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Bio

BIO

Martin W. Lewis is a senior lecturer in international history at Stanford University. He graduated from UC Santa Cruz with a degree in Environmental Studies in 1979, and received a Ph.D. from UC Berkeley in geography in 1987. His dissertation, and first book, examined the interplay among economic development, environmental degradation, and cultural change in the highlands of northern Luzon in the Philippines. Subsequently, he turned his attention to issues of global geography, writing (with Karen Wigen) The Myth of Continents: A Critique of Metageography (University of California Press, 1997). He is also the co-author of a world geography textbook, Diversity Amid Globalization: World Regions, Environment, Development (Prentice Hall), and is the former associate editor of The Geographical Review. Martin W. Lewis taught at the George Washington University and then at Duke University, where he was co-director of the program in Comparative Area Studies, before coming to Stanford University in the fall of 2002. He writes on current events and issues of global geography and at GeoCurrents.info.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Senior Lecturer, Department of History, Stanford University, (2006- present)
- Lecturer, International Relations, International Policy Studies, and History, Stanford University, (2002-2006)
- Interim Director, International Relations, Stanford University, (2004-2005)
- Interim Director, International Relations, Stanford University, (2005-2006)
- Research Professor, Geography, Duke University, (2001-2002)
- Co-Director, Program in Comparative Area Studies, Duke University, (2001-2002)
- Associate Research Professor, Geography, Duke University, (1995-2001)
- Co-Director, Program in Comparative Area Studies, Duke University, (1995-2001)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Wisconsin, Madison, (1994-1995)
- Assistant Professor, School of the Environment and Center for International Studies, Duke University, (1993-1994)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Regional Science, The George Washington University, (1988-1993)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Award for Best New Textbook, Humanities and Social Sciences, Text and Academic Authors Association (2001)
- Nomination for the Alumni Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award, Duke University (1999 - 2000)
- Nomination for the Alumni Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award, Duke University (1996 - 1997)
- Nomination for the Alumni Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award, Duke University (1993 - 1994)
- Certificate of Appreciation in Recognition of Service, International Geographical Congress, Washington D.C. (1992)

- Certificate of Appreciation in Recognition of Outstanding Contribution, To the University Community, Student Association of The George Washington University (1990)
- Junior Faculty Incentive Award, The George Washington University (1990)
- Fulbright Fellowship, Institute for International Education (1985 - 1986)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of History, Stanford University (2009 - 2011)
- Premajor Advisor, Stanford University (2008 - 2010)
- Organizer, Initiative in World History, Department of History, Stanford University (2008)
- Associate Director, Program in International Policy Studies, Stanford University (2006 - 2007)
- Interim Director, Programs in International Relations (2004 - 2006)
- Interim Director, Program in International Policy Studies, Stanford University (2004 - 2006)
- Member, Admissions Committee, Program in International Policy Studies, Stanford University (2003 - 2006)
- Organizer, Stanford University International Relations and International Policy Studies Conference on International NGOs: Perspectives on Building Global Civil Society (2005 - 2005)
- Faculty Advisor, International Relations, Stanford University (2002)
- Co-Director, Program in Comparative Area Studies, Duke University (1997 - 2002)
- Co-Director, Ford-Foundation Funded Program to Revitalize Area Studies at Duke University (1997 - 2002)
- Member, Advisory Committee, Title VI Center for International Studies (2000 - 2002)
- Member, International Affairs Advisory Committee, Duke University (1998 - 2002)
- Advisor, Environmental Sciences and Policy Undergraduate Program (1998 - 2002)
- Member, Undergraduate Travel Awards Committee, Center for International Studies (1998 - 2002)
- Member, Study Abroad Committee, Duke University (1997 - 2002)
- Member, Fulbright Fellowship Committee, Duke University (1996 - 2002)
- Co-Director, International Workshop: "Oceans Connect: Mapping a New Global Scholarship" (Held at Duke University) (1998 - 1998)
- Member, Steering Committee for Comparative Area Studies, Duke University (1996 - 1997)
- Member, Steering Committee for Comparative Area Studies, Duke University (1993 - 1994)
- Pre-Major Advisor, Duke University (1996 - 1997)
- Pre-Major Advisor, Duke University (1993 - 1994)
- Undergraduate Advisor, Comparative Area Studies, Duke University (1996)
- Undergraduate Advisor, Comparative Area Studies, Duke University (1993 - 1994)
- Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Geography, University of Wisconsin, Madison (1994 - 1995)
- Faculty Senator, University of Wisconsin, Madison (1994 - 1995)
- Member, Committee on Individual Majors, University of Wisconsin, Madison (1994 - 1995)
- Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Geography and Regional Science, The George Washington University (1989 - 1993)
- Member, Committee for the Establishment of a Master's Program, Department of Geography and Regional Science, George Washington University (1988 - 1989)
- Representative, American Geographical Society for the annual Geography Bowl competition (2004 - 2006)
- Geography consultant, Mental Floss magazine (2003 - 2007)
- Member, Exploratory committee on "Inter-Asian Connections," Social Science Research Council, New York (2002 - 2003)
- Associate Editor, The Geographical Review (1996 - 2001)

