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## EDUCATION

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In Progress M. A., Anthropology with a minor in Medieval Studies, Pennsylvania State University  
 2013 B.A. *summa cum laude*, Anthropology, Washington State University  
 2012 Associate of Arts and Sciences *high distinction*, Bellevue College

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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2017-present **GIS Lab Manager and Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Anthropology.  
*Dr. Kenneth Hirth, The Pennsylvania State University*  
 2016 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, The Pennsylvania State University.  
*ANTH 009: The Rise of Civilization*  
 2015-2016 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Anthropology.  
*Dr. George Milner, The Pennsylvania State University.*

## RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

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**Research Interests:** Interpersonal violence and warfare, early medieval period and Viking age, Western Isles and Scandinavia, skeletal analysis, mortuary practices, religion, human-environmental interactions, HBE modeling, geospatial analysis.

### Research Projects:

2013-present *Cedar Mesa Settlement Patterns*. Washington State University  
 Utilizing archaeological site data from Cedar Mesa quadrat based survey work to investigate Ancestral Pueblo settlement in Cedar Mesa region of SE Utah. Data is also being utilized to inform a predictive model of where archaeological sites may be located to provide to Utah BLM.  
 2013 *Ancient Maya Turkey Husbandry*. Research Assistant. Washington State University  
 Database data entry of element completeness diagrams for faunal remains. National Science Foundation research project, Re-examining the History of Turkey Husbandry in the Maya Lowlands.  
 2012 *Granite Point Project*. Washington State University  
 Synthesis of published and unpublished archival records related to the archaeological site Granite Point (45WT41) including background of archaeological excavation, cultural and historical interpretations, environmental summary, and collection database access. Project included creation of publicly accessible webpage to raise public and professional awareness of Granite Point and its research potentials.

### Professional Presentations:

2017 *Ideal-Free Distribution and Ancestral Pueblo Occupation of Cedar Mesa, Utah*. Poster presented at the Society for American Archaeology 82nd Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC.

- 2015 *Geospatial Analysis of Cedar Mesa (Utah) Settlement Patterns*. Poster presented at the Society for American Archaeology 80th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 *Modern Environmental Datasets and the Reanalysis of Cedar Mesa (Utah) Settlement Patterns*. Poster presented at the Society for American Archaeology 79th Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
- 2013 *Rediscovering Granite Point: Bringing Past Excavations into the Digital Age*. Paper presented at the 2013 Northwest Anthropological Conference, Portland, OR.

## ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD AND LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

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- 2014 **Contract GIS Analyst**, Utah Bureau of Land Management
- 2013 **Archaeological Field Technician**, Metcalf Archaeological Consultants  
*Seasonal Employee* - North Dakota Class II and Class III cultural resource survey and inventory. Including artifact and feature identification, shovel probe testing, sketch map creation, and completion of North Dakota Cultural Resource Survey architectural, historic and archaeological site forms.
- 2012-2013 **Technical Assistant I**, Washington State University  
*Cedar Mesa Project (10/12-5/13)* - Georeferencing Cedar Mesa project site records from surveys conducted between 1969 and 1976. Including digitization of aerial photograph records, georeferencing survey quadrats and identified sites, and updating UTM coordinates for Utah state archaeological site records.  
*Museum of Anthropology Collections Curator (8/12-5/13)*- Identification, organization, database creation and archiving of archaeological collections from the Pacific Northwest. Including analysis of collection records and physical inventory to reconcile and reintegrated loaned artifacts and faunal remains.
- 2012 **Laboratory Assistant**, Palynology Laboratory. Washington State University. Microbotanical analysis of pollen as well as phytoliths. Including techniques of pollen and phytolith processing, analysis, data manipulation and interpretation with soils and sediment type training from tropical, temperate environments.
- 2012 **Student Participant**, Archaeological Field School. University of Liverpool. Directed by Harold Mytum. Iron Age roundhouse excavation (Isle of Man, four weeks) and historic graveyard recording (Ireland, two weeks).
- 2012 **Volunteer Curator**, Museum of Anthropology. Washington State University.

## ACADEMIC GRANTS AND AWARDS

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- 2017 Department of Anthropology Travel Award to present poster at 82nd annual Society of American Archaeology conference, Pennsylvania State University. (\$600)
- 2013 Anthropology Department's Outstanding Senior Award, Washington State University.
- 2012 Undergraduate Scholar Grant, Washington State University College of Liberal Arts. (\$800)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Analysis:** Archaeological field methods (survey and excavation), graveyard and cemetery survey, prehistoric artifact curation (classification and cataloguing for storage), geospatial analysis (aerial and satellite imagery), Trimble GNSS Systems

**Software:** ArcGIS, Adobe (Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver), CorelDraw, Paradox, SAS, STATA, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint)

### **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

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- 2014-2015     **Marketing Project Manager**, Microsoft (Bluehawk, LLC.)  
*Microsoft Retail Stores*
- 2010-2011     **Marketing Project Manager**, Microsoft (Simplicity Consulting, Inc.)  
*Xbox Live Global Retail Marketing*
- 2005-2010     **Business Administrator**, Microsoft
- 2005            **Administrative Assistant**, Microsoft (Corestaff services)
- 2004            **Receptionist**, Microsoft (Spherion Inc.)