

ACADEMIC CURICUMLUM VITAE

Academic Interests:

- Primary academic interest revolves around sustainable environmental and cultural effects of tourism in developing local economies.
- Previous work has been in the area of the environmental impacts of hotels and other tourist developments on small island communities, and water issues.
- Implications of sustainable tourism for indigenous communities.
- Sustainable resource management, environmental risk assessment and tourism as a means of community revitalisation.
- Social policy management projects in tourism and their importance to local communities is of particular interest to me.
- Broader issues of the effects of tourism on gender roles, women, families and children.

July 2009 – currently

Heritage Tourism Guide

Museums, local historic attractions.
Individuals and groups.
Anne Frank Exhibition, Bristol and SS Great Britain, Bristol.

Sept 2008 – July 2009

Lecturer in Tourism – Heritage Tourism, International Tourism Principles, Sustainable Tourism Practice.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd year students at a large University.
Designed module and lectures
Delivered lectures for four modules
Mentoring students and assisting with assignments
Marking assignments and exam papers
Research was undertaken for various modules
Assisted colleagues.

2006 on-going

Sustainable Tourism Consultant

www.sustainabletourism.org.uk

Mentor to students and organisations on an advisory programme.
To examine and investigate new methods of tourism development.
Incorporating appropriate eco-development and sustainable strategies.
Work shop Facilitator.

2006

Researcher for tourism charity

Facilitated workshop, preparation of briefing papers on water issues at destinations.

Previous Academic Position

1998 to 1999

Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge University Lecturer - (Part Time)

Lecturer and tutor for first and second year under graduates.
Course entitled 'The Anthropology of Sustainable Tourism' and Heritage Tourism.
Designed essay assignments and outlined working methods.
Taught research and resource development skills.
Led student visit to the Netherlands.
Offered guidance, support, motivation and problem solving solutions to students.

Education:

Postgraduate : **Cranfield University January 2006 – June 2006**

Post Graduate Course
Environmental Impact Assessment
Communities and Development
Water Politics, Globalisation and Climate Change

Postgraduate: **Santa Clara University, Cuba**
Post-Graduate Studies in Tourism and Environment
1998

(With view of undertaking a PhD)
A Diploma course to study the physical environmental effects of hotel development along Cuba's coastline.

Postgraduate: **Anglia Ruskin University 1997 to 1998**

MSc Leisure Tourism and the Environment

Area of specialisation: A critical enquiry of Eco-Tourism in a Developing Nation. Incorporating appropriate eco-development and sustainable strategies.

Dissertation Title: 'The Caribbean: Case Study of the Effects of Tourism in Cuba' (Published)

The study examined the ecological implications and social pressures of mass tourism development in Cuba. Social/cultural and geo-physical effects of hotel development in the region were examined with particular focus on socio-political policymaking. The conclusion offered a sustainable eco-tourism model that might be economically viable for the region.

Undergraduate Degree:

Anglia Ruskin University 1994 to 1997
BA (Hons) Combined History and Politics Class 2:1

Studied Environmental Politics and Central American Politics and History.

Published Articles:

'Building a Sustainable Economy: A new way forward for Cuba and the World', *Bulletin*, APU Vol 2, No 51, Oct 98 p.5

'Water Issues: Water, water everywhere', *Tourism in Focus* summer 2006 p. 4

'Airlines and Carbon Off-setting.' *Westerneye*, Vol 5, 3 Oct 2006

'10 Years of the Architecture Centre.' *Westerneye* Vol 5, 6 Dec 2006

'Making Tourism Sustainable'. *Eco News*, Dec 2007 – Feb 2008 p.4
Article commissioned for travel magazine awaiting print. *'Is Eco Tourism possible in Venezuela?'*

'How Ecotourism is changing the lives of the Warao People in the Orinoco Delta, Venezuela.' www.sustainabletourism.org.uk, June 2008

Workshops:

Lodestar Skill Sharing Course. (Friends of the Earth)
Attended residential course 24-25 Nov 2007.
Key skills for facilitation and coaching.
Profile raising skills with the media, interviews and press releases.
Tourism Concern. AGM, Oct 2006
Water Issues
Vocational teacher training at UWE 2009
Quick lessons in engaging your students UWE 2009

Papers written and used in workshops:

Water Issues – briefing paper
Food and Wine Tourism – briefing paper
Tourism, Tourism Everywhere – carbon foot print

Voluntary Work:

Interpretation Guide and at the Anne Frank Exhibition, Bristol, May 2009.
Assisted rural communities in Ecuador and Venezuela to develop eco tourism guides.

During the 1980's I worked part-time for Home Farm Trust, Essex. This is a residential home and school for young people with learning difficulties. I assisted in the art room and helped the residents' learn through occupational art projects.

I have also assisted South Gloucester Friends of the Earth with various work shop based learning and training courses.