

Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION**

University of Illinois at Chicago –  
Field Museum of Natural History

Ph.D., Anthropology, 2017-Present

University of Illinois at Chicago –  
Field Museum of Natural History

M.A., Anthropology, 2017

University of Athens, Greece

M. Phil., Prehistoric Archaeology, 2015

University of Athens, Greece

B.A., History & Archaeology, 2012

Thesis:

**M.Phil.**, “Ksagounaki, Diros, an open-air site of the Final Neolithic Period, from the viewpoint of chipped stone tools”

**B.A.**, “Homo Neanderthalensis in the context of Cognitive Archaeology”

**B.A.**, “Animal sacrifice in the Aegean and the Near East during the Late Bronze Age and the Early Iron Age”

**CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Study and analysis of stone tools from Paleolithic, Neolithic Periods and the Bronze Age
- Social structure and interactions, emergence of complex societies, technological expertise, craft production and trade in prehistoric societies
- Prehistory in Europe and Greece, focus on the Aegean and Greek islands
- Application of modern technologies in archaeological research and teaching

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 **Lithic Specialist and Illustrator**, Gourimadi Archaeological Project (GAP), Southern Euboea, Greece. Norwegian Institute at Athens and the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports

2020 **Lithic Specialist and Illustrator**, Irakleia Caves Excavation Project, (ICEP), Irakleia, Cyclades, Greece. Norwegian Institute at Athens and the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports

- 2019 **Lithic Specialist and Illustrator**, Bays of East Attica Regional Survey (BEARS) Project, Porto Raphiti, Attica, Greece. Canadian Institute of Greece (CIG) with the permission of the Ephorate of East Attica and the Central Archaeological Council of Greece
- 2019 **Lithic Specialist**, “Diros Project”. Wiener Laboratory, American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece. Greek Ministry of Culture and Field Museum.
- 2017 **Lithic Specialist and Illustrator**, Western Argolid Regional Project (WARP), 2014-2016, Argolid, Greece. Canadian Institute in Greece and the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports
- 2015, 2016, 2017 **Lithic Specialist**, Norwegian Archaeological Survey in Karystia (NASK), Southern Euboea, Greece. Norwegian Institute at Athens, NIA and the E.A Schrader Endowment fund, Indiana University, USA
- 2015 **Lithic Specialist**, Ayia Triadha cave excavation project (ATEP), southern Euboea, Greece. Ephorate for Paleoanthropology and Speleology of Southern Greece at Athens and Southern Euboea Exploration Project (SEEP)
- 2014, 2015 **Lithic Specialist**, Final Neolithic site of Ksagounaki and its surrounding area in Diros, Greece, “Diros Project”. Greek Ministry of Culture, Field Museum and Mississippi State University
- 2012, 2013 **Field Crew Member**, PaGE project: “Paleo-anthropology at the Gates of Europe: Human Evolution in the Southern Balkans”, Megalopolis, Greece. University of Tübingen and Ephoreia of Paleoanthropology and Speleology of Southern Greece
- 2011, 2012, 2013 **Field Crew Leader and Lithic Specialist**, Middle Kalamas Archaeology Project in Thesprotia, Greece, University of Athens
- 2013 **Lithic Specialist**, Zakynthos Archaeology Project in Zakynthos (Zante), Greece, E’ EKPA and the Netherlands Archaeological Institute
- 2012 **Lithic Specialist**, Late Paleolithic site of Grava in Kerkyra (Corfu), Greece
- 2012 **Excavation Member**, “Diogenio Gymnasium” in Athens
- 2012-2013 **Research Assistant** responsible for cataloguing the lithic assemblage recovered from the Middle Paleolithic site “Lakonis I” in the Southern Peloponnese. Ephoreia of Paleoanthropology and Speleology of Southern Greece
- 2011 **Excavation Member**, Late Paleolithic site of Etiolles, France, within the NSRF 2007- 2013 project

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Spring 2019 **Guest Instructor** University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), Honor's College (HC) 125 “The Archaeology of Women in Antiquity”. Taught two classes to 50 students
- Fall 2018-Spring 2019-Fall 2019 **Teaching Assistant** University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 105 “Introduction to Human Evolution”. Taught two weekly lab sessions to 50 students; assisted in lab design and in grading of weekly papers and exams.

Spring 2018, **Teaching Assistant** University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 102 “Introduction to Archaeology”. Taught two weekly lab sessions to 50 students; assisted in lab design and in grading of weekly papers and exams.

Fall 2017 **Teaching Assistant**, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 101 “World Cultures: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology”. Taught three weekly discussion/recitation sessions to 80 students; assisted in discussion design and in grading of papers and exams.

Spring 2017 **Teaching Assistant**, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 105 “Introduction to Human Evolution”. Taught two weekly lab sessions to 50 students; assisted in lab design and in grading of weekly papers and exams.

Fall 2016 **Guest Instructor**, “Introduction to Archaeology: Field Methods, Theory, and Dating Techniques” University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 100 “Human Adventure”.

Fall 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 100 “Human Adventure”. Taught three weekly discussion/recitation sessions to 66 students; assisted in discussion design and in grading of papers and exams.

Fall 2015-Spring 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ANTH 102 “Introduction to Archaeology”. Taught two weekly lab sessions to 50 students; assisted in lab design and in grading of weekly papers and exams.

