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AREAS OF RESEARCH:

Political Archaeology/Anthropology, Animal Studies, Archaeological Theory & Method, Anthropology of Food & Cuisine; Zooarchaeology, Isotope Analysis, Archaeometry; Eurasia, the Caucasus

EDUCATION:

- 2016 Ph.D. in Anthropology, University of Chicago.
Dissertation: *“The Politics of Pasture: The Organization of Pastoral Practices and Political Authority in the Late Bronze Age in the South Caucasus”*
- 2011 M.A. in Anthropology, University of Chicago.
Thesis: *“Between Town and Citadel: Politics and the Circulation of Animals in the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Late Bronze Age Armenia”*
- 2008 B.A. (with honors) in Anthropology and Biology, University of Chicago.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

- 2017-present Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, Columbia University
- 2016-2017 Postdoctoral Fellow in Archaeological Science, Stanford Archaeology Center, Stanford University

PUBLICATIONS (ARTICLES):

Journal Articles (Peer Reviewed)

- 2013 Hannah Chazin & Stephen E. Nash, “Moments, Movements, and Metaphors: Paul Sidney Martin, Pedagogy, and Professionalization in Field Schools, 1926-1974.” *American Antiquity* 78(2):322-343.

Book Chapters (Peer Reviewed)

- 2016 “The Life Assemblage: Rethinking the politics of pastoral practices.” In *Incomplete Archaeologies: Assembling Knowledge in the Past and Present. Proceedings from a session at the 2013 EAA Meetings in Pilsen, CZ.* Miller-Bonney, E., K. Franklin, J. A. Johnson, eds. Pp. 28-47. Oxbow Press.
- 2017 “Tracing Late Bronze Age Pastoralist Practices in the South Caucasus: A preliminary zooarchaeological and isotopic investigation from the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia” In *Isotopic Investigations of Pastoral Production: Innovative Approaches to Patterns of Mobility, Economy, and Exploitation.* Ventresca-Miller, A, Markarewicz, C, eds. Maney Publishing.

Manuscripts in Submission

(accepted) “New Statistical Approaches to Intra-Individual Isotopic Analysis and Modeling Birth Seasonality in Studies of Herd Animals” *Archaeometry* (with Soudeep Deb, Josh Falk, and Arun Srinivasan).

(submitted) “Isotopic Perspectives on Pastoralist Mobility in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus” *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology* (with Gwyneth Gordon and Kelly J. Knudson)

Manuscripts in Preparation

(in draft) Live Stock and Dead Things: Rethinking labor and value in ancient pastoralist societies. (book manuscript)

(in draft) “Mastery and human nature: Pastoralist perspectives on Anthropocene narratives.” (to be submitted to *Current Anthropology*)

(in draft) The importance of age data in integrating isotopic and zooarchaeological analyses of ancient pastoralism: A case study from the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus.” (to be submitted to *Journal of Archaeological Science*)

(in draft) “Safe Materialities: Taphonomy and its implications for archaeological knowledge production.” (to be submitted to *American Anthropologist*)

PUBLICATIONS (SHORT NOTES, REVIEWS, COMMENTS, ETC.):

2015 “36. Rectangular Die”, “37. Doll”, “38. Doll”, “39. Doll with Pierced Ears”, “47. Spindle Whorls/Buttons” (Catalog items) In *A Cosmopolitan City: Muslims, Christians, and Jews in Old Cairo*. Vorderstrasse, T. and Treptow, T., eds. Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago. (with Tasha Vorderstrasse)

GRANTS:

2014 Wenner Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grant – “The Politics of Pasture: Organizing Pastoralism and Politics in the Late Bronze Age, South Caucasus”. [\$15,293]

2011 Southwestern Foundation for Education and Historical Preservation, Tucson, AZ. Funds for a site relocation and re-recording survey near Reserve, New Mexico. [\$11,370] (with Stephen E. Nash).

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS:

External Fellowships & Awards

2013 Fulbright IIE U.S. Student Scholarship – Armenia (*declined*)

2013 American Research Institute of the South Caucasus Graduate Student Fellowship

2010 Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program

2010 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)

Internal Fellowships & Awards

- 2018 Harriman Institute PepsiCo Faculty Fellowship
- 2015 William Rainey Harper/Provost Dissertation Year Fellowship
- 2015 Frederick Starr Prize Lectureship
- 2014 Social Sciences Division Dissertation Research Fellowship (*declined*)
- 2013 Orin Williams Social Sciences Research Travel Fellowship
- 2013 Leiffer Research Fellowship

