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Curriculum Vitae  
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PERSONAL

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AREA OF SPECIALIZATION

Paleolithic and Hunter/Gatherer Archaeology, Central and Northern Asia,  
Aleutians, Western Alaska, Human Ecology, Preindustrial Technology

EDUCATION

Columbia University in the City of New York, Ph.D 1974

Columbia College in the City of New York, A.B. 1966

FIELD EXPERIENCE

2009 Co-Director, Excavations at Arolik village site, Quinhagak, Alaska

2007 Lead teacher and excavator, Field School, Historic archaeology of Nash

- 1996 Co-Director, Excavation at the Margaret Bay site, an early Arctic Small Tool tradition village site on Amaknak Island, Unalaska, eastern Aleutians.
- 1995 Excavation at Koniag sites on the Kodiak archipelago, Alaska
- 1994 Excavation at Izhul, a Middle Paleolithic Mammoth Butchering site in Central Siberia.
- 1992 Co-Director, Excavation at Kashtank Upper Paleolithic site in Central Siberia. Bryn Mawr ANSSSR expedition.
- 1991 Co-Director, Excavation at Kashtank Upper Paleolithic site in Central Siberia. Bryn Mawr ANSSSR expedition.
- 1988 Field and Laboratory Research Lower and Middle Paleolithic. Tadjikistan and Uzbekistan.
- 1986 Lithics Analysis of Aceramic Neolithic levels, Gritille, Lower Euphrates River Valley, Adiyaman, Turkey. Bryn Mawr Expedition.
- 1984 Lithics analysis of Aceramic Neolithic levels, Gritille, Lower Euphrates River Valley, Adiyaman, Turkey. Bryn Mawr Chapel Hill Expedition.
- 1982 Excavation and lithics analysis at Gritille, Lower Euphrates River Valley, Adiyaman, Turkey. Bryn Mawr Chapel Hill Expedition. Aceramic Neolithic levels.
- 1982 Director, Bryn Mawr Colleges's excavation at East Rock Shelter I (36LH66) Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Late Archaic and Woodland rock shelter.
- 1981 Paleolithic survey, Lower Euphrates River Valley, Adiyaman Province, Turkey. Lower and Middle Paleolithic sites.
- 1977 Excavation of Ogzi Kichik, a Middle Paleolithic rock shelter in Tadjikistan, USSR with V.A. Ronav. Field survey in southern Tadjikistan.
- 1976 Field survey in the Dashit Nawur, Afghanistan for Epipaleolithic sites.
- 1975 Director of Archaeological Field School, Case Western Reserve University, at Kelleys Island, Ohio, in conjunction with the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.
- 1973 Director of Field School excavations at the Bailey site, a Ft. Ancient rock shelter in southeast Ohio, and leader of an archaeological survey in Afghanistan (interrupted by a coup d'etat in July).
- 1970 Excavation of Ghar Mordeh Gusfand, northern Afghanistan with Dr. Louis Dupree, American Museum of Natural History, and study of archaeological collections in Dushanbe, Tashken, Samarkand, and Bukhara, USSR.

1969 Excavation of Ghar Luli, a prehistoric cave site in northern Afghanistan with Dr. Dupree, American Museum of Natural History.

1968 Field survey in western Azerbaijan, Iran with the Columbia University

- 1990 Rockefeller Foundation travel grant to Kenya.
- 1990 Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. Full expenses to participate in a Symposium on the Chronostatigraphy of Asia and field excursion, Novosibirsk.
- 1988 National Academy of Sciences Interacademy Exchange Program with the Academy of Sciences, USSR. Paleolithic Research in Soviet Central Asia (Summer 1988).
- 1987 Alfred Sloan Foundation Program in the New Liberal Arts, Project Director.
- 1986 Exchange Program (1986-1988) with the National Museums of Kenya. Grant from Carnegie Corporation.
- 1986 GTE Foundation Lectureship Program (1986-1987): Grant for a program of six lectures on technology.
- 1986 Grant-in-Aid, Faculty Research Fund, Bryn Mawr College. Lithics analysis, Gritille, Turkey.
- 1985 Grant-in-Aid, Faculty Research Fund, Bryn Mawr College. Lithics analysis in Turkey.
- 1984 Grant-in-Aid, Faculty Research Fund, Bryn Mawr College. Lithics analysis in Turkey.
- 1983 Participant in Alfred Sloan Foundation grant to Bryn Mawr College, Development of Computer Laboratory for Archaeological Method and Theory Course in the Department of Anthropology.
- 1983 Co-Director, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Archaeological Contract for Bridge Construction.
- 1981 Explorer's Club grant in support of a conference, "Prehistory in the USSR: Theory, Methods, Practice" (with Olga Soffer, organizer).
- 1981 International Research and Exchanges Board grant in support of a conference, "Prehistory in the USSR: Theory, Methods, Practice" (with Olga Soffer, organizer).
- 1979-81 National Science Foundation Research Grant (BNS47915), "Upper Pleistocene Prehistory in Soviet Central Asia" Principal Investigator.
- 1977 (May-November) National Academy of Sciences Interacademy Exchange Program with the Academy of Sciences, USSR. Paleolithic Research in Soviet Central Asia.
- 1975-77 National Science Foundation Scientific Equipment Improvement Grant, "Curriculum Improvement" with the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Project Director.