- Area Director, Southeast Asia. Asian Studies Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers (1996 - 1998)
- Member, Planning Committee for the Conference, "The Flight from Reason and Science." New York Academy of Sciences (1994 - 1994)
- Member, Travel Grant Committee of the International Geographic Congress (1991 - 1991)
- Member, Teller's Committee of the Association of American Geographers (1991 - 1991)
- Referee, Journal manuscripts for Annals of the Association of American Geographers
- Referee, Geographical Review
- Referee, Economic Geography
- Referee, Human Organization
- Referee, Education about Asia
- Referee, Progress in Human Geography
- Referee, Isis
- Referee, Journal of Asian Studies
- Referee, Cultural Geographies
- Referee, Perspectives on Politics
- Referee, Grant proposals for the National Science Foundation
- Referee, Book manuscripts for Duke University Press
- Referee, Johns Hopkins University Press
- Referee, The University of Nevada Press
- Referee, The Syracuse University Press
- Referee, Book prospectus for the University of California Press
- Referee, Book prospectus for the Oxford University Press
- Tenure Referee, University of Idaho
- Tenure Referee, The George Washington University
- PhD examiner, Murdoch University (Perth, Australia)
- PhD examiner, University of Queensland (Brisbane, Australia)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Arts, University of California, Santa Cruz , Environmental Studies (1979)
- Master of Arts, University of California, Berkeley , Geography (1985)
- Doctor of Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley , Geography (1987)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **The West: The History of an Idea (Book Review)** *JOURNAL OF HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
  2026; 92: 61-62
- **The Making of a Periphery: How Island Southeast Asia Became a Mass Exporter of Labor (Book Review)** *AMERICAN HISTORICAL REVIEW*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **Cartographic Humanism: The Making of Early Modern Europe. (Book Review)** *IMAGO MUNDI-THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL FOR THE HISTORY OF CARTOGRAPHY*

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- **Globalization and Diversity: Geography of a Changing World**
  Rowntree, L., Price, M., Wyckoff, W., Lewis, M.
  New Jersey: Prentice Hall.2013
- **The Hockey Stick and the Climate Wars (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
  2012; 29 (1): 88-?
- **The Contours of America's Cold War. (Book Review)** *AMERICAN HISTORICAL REVIEW*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **Green urban revival The Agile City: Building Well-Being and Wealth in an Era of Climate Change (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
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  2011; 28 (1): 88-91
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- **Geographies** *The Oxford Handbook of World History*
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  Oxford University Press.2011
- **Diversity Amid Globalization: World Regions, Environment, Development**
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- **The Climate War: True Believers, Power Brokers, and the Fight to Save the Earth (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
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  2011; 27 (2): 91-94
- **Bottled and Sold: The History Behind Our Obsession with Bottled Water (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W., Gleick, P. H.
  2010; 27 (1): 85-?
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- **The Rising Sea (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
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- **Geographical Ignorance** *Encyclopedia of Geography*
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  2010
- **Europe Between the Oceans: 9000 BC-AD 1000** *The International History Review*
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- **Where is Asia? What is the Pacific?: The Politics and Practice of Global Division** *Remaking Area Studies: New Perspectives on Learning Asia Pacific*
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- **The betrayal of science and reason: How anti-environmental rhetoric threatens our future - Ehrlich,PR, Ehrlich,AE (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
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- **The causes of tropical deforestation: The economic and statistical analysis of factors giving rise to the loss of the tropical forests - Brown,K, Pearce,DW (Book Review)** *GEOGRAPHICAL REVIEW*
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- **Radical environmental philosophy and the assault on reason** *New-York-Academy-of-Sciences Conference on the Flight from Science to Reason*
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  NEW YORK ACAD SCIENCES.1996: 209–230

- **But is it true? A citizen's guide to environmental health and safety issues - Wildavsky,A (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **PLUNDERING PARADISE - THE STRUGGLE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES - BROAD,R, CAVANAGH,J (Book Review)** *ANNALS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **IN THE NATURE OF THINGS - LANGUAGE, POLITICS, AND THE ENVIRONMENT - BENNETT,J, CHALOUPKA,W (Book Review)** *ANNALS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **FORCING THE SPRING - THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT - GOTTLIEB,R (Book Review)** *ISSUES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
  1994; 10 (4): 80-84

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- **RICH FORESTS, POOR PEOPLE - RESOURCE CONTROL AND RESISTANCE IN JAVA - PELUSO,NL (Book Review)** *ANNALS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **THE REINVENTION OF CULTURAL-GEOGRAPHY** *ANNALS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS*
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  1993; 83 (1): 1-17

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- **DEFORESTATION IN THE POSTWAR PHILIPPINES - KUMMER,DM (Book Review)** *GEOGRAPHICAL REVIEW*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **BIODIVERSITY - SOCIAL AND ECOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES - SHIVA,V (Book Review)** *JOURNAL OF ASIAN STUDIES*
  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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  Book Review Authored by: Lewis, M. W.
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- **AGRICULTURAL REGIONS IN THE PHILIPPINE CORDILLERA** *GEOGRAPHICAL REVIEW*
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  Lewis, M.
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