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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Bronze and Iron Ages of the ancient Near East and eastern Mediterranean; complex society; urbanism; landscape archaeology, GIS and remote sensing; ceramic analysis; the built environment and architecture; spatial analysis; migration; territoriality; monumentality; social and archaeological theory; postcolonial archaeology; use of historical texts in archaeology

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor of Near Eastern Archaeology Institute for the Study of Ancient Cultures, Department of Middle Eastern Studies, and the College, University of Chicago	2022-present
Assistant Professor of Near Eastern Archaeology Institute for the Study of Ancient Cultures, Department of Middle Eastern Studies, and the College, University of Chicago	2015-2022
Postdoctoral Fellow in Archaeology Joukowsky Institute for Archaeology and the Ancient World, Brown University	2014-2015
Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in the Humanities Department of Near Eastern Studies, Johns Hopkins University	2012-2014
Postdoctoral Scholar, Institute for European and Mediterranean Archaeology Department of Anthropology, State University of New York at Buffalo	2011-2012

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge MA

Ph.D., 2011. Archaeology of the Levant, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations. Dissertation Title: Spatial Analysis and Political Authority in the Iron Age Kingdom of Patina, Turkey. Awarded with distinction.

Ankara Üniversitesi TÖMER, Ankara, Turkey Turkish Language School, level 7 certificate, February 2010

Harvard University, Cambridge MA

A.M., 2008. Archaeology of the Levant, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations

University of Toronto, Toronto ON B.A. (Honors), 2003. Ancient Near Eastern Studies, Department of Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS (*External)

- *Richard C. MacDonald Iliad Endowment for Archaeological Research, Archaeological Institute of America, fieldwork grant for "The Türkmen-Karahöyük Archaeological Project: A Hittite Center in Southern Anatolia," \$15,000
- Frank Institute for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship, in support of a full year research leave during the 2022-2023 academic year, \$40,000
- *Loeb Classical Library Foundation Fellowship, fieldwork grant for "The Türkmen-Karahöyük Intensive Survey Project: Revealing Phrygia's New Rival," \$33,785
- Franke Institute for the Humanities Center for Disciplinary Innovation Grant, for "The Return of Migration: Mobility and the New Empiricism," (with Catherine Kearns), \$1500
- 2018 College Curricular Innovation Fund grant, in support of undergraduate research assistants on the Anatolian Atlas project in the Center for Ancient Middle Eastern Landscapes, \$5400
- Frank Institute for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship, in support of a full year research leave during the 2018-2019 academic year, \$40,000
- *Loeb Classical Library Foundation Fellowship, in support of the conference *The Connected Iron Age: Interregional Networks in the Eastern Mediterranean*, 900-600 BCE, \$13,222
- Franke Institute for the Humanities Center for Disciplinary Innovation Grant, for "The Mediterranean Sea in Antiquity: Imperial Connections," (with Catherine Kearns), \$1500
- 2016 Franke Institute for the Humanities Conference Award, in support of the conference *The Connected Iron Age: Interregional Networks in the Eastern Mediterranean*, 900-600 BCE, \$2500
- 2015 Signature Humanities Course, Teaching grant awarded by the University of Chicago Humanities Division for proposed "signature" courses, \$3000
- *Wenner-Gren Foundation, Post-Ph.D. Research Grant for "The Impact of the Neo-Assyrian Conquest: Forced Resettlement and Daily Practice at Tell Tayinat (Turkey) (Grant #8963)," \$19,800
- *National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration Grant for the "Tayinat Lower Town Project: Craft Production and Specialization in the Iron Age Mediterranean (Grant #9485-14)," \$18,830
- *American Schools of Oriental Research, Mesopotamian Fellowship for "The Iron Age Diaspora: Forced Resettlement in the Near East, 900-600 B.C.E.," \$5000
- 2011 *American Schools of Oriental Research, Heritage Fellowship, \$1000

