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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2022– Tulane University, New Orleans, LA
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Classical Studies

EDUCATION

2022 Ph.D., Classics (concentration in Classical Archaeology), University of Texas at Austin
Dissertation: “Exploiting Riverine Resources in the Roman Empire”
Committee: Rabun Taylor (chair), D. Alex Walthall, Adam Rabinowitz, Nicholas Purcell

2015 M.A., Classics, San Francisco State University
Thesis: “Food Consumption and Status in Ancient Rome: Evidence for Non-Elite Dining Practices”

2003 B.A., English, University of Washington

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Classical archaeology; economic and social history; archaeology of sub-elite populations; food production and diet; labor and technology; human-environment interactions

RESEARCH GRANTS

2021 Ellen and Charles Steinmetz Endowment Fund for Archaeology, Archaeological Institute of America (co-PI with Jared Benton), for the Urban Economy of Volubilis Project 2021-2022

2020 Donald Atkinson Fund Grant, Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies (co-PI with Jared Benton), for the Urban Economy of Volubilis Project 2020-2021

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

EXTERNAL

2021–2022 CAORC-Affiliated Fellow, American Academy in Rome

2021 Visiting Student Associate Member, American School of Classical Studies at Athens (CAORC-Affiliated, Oct.–Nov. 2021)

2020-2021 Rome Prize, American Academy in Rome (Millicent Mercer Johnsen/Irene Rosenzweig Pre-Doctoral Fellowship)

2020 Multi-Country Research Fellowship, Council of American Overseas Research Centers

2020 John R. Coleman Traveling Fellowship, Archaeological Institute of America

INTRAMURAL

2022	Professional Development Award, UT Austin Graduate School
2021–2022	William S. Livingston Graduate Fellowship, UT Austin Graduate School
2020	Milton S. Jacobs, M.D. Endowed Fellowship, UT Austin
2020	Graduate Dean's Prestigious Fellowship Supplement, UT Austin
2020	William J. Battle summer fellowship, UT Austin Department of Classics
2020	David Bruton Jr. Graduate Fellowship, UT Austin
2019	William J. Battle Continuing Fellowship, UT Austin Department of Classics
2016–2019	Summer travel fellowship, UT Austin Department of Classics
2018	Graduate School Continuing Fellowship, UT Austin Department of Classics
2018, 2021	International Education Fee Scholarship, UT Austin
2014	Andreina Becker-Colonna Scholarship, SFSU Department of Classics
2013	Kiana Dressendorfer Scholarship, Archaeology, SFSU Dept. of Anthropology
2012	Richard L. Trapp Graduate Teaching Fellowship, SFSU Dept. of Classics
2010, 2012	Society for Classical and Comparative Studies Travel Scholarship, SFSU

PUBLICATIONS (* = peer-reviewed)

BOOKS

In preparation *Fishing for an Empire: A Socioeconomic History of River Exploitation in Rome's Provinces*

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

In preparation **Schirmer, C.** "Reconstructing fishing on the lower Tiber" (article-length project)

In preparation **Schirmer, C.** "Commerce and Transportation," catalogue chapter in forthcoming volume *The House of the Two Mills at Morgantina: Results of the Contrada Agnese Project Excavations (2014–2019)*.

In preparation Benton, E. Wueste, A. Tharler, **C. Schirmer**. "Stratigraphy," chapter in forthcoming volume *The House of the Two Mills at Morgantina: Results of the Contrada Agnese Project Excavations (2014–2019)*.

In preparation Benton, J., **C. Schirmer**, S. Bulger, A. Messing, I. O'Hare. "The 2019 Field Season of the Urban Economy of Volubilis Project: The Bakery in the Maison à la Citerne."

