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Education

- 2005 **Ph.D., dual degree in (i) Anthropology and (ii) Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations**, University of Pennsylvania
Dissertation: *Community and Society in Egypt in the First Intermediate Period: An Archaeological Investigation of the Abydos Settlement Site.*
- 1984 B.A., Phi Beta Kappa, *summa cum laude*, Anthropology, University of Pennsylvania

Professional Experience

- 2009–2024 **Senior Research Scholar**, Institute of Fine Arts, New York University
Director of Abydos Archaeology (formerly Penn-Yale-IFA Expedition), NYUIFA excavations at Abydos, Egypt

Responsibilities:

- Coordinate interdisciplinary lines of research in Egyptian art and archaeology, bioarchaeology, survey and mapping, and object conservation
- Train IFA students from Conservation, Art History, and Egyptology programs in archaeological field methods and develop student field research
- Oversee on-site conservation lab, collections management, artifact processing, and finds analysis
- Object and field photography, photogrammetry
- Architectural documentation and illustration, condition assessment, and preservation of mudbrick architecture
- Site management, outreach, and liaison with the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities

Fieldwork directed:

- Long-term investigation of the North Abydos necropolis, including the late predynastic/Early Dynastic royal brewery
- Multi-year survey, excavation, architectural documentation, stabilization, and conservation of the Second Dynasty funerary temple of King Khasekhemwy (Shunet el-Zebib)
- Continuing excavation of the royal cult enclosures of the kings of Dynasties 1-2
- Excavation of the monumental Temple of Osiris
- Excavation and conservation of Dynasty 1 royal boat graves (14 total)
- Excavation and documentation of the remains of the Dynasty 1 funerary cult enclosure of King Djer
- Excavation of two Dynasty 1 funerary cult enclosures of King Aha and associated subsidiary graves, including analysis of human remains and donkey burials
- Excavation and documentation of Second Dynasty funerary cult enclosure of King Peribsen

- Excavation of tombs, tomb chapels, and burials of the Middle Kingdom through the Late Period in the North Cemetery at Abydos
 - Excavation and documentation of Late Antique habitations and ritual spaces at the cult enclosure of King Khasekhemwy
 - Magnetic mapping of the North Cemetery
 - Archaeological, Egyptological, and bioarchaeological collections manager
 - Director of on-site conservation lab and materials analysis
 - Excavation and detailed recording of 900m-long trench for the foundation of the site protection wall around the Abydos Settlement Site; designed and supervised construction of site protection wall in Kom el-Sultan
- 1999–2009 **Research Scholar and Lecturer in the History of Art and Archaeology**, Institute of Fine Arts, New York University
Associate Project Director and Field Director, Penn-Yale-IFA Expedition to Abydos, Egypt
- 1991–1999 **Research Associate**, Egyptian Section, University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology
Field Director, Abydos Settlement Site Project, Penn-Yale Expedition to Abydos, Egypt
Fieldwork directed:
- Excavation and documentation of the ancient urban center of Abydos, mainly late 3rd millennium strata (later Old Kingdom, First Intermediate Period, early Middle Kingdom)
 - Two study seasons focused on the analysis of material excavated from ancient urban contexts
 - Preliminary excavation of Early Dynastic boat graves site in the North Cemetery, including excavation, documentation, and conservation of a 3m section of surviving wooden boat hull inside one of the boat graves (no. 10)
- 1989–1990 **Field archaeologist**, Abbott’s Farm, Trenton, New Jersey, Phase III excavations contracted by Louis Berger and Associates
- 1988 **Excavation Supervisor**, Abydos North Cemetery Project, directed by David O’Connor, Pennsylvania-Yale Expedition to Abydos, Egypt
Acting supervisor and field archaeologist, Susquehanna River Valley north of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Phase II survey and test excavations contracted by Louis Berger and Associates
- 1987 **Archaeologist/Surveyor**, Tell Leilan Regional Survey, directed by Gil J. Stein for the Yale University Tell Leilan Project, directed by Harvey Weiss
- 1987 **Field archaeologist**, excavation of 18th Century estate, Blennerhassett Island State Historical Park, Wood County, West Virginia
- 1982–1984 **Excavation Supervisor** (two seasons), Bryn Mawr College-University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Excavations at Gritille Höyük, Turkey, directed by Mary Voigt, Richard Ellis, and Marie-Henriette Gates

