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Education

2000 Ph.D. Anthropology, University of California, Santa Barbara
1996 M.A. Anthropology, University of California, Santa Barbara
1991 B.A. Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz

Research Interests

Dynamics of complex societies, foundations and relations of power, early empires and colonialism, population movements, causes and consequences of collapse, cultural boundaries, Andean archaeology, archaeology of north-central Oregon, ceramic analysis, stable isotope analysis

Employment

2021-present Chair, Dept. of Anthropology, Texas State University
2016-present Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, Texas State University
2018-2021 Ph.D. Program Coordinator, Dept. of Anthropology, Texas State University
2009-2016 Associate Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, Texas State University
2010-11,13 Graduate Coordinator, Department of Anthropology, Texas State University
2005-2009 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, Texas State University
2002-2009 Assistant Researcher, ISBER, University of California, Santa Barbara
2004 Lecturer, Dept. of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz
2000-2002 University of California Post-doctoral Faculty Fellow, Dept. of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Barbara

External Research Grants and Fellowships

2019-2022 National Science Foundation Grant BCS-1758084 "*The Cyclic Rise and Fall of Complex Societies*" (\$239,557).
2014 Curtiss T. Brennan and Mary G. Brennan Foundation "Tracing the Remains of Imperial Resistance: An Archaeological Study of the Site of Huaca del Loro, Peru" (\$5000).
2009-10 National Geographic Society Committee for Research and Exploration Grant. "Ancient Nasca Burial Practices" (\$19,900).
2004-08 National Science Foundation Grant BCS-0314273 "Post-Collapse Transformations in Late Prehispanic Nasca." (\$131,332)
2007 University of Missouri Research Reactor "Changing Patterns of Production, Exchange and Use: An Analysis of Ceramics from the site of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru." Reduced analytical charges through National Science Foundation subsidy program.

- 2002 H. John Heinz III Fund Grant Program for Latin American Archaeology “Intra-Site Variability and Social Differentiation at the Late Prehispanic Center of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru.” (\$8000)
- 1997 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant (\$12,000)

Internal Research Grants and Fellowships

- 2019 Library Research Grant, Texas State University “Investigating Prehistoric Cultural Boundaries and Lifeways in Oregon” (\$1142.24).
- 2018 Research Enhancement Program, Texas State University “Investigating Prehistoric Cultural Boundaries and Lifeways in North-Central Oregon” (\$8000).
- 2014 Research Enhancement Program, Texas State University “Tracing the Remains of Imperial Resistance: An Archaeological Study of the Site of Huaca del Loro, Peru” (\$8,000).
- 2013 Texas State University Library Research Grant “The Rise and Fall of Civilizations in the Peruvian Desert” (\$1767.32)
- 2011 Faculty Developmental Leave, Presidential Supplemental Award (\$20,000).
- 2010 One-time Funding Support from the Associate Vice President for Research, Texas State University “The Rise and Fall of Complex Societies in the Desert of Southern Peru” (\$8,167)
- 2008 Research Enhancement Program, Texas State University “The Impact of Imperial Collapse on Ancient Long-Distance Trade: A Study of Obsidian from the Nasca Region of Peru” (\$8000)
- 2007 Texas State University Library Research Grant “Ancient Andean Society” (\$2894.99)
- 2006 Research Enhancement Program, Texas State University “Collapse, Migration, and Reorganization of Prehistoric Society in Nasca Peru.” (\$7974.00)

Awards and Honors

- 2017 Honorary Professor of International Studies, Texas State University.
- 2017 College of Liberal Arts Achievement Award for Excellence in Scholarly/Creative Activity (Texas State University)
- 2009 University Excellence Award in Scholarly/Creative Activities (Texas State University)
- 2008 Dean’s Excellence Award for Scholarly/Creative Activities (Texas State University)
- 2007 Dean’s Excellence Award for Scholarly/Creative Activities (Texas State University)

Books

Conlee, Christina A.

