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Born: March 1, 1948

Nationality: UK and US

Education 1969, B.A. Archaeology and Anthropology, with First Class Honors, Cambridge University
1973, M.A. Cambridge University
1973, Ph.D. London University (Unit of Primate Biology, Queen Elizabeth College).

Positions Held:

1972-1977 Assistant Professor, Anthropology, Yale University
1977-1986 Associate Professor, Anthropology, Yale University
1986-2003 Professor, Anthropology, Yale University
1990- 2003 Professor of Environmental Studies, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies
1990-1994 Director, Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History
1994-2002 Provost, Yale University
1997-2003 Franklin Muzzy Crosby Professor of the Human Environment
2003- Franklin Muzzy Crosby Professor Emerita, Yale University
2003- 2010 Vice-Chancellor, University of Cambridge
2010- Vice-Chancellor Emerita, University of Cambridge
2011 Edward P. Bass Distinguished Visiting Environmental Scholar, Yale University
2012- Senior Research Scientist, Yale University

Field Research:

1968 Barro Colorado Island, Canal Zone; 3 months studying the behavior and ecology of *Alouatta villosa* and *Ateles geoffroyi* (support: Explorers Club of America and the Boise Fund).

1970-2021 Madagascar; extensive long-term research on the demography, ecology and behavior of *Propithecus verreauxi* (support: Royal Society Leverhulme Scholarship, NATO Overseas Scholarship, National Science Foundation, Phyllis and Eileen Gibbs Travel Fellowship, World Wildlife Fund, Howard Foundation, Liz Claiborne Art Ortenberg Foundation).

1973-1974 Zaire; 6 months studying the ecology and behavior of *Pan paniscus* (support: National Science Foundation).

1975-1981 Pakistan; 11 months studying the ecology of *Macaca mulatta* (support: Smithsonian Institution International Program, National Science Foundation, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research).

1987, 1989 Japan; 2 months studying the ecology and conservation of *Macaca fuscata yakui* (support: Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, WWF-Japan)

Professional Activities and Honours:

Co-director, Program of Conservation and Development in Southern Madagascar (1977-2011); External Advisory Committee, Duke University Primate Center (1980-1994); Consultant, Species Survival Commission, International Union for the Conservation of Nature (1982-90); Anthropology Visiting Committee, Harvard Board of Overseers (1984-1986); International Advisory Group of Scientists to the Government of Madagascar (1983-1986); Editorial Board, *Folia Primatologica* (1982-1995); *American Journal of Primatology* (1988-1997); External Review Committee for Anthropology at Stanford University (1986), Duke University (1988), State University of New York, Stony Brook (1989); World Wildlife Fund delegation, Conference on Conservation and Sustainable Development, Madagascar (1985); invited participant, St. Catherine's Island meetings on species conservation in Madagascar (1986, 1987); consultant, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (1982, 1988); Scientific Advisory Council, L.S.B. Leakey Foundation (1986-1996); Scientific Advisory Council, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research (1991-1994); American Association of Physical Anthropologists nominating committee (1982-3); Research fellow, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (1987); National Science Foundation Physical Anthropology Review panel (1988-1991); National Council, World Wildlife Fund-US (1992-1995); invited participant, Workshop on Community-based Conservation organized by the Liz Claiborne/ Art Ortenberg Foundation, Airlie Center, (1993); Board Member, World Wildlife Fund-US (1995-2004); Advisory Board Member, Liz Claiborne Art Ortenberg Foundation, (1998-2014); Co-Trustee, Liz Claiborne Art Ortenberg Foundation (2014-); Board Member, World Wildlife Fund-International (2007-2016); Member, International Academic Advisory Panel to the Government of Singapore (2006-2010); Business Ambassador, UKTI (2008-2010); Member, National Council for Educational Excellence (2007-2009); Board Member, Universities UK (2007-2010); Board Member, Howard Hughes Medical Institute (2008-); Member, Arcadia Advisory Board (2009-); Chair, Advisory Board, Cambridge Conservation Initiative (2010-); Chair, Advisory Board, Perrett Laver Limited (2012-); Chair, Advisory Board, Luc Hoffmann Institute (2012- 2016); Member, International Advisory Panel, Yenching Academy, Peking University (2015-); Member, International Advisory Board, The Research Council, Oman (2016-2019).

