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EDUCATION

2013-Present Ph.D. Candidate, University of Illinois at Chicago
2012 M.A. in Anthropology, University of Illinois at Chicago
2007 M.A. in Archaeology, University College London
2005 B.A. in Archaeology, Boston University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Interregional Interaction, Social Organization and Development, Materiality, Ceramic Analysis, Anthropology and Archaeology of Identity, Peninsular Thailand, Pre-Modern Maritime Southeast Asia, Iron Age East Africa, The Indian Ocean World

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2015 Wenner-Gren Foundation, Dissertation Fieldwork Grant: "Interaction, Change, and Ceramic Variation along Coastal Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand, AD 100 -1500." Award sought for survey and excavation at six archaeological sites in coastal Nakhon Si Thammarat Province, Thailand. \$19,951

2012 Field Museum of Natural History, Council on Africa Grant: "Archaeological Investigation of Swahili Coast Ethnic Development" Award used to conduct five weeks of archaeological survey and excavation at site of Manda, Lamu County, Kenya. \$5,000

2012 Field Museum of Natural History, Anthropology Alliance Field Internship: "Archaeological Investigation of Swahili Coast Ethnic Development" Award used to conduct five weeks of archaeological survey and excavation at site of Manda, Lamu County, Kenya. \$2,000

CONFERENCE PAPERS

2015 Local Earthenware Ceramic Decoration and Cultural Transformation on Kenya's Swahili Coast, AD700-1700. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2013 Practice, Material Culture, and Identity on the Swahili Coast: Operationalizing the Archaeological Investigation of Ethnicity. American Anthropological Association Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2012 Social Boundary Development on the Kenyan Coast through Ceramic Analysis. Society of Africanist Archaeologists Meeting, Toronto, ON.

INVITED LECTURES

2017 Coastal Nakhon Si Thammarat Archaeological Research Project 2017 (CNSTARP 2017). The 14th Regional Office of the Fine Arts Department. July 18, Mueang, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand

2016 East Africa and The Indian Ocean World: Local Earthenware Ceramic Decoration and Cultural Transformation on the Swahili Coast, AD 700-1700. Asian Studies Program, Walailak University. February 9, Tha Sala, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand

FIELDWORK AND LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

- 2017 Principal Investigator. Coastal Nakhon Si Thammarat Archaeological Research Project, Nakhon Si Thammarat Province, Thailand
- 2012-2015 Archaeologist. Manda Archaeology and Archaeogenetic Research Project, Lamu, Kenya
- 2012 Research Assistant. Lamu County Ethnographic Survey, Lamu, Kenya.
- 2010-2013 Lab Assistant. Field Museum of Natural History Anthropology Department Africa Lab, Chicago, IL.
- 2010 Contract Archaeologist. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Rockford, IL.
- 2007-2009 Contract Archaeologist. R. Christopher Goodwin and Associates, Frederick, MD.
- 2004 Student. Boston University Menorca Archaeological Field School, Menorca, Spain.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2014 Instructor, Anthropology 274: Ethnography of Africa, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2014 Teaching Assistant, Anthropology 102: Introduction to Archaeology, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2013 Teaching Assistant, Anthropology 101: Introduction to Social Anthropology, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2012 Teaching Assistant, Geography 100: Concepts in Geography, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2011 Teaching Assistant, Anthropology 105: Human Evolution, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2011 Teaching Assistant, Anthropology 102: Introduction to Archaeology, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2010 Teaching Assistant, Geography 100: Concepts in Geography, University of Illinois at Chicago

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2012 Volunteer, 2012 Second City Anthropology Conference, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2011-2012 Co-Organizer, Department of Anthropology Second Year Speaker Series, University of Illinois at Chicago

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association
Society of Africanist Archaeologists
Society for American Archaeology

REFERENCES

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Department of Anthropology
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