- 2016 *Beyond the Nasca Lines: Ancient Life at La Tiza in the Peruvian Desert*. University Press of Florida, Gainesville.

Edited Volumes

Vaughn, Kevin J., Dennis Ogburn and Christina A. Conlee

- 2005 *Foundations of Power in the Prehispanic Andes*. Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association, Vol. 14. American Anthropological Association, Arlington, Virginia.

Journal Articles

Jennings, Justin, Mathew E. Biwer, Christina A. Conlee

2022 Assembling the Early Expansionary State: Wari and the Southern Peruvian Coast. *Journal of Anthropological Archeology* 65:101395.

Conlee, Christina A., Corina Kellner, Chester Walker, and Aldo Noriega

2021 Early Imperialism in the Andes, the Wari Colonization of Nasca. *Antiquity* 95(384):1527-1546.

Conlee, Christina A.

2021 The Importance of Coastal-Highland Interactions and Population Movements on the Development and Collapse of Complex Societies in Nasca, Peru (AD 500-1470). *Latin American Antiquity* 32(2): 405-420.

Mills, Blair and Christina A. Conlee

2019 An Analysis of the Fabrics from La Tiza, a Site in the Southern Nasca Drainage. *Ñawpa Pacha: Journal of Andean Archaeology* 39:213-232.

Vaughn, Kevin J., Christina A. Conlee, Verity Whalen, and Hendrik Van Gijseghem

2016 Plazas and Communal Space in Nasca: Changing Patterns of Public Ritual between the Formative and Nasca Periods on the South Coast of Peru. *Ñawpa Pacha: Journal of Andean Archaeology* 36:111-138.

Conlee, Christina A.

2015 Transformations of Society and Power in Ancient Nasca. *Peruvian Archaeology* 2:1-35.

Conlee, Christina A.

2014 Nasca Culture Integration and Complexity: A Perspective from the Site of La Tiza. *Journal of Anthropological Archeology* 35:234-247.

Buzon, Michele R., Christina A. Conlee, Antonio Simonetti, Gabriel J. Bowen

2012 The Consequences of Wari Contact in the Nasca region during the Middle Horizon: Archaeological, Skeletal, and Isotopic Evidence. *Journal of Archaeological Science* 39(8): 2627-2636.

Conlee, Christina A.

2011 An Exploration of Looted Middle Horizon Tombs from Nasca. *Ñawpa Pacha: Journal of Andean Archaeology* 31(1):45-54.

Buzon, Michele R., Christina A. Conlee, and Gabriel J. Bowen

2011 Refining Oxygen Isotope Analysis in the Nasca Region of Peru: An Investigation of Water Sources and Archaeological Samples. *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology* 21:446-455.

Eerkens, Jelmer W., Kevin J. Vaughn, Moises Linares-Grados, Christina Conlee, Katharina Schreiber, Michael D. Glascock, and Nicholas Tripcevich

2010 Spatio-temporal Patterns in Obsidian Consumption in the Southern Nasca Region, Peru. *Journal of Archaeological Science* 37:825-832.

Conlee, Christina A. Michele R. Buzon, Aldo Noriega Gutierrez, Antonio Simonetti and Robert A. Creaser

2009 Identifying Foreigners versus Locals in the Burial Population of Nasca, Peru: An Investigation Using Strontium Isotope Analysis. *Journal of Archaeological Science* 36:2755-2764.

Eerkens, Jelmer W., Kevin J. Vaughn, Tim R. Carpenter, Christina A. Conlee, Moises Linares Grados, and Katharina J. Schreiber

2008 Obsidian Hydration Dating on the South Coast of Peru. *Journal of Archaeological Science* 35(8): 2231-2239

Conlee, Christina A.

2007 Decapitation and Rebirth: A Headless Burial from Nasca, Peru. *Current Anthropology* 48(3):438-445.

Vaughn, Kevin, Christina A. Conlee, Hector Neff, and Katharina Schreiber

2006 Ceramic Production in Ancient Nasca: Provenance Analysis of Pottery from the Early Nasca and Tiza Cultures through INAA. *Journal of Archaeological Science* 33 (5):681-689.