- 2010 Harvard University Graduate Society, Dissertation Completion Fellowship, \$28,000
- 2009 *Institute of International Education, Fulbright Scholarship, Turkey, \$15,000
- 2009 Harvard University, Frederick Sheldon Traveling Fellowship, \$19,000
- 2009 *US Department of Education, Foreign Languages and Areas Studies Language Study Academic-Year Fellowship (Turkish), \$20,000
- *American Schools of Oriental Research, Sean W. Dever Memorial Prize for the best paper by a graduate student in Near Eastern archaeology, "The Bench Tomb in Iron Age Judah: Secondary Mortuary Practice and Social Values," \$650
- 2007 Harvard University Graduate Society, Predissertation Summer Fellowship, \$3000
- 2007 *American Schools of Oriental Research, Dorot Foundation Travel Scholarship, \$1000

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- J. M. Hall and **J. F. Osborne**, eds. 2022. The Connected Iron Age: Interregional Networks in the Eastern Mediterranean, 900-600 BCE. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

 See reviews by Ulla Rajala, Antiquity; Eleni Kopanaki, The Classical Review; Grace Erny, Bryn Mawr Classical Review;
- J. F. Osborne. 2021. The Syro-Anatolian City-States: An Iron Age Culture. Oxford Studies in the Archaeology of Ancient States. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
 2023 Winner of the American Schools of Overseas Research's G. Ernest Wright Award for most substantial book in the archaeology of the Near East and eastern Mediterranean.
 - See reviews by Naoise Mac Sweeney, The Classical Review; Sabine Fourrier, Journal of Eastern Mediterranean Archaeology and Heritage Studies; Erhan Tamur, Ancient Near Eastern Studies; Virginia Herrmann, Bulletin of the American Schools of Overseas Research
- J. F. Osborne, ed. 2014. Approaching Monumentality in Archaeology. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.
- **J. F. Osborne** and N. P. VanValkenburgh, eds. 2013. *Territoriality in Archaeology*. Archeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association, Vol. 22. Arlington, VA: Wiley-Blackwell.

Journal Articles (peer reviewed)

Megan Daniels, American Journal of Archaeology.

- **J.F. Osborne** (Under review). Imag[in]ing Hartapu: The Rise of an Iron Age Kingdom. Submitted to *Anatolian Studies*.
- **J. F. Osborne** and M. Massa (In press). Interregional connections in South-Central Anatolia during the Early First Millennium BCE, *Ancient Near Eastern Studies*.
- P. Creamer, Alperstein, J., Massa, M., **Osborne, J. F.**, and Casana, J. 2024. Magnetic Gradiometry Survey at the Urban Center of Türkmen-Karahöyük (Turkey). *Archaeometry*: 1-13.
- Mac Sweeney, N., Vives-Ferrándiz Sánchez, J., Kotsonas, A., Waiman-Barak, P., **Osborne, J. F.**, López-Ruiz, C., & Hodos, T. 2024. Exploring Mediterranean Connections and Iron Age

