

## **CORRIN LAPOSKI**

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### **EDUCATION**

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#### **University of Connecticut-Storrs**

Ph.D. Anthropology

Storrs, CT  
Expected May 2021

#### **Yale University**

Master of Arts, Archaeological Studies

New Haven, CT  
May 2016  
HP GPA

#### **University of Minnesota – Twin Cities**

Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology

Minneapolis, MN  
May 2014  
3.89 GPA

#### **Franklin High School**

Franklin, WI  
June 2010  
3.84 GPA with Honors

### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

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#### **Proyecto Atalla**

Huancavelica, Peru  
May-June 2016

During the course of four weeks I aided Yale PhD candidate Michelle Young with ceramic and faunal analysis pertaining to the Early Chavin Horizon site of Atalla. Laboratory work primarily focused on analyzing pottery sherds and camelid bones containing cinnabar pigment as well as pirurus (spindle whorls). Pottery analysis included photographing, describing, and correctly determining vessel form, paste, firing condition, and surface treatments. Preliminary statistical analysis of the pottery sherds was performed at the end of the lab session. Faunal analysis conducted under Harvard PhD candidate Sadie Weber included species and age determination, and where applicable, determination of heat treatment and bone working. The above analyses were done in the hopes of better understanding the use of cinnabar pigment within the wider domestic and economic environment of Atalla and its neighbors during the Early Horizon Period.

#### **YUAL Malaria Project**

*Research Associate*

New Haven, CT  
April 2015-May 2016

The YUAL malaria project aims to detect malaria within archaeological samples of bone in order to investigate paleoecology as well as cultural responses to ancient epidemics. My role within the project targeted the development of a protocol in which to identify hemozoin (a malarial byproduct) within human bone using MALDI-TOF. I prepared samples for analysis, ran the sample tests, and worked to analyze the resulting spectra. I gained familiarity with a Voyager DE Pro Mass Spectrometer as well as polarized light microscope work. The use of light microscopy within this

lab greatly aided in the detection of hemozoin as it is a birefringent (doubly refracting) substance that is best seen when using a polarizing microscope.

### **Belize Valley Archaeological Reconnaissance Project**

San Ignacio, Belize  
May-June 2015

Under the direction of Dr. Julie Hoggarth and Dr. Jaime Awe I gained general experience in archaeological field techniques, artifact cataloguing, artifact preservation, and site mapping. Though my work primarily revolved around securing charcoal for radiocarbon purposes at the Maya site of Tzutziiy K'in outside of the San Ignacio city center. This was done with the hope of establishing dates for the Pre-Classic occupation of the site as well as correlating said occupation dates with the core site of Cahal Pech. The excavation ultimately revealed a burial that allowed me the opportunity to map, process, and analyze human remains.

## **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

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### **The Nolan Center**

*Research Assistant*

New Haven, CT  
January 2016-May 2016

During my time at the Nolan Center I assisted the curators with the development of a new gallery exhibition. My duties entailed researching various artists, their work, and the world events that influenced their work. I was also responsible for creating a catalogue of the pieces to be exhibited in the gallery. At times I pulled information from the anthropological department of the Peabody Museum in order to pair artifacts with paintings for the exhibition. Additionally, I performed basic office tasks and created mock-ups of future galleries.

### **The Hull Lab**

*Research Assistant*

New Haven, CT  
October, 2014-May 2016

Within the Hull lab I was primarily responsible for preparing oceanic samples for faunal and isotopic analysis. This included washing, sorting, bottling, and cataloguing prepared samples. In addition, I was responsible for selecting desired foraminifera for analysis and logging their presence within samples. I also gained extensive experience arranging foraminifera slides for computational scans. Additionally, this job trained me in SEM imaging techniques as well as microscope work involving a LEICA DM750 LED, part of the phase contrast microscope series. The use of phase contrast this lab ultimately made it far easier to collect transparent and colorless foraminifera that would otherwise have been left out of sample-wide surveys.

### **The Thomas Lab**

*Undergraduate Lab Assistant*

Minneapolis, MN  
February 2013-May 2014

As an undergraduate lab assistant, I was responsible for the upkeep and care of the lab's supplies and organization. I cleaned glassware, handled packages, produced stock chemical solutions, made LB media with required antibiotics, autoclaved solutions and trash, and performed other general lab maintenance activities.

### **The Titus Lab**

*Undergraduate Lab Assistant*

Minneapolis, MN  
August 2013-July, 2014

As an undergraduate lab assistant, I was responsible for the upkeep and care of the lab's supplies and organization. I cleaned glassware, handled packages, produced stock chemical solutions, made

LB and HL5 media with required antibiotics, autoclaved solutions and trash, and performed other general lab maintenance activities.

**National Society of Leadership & Success**

Hoboken, NJ

*Intern/President*

July 2012 – January 2014

As an intern with NSLS, I was responsible for the upkeep of the honor society's chapter within the University of Minnesota. I founded the chapter, established two campus leaders as advisors, and put together an executive board composed of five student members. As president of the chapter, I connected with University administration and the student body, while organizing chapter activities and leadership-training days.

**University of Minnesota Alumni Foundation**

Minneapolis, MN

*Call Center Representative*

May 2012 – August 2012

I called University alumni in order to update them on the happenings with the college and specific programs, as well as to connect with them to see where their degrees have led them in life. My responsibilities also included fundraising and making annual thank-you calls. Over the course of my employment I raised \$400 and gained intimate knowledge of the colleges within the University. I also gained experience with data entry within the Foundation's computer system, as well as with Microsoft Word and Excel.

**AFFILIATIONS**

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- National Society of Leadership & Success – Former Chapter President
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars – Member
- Phi Sigma Theta – Member
- Alpha Lambda Delta – Member, initiated at Montana State University
- Phi Beta Kappa –Member, initiated at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

**GRANTS AND AWARDS**

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- 2010 Montana State University ACT Score scholarship: \$2,000
- 2010 Milwaukee Collaborative Cinema student film award: \$500
- 2011 Curt Culver MGIC scholarship: \$1,000
- 2013 Nominated for Elder Johnson Research Award
- 2014 Elder Johnson Research Award: Best Senior Thesis in Archaeology
- 2015 Albers-Coe-Hazard Summer Field Grant: \$3,000
- 2016 Albers-Coe-Hazard Summer Field Grant: \$1,800