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RESEARCH INTERESTS: Biological anthropology, paleodemography, paleoepidemiology, paleopathology, bioarchaeology, osteology, infectious diseases epidemiology and evolution, diet, migration, urbanization

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

2023-present Professor, Institute of Behavioral Science and Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder
2020-2023 Distinguished Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina, Columbia
2014-2019 Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina, Columbia
2011-2014 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina, Columbia
2006-2011 Assistant Professor, Anthropology Department & Human Biology Program, University at Albany, SUNY
2005-2006 Assistant Professor (non-tenure-track), Sociology/Antropology Department, Shippensburg University

Affiliate Faculty

2024-present Affiliate Faculty, Public Health Program, University of Colorado, Boulder

Administrative Positions

2025-present Associate Chair/Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder
2019-2022 Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina

EDUCATION

2006 Ph.D., Anthropology, The Pennsylvania State University (Chair: James Wood).
Dissertation: The Paleodemography of the Black Death 1347-1351.
2001 M.A., Anthropology, The Pennsylvania State University
1999 B.A., Anthropology (Summa Cum Laude), Sonoma State University, CA
1996 A.A., Anthropology (Honors), Santa Rosa Junior College, CA

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

2025 Society of Antiquaries of London Fellow
2021 American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow
2017 & 2023 University of South Carolina Office of Student Disability Services Two Thumbs Up Award
2014 Peter and Bonnie McCausland Fellow of Anthropology, University of South Carolina
2014 University of South Carolina Breakthrough Star

2000 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Competition Honorable Mention

SCHOLARSHIP

FELLOWSHIPS AND RESEARCH GRANTS RECEIVED (EXTRAMURAL)

2021-2025 National Science Foundation: "Paleodemographic and ancient DNA study of a potential epidemic site." Co-PI, with PI Qian Wang (BCS-2040388, 9% of \$309,983 budget)

2020-2025 National Science Foundation: "Host immunological characteristics and disease experience in past human populations." Co-PI, with PI Molly Zuckerman (BCS – 1946203, 6% of \$260,000 budget)

2020-2022 New Frontiers in Research Fund – Exploration 2019: "Ancient memory: Reconstructing the antibody repertoires of ancient humans to probe infectious diseases of the past." Co-Applicant, with PI Hendrik Poinar (NFRFE-2019-00505; 0% of \$250,000 CAD budget)

2019-2020 National Science Foundation: "Workshop on 21st Century Bioarchaeology." Co-PI, with PI Jane Buikstra (BCS- 1916946, 0% of \$49,964 budget).

2018-2020 National Science Foundation: "EAGER: Osteoimmunology as a new frontier in treponemal infection." Co-PI, with PI Fabian Crespo and co-PI Molly Zuckerman (BCS-1830154, 0% of \$59,240 budget)

2017-2021 National Science Foundation: "SBE-RCUK: Diet, Migration, and Health in the Context of Medieval Mortality Crises." PI, with Julia Beaumont and Janet Montgomery (BCS-1722491, \$162,460; + £119,934 from RCUK)

2016-2018 The Wenner-Gren Foundation Post-PhD Research Grant: "Diet and Health in the Context of Medieval Mortality Crises." PI (#9229, \$19,800)

2013-2016 National Science Foundation: "The Medieval Black Death: Analysis of the Demographic, Health, and Social Consequences of a Historic Emerging Disease." PI (BCS-1261682, \$107,722).

- REG supplement (2015, BCS- 1539502), \$4990. Samantha Yaussy, co-PI.

2012-2013 American Association of Physical Anthropologists Cobb Professional Development Grant: "Paleoepidemiology of Historic Plague Epidemics: the Dynamics of an Ancient Emerging Disease." PI (\$5000)

2012 School for Advanced Research (SAR) Ethel-Jane Westfeldt Bunting Fellowship "The Dynamics of an Ancient Emerging Disease: Demographic and Health Consequences of Medieval Plague." PI

2011-2012 The Wenner-Gren Foundation Post-PhD Research Grant: "The Black Death: Analysis of the Mortality Patterns and Causative Agent of a Medieval Emerging Disease." PI (#8247, \$20,000)

2009 American Association of University Women American Fellowship: Summer/Short-Term Research Publication Grant: "Biological Sex and Health: Analysis of the Relationships Among Skeletal Indicators of Stress, Biological Sex, and Selective Mortality in Medieval Europe." PI (\$6000)

2005-2006 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant: "Paleoepidemiological Studies of the Black Death." Co-PI with PI James Wood (BCS-0406252, \$3173).

2004-2005 The Wenner-Gren Foundation Individual Research Grant: "Paleoepidemiological and Molecular Studies of the Black Death." PI (#7142, \$8248)

2002-2003 American Scandinavian Foundation Fellowship: “Paleodemographic and Molecular Analyses of an Ancient Pathogen: Syphilis in Late Fifteenth-Century Denmark.” PI (\$16,000)

RESEARCH GRANTS RECEIVED WITH GRADUATE STUDENT CO-PIs (EXTRAMURAL)

2021-2022 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research: “Histories of Stress: A Life Course Approach.” PI, with co-PI Emily Brennan (BCS-2120106; \$22,753)

2021-2022 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research: “Demographic Patterns of Human Frailty.” PI, with co-PI Allison Ham (BCS-2120102; \$25,194)