Conlee, Christina A.

2005 Regional Autonomy in the Late Prehispanic Period: An Analysis of Ceramics from the Nasca Drainage. *Andean Past* 7: 157-182.

Conlee, Christina A.

2003 Local Elites and the Reformation of Late Intermediate Period Sociopolitical and Economic Organization in Nasca, Peru. *Latin American Antiquity* 14(1): 47-65.

Conlee, Christina

2000 Intensified Middle Period Ground Stone Manufacture on San Miguel Island. *Journal of California and Great Basin Anthropology* 22:374-391.

Book Chapters

Conlee, Christin A., Matthew T. Boulanger, and Michael D. Glascock

2019 1500 Years of Pottery Production on the South Coast of Peru: Instrumental Neutron Activation Analysis from the site of La Tiza. *Ceramics of the Indigenous Cultures of South America: Production and Exchange*, edited by Michael D. Glascock, Hector Neff, and Kevin J. Vaughn, pp. 113-124. University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.

Conlee, Christina A.

2015 Reestablishment of Complex Societies Following Collapse and Abandonment in Nasca, Peru. In *Beyond Collapse: Archaeological Perspectives on Resilience, Revitalization and Reorganization in Complex Societies*, edited by Ronald Faulseit, pp. 213-236. Proceedings of the

29th Annual Vising Scholar Conference, Center for Archaeological Investigations, Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

Conlee, Christina A.

2010 Nasca and Wari: Local Opportunism and Colonial Ties during the Middle Horizon. In *Beyond Wari Walls: Exploring the Nature of Middle Horizon Peru away from Wari Centers*, edited by Justin Jennings, pp.96-112. University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.

Conlee, Christina A.

2006 Regeneration as Transformation: Post-Collapse Society in Nasca, Peru. In *After Collapse: The Regeneration of Complex Societies*, edited by Glenn M. Schwartz and John J. Nichols, pp.99-113. University of Arizona Press, Tucson.

Conlee, Christina A. and Katharina Schreiber

2006 The Role of Intermediate Elites in the Balkanization and Reformation of Post-Wari Society in Nasca, Peru. In *Intermediate Elites in Pre-Columbian States and Empires*, edited by Christina Elson and Alan Covey, pp.94-111. University of Arizona Press, Tucson.

Conlee, Christina A.

2005 The Expansion, Diversification, and Segmentation of Power in Late Prehispanic Nasca. In *Foundations of Power in the Prehispanic Andes*, edited by Kevin Vaughn, Dennis Ogburn, and Christina A. Conlee, pp. 211-223. Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association. Arlington, Virginia.

Conlee, Christina A. and Dennis Ogburn

2005 The Foundations of Power in the Prehispanic Andes: An Introduction. In *Foundations of Power in the Prehispanic Andes*, edited by Kevin Vaughn, Dennis Ogburn, and Christina A. Conlee, pp. 1-12. Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association. Arlington, Virginia.

Vaughn, Kevin J., Christina A. Conlee, Hector Neff and Katharina J. Schreiber

2005 A Compositional Analysis of Nasca Pigments: Implications for Craft Production on the Prehispanic South Coast of Peru. In *Laser Ablation ICP-MS: A New Frontier in Archaeological Characterization Studies*, edited by R. J. Speakman and H. Neff, pp.138–154. University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.

Conlee, Christina A., Jahl Dulanto, Carol Mackey, and Charles Stanish

2004 Late Prehispanic Sociopolitical Complexity. In *Andean Archaeology*, edited by Helaine Silverman, pp.209-236. Blackwell Publishers, Oxford.

Kennett, Douglas and Christina A. Conlee

2002 Emergence of Late Holocene Sociopolitical Complexity on Santa Rosa and San Miguel Islands. In *Catalyst to Complexity: The Late Holocene Archaeology of the California Coast*, edited by Jon M. Erlandson and Terry L. Jones, pp. 147-165. Series: Perspectives in California Archaeology, Institute of Archaeology, University of California, Los Angeles.

