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Summary

A second year PhD student at the University of Maryland. Her research interests include the historic archaeology of Ireland and the Irish diaspora with thematic focuses on dark tourism and women's experiences.

Professional Experience

Teaching Assistant, **University of Maryland**

January 2024 – Current

ANTH-222 Introduction to Evolutionary Anthropology

ANTH-240 Introduction to Archaeology

- Highly proficient in subject matter, with a strong foundation in evolutionary anthropology
- Demonstrated ability to effectively communicate complex concepts to students in a clear and concise manner
- Experienced in assisting professors with course development, including creating and correcting lesson plans, assignments, and exams
- Skilled in conducting research and providing valuable insights to enhance course materials and curriculum
- Proven track record of providing individualized support to students through tutoring sessions, office hours, and email correspondence
- Proficient in utilizing technology and educational tools to facilitate learning
- Strong organizational skills, capable of managing multiple tasks and responsibilities efficiently
- Excellent interpersonal skills, fostering positive relationships with students, faculty, and staff
- Committed to fostering an inclusive and supportive learning environment for all students

Part Time Junior Staffing Coordinator, ZemiTek

January 2024 – Current

- Manages the transition of office staff into new programmatic structures
- Educates new staff in the role of Responsible Unit Coordinator
- Coordinates resources under high pressure response conditions
- Communicates with leadership to assign staff according to response priority as assigned by USAID/BHA leadership
- Conducts discreet, ongoing staffing analysis and works with leadership to identify staffing needs and implement (or develop) strategies that ensure the office(s) and responses are staffed with the right balance of roles, qualified staff, and resources
- Proactively engages with programmatic staff to ensure their training documents and staff profile is up to date in the event of a fast paced activation

Media Assistant—Arctic Studies Center, Smithsonian's NMNH

October 2019 – August 2024

- Coordinates and produces the center's annual newsletter
- Translates and transcribes fieldnotes and anthropological records
- Organizes shipments of archaeological and educational materials internationally
- Produces promotional materials; such as publication pamphlets and posters
- Provides research support for the production of exhibits, presentations and publications

Part Time Junior Staffing Coordinator, PAE/MacFadden/Amentum	August 2023 – January 2024
Junior Staffing Coordinator, PAE/MacFadden/Amentum	October 2021 – August 2023
Housing Specialist, Nan McKay	March 2021 – October 2021
Membership and Project Assistant, ASEE	September 2020—January 2021
Intern, Office of the Sant Director, Smithsonian’s NMNH	May 2019 – August 2019
Intern, Office of Senator Jeffrey A. Merkley, Washington, DC	January 2018-April 2018
Receptionist, Conestoga Recreation and Aquatic Center, Beaverton, OR	June 2017–August 2017
Intern, Office of Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici, Washington, DC	January 2017 – May 2017

Education

University of Maryland	Expected Spring 2028
Doctor of Philosophy – Anthropology – Archaeology	
American University	May 2020
Bachelor of Arts in International Studies – Foreign Policy and National Security	
Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology – Archaeology	
National University of Ireland: Galway	September 2018-December 2018
Anthropology and Archaeology of Ireland and Northern Europe	

Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities

- Database Fluency: NVivo Qualitative Data Analysis, Internet Quorum, Evernote, Endnote X9
- Organizations: Practicing Anthropologists Student Association (Treasurer), UMD Archaeology Club (Graduate Representative), NUI Galway Archaeology Society, NUI Galway Feminist Society, Alpha Xi Delta Sorority (President, Diversity and Inclusion Officer), American University Founder’s Day Committee Chairwoman

Awards and Achievements

- UMD Department of Anthropology MAA Summer Tuition Stipend Award 2024
- Off the Beaten Path Research Grant Recipient 2020

Publications

Inuit Tik-Tokers: Spreading Knowledge in 60 Seconds or Less
Arctic Studies Center Newsletter #30

Talks, Abstracts, and Other Professional Papers Presented

Your Ancestry, Their Capital
2024 Anthro+ Conference: The Questions Asked