

Michael Roman, Ph.D., MPH, MA

Professional Summary

Cultural anthropologist and public health scholar with over 15 years of higher education experience and a strong record in environmental research, policy advocacy, and international collaboration. Committed to connecting global climate insights with local sustainability planning to help Cincinnati prepare as a future climate-haven destination.

Education

Ph.D., Cultural Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh
MPH, Behavioral and Community Health Sciences, University of Pittsburgh
M.A., Applied Medical Anthropology, Oregon State University
B.S., Education, Miami University

Professional Experience

University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College – Cincinnati, OH

Academic Advisor & Adjunct Instructor, Anthropology / 2014 – Present

- Teach undergraduate courses in medical anthropology and global health.
- Advised Sustainability Student Group, supporting student-led environmental projects.
- Mentor diverse students in academic planning and civic engagement.

Cincinnati Climate Research Incubator (CRI) – Cincinnati, OH

Research Lead / 2025 – Present

- Build upon dissertation research on climate-induced migration.
- Focus on positioning Greater Cincinnati as a future climate-haven receiving destination.

U.S. Department of State / Peace Corps – Tarawa, Kiribati

Special Envoy Delegate (Peace Corps Representation) / 2023

- Represented Peace Corps at the 80th commemoration of the Battle of Tarawa.
- Engaged in climate and cultural diplomacy initiatives.

Fulbright Fellowship, University of Waikato – Hamilton, New Zealand

Research Fellow / 2010 – 2011

- Conducted transnational field research on climate-induced migration amongst pacific islander communities at home and abroad.

Areas of Expertise

Climate Migration • Higher Education • International Collaboration