1975 Cleveland Museum of Natural History Grant, "Archaeology of Kelleys Island."

PUBLICATIONS - DISSERTATION

1974 *The Late Paleolithic of Northern Afghanistan*. Columbia University. Ann Arbor: University Microfilms.

PUBLICATIONS - BOOK CHAPTERS

1978 "The Paleolithic." In *The Archaeology of Afghanistan*, Ed. by F.R. Allchin and N. Hammond. London: Academic Press, pp. 27-

1983 "Theoretical Issues in Contemporary Soviet Paleolithic Archaeology." *Annual Reviews of Anthropology*, Volume 12: 403-428.

1984 "The Soan in Central Asia? Problems in Early Paleolithic Culture History." In *Studies in the Archaeology and Paleoanthropology of South*

## PUBLICATIONS - ARTICLES

- 1969 "Prehistoric Investigation in Northern Afghanistan, 1969." *Afghanistan*, 12: 7590.
- 1970 (with L. Dupree and L. Lattman) "Ghar-i-Mordeh Gusfand (Cave of the Dead Sheep): A New Mousterian Localities in Afghanistan." *Science*, 167: 1610-1612.
- 1972 (with L. Dupree) "The Lithic and Bone Specimens from Aq Kupruk and Darrai-Kur." In *Prehistoric Research in Afghanistan (1959-1966)*, edited by L. Dupree, *Transactions American Philosophical Society*, Philadelphia, Vol. 62, Part 4, pp. 32-34.
- 1974 Reprint of "The Lithic and Bone Specimens from Aq Kupruk and Darra Kur." In *Afghanistan* 26 (4): 5274 and 27 (1): 354.
- 1976a "A Prehistoric Village on Kelleys Island, Ohio." *Explorer* 18(3): 1149.
- 1976b (with L. Dupree) "New Prehistoric Localities in the Dasinawur, Afghanistan." *Afghanistan* 29(3): 1337
- 1977 (with L. Dupree) "Prehistoric Survey in Central Afghanistan." *Journal of Field Archaeology*, 4: 139-148.
- 1979a (with V.A. Ranov) "Toward a New Outline of the Soviet Central Asian Paleolithic." *Current Anthropology* 20: 249-270 (with CA comments and reply).
- 1979b Exploring the Past: The Archaeological Observatory. *Explorations* 21(4): 28-31.
- 1980a (with A.E. Dodonov and V.A. Ranov) "Early Man in Soviet Central Asia." *Scientific American*, 243(6): 130-137.
- 1980b "Arkeologiya Pleystotsena na Yuge Afganistana (Pleistocene Archaeology in the Southern Afghanistan). In *Granitsa Neogena i Chetvertichoy Sistemy*. Ed. by K.V. Nikiforova and A.Y. Dodonov. Moscow: Nauka, pp. 32-34.
- 1981 (with N. Greber and S. Drfresne) "The Micro Component of the Ohio Hopewell Lithic Technology: Bladelets." *Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences* 351: 1-14.

- 1998 The Enisei and Central Siberia in the Late Pleistocene. *Journal of Archaeological Research* 6:169-194.
- 1999 (with V.A. Ranov) Recent Work on the Paleolithic of Central Asia. *Evolutionary Anthropology* 8: 186-193.
- 2001a (with Richard Knecht and Gary Carver) The Margaret Bay site and Eastern Aleutian Prehistory. In *Archaeology in the Aleut Zone of Alaska*. Ed by Don Dumond. University of Oregon Anthropological Papers. No. 58, pp. 35-69.
- 2001b (with Richard Knecht) A Prehistoric Sequence for the Eastern Aleutians. In *Archaeology in the Aleut Zone of Alaska*. Ed by Don Dumond. University of Oregon Anthropological Papers. No. 58, pp. 289-300.
- 2005 (with Richard Knecht) Evidence for the Arctic Small Tool Tradition in the Eastern Aleutians *Alaska Journal of Anthropology* 3(2): 51-65.
- 2006 Frederica de Laguna of Bryn Mawr College. *Arctic Anthropology* 43 (2): 21-27.
- 2008 (with Richard Knecht) The Amaknak Edge Site: Cultural Change and the Neoglacial in the Eastern Aleutians. *Arctic Anthropology* 45: 61-78.
- 2010 Continuity and Change in the Eastern Aleutian Archaeological Sequence In M.H. Crawford, Dixie L. West, and Dennis H. O'Rourke eds., *The Aleutian Islands: Archaeology, Demography and Genetics*. Special Issue of *Human Biology* 82 (56): 507-524 (with Richard Knecht).
- 2012 Boulanger, Matthew T, Richard S. Davis, Michael D. Escoffier  
Preliminary Characterization and Regional Comparison of the Dashi-Nawur Obsidian near Ghazni, Afghanistan. *Journal of Archaeological Science* 39(7): 2320-2328

