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Education:

2020: PhD in Anthropology with Distinction, Syracuse University

Thesis: *Crossroads of Conversion: Intersections of Bodies, Materials, and Histories in Early Medieval Bohemia*

2014: MA in Anthropology, Syracuse University

2009: BA in Anthropology and Archaeology, Washington University in St. Louis
Summa cum Laude

Research Interests:

Bioarchaeology; human osteology; skeletal plasticity and the life course; paleopathology; materiality; religion and the body; early medieval Europe; mortuary archaeology; bioarchaeological approaches to identity, mobility, and migration

Academic Positions:

2020-Present: Postdoctoral Associate, Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder

2017: Instructor, Forensic and National Security Sciences Institute, Syracuse University

2017: Instructor, Department of Anthropology, Syracuse University

2014: Instructor, Department of Anthropology, College at Brockport, SUNY

Publications:

Guest Organized Special Issue Journal (1)

Hosek, Lauren and John Robb. (2019) Bodies as Narratives. *Bioarchaeology International* 3(1):1-88.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Book Chapters (4)

Hosek, Lauren, Alanna Warner-Smith and Cristina Watson. (2020) The Body Politic and the Citizen's Mouth: Oral Health and Dental Care in Nineteenth Century Manhattan. *Historical Archaeology* 53(4).

Hosek, Lauren and John Robb. (2019) Osteobiography: A Platform for Bioarchaeological Research. *Bioarchaeology International* 3(1):1-15.

Hosek, Lauren. (2019) Osteobiography as Microhistory: Writing from the Bones Up. *Bioarchaeology International* 3(1):44-57.

Hosek, Lauren. (2019) Variation beyond the Grave: Contextualizing Unusual Burials in Early Medieval Bohemia. In *The Odd, the Unusual, and the Strange: Animal & Human Deviant Burials and their Cultural Contexts*. Tracy Betsinger, Amy Scott, and Anastasia Tsaliki, eds. University Press of Florida: Gainesville.

External Fellowships, Grants, and Awards:

2019: Seal of Excellence, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, European Union/European Commission: “ConBod” (Converting Bodies: A Social Bioarchaeology of Religious Change in Central Europe)

2017: Elsevier Foundation New Scholars Travel Grant. AAPA Conference (\$200)

2012-2015: National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship: “Bioarchaeological Analysis of an Early Medieval Czech Skeletal Population” (\$96,000)

2014: Student Paper Prize, AAA Biological Anthropology Section: “Enamel, Stone, and Gold: Probing Composite Mouths and Personhood in Nineteenth Century New York City” (\$250)

2009-2010: ORISE Postgraduate Research Participation Program: Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education Fellowship with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District (\$37,400)

Internal Grants and Awards:

2019: Gordon Bowles Graduate Competition Essay Prize (\$100)

2018: Claudia De Lys Scholarship in Archaeological Anthropology. Department of Anthropology, Syracuse University (\$9,250)

2015: Moynihan Institute, Center for European Studies Research Grant (\$1,000)

2013: Roscoe Martin Research Grant (\$1,000)

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2011-2017: Graduate Student Organization and Department of Anthropology Travel Grants

Internal Fellowships:

2016-2017: Graduate Research Assistantship, Department of Anthropology (\$18,650)

2015-2016: Syracuse University Fellow, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs (\$24,000)

2012: Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs Dean’s Summer Research Fellowship (\$3,500)

2011: Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs Dean’s Summer Research Fellowship (\$3,500)

2010-2011: Syracuse University Fellow. Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs (\$24,000)

Teaching Experience:**Instructor**

2017. *Introduction to Forensic Anthropology*, Syracuse University

2017. *Human Osteology*, Syracuse University

2015. *Bioarchaeology Lab Course*, Czech-American Field School (assistant instructor)

2014. *The Human Condition (Intro to Anthropology)*, College at Brockport, SUNY

Teaching Assistant

2012. *Introduction to Biological Anthropology*, Syracuse University

2011. *People and Cultures of the World*, Syracuse University

2009. *Introduction to World Archaeology*, Washington University in St. Louis

Organized Conference Symposia:

- 2017, 03/30: Bodies as Narratives: Revisiting Osteobiography as a Conceptual Tool. With John Robb. Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, BC.
- 2014, 12/06: The Bones and the Worms: Bioarchaeology as Microhistory. With Alanna Warner. American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.

