

AARON M. NEIMAN
Curriculum Vitae

PhD Candidate
Stanford University Department of Anthropology
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EDUCATION

Stanford University, Stanford, CA
Ph.D., September 2016-June 2023

Department of Anthropology, Culture and Society Track

- Medical Anthropology; Anthropology of Science
- Dissertation: “Therapy Without Therapists: An Ethnographic Study of e-Mental Health in Australia”
- Committee: Professors Duana Fullwiley, Angela Garcia, Sharika Thiranagama, and Natasha Schüll

Hampshire College, Amherst, MA
Bachelor of Arts, May 2016

- Cultural/Medical Anthropology; Political Philosophy
- Thesis: “The Politics of Approximation: A Mathematical and Epistemological Critique of the Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium”

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Australia, anthropology of science and medicine, psychiatry, mental illness, human-computer interaction, late 20th century history, capital & psychoanalysis, pop culture & film.

PUBLICATIONS

“Client States: Australia’s Offshore Detainees and the Limits of Therapy.”
Medical Anthropology Quarterly, Volume 37 Issue 2 (Forthcoming).

“Automated CBT and the Therapeutic (D)alliance in Australia” *Somatosphere*. “Mapping Algorithmic Assumptions” with commentary from Professor Emily Martin. September 2021.

“Online news media reporting of ketamine as a treatment for depression from 2000 to 2017.” *Irish Journal of Psychological Medicine*, 1-9. July 2021.

“Have Some Mental Health: The Black Summer Bushfires, COVID-19, and the Governance of Psychic Retreat,” part of edited series for Anthropology and Environment Society’s *Engagement* blog with commentary from Professor Adriana Petryna, May 2020.

“A Pain in the Back,” editorial on labor, back pain, and public health, in
The New Inquiry Volume 65, November 2017

PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS

July 2022

Center for Advanced Internet Studies fellows colloquium, “Therapy without Therapists in the Internet Age: History, Theory, and Political Economy,” Bochum, Germany.

April 2021

Society for Psychological Anthropology Biennial Conference paper presentation, “The Typing Cure: Interrogating the Therapeutic Alliance in Australia and Online,” presented remotely.

September 2019

Society for the Social Studies of Science Annual Conference paper presentation, “The Username of the Father: Predictive Sentencing Algorithms, Race, and the Shame of Law,” New Orleans, Louisiana.

September 2018

Society for the Social Studies of Science Annual Conference paper presentation, “Millenarian Metropolises: Science, Empire, and the Production of Novelty in Contemporary Liberalism,” Sydney, Australia.

April 2018

National Human Genome Research Institute Research Training and Career Development Annual Meeting poster presentation, “Providing Care in the After-Math: Clinical Translation of Machine-Learning in Genomic Medicine,” UCLA Medical School, Los Angeles, California.

April 2017

National Human Genome Research Institute Research Training and Career Development Annual Meeting featured talk, “The Politics of Approximation: An Epistemological Critique of the Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium,” St. Louis, MO.

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Spring 2022

Instructor for original anthropology course, “*I am Not a Robot*”: *The Contemporary Politics of Man and Machine*, small seminar with three advanced undergraduates

Fall 2021

Teaching assistant with lectureship and syllabus development responsibilities for Professor Duana Fullwiley’s lab course, *Technology and Inequality*

Winter 2018

Teaching assistant for Professor Duana Fullwiley’s *Genes and Identity*, instruction included giving lectures and leading discussions for 40 students

Fall 2017

Teaching assistant for Professor Angela Garcia's *Introduction to Medical Anthropology*, instructed two weekly sections of 21 students

FUNDING AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022-2023

- Visiting research fellow at Center for Advanced Internet Studies, July-September, Bochum, Germany
- Andrew Mellon Dissertation Writing Fellow, Stanford Humanities Center (September-June)

2021-2022

- Race and Technology Fellow, Stanford Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity

2019-2020

- National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant #BCS-1917569 (\$9,540)
- Wenner-Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant #5387093910 (\$19,960)
- Anthropology Department support in recognition of extramural funding success (\$11,448)
- Stanford Community Engagement Grant (\$3,800)
- Stanford History of Science Grant (\$1,000)

2016-2018

- National Institutes of Health predoctoral fellowship, Center for the Integration of Research on Genetics and Ethics at the Stanford Center for Biomedical Ethics at the Stanford University School of Medicine

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

September 2019-November 2020

Dissertation field researcher
Sydney, Australia.

Summer 2018

Guest Researcher
University of New South Wales

Summer 2017

Honorary Researcher
Trinity College Dublin Department of Psychiatry
St. Patrick's University Hospital

Fall 2013-Spring 2016

Research Assistant
Hampshire College
School of Critical Social Inquiry