

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2011 Ph.D. in Anthropology, Florida State University
Dissertation Title: "Patterns in Adult and Subadult Upper Limb Asymmetry from
North American Archaic and Mississippian Populations"
Advisor: Lynne A. Schepartz
- 2005 M.A. in Anthropology, Tulane University
Advisor: Trenton W. Holliday
- 2004 B.S. in Anthropology, Tulane University.

Teaching and Employment

- 2011- *Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL*
Teaching Faculty Level II (2015-) – early promotion
Teaching Faculty Level I (2011-2015)
Courses taught:
Introduction to Archaeology (ANT 2100)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANT 2410)
Introduction to Physical Anthropology (ANT 2511)
Evolution of Human Sexuality (ANT 2301)
Ethics in Anthropology: Who Owns the Past (IFS 3126)
Peoples of the World (ANT 3212)
Introduction to Forensic Anthropology (ANT 3250)
Bones, Bodies, and Disease (ANT 4468)
Human Evolution (ANT 4586)
Human Osteology (ANT 4525)
Masculinity in a cross-cultural perspective (ANT 4930)

- 2013- *Tallahassee Community College, Tallahassee, FL*
Adjunct Instructor
Introduction to Physical Anthropology (ANT 2511)
Introduction to General Anthropology (ANT 2000) – online course
Certified Quality Matters Peer reviewer for TCC
- 2013- *Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)*
Instructor – Bones: Tales from the Dead
Are You My Mummy
Emergence of Man
- 2012- *Bureau of Archaeological Research (Dept. of State)*
Biological Anthropologist consultant
NAGPRA consultant
- 2012-2015 *Search Inc., Jacksonville, FL* – Biological Anthropologist consultant
- 2011 *Southeast Archeological Center, Tallahassee, FL*
Museum Technician – assisted in the systematic curation, cataloguing, and documentation of archaeological remains from the Southeast North American region
- 2008-2011 *Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL*
Graduate Assistant
Introduction to Physical Anthropology (ANT 2511) – Fully responsible for course
Human Evolution (ANT 4586) – Fully responsible for course design, lectures
Introduction to Archaeology Lab (ANT 2100L)
Introduction to Physical Anthropology and Prehistory Lab (ANT 2511L)
Head TA for Dr. Dean Falk; redesigned lab activities and layout
- 2009-2011 *Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL*
Anthropology Tutor for student athletes
- 2008-2010 *Undergraduate Workshops taught*
Osteological Methods Workshop
Ancient Pottery Workshop with guest speaker and artist Marty Haythorn from
Ancient Hands Museums and Art Gallery
Applying to Graduate School Workshop – departmental collaboration
Flint Knapping Workshop with guest instructor Micah Mones
Is it Human? Osteology workshop – responsible for content and activities

Administrative Duties / Faculty Committees

- 2017 - *Departmental Bylaws Committee Member, Anthropology Department at Florida State University*

- 2016 - *Chair of the Undergraduate Affairs Committee, Anthropology Department at Florida State University.*
- 2015 - *Chair of the Human Remains Review Committee, Anthropology Department at Florida State University – NAGPRA specialist.*
- 2015- *Curator for the Windover Skeletal Collection. Anthropology Department at Florida State University*
- 2013- *Undergraduate Major Advisor for Anthropology Department at Florida State University*
- 2011-2013 *Student Worker Coordinator – Anthropology Department of Florida State University*
Faculty Advisor for Anthropology Society at Florida State University
- 2013 Quality Enhancement Review (QER) for Florida State University’s Anthropology Department (Spring 2013). Co-author with department chair (Glen Doran) in the writing of the QER for the department. Tasks included collection of administrative data, such as enrollments, number of majors, number of graduates, demographic breakdown of students in anthropology, former graduate student information, FTIC information, creation of report bonders, etc.

Awards

- 2017 Nominated for Florida State University Award in Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching
- 2016 Nominated for Transformation Trough Teaching Award
- 2016 Awarded a Florida State University Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award (\$2,000 honorarium)
- 2015 Nominated for Florida State University Award in Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching
- 2015 Tallahassee Community College Catalyst Award for Excellence in Online Course Design

Grants

- In Prep Co-PI: NSF grant for the analysis of materials found at Mound Field (8Wa8) field school – relating to gastropolitics in the US southeast during the Woodland time period.
- 2016 Co-PI: PLAN (Panhandle Library Access Network) Innovation Grant – In conjunction with the Windover digitization program. Grant will cover student worker for two semesters and the cost of digitizing the collection of Windover x-rays - \$4,435
- 2016 Course development grant (\$5,400) for the creation of an E-Series course to meet new Liberal Studies requirements – *Who Owns the Past: Ethics in Anthropology*.
- 2016 Co-PI: Anthropology Technology Fee Grant of \$21,869.07 awarded to the department in conjunction with Dr. Tanya Peres (primary), for the creation of an archaeology lab and computer work room.