Yale: Director of Graduate Studies, Anthropology (1980-1986); Chair, Anthropology, (1986-1989, 1989-1992); Associate Chair, African Studies Council (1988-1989, 1989-90); Faculty Affiliate in Anthropology, Peabody Museum of Natural History (1983-1988, 1988-1990); Curator of Anthropology, Peabody Museum (1990-2003); Member, Yale University Press Publications Committee (1991- 1994); Board Member, Yale University Press (1994-2002); Chair, Peabody Museum Leadership Council (2016-). Yale Institute for Biospheric Studies external advisory board (2021-).

Cambridge: Professorial Fellow, Newnham College (2003-2010); Honorary Fellow, Lucy Cavendish College (2003-), Wolfson College (2003-), Newnham College (2010-).

Member: Cambridge Philosophical Society, British Ecological Society, Primate Society of Great Britain, American Primatological Society, American Association of Physical Anthropologists, Zoological Society of London, American Anthropological Association.

Honours: Deputy Lieutenant, Cambridgeshire, 2003-2010; Honorary Degree, Peking University, 2004; Doctorat Honoris Causa, University of Antananarivo, 2005; Officier de L'Ordre National, Madagascar, 2005; Honorary Degree, York University, Canada, 2006; Honorary Degree, Edinburgh University, 2007; Honorary Doctorate (Social Science), Queens University, Belfast, 2008; Honorary Degree, Anglia Ruskin University, 2008; Verrill Medal, Yale Peabody Museum, 2008; Honorary Degree, Yale University, 2009; Honorary Degree, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2009; Honorary Degree, Ewha Womans University, Korea, 2009; Honorary Degree, Exeter University, 2010; Dame Commander of the British Empire, 2010; Honorary Degree, Richard Gilder Graduate School, American Museum of Natural History, 2013; Honorary Degree, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, 2015; Fellow, American Philosophical Society, 2009; Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2022

Publications:

Books:

- 1978 *Behavioral Variation: Case Study of a Malagasy Lemur*. 213 pp., Bucknell University Press, Lewisburg.
- 1985 *Primates in Nature*. 558 pages. W. H. Freeman and Co.
- 2001 (with J. Ratsirarson, J. Randrianarisoa, E. Ellis, R. J. Emady, Efitroarany, J. Ranaivonasy, and E.H. Razanajaonarivalona) *Beza Mahafaly: Ecologie et Realites Socio-economiques*. Recherches Pour Le Developpement, Serie Sciences Biologiques, No. 18, 155 pp.
- 2016 J. Ranaivonasy, J. Ratsirarson & A. Richard, eds. *Suivi écologique et socio-économique dans la Réserve Spéciale de Beza Mahafaly (Sud-ouest de Madagascar)*. Special issue, *Malagasy Nature*, Vol 10.
- 2022 *The Sloth Lemur's Song: Madagascar from the Deep Past to the Uncertain Present*. 342 pp., HarperCollins UK in partnership with the University of Chicago Press.

Articles:

