

# MATTHEW BORDEN

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## EDUCATION

**University of California, Santa Cruz** | Santa Cruz, CA  
B.A. Cultural Anthropology (with Honors in Anthropology) | June 2010

**Benicia High School** | Benicia, CA  
Graduate with Honors | June 2006

## SENIOR THESES

**"Microfinance for Development? Why? Who? How?"** | "A" grade

**"What Does the Truth Look Like?: Deconstructing  
the Language of Truth in Photography"** | "A" grade

## FIELD RESEARCH

**Education Abroad Program, Field Research Program** | Summer - Fall 2009

One semester in Mexico preparing, executing independent research on microfinance in the context of development

**"Distance, A Visual Ethnography."** | Summer 2008

This college-funded photographic ethnography with undocumented laborers explores themes related to contemporary immigration in California, transnational communities, and reflexivity in ethnography.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**Editor-in-Chief, *Leviathan Jewish Journal*** | Spring 2008 – Spring 2010

Independently published, award winning quarterly journal. This liberal journal has a long tradition hosting student articles ranging academic research, investigative journalism, opinion editorials, and interviews with prominent and distinguished scholars.

**Teaching Apprenticeship, Susan Friedman** | Spring 2009, Spring 2010

Administrative & technical duties: "Intro to Photo"  
Facilitation of critique and teaching beginning photo

**Academic Senate Rep, Porter College Senate | Fall 2008 – Spring 2010**

Porter Senate is a community of members that represents the college within the university. The senate turns ideas into action through collaboration and funding from an annual budget of over \$45,000. The academic senate representative reports back from university-wide meetings and organizes college policy on issues.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Production Assistant, Printing Services, UCSC | Spring 2009 – Spring 2010**

Data entry, filing, cashiering, customer service, and delivery  
Production of orders: copy, bindery, and other equipment

**Photography Department Assistant, UCSC | Fall 2007 – Spring 2009**

Photographic equipment checkout, maintenance, and instruction

**Recreation Leader, Benicia Youth Center, Benicia CA | Fall 2005 - Fall 2007**

Mentoring children ages 5 - 13 after school and during summer

**Volunteer, Kaiser Permanente, Vallejo CA | Spring 2003 - Spring 2006**

Over 500 hours volunteered; staffing information desk at the local hospital

**OUTSTANDING  
ACHIEVEMENTS**

Dean's List	2008 - 2010
Outstanding Student Employee Award	2009
Florence French Scholarship in the Arts	2008
Porter College Undergraduate Fellowship (2x winner)	2007, 2008
Porter College Creative & Innovative Grant (2x winner)	2008, 2010
Outstanding Yearbook Photographer Scholarship	2006
Kaiser Permanente Student Volunteer Scholarship	2006

**LANGUAGES**

Native English speaker. Spanish (excellent written and spoken).

**SHOWS AND  
PRESENTATIONS**

**"Distance, A Visual Ethnography."**

Bridge Gallery, Porter College, UCSC. Santa Cruz, CA. June 9, 2010.

Office of the Dean of Social Sciences, UCSC. Santa Cruz, CA. May 7, 2010.

Eduardo Carrillo Senior Gallery, UCSC. Santa Cruz, CA. February 12, 2010.

**"Microfinance for Development? Why? Who? How?"**

University of California Study Center, Mexico. Mexico City. November 6, 2009.