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EDUCATION

(in progress)	Ph.D., Anthropology, Tulane University
2019	MA, Anthropology, Tulane University

2015 BA, Sociology and Anthropology, Colgate University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Mesoamerica; Formative Period; Urbanism; Aggregation; Household Archaeology.

GRANTS (* internal source)

2024	SLA Graduate Student Summer Research Award*	\$1,450
2024	Rust Family Foundation Archaeology Grant	\$5,000
2023	MARI Graduate Student Research Fund*	\$1,476
2022	MARI Graduate Student Research Fund*	\$890
2021	Lewis and Clark Fund grant, American Philosophical Society	\$5,000
2020	MARI Graduate Student Research Fund*	\$825
2019	Department of Anthropology Research Funding*	\$1,000
2019	Stone Center and Tinker Foundation Summer Research Grant*	\$1,055
2018	J.E. Land Fund* (travel funding)	\$575
2018	Stone Center and Tinker Foundation Summer Research Grant*	\$1,219
2014	Colgate Career Services' Internship Fund*	\$1,815
2013	Colgate Career Services' Internship Fund*	\$4,147

AWARDS

2021	Lewis and Clark Field Scholar, American Philosophical Society
2019	Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honor Society
2015	magna cum laude, Colgate University
2012 - 2015	Dean's Award for Academic Excellence, 6 semesters, Colgate University

PUBLICATIONS

Murakami, Tatsuya, Alexander Jurado, and Shigeru Kabata

Dating the beginning of urbanization in Central Mexico: a high-resolution chronology of the Middle Formative Period at Tlalancaleca. *Radiocarbon*: 1-23.

PRESENTATIONS

Jurado, Alexander

2025 The Middle Formative Lithic Economy of Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Recent Findings from Obsidian Technological Analysis and pXRF Sourcing. Lunch Talk presented at the Middle American Research Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Jurado, Alexander

2025 The Middle Formative Lithic Economy of Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Recent Findings from Obsidian Technological Analysis and pXRF Sourcing. Paper presented at the 90th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Denver, Colorado.

Jurado, Alexander

2024 Lifeways at the Onset of Urbanization in Central Mexico: Initial Findings from Ceramic Analysis and Residential Excavations at Middle Formative Tlalancaleca, Puebla. Paper presented at the 89th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Jurado, Alexander and Tatsuya Murakami

2019 Social Status and Ritual Practice at a Middle Formative Residential Complex at Tlalancaleca, Puebla. Paper presented at the 84th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Jurado, Alexander and Tatsuya Murakami

2018 Spatial Layout, Status, and Domestic Ritual at a Middle Formative Residential Complex at Tlalancaleca, Puebla. Paper presented at the 9th Annual South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica, San Antonio, Texas.

Murakami, T., S. Kabata, J.M. López J., and A. Jurado

2017 Architecture and Socio-Spatial Organization at Tlalancaleca: Implications for the Formative-Classic Transition in Central Mexico. Paper Presented at the 8th Annual South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica, New Orleans, LA.

FIELDWORK REPORTS

Jurado, Alexander

n.d. "Análisis en Gabinete de los Artefactos Encontrados en el Frente B." In *Proyecto Arquelógico Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Informe Técnico de la Decima Temporada 2023-2024*, edited by Tatsuya Murakami, Shigeru Kabata, & Julieta Margarita López Juárez.

Jurado, Alexander

2025 Lifeways at the Onset of Urbanization in Formative Central Mexico: Economic Activities, Social Networks, and Ritual Practices During Aggregation at Tlalancaleca, Puebla, 650-500 BC. Report submitted to the Rust Family Foundation.

Jurado, Alexander and Tatsuya Murakami

2023 "Excavaciones de TM10a-g: Frente F, Operaciones Horizontales 1." In *Proyecto Arquelógico Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Informe Técnico de la Novena Temporada 2022-2023*, edited by Tatsuya Murakami, Shigeru Kabata, & Julieta Margarita López Juárez.

Jurado, Alexander and Tatsuya Murakami

2022 "Excavaciones del Conjunto C7: Frente B, Operación Horizontal 1." In *Proyecto Arquelógico Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Informe Técnico de la Octava Temporada 2019-2020*, edited by Tatsuya Murakami, Shigeru Kabata, & Julieta Margarita López Juárez.

Jurado, Alexander and Tatsuya Murakami

2019 "Excavaciones del Conjunto C7: Frente B, Operación Horizontal 1." In *Proyecto Arqueológico Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Informe Técnico de la Septima Temporada 2018-2019*, edited by Tatsuya Murakami, Shigeru Kabata, & Julieta Margarita López Juárez.

