

# ALLISON MICKEL

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## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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- Aug. 2017-      Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Lehigh University  
Global Studies Core Faculty Member
- Aug. 2016-      Lecturer, Program in Writing and Rhetoric, Stanford University  
Aug. 2017

## EDUCATION

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- Jun. 2016      Ph.D. in Anthropology  
Stanford University
- May 2012      M.A. in Anthropology  
Stanford University
- May 2011      B.A. in Anthropology & Linguistics, *summa cum laude*  
The College of William and Mary

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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ethnography of archaeology; epistemology of archaeology; history of archaeology; cultural heritage; Middle East; labor; science and technology studies; narrative; politics of representation; epistemic justice; oral history; Social Network Analysis

## HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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- 2017      National Endowment for the Humanities Workshop Participant (Genealogy of Texts and Ideas: Looking Back and Forth through Early English Books Online)
- 2015      The Department of Anthropology Award for Outstanding Graduate Research and Publication
- 2015      Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education Grant for Çatalhöyük Field School
- 2014      Fulbright Fellowship
- 2014      Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education Grant for Çatalhöyük Field School
- 2013      Biblical Archaeology Society Summer Fellow
- 2013      Summer Research Grant, Stanford Archaeology Center, Stanford University
- 2012      Archaeology Division Student Membership Award, American Anthropological Association
- 2012      Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies Summer Research Grant, Stanford University
- 2012      Summer Research Grant, Stanford Archaeology Center, Stanford University
- 2011      Platt Fellow, American Schools of Oriental Research
- 2010      Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa
- 2010      Altshuler Scholar, The Department of Anthropology, The College of William & Mary
- 2010      Research Grant, James H. Critchfield Memorial Endowment for Middle Eastern Studies
- 2010      Honors Fellow, The College of William & Mary
- 2009      International Research Grant, The Charles Center, The College of William & Mary
- 2009      James Monroe Scholars Summer Research Grant, The College of William & Mary
- 2008      James Monroe Scholars Summer Research Grant, The College of William & Mary

## PUBLICATIONS

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### BOOKS

under review. *Why Those Who Shovel are Silent: The Unrecognized Experts of Archaeological Excavation*. University of Texas Press: Austin.

2012. *Archaeologists as Authors and the Stories of Sites: Defending the Use of Fiction in Archaeological Writing*. Lambert Academic Publishing: Saarbrücken.

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

2016. "Tracing Teams, Texts, and Topics: Applying Social Network Analysis to Understand Archaeological Knowledge Production at Çatalhöyük." *Journal of Archaeological Method & Theory*. 23(4): 1095-1126.

2015. "Reasons for Redundancy in Reflexivity: The Role of Diaries in Archaeological Epistemology." *Journal of Field Archaeology* 40(3): 300-309.

2015. Allison Mickel & Alex R. Knodell. "We Wanted to Take Real Information: Public Engagement and Regional Survey at Petra, Jordan." *World Archaeology* 47(2): 239-260.

2015. Åsa Berggren, Nicolo Dell'Unto, Maurizio Forte, Scott Haddow, Ian Hodder, Justine Issavi, Camilla Mazzucato, Allison Mickel & James Taylor. "Revisiting Reflexive Archaeology at Çatalhöyük: Integrating Digital and 3D Technologies at the Trowel's Edge." *Antiquity* 89(144): 433-448.

2013. "Excavation, Narration, and the Wild Man." *Anthropology and Humanism* 38(2): 177-86.

2012. "The Novel-ty of Responsible Archaeological Site Reporting: How Writing Fictive Narrative Contributes to Ethical Archaeological Practice." *Public Archaeology* 11(3): 107-22.

2012. "The Qualitative, the Quantitative, and the Creative." *Anthropology News* 53(5): 11.

2010. "Looking for Pumpkin Pie's Analogs in the Indian Ocean Trading System: Applying the Creolization Model to the Swahili Coast." *Colonial Academic Alliance Undergraduate Research Journal* 1(1), 1-12.