2017-2018 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research: “The Intersections of Health and Wealth: Socioeconomic Status, Frailty, and Mortality.” PI, with co-PI Samantha Yaussy (BCS-1649757; \$24,074)

2015-2016 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research: “Paleodemographic Analysis of Urbanization, Famine and Mortality.” PI, with co-PI Brittany Walter (BCS-1540208; \$19,404)

2011-2012 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant: “Body Size and Mortality in Post-Medieval England.” PI, with co-PI Gail Hughes-Morey (BCS-1060716; \$17,069)

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP GRANTS (AS CO-PI)

2025-2027 NSF Postdoctoral Fellowship (PI Anderson, SPRF-FR 2404318, \$160,000), “New Approaches for Reconstructing Health in the Past: Accounting for Age-Dependent Processes in the Archaeological Record”

2021-2023 NSF SBE Postdoctoral Fellowship (PI Wissler, #2104830, \$138,000), “Investigating the Long-Term Impacts of Pandemic Disease”

RESEARCH AND TEACHING GRANTS RECEIVED (INTRAMURAL)

2016-2018 University of South Carolina Provost Social Sciences Grant “Dietary Effects on Medieval Health and Demography,” PI (\$19,913)

2016-2017 University of South Carolina Advanced Support for Innovative Research Excellence (ASPIRE) Grant: “Plague, Famine, and Bedlam: Health and Survival in the Context of Historic Mortality Crises,” PI (\$14,980)

2016 University of South Carolina Provost Teaching Innovation Grant in Distributed Learning Course Development, PI (\$7413)

2012-2014 University of South Carolina Provost Social Sciences Grant: “Paleodemographic and Paleogenomic Analyses of the Medieval Black Death,” PI (\$20,000)

2012 University of South Carolina Provost Visiting Scholars Grant: “Building Collaborations in Bioarchaeology and Forensic Anthropology.” Co-PI (with PI Charles Cobb)

2011 University at Albany Faculty Research Award: “Metagenomic Sequencing of the Medieval Black Death Pathogen” (\$9012; declined)

2010 Center for Social and Demographic Analysis Junior Researcher Award, University at Albany: “Pilot Study: Paleodemographic and Molecular Analyses of 17th-century Mass Graves” (\$5000)

2010 New York State/United University Professions Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Leave Program Award

2009 University at Albany Faculty Research Award: “Ancient DNA Analysis of the Cause of the 14th-Century Black Death” (\$3000)

- 2008 University at Albany, Anthropology Department Faculty Research Award: “Training in Ancient DNA Techniques: Analysis of Medieval Black Death Skeletal Remains” (\$1863)
- 2007 University at Albany Faculty Research Award: “Pilot Study: Black Death Mortality and Paleodemographic Age-estimation Methods” (\$10,000)
- 2007 Center for Social and Demographic Analysis Junior Researcher Award, University at Albany: “Pilot Study: Black Death Mortality and Paleodemographic Age-estimation Methods” (\$5498)
- 2004 Research and Graduate Studies Office grant, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2004 Hill Foundation Fellowship, Anthropology Department, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2003 Baker Fund, Anthropology Department, The Pennsylvania State University

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES (* STUDENT CO-AUTHOR)

80. **DeWitte SN**, Jones EE, Reardon EJ*, and Lewis AJ*. 2026. Gender, sex, and health in urban and rural late 19th-century New York State. *American Journal of Biological Anthropology* 10.1002/ajpa.70279
79. Kelmelis S, and **DeWitte SN**. 2026. Developmental stress and the urban-rural health spectrum in medieval Denmark. *International Journal of Paleopathology*. 53:47-64.
78. Redfern R, **DeWitte S**, Giles M, Holst M, and Hamilton D. In press. Regional and temporal differences in disease, trauma and mortality in Iron Age Britain. *Bioarchaeology International*.
77. Anderson AS, and **DeWitte SN**. 2026. Known unknowns and the osteological paradox: Why bioarchaeology needs agent-based models. *International Journal of Paleopathology*. 52:32-43.
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75. **DeWitte SN**, Beaumont J, Walter BS, Towers JR, and Brennan EJ. 2025. Childhood nutritional stress and later-life health outcomes in medieval England: evidence from incremental dentine analysis. *Science Advances*. 11:eadw7076.
74. Godde K, **DeWitte SN**, Beaumont J, Walter BS, Redfern R, and Bekvalac JJ. 2025. Selective mortality during famine and plague events in medieval London. *Scientific Reports*. 15:27133.
73. **DeWitte SN**, Jones EE, and Livingston C*. 2025. Health and Mortality in the 19th-Century Rural U.S.: the Second Epidemiological Transition in Madison County, NY. *American Journal of Human Biology*. 37:e70017.
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71. Yaussy SL, Marklein KE, **DeWitte SN**, and Crews DE. 2024. Frailty or resilience? Hazards-based and cumulative phenotype approaches to discerning signals of health inequality by estimated sex in medieval London. *Science Advances*. 10:doi/10.1126/sciadv.adq5703.
70. Hansen DW*, **DeWitte SN**, and Slavin P. 2024. Dying of pestilence: Stature and mortality from the Black Death in 14th-century Kyrgyzstan. *American Journal of Biological Anthropology*. doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.25009.
69. **DeWitte SN**. 2024. Assessing the existence of the male-female health-survival paradox in the past: dental caries in medieval London. *American Journal of Biological Anthropology*. 185:e24990.