Conference Presentations: (* = invited session)

- 2020, 04/16: **Lauren Hosek**. Our Daily Bread: Intersections of Dental Health, Social Status, and Religious Identity in Early Medieval Central Europe. American Association of Physical Anthropologists, Los Angeles, CA: poster presentation (remote).
- *2018, 09/07: **Lauren Hosek** and John Robb. Osteobiography as a Research Tool: Developing Concepts to go with the Term. European Association of Archaeologists, Barcelona, Spain: podium presentation.
- 2017, 10/07: Vanessa Reeves and **Lauren Hosek**. The Embodied Warrior: An Early Medieval Case Study. Western Bioarchaeology Group, Reno, NV: poster presentation.
- *2017, 08/31: **Lauren Hosek**, Joan Brenner-Coltrain, and Jan Mařík. Where the Cidlina Loses its Name: Rethinking the Local in Early Medieval Central Europe. European Association of Archaeologists, Maastricht, Netherlands, podium presentation.
- 2017, 04/22: **Lauren Hosek**. Bioarchaeological Analysis of Weapon-related Trauma in an Early Medieval Population. American Association of Physical Anthropologists, New Orleans, LA: poster presentation.
- 2017, 03/30: **Lauren Hosek**. From Life History to Large Scale: Osteobiography as Microhistory. Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, BC, podium presentation.
- 2016, 10/29: **Lauren Hosek**. The Mounted Knight: The Material Relationships of Medieval “Warrior” Identity. Bioarchaeologists’ Northeast Regional Dialogue, SUNY Oneonta, NY, podium presentation.
- *2015, 11/22: **Lauren Hosek** and Vanessa Reeves. Riding into Battle: Personhood and Otherness in Early Medieval “Warrior” Burials. American Anthropological Association, Denver, CO, podium presentation.
- 2014, 12/06. **Lauren Hosek** and Alanna Warner. Enamel, Stone, and Gold: Probing Composite Mouths and Personhood in 19th Century NYC. American Anthropological Association, Washington DC: podium presentation.
- 2014, 10/05. Alanna Warner and **Lauren Hosek**. The Body as Assemblage: The Mouth and Dental Prostheses in 19th Century New York City. Bioarchaeologists’ Northeast Regional Dialogue, Ithaca College, NY: podium presentation.
- *2014, 09/11: **Lauren Hosek**. A Deviant “Life” after Death: The Postmortem Existence of the Unusual Dead. European Association of Archaeologists, Istanbul, Turkey: podium presentation.
- *2013, 10/20: **Lauren Hosek**. Postmortem Wanderings: A Bioarchaeology of Early Medieval Revenants. Canadian Association for Physical Anthropology, University of Toronto, Canada: podium presentation.
- 2013, 02/23: **Lauren Hosek**. Contextualizing “Deviance”: Bioarchaeological Investigation of Early Medieval Burials. Bioarchaeologists’ Northeast Regional Dialogue, Syracuse University, NY: podium presentation.
- 2013, 01/10: **Lauren Hosek**. Early Medieval Deviant Burials in the Czech Republic. Society for Historical Archaeology, Leicester, UK: podium presentation.

- 2012, 02/17: Shannon Novak and **Lauren Hosek**. Two Cases of Probable Prostate Neoplasm from the Spring Street Presbyterian Church in NYC. *Bioarchaeologists' Northeast Regional Dialogue*, University at Albany – SUNY, NY: podium presentation.
- 2011, 03/15: **Lauren Hosek** and Shannon Novak. A Case of Metastasized Prostate Cancer from the Spring Street Presbyterian Church in NYC. *American Association of Physical Anthropologists*, Minneapolis, MN: poster presentation.

Invited Campus, Departmental, and Public Talks:

- 2017, 11/30: Medieval Bioarchaeology: Bones, Plagues, and Trauma. Ithaca College, *Introduction to Biological Anthropology*.
- 2017, 03/01: Bioarchaeology Laboratory Methods. Cazenovia College, *Introduction to Archaeology*.
- 2017, 02/22: A Bioarchaeology of the Unusual Dead. Perspectives in Anthropology and Archaeology Lecture Series at Cazenovia College.
- 2015, 12/03: Medieval Trauma: A 10th Century Case Study. Syracuse University, *Bioarchaeology*.
- 2015, 11/05: Broken Bones: Farmers or Warriors in Medieval Bohemia? Syracuse University, *Introduction to Forensic Anthropology*.
- 2015, 10/30: Deviant 'Life' after Death: A Medieval Mystery. Syracuse University, *Introduction to Forensic Anthropology*.
- 2015, 03/11: Where the Warriors Lie: A Bioarchaeology of Conflict in Early Medieval Bohemia. Marjorie Helen Stewart Speaker Series at the College at Brockport, SUNY.
- 2014, 09/22: Dental Disease. The College at Brockport (SUNY), *Ancient Diseases*.
- 2014, 09/18: Bioarchaeology: Bones as Sources. Le Moyne College, *Introduction to Anthropology*.
- 2014, 03/24: An Osteobiography of Otherness: Identity and Migration in Early Medieval Bohemia. Syracuse University Graduate Student Conference, podium presentation.
- 2013, 11/6: Returning from the Grave: Early Medieval Revenants in Bohemia and Beyond. Syracuse University, *Death in the Middle Ages*.
- 2013, 10/28: Bioarchaeology: Bones as Sources. Syracuse University, *Death in the Middle Ages*.
- 2013, 04/06: Returning from the Grave: A Bioarchaeology of Early Medieval Revenants. The Monstrous, the Marginalized, and Transgressive Forms of Humanity. Graduate Student Conference, Syracuse University, podium presentation.
- 2013, 02/14: Contextualizing "Deviance": A Bioarchaeological Investigation of Unusual Early Medieval Burials. Brown Bottle Anthropology Graduate Student Talk, Syracuse University.