Works in Review and in Progress

Conlee, Christina A.

In review The Nasca Culture. In *Oxford Handbook of South American Archaeology*, edited by Marcela Sepúlveda, Mark Aldenderfer, and Eduardo Goes Neves. Oxford University Press.

Conlee, Christina A.

In prep. The Role of Wari Ancestors and Religion in the Provinces: A View from Nasca. To be submitted to the edited volume *Empire of the Ancestors: The Wari of the Middle Horizon*, edited by Anita Cook and Mary Glowacki, University Press of Florida.

Conlee, Christina A., Daniel Contreras, and Kevin J. Vaughn

In prep. Reconsidering Chronologies from the South Coast of Peru: A Compilation and Analysis of c14 dates from Ica and Nasca. To be submitted to a special edition of *Quaternary International* titled Leveraging Radiocarbon in the Central Andes: From Chronologies to Research Agendas, guest editors Daniel Contreras, Erik Marsh, Kurt Rademaker.

Non-refereed Journal Articles, Catalog Entries, and Book Reviews

Conlee, Christina A.

2018 *The Casma City of El Purgatorio: Ancient Urbanism in the Andes*, by Melissa A. Vogel. Book Review, *Latin American Antiquity* 29 (1):191-192

Conlee, Christina A. and Aldo Noriega

2014 Cabeza trofeo Nasca y sacrificio humano en La Tiza. *Arqueología y Sociedad* 27:49-58.

Conlee, Christina A.

2009 *Excavations at Cerro Azul, Peru. The Architecture and Pottery*, by Joyce Marcus, book review, *Cambridge Archaeological Journal*, 19(2): 257-8.

Conlee, Christina A.

2009 La reorganización de la sociedad Nasca del periodo intermedio tardío: Investigaciones en la aldea de Pajonal Alto. *Arkina* 13(160): 78-87.

Conlee, Christina A.

2008 *The Geoglyphs of Palpa, Peru: Documentation Analysis, and Interpretation* by Karsten Lambers, book review, *Latin American Antiquity*, 19(4):475-476.

Conlee, Christina and Aldo Noriega

2006 Investigaciones arqueológicas en la Tiza. Un sitio del intermedio tardío en la región de Nazca-Peru. *Revista del centro de Investigaciones Precolombinas*. (Versión Electrónica). Numero especial 2, año VII, Nov.2006 Buenos Aires. ISSN N° 1668-8392

Conlee, Christina A.

2006 Nasca Headless Burial. In *Nasca, Wonder of the World: Messages Etched on the Desert Floor*, edited by Masahiro Ono, Izumi Shimada, Hisao Baba, and Ken-ichi Shinoda, pp. 36-37. Catalog for the museum exhibit by the Tokyo Broadcasting System. Tokyo, Japan.

Reports and Unpublished Manuscripts

Noriega, Aldo and Christina A. Conlee

2022 Proyecto de Investigación Arqueológica Huaca del Loro 2022, Informe Final. Unpublished report to the Ministerio de Cultura del Perú, Lima, Perú.

Noriega, Aldo and Christina A. Conlee

2019 *Informe del Proyecto de Investigación Arqueológica Huaca del Loro 2019*. Unpublished report to the Ministerio de Cultura del Perú. Lima, Perú.

Conlee, Christina A. and Aldo Noriega

2009 *Informe del Proyecto La Tiza 2009*. Unpublished report submitted to the Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Lima, Peru.

Noriega, Aldo and Conlee, Christina A.

2006 *Informe del Proyecto La Tiza 2006*. Unpublished report submitted to the Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Lima, Peru.

Noriega, Aldo and Conlee, Christina A.

2005 *Informe del Proyecto La Tiza 2005*. Unpublished report submitted to the Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Lima, Peru.