68. **DeWitte SN**. 2024. Medieval monastic health: Variation in skeletal signs of inflammation and developmental stress between religious orders in London. *American Journal of Human Biology*. 36:e24052.
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56. Buikstra JE, **DeWitte SN**, Agarwal SC, Baker BJ, Bartelink EJ, Berger E, Blevins KE*, Bolhofner K, Boutin AT, Brickley MB, Buzon MR, de la Cova C, Goldstein L, Gowland R, Grauer AL, Gregoricka LA, Halcrow SE, Hall SA*, Hillson S, Kakaliouras AM, Klaus HD, Knudson KJ, Knüsel CJ, Larsen CS, Martin DL, Milner GR, Novak M, Nystrom KC, Pacheco-

- Forés SI*, Prowse TL, Robbins Schug G, Roberts CA, Rothwell JE*, Santos AL, Stojanowski C, Stone AC, Stull KE, Temple DH, Torres CM, Toyne JM, Tung TA, Ullinger J, Wiltschke-Schrotta K, Zakrzewski SR. 2022. Twenty-first century bioarchaeology: Taking stock and moving forward. *Yearbook of Biological Anthropology*. 178:S74:54-114. doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.24494 (Among the most downloaded articles in the journal in 2022; among the top ten most-cited papers published in the journal in 2022-2023).
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 53. **DeWitte SN**, and Betsinger TK. 2021. Toward a bioarchaeology of urbanization. *Yearbook of Physical Anthropology* 175:S72:79-118. doi.org/10.1002/ajpa.24249 (Among top most downloaded articles published in *YPA* in 2021).
 52. **DeWitte SN**, and Lewis M. 2021. Medieval menarche: Changes in pubertal timing before and after the Black Death. *American Journal of Human Biology* 33:e23439. (Among top-10 most downloaded articles published online in *AJHB* between 2019-2020; a top-cited paper among work published in an issue between 2021-2022).
 51. van Schaik KD, and **DeWitte SN**. 2020. Covid-19 and the Black Death: Nutrition, frailty, inequity, and mortality. *Journal of Health and Social Sciences* 5:471-484.
 50. Walter B, **DeWitte S**, Dupras T, and Beaumont J. 2020. Assessment of nutritional stress in famine burials using stable isotope analysis. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 172:214-226
 49. **DeWitte SN**, and Yaussy SL. 2020. Sex differences in adult famine mortality in medieval London. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 171:164-169.
 48. Redfern R, **DeWitte S**, Beaumont J, Millard A, and Hamlin C. 2019. A new method for investigating the relationship between diet and mortality: hazard analysis using dietary isotopes. *Annals of Human Biology* 46(5):378-387. (Winner of the Nick Norgan Award 2020).
 47. Klunk J, Duggan AT, Redfern R, Gamble J, Boldsen JL, Golding GB, Walter BS, Eaton K, Stangroom J, Rouillard J-M, Devaul A, **DeWitte S**, and Poinar HN. 2019. Genetic resiliency and the Black Death: no apparent loss of mitogenomic diversity due to the Black Death in medieval London and Denmark. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 169:240-252.
 46. Yaussy SL*, and **DeWitte SN**. 2019. Calculus and survivorship in medieval London: the association between dental disease and a demographic measure of general health. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 168: 552-565.
 45. Yaussy SL*, and **DeWitte SN**. 2018. Patterns of frailty in non-adults from medieval London. *International Journal of Paleopathology* 22:1-7.
 44. Redfern R, **DeWitte SN**, Montgomery J, and Gowland R. 2018. A novel investigation into migrant and host health-statuses in the past: a case-study from Roman Britain. *Bioarchaeology International* 2:20-43.
 43. **DeWitte SN**. 2018. Stress, sex, and plague: patterns of developmental stress and survival in pre- and post-Black Death London. *American Journal of Human Biology* 30:e23073. (Among top-20 most downloaded articles published in *AJHB* between 2016-2018).
 42. **DeWitte SN**. 2018. Demographic anthropology. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 165: 893-903. (Among top 10% most downloaded articles published in *AJPA* between 2018-2019).
 41. **DeWitte SN** and Kowaleski M. 2017. Black Death bodies. *Fragments* 6:1-37.
 40. Betsinger TR, and **DeWitte S**. 2017. Trends in mortality and biological stress in a medieval Polish urban population. *International Journal of Paleopathology* 19:24-36.
 39. **DeWitte SN**, and Yaussy SL*. 2017. Femur length and famine mortality in medieval London. *Bioarchaeology International* 1:41-52.