2010. "Themes of Unity and Division in Beta Israel Identity Formation," *The Monitor Journal of International Studies* 15(2), 6-22.

2009. "Taking Historical Archaeology to the Kenyan Coast, ca 1300 A.D." *The Monitor Journal of International Studies* 15(1), 34-45.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

in prep. Invited chapter in *Interrogating Human Origins: Decolonisation and the Deep Past*, edited by J. Matthews and M. Porr. Routledge: London.

2015. Allison Mickel & Elijah Meeks. "Networking the Teams and Texts of Archaeological Research at Çatalhöyük." In *Assembling Çatalhöyük*, edited by I. Hodder and A. Marciniak, pp. 25-42. European Association of Archaeologists: Praha.

2014. "Walking Straight Through Places and Times: Finding an Acheulian Hand Ax." In *Object Stories: Artifacts and Archaeologists*, edited by A. Clarke, U. Frederick, and S. Brown, pp. 43-50. Left Coast Press: Walnut Creek.

2014. "The Authenticity of Archaeological Fictions." In *Encyclopedia of Global Archaeology*, edited by C. Smith and J. Smith, pp. 724-428. Springer Reference: Berlin Heidelberg.

## REVIEWS AND COMMENTARY

2015. "Archaeology's Epic Battles with Storytelling and Stereotypes." Invited commentary on "Emplotment as Epic in Archaeological Writing: The Site Monograph as Narrative." *Norwegian Archaeological Review* 48(2): 81-84.

2015. "Review of *Kismet*." *Middle East Media & Book Reviews* 3(10).

[http://membr.uwm.edu/membr\\_review/film-reviews-kismet/](http://membr.uwm.edu/membr_review/film-reviews-kismet/)

## TECHNICAL REPORTS

2015. "Oral History of the Çatalhöyük Excavations." *Çatalhöyük 2015 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2015.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2015.pdf)>

2015. "Building 131." *Çatalhöyük 2015 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2015.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2015.pdf)>

2014. "Assembling an Oral History of Excavation at Çatalhöyük." *Çatalhöyük 2014 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2014.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2014.pdf)>

2014. "Building 96." *Çatalhöyük 2014 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2014.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2014.pdf)>

2013. "Initial Interviews: First Steps Toward Assembling an Oral History of Excavation at Çatalhöyük." *Çatalhöyük 2013 Archive Report*.

*Çatalhöyük 2013 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2013.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2013.pdf)>

2013. "Diaries, 2013." *Çatalhöyük 2013 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2013.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2013.pdf)>

2013. "The Excavations of the TPC Area in the 2013 Season." With Arkadiusz Marciniak, Patrycja Filipowicz, and Erik Johansson. *Çatalhöyük 2013 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2013.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2013.pdf)>

2013. "Evidence of Heat Affectation in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Ceramic Wares: An Experimental Study." *Market Street Chinatown Archaeological Project*.

<<http://marketstreet.stanford.edu/wpcontent/uploads/2013/08/Mickel-Heat-affected-2013.pdf>>

2012. "The Excavations of the TPC Area in the 2012 Season." With Arkadiusz Marciniak and Patrycja Filipowicz. *Çatalhöyük 2012 Archive Report*.

<[http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive\\_Report\\_2012.pdf](http://www.catalhoyuk.com/downloads/Archive_Report_2012.pdf)>

## PRESENTATIONS

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Agelah and the Powershot: Digital Possibilities for Other Ways of Knowing in Archaeology. Invited talk at the 2017 Annual Meeting for the Society for American Archaeology. Vancouver, British Columbia. April 2017.

Viewfinder Reversals: Alternative Photo-Narratives of Archaeological Fieldwork by Local Site Workers. Invited presentation at the 2016 Theoretical Archaeological Group (UK) Meeting. Southampton, United Kingdom. December 2016.

