilian National Council for Technological and Scientific Development (CNPQ)

## Professional Experience

### **Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia, United States**

2025 – ongoing Graduate Research Assistant. Duties: conduct qualitative analysis of interview data on the adoption of climate-smart agriculture among farmers in India.

### **Center for Integrative Conservation Research, University of Georgia, United States**

2022 – 2023 Graduate Research Assistant. Duties: update institutional website with information about members' academic activities.

### **Network for Engineering with Nature, University of Georgia, United States**

2021 – 2022 Graduate Research Assistant. Duties: compilation of participatory research methods and historical social data about Panama City, Florida.

### **Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia, United States**

2020 – 2021 Graduate Teaching Assistant. Duties: prepare teaching materials and tests, grade assignments, and assist students one-on-one.

### **Critical Zone Observatory, University of Georgia, United States**

2019 – 2020 Graduate Research Assistant. Duties: compilation of historical land use data, compilation of historical economic data, and spatial analysis.

### **Casa da Floresta Ambiental, Brazil**

2018 – 2019 Research Analyst. Duties: plan and manage planting and maintenance operations of two forest restoration projects (103 ha and 60 ha) in São Paulo state.

### **Terra Sapiens Geotechnologies, Brazil**

2016 – 2017 Environmental Coordinator. Duties: plan, manage, and coordinate environmental consultancy projects.

### **USAID (United States Agency for International Development) / ICMBio (Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation), Brazil**

2016 – 2016 Forestry Consultant. Duties: planning and management of community agroindustry for processing native fruits at the Cazumbá-Iracema Extractive Reserve in Acre, Brazil.

**University of Kent – Brompton Academy, Kent, United Kingdom**

2015 – 2015 High-School Mentor. Duties: assisting students with geography homework and exams.

**GH Dean & Co. Ltd, Kent, United Kingdom**

2013 – 2015 Research and Management Assistant. Duties: assisting and conducting research experiments on fruit storage and processing, and management of fruit orchards.

**Publications****Peer reviewed**

**Ubiali, B.**; Alexiades, M. (2022). Forests, Fields, and Pastures: Unequal Access to Brazil Nuts and Livelihood Strategies in an Extractive Reserve, Brazilian Amazon. *Land* 11(7): 1-21. doi: <https://doi.org/10.3390/land11070967>.

Seigerman, C.; McKay, S; Basilio, R.; Biesel, S.; Hallemeier, J.; Mansur, A.; Piercy, C.; Rowan, S.; **Ubiali, B.**; Yeates, E.; Nelson, D. (2022). Operationalizing Equity for Integrated Water Resources Management. *JAWRA Journal of the American Water Resources Association* 00: 1-18 doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/1752-1688.13086>.

Ubiali, D. G.; Weiss, B. A.; **Ubiali, B. G.**; Colodel, E. M.; Valderrama-Vasquez, C.; Garrido, P. E.; Tortato, F. R.; Hoogestein, R. (2018). Is It Possible to Integrate Livestock Raising with Biodiversity Conservation? Case Study of Sheep Depredation by Puma (*Puma concolor*) [in Portuguese]. *Pesquisa Veterinária Brasileira* 38(12): 2266-2277. doi: 10.1590/1678-5150-PVB-6219

Perdomo, O.; Nascimento, A. R. T.; Trujillo, E. T.; **Ubiali, B.** (2017). Range Extension of *Prestoea pubens* var. *pubens* H.E. Moore (Arecaceae) in Colombia. *Checklist* 13(1): 2054. doi: <https://doi.org/10.15560/13.1.2054>

**Technical Reports**

Matos, M.; **Ubiali, B.**; Scurry, S.; Guenthner, S.; and German, L. 2023. Academic Spaces and Indigenous Places: Native American Dispossession and the University of Georgia. [<https://cicr.uga.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/cicr-occasional-paper-draft-2.pdf>]

**Ubiali, B. G.**; Romano, M. R.; Carvalho, Romulo, S., Carvalho, J. E. B. 2019. Mapping and Environmental Analysis of Water Sources and Water Courses of the Tuá Microwatershed, Cruz das Almas, Bahia [in Portuguese]. Documentos 229, Embrapa Mandioca e Fruticultura. [<https://www.embrapa.br/busca-de-publicacoes/-/publicacao/1109721/mapeamento-e-analise-ambiental-de-nascentes-e-cursos-dagua-da-sub-bacia-hidrografica-do-tua-cruz-das-almas-bahia-um-estudo-de-caso>]

**Conference Presentations, Invited Talks, and Panel Discussions**

**Ubiali, B.** Equitable Pathways to Climate-Smart Agriculture: Rethinking Adaptation as a Continuum (Accepted presentation abstract). Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, 2026.