38. Walter BS*, and **DeWitte SN**. 2017. Urban and rural mortality and survival in medieval England. *Annals of Human Biology* 44:338-348.
37. Redfern RC, Judd M, and **DeWitte S**. 2017. Multiple injury and health in past societies: an analysis of concepts and approaches, and insights from a multi-period study. *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology* 27:418-429.
36. Crespo FA, Klaes CK, Switala AE, and **DeWitte SN**. 2017. Do leprosy and tuberculosis generate a systemic inflammatory shift? Setting the ground for a new dialogue between experimental immunology and bioarchaeology. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 162:143-156.
35. **DeWitte SN**. 2016. Archaeological evidence of epidemics can inform future epidemics. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 45: 63-77.
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31. **DeWitte SN**, Hughes-Morey G, Bekvalac J, and Karsten J*. 2016. Wealth, health, and frailty in Industrial-era London. *Annals of Human Biology* 43:241-54.
30. **DeWitte SN**. 2015. Setting the stage for medieval plague: pre-Black Death trends in survival and mortality. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*. 158:441-451.
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28. Redfern R, **DeWitte SN**, Pearce J, Hamlin C, and Egging Dinwiddy K. 2015. Urban-rural differences in Roman Dorset, England: a bioarchaeological perspective on Roman settlements. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 157:107-120.
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24. **DeWitte SN**. 2014. Differential survival among individuals with active and healed periosteal new bone formation. *International Journal of Paleopathology*. 7:38-44.
23. **DeWitte SN**. 2014. Mortality risk and survival in the aftermath of the medieval Black Death. *PLoS ONE* 9(5): e96513. (#7 *PLoS ONE* article in 2014 based on article-level metrics).
22. Parker D, Wood J, Tomita S, **DeWitte S**, Jennings J, and Cui L. 2014. Household ecology and out-migration among ethnic Karen along the Thai-Myanmar border. *Demographic Research* 30:1129-1156.
21. Devault AM, McLoughlin K, Jaing C, Gardner S, Porter TM, Enk JM, Thissen J, Allen J, Borucki M, **DeWitte SN**, Dhody AN, and Poinar HN. 2014. Ancient pathogen DNA in archaeological samples detected with a Microbial Detection Array. *Nature Scientific Reports* 4:4245.
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- Infectious Diseases* 14:319-326.
19. **DeWitte SN**, Boulware JC*, and Redfern RC. 2013. Medieval monastic mortality: hazard analysis of mortality differences between monastic and non-monastic cemeteries in England. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 152:322-332.
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11. **DeWitte SN**. 2009. Death and dying in the Middle Ages: The Black Death of 1347-1351. Society for Literature, Science, and the Arts, Atlanta, GA.
10. **DeWitte SN**. 2009. The effect of adult age estimates on inferences about sex patterns of mortality. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology Supplement* 48:174.
9. **DeWitte SN**. 2009. Mortality patterns of the 14th-century Black Death: the skeletal evidence. Invited paper, Rhetorics of Plague Symposium, University at Albany, NY.
8. Bos KI, **DeWitte SN**, and HN Poinar. 2008. Metagenomics and disease in past human populations. Canadian Association of Physical Anthropology, Hamilton, ON.
7. **DeWitte SN**, Hughes GM, and Reedy SC. 2008. Comparison of paleodemographic age estimation methods: case study of the East Smithfield Black Death cemetery. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology Supplement* 46:89. Invited paper.
6. **DeWitte SN**. 2008. Distribution of skeletal lesions within the East Smithfield Black Death cemetery. Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, BC.
5. **DeWitte SN**. 2007. Age and sex patterns of Black Death mortality: estimates from the East Smithfield cemetery. Society for American Archaeology, Austin, TX.
4. **DeWitte SN**. 2007. Black Death mortality: selectivity with respect to frailty. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology Supplement* 44:97.
3. Sparks CS and **DeWitte-Aviña SN**. 2004 Population dynamics under catastrophic mortality: the case of the Black Death. *American Journal of Human Biology* 16:187.
2. Wood JW, Ferrell RJ, and **DeWitte-Aviña SN**. 2002. The role of infectious diseases in human populations: New evidence from the Black Death in England, 1348-1350. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology Supplement*. 34:167.
1. Wood JW, Ferrell RJ, **DeWitte-Aviña SN**, and Holman DJ. 2002. Mortality differentials during the Black Death in England, 1349. *American Journal of Human Biology* 14:95.

SYMPOSIA ORGANIZED

- 2026 **DeWitte S**, Garcia-Putnam A, and Rivera Prince J. Digging into the Archives: Nonosteological Approaches to Bioarchaeological Questions. Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, CA.
- 2025 Jones E, and **DeWitte S**. Living and Dying in Nineteenth-Century Farming Communities during Westward Expansion, from New England to the Mountain West. Society for American Archaeology, Denver, CO.
- 2019 Betsinger TK, and **DeWitte SN**. Bioarchaeology of Urbanization: The Biological, Demographic, and Social Consequences of Population Increase and Agglomeration.

- American Journal of Physical Anthropology* 168 (Supplement 68).
- 2017 **DeWitte SN**, Ferrell R, Sparks C, Usher B. Anthropological Demography, Well-being, and the Osteological Paradox: A Symposium in Honor of James W. Wood. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology Supplement* 162: 61.
- 2017 Walter BS, and **DeWitte SN**. Bioarchaeology of Transition: Health and Changing Environments (joint AAPA-PPA session). *American Journal of Physical Anthropology Supplement* 162:17.

INVITED PANELIST/DISCUSSANT/KEYNOTE SPEAKER

- 2025 Panelist, Resilience in Research & Teaching: Addressing the Impact of Political Climate on Biological Anthropology roundtable, American Anthropological Association
- 2025 Rocky Mountain Biological Anthropology Association meeting, Keynote address “Diet, migration, and stress: vulnerability to the Black Death and health in its aftermath in medieval London, England”
- 2024 Paleopathology Association Webinar, Moderator: “Paleopathology and Climate Change”
- 2024 European Paleopathology Association meeting, Keynote address: “Paleopathological Insights on Historical Plague Epidemics”
- 2022 Center for the Humanities (CHAT) at Temple University, Pandemic Perspectives Seminar Series Pre-Modern Research Symposium, Discussant: “Epidemics and the Environment in the Pre-Modern World”
- 2022 Medieval Academy of America Council Plenary Session, Panelist: “Medieval Studies for the Modern Age: New Approaches to Medicine, Disease, and Health”
- 2021 Emerging Adolescence Workshop, Keynote address, Department of Anthropology, McMaster University
- 2021 (Un)natural Lives: Bioarchaeology of Urbanization Research Group (BURG) Conference
- 2019 Ethics Panel, Paleopathology Association Student Group
- 2018 Panelist, #MeToo In Archaeology panel, American Anthropological Association.