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Archaeological Fieldwork

- ongoing Project Director, The Karashamb Connections Project. Zooarchaeological and isotopic analysis of faunal remains from the necropolis and survey and preliminary excavations at the Karashamb fortress site. (Principal Investigators, Hannah Chazin and Pavel Avetisyan)
- 2010-2016 Joint Armenian-American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS). Excavations at the Late Bronze Age fortresses of Gegharot and Tsaghkahovit, Republic of Armenia. (Principal Investigators, Adam Smith and Ruben Badalyan)
 - 2014 Project Supervisor
 - 2013 Project Supervisor
 - 2011 Trench Supervisor
 - 2010 Trench Supervisor
- 2012 Project Supervisor, The Marmarik Project. Pilot survey and testing at Late Bronze Age fortresses in the Marmarik Valley, Republic of Armenia. (Principal Investigators, David Peterson and Khachatur Meliksetian)
- 2011-2012 Project Director, The Paul Sidney Martin Archaeological Sites Recording Project. Survey, relocating and re-recording of archaeological sites and ethnographic and archival research near Reserve, New Mexico. (Principal Investigators, Stephen E. Nash and Hannah Chazin)
- 2008-2009 Crew Chief and Member, SWCA Environmental Consultants, Denver, CO. Survey and site testing in the High Plains region.
- 2008 Research Assistant, Sintashta Collaborative Archaeological Research Project (SCARP). Excavations at the Middle Bronze Age Sintashta settlement of Stepnoye, Russian Federation. (Principal Investigators, Bryan Hanks and Dmitri Zdanovich)

Laboratory & Other Research Experience

- 2015 Visiting Researcher, Archaeological Chemistry Lab at Arizona State University.
- 2010-present Research Assistant, Joint Armenian American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS), Adam T. Smith, (Cornell University), director.

- 2009 Research Assistant, Paul S. Martin Project, Stephen E. Nash (Denver Museum of Nature and Science), director.
- 2007 Junior Research Fellow, Center for Khmer Studies, Siem Riep, Cambodia.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

- Ongoing Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, Columbia University
Courses taught: Introduction to Archaeology (UG), Living with Animals: Anthropological Perspectives (UG), Thing Theory (G), Mobilities Past and Present (G), Value, Meaning, Objects: Anthropological Approaches (G)
- 2017 Instructor, Artifacts in the Atomic age: Isotopes in Archaeology, Stanford Archaeology Center, Stanford University
- 2015 Instructor, Living/Thinking/Doing with Animals: Archaeology of Human-Animal Relationships, self-designed course, Anthropology Department, University of Chicago.
- 2014 Instructor, Self, Culture and Society sequence (1 quarter), Social Sciences Collegiate Division, University of Chicago.
- 2012-2013 Teaching Intern, Self, Culture and Society sequence (3 quarters), Social Sciences Collegiate Division, University of Chicago.
- 2007 Lab Instructor/Teaching Assistant, Biological Diversity, Biological Sciences Collegiate Division, University of Chicago.

INVITED TALKS:

- 2017 *Nurturing mastery: Rethinking archaeological models of intensification through milk as natureculture.* Department of Anthropology, Columbia University. January 18th, 2017.
- 2013 *Studying Pastoralism in Ancient Armenia: Excavations of Late Bronze Age Kurgans in the Tsaghkahovit Plain.* American Research Institute of the South Caucasus (Yerevan, Armenia), August 2nd, 2013.

CONFERENCE PAPERS:

- 2018 *Making Milk: Towards a political ecology of dairy production in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus.* Theoretical Archaeology Group Annual Meeting (Gainesville, FL), May 12th, 2018.
- 2018 *Ordinary or extraordinary? Analytical disjunctures between production and ritual in pastoralist societies.* Society for American Anthropology Annual Meeting (Washington, DC), April 14th, 2018.
- 2017 *Is the Anthropocene a beastly problem? Mastery and narratives of human-animal relationships past, present, and future.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting (Washington, DC), December 1st, 2017.
- 2017 *Extraordinary ritual objects or merely ordinary bones? Interpreting the circulation of isolated skeletal*

- elements in the Late Bronze Age Tsaghkavovit Plain, Armenia.* Eurasian Archaeology Conference (Ithaca, NY), October 28th, 2017.
- 2017 *Species logics, mastery, and anthropocentrism: Rethinking human-animal relationships across and outside the nature/culture divide.* Theoretical Archaeology Group Annual Meeting (Toronto, ON), May 19th, 2017.
- 2017 *Is the Anthropocene a beastly problem? Thoughts on human-animal relationships and contemporary narratives of change.* Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting (Vancouver, BC), March 31st, 2017.
- 2016 *The (pre- and post-mortem) social lives of herds: A zooarchaeological and isotopic analysis of Late Bronze Age pastoralism in the South Caucasus.* American School of Oriental Research Annual Meeting (San Antonio, TX), November 18th, 2016.
- 2015 *Determining what? Pastoralism as a beastly problem.* American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting (Denver, CO), November 20th, 2015.
- 2015 *Crossing the line (Part I): Making taphonomy work for social practices in prehistory.* Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA), April 17th, 2015.
- 2015 *Not all who wander are lost: Rethinking the link between pastoralism and politics in prehistoric Armenia.* UCLA Graduate Conference in Armenian Studies (Los Angeles, CA), February 6th, 2015.
- 2015 *Finding the Herd: Isotopic and Zooarchaeological Perspectives on Faunal Remains.* European Association of Archaeologists Annual Meeting (Istanbul, Turkey), September 12th, 2014.
- 2014 *The Chemistry of Mobility: Preliminary Results, Potentials, and Challenges of Isotope Analysis in the Tsaghkavovit Plain, Armenia.* (with Maureen Marshall). Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting (Austin, TX), April 24th, 2014.
- 2013 *The Life Assemblage: Rethinking pastoral activity and the production of meaning and value.* European Association of Archaeologists Annual Meeting (Plzen, Czech Republic), September 6th, 2013.
- 2013 *A Meager Dish: Subsistence Fails to Satisfy in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus.* (with Alan Green) Theoretical Archaeology Group Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL), May 9th, 2013.
- 2012 *Beyond cash and calories: Herd animals, regimes of value, and the issue of scale.* Fourth Conference on Eurasian Archaeology (Cornell University), October 12th, 2012.
- 2012 *Were the sheep sweeter?" The circulation of domesticated animals in the Late Bronze Age, the Tsaghkavovit Plain, Armenia.* Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting (Memphis, TN), April 20th, 2012.

CAMPUS AND DEPARTMENTAL TALKS:

- 2016 *Interpreting evidence of milk production: Human-animal relationships and politics in ancient pastoralist societies*. Stanford Archaeology Center Lunch Club, Stanford University, November 9th, 2016.
- 2016 *“Too many astragali and not enough answers: studying pastoralism and politics in the Late Bronze Age, Armenia”*. Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop, University of Chicago, March 10th, 2016.
- 2015 *“Determining what? Thoughts on pastoralism as a beastly problem in anthropology and beyond”*. Animal Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, November 4th, 2015.
- 2014 *“The Life Assemblage: Preliminary thoughts on the politics of pastoralism”*. Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop, University of Chicago, February 20th, 2014.
- 2013 *“A Brief (irreverent & incomplete) History of Sheep in Armenia”* Armenian Circle, University of Chicago, May 30th, 2013.
- 2011 *“Life on an archaeological excavation in Armenia.”* Armenian Circle, University of Chicago, October 28th, 2011.
- 2010 *“From field hands to students: Paul S. Martin, Professionalization, the New Archaeology, and the American Southwest”*. University of Chicago Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop, November 4th, 2010.

OTHER PARTICIPATION AT CONFERENCES:

- 2017 Session Organizer, “Abandoning the Anthropocene: Materialities, Temporalities, and Politics of a Dangerous Divide”. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Washington, DC. December 1st, 2017.
- 2017 Session Organizer, “Making a ‘-cene’: Archaeology, Politics, and the Anthropocene”. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting. Vancouver, BC. March 31st, 2017.
- 2016 Panelist. “Traversing Bolder Theory: Transversal Engagement with New Materialisms”. Theoretical Archaeology Group USA. Boulder, CO. April 22nd-24th, 2016.
- 2015 Session Organizer, “Cyborgs, Hybrids, and Monsters: Anthropologies of Lively Transgressions”. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO, November 18th-22nd, 2015.
- 2015 Session Organizer, “Undoing and Redoing Archaeological Practice: Archaeology as technique across prehistory, history, and the contemporary.” Society for American Anthropology Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA, April 15th-19th, 2015.
- 2013 Session Organizer, “Don’t Stop ‘til You Get Enough: Does Archaeology Need ‘Subsistence?’”, Theoretical Archaeology Group USA. Chicago, IL, May 9th-11th, 2013.
- 2013 Chair, Vendor Relations Committee, Theoretical Archaeology Group USA. Chicago, IL, May 9th-11th, 2013.

- 2012 Co-Organizer, Fourth Conference on Eurasian Archaeology: Fitful Histories and Unruly Publics: Rethinking Community and Temporality In Eurasian Archaeology. Cornell University, October 11-12, 2012.
- 2011 Moderator for “Translations” panel at the Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop’s Conference: Archaeology | Hybridity. University of Chicago, February 24th-25th, 2011.

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE:

- Organizer, Archaeology Publishing Brown Bag Series, 2015-2016.
- Member, Student Faculty Liaison Committee, 2010-present.
- Organizer, Peer-to-Peer Archaeological Skills Exchange (all-day seminar), May 14th, 2015.
- Organizer, Archaeology Program Student-Faculty Meeting (biannual), 2013-2014.
- Member, Student Committee on Archaeological Laboratory Facilities Development, 2014.
- Student Rapporteur, Anthropology Students Association Committee on Faculty Recruitment Searches, 2013-2014.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

- Panelist, Humanities and Social Sciences Roundtable, Taking the Next Step Careers Event, 2016.
- Member, Institutional Review Committee for the University of Chicago Police Department, 2013-2014.

PUBLIC OUTREACH:

- Consultant. ‘Ancient Animals’ Activities. ‘Explore and Roar’ Summer Learning Challenge 2014. Oriental Institute and Chicago Public Library summer program.

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

- Russian (Good – reading, writing, and speaking)
Armenian (Fair– reading, writing, and speaking)
Spanish (Good – reading, Fair – speaking and writing)