PAPERS AND ACTIVITIES AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS (Since 1990)

- 1996 "Piecing Together the Central Asian Paleolithic: The Last Twenty Years." Invited paper for the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco
- 1998 "The Margaret Bay Site and the Early Prehistory of the Eastern Aleutians." Paper for the Aleutian Research Consortium, Anchorage, AK (with R. Knecht).
- 1998 "Early Prehistoric Cultures of the Eastern Aleutians and the Kodiak Archipelago." Paper for the Alaska Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Anchorage (with R. Knecht and P. Knecht)
- 2000 "A New Look at Aleutian Prehistory: Recent Work on Unalakleet." Paper for the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia (with R. Knecht).
- 2001 "New Excavations at the Amaknak Bridge Site (UNL 50), Unalaska." Paper for the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, New Orleans (with R. Knecht)
- 2004 "New Light on the Anangula Tradition: The Uknadok site in Unalaska Bay." Poster for the annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, April 2004, Montreal (with R. Knecht)
- 2004 "Evidence for and Genesis of the Arctic Small Tool Tradition in the Eastern Aleutians." Invited paper for the Fifth International Congress of Arctic Social Science, May 2004, Fairbanks (with R. Knecht).
- 2004 "Excavations at the Amaknak Bridge Site: A 3000 BP Village on the Bering Sea." 12th Annual Arctic Conference, National Museum of Natural History, November 2004, Washington, D.C. (with R. Knecht)
- 2005 "The Eastern Aleutian Archaeological Sequences: Issues of Continuity and Change" Alaskan Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, March 2005, Anchorage (with R. Knecht)
- 2006 "Parallel but Separate Worlds: Comparing the Archaeological Sequences of the Eastern Aleutians and the Kodiak Archipelago." Alaska Anthropological Association, March 2006, Kodiak, AK (with R. Knecht).
- 2006 "Household Archaeology on Unalaska Island, Alaska: The First 9,000 Years." Society for American Archaeology, April, 2006, San Juan.
- 2008 "Penecontemporaneous Lithic Industries from Amaknak Bridge and Margaret Bay, Unalaska: What do the Differences Mean?" Alaska Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Anchorage
- 2008 "Research History and Context of the Amaknak Bridge Site" (with R. Knecht) Alaska Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Anchorage
- 2010 "New Data on Yu'pik Prehistory: A Preliminary Report on the Nunalleq Site." 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Arctic Conference, Bryn Mawr College, November 12-13, 2010.





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## Bryn Mawr College Activities

### Centers

Center for Ethnicity, Communities and Social Policy, Director	2000-2004
Center for the Social Sciences, Co-Director	2008-2010

### Committee Assignments

Committee on Faculty Hiring

Ph.D. Candidates, Director

Christopher Donta	1993
Ann Jensen	2009
Richard Knecht	1995
Makokha Kusimba	1993
Steve Nangendo	1994
Hope Luhman	1991
Glenn Sheehan	1992

M.A. Candidates, Director

Makokha Kusimba	1989
Lenore Santone	1989
Hope Luhman	1988
Stevie Nangendo	1987
Paula Lazrus	1986
Coleen Lazenby	1984

Undergraduate Supervisions

Alexandra Alexandri, Dana Internship	1986-1987
Sarah Herr, Marshall Fellow	1990-1991
Jennifer Dickinson, Marshall Fellow	1991-1992
Reema Habib, Marshall Fellow	1998-1999
Lydia Wilson, Marshall Fellow	2002-2003

Summer Field Work Student Supervisions

*Unalaska Excavations, Eastern Aleutians*

Erika Pfeiff, Jeff Manternech	1996
Courtney Day, Mitch Mazocco, Heather McLees	1997
Reema Habib, Cynthia Ing, Catherine Foster, Claire Panetta	1998
Melanie Mintmier, Abby Matthews Sarah Waring, Emma White	2000
Lydia Wilson, Rebecca Lessem	2001
Rebecca Lessem, Veronica Lee, Hannah Wald, Kathryn Krisinski	2003