## **GRANTS & AWARDS**

2020 Provost’s Graduate Research Award (PGRA) from the Graduate College at the University of Illinois at Chicago “Social change in Prehistoric Greece: Exchange networks, Craft Production, and Interacting communities in Southern Aegean (end-5th - 4th Millennia BC)” (\$5000)

2018 Charles Reed Award from the Department of Anthropology at the University of Illinois at Chicago “Trade and craft production in Prehistoric Greece: A Case Study on the Lithic Industry of Southern Euboea” (\$1000)

2017 Research Grant from the Norwegian Institute at Athens “Analysis of the Lithic Industry of the NASK Field Survey in Southern Euboea, Greece” (\$2100)

2016 Graduate Student Council, Travel Award for participating at the SAA meeting, Orlando, Florida (\$275)

## **ACADEMIC HONORS**

2017-present Member of the honor society of Phi Kappa Phi (ΦΚΦ)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Murray, S. C., Pratt, C. E., Stephan, R. P., McHugh, M. C., Erny, G. K., Psoma, A., Lis, B., and Sapirstein, P. N.

- 2021 The 2019 Bays of East Attica Regional Survey (BEARS) Project: New Archaeological Evidence for the History of Coastal Settlement, Economy, and Connectivity from Porto Raphti (Greece). *Mouseion: Journal of the Classical Association of Canada* 17(2):323-394.

Tankosić, Ž., Laftsidis, A., Psoma, A., Seifried, R., and Garyfallopoulos, A.

- 2021 New Data on Southern Euboean Landscapes: Results of the Norwegian Archaeological Survey in the Karystia. *The Annual of the British School at Athens* 116:13-3.

Tankosić, Ž., Mavridis, F., Zafeiriadis, P., and Psoma, A.

- 2021 Gourimadi Archaeological Project: The Results from the First Excavation Season (2018) of a Prehistoric Site in the Karystia, Southern Euboea. *Opuscula. Annual of the Swedish Institutes at Athens and Rome (OpAthRom)* 14:7-26.

## **REPORTS**

Psoma, A.

- 2019 Report on the study of the lithic assemblage from Gourimadi Archaeological Project (GAP), Southern Euboea, Greece. Report submitted to the Norwegian Institute at Athens, Greece

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- 2019 Report on the study of the lithic assemblage from Bays of East Attica Regional Survey (BEARS) Project, Porto Raphti, Attica, Greece. Report submitted to the Canadian Institute of Greece (CIG), Greece

Psoma, A.

- 2018 Report on the study of the lithic assemblage from Gourimadi Archaeological Project (GAP), Southern Euboea, Greece. Report submitted to the Norwegian Institute at Athens, Greece

Parkinson, W.A., Psoma, A., and Riebe, D.

- 2017 Interim Report of the Analysis of the Lithic Assemblage Collected during the Western Argolid Regional Project (WARP). Report submitted to the Canadian Institute and the Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Greece

Psoma, A.

- 2015 Report on the study of the lithic assemblage from Norwegian Archaeological Survey in the Karystia (NASK). Report submitted to the Norwegian Institute at Athens, Greece

Psoma, A.

- 2014 Report on the study of the lithic assemblage from Ksagounaki, Diros Project, Greece. Report submitted to the Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Greece

## **LECTURES ORGANIZED**

- 2016-2017 Member of the organizing committee of the “Second Year Speaker Series”. Annual lecture series of the Anthropology Department at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC)

## **INVITED AND PRESENTED PAPERS**

Murray, S., Pratt, C., Stephan, R., McHugh, M., Erny, G., Psoma, A., Lis, B., Godsey, B., Nazou, M., Nakassis, D., and Sapirstein, P.

2020 The 2019 Bays of East Attica Regional Survey (BEARS) Project: New Evidence for the Archaeology of the Bay of Porto Rapti. Invited talk presented at the 121th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA), Washington, D.C., USA (2-5 January)

Tankosić, Ž., F. Mavridis, P. Zafeiriadis, A. Psoma, A. Kanatselou and P. Dellios  
2019 Mind the GAP: Preliminary Results of the First Season of the Gourimadi Archaeological Project, Greece. Invited talk presented at the 120th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA), San Diego, California, USA (January 3-6)

Psoma, A.

2016 Ksagounaki, Diros: An Open-Air Site of the Final Neolithic from the Viewpoint of Chipped Stone Tools. Invited talk presented at the 81st Annual Meeting of the Society of American Archaeology (SAA), Orlando, Florida, USA (April 6-10)

Tankosić, Ž. and A. Psoma

2016 Prehistoric Finds from the Survey of the Katsaronio Plain, Southern Euboea, Greece: A Preliminary Assessment. Invited talk presented at the 117th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA), San Francisco, California, USA (January 6-9)

Psoma, A.

2014 The Paleolithic in Greece from the Viewpoint of Publications. Invited talk presented at the conference “Where does our past start from? Constitution of the science of Paleo-anthropology and Paleolithic archaeology in Greece,” Department of History and Archaeology, University of Athens, Athens, Greece (February 1)

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

2020-present Member of the American Anthropological Association (AAA)

2019 (July) Member of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece

2019-present Member of The Lithic Studies Society (LSS)

2017-present Member of Archaeological Institute of America (AIA)

2015-2020 Member of the Society of American Archaeology (SAA)

2013-present Member of the European Association of Archaeologists (EAA)

2013-present Member of Aegeus, Society for Aegean Prehistory

## **LANGUAGES**

Greek native speaker

English perfect knowledge

Italian good knowledge

French elementary knowledge

Ancient Greek writing (perfect knowledge), reading (perfect knowledge)

Latin writing (very good knowledge), reading (very good knowledge)

**COMPUTER SKILLS**

JPM; Gauss; Erdas Imagine 2015; GIS Software ArcMap; Databases (JabRef, Filemaker, Access)

**REFERENCES**

References available upon request