- Entanglements. *Journal of Mediterranean Archaeology* 36/2:1-42. https://doi.org/10.1558/jma.27855
- Massa M., and **J. F. Osborne**. 2024. Kızıldağ, Karadağ, and Sacred Peak Sites in Central Anatolia during the Late Bronze and Iron Ages. *American Journal of Archaeology* 128/1: 33-58.
- M. Massa and **J. F. Osborne**. 2022. "On the Identity of Hartapu: Textual, Historical and Archaeological Analysis of an Anatolian Iron Age Ruler." *Altorientalische Forschungen* 49/1: 85-103.
- **J. F. Osborne**, M. Massa, F. Şahin, H. Erpehlivan, and C. Bachhuber. 2020. "The City of Hartapu: Results of the Türkmen-Karahöyük Intensive Survey Project." *Anatolian Studies* 70: 1-27.
- P. Goedegebuure, T. v.d. Hout, **J. F. Osborne**, M. Massa, C. Bachhuber, and F. Şahin. 2020. "TÜRKMEN-KARAHÖYÜK 1: A New Hieroglyphic Luwian Inscription from Great King Hartapu, son of Mursili, Conqueror of Phrygia." *Anatolian Studies* 70: 29-43.
- M. Massa, C. Bachhuber, F. Şahin, H. Erpehlivan, J. F. Osborne, and A. Lauricella. 2020. "A landscape-oriented approach to urbanisation and early state formation in the Konya and Karaman Plains, Turkey." *Anatolian Studies* 70: 45–75.
- J. F. Osborne, T. P. Harrison, S. Batiuk, L. Welton, J. P. Dessel, Ö. Demirci, and E. Denel. 2019. "Urban Built Environments of the Early First Millennium BCE: Results of the Tayinat Archaeological Project, 2004–2012." Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research 382: 261–312.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2018. "History and temporality in Bronze Age Anatolia: The King of Battle narrative in archaeological and historical tradition." *World Archaeology* 50/5: 706-722.
- **J. F. Osborne** and S. Karacic. 2017. "Urbanism beyond the Acropolis: The Tayinat Lower Town Project Surface Survey, 2014–2015." *Anatolica* XLIII: 37-70.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2017. "Counter-Monumentality and the Vulnerability of Memory." *Journal of Social Archaeology* 17/2: 163-187.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2017. "Exploring the Lower Settlements of Iron Age Capitals in Anatolia and Syria." *Antiquity* 91 (355): 90-107.
- S. Karacic and **J. F. Osborne**. 2016. "Eastern Mediterranean Economic Exchange during the Iron Age: Portable X-Ray Fluorescence and Neutron Activation Analysis of Cypriot-Style Pottery in the Amuq Valley, Turkey." *PLoS ONE* 11(11): e0166399. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0166399
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2015. Ancient Cities and Power: The Archaeology of Urbanism in the Iron Age Capitals of Northern Mesopotamia. *International Journal of Urban Sciences* 19/1: 7-19.
- **J. F. Osborne** and G. D. Summers. 2014. Visibility Graph Analysis and Monumentality in the Iron Age City at Kerkenes in Central Turkey. *Journal of Field Archaeology* 39/3: 292-309.

- **J. F. Osborne**. 2014. Settlement Planning and Urban Symbology in Syro-Anatolian Cities. *Cambridge Archaeological Journal* 24/2: 195-214.
- J. Ur, L. de Jong, J. Giraud, **J. F. Osborne**, and J. MacGinnis. 2013. Ancient Cities and Landscapes in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq: The Erbil Plain Archaeological Survey 2012 Season. *Iraq* 75: 89-117.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2013. Sovereignty and Territoriality in the City-State: A Case Study from the Amuq Valley, Turkey. *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology* 32: 774-790.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2012. Communicating Power in the Bīt-Ḥilāni Palace. *Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research* 368: 29-66.
- T. P. Harrison and **J. F. Osborne**. 2012. Building XVI and the Neo-Assyrian Sacred Precinct at Tell Tayinat. *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* 64: 125-143.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2011. Secondary Mortuary Practice and the Bench Tomb: Structure and Practice in Iron Age Judah. *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 70/1: 35-53.

Book Chapters

- **J. F. Osborne**. In press. "Principles of Urban Organization in Syro-Anatolian Cities of the Iron Age," in Title TBD, ed. Anacleto d'Agostino.
- **J. F. Osborne**. In press. "Interregional Relations between the Aegean and Syro-Anatolian Worlds during the Early First Millennium BCE," in *The Cambridge Companion to the Early Greek Iron Age*, C. Antonaccio and J. Carter, eds. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- J. F. Osborne. Submitted to editor [2012]. "The Pottery," in *The University of Chicago's Excavations at Tell Ta'yinat, Amuq Plain, Southeastern Turkey*. H. Snow, ed. Chicago: The Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago Press.
- J. F. Osborne. 2024. "The Great Silence: Politics and Resistance in the Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex." Pp. 255-282 in Pomp, Circumstance, and the Performance of Politics: Acting Politically Correct in the Ancient World, Kathryn Morgan, ed. Chicago: The Institute for the Study of Ancient Cultures of the University of Chicago Press.
- J. F. Osborne and J. M. Hall. 2022. "Interregional Interaction in the Eastern Mediterranean during the Iron Age," Pp. 1-26 in *The Connected Iron Age: Interregional Networks in the Eastern Mediterranean*, 900-600 BCE, Jonathan M. Hall and James F. Osborne, eds. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2018. "Representing Cities in Syro-Anatolian and Neo-Assyrian Art," pp. 197-209 in *Assyromania and More: In Memory of Samuel M. Paley*. F. Pedde and N. Shelly, eds. Münster: Zaphon Press.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2017. "Monuments of the Hittite and Neo-Assyrian Empires during the Late Bronze and Iron Ages," pp. 87-105 in *Mercury's Wings: Exploring Modes of Communication in the Ancient World*. F. Naiden and R. Talbert, eds. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