Murakami, T., A. Jurado, M. García, and K. Araki

2018 "Excavaciones de la Estructura C5: Frente B, Calas 2 y 3." In *Proyecto Arqueológico Tlalancaleca, Puebla: Informe Técnico de la Sexta Temporada 2017-2018*, edited by Tatsuya Murakami, Shigeru Kabata, & Julieta Margarita López Juárez.

FIELD EXPERIENCE

- 2024 Tlalancaleca Archaeological Project (PATP), San Matías Tlalancaleca, Puebla, México. Ceramic Analysis, Obsidian Technological Analysis, Obsidian pXRF Sourcing. NSF Project directed by T. Murakami (Tulane University) and S. Kabata (Kyoto University of Foreign Studies).
- 2023 Tlalancaleca Archaeological Project (PATP), San Matías Tlalancaleca, Puebla, México.
 Ceramic Analysis. NSF Project directed by T. Murakami (Tulane University) and S.
 Kabata (Kyoto University of Foreign Studies).
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- 2019 Tlalancaleca Archaeological Project (PATP), San Matías Tlalancaleca, Puebla, México. Excavation. NSF Project directed by T. Murakami (Tulane University) and S. Kabata (Kyoto University of Foreign Studies).
- 2018 Tlalancaleca Archaeological Project (PATP), San Matías Tlalancaleca, Puebla, México. **Excavation.** NSF Project directed by T. Murakami (Tulane University) and S. Kabata (Kyoto University of Foreign Studies).
- 2017 Tlalancaleca Archaeological Project (PATP), San Matías Tlalancaleca, Puebla, México. Excavation. NSF Project directed by T. Murakami (Tulane University) and S. Kabata (Kyoto University of Foreign Studies).
- 2016 Tula Region Epiclassic Interaction and Migration Project (TRIMP), Hidalgo, México. Excavation, Mapping. NSF project directed by J.H. Anderson (Minnesota State University, Mankato).
- 2015 Altica Project, Estado de México, México. **Ceramic Analysis**. NSF project directed by W. Stoner (University of Arkansas) and D. Nichols (Dartmouth College).
- 2014 Altica Project, Estado de México, México. **Excavation**. NSF project directed by W. Stoner (University of Arkansas) and D. Nichols (Dartmouth College).

Archaeology, Identity, and Indigenous Communities in Central America Project, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico. **Interviews, Observation**. Student Research Project directed by Erik Jurado and Alexander Jurado (Colgate University).

SKILLS

Horizontal Excavation Ceramic Analysis Lithic Analysis pXRF Photogrammetry SPSS/Statistical Analysis ArcGIS (digitizing Maya LiDAR data)

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2024 (Spring)	Teaching Assistant, ANTH 2810: Carnival Time, Tulane University.
2021 – present	Research Assistant for Dr. Francisco Estrada-Beli, Middle American
	Research Institute, Tulane University.
Fall 2021	Adjunct Instructor, ANTH 2350: Architecture and Power in the Ancient
	World, Tulane University.
2017 - 2021	Research Assistant for Dr. Tatsuya Murakami, Tulane University.
2015 - 2017	Language and Culture Teaching Assistant, Instituto de Educación
	Secundaria Fortuny, Madrid, Spain.
SERVICE	
	Valuntaan 10th Tulana Maya Symanasiyan Tulana Uniyansity
2025	Volunteer, 19 th Tulane Maya Symposium, Tulane University.
2023	Volunteer, 18 th Tulane Maya Symposium, Tulane University.
2018 - 2021	Anthropology Department Student Representative, Graduate Studies
	Student Association (GSSA), Tulane University.
2018 - 2020	Anthropology Department Colloquium Planning Committee, Tulane
	University.
2018 - 2020	Volunteer, 15 th , 16 th , 17 th Tulane Maya Symposium, Tulane University.
2017	Volunteer, 8 th Annual South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica.
2014 - 2015	Treasurer, Latin American Student Organization, Colgate University.
2014	Planning Committee, Hispanic Heritage Month Keynote Address, Latin
	American Student Organization, Colgate University. Speaker: Dr. Davíd
	Carrasco, Harvard University. Title: "Latino Springtime: Deep Heritage,
	Disruptions, and Choices of Hope."
2013	Promotional Officer, Latin American Student Organization, Colgate
	University.
2012	Treasurer, Latin American Student Organization, Colgate University.

MEMBERSHIPS

Society for American Archaeology

LANGUAGES

English - native Spanish - spoken/written fluency (heritage speaker)

EXTERNAL EMPLOYMENT

2023 – present Pedicab Driver, Bike Taxi Unlimited, New Orleans, LA.

REFERENCES

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