Lucrative Nonknowledge in Petra: A Case Study Connecting Labor Relations, Local Expertise, and Cultural Heritage Management. Invited talk at the 2016 Annual Meeting for the American Schools of Oriental Research. San Antonio, Texas. November 2016.

A Good Worker is Not an Expert: How Local Site Workers Are Rewarded for Disavowing Archaeological Experience. Invited talk presented at the Stanford Archaeology Center Lunch Lecture Series. Stanford, California. October 2016.

Edges of Teamwork in Archaeology: Network Approaches to Excavation Histories. Talk presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting for the Society for American Archaeology. Orlando, Florida. April 2016.

Invited Panelist at Beyond Destruction: Archaeology & Cultural Heritage in the Middle East and North Africa, Symposium at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at the University of California, Berkeley, California. March 2016.

The Archaeology of Community Engagement in Petra, Jordan: History and Future. Talk presented at the Fulbright Enrichment Seminar. Amman, Jordan. March 2015.

Traces of Ourselves: Oral Histories of Archaeology in the Middle East. Talk presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting for the Society for American Archaeology. Austin, Texas. April 2014.

A Living Archive for Çatalhöyük. With Karl Grossner, Ian Hodder, Elijah Meeks, and Claudia Engel. Poster presented at the Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology Conference. Paris, France. April 2014.

From Database to Display. Invited presentation at Envisioning Çatalhöyük, poster symposium at the 2013 Annual Meeting for the Society for American Archaeology. Honolulu, Hawaii. April 2013.

What Are We Doing Here? Critical Reflections on Archaeological Practice. Session chaired at the 2012 Annual Meeting for the American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, California. November 2012.

Asking Flinders Petrie for Advice: What's More Important than Learning to Run an Excavation. Talk presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting for the American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, California. November 2012.

I Know What You Did Last Summer: Graduate Student Research. Talk presented at Stanford Archaeology Center. Stanford, California. October 2012.

The Intellectuals. Performance at the Stanford University Anthropology Department Brown Bag Lecture Series, Stanford, California. October 2011.

Archaeologists as Authors and the Stories of Sites: A Defense of Fiction in Archaeological Writing. Talk presented at the 2011 Theoretical Archaeology Group Meeting, Berkeley, California. May 2011.

Looking for Pumpkin Pie's Analogs in the Indian Ocean Trading System: Applying the Creolization Model to the Swahili Coast. Talk presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Colonial Academic Alliance Undergraduate Research Conference, Richmond, Virginia. April 2010.

Viewing Archaeology from a Kenyan Mountainside. Talk presented at The College of William & Mary's Monroe Lunch series, Williamsburg, Virginia. Talk also presented at The College of William & Mary's Focus on Undergraduate Research Week, Williamsburg, Virginia. October 2008.

## FIELDWORK

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Umm al-Jimal, Jordan (Project director: Dr. Bert deVries, Calvin College.)

Ethnographic Researcher, Jul. 2017—

Temple of the Winged Lions Cultural Resource Management Project, Petra, Jordan (Project director: Dr. Christopher A. Tuttle/Dr. Glenn Corbett/Maria Elena Ronza, American Center for Oriental Research.)  
Project Anthropologist, Aug. 2013—

Çatalhöyük, Turkey (Project director: Dr. Ian Hodder, Stanford University.)  
Excavation Supervisor and Ethnographic Researcher, Jul. 2011—Aug. 2015

Market Street Chinatown Archaeological Project, San Jose, California (Project director: Dr. Barbara Voss, Stanford University.)  
Team Member, Apr. 2013—May 2014

Brown University Petra Archaeological Project, Petra, Jordan (Project director: Dr. Susan E. Alcock, Brown University/Dr. Christopher A. Tuttle, American Center for Oriental Research.)  
Team Member and Ethnographic Researcher, Jun. 2012 —Jun. 2013

The Bir Madhkur Project, al-Risha, Jordan (Project director: Dr. Andrew M. Smith II, The George Washington University.)  
Area Supervisor, Jun. 2010 – Jul. 2010