INVITED TALKS/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS

- 2026 University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Armelagos Distinguished Lecture/Facets of Evolution Series, Department of Anthropology
- 2026 Archaeological Institute of America Ottawa Society
- 2026 Archaeological Institute of America Toronto Society
- 2026 University of Toronto, Department of Anthropology
- 2025 University of Nevada, Reno, Department of Anthropology
- 2025 Boston University, Anthropology Course
- 2025 University of Leiden, Faculty of Archaeology
- 2025 University of Washington, Department of Anthropology
- 2025 University of Wyoming, Department of Anthropology
- 2025 Archeological Institute of America, Boulder Society
- 2024 Liverpool John Moores University, Research Centre in Evolutionary Anthropology and Paleoecology
- 2024 Institute of Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2024 BeFRAIL – Porto in Times of Cholera and War: A Bioarchaeological Approach to Human Frailty Seminar Series
- 2024 University of California, Los Angeles, Cotsen Institute of Archaeology
- 2024 University of New Mexico, Department of Anthropology
- 2023 Yale University, Department of Anthropology

- 2023 Agent-based modeling of the Osteological Paradox Workshop, The Australian National University
- 2022 Vanderbilt University, Department of Anthropology
- 2022 Texas A&M School of Dentistry Pathway to Excellence and Dallas-Fort Worth Human Evolution Seminar Series for the Public
- 2022 University of Central Florida, Department of Anthropology Kent Family Speaker Series
- 2021 Dondena Center for Research on Social Dynamics and Public Policies, Bocconi University, Milan
- 2021 Centre for Research on Pandemics & Society (PANSOC), Oslo Metropolitan University
- 2021 Saint Mary's University, Anthropology Course
- 2021 University of Louisville, Anthropology Course
- 2021 Cornell University, Anthropology Course
- 2021 Approaches to Life and Health in Medieval Cities Workshop, University of Amsterdam
- 2021 Wake Forest University, Environment and Disease in the Medieval Mediterranean: Pandemic and Bubonic Plague Course
- 2021 Princeton University, The Art and Archaeology of Plague Course
- 2020 Oregon State University, Anthropology Lecture Series
- 2020 Washington University, Anthropology Course and Archaeology lecture series
- 2020 Drew University, Anthropology Course
- 2020 University of Massachusetts Amherst, Anthropology Course
- 2020 McMaster University, Anthropology Course
- 2020 University of South Dakota, Anthropology Course
- 2020 University Nevada Reno, Bioarchaeology Course
- 2019 Georgetown University, Department of History
- 2019 Durham University, Department of Archaeology
- 2019 University of California, Santa Barbara, Broom Demography Center
- 2019 Iowa City Darwin Day
- 2018 University of Missouri, Columbia, Department of Anthropology
- 2018 Appalachian State University, Department of Anthropology
- 2018 University of Southern California, Leonard Davis School of Gerontology
- 2018 Arizona State University Kampsville Field School
- 2018 University of Missouri, St. Louis, Department of Anthropology and Archaeology
- 2017 University of Kent, CHASE Training Programme 'Scientific Approaches to the Study of the Past'
- 2017 University of Sheffield, Department of Archaeology
- 2017 Sage Colleges, Women in Science Lecture
- 2016 Davidson University, Department of Anthropology
- 2016 University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Department of Anthropology Visiting Lecture Series
- 2016 Clemson University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology and The Strom Thurmond Institute
- 2016 University of Michigan School of Law, Legal Theory Workshop
- 2015 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Department of Anthropology
- 2015 Workshop on Paleodemography, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Department of Anthropology and Research Labs of Archaeology (two-day workshop on statistical approaches for addressing biases in skeletal age estimation and paleodemographic analyses)
- 2015 Field School in Medieval Archaeology and Bioarchaeology at Badia Pozzeveri, Italy
- 2015 Arizona State University Center for Evolution and Medicine Seminar
- 2015 Cleveland State University Department of History

- 2014 The Pennsylvania State University Department of Anthropology Colloquium Series
- 2014 Cypress College Anthropology Department
- 2014 The Ohio State University, Department of Anthropology
- 2014 UNC Wilmington, Identity and Humanity in Anthropology Series
- 2013 Seminar Series: Arizona State University School of Human Evolution and Social Change:
- 2013 University of Louisville Department of Anthropology Lecture Series
- 2013 Coastal Carolina University Explorations Lecture Series
- 2012 School for Advanced Research Colloquium Series
- 2011 Hunter College, Anthropology Graduate Student Association Women in Archaeology Conference
- 2010 SUNY New Paltz Speaker Series
- 2010 McGill University, Department of Epidemiology, Biostatistics, and Occupational Health Biostatistics Seminar
- 2010 Rutgers University, Extinction Signature Course
- 2010 Wake Forest University, Museum of Anthropology Public Lecture
- 2008 Skidmore College, Women in Science Lecture Series
- 2008 McMaster University, Anthropology Department Colloquium
- 2008 University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Anthropology Department Colloquium