- 1980–1989 **Curatorial Assistant**, Near East Section, University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology
- 1980–1981 **Ceramics analyst**, Pennsylvania-Yale Expedition to Abydos, Egypt, directed by David O'Connor
- 1979–1982 **Field archaeologist**, survey and excavation of 18th Century estate and two Late Woodland prehistoric villages, Blennerhassett Island State Historical Park, Wood County, West Virginia

Grants and Major Funding

- 2024–2025 **ARCE Field Research Grant**, *The Temple of Osiris at Abydos*, \$50,000
- 2021–2023 **National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Archaeological and Ethnographic Field Research Grant**, PI, *The Abydos Breweries and the Emergence of Kingship in Egypt*, \$150,000
- 2017–2020 **Princeton Art and Archaeology Excavation Fund**, Co-PI, with Deborah Vischak, North Abydos Research Excavations, \$600,000
- 2013–2014 **ARCE Antiquities Endowment Fund (AEF)**, PI, Archaeological Research Collections Storage and Conservation Facility, and Emergency Site Protection at Abydos, \$96,000
- 2012–2013 **ARCE Antiquities Endowment Fund (AEF)**, PI, Post-Revolution Looting Damage Assessment Program at Abydos, with additional support from the Tilden Family Foundation and the Malcolm Hewitt Wiener Foundation, \$117,500
- 2009–2013 **British Museum Institute for Bioarchaeology**, PI, Bioarchaeological Research Collections Storage and Laboratory at Abydos, \$70,000
- 2008 **World Monuments Fund Watch List and Matching Grant**, Co-PI, with David O'Connor, *Documentation and Conservation of King Khasekhemwy's Second Dynasty Cult Enclosure, the Shunet el-Zebib, at Abydos*, \$50,000
- 1999–2017 **ARCE Egyptian Antiquities Project (EAP), Egyptian Antiquities Conservation (EAC), and Antiquities Endowment Fund (AEF) Grants**, Co-PI, with David O'Connor, *Documentation and Conservation of King Khasekhemwy's Second Dynasty Cult Enclosure, the Shunet el-Zebib, at Abydos*, with additional support from the Egyptian Supreme Council of Antiquities, \$1,700,000
- 1994–1995 **Wenner-Gren Foundation Research Award**, PI, *Abydos Settlement Site Project*, with additional support from the Penn Research Foundation, Award, \$20,000
- 1993–1994 **National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Grant**, PI, *Abydos Settlement Site Project*, \$12,000

Awards and Fellowships

- 1997 Felix J. Korsyn Prize in Egyptology from the Philadelphia Foundation
- 1994–1995 Michela Schiff-Giorgini Foundation Dissertation Research Prize
- 1991–1992 American Research Center in Egypt (ARCE) Dissertation Research Fellow
- 1985–1996 Louis J. Kolb Society Fellow, University of Pennsylvania
- 1981–1984 Louis J. Kolb Society Fellow (undergraduate, first recipient), University of Pennsylvania

Publications

- **Forthcoming**

Adams, Matthew D. *Abydos Archaeology I: Excavations at North Abydos, 2000-2024*. Manuscript in prep. for Sidestone Press [provisional 2025].

Adams, Matthew D. "The Abydos Royal Brewery and the Vocabulary of Power in Early Egypt." Manuscript in prep. for the *Journal of Egyptian Archaeology* [provisional 2025].

Adams, Matthew Douglas "Exploring the Neighborhood: An Expanded View of First Intermediate Period Occupation in the Abydos Settlement Site." In A. Pillion (ed.), *Chronologies of the First Intermediate Period: Dating Criteria, Sources and New Historiographic Approaches*. Cairo: Institut français d'archéologie orientale du Caire, [provisional 2025].

Adams, Matthew D. *Ground Great of Fame: The Archaeology of Origins and Myth at Abydos*. Monograph in prep. for Oxford University Press [provisional 2026].

- **Books and Edited Volumes**

Adams, Matthew Douglas, ed. *Egypt at Its Origins 4. Proceedings of the Fourth International Conference "Origin of the State, Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt," New York, 26th-30th July 2011*. Orientalia Lovaniensia Analecta 252. Leuven: Peeters, 2016.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew D. Adams. *The Funerary Monument of King Khasekhemwy at Abydos (ca. 2700 BCE): Conservation and Archaeology, 1999-2006*. Cairo and Alexandria, VA: American Research Center in Egypt, 2007.