Conlee, Christina A. and Aldo Noriega

2004 *Informe del Proyecto La Tiza 2004*. Unpublished report submitted to the Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Lima, Peru.

Conlee, Christina A. and Aurelio Rodríguez Rodríguez

2002 *Informe del Proyecto La Tiza 2002*. Unpublished report submitted to the Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Lima, Peru.

Conlee, Christina A.

2000 *Late Prehispanic Occupation of Pajonal Alto, Nasca, Peru: Implications for Imperial Collapse and Societal Reformation*. Unpublished Ph.D Dissertation, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Conlee, Christina A.

1996 *Late Prehistoric Settlement in the Nasca Region of Peru*. Unpublished Master's thesis, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Conlee, Christina A.

1991 *Gender in Archaeology: A Re-analysis of Mississippian Society*. B.A. Thesis, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz.

Invited Lectures

2021 Discussant. The Empire of the Ancestors: The Wari of the Middle Horizon. Dumbarton Oaks Colloquium (Virtual).

2020 Early Colonialism in the Andes: The Wari Empire in Coastal Nasca. Keynote speaker, University of Illinois Chicago, Department of Anthropology Second Year Speaker Series.

2019 Ancient Colonialism in the Andes. Department of Anthropology Lecture Series, Texas State University.

2018 Beyond the Lines: Exploring Long-Term Cultural Dynamics in Nasca, Peru. Jeffrey Parsons Annual Lecture. University of Michigan, Department of Anthropology.

2018 Migration, Climate Change, and Social Transformations in Ancient Nasca, Peru. University of Texas, San Antonio, Department of Anthropology, Lecture Series.

2017 Conexiones entre Nasca y la sierra durante el Horizonte Medio y el Periodo Intermedio Tardío, co-authored with Aldo Noriega. Simposio de Arqueología de la Costa Sur, Lima, Peru.

2014 Collapse, Abandonment, and Repopulation of Nasca, Peru. Friday Seminar, Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, UCLA.

2014 Two Thousand Years of Ritual Practices and Religion in the Nasca Region of Peru. University of Yamagata, Japan.

2014 Las transformaciones del poder y la sociedad en Nasca: una perspectiva desde la cuenca del sur. National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Japan.

2013 Restoration of Complex Societies Following Collapse and Abandonment in Nasca, Peru. University of Southern Illinois, Carbondale, 29th Annual Visiting Scholar Conference, Beyond Collapse.

2010-2014 Sacred Spaces and Human Sacrifice: The Nasca Lines in their Cultural and Religious Context. Lectures given as part of the Archaeological Institute of America Lecture Program (San Antonio, TX; New York, NY; Rochester, NY; Dallas, TX; St. Louis, MO; Dayton, OH; Salem, OR; Gainesville, FL; Orlando, FL.).

2009 Investigating Cultural Heritage: Unlocking Secrets of the Past. Archaeological Research in Nasca, Peru. National Geographic Explorers Symposium, Washington D.C.

2001 Late Prehispanic Society in the Nasca Region of Peru. Lecture given at The Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History for the Santa Barbara County Archaeological Society

Conference Presentations and Posters

2022 Reinhabiting Nasca: Challenges and Opportunities in a Period of Instability (AD 1200-1450). Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting

2022 Reconsidering Absolute Chronologies from the South Coast of Peru. Co-authored with Kevin Vaughn. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting.

2021 Huaca del Loro: A Wari Colony in Coastal Nasca, co-authored with Corina Kellner, Chester Walker and Aldo Noriega. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting (Virtual).

2021 Wari and the Southern Peruvian Coast – A Re-Evaluation, co-authored with Justin Jennings and Matthew Biber. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting (Virtual).

2021 The Wari Colonization of Nasca: New Investigations at Huaca del Loro. Nasca Virtual Research Meeting organized by the University of Yamagata, Japan, Texas State University, and Northern Arizona University.

2019 Prehistoric and Historic Settlement in the Pine Creek Drainage, North-Central Oregon. Poster co-authored with Bryan Heisinger and Nora Berry. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM.