- J. Ur and J. F. Osborne. 2016. "The Rural Landscape of the Assyrian Heartland: Recent Results from Arbail and Kilizu Provinces," pp. 163-174 in *The Provincial Archaeology of the Assyrian Empire*. J. MacGinnis, D. Wicke, and T. Greenfield, eds. Cambridge: McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2014. "Monuments and Monumentality," pp. 1-19 in *Approaching Monumentality in Archaeology*. J. F. Osborne, ed. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.
- N. P. VanValkenburgh and **J. F. Osborne**. 2013. "Home Turf: Archaeology, Territoriality, and Politics," pp. 1-27 in *Territoriality in Archaeology*. J. F. Osborne and N. P. VanValkenburgh, eds. Archeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association. Arlington, VA: Wiley-Blackwell.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2007. "Tel Halif," in *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible, Volume 2*. K. D. Sakenfeld, ed. Pp.721-2. Nashville: Abingdon Press.

Book Reviews

- J. F. Osborne. 2022. Review of Glatz, C. The Making of Empire in Bronze Age Anatolia: Hittite Sovereign Practice, Resistance, and Negotiation. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020. Journal of Near Eastern Studies 81/1: 200-202.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2017. Review of Harmanşah, Ö. Cities and the Shaping of Memory in the Ancient Near East. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013; **and** Harmanşah, Ö. Place, Memory, and Healing: An Archaeology of Anatolian Rock Monuments. New York, NY: Routledge, 2015. CAAreviews.org, Taylor & Francis: DOI: 10.3202/caa.reviews.2017.117.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2013. Review of *The Oxford Handbook of Ancient Anatolia (10,000-323 BCE)*. Edited by S. R. Steadman and G. McMahon. New York: Oxford University Press, 2011. *Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research* 370: 225-227.
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2012. Review of Gilibert, A. Syro-Hittite Monumental Art and the Archaeology of Performance. Berlin: De Gruyter, 2011. American Journal of Archaeology 116/4 (online).
- **J. F. Osborne**. 2012. Review of Agency and Identity in the Ancient Near East: New Paths Forward. Edited by S. R. Steadman and J. C. Ross. Oakville, CT: Equinox, 2010. Journal of Field Archaeology 37/1: 75-77.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago

Gordion and its Neighbors: Central Anatolia during the Iron Age (Autumn 2021)

The Return of Migration: Mobility and the New Empiricism (co-taught with Catherine Kearns; Winter 2021)

Pottery of Ancient Anatolia (Spring 2020)

BIG: Monumental Buildings and Sculptures in the Past and Present – Signature Humanities Course (Spring 2017, 2020, Winter 2022)

Ancient Empires I: The Hittite Empire (Winter 2020, 2021, 2022)

Ceramic Analysis in Archaeology (Spring 2018, Winter 2020, Autumn 2021)

Ancient Near Eastern History and Society II: Anatolia (Winter 2018)

Self, Culture, and Society [20th century social theory] (Winter 2016, 2017, 2018)

The Mediterranean Sea in Antiquity: Imperial Connections between East and West (co-taught with Catherine Kearns; Fall 2017)

The Archaeology of Anatolia (Spring 2017, 2021)

The Neo-Hittite and Aramaean City-States (Winter 2017, Spring 2021)

Monuments and Monumentality in the Past and Present (Spring 2016)

