

**Curriculum Vitae**  
**Gregory M. Flynn-Sollish**

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**Education**

- 2017-present Ph.D. Candidate, University of Virginia, Department of Anthropology  
*Committee: James Igoe, Kath Weston, Jarrett Zigon (Chair)*
- 2018 M.A., University of Virginia, Department of Anthropology
- 2015 B.A., University of Michigan, Department of Anthropology  
High Honors and Distinction

**Research Interests**

Detroit  
Phenomenology  
Politics  
Temporality  
Memory  
Urbanism  
Race and Segregation  
Activism/Collaborative Methods  
Data

**Research Experience**

- 2017-present Principle Investigator, Preliminary Dissertation Research: Detroit, MI  
*Ethnographic research for PhD dissertation on the connection between race, memory, and political participation.*
- 2015 Chief Data Manager, Undocumented Migration Project IFR Chipas, MX Field School  
*Designed and implemented data storage methods while simultaneously conducting photo-ethnographic research. Staff for field school run through the Institute for Field research.*
- 2014 Principle Investigator, Senior Honors Thesis Research: Ann Arbor, MI  
*Ethnographic and linguistic research on digital communication. Thesis title: "Let Me Text You: Texting, Language, and Communication in a College Setting."*

2012-present Research Assistant, The Undocumented Migration Project: Various Locations  
*Ethnographic and archaeological research on US-Mexico clandestine border crossing. Supervisor: Jason De León.*

### **Awards**

2020 Best Graduate Teaching Assistant: University of Virginia Department of Anthropology

2020 Memory Studies Association Graduate Seminar Participant: University of Virginia/Memory Studies Association

2015 Runner Up, Outstanding Undergraduate Research: University of Michigan, Department of Anthropology

2015 High Honors in Anthropology, University of Michigan, Department of Anthropology

2015 Angell Scholar, University of Michigan, School of Language, Science, and the Arts

### **Grants and Funding**

2020 University of Virginia, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Research Fellow

2019 University of Virginia, Department of Anthropology Conference Funding  
University of Virginia, Three Cavaliers Grant Travel Funding  
University of Virginia, Department of Anthropology Summer Research Award

2018 University of Virginia, Three Cavaliers Travel Funding  
University of Virginia, Department of Anthropology Conference Funding  
University of Virginia, Department of Anthropology Summer Research Award

2017-present University of Virginia, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Graduate Fellowship

### **Peer Reviewed Publications**

2014 J. Beck, I. Ostericher, G. Sollish, and J. De León  
“Scavenging Behavior in the Sonora Desert and Implications for Documenting Border Crosser Fatalities.” *Journal of Forensic Sciences* 60:S11-S20.

### **Popular Articles and Other Publications**

- 2018 G. Sollish  
“Local Organizing Runs into a National Campaign in Detroit.” *Anthropology News*, July 2, 2018.
- 2016 Jason De León and The Undocumented Migration Project  
“A View from the Train Tracks.” *Sapiens Photo Essay*, February 2016.
- 2016 G. Sollish  
“Refugees at the Mexican Guatemalan Border: A Closer Look at North American Migration.” *Schoolcraft International Agenda*, Winter 2016.

### **Conference Presentation**

- 2020 “Walking History: The Politics of Place in Fordtown.” Poster Presented at the University of Virginia Huskey Research Exhibition. Charlottesville, VA. Mar. 4.
- 2019 “The Persistent Scars of Segregation: Race, Politics, and Memory in the Post-Industrial Midwest.” Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings. Vancouver, BC. Nov. 20-24.
- 2018 “Graduate Student Leadership in Ethics Education: Insights Fresh from the Field.” Roundtable presented at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings. San Jose, CA. Nov. 14-18
- 2015 “Let Me Text You: Language, Texting, and Communication in a College Setting.” Poster presented at the University of Michigan Honors Symposium. Ann Arbor, MI. Apr. 2015.
- 2013 “Desert Death, Taphonomy and the Ethics of Killing Animals to Understand What Happens to the Corpses of Border Crossers.” Poster presented at the University of Michigan UROP Research Symposium. Ann Arbor, MI. Apr. 2013.

### **Teaching Experience**

- Summer 2020 *UVA Launchpad*. Experienced Mentor for data program
- Spring 2020 *Racism, Nationalism, and Multiculturalism*. Graduate Teaching assistant for Richard Handler
- Fall 2019 *Methods in the Study of Culture*. Graduate Teaching Assistant for Ira Bashkow.
- Spring 2019 *Introduction to Anthropology*. Graduate Teaching Assistant for Mark Sicoli.
- Fall 2018 *Language and Culture*. Graduate Teaching Assistant for Mark Sicoli.
- Spring 2018 *Introduction to Anthropology*. Graduate Teaching Assistant for Jeff Hantman.

Fall 2017      *Privilege*. Graduate Teaching Assistant for David Flood.

## **Service**

2020              Memory Studies Graduate Reading Group Organizer

2020              Journal for the Anthropology of North America, Editorial Team Graduate Assistant

2020              Graduate Student Department Representative (liaison to faculty)

2019              Organizer, Graduate Teaching Assistant Training Workshop  
Organizer, Diversity and Inclusion Workshops  
Member, Graduate Student Committee on Diversity and Inclusion

2018-2020      Organizer, Fieldwork, Ethics, and Ethnographic Writing Workshop.

## **Professional Affiliations**

American Anthropological Association  
Society for Anthropology of North America  
Memory Studies Association

## **Relevant Work Experience**

2017              Development and Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator, Freedom House: Detroit, MI  
*Assisted in outreach and volunteer training in nonprofit asylum seekers shelter. Included fundraising, advocacy, and community outreach.*

2016              Organizer, Michigan Coordinated Campaign: Wayne County, MI  
*Coordinated political organizing efforts across the Wayne County area. Included volunteer outreach, neighborhood canvassing, voter registration, event coordination and data management.*

2015              Research and Advocacy Intern, Justice for Our Neighbors: Beverly Hills, MI  
*Aided immigration lawyers in research and client advocacy. Included report writing and State- and local-level policy advocacy.*