2018 Nasca-Wari Relationships on the greater Peruvian South Coast. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.

2018 Household Spaces in Nasca: A Comparison through Time. Co-authored with Kevin Vaughn, Sarah Kerchusky and Verity Whalen. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.

2017 Moderator and Discussant “Grappling with Complexity: A Forum in Honor of Katharina Schreiber” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada.

2017 “Tracing the Remains of Huaca del Loro: Remote Sensing at a Middle Horizon site in Nasca,” poster co-authored with Chester P. Walker, James Potter, and Aldo Noriega. Institute of Andean Studies Annual Meeting, Berkeley, CA.

2015 “Early Maize on the South Coast?” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2014 Discussant. “Beyond Horizons: Exploring Social Integration During Periods of Political Diversity in the Ancient Andes.” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.

2014 “The Dynamics of Public Space in Ancient Nasca.” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.

2014 “Implication of Early Nasca Ceramics at La Tiza” co-authored with Mary Noell. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.

2014 “Patterns of Structure: The Fiber Artifacts of La Tiza” co-authored with Blair Mills. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.

- 2013 “Re-evaluating Nasca Society in the Southern Drainage: A Perspective from the Site of La Tiza.” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2012 “The Role of Atypical Mortuary Practices in Understanding Life and Death in Nasca, Peru.” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Memphis, TN.
- 2010 “Reassessing Nasca in the Late Intermediate Period and Late Horizon.” Institute of Andean Studies, Berkeley, CA.
- 2009 “1500 Years of Pottery Production on the South Coast of Peru: Neutron Activation of Pottery from the site of La Tiza.” Poster presented at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- 2008 “Nasca and Wari: Local Opportunism and Colonial Ties during the Middle Horizon” Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2008 “An Investigation of Human Migration and Burial Practices in the Nasca Region Using Strontium Isotope Analysis” co-authored with Michele R. Buzon, Antonio Simonetti and Robert A. Creaser. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2007 “Migration and Ethnogenesis: Long-Term Dynamics at the site of La Tiza” Co-authored with Aldo Noriega Gutiérrez, and Michele R. Buzon. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
- 2007 “ $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ Isotope Analysis of Human Remains from the site of La Tiza, Peru” Co-authored with Michele R. Buzon, Antonio Simonetti and Robert A. Creaser. Poster presented at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
- 2006 “Ethnicity and Architecture in Prehispanic Coastal Peru” Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX.
- 2006 “Investigaciones arqueológicas en La Tiza un sitio del intermedio tardío en la región de Nazca-Perú,” (with Aldo Noriega), Coloquio internacional: Los Andes antes de los Incas. Buenos Aires, Argentina. Septiembre 2006.
- 2006 “The Emergence of Non-Ceremonial based Urbanism in Late Prehispanic Nasca” Society for American Archaeology, 71st Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2006 “Local Histories and Large-Scale Patterns on the South Coast of Peru” (with Sarah Abraham), Society for American Archaeology, 71st Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2005 “One Thousand Years of Cultural Development at La Tiza, Nasca, Peru.” Society for American Archaeology, 70th Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2005 “Life and Death at La Tiza: An Investigation of Changing Domestic and Burial Practices in Nasca, Peru.” The Institute for Andean Studies, 45nd Annual Meeting, Berkeley, CA.

2003 "Entering the Job Market." COSWA Workshop: Interviewing, Negotiating and Getting the Job You Want. American Anthropological Association, 102nd Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2003 "Post-Collapse Political Transformations in Nasca, Peru." Society for American Archaeology, 68th Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, WI.

