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EDUCATION

- 2014 **Ph.D., Geography**
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2008 **M.S., Environmental Studies and Sustainability Science**
Lund University, Sweden
- 2005 **B.S., Environmental Science**
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AND RANKS HELD

- 2016-present **Assistant Professor**, Environmental Studies Program, School of Public Affairs and Civic Engagement, San Francisco State University
- 2014-2016 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Department of Geography, Colgate University

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2019 **Presidential Award for Professional Development** (a semester of research leave), SFSU
- 2018 **Call to Service Grant** (to add Community Service Learning to a course), Institute for Civic and Community Engagement, SFSU
- 2014 **Teaching and Technology Grant** (for a software license), Colgate University
- 2014 **Travel Award** (for a conference presentation), UNC Geography Department
- 2008-2013 **Royster Fellowship** (5 years of tuition, fees, stipend), UNC Graduate School
- 2012 **Future Faculty Fellowship** (a weeklong training in learner-centered, interactive teaching plus stipend), UNC Center for Faculty Excellence
- 2009 **Eyre Research Travel Award**, UNC Geography Department
- 2009 **Travel Award** (declined because could not be accepted with Eyre Award), UNC Graduate/Professional Student Association

TEACHING EFFECTIVENESS

Courses Taught at SFSU

ENVS 450GW: Environmental Law & Policy (upper-division; GWAR; required for majors)
(F16, S17, F17, S18)

ENVS 300: Introduction to Environmental Studies (intro; required for majors) (S17, S18)

ENVS 460: Energy Justice & Sustainability (upper-division; elective) (F17)

Courses Taught at Colgate University

GEOG 121: Earth, Society, & Sustainability (intro; required for majors) (F14, S15, F15, S16)

GEOG 328: Sustainability & Natural Resources (upper-division elective) (F14, S16)

GEOG/SOCI 251: Media Frame & Content Analysis (methods course) (S16)

GEOG/SOCI 253: Interviews (methods course) (F15)

GEOG 325: Water & Society (upper-division elective) (S15)

GEOG 324: International Environmental Policy (upper-division elective) (S15)

Courses Taught at UNC-Chapel Hill

GEOG 112: Environmental Conservation (intro) (Summer '12)

IDST 076: Sex and Politics: Reproducing Humanity? (interdisciplinary first-year seminar) (F10)

GEOG 420: Global Geographies of Change (senior capstone course; required for majors) (S10)

Participation in Pedagogy Workshops and Trainings

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| 2016-2018 | Metro Faculty Learning Community (FLC): critical pedagogy workshops for teaching social justice, once/month, College of Health & Social Sciences, SFSU |
| 2017 | Contributing to LGBTQ+ Inclusivity: Hard Conversations in the Classroom series of critical pedagogy workshops, Fall, College of Health & Social Sciences, SFSU |
| 2017 | Community Service Learning (CSL) Information Session Workshop, Oct 27, Institute for Civic & Community Engagement, SFSU |
| 2017 | Community Service Learning (CSL) Workshop, July 26, School of PACE, SFSU |
| 2017 | “Building solar suitcases to build local and global citizenship and sustainability” pedagogy workshop, June 29-30, California Higher Education Sustainability Conference, UC-Santa Barbara |
| 2017 | CHSS-Metro Faculty Learning Community (FLC) Winter Institute on critical pedagogy, Jan. 15-18, College of Health and Social Sciences, SFSU |
| 2017 | UndocuAlly training for staff and faculty to support undocumented students, Jan. 12, SFSU |
| 2016 | Graduate Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) mentoring program, SFSU |
| 2016 | Faculty Professional Development Workshop on Affordable Instructional Materials, Office of Educational Resources (OER), Nov. 3, SFSU |
| 2015 | Intergroup dialogue (IGD) training, Jan. 15-16, Colgate University |
| 2014 | Teaching with Problem-Based Learning workshop, UNC-Chapel Hill |
| 2012 | Teaching summer school workshop, UNC-Chapel Hill |
| 2010 | Teaching with interactive lectures workshop, UNC-Chapel Hill |
| 2009 | Teaching critical thinking workshop, UNC-Chapel Hill |

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND GROWTH

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2015 **Thoyre, A.** Energy efficiency as a resource in state portfolio standards: Lessons for more expansive policies. *Energy Policy* 86: 625-634.
- 2015 **Thoyre, A.** Constructing environmentalist identities through green neoliberal identity work. *Journal of Political Ecology* 22: 146-163.
- 2011 **Thoyre, A.** Social capital as a facilitator of pro-environmental actions in the U.S.: A preliminary examination of mechanisms. *Local Environment: The International Journal of Justice and Sustainability* 16(1): 37-49.

Editor-Reviewed Publications

- 2016 **Thoyre, A.** and Harrison, C. (equal authorship) Symposium introduction: Teaching energy geographies. *Journal of Geography in Higher Education* 40(1): 31-38.

