T.S. Harvey

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Expert in cross-cultural doctor-patient interactions, public health communications, disaster relief and crisis management.

Biography

With training in medical and linguistic anthropology, Harvey?s research focuses on expanding scientific partnerships, developing innovative technologies and building local capacities to tackle large scale global public-health and environmental challenges. He is particularly interested in these challenges as they relate to vulnerable populations, health disparities, disease, risk, environmental degradation, water, sanitation, and infrastructure. The evolution of Harvey's inter-disciplinary approach is the product of over a decade of funded collaborative research, capacity-building work, and global engagement on a wide range of topics that include cross-cultural doctor-patient communication, language and culture in global public health, waterborne diseases, enteric illnesses, disaster prevention and relief, neighborhood approaches to risk reduction, crisis management, sustainability, resilience, and environmental protection. He has conducted long-term field research in Guatemala with K?iche Maya, and comparative studies on environmental pollution in the U.S. Great Lakes region.

Areas of Expertise

North America, Medical Anthropology, Sanitation, Environmental Protection, Global Public Health, Doctor-Patient Communication, Communication Technology, Central America

Education

Old Dominion University M.A.

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