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Education

- 1972 : BA / UC at Berkeley
- 1977 : MA / UC at Berkeley
- 1984 : Doctorate in Social and Cultural Anthropology / UC at Berkeley

Work

- Principal Scientist and Manager of the Work Practice and Technology Laboratory at Xerox PARC.
- Professor of Anthropology of Science and Technology in the Department of Sociology at Lancaster University.
- Senior Research Fellow with the Work, Interaction and Technology Research Group at King's College London.
- Adjunct Professor at the University of Technology, Sydney's Interaction Design and Work Practice Laboratory.
- Adjunct Professor at the Information Technology University in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Written Work

- 1987 : *Plans and Situated Actions: The Problem of Human-machine Communication.*
- 2007 : *Human-Machine Reconfigurations: Plans and Situated Action.*

Current Research

"My current research interests center on the project of writing ethnographies of sites of technology production and use, and contributing to emerging reconceptualizations of social/material relations based in anthropology, feminist theory and science and technology studies. I have recently concluded a project titled 'Relocating Innovation: Places and Material Practices of Future-making'."

Potential Doctoral Proposals

"I'm interested in supervising postgraduate research in science and technology studies, particularly projects involving ethnographic research on any aspects of practices of technology design/production and consumption/use, and in the area of feminist technoscience, particularly with respect to information and communications technologies; robotics, artificial intelligence and the cyborg; human-computer interaction and new media."

Awards

1988 : Xerox Corporate Research Group's Excellence in Science and Technology Award.
2002 : Benjamin Franklin Medal in Computer and Cognitive Science.
2005 : Outstanding Contribution to Research Award from the Communication and Information Technologies Section of the American Sociological Association.
2010 : Lifetime Research Award from the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction.

Notable Participation

1988 : Program Chair, Second Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative .
1990 : Program Chair, Conference on Participatory Design of Computer Systems.
1982-1990 : Founder, Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility.
2010 : Member, International Committee for Robot Arms Control.
Ongoing : Collaborating Editor for the Journal Social Studies of Science.

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METHODOLOGY**

W.W.I.S.D?

contributing to emerging reconceptualizations of social/material relations
based in anthropology since the sixties

LUCY SUCHMAN

knows more about feminist technoscience than you do.