

The Ethnography Circle

I've Collected My Data...Now What?

6th Meeting Tuesday 21st May

Seminar with Michel Anteby,
Boston University



Ethnography involves a complex iterative process of working with data, literature, analysis, and writing to move from raw data to written ethnography. This iteration is one of the most critical aspects of the research process, yet also the most mysterious one. Drawing from his experience with two distinct field-sites, namely, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Harvard Business School (HBS), Prof. Anteby will share some lessons he learned when navigating this iterating process and some pitfalls to avoid.

Prof. Anteby is an Associate Professor of Organizational Behaviour and (by courtesy) Sociology at Boston University. His research looks at how individuals relate to their work, their occupations, and the organizations they belong to. He examines more specifically the practices people engage in at work that help them sustain their chosen cultures or identities. In doing so, his research contributes to a better understanding of how these cultures and identities come to be and manifest themselves. Studied groups for these inquiries have included airport security officers, clinical anatomists, factory craftsmen, ghostwriters, and business school professors.



In preparation for his session, Prof. Anteby recommends that participants read the two following texts that might generate questions on the topic that will be discussed:

- Anteby, M. "A Footbridge to the World," Chapter 1 p. 17-23 in Manufacturing Morals (2013), Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Anteby, M. and C. K. Chan. 2018. "A Self-Fulfilling Cycle of Coercive Surveillance: Workers' Invisibility Practices and Managerial Justification." Organization Science 29 (2): 247-263.

Seminar will be conducted between 3-4:30 pm, 21st May at Wolfson Research Exchange, Uni of Warwick, Library, CV4 7AL

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