WORKSHOP ORGANIZED

- 2020 Workshop on 21st Century Bioarchaeology; Tempe, AZ; co-organized with Jane Buikstra (Arizona State University)

SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS (PARTICIPANT)

- 2024 NSF-AABA Mock Review Workshop
- 2015 **DeWitte SN**, and Kowaleski M. “Black Death Bodies.” A Thing of the Past (interdisciplinary workshop), University of Michigan (Katherine French and Robin Fleming, Organizers).
- 2013 Radcliffe Seminar: “A Thing of the Past: Material Evidence and the Writing of Medieval England’s Past”. Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Cambridge, MA (Katherine French and Robin Fleming, Organizers).

TRAVEL GRANTS

- 2007-2010 College of Arts and Science Travel Funds Awards (3), University at Albany
- 2007-2009 New York State/United University Professions Individual Development Awards (3)

TEACHING

COURSES TAUGHT

- Bioarchaeological Principles (graduate)
- Biological Anthropology Principles and Theory (graduate)
- Forensic Anthropology (graduate and undergraduate)
- Human Anatomy and Physiology (undergraduate, online and in-person)
- Human Health and Disease in the Past: Paleopathology & Paleoepidemiology (undergraduate)
- Human Osteology (graduate and undergraduate)
- Introduction to Biological Anthropology (undergraduate)
- Introduction to Primates (undergraduate)
- Paleodemography (graduate)
- Plagues Past and Present (undergraduate)

Social Bioarchaeology (undergraduate and graduate)
Stress: From Old Bones to Modern Molecules (undergraduate)

CERTIFICATES AND TRAINING COMPLETED

Teaching Toward Inclusive Excellence, University of South Carolina
Safe Zone Ally Program, University of South Carolina

POSTDOCTORAL ADVISOR

Amy Anderson, 2025-2027, University of Colorado, Boulder
Amanda Wissler, 2021-2023, University of South Carolina

GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES

Current Committees

PhD, Committee Chair

Lydia Bailey, University of Colorado, Boulder
David Hansen, University of Colorado, Boulder
Robin James, University of Colorado, Boulder

PhD, Committee Member

Larissa Daniels-Hill, University of South Carolina
Yuting Gao, University of Colorado, Boulder
Eleanor Goulden, University of Colorado, Boulder
Meg Hardie, University of Colorado, Boulder
Nicholas Hartman, University of Colorado, Boulder
Kelsee Hentschel-Fey, University of South Florida
Annabelle Lewis, University of Colorado, Boulder

Masters, Committee Member

Rachel Coppock, Mississippi State University
Caleb Riley, Sonoma State University

Past Committees

Masters, Committee Chair

Jordan Karsten, University at Albany, SUNY 2011
Bianca Englese, University at Albany, SUNY 2010
David Hansen, University of South Carolina, 2022
Savannah Keating, University of South Carolina, 2024
Heather Miller, University at Albany, SUNY 2010
Melanie Brasor, University at Albany, SUNY 2009
Jasmine Munk, University at Albany, SUNY 2009
Sarah Reedy, University at Albany, SUNY 2007
Samantha Yaussy, University of South Carolina, 2015

Masters, Committee Member

Tiffany Barber, University at Albany, SUNY 2007
Agatha Kenda Chalaopak, University of South Carolina, 2017
Ashley Dafoe, Mississippi State University, 2020
Taylor Emery, Mississippi State University, 2023

Kelli Hamm, University at Albany, SUNY 2008
 Margaret Mongeon, University at Albany, SUNY 2007
 Amanda Smith, University at Albany, SUNY 2007
 Krysta Wilham, University of Louisville, 2017

PhD, Committee Chair

Madeline Atwell, University of South Carolina, University of South Carolina, 2022 (co-chair)
 Emily Brennan, University of South Carolina, 2024
 Alison Ham, University of South Carolina, 2023
 Gail Hughes Morey, University at Albany, SUNY 2012
 Brittany Walter, University of South Carolina 2017
 Samantha Yaussy, University of South Carolina 2019

PhD, Committee Member

Derek Boyd, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 2022
 Abigail Gancz, Pennsylvania State University, 2024
 Erin O'Neill, University at Albany, SUNY
 Akacia Propst, McMaster University, 2025
 Kelli Tamvada, University at Albany, SUNY 2015
 Amanda Wissler, Arizona State University, 2021

PhD, External Examiner

Maia Casna, Leiden University, Netherlands 2025
 Melandri Vlok, University of Otago, NZ, 2020
 Bronwyn Wyatt, Australian National University, 2025

MENTORED STUDENT RESEARCH

Melanie Brasor, University at Albany, 2007 (independent study)
 Bianca Englese, University at Albany, 2007 (independent study)
 Nadine Huseby, University of Colorado, Boulder (Honors Thesis)
 Savannah Keating, University of South Carolina, 2022 (Magellan Journey)
 Colin Partridge, University of South Carolina, 2012 (independent study)
 Jennifer Pollard, University at Albany, 2009 (Honors Thesis)
 Rowan Ooi, University of South Carolina, 2015 (Magellan Apprentice)
 Willis Orlando, University at Albany, 2011 (independent study)
 Emily Reardon, University of Colorado, Boulder (Honors Thesis)
 Sophia Ries, Cheyenne Mountain High School, 2024 (AP Research)
 Muneebah Umar, Mississippi State University, 2025 (Honors Thesis, committee member)
 Gregory Wehrman, University of South Carolina, 2013 (Magellan Scholar, Honors Thesis)
 Hannah Willis, University of South Carolina, 2021 (Honors Thesis Second Reader)
 Skyler Yakes, University of South Carolina, 2022 (Magellan Scholar, Senior Thesis)