<https://dl.library.ucla.edu/islandora/object/shunet%3A278/datastream/OBJ/view%23.pdf>

- **Research Articles and Book Chapters**

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "Abydos in Late Antiquity: A View from the Shunet el-Zebib." In E.R. O'Connell (ed.), *Abydos in the First Millennium AD*, pp. 79-149. Leuven: Peeters, 2020.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "The Origins of Sacredness at Abydos." In I. Regulski (ed.), *Abydos: The Sacred Land at the Western Horizon*, pp. 25-70. Leuven: Peeters, 2019.

Gleeson, Molly, Evelyn Mayberger, Hiroko Kariya, Lucy-Anne Skinner, Josef Wegner, Matthew Douglas Adams, and Eman H. Zidan. "Conservation at Abydos: past practices and future possibilities". In N. Owczarek, M. Gleeson, and L.A. Grant (eds), *Engaging Conservation: Collaboration Across Disciplines*, pp. 57-64. London and Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and

Anthropology, 2017.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "In the Footsteps of Looters: Assessing the Damage from the 2011 Looting in the North Cemetery at Abydos." *Journal of the American Research Center in Egypt* 50 (2015): 5-63.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "Conservation of King Khasekhemwy's Funerary Cult Enclosure at Abydos." *Bulletin of the American Research Center in Egypt*, no. 200 (2012): 23-30.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, and David O'Connor, "Die königlichen Talbezirke von Abydos und Hierakonpolis". In Z. Hawass (ed.), *Die Pyramiden*, pp. 94-101. Vercelli: White Star, 2011.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "The Stela of Nakht, Son of Nemty: Contextualizing Object and Individual in the Funerary Landscape at Abydos." In Z. Hawass and J. H. Wegner (eds), *Millions of Jubilees: Studies in Honor of David P. Silverman*, vol. 1, pp. 1-25. Cairo: Supreme Council of Antiquities Press, 2010.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, and David O'Connor, "The Shunet el-Zebib at Abydos: Architectural Conservation at One of Egypt's Oldest Preserved Royal Monuments." In S. D'Auria (ed.), *Offerings to the Discerning Eye: An Egyptological Medley in Honor of Jack A. Josephson*, pp. 1-8. Leiden: Brill, 2010.

O'Connor, David, Matthew D. Adams, William Rensen, and Anthony Crosby. "The Funerary Cult Enclosure of Khasekhemwy at Abydos: Preserving an Ancient Mudbrick Royal Monument." In R. Danforth (ed.), *Preserving Egypt's Cultural Heritage*, pp. 11-18. Cairo: American Research Center in Egypt, 2010.

Rossel, Stine, Fiona Marshall, Joris Peters, Tom Pilgrim, Matthew D. Adams, and David O'Connor. "Domestication of the Donkey: Timing, Processes, and Indicators." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 105.10 (2008): 3715-3720. DOI: 10.1073/pnas.0709692105

Adams, Matthew Douglas "Household Silos, Granary Models, and Domestic Economy in Ancient Egypt." In Z. Hawass and J. Richards (eds), *The Archaeology and Art of Ancient Egypt: Essays in Honor of David O'Connor*, vol. 1, pp. 1-23. Cairo: Supreme Council of Antiquities Press, 2007.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew Dougals Adams. "The World's Oldest Boats from Abydos, Egypt." In B. Fagan (ed.), *Discovery! Unearthing the New Treasures of Archaeology*, pp. 204-207. London: Thames & Hudson, 2007.

Herbich, Tomasz, David O'Connor, Matthew D. Adams, P. Ballet, and U. Hartung. "La Géophysique dans l'Archéologie Égyptienne." *Les Dossiers d'Archéologie* 308 (2006): 62-70.

Herbich, Tomasz, Matthew D. Adams, and David O'Connor. "Magnetic Mapping of the Northern Cemetery at Abydos, Egypt." *Archaeologia Polona* 41 (2003): 193-197.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew D. Adams. "The Royal Boat Burials at Abydos." In B. Manley (ed.), *The Seventy Great Mysteries of Ancient Egypt*, pp. 38-41. London: Thames & Hudson, 2003.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew D. Adams. "The Royal Mortuary Enclosures of Abydos and Hierakonpolis." In Z. Hawass (ed.), *The Treasures of the Pyramids*, pp. 78-85. Vercelli: White Star, 2003.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "The Abydos Settlement Site Project: Investigation of a Major Provincial Town in the Old Kingdom and First Intermediate Period." In C.J. Eyre (ed.), *Proceedings of the Seventh International Congress of Egyptologists*, pp. 19-30. Leuven: Peeters, 1998.