2021* Weller, D., P. Orlandini, J. Benton, **C. Schirmer**, L. LoBue, S. Culotta. "Provenancing the Stone Tools of Volubilis, Morocco: a Socio-Economic Interpretation of Stonework Lithologies," *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports* 38: 103105 (doi:10.1016/j.jasrep.2021.103105)

2021* **Schirmer, C.**, D.A. Walthall, E. Wueste, A. Tharler, R. Souza, J. Benton, J. Millar. "Preliminary Report on the 2018 Field Season of the American Excavations at Morgantina: Contrada Agnese Project (CAP)," *Fasti On Line Documents & Research* 500. (<http://www.fastionline.org/docs/FOLDER-it-2021-500.pdf>)

2020* Tharler, A., D.A. Walthall, E. Wueste, **C. Schirmer**, B. Crowther, J. Benton, R. Souza, K.P.D. Huemoeller. "Preliminary Report on the 2017 Field Season of the American

Excavations at Morgantina: Contrada Agnese Project (CAP)," *Fasti On Line Documents & Research* 487: 1-23. (<http://www.fastionline.org/docs/FOLDER-it-2020-487.pdf>)

- 2019* Souza, R., D.A. Walthall, J. Benton, E. Wueste, A. Tharler, B. Crowther, **C. Schirmer**. "Preliminary Report on the 2016 Field Season of the American Excavations at Morgantina: Contrada Agnese Project (CAP)," *Fasti On Line Documents & Research* 450: 1-25. (<http://www.fastionline.org/docs/FOLDER-it-2019-450.pdf>)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

PANELS ORGANIZED

- (upcoming) "Women and the Ancient Economy: Past, Present, and Future." Panel sponsored by the Women's Classical Caucus at the Society for Classical Studies 154th Annual Meeting. New Orleans. 8 January 2023.

PAPERS BY REFEREED ABSTRACT

- 2022 "Food from the Waters: Regional Models for Studying Inland River Fishing." Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference (TRAC). Split, Croatia, 8 April.
- 2022 "Fueling an Industry: Archaeometric Approaches to Interconnectivity among Craftsmen in Volubilis, Morocco" (with Jared Benton). Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference (TRAC). Split, Croatia, 6 April.
- 2022 "Continuity and Change in Provincial River Communities." Colloquium sponsored by the American Academy in Rome. Archaeological Institute of America/Society for Classical Studies Annual Meeting. Online, 6 January.
- 2021 "Business Near and Far: Evidence for Local and Long-Distance Commerce in Hellenistic Morgantina." Archaeological Institute of America 122nd Annual Meeting. Online, 7 January.
- 2020 "Don't Rock the Boat: Negotiating Fishing Rights on the Rivers of the Roman Empire." Archaeological Institute of America 121st Annual Meeting. Washington D.C., 5 January.
- 2020 "The 2017-2019 Field Seasons of the Urban Economy of Volubilis Project (UEVP)" (with Jared Benton). Archaeological Institute of America 121st Annual Meeting. Washington D.C., 2 January.
- 2015 "*Ubi prandeam?* Status, Food, and Eating Out in Ancient Rome." Archaeological Institute of America 116th Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 9 January.

INVITED LECTURES AND PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 "Monte Testaccio and the *emporium* district of late republican and imperial Rome," on-site lectures for the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's Rome Semester Program in Architecture. Rome, Italy, 15 March.
- 2021 "The Urban Economy of Volubilis: Cross-Craft Relationships and Local Supply Chains in a Roman City." AIA Central Texas Society's 13th Annual International Archaeology Day Playdate. Online, 17 October.
- 2021 "Working on Roman Rivers: Legal Administration and Evidence for the Fishing Industry." Associazione Internazionale di Archeologia Classica (AIAC) *Incontri: Le Forme dell'Acqua*. Rome, Italy, 17 May.

