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# Objective

Completion of Ph.D.-level studies in archaeology focusing on cultures in the Southwest United States.

# Skills & Knowledge

* Skilled in basic and advanced archaeological techniques
* Extensive knowledge of American Southwestern Native American cultures
* Basic knowledge of bioarcheological techniques
* Basic knowledge of museum curation methods and techniques
* Proven ability in mentoring subordinates
* Extensive budgetary and personnel management experience

# Experience

Department of Anthropology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. 40506

**Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant** | August 2022-Present

Responsible for assisting the Primary Instructor of ANT 101 – Mysteries and Controversies (Fall 2022) and ANT 160 – Cultural Diversity in the Modern World (Spring 2023). In both classes, I taught 90 students during a recitation period, explaining anthropological concepts, answering questions, and clearing up misunderstandings of the class material. I was also responsible for grading exams and homework as assigned by the Primary Instructor. As a Research Assistant, I curated and cataloged cultural material from archaeological sites in a laboratory setting. I also assisted undergraduate students during an excavation methods course (Fall 2023). Starting in the Fall of 2024, I was assigned as a Teaching Assistant for ANT 230, Physical Anthropology, where I taught recitation sessions for 82 undergraduate students. I was responsible for clarifying assignments and lecture information, grading assignments, and scheduling students for make-up work. In Fall 2025, I was again assigned as the Teaching Assistant for ANT 230, Physical Anthropology.

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**Micro-Teaching Group Leader |** August 2023, August 2024, August 2025

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Department of Anthropology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506

**Undergraduate and Graduate Student |** August 2018 - Present

During this period, I was an undergraduate and graduate student at the University of Kentucky, Department of Anthropology, studying applied anthropology, archaeology, and history. I earned a 4.00 out of 4.00-point average during this period and was placed on the Dean’s List five times. I earned a BA in Applied Anthropology in December 2020, an MA in Applied Anthropology in December 2021, and a BA in History in December 2022.

In Fall 2021, I completed a practicum to pursue my MA in Applied Anthropology. This practicum analyzed 3,500 ceramic sherds to determine interactions at a small occupation site, MU 125, near the Grand Canyon's South Rim. This analysis entailed identifying the ceramic type and examining interactions per room within the dwelling.

I was selected for and entered a PhD Program in Archaeology in August 2022. My current area of concentration is the American Southwest, where I am involved in research into the origin and disappearance of a Native American cultural tradition known as the Cohonina, A.D. 700-1200. My dissertation work will examine this cultural tradition through their material culture.

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Department of the Army, 1st Theater Sustainment Command, Fort Knox, KY

**Senior Intelligence Analyst** | May 2014 – July 2018

Responsible for providing military, cultural, and threat-based intelligence on twenty-one Middle Eastern countries where we conducted operations. I supervised and mentored a staff of thirteen military and civilian members involved in intelligence collection and analysis. Activities included deployment to Afghanistan in 2014 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Kuwait in 2014 and 2016 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. During both deployments was commended for providing outstanding intelligence support to operations. After 29 years of civilian service, I retired in July 2018.

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Department of the Army, United States Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, NC

**Regional Intelligence Analyst** | June 1989 – May 2014

As a civilian employee, I was responsible for writing and presenting assessments, briefings, and information papers on military intelligence and impacting operational plans for twenty-five countries in the Pacific Region. Responsible for analysis, compilation, and writing for high-level intelligence executive briefings presented to a 3-star General-level Command Staff. I was directly responsible for monitoring weapons of mass destruction technology and their proliferation and reporting these activities to the command. I wrote and published a weekly classified report on technical intelligence proliferation, recommending command action. As a part of my analysis duties, I wrote and published a 250-page, classified, biennial report on threats to U.S. Army communications systems, which was utilized by subordinate and superior commands.

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Campbell University-Fort Bragg Campus, Fort Bragg, NC

**Adjunct Professor (Political Science)** | August 1988 – May 2017

Developed and presented classroom and computer-based courses of instruction in political science. Courses of instruction covered over a dozen subjects, including political philosophy, international relations, foreign policy, public administration, and United States and foreign political systems. I successfully taught over 1,000 students during my twenty-five years of instruction.