- 2015 GEL grant awarded - \$500 (materials) and \$1,000 (graduate mentor) for use during the 2016 Summer Field School at Mound Field (8WA8) with Dr. Tanya Peres (primary)
- 2010 Eisele Dissertation Research Grant of \$3,000 – Florida State University
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- 2007-11 Graduate Fellowship, Florida State University

Fieldwork, Training, and Research Projects

- 2016- Project Leader for the digitization of the Windover collection (8BR246). In conjunction with the FSU Digital Library Services, I am heading a project to digitize all field note, excavation unit forms, shovel test forms, images, maps, X-rays, and logs created during the excavation of the Windover burial pond between the 1984-1986 field seasons. They will then be housed and available through FSUs digital repository.
<https://fsu.digital.flvc.org/islandora/search/?type=edismax&collection=fsu%3Awindover>
- 2016 Attended the NAGPRA for Archaeologists: Methods, Dialogue, and Technologies Training Workshop in Denver, Colorado. Hosted by National NAGPRA Program and NCPTT. September 19th – 22nd, 2016.
- 2016 Co-director of the FSU summer 2016 Archaeological Field School at Mound Field, FL (8WA8). Duties included management of 15 undergraduate students, instructing proper excavation, screening, and mapping techniques.
- 2016 Skeletal Excavation Workshop – two day event where students, state archaeologists, and I systematically excavated two known horse skeletons from the farm of Suzie Goodhope. Havana, FL
- 2015 Biological Anthropology consultant and assistant in the facial reconstruction of a Windover female for the Brevard Museum of History and Natural Science exhibit on Windover.
- 2014 - 15 Osteological consultant for Butler Mill, Florida (BLE5997) site investigation.
- 2013 Examination and analysis of the 8BR162 (Merritt Island, FL) skeletal material unearthed in the 1960s. Analysis includes organizing and photographing the remains while building an inventory. In addition to this, MNI, NISP, ages, sexes, and any pathology present among the remains were determined.
- 2010 Osteometric data collection and digital x-ray images of adult and subadult upper limb bones from the Indian Knoll skeletal collection at the University of Kentucky. Assisted in cataloguing, storing, and the curation of skeletal material and x-ray data.

- 2010 Site location and evaluation in the Mexico Beach area of Florida; excavation of a 1x1 meter unit at Tyndall Air Force Base. Assisted Mike Russo of the Southeast Archaeological Center, Tallahassee, FL.
- 2009 Osteometric and musculoskeletal stress marker data collection and photography of adult and subadult upper limbs from the Indian Knoll skeletal collection at the University of Kentucky and the Pickwick Basin collection at the University of Alabama.
- 2008-09 Osteometric and musculoskeletal stress marker data collection and x-ray imaging of upper limbs from adults and subadults in the Windover collection at Florida State University. Creation and management of a database used for all subsequent fieldwork and data collection.
- 2004 Five week archaeological survey and excavation field school in Barranca, Peru including GIS mapping. Headed by Jonathan Haas from The Field Museum and Kit Nelson from Tulane University

Publications

- In Prep G.P. Thomas, C. Berbesque, and F.W. Marlowe. Discordance between handedness and grip strength among the Hadza of Tanzania
- In Prep G.P. Thomas. Patterns in Subadult Upper Limb Asymmetry from North American Archaic and Mississippian Populations and the Effects of Culturally Specific Behaviors.
- 2016 G.P. Thomas. 8,000 year old case of thalassemia from the Windover, Florida skeletal population. *International Journal of Paleopathology*. Vol. 14C: 81-90
- 2016 G.H. Doran and G.P. Thomas. Windover: an Overview. In *Mesolithic burials – Rites, symbols and social organization of early postglacial communities*. Edited by: Judith Grunberg, Bernhard Gramsch, Lars Larson, Jorg Orschiedt, and Harald Meller. Halle: Landesmuseum Halle, 865-884
- 2016 Abstract: “Windover: An Overview of the Past 30 Years. *AJPA* S62:313
- 2013 Abstract: “8,000 year old case of thalassemia from the Windover, Florida skeletal population.” *AJPA* S56:271
- 2012 Abstract: “Estimation of biological sex from activity patterns for subadult skeletal remains from the Windover and Indian Knoll Archaic populations.” *AJPA* S54:285
- 2011 G.P. Thomas. *Patterns in Adult and Subadult Upper Limb Asymmetry from North American Archaic and Mississippian Populations*. Doctoral Dissertation. Florida State University.

- 2010 Abstract: "Cross-cultural comparison of upper limb asymmetry in adults and juveniles from the Archaic period of the American Southeast." *AJPA* S50:229.
- 2009 Abstract: "Upper limb asymmetry in the archaic Windover population from Florida" *AJPA* S48:255.

