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EDUCATION

M.A. Applied Anthropology

Archaeology track, Heritage Studies concentration University of South Florida, 2015

Thesis: Landscape Legacies of Sugarcane Monoculture at Betty's Hope Plantation, Antigua, West Indies

B.A. Anthropology; Peace Studies

University of Notre Dame, 2013

Honors Thesis: The Impact of Heritage Management on Communities in the Hinterland of Butrint National Park, Southern Albania

EXPERIENCE

Research Analyst; Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (Sept. 2015-present)

Develop and conduct independent performance audits and program evaluations as part of a non-partisan research team. Draw upon quantitative and qualitative analyses to audit recommendations that improve performance, provide cost savings, and increase accountability of state legislation and programs. Major studies: Unaccompanied Homeless Youth; Habitat and Recreation Lands and Regulations; Lodging Tax Reports; Student Mental Health Services Inventory

Interpretive Assistant; Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission (May-Aug. 2015)

Collaborated with the Interpretive Specialist at Sun Lakes-Dry Falls State Park in Grant County, WA. Responsibilities included serving as interpretive resource for park visitors, leading guided interpretive tours of the local cultural and natural heritage, assisting in development of interpretive materials and programs. Inititated project to update Native American cultural heritage museum exhibits.

Geoarchaeology Research Assistant; USF Laboratory for Anthropogenic Soils Research (Aug. 2013- May 2015)

Conducted physical and chemical analyses on anthropogenic soils, including Munsell color, particle size, pH, acid-extractable phosphates, organic matter, calcium carbonate, and trace element quantification using portable x-ray fluorescence. Prepared samples for ICP-OES and ICP-AMS analyses.

Archaeology Research Assistant; USF Forensic Anthropology Laboratory (Sept. 2013- Sept. 2014)

Excavated and recorded burials in a historical cemetery. Responsibilities included excavation, data recording, photography, removal of human remains for forensic analysis, site mapping, and artifact cataloguing and recording. Catalogued and analyzed historical mortuary and clothing artifacts through technical description and metrics, photography, background research, and GIS mapping. Prepared 90-page artifact analysis report and curated public artifact display.

Archaeologist; Butrint Archaeological Research Project; Butrint, Albania (May-Jun. 2013)

Supervised team of Albanian workers in the excavation of Roman buildings at Butrint National Park. Responsibilities included excavation, deposit and artifact recording, site and feature interpretation, plan, section, and elevation drawing, site photography, and preliminary cataloguing of cultural materials.

Photo Editor; The Observer, University of Notre Dame (2011-2013)

Supervised team of 25 student photographers and organized coverage of news, sports, and cultural events. Responsible for organizing and leading department meetings, training sessions, special event photoshoots, and obtaining event credentials

Anthropology Researcher; University of Notre Dame; Ksamil, Albania (2012-2013)

Designed and conducted heritage management impact assessment in five communities in southern Albania. Secured grant funding to conduct personal interviews, participant observation, and surveys with 115 individuals and 10 key stakeholders to determine the effect of foreign investment, development initiatives, and international tourism on local communities.

SKILLS

Adobe Photoshop/Illustrator/Bridge/Lightroom, ArcGIS, SPSS, ImageJ, DStretch, Microsoft Office Experienced with qualitative and quantitative data analysis, report writing, and public presentations