2021	“Fishing in the Rivers of the Roman Empire.” American Academy in Rome. Rome, Italy, 26 April.
2020	“Provenance and Commercial Significance of Stonework Lithologies from the Third Century Archaeological Remains of Volubilis, Morocco” (poster: L. Lobue, S. Culotta, M. Bittner, J. Benton, C. Schirmer, and O. Orlandini). Jackson School of Geosciences Undergraduate Research Symposium. Austin, TX, 15 February.
2019	“River Fishing in Antiquity: Methods for Approaching a Hard-to-See Phenomenon.” Presentation to the UT chapter of the Classics honor society Eta Sigma Phi, Austin, TX, 26 September.
2018	“Excavation and Geoarchaeology at Morgantina, Sicily: an update on the Contrada Agnese Project’s 2018 Field Season” (with Jane Millar). AIA Central Texas Society’s 11th Annual International Archaeology Day Playdate. Austin, TX, 21 October.
2016	“Interdisciplinary Investigations at Morgantina: The Contrada Agnese Project’s 2016 Field Season” (with Jane Millar). AIA Central Texas Society’s 9th Annual International Archaeology Day Playdate. Austin, TX, 16 October.
2015	“Recent Work by the American Excavations at Morgantina’s Contrada Agnese Project.” AIA Central Texas Society’s 8th Annual International Archaeology Day Playdate. Austin, TX, 17 October.
2014	“Food for the Neighborhood: Non-Elite Dining and the Food Shops of Pompeii.” SF State University Classics Student Association Forum. San Francisco, CA, 8 November.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK

2022–present	Field Director, American Excavations at Morgantina: Agora Valley Project (Aidone, Sicily).
2017–2022	Co-Director, Urban Economy of Volubilis Project (Moulay Idriss Zerhoun, Morocco).
2016–2022	Trench supervisor, American Excavations at Morgantina: Contrada Agnese Project (Aidone, Sicily).
2015	Assistant supervisor, Environmental (archaeobotanical and faunal material), American Excavations at Morgantina: Contrada Agnese Project (Aidone, Sicily).
2011–2015	Field archaeologist, Via Consolare Project (Pompeii, Italy).
2013–2014	Volunteer, The Presidio Trust Mesa Street Interpretive Landscape Archaeology Project (San Francisco, USA).
2010–2011	Field archaeologist, Capena Antiqua Project (Capena, Italy).

TEACHING

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

2022, fall	The Rise of Rome	Tulane University
2022, fall	Elementary Latin	Tulane University
2020, spring	Introduction to Ancient Greece	University of Texas at Austin
2019, spring	Ancient Mediterranean World	University of Texas at Austin
2018, spring	First-Year Latin II	University of Texas at Austin

2017, fall	First-Year Latin I	University of Texas at Austin
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TEACHING ASSISTANT

2020, fall	Introduction to Classical Mythology (online)	University of Texas at Austin
2018, fall	Dealing with Disaster in the Ancient World	University of Texas at Austin
2017, spring	Introduction to Greek Archaeology	University of Texas at Austin
2016, fall	Introduction to Ancient Greece	University of Texas at Austin
2016, spring	Introduction to Ancient Rome	University of Texas at Austin
2015, fall	History of Rome—the Republic	University of Texas at Austin
2013, spring	Intermediate Latin	San Francisco State University
2012, fall	Elementary Latin	San Francisco State University

SERVICE & OUTREACH

2020	Panelist, “Ask an Archaeologist” AIA Central Texas Society International Archaeology Day event (17 October)
2020	Search committee member, UT Austin Classics (Position: Assistant Professor of Greek History)
2019	Panelist, “The Life Cycle of a Classicist” conference hosted by Classics honors society Eta Sigma Phi (2 March)
2017–2019	Regional Coordinator/council delegate, Archaeological Institute of America Central Texas Society
2016–2017	Graduate student representative to Classics faculty, UT Austin
2015–2016	Graduate Student Mentor, Intellectual Entrepreneurship Pre-Graduate School Internship Program, UT Austin Moody College of Communication (mentor to W. Becker, Classics, 2016–2017; to K. Gibbon, Geology and Classics, 2015-2016)

LANGUAGES

ANCIENT

Latin
Greek

MODERN

Italian (advanced reading & speaking)
French, Spanish, German (basic reading)