SERVICE

DEPARTMENTAL/INSTITUTE

University of Colorado, Boulder

2025- Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology
 2025- Faculty Compensation Committee, Institute of Behavioral Science
 2025 Chair, Department of Anthropology Primary Unit Evaluation Committee (PUEC),

Dr. Lauren Hosek (reappointment)
 2025 Member, Graduate Program Professional Search Committee
 2024-2025 Department of Anthropology Executive Committee
 2024 Member, Demography Search Committee, Institute of Behavioral Science
 2023-2024 Department of Anthropology Undergraduate and Curriculum Committee
 2024 Chair, Department of Anthropology Ethics Statement Committee
 2023-2024 Department of Anthropology Primary Unit Evaluation Committee (PUEC), Dr. Gerardo Gutiérrez

University of South Carolina Department of Anthropology

2021-2023 Chair of Department Tenure and Promotion Committee
 2018-2023 Department Curriculum Committee
 2018-2023 Biological Anthropology Subfield Coordinator
 2012-2023 Graduate Admissions Committee
 2022-2023 Chair, Biological Anthropology Assistant Professor Search Committee
 2019-2022 Director of Graduate Studies
 2019-2022 Department Web Committee
 2021-2022 Member, Linguistic Anthropology Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee
 2021-2022 Member, Biological Anthropology Assistant Professor Search Committee
 2016-2022 Ann Kingsolver Research and Professionalization Skills Fund Committee
 2018-2021 Member of Department Tenure and Promotion Committee
 2017 Medical Anthropology Assistant Professor Search Committee
 2017 Member, Biological Anthropology Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee
 2012 Member, Southern Studies/Sociocultural Anthropology Assistant Professor Search Committee
 2011 Member, Linguistic Anthropology Assistant Professor Search Committee

University at Albany, SUNY

2009-2011 Graduate Affairs Committee
 2007-2009 Faculty Sponsor for University at Albany chapter of Lambda Alpha
 2007-2009 Speaker Series Coordinator
 2007 Paleoanthropology Search Committee

UNIVERSITY

University of Colorado, Boulder

2025-present Public Health Executive Committee

University of South Carolina

2015-2023 UofSC NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Committee
 2022 UofSC Doctoral Commencement speaker
 2021 College of Arts and Sciences Carolina Core Task Force
 2020 Graduate Council
 2017 USC ASPIRE I Grant Review Committee
 2015-2016 SPARC Graduate Research Grant Review Committee
 2014-2015 Office of the Provost Social Sciences Grant Committee
 2014 Presentation at Carolina's Promise Capital Campaign Meeting
 2013 Reviewer for Magellan Scholar application
 2013 Presentation at CAS Board of Visitors Meeting

- 2012 -2013 Guest lectures, STEPS to Stem (STEM 101)
 2012 Guest lecture Office of Undergraduate Research *Discover* course

University at Albany, SUNY

- 2007-2009 College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Council Committee; Academic Planning standing subcommittee

PROFESSIONAL

- Panel member, National Science Foundation Review Panels
 2026-present Senior Associate Editor, *American Journal of Biological Anthropology*
 2025-present Membership Engagement Chair, Section on Anthropology, AAAS
 2024-present Editorial Committee, *Annual Review of Anthropology*
 2022-present Associate Editor, *Science Advances*
 2019-present BodoArxiv Steering Committee
 2017-present Editorial Board Member, *Evolutionary Anthropology*
 2019-2022 Member of the Electorate Nominating Committee (ENC), Section on Anthropology, AAAS
 2018-2020 Series Co-Editor, *Bridging Perspectives in the Anthropology of Health and Well-Being*, University of Florida Press
 2017-2020 Secretary, Paleopathology Association
 2017-2020 Secretary/Treasurer, Biological Anthropology Section of the American Anthropological Association
 2013-2019 Associate Editor, *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*
 2014-2017 Academic Editor, *PLOS ONE*

Ad Hoc Reviewer for:

Journals: *American Anthropologist*, *American Antiquity*, *American Journal of Human Biology*, *American Journal of Biological Anthropology* (formerly *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*), *Antiquity*, *Archives of Oral Biology*, *Bioarchaeology International*, *Bioarchaeology of the Near East*, *Boyhood Studies*, *Bulletins et Mémoires de la Société de Paris*, *Demographic Research*, *European Journal of Archaeology*, *Evolutionary Anthropology*, *Geography Compass*, *Historical Archaeology*, *Human Ecology*, *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology*, *International Journal of Paleopathology*, *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology*, *Journal of Archaeological Science*, *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports*, *Landscapes*, *Medieval Archaeology*, *Molecules*, *PLOS One*, *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, *Scientific Reports*, *Yearbook of Physical Anthropology*