2002 "The Organization and Foundation of Political Power in Late Prehispanic Nasca." American Anthropological Association, 101st Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2002 "The Role of Local Elites in the Balkanization and Reformation of Post-Wari Society in Nasca, Peru"(with Katharina Schreiber). Society for American Archaeology, 67th Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

2002 "A Compositional Analysis of Nasca Polychrome Paints: Implications for Nasca Craft Economies" (with Kevin Vaughn, Hector Neff, and Katharina Schreiber). Society for American Archaeology, 67th Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

2002 "Late Intermediate Period Occupation of the Southern Nasca Drainage." The Institute for Andean Studies, 42nd Annual Meeting, Berkeley, CA.

2002 "Post-Collapse Transformations in Late Prehispanic Nasca, Peru." Brown Bag Lecture Series, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz

2001 "Reassessing Late Prehispanic Sociopolitical Organization and Regional Interactions in the Nasca Drainage." Society for American Archaeology, 66th Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2000 "Disruption and Stability: Late Prehistoric Ceramics from the Nasca Region of Peru." Society for American Archaeology, 65th Annual Meeting Philadelphia, PA.

1999 "Sociopolitical Complexity during the Late Intermediate Period in Nasca: New Evidence from the Site of Pajonal Alto." Society of American Archaeology, 64th Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

1999 "The Development of Spinning Implements and Technology in the Nasca Region" (with Kevin Vaughn). The Institute of Andean Studies, 39th Annual Meeting, Berkeley, CA.

1998 "Pajonal Alto: un yacimiento de habitación prehistórico tardío en el valle Taruga, Nasca Perú." Instituto Nacional de Cultura-Ica, Peru, Jueves Cultural

1998 "Pajonal Alto: A Late Prehistoric Habitation Site in the Taruga Valley, Nasca, Peru." Society of American Archaeology, 63rd Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA.

1998 "Evidence of Physiological Stress in a Child Buried at Pajonal Alto, a Late Prehistoric Site on the South Coast of Peru" (with Corina Kellner). Annual Meeting of the Paleopathology

Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

1998 “Behavioral Variability and the Late Holocene Emergence of Cultural Complexity on the Northern Channel Islands, California” (with Douglas Kennett). Society of California Archaeology Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

1997 “Specialized Ground Stone Production on San Miguel Island.” Society of California Archaeology Annual Meeting, Santa Rosa, CA.

Teaching Experience

2005-present *Texas State University*

Introduction to Archaeology (Introductory Course)

The Incas (Upper Division Undergraduate Course)

The Archaeology of the Maya (Upper Division Undergraduate Course – Study Abroad)

North American Archaeology (Upper Division Undergraduate/Graduate Course)

Andean Civilizations (Upper Division Undergraduate/Graduate Course)

Rise of Civilizations (Upper Division Undergraduate /Graduate Course)

Theoretical Concepts in Archaeology (Undergraduate Capstone Course)

Artifact Analysis: Ceramics (Graduate Seminar)

Archaeology Seminar (Graduate Seminar in archaeological method and theory)

Theory in Anthropology (Doctoral seminar in archaeological theory)

2004 *University of California, Santa Cruz*

North American Archaeology (Upper Division Undergraduate Course)

Origins of Complex Societies (Upper Division Undergraduate Course)

1998-2002 *University of California, Santa Barbara*

Introduction to Archaeology (Introductory Course)

Archaeology of Andean Civilizations (Upper Division Undergraduate Course),

Andean Preceramic (Upper Division Undergraduate Course)

Origins of Complex Societies (Upper Division Undergraduate Course)

Southwestern Archaeology (Upper Division Undergraduate Course)

Conquest of the Americas (Undergraduate Seminar)

Problems in Andean Archaeology (Graduate Seminar)

Archaeological Field and Laboratory Experience

June-August 2022 Principal Investigator/Director - Proyecto Huaca del Loro.

Archaeological excavations in Nasca, Peru, funded by the National Science Foundation.

June-August 2019 Principal Investigator/Director - Proyecto Huaca del Loro.

Archaeological excavations in Nasca, Peru, funded by the National Science Foundation.

July 2018 Principal Investigator/Director - Pine Creek Archaeological Project

Survey in north-central Oregon, funded by a Texas State Research Enhancement Project grant.

August 2015 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto Huaca del Loro

Remote sensing and mapping project at the site of Huaca del Loro, Nasca, Peru funded by the Brennan Foundation and Texas State University.

June-August 2009 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2009
Excavation and analysis at the site of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the National Geographic Society.

June-July 2008 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2008
Laboratory analysis of materials from La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the National Science Foundation and Texas State University.

June-July 2007 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2007
Laboratory analysis of materials from La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the National Science Foundation.

June-July 2006 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2006
Excavation and analysis at the site of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the National Science Foundation and Texas State University.

June-July 2005 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2005
Excavation and analysis at the site of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the National Science Foundation.

July -Sept. 2004 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2004
Excavation and analysis at the site of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the National Science Foundation.

July-Sept. 2002 Principal Investigator/Director – Proyecto La Tiza 2002
Mapping and surface recording at the site of La Tiza, Nasca, Peru funded by the Heinz Family Foundation.

August 2001 Field Archaeologist - Proyecto Casas en Cuevas. Sonora, Mexico.
Project in Northern Mexico recording cliff-dwelling architecture and collecting tree-ring samples. Director: Elizabeth Bagwell.

1993-2000 Field Archaeologist - Southern California
Various contract and academic archaeological projects in the Santa Barbara Channel Region. Projects include survey, mapping, and excavation on Santa Cruz Island, Santa Rosa Island, San Miguel Island, and the mainland coast of southern California.

Feb. – July 1998 Assistant - South Coast of Peru GIS Project. Director: Katharina J. Schreiber

1997- 98 Co-Principal Investigator/Director- Proyecto Pajonal Alto.
Dissertation project in Nasca, Peru. Excavation and analysis of material from the site of Pajonal Alto funded by the National Science Foundation.

July – Sept. 1994 Field Archaeologist - Proyecto Nasca Sur, Nasca, Peru.
Mapping, excavating and analyzing artifacts from the late Nasca site of Taruga. Director:
Katharina Schreiber

1993-97 Lab Technician - Repository for Archaeological and Ethnological
Collections. University of California, Santa Barbara.

Jan. – June 1993 Assistant - Central Coast Information Center, Regional Office of the
California Office of Historic Preservation.

July 1991 Field Assistant
Excavation of a Late Iron Age Site, Kelheim, Germany, Director: Dr. Peter Wells, University of
Minnesota, Minneapolis

Additional short-term fieldwork conducted in highland Ecuador and Peru.

Editorial Positions

2014-present Editorial Board, *Peruvian Archaeology*
2013-18 Contributing Editor, *South American Archaeology*, *Handbook of Latin American
Studies*, United States Library of Congress
1999-2000 Editorial Assistant, *Latin American Antiquity*

Professional, Media, and Educational Service Activities

2005-present Thesis and dissertation advisor for graduate students at Texas State University
2000- present Reviewer for the National Science Foundation, National Geographic Society, and
the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
2000-present Reviewer for *Current Anthropology*, *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology*,
Latin American Antiquity, *Journal of Archaeological Research*, *Ñawpa Pacha*,
Journal of Field Archaeology and *Geoarchaeology*
2019 Participant in Discovery Science Channel program on the Nasca Lines, Peru
“Mysteries of the Alien Desert,” premiere date July 14, 2019.
2015-17 Dissertation Award Committee, Society for American Archaeology
2010-14 Archaeological Institute of America Lecture Program
2014 Program Committee Member, Society for American Archaeology Annual
Meeting
2010 Participant in National Geographic Magazine story “Spirits in the Sand” March
2010 issue.
2010 Participant in National Geographic Channel program “Nasca Lines: The Buried
Secrets,” premier date February 21, 2010
2006 Program Committee Member, Society for American Archaeology Annual
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2003 Study Leader Smithsonian Expeditions tour of Peru
2000- present Several public lectures in the United States and Peru including talks at the
National Geographic Society (Washington D.C.), the Archaeological Institute of
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Professional Associations

Society for American Archaeology

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