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Narrative

- Geosocial formations; geontology; extraction and extractive capital
- Green urbanism and apparatuses of government: critical studies of urban sustainability; urban resilience as mode of government; design activism
- The politics of 'life': political rationality and biological existence; the securitization of biological life; biosecurity and empire
- Philosophy and geography: humanism and posthumanism; new materialisms
- Ecopolitics : environmental social movements; nature, environmentalism and difference; colonialism and environmentalism

I am currently working with the writings of, among others, Giorgio Agamben, Michel Foucault, Felix Guattari, Antonio Negri, Elizabeth Povinelli, Isabelle Stengers and Paolo Virno.

Prospective students:

If you are interested in working with me, please send me a short cv and statement of your research interests.

Specialties

- eco-politics
- political ecology
- geopolitics of biosecurity
- social and political theory
- green urbanism
- biopolitics and the city
- Anthropocene in social, political and ecological thought

Educational Background

- PhD: Geography, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, 1996.

Publications

- Braun, Bruce, 2014. " A new urban dispositif? Governing life in the age of climate change." Environment and Planning D: Society and Space, 32, 49-64.
- Wakefield, Stephanie and Bruce Braun, 2014. " Governing the resilient city." Environment and Planning D: Society and Space, 32, 4-11.
- Braun, Bruce, 2013. " Power over life: biosecurity as biopolitics." In Andrew Dobson, Kezia Barker and Sarah Taylor, eds., Biosecurity: The Socio-Politics of Invasive Species and Infectious Diseases. Earthscan, pp 45-57.
- Elizabeth Johnson, Eli Meyerhoff and Bruce Braun (in press). " Time and the University." • ACME: An International E-Journal For Critical Geographers.
- Braun, Bruce and Sarah Whatmore, eds. 2010. Political Matter: Technoscience, Democracy and Public Life. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 319pp.
- Braun, Bruce. 2010. " The case of the missing present in Mannahatta." • Cartographica, 45, 4, 248-252.
- Anderson, Kay and Bruce Braun, eds. 2008. Environment: Critical Essays in Human Geography. Contemporary Foundations in Space and Place Series (general editor, John Agnew). 2008. London: Ashgate. 604pp.
- Braun, Bruce. 2008. " Thinking the city through SARS: bodies, topologies, politics." • In Harris Ali and Roger Keil, eds. Networked Disease: Emerging Infections in the Global City. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, 250-266.
- Braun, Bruce. 2008. " Inventive life" • Progress in Human Geography, vol. 32: pp. 667 - 679.
- Braun, Bruce. 2007. " Biopolitics and the molecularization of life." • Cultural Geographies, 14: 6-28. [Revised version reprinted in Richard Peet, Paul Robbins and Michael Watts, eds. In Press. Global Political Ecology. London: Routledge].
- Braun, Bruce. 2002. The Intemperate Rainforest: Nature, Culture and Power on Canada' s West Coast. Minneapolis, University of Minnesota Press. 347pp

Awards

- McKnight Land-Grant Professorship, 2001

Courses Taught

- GEOG 1301: Our Globalizing World
- GEOG 3376: Polical Ecology of North America
- GEOG 4002: Environmental Thought and Practice
- GEOG 8001: Nature-Society Proseminar
- GEOG 8980: Technology and Biopolitics

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