Non Peer-Reviewed Works: Conference Papers Presented

- 2017 **Thoyre, A.** "'Don't wait for your regular bulbs to burn out': Toward a theory of green obsolescence." Association of American Geographers Conference, Apr. 5-9, Boston, MA.
- 2016 **Thoyre, A.** "Neoliberalizing negawatts: Environmental governance of saved energy as an accumulation strategy." Association of American Geographers Conference, Mar. 29-Apr. 2, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 **Thoyre, A.** "Creating energy efficiency as a valuable resource: The case of North Carolina's Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard." Association of American Geographers Conference, Apr. 21-25, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 **Thoyre, A.** "Home climate change activism, gender, and climate justice." Association of American Geographers Conference, Apr. 8-12, Tampa, FL.
- 2014 **Thoyre, A.** "Forming environmentalist subjectivities through green neoliberal identity work." Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Feb. 28-Mar. 3, Lexington, KY.
- 2013 **Thoyre, A.** "Who owns North Carolina's negawatts? Climate change, free light bulbs, and green neoliberalism." Association of American Geographers Conference, Apr. 9-13, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2012 **Thoyre, A.** "Climate crisis as opportunity for profit: Duke Energy's CFL giveaways and the nebulous North Carolina negawatt." Conference on Critical Geography, Nov. 2-4, Chapel Hill, NC.
- 2012 **Thoyre, A.** "'It's like spitting in the ocean' but 'all earth advocates use them': Contradictory cultures of CFL consumption among U.S. climate advocates," Culture, Politics, and Climate Change Conference, Sept. 13-15, Boulder, CO.
- 2012 **Thoyre, A.** "'I work hard to make my home energy efficient': U.S. eco-moms and the gendered labor of producing a healthy atmosphere," Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Apr. 13-15, Lexington, KY.

- 2011 **Thoyre, A.** "Climate change and light bulbs: Examining the connections in the discourses of environmental groups in the U.S. and NC," Towards a Transatlantic Dialogue on Energy Efficiency, Energy Poverty, and Fairness in Climate Policy Conference, Oct. 6-8, Durham, NC.
- 2011 **Thoyre, A.** "Climate change and light bulbs: Examining the connection in the discourses of American environmental groups," Association of American Geographers Conference, Apr. 12-16, Seattle, WA.

Non Peer-Reviewed Works: Book Reviews

- 2010 Fox, K.S., Hennessy, E., Kirsch, S., Marshall, L., Safransky, S., **Thoyre, A.**, and Tiitsman, J. (all equal authorship) A catalog of things. Review of B. Latour and P. Weibel (eds). 2005 *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* ZKM and MIT Press. *Social and Cultural Geography* 11(2): 191-199.

Participation in Research Methods Workshops and Trainings

- 2010 Mixed methods research training, UNC-Chapel Hill
- 2009 Introduction to focus groups training, UNC-Chapel Hill

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY

CAMPUS

Departmental Committees and Assignments

- 2017-present **Committee Member**, Curriculum Committee, School of PACE, SFSU
- 2018-present **Pilot Project in Online Advising** for Student Success Plan, School of PACE, SFSU
- 2017 **Committee Member**, Hiring Committee for 3 searches, School of PACE, SFSU
- 2013-2014 **Graduate Student Representative**, Teaching Committee, UNC Geography Department
- 2012-2014 **Co-chair and Founder**, Teaching Committee, UNC Geography Department
- 2009-2011 **Secretary**, UNC Graduate Association of Geography Students

Invited Campus Talks

- 2018 **Invited Panelist**, "Faculty across disciplines reflect on teaching writing," Writing Across the Curriculum/Writing in the Disciplines Program. Apr. 4, SFSU.
- 2016 **Invited Panelist**, "Presidential election panel: Key energy policy differences." Presidential Election Speaker Series Panel on the Environment. Sept. 20, SFSU.
- 2016 **Invited Talk**. "Negawatt geographies: Governance of saved energy in an era of climate change." Social Science Lecture Series. Apr. 7, Colgate University.
- 2012 **Invited Talk**. "The politics of light bulbs." Royster Society of Fellows Interdisciplinary Research Seminar. Oct, UNC-Chapel Hill.

Campus Workshops Organized

- 2013 **Pedagogy Workshop Organizer**, "But that's just natural (right?)!" Teaching critical geography to skeptical beginners: A collaborative pedagogical workshop." Organized

with P. Vasudevan and C. Courtheyn, UNC-Chapel Hill

2010 **Pedagogy Workshop Organizer**, “Critical Pedagogy Workshop.” Organized with P. Vasudevan, UNC-Chapel Hill

Media

2018 **Media Appearance:** CHSS Feature Story “Power surge: ‘Solar suitcases’ deliver hands-on experience to an environmental justice course” profiled the service project I organized for my ENVS 460 class, Feb., SFSU. Available: <https://chss.sfsu.edu/news-announce/power-surge>.

2017 **Creation of *People’s Guide to Energy Project Website*:** With students in ENVS 460 (Fall 2017, SFSU) and previous courses I taught, I created and updated this interactive online project to highlight sites of energy injustice around the world, available: <https://pgeproject.netlify.com>

2016 **Media Appearance:** SFSU BECA student Andryanna Sheppard interviewed me about climate change policies and the presidential election for weekly student-produced news show, "State of Events," for Channel 27 news. Oct. 17, SFSU.

COMMUNITY

Work with Nonprofits and K-12 Schools

2017 **Faculty partner** in Solar Suitcase Program, with We Share Solar (a nonprofit), PG&E, Thomas R. Pollicita Middle School (Daly City, CA), and Lincoln High School (San Francisco, CA).

Edited Volumes

2016 **Thoyre, A.** and Harrison, C. (editors). Teaching energy geographies: Symposium issue in the *Journal of Geography in Higher Education* 40(1).

Conference Panels Organized

2014 **Thoyre, A.**, Harrison, C., and Petrova, S. “Teaching energy geographies: Successful approaches.” Association of American Geographers Conference, Apr. 8-12, Tampa, FL.

2014 **Thoyre, A.** and Vasudevan, P. “Strategies for teaching social justice in environmental classes.” Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Feb. 27-Mar. 1, Lexington, KY.

Invited Peer Reviewer

2017 *Environment and Planning C* (x3)

2012-2015 *Environment and Planning C, Society and Natural Resources, Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability*