

# *Careers in Anthropology 2006*

*Are you interested in anthropological careers? You might be surprised what people are doing with their anthropological training out in the real world.*

*Thursday, November 2*

*5:00-7:00pm*

*SSPB 1208*

*Open to Everyone*

Come hear *established professionals* talk about how their major in anthropology prepared them for their career!

The purpose of this forum is to spark interest in the anthropology major at UC Irvine by highlighting some of the unique career opportunities that come from studying cultural anthropology. Invited speakers from a number of professional fields - business, computer science, product design, and others - will discuss how their educational background led them to their current career, and how anthropology provides a basis for an exciting and rewarding future.

We are pleased to welcome the following invited speakers:

**Lhee Vang**

Lhee is a Cultural and Linguistic Specialist at the Los Angeles Department of Health Services (DHS) Office of Diversity Programs. Lhee is collaborating with the DHS Office of Managed Care to implement a cultural and linguistic program at the Community Health Plans to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements; and to improve access to services for culturally and linguistically diverse patients. She conducts cultural competency trainings and has given numerous presentations and papers at hospitals, medical schools, and national and international conferences. She has a Master's Degree in Applied

Anthropology with an emphasis in Medical Anthropology and is preparing for medical school. Lhee's research has focused on traditional healing methods of the Hmong and health care seeking behaviors of Hmong diabetics. Lhee is a member of the Office of the Patient Advocate Cultural Competency Workgroup, Asian Pacific Islander Workgroup, Southern California Applied Anthropology Network, the Society for Applied Anthropologists and the American Anthropological Association.

**Murphy Dunn**

Murphy graduated from Santa Clara University with a BS in Anthropology in 1999. After working in market research for three years, Murphy returned to school and earned her MBA from UC Irvine in 2004. In her current role at Jaguar Cars North America, Murphy focuses her energy on helping to identify consumer trends & insights relevant to Jaguar and the luxury market. She works on a variety of research projects including communications research, product clinics, and ethnographies.

**Tasneem Siddiqui**

Tasneem completed her BA in Anthropology at University of California, Irvine. She received departmental honors after submitting her undergraduate thesis on a comparative study of Islamic finance and Muslim identities in the United States and South Africa. Siddiqui recently received her Masters in Social Anthropology from The London School of Economics and Political Science. Her Masters thesis was inspired by her study abroad in South Africa. Her thesis focused on the merging pandemics of HIV/AIDS and gender violence in the province of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa.

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