- 1970 A comparative study of the activity patterns and behavior of *Alouatta villosa* and *Ateles geoffroyi*. *Folia Primat*. 12:241-263.
- 1974 Patterns of mating in *Propithecus verreauxi*. Pp. 49-74 in *Prosimian Biology*, eds. R. D. Martin, A. C. Walker and G. Doyle. Duckworth, London.
- 1975 (with R. W. Sussman). The Malagasy Lemurs: Conservation or extinction? Pp. 335-350 in *Lemur Biology*, eds. I. Tattersall and R. W. Sussman. Plenum Press, New York.
- 1975 (with R. Heimbuch). Social structure and patterns of dispersion in *Propithecus verreauxi*. Pp. 313-333 in *Lemur Biology*, eds. I. Tattersall and R. W. Sussman. Plenum Press, New York.
- 1976 Preliminary observations on birth in the wild and maternal behavior in *Propithecus verreauxi*. *Primates* 17(3):357-366.
- 1976 Primatology and Human Nature. Pp. 96-115 in *The Study of Anthropology*, ed. D. Hunter. Harper and Row, New York.
- 1976 Human adaptations: physical and cultural. Pp. 116-137 in *The Study of Anthropology*, ed. D. Hunter. Harper and Row, New York.
- 1977 Feeding behavior in *Propithecus verreauxi*. Pp. 71-96 in *Primate Feeding Behavior*, ed. T. H. Clutton-Brock. Academic Press, London.
- 1978 Variability in the feeding behavior of a Malagasy prosimian, *Propithecus verreauxi*: Lemuriformes. Pp. 519-533 in *The Ecology of Arboreal Folivores*, ed. E. Montgomery and R. Thorington. *Proc. Nat. Zool. Symp.* 1. Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington, D.C.
- 1981 Changing Assumptions in Primate Ecology. *American Anthropologist* 83 (3):517-533.
- 1982 (with S. R. Schulman). Sociobiology: Primate Field Studies. *Annual Reviews in Anthropology* 11:231-255.
- 1982 *Primate Ecology and Social Organization*. 31 pp., Biology Reader, Scientific publications Division, Carolina Biological Supply Co., North Carolina.
- 1984 The World's Endangered Primate Species - A case study on the lemur fauna of Madagascar. In *Primates and the Tropical Forest*, ed. R. Mittermeier. WWF Publications.

- 1984 (with D. Melnick and M. Pearl). Male migration and inbreeding avoidance in wild rhesus monkeys. *Amer. J. Primatol.* 7:229-243.
- 1984 (with R. W. Sussman). Madagascar: Current projects and problems in conservation. *Primate Conservation* 5:53-59.
- 1985 Social boundaries in a Malagasy prosimian, the sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi*). *Int. J. Primatol.* 6:553-568.
- 1987 Malagasy prosimians: female dominance. In *Primate Societies*, eds. B.B. Smuts, D.L. Cheney, R.M. Seyfarth, R.W. Wrangham, T.T. Struhsaker. University of Chicago Press, Pp.25 - 33.
- 1987 (with M. Nicoll). Female social dominance and basal metabolism in a Malagasy primate, *Propithecus verreauxi*. *Amer. J. Primatol.* 12:309-314.
- 1987 (with P. Rakotomanga and R.W. Sussman). Beza Mahafaly: formation et mesures de conservation, Pp.41-44 In *Priorites en Matiere de Conservation des Especies a Madagascar*, Occasional Papers of the IUCN Species Survival Commission No. 2.
- 1987 (with P. Rakotomanga and R.W. Sussman). Beza Mahafaly: recherches fondamentales et appliquees, Pp.45-51 In *Priorites en Matiere de conservation des Especies a Madagascar*, Occasional Papers of the IUCN Species Survival Commission No. 2.
- 1987 (D.L. Marks, T. Swain, S. Goldstein, A. Richard & M. Leighton). Chemical correlates of rhesus monkey food choice: the influence of hydrolyzable tannins. *J. Chemical Ecology* 14:213-235.
- 1988 Conservation in Madagascar: the past and the future, Pp.59-61 In *Guide to Madagascar*, ed. H. Bradt, Hunter Publishing Inc.
- 1988 (with R.W. Sussman). A framework for primate conservation in Madagascar. In *Primates in the Tropical Forest* eds. R. Mittermeier and C. Marsh.
- 1989 (S.J. Goldstein & A. Richard). Ecology of rhesus macaques (*Macaca mulatta*) in Northwest Pakistan. *Int. J. Primatol.* 10(6):531-566.
- 1989 (with S.J. Goldstein and R.E. Dewar). Weed macaques: the evolutionary implications of macaque feeding ecology. *Int. J. Primatol.* 10(6):567-593.
- 1990 (with A. Young and L. Aiello). Female dominance and maternal investment in strepsirhine primates. *Amer. Nat.* 135(4):473-488.
- 1991 (with P. Rakotomanga and M. Schwartz). Demography of *Propithecus verreauxi* at Beza Mahafaly: sex ratio, survival and fertility, 1984-1988. *Am. J. Phys. Anth.* 84(3):307-322.
- 1991 (with A. Engqvist). Diet as a possible determinant of cathemeral activity patterns in primates. *Folia Primatologia* 57:169-172.
- 1991 (with R.E. Dewar). Lemur Ecology. *Ann. Rev. Ecol. Syst.* 22:145-175
- 1992 Aggressive competition between males, female-controlled polygyny and sexual monomorphism in a Malagasy primate, *Propithecus verreauxi*. *J. Human Evol.* 22:395-406.
- 1992 (K. Kubadela, A. Richard & M. Pereira). Social relations in semi-free-ranging sifakas (*Propithecus verreauxi coquereli*) and the question of female dominance. *Am. J. Primatol.* 28:139-145
- 1992 Studying primates in the wild. *The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Human Evolution*, eds. S. Jones, R. Martin and D. Pilbeam, Cambridge University Press, P.36.
- 1992 Social changes. *The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Human Evolution*, eds. S. Jones, R. Martin and D. Pilbeam, Cambridge University Press, P.152-153.
- 1992 (with R.W. Sussman). Reflections on the Beza Mahafaly project in southern Madagascar. *TRI News* 11:12-14.
- 1993 (with P. Rakotomanga and M. Schwartz). Dispersal by *Propithecus verreauxi* at Beza Mahafaly, Madagascar: 1984-1991. *Am. J. Primatol.* 30:1-20.
- 1993 (R.W. Sussman, A.F. Richard and J. Rogers). Buettner-Janusch, John - Obituary. *Am. J. Phys. Anth.* 91(4):529-530.

- 1995 (D.K. Brockman, P.L. Whitten, E. Russell, A. Richard & M.K. Izard). Application of fecal steroid techniques to the reproductive endocrinology of female Verreaux's sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi*). *Am.J. Primatol.*313-325.
- 1995 (E.J. Sterling & A. Richard). Social organization in the aye-aye (*Daubentonia madagascariensis*) and the perceived distinctiveness of nocturnal primates. IN *Creatures of the Dark*, eds. K. Izard and L. Altermann, Plenum Press, NY, Pp.439-451.
- 1996 (J. Ratsirarson, J.A. Silander & A. Richard). Conservation and management of a threatened Madagascar palm species: *Neodypsis decaryi*, Jumelle. *Conservation Biology* 10 (1):40-52.
- 1997 (with S. O'Connor). Degradation, transformation and conservation: the past, present and possible future of Madagascar's environment. IN *Natural Change and Human Impact in Madagascar*, eds. Steven M. Goodman and Bruce D. Patterson, Smithsonian Institution Press, P. 406-418.
- 1998 (D.K. Brockman, P.L. Whitten, A. Richard & A. Schneider). Reproduction in free-ranging male *Propithecus verreauxi*: the hormonal correlates of mating and aggression. *Am.J.Phs.Anth.* 105 (2):137-152.
- 2000 Challenges. IN *A Yale Album*, ed. R. Benson, Yale University Press.
- 2000 (with R.E.Dewar, M.Schwartz and J.Ratsirarson). Mass change, environmental variability, and female fertility in wild *Propithecus verreauxi*. *J. Human Evolution* 39 (4): 381-391.
- 2001 (with R.E. Dewar). Politics, negotiation and conservation: a view from Madagascar. IN *African Rain Forest Ecology and Conservation*, eds. W.Weber, L.J.T. White, A. Vedder and L. Naughton-Treves, Yale University Press, Pp.535-546.
- 2001 (D.K. Brockman, P.L. Whitten, A. Richard & B. Benander). Birth season testosterone levels in male Verreaux's sifaka, *Propithecus verreauxi*: insights into socio-demographic factors mediating seasonal testicular function. *Behavioral Ecology and Sociobiology* 49 (2-3):117-127.
- 2001 (R.R. Lawler, A. Richard & M.A. Riley). Characterization and screening of microsatellite loci in a wild lemur population (*Propithecus verreauxi verreauxi*). *Am.J. Primatol.*55(4):253-259.
- 2002 (with R.E. Dewar, M. Schwartz and J. Ratsirarson). Life in the slow lane? Demography and life histories of male and female sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi verreauxi*). *J.Zool. Lond.* 256:421-436.
- 2003 (R.R. Lawler, A. Richard & M.A. Riley). Genetic population structure of the white sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi verreauxi*) at Beza Mahafaly Special Reserve, southwest Madagascar (1992-2001). *Molecular Ecol.*12 (9):2307-2317.
- 2003 (M.P. Muehlenbein, M.Schwartz & A. Richard). Parasitological analyses of the sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi*) at Beza Mahafaly, Madagascar. *J.Zoo and Wildl. Med.* 34:274-277.
- 2003 *Propithecus*, sifakas. IN *The Natural History of Madagascar*, eds. S.M Goodman and J.P. Benstead, University of Chicago Press, Pp.1345-1348
- 2005 (R.R. Lawler, A.F. Richard and M.A. Riley). Intrasexual selection in Verreaux's sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi verreauxi*). *J.Human Evolution* 48 (3):259-277
- 2007 (R. E. Dewar and A. Richard). Evolution in the hypervariable environment of Madagascar. *PNAS* 104 (34):13723-13727.
- 2008 (F.P. Cuzzo, M.L. Sauter, N. Yamashita, J.R. Scott, M.A. Weber, R.R.Lawler, D.K Brockman, L.R. Godfrey, L. Gould, J. Youssouf, C. Lent, J. Ratsirarson, A. F. Richard, R. Sussman, L. Villers, G. Willis). A comparison of salivary pH in sympatric wild lemurs (*Lemur catta* and *Propithecus verreauxi*) at Beza Mahafaly Special Reserve, Madagascar. *Amer.J. Primatol.*70:363-371.
- 2009 Epilogue. IN *University of Cambridge: an 800th Anniversary Portrait*, ed. P. Pagnamenta, Cambridge University Press.

- 2009 (R. R. Lawler, H. Caswell, A. F. Richard, J. Ratsirarson, R.E. Dewar, M Schwartz). Demography of Verreaux's sifaka in a stochastic rainfall environment. *Oecologia* 161 (3): 491-504.
- 2012 (with R.E. Dewar). Madagascar: a history of arrivals and what happened, and will happen, next. *Annual Reviews in Anthropology* 41:495-517.
- 2012 (R.W. Sussman, A.F. Richard, J. Ratsirarson, M.L. Sauther, D.K. Brockman, L. Gould, R. Lawler, F.P. Cuzzo). Beza Mahafaly Special Reserve: long-term research on lemurs in Southwestern Madagascar. IN *Long-Term Field Studies of Primates*, eds. P.M. Kappeler and D.P. Watts. Heidelberg: Springer-Verlag, Pp. 45-66
- 2012 (N. Rasamimanana, J. Ratsirarson, A.F. Richard). Influence de la variabilité sur la phenology de la forêt de la Réserve Spéciale de Beza Mahafaly. *Malagasy Nature* 6:67-82
- 2013 (with J. Ratsirarson). Partnership in practice: making conservation work at Beza Mahafaly, Southwest Madagascar, 1975 to the present. *Madagascar Conservation and Development* 8:12-20
- 2015 (S. Federman, A. Dornburg, A. Downie, A.F. Richard, D.C. Daly, M. J. Donoghue). The biogeographic origin of a radiation of trees in Madagascar: implications for the assembly of a tropical forest biome. *BMC Evolutionary Biology*.2015, 15:216. DOI: 10.1186/s12862-015-0483-1
- 2016 (J. Ranaivonasy, J. Ratsirarson, A.F. Richard eds.) Suivi écologique et socio-économique Dans la Réserve Spéciale de Beza Mahafaly (Sud-ouest de Madagascar). *Malagasy Nature*. Vol. 10
- 2016 (with J. Ratsirarson, E. Jaonarisoa, I. A. Youssouf Jacky, I. Fiorentino, J. Ranaivonasy). Mammalian biodiversity at Beza Mahafaly: an update. *Malagasy Nature* 10:25-36
- 2016 (with J. Ratsirarson, E. Jaonarisoa, S. Mahereza, I. A. Youssouf Jack, M. Sauther, I. Fiorentino). Diurnal lemurs at Beza Mahafaly: Resilience and risk. *Malagasy Nature* 10:37-50
- 2016 (N. Rasamimanana, J. Ratsirarson, E. Ramahatratra, J. Ranaivonasy, A. Richard). Variabilité et changement du climat à Beza Mahafaly. *Malagasy Nature* 10:5-14
- 2016 (J. Ranaivonasy, J. Ratsirarson, E. Ramahatratra, A. Richard) Dynamiques socio-économiques et utilisation des ressources naturelles dans la Réserve Spéciale de Beza Mahafaly et ses environs. *Malagasy Nature* 10:77-92
- 2016 (J. Ranaivonasy, J. Ratsirarson, S. Mahereza, A. Richard & A. Randrianandrasana). Gouvernance de la Réserve Spéciale de Beza Mahafaly. *Malagasy Nature* 10:93-102
- 2016 (J. Ratsirarson, A. Richard & J. Ranaivonasy). Epilogue: progress et perspectives. *Malagasy Nature* 10:103-106
- 2016 (S. Federman, A. Dornburg, D.Daly, A.Downie, G.Perry, A.Yoder, E.Sargis, A.Richard, M.Donoghue, A.Baden). Implications of lemuriform extinctions for the Malagasy flora. *Proc.Nat.Acad.Sci*.
- 2017 (S, Federman, M. Sinnott-Armstrong, A.L. Baden, C.A. Chapman, D.C. Daly, A.F. Richard, K. Valenta, M. J. Donoghue). The paucity of frugivores in Madagascar may not be due to unpredictable temperatures or fruit resources. *PLOS ONE* DOI:10.1371/journal.pone.0168943
- 2017 (E. Guevara, J. Ranaivonasy, A. Richard, J. Ratsirarson, R. Lawler, B. Bradley). A simple, economical protocol for DNA extraction and amplification where there is no lab. *Conservation Genetics Resources* DOI 10.1007/s12686-017-0758-5
- 2022 (Chen-Kraus, C., N.A. Raharinoro, M.A. Randrianirinarisoa, D.J. Anderson, R.R. Lawler, D.P. Watts, A.F. Richard). Human lemur co-existence in a multiple-use landscape. *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology*. 10: 779861.
- 2022 (Chen-Kraus, C., N.A. Raharinoro, R.R. Lawler, A.F. Richard). Terrestrial tree hugging in a primarily arboreal lemur (*Propithecus verreauxi*): A cool way to deal with heat? *International Journal of Primatology*, DOI 10.1007/s10764-022-00328-5