Adams, Matthew Douglas, "A Textual Window on the Settlement System in Ancient Egypt." In J. Lustig (ed.), *Egyptology and Anthropology: A Developing Dialogue*, pp. 90-105. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1997.

• **Book Reviews, Technical Reports, Encyclopedias, Popular Articles**

Adams, Matthew D. "Abydos 2013: Looting Damage Assessment." *Bulletin of the American Research Center in Egypt*, no. 204 (2014): 8-12.

Adams, Matthew D. "Conservation of the Shunet el-Zebib, Abydos: Technical Report January 20–March 25, 2012." Cairo and San Antonio: American Research Center in Egypt, 2013.

<https://dl.library.ucla.edu/islandora/object/shunet%3A290/datastream/OBJ/view%23.pdf>.

Adams, Matthew D. "Thinis." In R. Bagnall, et al. (eds), *Encyclopedia of Ancient History*, p. 6715. New York: Blackwell, 2013.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew D. Adams. "Conservation of the Shunet el-Zebib, Abydos: Technical Report January 22–February 3, 2011." Cairo and San Antonio: American Research Center in Egypt, 2012.

<https://dl.library.ucla.edu/islandora/object/shunet%3A289/datastream/OBJ/view%23.pdf>.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew D. Adams. "Conservation of the Shunet el-Zebib, Abydos: Technical Report February 25–April 30, 2010." Cairo and San Antonio: American Research Center in Egypt, 2011.

<https://dl.library.ucla.edu/islandora/object/shunet%3A288/datastream/OBJ/view%23.pdf>.

Adams, Matthew D. "Site Protection at Abydos." *Bulletin of the American Research Center in Egypt*, no. 194 (2009): 32-38.

O'Connor, David, and Matthew D. Adams. "Moored in the Desert: Digging an Ancient Armada." *Archaeology* 54.3 (2001): 44-45.

Adams, Matthew D. "Digging in the Ancient Town of Abydos." *Archaeology* 54.4 (2001): 55.

Adams, Matthew D. "Abydos, North." In K.A. Bard (ed.), *Encyclopedia of the Archaeology of Ancient Egypt*, pp. 97-100. London: Routledge, 1999.

Adams, Matthew D. Book Review. *Haus und Palast im alten Ägypten*, edited by Manfred

Bietak. *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 42.2 (1999): 266–269.

Adams, Matthew D. Catalogue Entries: Cat, Spheroid Beads and Cornflower Pendant, 'Meidum' Bowl, Bottle, Pilgrim Flask. In D.P. Silverman (ed.), *Searching for Ancient Egypt*, nos. 12, 59, 65, 66, 67. Dallas: Dallas Museum of Art and Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, 1997.

Adams, Matthew D. "Community and Societal Organization in Early Historic Egypt: Introductory Report on 1991-92 Fieldwork Conducted at the Abydos Settlement Site." *Newsletter of the American Research Center in Egypt*, nos. 158/159 (1992): 1-10.

Lectures and Conferences

"The Short Life and Many Afterlives of the Shunet el-Zebib at Abydos." Institut français d'archéologie orientale, Cairo, 2023. www.youtube.com/watch?v=DmipvA-FD0

"More than a Valley of the Kings: Abydos in Early Egypt." Kazimierz Michalowski Memorial Lecture, Polish Centre of Mediterranean Archaeology, Research Centre in Cairo, 2023.

"The Abydos Royal Brewery and the Vocabulary of Power in Early Egypt." Origins 7: The 7th International Conference on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt, Paris, 2022.

"How Beer Made Kings in Early Egypt." Harvard Museums of Science and Culture, Cambridge, 2021. <https://hmsc.harvard.edu/2023/04/24/how-beer-made-kings-in-early-egypt/>

"How Beer Made Kings: The Archaeology of Brewing and Kingship at Abydos," and "Ever in Petrie's Wake: New Perspectives on Ancient Abydos." Annual Petrie Memorial Lecture, Petrie Museum of Egyptian Archaeology, London, 2021.