Funding Agencies: American Association of Physical Anthropologists (Professional Development Award Committee), Canada Foundation for Innovation, Estonian Research Council, European Research Council (ERC), Leakey Foundation, Lundbeck Foundation, National Geographic Society, National Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Swiss National Science Foundation

Other Professional Service:

- 2024 American Association of Biological Anthropologists Professional Development Committee
 2022 Host, Society for American Archaeology, Committee on the Status of Women in Archaeology-sponsored brown-bag, “Funding your bioarchaeology project”
 2020 Guest Editor, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*
 2018 American Association of Physical Anthropologists Student Presentation Prize

- Judging Committee
- 2018 Content consultant for Red Line Editorial
- 2017-2018 Member, 2018 AAA Annual Meeting Executive Program Committee
- 2014 Panel member, "After Carpenter," workshop on strategies for navigating the academic job market, Pennsylvania State University Department of Anthropology
- 2013 Society for American Archaeology Program Committee
- 2008-2012 American Association of Physical Anthropologists Program Committee
- 2007-2012 American Association of Physical Anthropologists Student Affairs Committee

PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2019 Guest Speaker, Columbia Medical Society
- 2019 Guest on St. Ambrose University KALA's "Relevant or Irrelevant" (ROI) radio program, Episode #314 "Survival in the Context of Medieval Mortality Crisis"
- 2019 Talk at Iowa City FilmScene: "*Contagion* and the reality of emerging infectious diseases,"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4KEdR8cCQ8&list=PLf83H_YszGV7c0igx991gk3Ixy8vT8C8_&index=2&t=393s
- 2017 Guest Speaker, Central South Carolina Mensa group, Columbia, SC
- 2017 Co-instructor, *Health, Disease and Society in the Age of Black Death*, Lifelong Learning Program, Wake Forest University
- 2017 Guest Speaker, North Carolina Governor's School West, Winston Salem, NC
- 2017 Blog post for Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (iaphs.org), "Population Health Lessons from the Black Death"
- 2016 Guest speaker, DavidsonLearns class, "Plagues!" Davidson, NC
- 2016 Guest speaker, Capital Rotary Club, Columbia, SC
- 2015 Guest lecture, Epidemiology class, Christian Brothers Academy, Syracuse, NY
- 2014 TED-Ed educational video, 2014, "The past, present and future of the bubonic plague,"
<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/the-past-present-and-future-of-the-bubonic-plague-sharon-n-dewitte>
- 2009 Mentor, Niskayuna NY Central School District Career Exploration Internship Program
- 2007-2009 Outreach program, Albany High School, Anthropology class
- 2007 Third Annual UAlbany/Albany High School Alliance Teach Together
- 2007 Referee at the Upstate New York Junior Science and Humanities

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Biological Anthropologists, American Anthropological Association, Dental Anthropology Association, Human Biology Association, Paleopathology Association, Register of Professional Archaeologists, Sigma Delta Epsilon/Graduate Women in Science, Society for American Archaeology

SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES

- Research featured in the following articles:
 - "Black women most likely to die in medieval plague, Museum of London says," *BBC* 11/21/2023

- “Skeletons of 1918 Flu Victims Reveal Clues About Who Was Likely to Die,” *New York Times* 10/09/2023
 - Science Magazine, “From Black Death to fatal flu, past pandemics show why people on the margins suffer most,” <https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2020/05/black-death-fatal-flu-past-pandemics-show-why-people-margins-suffer-most>
 - Vice.com, “Ancient Skeletons Might Explain One of Humanity's Worst Epidemics,” https://tonic.vice.com/en_us/article/9kdkdv/ancient-skeletons-might-explain-one-of-humanitys-worst-epidemics
 - “Plague may not be solely to blame for Black Death’s mortality”, NewsScientist.com, 7/25/15
 - Shipman P (2014) “The Bright Side of the Black Death”, *American Scientist* 102:410-413
 - “The medieval Black Death made you healthier – if you survived”, TIME.com, 5/7/14
 - “Scientists solve DNA puzzle of the Black Death,” *New York Times* 10/12/11
 - “Clues to Black Plague’s fury in 650-year-old skeletons,” *New York Times* 1/29/08
- Interviewed for the following news, podcasts, or popular science programs:
 - Mendocino County Public Broadcasting (KZYYX), It’s a New Day, 10/16/24
 - Callaway E. “Ancient DNA traces origin of Black Death”. *Nature* 6/15/22
 - Gizmodo.com, “What’s the oldest disease?”, 4/1/19
 - BBC Radio 4, More or Less: Behind the Stats, “Avengers: should we reverse the snap?”, 5/10/18, <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0788fyl>
 - Human Biology Association podcast, 2/27/18: <https://soundcloud.com/humanbiologyassociation/stress-sex-and-plague-a-chat-with-sharon-dewitte-sos-6>
 - BBC Radio 4 program, *Conflict and Cooperation: A History of Trade*, 1/08/18, <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09kxsdv>
 - CBC program, *The Nature of Things: Secrets in the Bones: The Hunt for the Black Death Killer*, 2014
 - ABC Columbia, *Good Morning Columbia*, 9/12/12
 - The Discovery Channel Canada’s program *The Daily Planet*, 1/29/08
 - German Public Radio, host Volker Mrasek, 1/29/08
 - *The Health Show* (nationally syndicated), WAMC Northeast, 2/04/08

Honor Society Memberships

Lambda Alpha, National Anthropology Honor’s Society

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, The Pennsylvania State University