- 2022 (with R. Lawler). *Propithecus, sifaka*. IN *A New Natural History of Madagascar*, ed. S. Goodman. Princeton University Press.
- 2022 Afterword. IN *How Primates Eat: A Synthesis of Nutritional Ecology Across a Mammal Order*, eds. J.E.Lambert, M.A.H. Bryer, J.M. Rothman. *In press*.

Essays:

- 1992 Rods and reels...in a Natural History Museum? *Discovery* 23(2):2.
- 1993 A Herd of Our Own. *Discovery* 24(1):2-3.
- 1994 The Tales Objects Tell. *Discovery* 24(2):2-3.
- Variations upon a theme of size. *Discovery* 25 (1):2-3.
- Leaving the bridge. *Discovery* 25 (1):20-21.
- 2003-2010 Vice-Chancellor's Annual addresses to the University of Cambridge

Films:

- 1973 (with T. T. Struhsaker). Aspects of the social organization and ecology of *Propithecus verreauxi* (distributed by the Rockefeller University).

Selected Academic Lectures:

- 1973 The role of aggression among diurnal lemurs (American Anthropological Association Meeting, New Orleans).
- 1974 Intra-specific variation in the social organization of *Propithecus verreauxi* (Department of Psychology, Bristol University).
- 1975 Variability in feeding behavior of a Malagasy Prosimian (National Zoological Park Symposium, Smithsonian Institution).
- 1976 Results of a preliminary survey of the distribution and abundance of the rhesus monkey, *Macaca mulatta*, in northern Pakistan (American Anthropological Association Meeting, San Francisco).
- New approaches to the study of primate ecology (Duke University, Department of Anthropology Colloquium series).
- Changing assumptions in primate ecology (University of Pennsylvania, Department of Biology Colloquium series).
- Behavioral variation in Malagasy primates (University of California at Los Angeles, Department of Anthropology).
- Primate ecology: 300 B.C. - 1978 A.D. (Harvard University, Department of Anthropology "Simian Seminar" series).
- 1978 Un cas de cooperation pour la conservation (International Lemur conference, Tananarive, Madagascar).
- 1979 The rhesus monkey of northern Pakistan (11th International Primatological conference, Bangalore, India).
- The genetics, ecology and social behavior of rhesus monkeys, *Macaca mulatta*, in northern Pakistan: methods and preliminary results (Rutgers University NIH Interdisciplinary Training program in Biology, Psychology and Anthropology).