"King of Beers or Beer of Kings? The Archaeology of Egypt's First Royal Brewery at Abydos." *Egyptologica Vlaanderen*, Leuven, Belgium, 2021.

"Abydos, Egypt: Landscape of Kings, Landscape of Myth." American Institute of Archaeology, Princeton, 2016.

"Heritage Under Threat at Abydos, Egypt: An On-the-Ground Perspective." Iconoclasm Series, New York University, Washington D.C. Center, 2015.

"Egyptology in the Cloud: Using ArtStor's SharedShelf in Egyptological Research." Scopa Forum, Yale University, 2014.

"The Door Jamb of Sitepihu and the Archaeology of Revolution." Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 2014.

"Assessing the Damage from 2011 Looting at Abydos." Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Portland, 2014.

"Challenges and Promise in the Practice of Archaeology in Egypt Today." Staten Island Archaeology Society, Wagner College, 2014.

"Cultural Heritage in Troubled Times: War Damage, Pillaging, and Saving the Monuments." Featured panelist, Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, 2014.

"Abydos: Landscape of Kings – Landscape of Myth." American Research Center in

- Egypt, Northern California Chapter, Berkeley, 2014.
- “Time and Temporality in Egyptian Archaeology.” Panel chair, Mellon Research Initiative Conference on “Changing Horizons: Time and Temporality in Contemporary Archaeological Interpretation,” Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, 2013.
- “Challenges and New Directions in the Practice of Archaeology in Egypt.” American Research Center in Egypt, Pennsylvania Chapter, Philadelphia, 2013.
- “Integrating Conservation and Archaeology: Exploration of Best Practices.” Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, Seattle, 2013.
- “Abydo – Sovrani e Mito.” Gruppo Egittologico Khentyimentyu at the Istituto S. Teresa, Imola, Italy, 2013.
- “Monuments of Egypt’s Early Kings at Abydos.” Faculty of Archaeology, Sohag University, Sohag, Egypt, 2013.
- “Conserving Ancient Abydos: Discovery, Recovery, and Responsibility.” Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, University of Michigan, 2012.
- “Abydos: Landscape of Kings – Landscape of Myth.” Exhibition opening, *Il Tempio di Osiride Svelato* at the Scuola Grande di San Giovanni Evangelista, Venice, Italy, 2012.
- “Evolution of a Royal Sacred Landscape at Abydos.” Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy, 2012.
- “The Origin of the Terrace of the Great God at Abydos?” American Research Center in Egypt, New York Chapter-Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University, 2012.
- “Abydos, the Place of Kings at the Beginning of Egyptian History.” Department of Art History, Morehouse College, 2011.
- “Searching for the Origin of the Terrace of the Great God.” (i) Friends of the Petrie Museum of Egyptian Archaeology, UCL in New York, (ii) American Research Center in Egypt, North Texas Chapter, Dallas, 2010.
- “The Mud-brick Cult Enclosure of Khasekhemwy (Shunet el-Zebib) and the Cultural Landscape of Abydos: A Monument at Risk.” Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, San Antonio, 2010.
- “Saving King Khasekhemwy’s Funerary Cult Enclosure at Abydos.” Supreme Council of Antiquities lecture series, Mummification Museum, Luxor, 2009.
- “Excavations and the Early History of Abydos: The Work of the Institute of Fine Arts Expedition.” University of Pennsylvania Museum Symposium on “Ancient Abydos: From Egypt’s First Pharaohs to its Last Pyramid,” University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, 2009.
- “Monuments of Egypt’s Early Kings at Abydos.” Sackler Egyptological Colloquium, held in conjunction with “Egypt at its Origins 3, the Third International Colloquium on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt,” British Museum, London, 2008.

