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EDUCATION**University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV**

2019 Ph.D. Anthropology, Bioarchaeology. Advisor: Dr. Debra Martin.

Graduated: December 2019

2016 M.A. Anthropology, Bioarchaeology. Advisor: Dr. Debra Martin.

University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

2011 B.A. Anthropology Major/ English Minor. Advisor: Dr. Gordon Rakita.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Bioarchaeology, Osteology, Paleopathology, Bioarchaeology of Care, Healthcare, Disability, Non-Western Medical Practices, Subadult Health, Mortuary Practices, Health, Diet, Nutrition, Archaeology, Midwest United States, Southeast Asia, Middle East

PUBLICATIONSBOOKS

Schrenk, A. and Tremblay, L. (2022) *Bioarchaeology of Care through Population-Level Analyses*. Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida. **Citations: 1**

Tilley, L. and **Schrenk, A.** (2017) *New Developments in the Bioarchaeology of Care: Further Case Studies and Extended Theory*. Switzerland: Springer International Publishing. **Citations: 79; Purchases: 14,000+; Chapter Purchases: 12,148**

ARTICLES

Gregoricka, L. A., Ullinger J., and **Schrenk, A.** (2021) "Set apart from within: Articulated women in commingled tombs from Early Bronze Age Arabia." *Arabian Archaeology and Epigraphy*, 00:1-13. DOI: 10.1111/aae.12198/ **Citations: 1**

Schrenk, A. (2017) "An Investigation of Subadult Age-at-Death and Health Status in Neolithic Borneo." *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology*, 27(5):801-812. **Citations: 3**

Schrenk, A., Gregoricka L.A., Martin D.L., and Potts, D.T. (2016) "Differential diagnosis of a progressive neuromuscular disorder using biogeochemical evidence from a Bronze Age skeleton in the UAE." *International Journal of Paleopathology*, 13: 1-10. **Citations: 11**

CHAPTERS

Schrenk, A. and Tremblay, L. (2022) “New Perspectives on Past Healthcare: Challenges and Opportunities for Bioarchaeological Analyses of Population-Level Healthcare in the Past.” In A. Schrenk and L. Tremblay (Eds.), *A Community of Care: Expanding Bioarchaeology of Care to Population-Level Analyses* (pp. 1-14). Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida. **Citations: 1**

Tremblay, L. and **Schrenk, A.** (2022) “Conclusion: Examining Communities of Care in Prehistory.” In A. Schrenk and L. Tremblay (Eds.), *A Community of Care: Expanding Bioarchaeology of Care to Population-Level Analyses* (pp. 174-184). Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida. **Citations: 1**

Schrenk, A. (2022) “The Burden of Care: Exploring the Relationship between Morbidity Load and Need for Care at the Middle Archaic (8000 – 5000 BP) Site of Carrier Mills, IL.” In A. Schrenk and L. Tremblay (Eds.), *A Community of Care: Expanding Bioarchaeology of Care to Population-Level Analyses* (pp. 93-118). Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida. **Citation: 1**

Tilley, L. and **Schrenk, A.** (2016) “Introduction: New Developments in the Bioarchaeology of Care.” In L. Tilley and A. Schrenk (Eds.), *New Developments in the Bioarchaeology of Care: Further Case Studies and Extended Theory* (pp. 1-10). Switzerland: Springer International Publishing. **Citations: 10; Purchases: 747**

Schrenk, A. and Martin, D.L. (2016) “Applying the Index of Care to the Case Study of a Bronze Age Teenager Who Lived with Paralysis: Moving from Speculation to Strong Inference.” In L. Tilley and A. Schrenk (Eds.), *New Developments in the Bioarchaeology of Care: Further Case Studies and Extended Theory* (pp. 47-64). Switzerland: Springer International Publishing. **Citations: 10; Purchases: 732**

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2022 Tremblay, L. and Schrenk, A., **Invited Poster Presentation**, “A bioarchaeological analysis of the intersections of structural violence and healthcare provisioning at the Oneida State Custodial Asylum,” in “Anatomical and Bioarchaeological Skeletal Collections that Represent Marginalized Communities: current work and future developments,” AABA 2022, 91st Annual Meeting, Denver, CO. Accepted.