Selected Archaeological Field and Laboratory Experience:

- 2011-2017: **Independent Researcher**, early medieval skeletal collections from Libice nad Cidlinou. Anthropology Laboratory, National Museum of Natural History of the Czech Republic, Prague.
- 2010-2016: **Lab Manager** (2014-2016), **Lab Technician** (2010-2014), Spring Street Presbyterian Church Bioarchaeological Project in NYC (1820-1850). Syracuse University Biological Anthropology Laboratory

- 2014-2015: **Field Archaeologist and Lab Technician**, Pohansko Research Project and Bioarchaeological Field School. College of DuPage and University of Brno, Břeclav, Czech Republic.
- 2013: **Independent Researcher**, early medieval skeletal collections from Pohansko. Department of Anthropology, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic.
- 2011: **Field School Graduate Student, Undergraduate Supervisor**, Harriet Tubman Field School. Syracuse University, Auburn, NY.
- 2005-2009: **Lab Assistant and Field Technician**, Cahokia Research Project. Washington University Archaeology Laboratory, St. Louis, MO/IL.
- 2008: **Field Archaeologist**, Fetternear Research Project. University of Wales, Lampeter, Aberdeenshire, Scotland
- 2007: **Field School Student**, West Halton Field School. University of Sheffield, Lincolnshire, United Kingdom.

Previous Employment:

- 2009-2010: Postgraduate Research Participation Program of the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) at the St Louis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Mandatory Center of Expertise for Curation and Archives Analysis, St. Louis, MO.
- 2005-2009: Part-time Research Assistant, African Wild Ass Domestication Project. Department of Anthropology, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO.

Professional Service:

- 2020: Research Mentor for Honors Thesis in Anthropology, Syracuse University
Katelyn Bajorek: *Title tbd.*
- 2011-2020: Bioarchaeologists' Northeast Regional Dialogue (BNRD) Conference Organizing Committee Member
- 2020: Virtual Conference, planning and statements
 - 2018: Rowan University, planning and scheduling liaison
 - 2017: Quinnipiac University, conference communication
 - 2016: SUNY Oneonta, conference and committee coordinator
 - 2015: SUNY Buffalo, conference communication
 - 2014: Ithaca College, keynote organizer and publicity
 - 2013: Syracuse University, host institution liaison and conference communication
 - 2012: University at Albany - SUNY, conference communication and program design
- 2019: Faculty Mentor for Capstone Project in Forensic Science, Syracuse University
Erin Kang: *Forensic Anthropology and Disaster Victim Identification (DVI)*
- 2018: Faculty Mentor for Capstone Projects in Forensic Science, Syracuse University
Shannon Vonn Dyke: *The Online Market of Human Remains and Forensic Association*
Yuyang Tian: *Classification of "Asian" Ancestry Using Human Skull: A review of traditional methods and novel alternative classifications*
- 2014-2015: Research Mentor for Renee Crown Honors Capstone Research, Syracuse University and National Museum of Natural History of the Czech Republic, Prague
Vanessa Reeves: *A Bioarchaeological Study of Early Medieval Human-Horse Relations in the Czech Republic*
- 2010-2014: Future Professoriate Program organizer and participant, Department of

Anthropology, Syracuse University
2012-2013. President (elected position), Syracuse University Anthropology Graduate Student Organization (AGSO).
2011-2012. Faculty Representative (elected position), Syracuse University Anthropology Graduate Student Organization (AGSO)
2010-2011. Brown Bottle Social Coordinator, Syracuse University Anthropology Graduate Student Organization (AGSO)

Public Outreach:

2016-2017: Science Writing and Research Mentor at Allendale Columbia High School, Rochester, NY.
Nadia Linton: *The Scars Left Behind: Observations of Traumas Made from Medieval Bladed Weapons*
2017, 11/14-16: Program developer and presenter: Human Evolution Tours in the Lab, Auburn Montessori School, Syracuse NY.
2017, 03/19: Your Growing Skeleton: Featured Presenter at the Rochester Museum and Science Center, Rochester, NY.
2016, 02/28: No Bones about It! – The Human Skeleton: Featured Presenter at the Rochester Museum and Science Center, Rochester, NY.
2016, 12/04: What do Archaeologists Find?: Featured Presenter at the Rochester Museum and Science Center, Rochester, NY.
2015, 12/05: Program developer and presenter: Archaeology Day at Auburn Montessori School, Syracuse, NY.
2014, 11/10: Program developer and presenter: Primates and Humans Day at Auburn Montessori School, Syracuse, NY.

Membership of Professional Organizations:

American Association of Physical Anthropologists
European Archaeological Association
American Association of Anthropologists
Society for American Archaeologists

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