- "Conservation of King Khasekhemwy's Funerary Cult Enclosure at Abydos." Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Seattle, 2008.
- "Granary Models and Household Storage at Abydos: Actual and Ideal Domestic Economy." Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Toledo, 2007.
- "Monuments of Egypt's Early Kings: Recent Discoveries at Abydos." (i) American Research Center in Egypt, Northwest Chapter, Seattle, (ii) Egyptological Seminar of New York, (iii) Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, 2007.
- "Excavations in the Early Dynastic Necropolis at Abydos." Symposium in Honor of Professor Doctor Ali Radwan, Supreme Council of Antiquities, Cairo, 2006.
- "Monuments of Egypt's Early Kings at Abydos." American University in Cairo, 2006.
- "Monuments of Egypt's Early Kings at Abydos." The Japan Foundation, Cairo, 2005.
- "The Archaeology and History of the Shunet el-Zebib, the Funerary Enclosure of King Khasekhemwy at Abydos." Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Cambridge, MA, 2005.
- "New Discoveries at Abydos." American Research Center in Egypt, Cairo, 2003.
- "New Discoveries on Early Dynastic Abydos." Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Atlanta, 2003.
- "Early Egypt: Recent Discoveries at Abydos." The Walters Art Museum, Baltimore, 2002.
- "Egypt's Earliest Royal Monuments." (i) Department of Anthropology, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, (ii) Archaeological Institute of America, Greensboro Chapter, 2002.
- "The Conservation of the Shunet el-Zebib Royal Mortuary Enclosure," and "The Early Dynastic Enclosures and Boat Burials at Abydos: Recent Discoveries." Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Baltimore, 2002.
- "Early Dynastic Boat Graves at Abydos." Egyptological Seminar of New York, 2001.
- "Early Dynastic Royal Monuments at Abydos." American Research Center in Egypt, Cairo, 2001.
- "The Faience Industry at Abydos in the Old Kingdom and First Intermediate Period." Seminar on Faience and Faience Manufacture, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 1995.
- "The Abydos Settlement Site Project: Investigation of a Major Provincial Town in the Old Kingdom and First Intermediate Period." Seventh International Congress of Egyptologists, Cambridge, England, 1995.
- "A Local Industry in the Old Kingdom and First Intermediate Period at Abydos." American Research Center in Egypt, Atlanta, 1995.
- "Abydos and Egyptian Society in the Old Kingdom and First Intermediate Period." American Research Center in Egypt, Cairo, 1995.
- "The Development of Towns in Egypt." Annual Symposium of the American Research Center in Egypt, "Gods, State, and People in Ancient Egypt: Egyptological and Anthropological Perspectives," Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, December

10, 1994.

“Abydos-Town in the Third Millennium B.C.” American Research Center in Egypt, Cairo, 1993.

“Space: The Final (Egyptian) Frontier – Settlement and Settlement Systems in Ancient Egypt.” Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., 1993.

“The 1991 Field Season of the Abydos Settlement Site Project.” Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Seattle, 1992.

Teaching and Student Advising

PhD dissertation committee member in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, “Faience Production and Consumption: An Archaeological Investigation at Abydos,” Nisha Kumar, Harvard University, in progress.

MA thesis supervisor in Journalism and Near Eastern Studies, “Looking for Atlantis: The rise and rise of ‘alternative history’ in Egypt,” Diana Kruzman, New York University, 2021.

PhD dissertation committee member in Near Eastern Languages and Civilization, “Abydos as a Sacred Landscape of Ritual Practice and Religious Imagination in Greco-Roman Egypt,” Ph.D. candidate Bryan Kraemer, University of Chicago, 2017.

PhD dissertation research supervisor, Excavation of secondary funerary enclosures of King Aha, Abydos North Cemetery, Ph.D. candidate Laurel Bestock, New York University, 2005.

PhD dissertation research supervisor, Excavations in the Temple of Osiris, Kom el-Sultan, Ph.D. candidate Michelle Marlar, New York University, 2004.

“Ancient Egyptian Beer and Brewing.” Guest Lecturer, Biersommelierkurse, DBA Deutsche BierAkademie, 2021-present.

“Introduction to the Archaeology of Abydos,” and “The Shunet el-Zebib and the Legacy of Egypt’s First Kings at Abydos.” Guest Lecturer in the Faculty of Archaeology, Sohag University, Sohag, Egypt, 2020.

“The Neolithic Revolution: The Emergence of Agriculture in the Southwest and Around the World.” Featured scholar, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center Travel Seminar, Cortez, CO, May 17-23, 2015.

“Sacred Landscapes in Ancient Egypt.” Graduate course in the History of Art and Archaeology, co-taught with David O’Connor, Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, 2007-2008.

“Archaeological Field Methods.” Semi-annual practicum series (*pro bono*) for the Egyptian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, Sohag Inspectorate, 2005-2018.

“The Town of Abydos in the Old Kingdom and First Intermediate Period: Present Knowledge and Future Directions.” Graduate Symposium on Abydos at the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, 1999-2000.