2021 Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, “Chronic Care in the Archaic Midwest: A bioarchaeological analysis of healthcare provisioning and chronic illness at Carrier Mills, IL (6000 – 3000 BC),” SAA 2021, 86th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA. Accepted. Presented online due to Covid-19 outbreak.

2020 Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, “Living with Chronic Illness: A bioarchaeological analysis of chronic illness and healthcare provisioning in the Archaic Midwest (6000 – 3000 BC),” PPA 2020, 47th Annual Meeting, Los Angeles CA. Accepted. Canceled due to Covid-19 outbreak.

Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, “Coming Apart at the Seams: A Bioarchaeology of Care analysis of 50-59 year old female with tuberculosis from the Middle Archaic Midwest (6000 – 3000 BC),” AAPA 2020, 89th Annual Meeting, Los Angeles CA. Accepted. Presented online due to COVID-19 outbreak.

Best, K., Spencer, J., Cabrera, K., and Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, “An osteobiographical model of care: Case study of Carrier Mills, IL individual 94,” AAPA 2020, 89th Annual Meeting, Los Angeles CA. Accepted. Presented online due to COVID-19 outbreak.

Gregoricka, L., Ullinger, J., Schrenk, A. **Invited Poster Presentation**, “Set apart from within: Articulated women in commingled tombs from Early Bronze Age Arabia,” in “The Secret Lives of Women”, AAPA 2020, 89th Annual Meeting, Los Angeles CA. Accepted. Presented online due to COVID-19 outbreak.

- 2019 Schrenk, A., **Invited Paper Presentation**, "What happened to the victims? Constructing a model of care for cranial trauma from non-lethal violence at Carrier Mills, IL (8000 – 2500 BP)" in "Systems of Care in Times of Violence", SAA 2019, 84th annual meeting, Albuquerque NM.
- Schrenk, A., **Session Organizer**, "Systems of Care in Times of Violence", SAA 2019, 84th Annual Meeting, Albuquerque NM.
- 2018 Schrenk, A. and Martin, D. L., **Invited Paper Presentation**, "The Bioarchaeologist's Crutch: When medical models fail the bioarchaeological interpretation of disability and healthcare" in "Disrupting Disability: Rethinking the Experience of Disease in the Past", AAA 117th annual meeting, San Jose CA.
- Schrenk, A., **Invited Poster Presentation**, "The Burden of Care: Exploring the relationship between morbidity load and need for care at the Middle Archaic (7000 – 4000 BP) site of Carrier Mills, IL" in "A Community of Care: Expanding the Bioarchaeology of Care to Population Level Analyses", AAPA 2018, 87th annual meeting, Austin, TX.
- Schrenk, A. and Tremblay, L., **Poster Session Organizer**, "A Community of Care: Expanding the Bioarchaeology of Care to Population Level Analyses", AAPA 2018, 87th annual meeting, Austin TX.
- 2017 Schrenk, A., **Paper Presentation**, "After the Violence: A bioarchaeological analysis of health-care and trauma at Carrier Mills in the Middle Archaic (7000 – 4000 BP)" in "Current Research in Southeastern Bioarchaeology: Marking Ten Years", SEAC 2017, 74th annual meeting, Tulsa, OK.
- Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, "The Face of Violence: Embodiment of Violence at Carrier Mills, IL in the Middle Archaic (7000 – 4000 BP)", Western Bioarchaeology Group Conference, 5th annual meeting, Reno, NV.
- 2016 Schrenk, A., **Invited Paper Presentation**, "Going Beyond Pathology: Expansion of the Bioarchaeology of Care Approach to Examine Lived Experiences and Agency in the Past" in "Discovering Evidence of Caregiving from the Four Fields of Anthropology", AAA 2016, 115th annual meeting, Minneapolis, MN.
- Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, "Differential Diagnosis of a Progressive Neuromuscular Disorder using Bioarchaeological and Biogeochemical Evidence from a Bronze Age Skeleton in the UAE", 2016 PPA annual meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, "Subadult Age-at-Death and Mortuary Practice during the Neolithic Transition at Niah Cave, Sarawak, Malaysia", 2016 AAPA 86th annual meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- 2015 Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, "From Individual to Population Level Analyses: Using the Index of Care to Link the Impaired with the Broader Community." Poster presentation at Western Bioarchaeology Group Conference, 3rd annual meeting, Tempe, AZ.
- Schrenk, A. and Martin, D. L., **Invited Paper Presentation**, "Applying the Index of Care to a Bronze Age teenager with paraplegia: from speculation to strong inference" in "Building a Bioarchaeology of Care", SAA 2015, 80th annual meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Tilley, L. and Schrenk, A., **Session Organizer**, "Building a Bioarchaeology of Care", SAA 2015 Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA
- 2014 Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, "Painting the Bones Red: The Juvenile Mortuary Practices of Niah Cave." Poster presentation at Western Bioarchaeology Group Conference, 2nd annual meeting, Las Vegas, NV