**Ubiali, B.** An Introduction to Ethnography (Invited talk). Course “Introduction to Anthropology.” Oxford College of Emory University, 2025.

**Ubiali, B.** Navigating the Complexities of Graduate School (Invited talk). Course “Grad First.” U. Georgia, 2025.

Pitts, A.; Xie, Y.; Hutchinson, K.; Maddox, P.; **Ubiali, B.** Weaving Worlds: Agrifood Practices, Community Livelihoods, and Territorial Ecologies across the Neotropics (Invited panelist). American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2025.

**Ubiali, B.** Social Landscapes: Smallholders’ social-ecological responses to industrial monoculture expansion in the Amazon (Invited talk). Tepahí Seminars #10, Federal University of Western Pará, Santarém, 2025.

Neves, E.; **Ubiali, B.**, Seigerman, C. Exploring Academic Mobility Opportunities and their Importance for Postgraduate Studies. (Invited panelist). 1<sup>st</sup> International Seminar on Amazonian Agricultures, Federal University of Pará, Belém, 2024.

**Ubiali, B.** The Amazon in the World-System (Invited talk). Course “The Anthropology of Globalization and Consumption”. U. Georgia, 2022.

**Ubiali, B.**; Alexiades, M. Brazil Nuts or Cattle? The Relationship Between Forest Resource Access and Livelihood Strategies in an Extractive Reserve, Brazilian Amazon (Conference Presentation). Integrative Conservation Conference, U. Georgia, 2020.

### Conference Posters

**Ubiali, B. G.**; Alexiades, M. Economic Profile of Three Communities in the Cazumbá-Iracema Extractive Reserve, Acre [in Portuguese]. XI Brazilian Symposium on Ethnobiology and Ethnoecology, Feira de Santana, 2016.

**Ubiali, B. G.**; Alexiades, M. Expansion of Brazil Nut Access After the Collapse of Rubber in a Rural Community in Acre [in Portuguese]. XI Brazilian Symposium on Ethnobiology and Ethnoecology, Feira de Santana, 2016.

**Ubiali, B. G.**, Bellucci, D. The Potential of Polycentric Environmental Governance for Extractive Reserves in the Brazilian Amazon. Resource Politics, University of Sussex, Brighton, 2015.

**Ubiali, B. G.**, Poelking, E. L., Romano, M. R. Evaluation of Water Resources of the Tuá Micro watershed in Cruz das Almas, Bahia [in Portuguese]. Brazilian Symposium on Remote Sensing, Foz do Iguaçu, 2013.

Baez, O. A. P., Nascimento, A. R. T., Trujillo, E. T., **Ubiali, B. G.** Ethnobotany of Palms in a Tropical Montane Cloud Forest in Caquetá, Colombia [in Portuguese]. Brazilian Symposium on Ethnobiology and Ethnoecology, Florianópolis, 2012.

Baez, O. A. P., Nascimento, A. R. T.; Trujillo, E. T., **Ubiali, B. G.** Andean Palms and Peasants in the Cloud Forest, Caquetá, Colombia [in Portuguese]. National Congress of Botany, Joinville, 2012.

### Professional Service

#### Scientific Journal

2017 – present      Reviewer, *Ethnoscintia* – Brazilian Journal of Ethnobiology and Ethnoecology

## **University**

2021 – 2022                      Treasurer, Anthropology Graduate Student Association, U. Georgia

2020 – 2021                      Student Representative, Anthropology Graduate Student Association, U. Georgia

## **Professional Affiliations**

American Anthropological Association

Society for Applied Anthropology

Landscape Exchange Network for Socio-environmental Systems

Brazil Natural Resource Governance Initiative

## **Languages**

Portuguese (native)

English (near-native fluency)

Italian (high-level proficiency)

Spanish (working proficiency)