Department of Defense, United States Army

**Infantry Officer |** July 1976 to September 1997

As an active-duty infantry officer, I served as a member of the occupation force in the city of West Berlin, East Germany (1976-1979). During this period, I served as an infantry platoon leader, anti-tank platoon leader, and Brigade Staff Officer. After advanced infantry training at Fort Benning, GA, I was stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina (1980-1987, 1989-1997), where I served as a Battalion Staff Officer, responsible for the supply and maintenance operations of the 750-man, 2d Battalion 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment. Later, I was selected as Company Commander in the 82d Airborne Division. In this position, I was responsible for the training and welfare of a 140-man unit supporting an airborne brigade headquarters. I managed an annual budget of 1.5 million dollars and equipment totaling over $500 million. After this, I was selected to serve on the Division Operations Staff, where I deployed to the island nation of Grenada in November 1983 as a part of Operation Urgent Fury. Subsequently, I was assigned to the 4th Psychological Operations Group, where I wrote and published numerous Psychological Operations Country Studies on nations in Africa and the Middle East, as well as Special Psychological Operations Reports on cultural groups within those countries. After three years in this position, I departed active duty. I entered the United States Army Reserve. I was first assigned as an Executive Officer for a basic Training Battalion at Fort Sill, OK (1988), then as a Psychological Operations Instructor at the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center & School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. I was responsible for presenting classes on terrorism and the psychological impact of terrorism, along with special briefings on terrorism. After twenty-one years of combined active and reserve duty, I retired from military service in 1997 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

# Education

BA in History, Dec 2022. Overall GPA:2.84 History GPA:3.73

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. 40506

MA in Applied Anthropology, Dec 2021. Overall GPA:4.00/4.00 Anthropology GPA: 4.00/4.00

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BA in Anthropology, Dec 2020. Overall GPA: 2.758/4.00 Anthropology GPA: 3.80/4.00

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. 40506

Extensive research in Arizona prehistoric cultures and their locations.

Extensive coursework in Southwestern United States archaeology. The archaeological field school was completed in New Mexico in July 2019. The bioarchaeology field school was completed in Ireland in 2023—two departmental awards for academic excellence. I received eight Dean’s List Awards over four semesters. Hochstrasser Scholarship (2021).

I am currently working on a Ph.D. in archaeology.

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MS in Political Science —July 1986 GPA: 3.33/4.00

Campbell University — Buies Creek, NC

Extensive work in United States political bureaucracy and associated institutions in government.

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BS in Production Agriculture, May 1976. Overall GPA: 2.33/4.00

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. 40506

General work in the agricultural production of food and agricultural economics.

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Civilian Advanced Leadership Course

Fort Leavenworth, KS, January 2015 – February 2015

US Air Force Air Staff College

Maxwell Air Force Base, MS, Nov 1992 – February 1993

US Army Command & General Staff College

Fort Leavenworth, KS, November 1985 – May 1986

General military and civilian training in planning, organization, and leadership. Training periods combined for over 1,000 hours of training.

# Awards and Acknowledgements

Military:

Meritorious Service Medal, 3-Army Commendation Medal, 4-Army Achievement Medal, Army Occupation Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Senior Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge

Civilian:

2-Superior Civilian Service Award, 2-Commander’s Award for Civilian Service, Secretary of Defense Medal for the Global War on Terrorism

4-Dean’s List,

2-Department of Anthropology Award for Scholastic Achievement, Hochstrasser Scholarship (2021), and Legacy Award for Research (2024).

# References

Dr. Richard W. Jefferies, Professor of Anthropology, University of Kentucky, (859) 257-2860

Dr. Scott R. Hutson, Professor of Anthropology, University of Kentucky, (859) 257-9642

Dr. George M. Crothers, Professor of Anthropology, University of Kentucky, (859) 257-6923