Migrations and Population Movements of the Ancient Near East (Spring 2016)

The Archaeology of the Built Environment (Winter 2016)

Brown University

Before the Islamic State: The Archaeology of Ancient Mesopotamia (2015) History, Anthropology, and Archaeology: Disciplinary Dialogues (2014)

Johns Hopkins University

Ceramic Analysis in Archaeology (undergraduate course, 2014)

BIG: Monumental Buildings and Sculptures in Antiquity and Today, freshmen writing intensive seminar (undergraduate course, 2013)

The Rise and Fall of the Iron Age City-State System in the Near East (graduate course, 2013) Jerusalem: The Holy City in History and Archaeology (undergraduate course, 2012)

SUNY Buffalo

Monuments and Monumentality in the Past and Present (undergraduate and graduate course, 2012)

Harvard University (*Harvard University Certificate of Distinction; all courses as Teaching Assistant)

* Digging the Glyphs: Adventures in Decipherment, Head Teaching Assistant, (2008)

The Aztec Empire, Teaching Assistant (2008)

Archaeology of the Levant, *Teaching Assistant* (2008)

Syro-Palestinian Pottery, *Teaching Assistant* (2008)

* History of the Ancient Near East, *Teaching Assistant* (2007)

From Judaism to Christianity; From the Hebrew Bible to the Old Test., Teaching Fellow (2007)

Biblical Archaeology, Teaching Fellow (2007_

Introduction to the Hebrew Scriptures, *Teaching Fellow* (2007)

Archaeology of the Levant, Teaching Fellow (2006)

Introduction to the Hebrew Scriptures, *Teaching Fellow* (2006)

Syro-Palestinian Pottery, *Teaching Fellow* (2006)

TEFL English-language training: kindergarten to middle school, Taipei, Taiwan, 2003-2004

ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD PROJECTS

Türkmen-Karahöyük Intensive Survey Project (TISP) Director, 2019-

Tayinat Lower Town Project, Tell Tayinat, Turkey

Director: 2013-2016

Erbil Plain Archaeological Survey, Kurdistan Regional Government of Iraq

Associate Director: 2012 -

Tayinat Archaeological Project, Turkey Field Supervisor (Field 2, Iron II/III temple): 2007-2012 Square Supervisor 2005-2006

Kerkenes Da**ğ**, Turkey Area Supervisor (Cappadocia Gate): 2010

Amuq Valley Regional Projects, Turkey Survey team member: 2010

British Museum Excavations at Sidon, Lebanon Square Supervisor (Early Bronze Age domestic architecture): 2001-2003

Leon Levy Expedition to Ashkelon, Israel Excavation team member (Early Iron Age horizon): 2004

Tell Madaba Archaeological Project Ceramic analyst: 2002

Tel Yaqush, Israel

Field school team member: 2000

INVITED LECTURES

"Uncooperative Nation-States: The Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex." Invited lecture to the Department of Archaeology, Bilkent University. 2022.

"Uncooperative Nation-States: The Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex." Archaeological Institute of America, Los Angeles chapter. 2022.

"A Regional Archaeological Perspective on Tarhuntašša and Tabal: the Konya and Karaman Plains in the Late Bronze and Iron Ages" (with Michele Massa). British Institute at Ankara, Turkey. 2019.

"Near Eastern and Aegean Interaction during the Iron Age." Archaeological Institute of America Kershaw Lecturer in Near Eastern Archaeology for 2018. Lecture presented in Vancouver, Canada. 2018.

"Counter-monumentality and the Vulnerability of Memory in the Past and Present." Flagship lecture presented to the Department of Archaeology, Classics, and Egyptology, University of Liverpool, UK, 2018.

"Near Eastern and Aegean Interaction during the Early First Millennium BCE." A.K. Grayson Lecture in Assyrian History and Culture for the Canadian Society of Mesopotamian Studies, Toronto, 2018.

"Strange Loops: Texts and Urban Space in Iron Age Cities of the Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex."

Borghesi-Mellon workshop lecture at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, WI, 2018.