Mtwapa, Kenya (Project director: Dr. Chapurukha Kusimba, The Field Museum.)  
Excavation Supervisor, Jun. 2009 – Jul. 2009

City Point, Virginia (Project director: Dr. Kathryn Sikes, The College of William & Mary.)  
Team Member, Aug. 2008 – Dec. 2008

Chemai I & II, Bungoma District, Kenya. (Project director: Dr. Chapurukha Kusimba, The Field Museum.)  
Team Member, Jun. 2008 – Jul. 2008

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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From Fossils to Fables: The PWR of Prehistory. Spring 2016. Stanford University, Stanford, California.

King Tut's Tomb, Penicillin, & Lilliputians: The Rhetoric of Discovery. Fall 2016 (2 sections), Winter 2016 (2 sections). Stanford University, Stanford, California.

Archaeological Research Methods (TA). Fall 2015. Stanford University, Stanford, California.

Çatalhöyük Field School (Director). Spring 2013 to Summer 2015. Stanford University, Stanford, California

Çatalhöyük and Neolithic Archaeology (TA). Spring 2014. Stanford University, Stanford, California

Things – An Archaeology of the Relationship Between Humans and Things (TA). Spring 2013. Stanford University, Stanford, California

Introduction to Prehistoric Archaeology (TA). Fall 2012. Stanford University, Stanford, California

World Archaeology and Global Heritage (Course Development Assistant). Winter and Spring 2011-2012. Stanford University, Stanford, California.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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Curriculum Committee. Program in Writing and Rhetoric, Stanford University, California. Sep. 2016—Aug. 2017.

Pre-Major Advisor. Stanford University, California. Sep. 2016—Jun. 2017.

Network Analysis in the Social Sciences Working Group, Leader. Stanford University, California. Sep. 2016—Dec. 2016.

Fulbright Candidate Evaluation Committee. Stanford University, California. Oct. 2015—Oct. 2016.

Graduate Student Organization Formalization Committee. Anthropology Department, Stanford University, California. Jan. 2016—Mar. 2016.

Colloquium Series Coordinator. Anthropology Department, Stanford University, California. Jan. 2016—Mar. 2016.

Youth Education Program Creator & Guest Speaker. Petra National Trust, Jordan. Apr. 2015 – Jun. 2015.

Representative to Faculty for Archaeology to Graduate Student Organization. Stanford University, California. Mar. 2013 – Jun. 2014.

Brown Bag Lecture Series Coordinator. Anthropology Department, Stanford University, California. Dec. 2012– Mar. 2013.

Peer Reviewer. Journal of Eastern Mediterranean Archaeology and Heritage Studies. Jan. 2013.

Curriculum Redesign Committee Chair. Big Dig Outreach Program, Stanford University, California. Jan. 2012 – Jun. 2012.

Administrative Assistant. Department of Anthropology, The College of William & Mary, Virginia. Aug. 2009 – May 2011.

Media & Public Relations Officer; Member. Anthropology Club. The College of William & Mary, Virginia. Aug. 2007—May 2011.

Education Intern. National Hellenic Museum, Chicago, Illinois. May 2009 – Jun. 2009.

Volunteer. Department of Archaeological Research, Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia. Jan. 2008 – May 2008.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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2012-	Society for American Archaeology
2011-	American Anthropological Association
2011-	Theoretical Archaeology Group
2010-	American Schools of Oriental Research
2010-	Phi Beta Kappa
2010-	Lambda Alpha (founding member of William & Mary chapter)

## REFERENCES

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Dr. Ian Hodder	Department of Anthropology, Stanford University
Dr. Benjamin Porter	Department of Near Eastern Studies, University of California – Berkeley
Dr. Barbara Voss	Department of Anthropology, Stanford University
Dr. Glenn Corbett	American Center of Oriental Research, Jordan
Dr. Krish Seetah	Department of Anthropology, Stanford University
Dr. Christopher Tuttle	Council of American Overseas Research Centers