

Undisciplined and Unruly

Ethnography and the Study of Power

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The primary goal of the project is the design, invention, and implementation of an injectable or ingestible liquid (“the potion”) that will **render ethnographers impervious to physical detection in the field (“invisible”)**.

- Pachirat, *Among Wolves*, p. 11



YOU KEEP USING THAT WORD.

**I DON'T THINK IT MEANS WHAT YOU
THINK IT MEANS**

Ethnography

Method and Methodology

Mode of Access

- ❖ Upper-Class Community
- ❖ Worked, socialized, lived
- ❖ Daily field notes, jottings, photos, etc.

Mode of Analysis

- ❖ Constant reflection (shifts and changes)
- ❖ Exploring themes and motifs that emerge
- ❖ Continue conversation

Finished Product

- ❖ Narrative, story
- ❖ Accessible
- ❖ Experimental forms

*What do “ethnography” and/ or an
“ethnographic sensibility” lend to my
(our) research?*



RESEARCH GOALS

- Prediction
- Understanding



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RESEARCHER

- Detached
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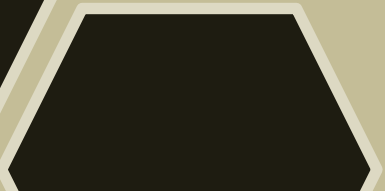
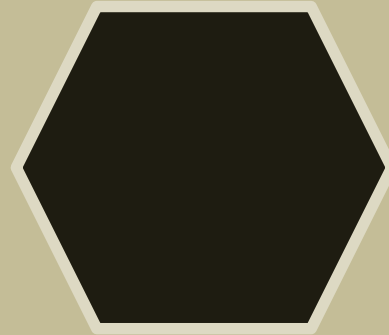
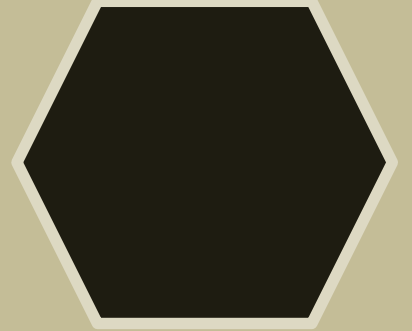
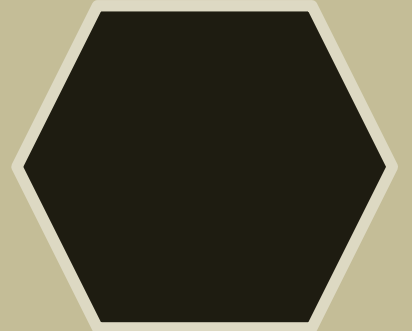
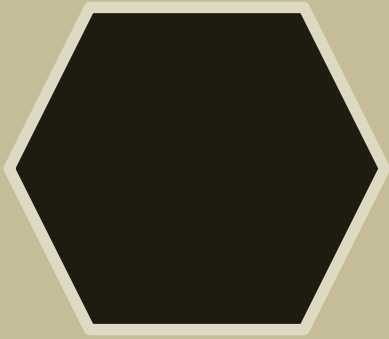


RESEARCH PROCESS

- Collection
- Co-Production



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Structures

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Job
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