

ANN ARMBRECHT

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Education:

1995 Ph.D., Social Anthropology, Harvard University, Boston, Massachusetts. *Dissertation: The Boundary Keepers: The Poetry and Politics of Land in Northeastern Nepal.*

1988 M.A., Cultural Anthropology, Columbia University, New York, New York

1984 B.A., English, with honors, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire

Teaching Positions:

2008-present Affiliated Faculty, MA program, Union Institute & University, Montpelier, Vermont

2003-2006 Faculty Member, Individualized BA program, Goddard College, Montpelier, Vermont

2004 Visiting Assistant Professor, Women Studies, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont

2003-04 Visiting Assistant Professor, Gender and Women Studies, Dartmouth College; Adjunct Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies Program, 1997-2002; Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, 1995, 1997

Research Experience:

2005-present *Numen: The Nature of Plants: A documentary on traditional medicinal herbalism and ecological medicine.* Co-producer with Terrence Youk, Brook Hollow Productions.

2004 *Medicinal Plant Conservation in the United States. Research for United Plant Savers.*

2001-02 *Creating a Culture of Community: Cobb Hill Co-Housing.* Hartland, Vermont
Preliminary Research on the creation of an intentional community.

1998-2000 *Land and People: the relationship between land conservation and social change in the United States,* Consulting for Trust for Public Land, Canaan, New Hampshire.

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

Scholarship of Discovery:

Books (Selected)

2008 *Thin Places: A Pilgrimage Home.* Columbia University Press.

Articles (Selected)

2004 "Knowing Plants: United Plant Savers and Medicinal Plant Conservation." United Plant Savers.

2004 "Listening to Plants and People: A Model for Community-Herbalists." *American Herbalists Guild*. Winter 2004.

Interdisciplinary Scholarship:

Research Support

2006 Vermont Arts Council, Creation Grant

2003-04 United Plant Savers, Funds for Medicinal Plant Research

Related Experience

2006 Earthwalk Village School. Helped design apprenticeship program for mentors/instructors of wilderness awareness program for school-aged children

2005 Action in Place: Sustainability Conference at Goddard College, Steering Committee, Sage Mountain Herbs, Barre, Vermont; 2002, Advanced Program

2000 Founding Member, Centrum Non-fiction Writing Workshop with Terry Tempest Williams, Port Townsend, WA

Languages

Nepali: proficient in written and spoken Nepali.

Tibetan: proficient in colloquial Tibetan; can read with a dictionary.