Professional Service and Conferences Organized

- Board of Governors, the American Research Center in Egypt, 2013–2017
- Plenary session organizer and chair, Building Bridges for Heritage: Reaching Out to Communities and Constituencies in a Changing Egypt. Annual Meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, Portland, Oregon, 2014.
- Co-organizer and program co-chair, *Egypt at Its Origins 4*, the Fourth International Conference on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 2012.
- Board of Governors, Egyptological Seminar of New York, 2007–2012
- Chair of Research and Expeditions Committee, American Research Center in Egypt, 2011–2017

Social Media

Abydos Archaeology online, 2019–2023 (Squarespace Analytics, accessed 27 May 2023)

- Website <https://abydos.org> – 86K visitors / 137K pageviews
- Dig Diary <https://abydos.org/blog> – 73K engaged readers to-date
- Feedspot Top 50 Archaeology Blogs (2021) https://blog.feedspot.com/archaeology_blogs
- Social Media @digabydos – 9K (combined followers)
<https://instagram.com/digabydos>, <https://bio.site/abydos>, <https://facebook.com/digabydos/>, <https://vimeo.com/digabydos>

Online Articles <https://abydos.org/blog>

- 20 March 2022: What Would King Narmer Do with 100,000 Pints of Beer?
- 21 January 2022: A New Field Season at the Abydos Royal Brewery
- 28 September 2021: News & Brews from Abydos
- 29 August 2021: A Sherd's-Eye View of Abydos over a Century of Excavation (video)
- 26 February 2021: Bringing People Together for 5,000 Years – The archaeology of the Abydos royal brewery beyond the headlines
- 14 February 2021: The Thirstiest Kings Who Ever Lived
- 15 July 2020: Mysterious Chambers Discovered inside the Sacred Wadi at Abydos
- 28 May 2020: Archaeology in the Time of Corona: A letter from the Egyptian desert
- 20 May 2020: Anatomy of an Excavation: Abydos Archaeology in the Field (video)
- 27 February 2020: On the Ground at Abydos: Update on the Excavations (video)
- 14 February 2020: On the Ground at Abydos: Introduction to the 2020 Field Season (video)
- 23 January 2020: What's on Tap (literally) at Abydos this Season?
- 1 October 2019: What Is the Shunet el-Zebib?
- 12 August 2019: Fieldwork on the Edge of Forever: An Update on the "Portal" Temple of Ramesses II at Abydos
- 13 June 2019: The Most Impressive Finds Ever Made at Abydos
- 18 May 2019: Happy Museum Day, King Khufu!
- 30 April 2019: The Basket Makers of al-Hagz & the Local Roots of Archaeological Fieldwork at Abydos
- 14 March 2019: Photogrammetry is the New Archaeological Photography: 3D Modeling at Abydos
- 27 February 2019: Conserving a Painted Coffin In Situ
- 19 February 2019: What's Happening Now at Abydos & Why Is It Amazing?

Media Features and Documentaries (selected)

Fox Nation, *History of the World in Six Glasses*, ep. 1 “Beer: The Happy Mistake.”

Featured discussing ancient Egyptian beer and the Abydos Royal Brewery (aired January 8, 2024).

National Geographic, *Lost Treasures of Egypt*, Season 4, ep. 8 “Rise of the Pyramids.”

Abydos Royal Brewery feature. (aired November 20, 2022).

<https://tv.apple.com/us/episode/rise-of-the-pyramids/umc.cmc.4dmhsq0dzz6dp6l2iwk6p8pb7?showId=umc.cmc.3otfewh3anrx8n1n68h2zrvui>

NPR interview by Steven Davy, “Archaeologists discover a 5,000-year-old, large-scale brewery in Egypt,” *The World* (aired February 23, 2021).

<https://www.pri.org/file/2021-02-23/archaeologists-discover-5000-year-old-large-scale-brewery-egypt>

BBC interview by Eva Higginbotham, “The World’s Oldest Beer Factory, in Ancient Egypt,” *The Naked Scientists* podcast series (aired February 23, 2021).

<https://www.thenakedscientists.com/articles/interviews/worlds-oldest-beer-factory-ancient-egypt>

CBS News feature by Ahmed Shawkat, “5,000-year-old ‘industrial scale’ brewery unearthed in Egypt” (February 15, 2021). <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/egypt-5000-year-old-industrial-scale-brewery-unearthed/>

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