"City Planning and Monumental Architecture in Iron Age Turkey." Breasted lecture presented in Rockford, IL, 2018

"Near Eastern and Aegean Interaction during the Iron Age." Archaeological Institute of America Kershaw Lecturer in Near Eastern Archaeology for 2017. Lecture presented in Bozeman, MO; Las Vegas, NV; and Iowa City, IO. 2017.

"City Planning and Monumentality: Urban Symbology in Iron Age Turkey." Invited lecture presented to Topoi Excellence Cluster: Großbauten in ihren Gesellschaften – zwischen praktischer Nutzung und symbolischer Bedeutung. Freie Universität, Berlin, 2016.

"Results of the Tayinat Lower Town Project." Invited lecture to the Department of History and Cultures, University of Bologna, 2016.

"The Iron II/III Pottery Assemblages at Tell Tayinat." Invited lecture to the Department of History and Cultures, University of Bologna, 2016.

"A Multi-Scalar Approach to the Neo-Assyrian Forced Migration." Invited lecture presented at the workshop *The Levant under Assyrian Domination*, Yad Ben-Zvi Institute, Jerusalem, 2015.

"The State and its Region in Past and Present: Territoriality in the Iron Age Kingdom of Patina." Invited lecture for the Western New York Society of the American Institute of Archaeology, 2012.

"Archaeology, Urbanism, and Town Planning: A Study of the Anatolian Iron Age." Invited lecture for D'Youville College, Buffalo, 2012.

"The State and its Region in Past and Present: Territoriality in the Iron Age Kingdom of Patina." Invited lecture presented at Bilkent University, Ankara, 2010

"Ancient Conceptions of Political Territory: A View from the Iron Age Kingdom of Patina." Invited lecture for the American Research Institute of Turkey, Ankara, 2010

CONFERENCE PAPERS

"Situating the Kingdom of Hartapu: The Context of the Rise of an Iron Age Polity." Paper presented at the conference "Integrated Approaches to the Political Geography of Southern Anatolia, 1650-550 BCE", Bilkent University, Ankara, 2023.

"Reflections on *The Dawn of Everything* for the Historical Periods of the Bronze and Iron Age Near East." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, 2023.

"The Bronze and Iron Age Regional Center of Türkmen-Karahöyük: Final Results of the Türkmen-Karahöyük Intensive Survey Project," with Jesse Casana, Petra Creamer, Anthony Lauricella, and Michele Massa. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Overseas Research, 2022.

"Peak Sanctuaries and Sacred Mountains in south-central Anatolia during the Late Bronze and Iron Ages," with Michele Massa. Paper presented at the conference Phrygia between the East and the West, Pavia, Italy, 2022.

"Reconsidering Space and Power in Syro-Anatolian Cities of the Iron Age." Paper presented at the conference 'Lost cities': form, meaning and perception of urban settlements in the Ancient Near and Middle East, Pisa, Italy, 2022.

"The City of Hartapu: A Royal Inscription and Survey Results from Türkmen-Karahöyük in the Konya Plain." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, 2020.

"Settlement Patterns among the "Neo-Hittites"." Paper presented at the conference In Search of the Neo-Hittites, Switzerland, 2019.

"The Great Silence: Politics and Resistance in the Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex." Paper presented at the OI conference Pomp, Circumstance, and the Performance of Politics: Acting Politically Correct in the Ancient World, organized by Kathryn Morgan, 2019.

"Ambiguous Nation-States: The Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, 2018.

"Classifying Complex Populations: The Case of the Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex (SACC)." Paper presented at the conference Beyond All Boundaries: Anatolia in the 1st Millennium B.C., Switzerland, 2018.

"The Tayinat Lower Town Project." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, Toronto, 2017.

"In Big Things Remembered: Memory and Counter-Monumentality." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, San Antonio, 2016.

"Production and Consumption of Cypro-Geometric Pottery in the Amuq Valley." With Steven Karacic. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, San Antonio, 2016.

"The Formation of the Syro-Anatolian City-States: New Evidence from Patina and Beyond." Invited paper presented at 10ICAANE meeting in Vienna, Austria, 2016.