Schrenk, A. and Calleja, M., **Poster Presentation**, "GIS and Commingled Tombs: Revisiting Tell Abraç", Western Bioarchaeology Group Conference, 2nd annual meeting, Las Vegas, NV

2012 Schrenk, A., **Poster Presentation**, "Effects of Infant Mortality on Perceptions of Fertility and Juvenile Mortuary Practices." Poster presentation at Florida Undergraduate Research Conference, 2nd annual meeting, Deland, FL

--- Presented at Showcase of Osprey Advancements in Research & Scholarship, 11th annual meeting, Jacksonville, FL

---Presented at University of North Florida Department of Sociology and Anthropology Student Symposium, 2nd annual meeting, Jacksonville, FL

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021 Faculty Favorite Teaching Award. University of Louisville.

2018 Edwards and Olswang Grant, "A Community of Care: Patterns of pathology and trauma with a focus on Bioarchaeology of Care at Carrier Mills, IL (10,000 – 1000 BP). Dissertation Travel Funds. \$1000, Accepted

2017 GPSA Emergency Funding, "A Community of Care: Patterns of pathology and trauma with a focus on Bioarchaeology of Care at Carrier Mills, IL (10,000 – 1000 BP) – Pilot Study". \$400, Accepted.

2015 Angela Peterson Scholarship, "Diet, Care, and Pathology: Isotopic Analysis and AMS Radiocarbon Dating on a Young Adult Female with Paraplegia from Bronze Age, Tell Abraç," \$1,340, Accepted.

2014 WeBig Poster Presentation Honorable Mention, "GIS and Commingled Tombs: Revisiting Tell Abraç." Poster presentation with Maryanne Calleja at Western Bioarchaeology Group Conference, 2nd annual meeting, Las Vegas, NV

ARF Poster Presentation Honorable Mention, "Painting the Bones Red: The Juvenile Mortuary Practices of Niah Cave." Poster presentation at Western Bioarchaeology Group Conference, 2nd annual meeting, Las Vegas, NV

2012 Osprey Scholar Award, "Effects of Infant Mortality on Perceptions of Fertility and Juvenile Mortuary Practices." Poster presentation at Showcase of Osprey Advancements in Research & Scholarship, 11th annual meeting, Jacksonville, FL

WORK EXPERIENCE

2022 – 2023 Visiting Assistant Professor, Anthropology Department, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

2021 – 2022 Part Time Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of Louisville.

2019 – Present Part Time Instructor, Anthropology Department, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

2014 – 2018 Graduate Assistant, Instructor, Anthropology Department, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Graduate Assistant, Teaching Assistant, Anthropology Department, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

2014 – 2015	Osteology Lab Curator. Anthropology Department. University of Nevada, Las Vegas
2012 – 2013	ACE Writing Tutor. Academic Center for Excellence, University of North Florida ELS Writing Tutor, Academic Center for Excellence, University of North Florida PATH Supervisor, Student Housing, University of North Florida
2011	Substitute Instructor, Department of English, University of North Florida

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Louisville, Louisville, KY

2021	<i>Part Time Lecturer, Anthropology Department</i> ANTH 202: Biological Anthropology (Online)
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University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV

2022 – 2023	<i>Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology</i> ANTH 102: Introduction to Biological Anthropology (Online & In-person); ANTH 101: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology; ANTH 462/662: Human Osteology; ANTH 473/673: Bioarchaeology; ANTH 470/670: Paleopathology
2019 – 2022	<i>Part Time Instructor, Department of Anthropology</i> ANTH 102: Introduction to Biological Anthropology; ANTH 101: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Online & In-person)
2018 – 2019	<i>Graduate Teaching Assistant, Professor: Dr. Peter Gray, Department of Anthropology</i> ANTH 360: Dogs, Cats, and Other Beasts – Anthropology of Animals (Online)
2016 – 2019	<i>Graduate Teaching Assistant, Professor: Dr. Brian Villmoare, Department of Anthropology</i> ANTH 102: Introduction to Physical Anthropology; ANTH 102: Introduction to Physical Anthropology (Online); ANTH 103: Evolution of Everything
2015 – 2019	<i>Graduate Instructor, Department of Anthropology</i> ANTH 110L: Introduction to Physical Anthropology Lab
2015-2016	<i>Graduate Teaching Assistant, Professor: Dr. Debra Martin, Department of Anthropology</i> ANTH 473/673: Anthropology of Social Violence, Bioarchaeology, Osteology; ANTH 444/644: Bioarchaeology; ANTH 470/670: Paleopathology

University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

2011	<i>Substitute Instructor, Department of English</i> LIT 3331: Children's Literature; LIT 3333: Adolescent Literature
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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2021 UNLV Equity/DEI Online Education Course. *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*
- 2021 DelphiU Quality Matters Online Education Course. *University of Louisville.*
- 2019 Online Teaching Strategies, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*
- 2017 – 2019 Laboratories and Anthropology, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*
Transitioned to advising role.
- 2017 Minimizing Academic Misconduct, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*
- 2014 – 2019 UNLV Department of Anthropology Instructor Meetings, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*
Transitioned to advising role.
- 2016 Best Practices in Online Teaching through a Course Tour, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*
- 2016 Planning Lessons for Student Engagement, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas.*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV**

- 2017 – 2019 Analysis of Carrier Mills skeletal collection.
- 2016 Examined dental health of Niah Cave skeletal collection with Elizabeth Duffy.
- 2015 Isotopic analysis and C¹⁴ Dating on a young adult female with neuromusculoskeletal disease from Bronze Age Tell Abraq with Dr. Lesley Gregoricka, Dr. Debra Martin, and Dr. Daniel Potts.
- 2014 Used Index of Care to examine the possibility of healthcare provisioning for a Bronze Age young adult female with paraplegia.
- 2013 ArcGIS mapping of the commingled Tell Abraq tomb with MaryannCalleja.

Examined subadult age-at-death, health status, and mortuary treatment in Niah Cave skeletal collection.

University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

- 2012 Examined the effects of infant mortality on perceptions of fertility and juvenile mortuary practices using electronic Human Remains Area Files (eHRAF).
- 2006 Field school excavation at the Black Hammock Island Archaeological Site, Jacksonville FL.

VOLUNTEER/SERVICE

- 2017 Nevada State Museum: Neanderthal Murder Mystery.

Durango High Paleo Lab: Coordinated with Gina Toth to lease lab materials for her class.
- 2016 Lambda Alpha President: Host Lambda Alpha events, speakers, and run volunteer programs.

Lambda Alpha Vice President: Host Lambda Alpha events, speakers, and run volunteer programs.

- 2015-Present Durango High Paleo Lab: Coordinated with Gina Toth to lease lab materials for her class.
High School Open House: Presented current Osteological research and How to Analyze Bones activity.
- 2013-Present Anthropology Department Open House: Presented current research on Tell Abraq and Niah Cave collections.

REFERENCES

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Relationship: Advisor. UNLV Department of Anthropology. 2013 – Present.

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Relationship: Doctoral Committee. UNLV Department of Anthropology. 2017 – 2019.

Dr. Brian Villmoare

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Relationship: Teaching Advisor. UNLV Department of Anthropology. 2016 – 2019.