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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Student, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Barbara (2009-present)

M.A., Anthropology, University of British Columbia, 2007

Thesis title:

BODIES OF EVIDENCE: INTERPRETING HUMAN DECAPITATION DURING THE EARLY INTERMEDIATE PERIOD IN THE ACARÍ VALLEY, SOUTH COAST, PERU

B.A., Anthropology, University of British Columbia, 2003

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Andean South America; California; Midwestern North America; strategies of chiefly and state power; prehistoric colonialism and interregional interaction; collapse and regeneration; migration and ethnogenesis; regional approaches and GIS; bioarchaeology; zooarchaeology

LANGUAGES

English and Spanish

ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD RESEARCH

Field Research Assistant, Cultural Resources Survey of Santa Rosa Island, Channel Islands National Park, CA (2011)

~ Carried out cultural resources inventory surveys on marine terraces and upland areas on the northwestern portion of Santa Rosa Island.

Field Research Assistant, Proyecto Arqueológico Pataraya-Ayacucho, Ája Valley, Peru (2009)

~ Archaeological excavation at sites of Calvario and Inca Wasi, and survey of areas around the town of Uchuymarca in the upper Ája Valley.

Consulting Archaeologist, Archaeological Resource Service, Petaluma, California (2007-2009)

~ Archaeological reconnaissance, testing and monitoring at prehistoric and historic coastal and inland sites in the San Francisco Bay Area region

~ Excavation of burials and recovery and analysis of human skeletal remains, including consultation for Bay Area law enforcement crime scene recovery teams

~ Interaction and collaboration with a variety of interest groups and agencies including contractors, investors, city and county planning departments, law enforcement agencies, and California Indian tribes

Co-director, Proyecto de Investigaciones Arqueológicas del Valle de Acarí (PIAVA), Acarí Valley, Peru (2007)

~ Worked closely with Peruvian archaeologists to plan and carry out independent field research at the site of Amato in the Acarí Valley (permit approved by the Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Lima, Peru)

~ Supervised in the excavation of domestic, architectural, and funerary contexts

~ Carried out laboratory analysis and inventory of all excavated materials including human remains

~ Aided in the development of a local archaeological site museum including the analysis and inventory of objects donated by members of the local community

Field Assistant, Proyecto Arqueológico del Valle de Acarí (PAVA), Acarí, Peru (2005/2006)

~ Supervised and assisted field school students in implementing archaeological field techniques

~ Fulfilled duties including the organization of group activities and travel

Graduate Research Assistant, Co-Evolution of Human Societies and Landscapes in Early China, Anyang, China (2005)

- ~ Study in landscape archaeology to understand and explain changing relationships between humans and the environment and resources they exploited during the development of Shang civilization (ca. 1600-1050 BC)
- ~ Participated in regional archaeological survey in order to reconstruct cultural and social landscapes through settlement patterns
- ~ Carried out analysis of human remains recovered from the excavation locus of He he lu, at the site of Yinxu, late capital of the Shang Dynasty (ca. 1250-1050)

Student, Belize Postclassic Project, San Estevan, Belize (2002)

- ~ Work on house mound structures from the Terminal Classic, Postclassic, and Colonial Periods, as well as surface collection, mapping, and survey at sites on or near the western shore of Progreso Lagoon, northern Belize.
- ~ Involved adapting to a remote field environment, participating in and leading small group excavations and survey, and competence in all field techniques, including daily record keeping.

OTHER ANTHROPOLOGICAL RESEARCH

Forensic Anthropology – Consultant for San Rafael Police Department Crime Scene Investigators, San Rafael, CA (2008)

- ~ Aided the San Rafael Police Department Crime Scene Investigation unit in the recovery of modern human skeletal remains
- ~ Led a follow-up workshop for the CSI unit on understanding site-formation processes and recovery techniques of skeletonized remains

Ethnographic research – Co-investigator, Cultural Politics of Food and Eating Project, Vancouver, BC (2006)

- ~ Conducted a study of Vancouver area Mexican restaurants to explore how the regional origins of the owners as well as the tastes of their potential customers have influenced menu choice and ideas about authenticity
- ~ Involved planning research, conducting observations and interviews, researching media sources about food and restaurants, and formulating findings as articles

Ethnographic research – Principal Investigator, Water Conflict and Community Identity in the Peruvian South Coast (2006)

- ~ Research Proposal prepared for submission to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
- ~ Involved preliminary field work including participant observation at locales in the Acarí Valley
- ~ Background research on the ways local cultural politics are involved in common property resource management in the Andes and elsewhere

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Society for American Archaeology (SAA)
Society of California Archaeology (SCA)
Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA)

SYMPOSIA & CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

Co-Organizer/Co-Chair, Symposium: *Comparative Perspectives on Culture Contact and Interaction: Objects, Contexts, and Practice*, 76th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, March 30 - April 3, 2011, Sacramento, CA (organized with Dana Bardolph)

RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Residence Advisor/Coordinator, Totem Park and Place Vanier Residences, UBC, Vancouver, BC (2001-2004)

- ~ Member of a professional team whose common goal was to provide a high quality residence experience
- ~ Planned and organized independent and committee-led learning and community-building programs for residents, and enforcement of residence standards
- ~ Participated in intensive training sessions at the beginning of the academic year, as well as supplementary professional development workshops throughout the year
- ~ Communicated and cooperated with management, residence attendants, and housekeeping staff on a regular basis
- ~ Training and experience in dealing with crisis situations.

Irrigation Tech/Laborer, TrueGreen Landscaping, Santa Rosa, CA (2000/2001)

- ~ Engaged in technical problem solving and manual labor
- ~ Daily interaction with and translation for Spanish-speaking co-workers

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Archaeology guest speaker, Santa Barbara Partners in Education Program, Santa Barbara, CA (March 2013)

- ~ 'Archaeology as a Career' presentation to students in the AVID Program at La Cumbre Junior High School

ESL Tutor, Graton Day Labor Center, Graton, CA (Summer 2009)

- ~ Teaching English to Spanish-speaking immigrant day laborers

Volunteer, Santa Rosa Sunrise Rotary Club Nicaragua Eye Care Project (2003)

- ~ Cooperative project between the Santa Rosa Sunrise and Managua-Tiscapa Rotary Clubs
- ~ Accompanied and assisted local and Nicaraguan optometrists in conducting eye exams and filling eye glass prescriptions in underserved communities in Managua and Rivas areas
- ~ Clinic translator

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