"Forced Migration in the Near East: Preliminary Results of the Tayinat Lower Town Project." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Atlanta, 2015.

"Visibility Graph Analysis of Monumental Buildings in Iron Age Turkey." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, 2015.

"The Iron Age Diaspora of the Early First Millennium BCE: The Tayinat Lower Town Project and the Erbil Plain Archaeological Survey." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, San Diego, 2014.

"Results of the Erbil Plain Archaeological Survey (EPAS), Kurdistan Region of Iraq." With Jason Ur. Paper presented at the International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (9ICAANE), Basel, 2014.

"Archaeological Landscapes of the Erbil Plain, Kurdistan Region of Iraq." With Jason Ur. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Baltimore, 2013.

"Settlement Planning and Urban Symbology in Syro-Anatolian Cities." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Baltimore, 2013.

"Communicating Power in the Bīt-Ḥilāni Palace." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Chicago, 2012.

"Near Eastern Archaeology and Anthropology: A Junior Scholar's Journey." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Theoretical Archaeology Group, Buffalo, 2012.

"Feasting Scenes from the Near Eastern Iron Age: Cultural Insights from Elite Feasting Practices in the Syro-Anatolian City-State." Invited paper for the Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Memphis, 2012

"Al Mina and East-West Relations: The View from Tell Tayinat." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, Philadelphia, 2012

"Strategies of Sovereignty in the Iron Age City-State: Settlement Patterns and Political Authority in Patina/Unqi, Turkey." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, San Francisco, 2011

"Spatial Analysis and the Nature of Political Authority in the Syro-Hittite City-State: The Evidence from Patina/Unqi." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Atlanta, 2010

"Home Turf: Archaeology, Territoriality, and Politics." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Atlanta (co-authored with Parker VanValkenburgh), 2009

"The Bench Tomb in Iron Age Judah: Secondary Mortuary Practice and Social Values." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, 2008

"The Bench Tomb in Iron Age Judah: Secondary Mortuary Practice and Social Values." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research, San Diego, 2007

PRESENTATIONS ON CAMPUS

"A New Iron Age Kingdom in Anatolia: King Hartapu and his Capital City" (with Michele Massa). Oriental Institute Members Lecture, 2019.

"The City of Hartapu: A New Iron Age Capital City in Ancient Turkey." Lecture for the Advisory Council, Oriental Institute.

"A New Iron Age Kingdom in Anatolia: King Hartapu and his Capital City." Oriental Institute Breasted Salon, 2020.

"A New Iron Age Kingdom in Anatolia: King Hartapu and his Capital City." Oriental Institute lecture for the volunteers, 2020.

"Monuments and their Destruction in the Past and Present." Oriental Institute lecture for the museum volunteers, 2018.

"Confederate Monuments and Counter-Monumentality in the Past and Present." Lecture given to the Franke Institute for the Humanities, 2017.

"The Syro-Anatolian City-States: A Neglected Iron Age Culture." Oriental Institute Members Lecture, 2016.

"Urbanism and Interregional Interaction in Iron Age Anatolia." Oriental Institute lecture for the museum volunteers, 2016.

"Forced Migration in the Iron Age: A Multi-Scalar Approach." Lecture presented at the Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop, University of Chicago, 2015.

"Return to Mesopotamia: The Iron Age Diaspora and the Erbil Plain Archaeological Survey." Invited lecture for the Joukowsky Institute for Archaeology and the Ancient World, Brown University, 2014.

"Excavations at the Neo-Hittite Capital City of Kunulua: Results of the Tayinat Archaeological Project." Lecture for the Institute of European and Mediterranean Archaeology, State University of New York at Buffalo, 2011

"Excavations at the Aramean Capital of Kunalua in the Plain of Antioch." Lecture presented in the Harvard Semitic Museum Lecture Series, 2007

"The Archaeology of the Amuq in the Iron Age: Ethnicity in a Cultural Crossroad." Lecture presented in Harvard University's Archaeology Wing Seminar Series, 2006

CHAIRED CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

Return to Migration: Ancient DNA and the New Empiricism. Colloquium at the Annual Meeting of the American Institute of Archaeology, Chicago, 2021, co-chaired with Catherine Kearns.