- The biopolitics of conservation in Madagascar (Invited speaker in annual seminar series at the Ecosystems Center of the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole).
- 1980 Perspectives on the past and present flora and fauna of Madagascar (Invited speaker in annual seminar series at the Ecosystems Center of the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole).
- 1981 Weed macaques: the evolutionary implications of macaque feeding ecology (with S.J. Goldstein and R.E. Dewar, American Association of Physical Anthropologists meeting, Detroit)
- 1982 The World's Endangered Primate Species - A case study on the lemur fauna of Madagascar (Seminar on Primates and the Tropical Forest held at the California Institute of Technology, sponsored by the World Wildlife Fund-US and the Leakey Foundation).
- 1983 Social boundaries in a Malagasy Prosimian, the sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi*) (Symposium at the Mid-West Animal Behavior Meeting).
- 1985 Rapport préliminaire sur une étude de la démographie et la vie sociale du sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi*) (Paper presented to the Académie Malgache).
- Female dominance in *Propithecus verreauxi*: issues and implications (Invited lecture, Department of Anthropology, Washington University).
- 1987 Mating in a Malagasy lemur: his choice or hers? (Symposium at the American Anthropological Association Meetings, Chicago).
- 1989 Demography of *Propithecus verreauxi*, a Malagasy lemur (American Association of Physical Anthropologists meeting, San Diego).
- Dead ancestors and living primates: the role of primate studies in anthropology (Snyder Lecture, University of Toronto).
- 1990 Making co-existence succeed: an international perspective on human relationships with the environment (Keynote Address, Yakushima Island Symposium, Japan).
- Sexual selection and sexual dimorphism: evidence and implications from a Malagasy primate. (Invited Speaker, John Napier Memorial Symposium), Museum of Natural History, London.
- 1991 Lemur ecology, past and present. (Invited speaker, Anthropologisches Institut und Museum, University of Zurich, Switzerland).
- Primate history: another missing link? (Keynote address, Canadian Association for Physical Anthropology Annual Meeting, Hamilton, Ontario).
- 1992 Ecology, history and phylogeny of the lemurs (New York Regional Primate Meetings, invited speaker).
- 1993 Ecology, history and phylogeny: disentangling lemurs (Invited speaker, Department of Anthropology, Emory University)
- 1994 Ecology, history and phylogeny: the case of the malagasy lemurs (Invited speaker, Department of Anthropology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
- 2004 Life in the slow lane: the life history and population dynamics of *Propithecus verreauxi* in Southwest Madagascar (Department of Zoology Colloquium Series, University of Cambridge)
- 2012 The value of monitoring data: an example from Southwest Madagascar (Yale Institute for Biospheric Studies Seminars)
- Beza Mahafaly, Southwest Madagascar: community and conservation (Yale Biological Anthropology Colloquium Series)

- 2014 Madagascar: history, myth and science. (The Tetelman Lecture, Yale University)
- 2015 The Curious Case of the Disappearing Mouse Lemur (Von der Heyden Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Duke University)
- Madagascar Rediscovered: Myth, Science and History (Von der Heyden Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Duke University)
- Partnership in practice: making conservation work in southwest Madagascar, 1975-2014 (Von der Heyden Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Duke University)
- 2016 Plenary address, 50th Anniversary Symposium, Duke Lemur Center
- 2017 Journeys through time: myth and science in Madagascar. (Department of Anthropology, NYU)
- Hidden in Plain Sight: Madagascar and the Indian Ocean World. (Yale Inter Asia Connections Program and Department of Anthropology, Yale University)
- 2022 Madagascar: Journeys through time (Patten Lecturer, Indiana University)
- Partnership in Practice: making conservation work in Southwest Madagascar (Patten Lecturer, Indiana University)
- Elephant Bird Enigmas (Yale Institute of Biospheric Studies)
- Madagascar: Journeys through time (Anglo-Malagasy Society)