Papers Presented

- 2016 Windover: An Overview of the Past 30 Years. Poster, American Association of Physical Anthropologists Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- 2013 8,000 year old case of thalassemia from the Windover, Florida skeletal population. Poster, American Association of Physical Anthropologists Annual Meeting, Knoxville, TN
- 2012 Estimation of biological sex from activity patterns for subadult skeletal remains from the Windover and Indian Knoll Archaic populations. Paper, American Association of Physical Anthropologists Annual Meeting, Portland, OR
- 2011 Variation in subadult upper limb asymmetry among several North American Archaic populations. Paper, Southeastern Archaeological Conference Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL
- 2010 Biological and Cultural Determinants of Handedness among the Hadza Hunter-Gatherers. Paper with F.W. Marlowe, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA
- 2010 Cross-cultural comparison of upper limb asymmetry in adults and juveniles from the Archaic period of the American Southeast. Poster, American Association of Physical Anthropologists Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM
- 2009 Upper limb asymmetry in the archaic Windover population from Florida. Poster, American Association of Physical Anthropologists Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL

Invited Events

- 2015 Brevard Museum of History and Natural Science exhibit on Windover. Invited panelist and expert for discussion on the reopening of the exhibit.
- 2015 Florida State University – Student Film Project – Interview (Spring semester)

Topic: Cultural concepts of menstruation

- 2014 “Real Sex, Real Talk” program Florida State University Health Promotion. Invited panelist for a discussion on the “Anatomy of Sex” (Fall semester)
- 2014 Florida State University - Student Film project – Interview (Fall semester)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FErzejc0Zek&feature=youtu.be>

Direct Independent Studies – Undergraduate

Faculty Advisor

- Parker Berger – Cataloguing and analysis of human skeletal remains from prehistoric St. Augustine, FL sites. – Fall 2017
- Sylvia Ortiz – Collections management and Organization – Spring 2017
- Thomas Chiodini – Investigation of Aquatic Burial Practices among Prehistoric Native Americans. Spring 2016.
- Caitlyn Marquis – Curation of unsorted human skeletal remains and the investigation of lower limb asymmetry – Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Spring 2016 - Fall 2016 – Spring 2017
- Maddison Woods – Curation of unsorted human skeletal remains – Fall 2015 – Spring 2016
- Casey Johnson – Analysis of dental disease at Windover – Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program – Biology Student– Fall 2015 – Spring 2016
- Kaitlyn Lazenby – Analysis of subadult infection rates at Windover – Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program – Biology Student - Fall 2015 – Spring 2016 – Spring 2017
- Selena Garza – Analysis of femoral and humeral head diameters in the determination of biological sex – Direct Independent Study – Spring 2015
- Alexa Pennavaria – Variation in Angular Traits of Archaic Humeri – Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program and URCAA applicant - Fall 2014 and Spring 2015
- Alyssa Frey – Assessment of Health in Modern and Prehistoric North America – Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program and URCAA applicant - Fall 2014 and Spring 2015
- Cristian Kline - Organization and Cataloging Material within a Skeletal Collection – Direct Independent Study – Fall 2014
- Dairon Caro – Standards in Osteological Data Collection – Spring 2015
Organization and Cataloging Material within a Skeletal Collection – Direct Independent Study - Fall 2014
- Tamara Tuckey – Examination of Linear Enamel Hypoplasias in the Windover Skeletal Collection – Direct Independent Study - Summer 2014
- Jessica Engel – Analysis of Pelvic Morphology and Birthing Practices: Comparisons of Modern and Prehistoric Humans – Direct Independent Study - Fall 2013

Thesis Committee Membership

Undergraduate Honors Thesis

Parker Berger – Committee Chair – Spring 2018
Taylor Kocher – Committee Member – Spring 2017
Carina Gobes – Committee Member – Spring 2017
Haylee Glasel – Committee Member – Spring 2017
Emily Brown – Committee Member – Fall 2016
Alexa Pennavaria – Committee Chair – Spring 2016
Haley Messer – Committee Member – Spring 2016
Jirye Kang – Committee Member – Spring 2016
Kristin Hyde – Committee Member – Summer 2015
Morgan Cairns – Committee Member – Spring 2015
Krissy Hogeweg – Committee Member – Spring 2015
Jasmine Van Weelden – Committee Member – Fall 2014

Courses Prepared to Teach

General Anthropology
Peoples of the World
Introduction to Archaeology
Introduction to Biological Anthropology
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
Anthropology of Childhood
Evolution of Human Sexuality
Human Variation and Race
Human Osteology
Human Evolution
The Neanderthal Enigma
Forensic Anthropology
Paleopathology
Primate Behavior and Anatomy
Anthropological Statistics
Masculinity in a cross-cultural perspective
Ethics in Anthropology

Memberships

2010- American Anthropological Association
2008- American Association of Physical Anthropologists