The Archaeology of Anatolia. Double session at the Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research. Annually since 2018.

Landscape Studies in the Near East: The Next 100 Years. Conference at the Franke Institute for the Humanities, University of Chicago, May 2019, co-sponsored by the Oriental Institute and the Mansueto Institute for Urban Innovation.

The Connected Iron Age: Interregional Networks in the Eastern Mediterranean, 900-600 BCE. Conference at the Franke Institute for the Humanities, University of Chicago, Jan. 2018, co-chaired with Jonathan Hall.

Approaching Monumentality in the Archaeological Record. Fifth Annual IEMA Visiting Scholar Conference. Institute for European and Mediterranean Archaeology, SUNY Buffalo, 2012.

Territoriality in Archaeology: The Politics of Land and Space. Symposium of the Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Atlanta, 2009, co-chaired with N. Parker VanValkenburgh.

ORIENTAL INSTITUTE SERVICE

Hittitology faculty search committee	2024-	
Chair, Egyptian Archaeology faculty search committee	2023-2024	
Chair, Howard Hallengren Professor of Arabian Archaeology faculty search committee	2022-2023	
OI Directorship Review Advisory Committee	2021-2022	
Egyptian Archaeology faculty search committee	2021-2022	
Mesopotamian Archaeology faculty search committee	2019-2021	
Chair, Center for Ancient Middle Eastern Landscapes (CAMEL), faculty advisory committee 2018-		
Postdoctoral Fellow search committee	2017-	
Turkish Archaeology lecture series coordinator	2017-2018	
Center for Ancient Middle Eastern Landscapes review committee	2017-2018	
OI Directorship Review Advisory Committee	2016-2017	
Egyptian Archaeology Research Associate search committee	2016-2017	
Visiting Services and Security Manager search committee	2016-2017	
Chief Curator and Deputy Director for Collections and Exhibitions search committee	2015-2016	

NELC DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Editor, Journal of Near Eastern Studies	2019-
Ancient fields book review editor, Journal of Near Eastern Studies	2016-
Director of Undergraduate Studies	2017-2018
Colloquium and social hour committee member	2015-2016

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Chair, Undergraduate thesis prize committee, Institute for the Formation of Knowledge	2021
Faculty renewal evaluation, Classics Department	2020
Panelist, Humanities Division online pedagogy workshops (multiple)	2020
Postdoctoral Fellow search committee, Institute for the Formation of Knowledge	2018
Humanities Division Signature Humanities Course selection committee	2017-2018
10th International Congress of Hittitology organizing committee	2016-2017
Faculty representative to the Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop	2015-
University of Chicago institutional representative to the	
American Research Institute of Turkey	2015-

EXTERNAL SERVICE

External Ph.D examiner:

Nathan Lovejoy, New York University (2023) Kathryn Morgan, University of Pennsylvania (2018) Mia Montesanto, University of Liverpool (2018)

Editorial Board member:

Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research Journal for Mediterranean Archaeology Athens University Review of Archaeology

Peer-reviewer (article manuscripts) for American Anthropologist, American Journal of Archaeology, Athens University Review of Archaeology, Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Cambridge Archaeological Journal, Current Anthropology, Journal of Anthropological Archaeology, Journal of Archaeological Research, Journal of Field Archaeology, Journal of Mediterranean Archaeology, Levant, Near Eastern Archaeology, PLOS One

Peer-reviewer (book manuscripts) for Brill, De Gruyter, Routledge, SUNY Press

Peer-reviewer (grant applications) for National Science Foundation

American Research Institute of Turkey, Nominations Committee

2017-2021

ASOR Committee on Archaeological Research and Policy (CAP)

Class of 2016

LANGUAGES

Turkish Excellent conversational, reading, and writing ability
French Reading knowledge, moderate conversational ability
German Reading knowledge, moderate conversational ability

Biblical Hebrew Reading knowledge Akkadian Reading knowledge