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Curriculum Vitae

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Current Position:

Professor of Anthropology
Anthropology Program
Illinois State University

Education:

University of Arizona, 1982-1990
Master of Arts (Anthropology), 1984
Ph.D. (Anthropology), 1990
Northern Michigan University, 1978-1982
Bachelor of Science, Magna cum laude (Anthropology)

Research Interests:

Great Lakes, Southwest U.S., and Philippines
Archaeological Theory
Ethnoarchaeology
Pottery use-alteration
Experimental archaeology: Technology of ceramics

Grants and Fellowships:

Department of Agriculture Cost Share Agreement, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007

National Science Foundation "Religious Interaction Along La Frontera." 1999-2001.
Co-Directed with William Walker.

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Illinois State University Research Grants, 1994, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2007

National Science Foundation (BNS-89-01797; BNS-86-45697) support of the Laboratory of Traditional Technology, 1985-87; 1990-1992. M. Schiffer Principal Investigator

National Science Foundation (BNS-89-15359) dissertation improvement grant, 1989-1990.

National Science Foundation (BNS-87-10275) support of the Kalinga Ethnoarchaeological Project, 1987-1988. William Longacre Principal Investigator.

Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona Fulton Research Award (1987) Educational Fund Research Award (1987, 1989, 1990)

Awards and Honors:

Excellence in Teaching Award, presented by Illinois State University's Student Education Association (2005)

United States Forest Service/Dept. of Agriculture, National Award for Excellence (2001), given in recognition for contributions to "Windows on the Past."

College Researcher of the Year (1999-2000), Illinois State University

Outstanding Young Alumni Award, Northern Michigan University, 1996

Research Initiative Award, Illinois State University, 1995

Illinois State University's nomination for the Presidential Faculty Fellows Award (National Science Foundation), 1995

Field Work:

Director: Grand Island Archaeological Project. 2000-present.

Co-Director: La Frontera Archaeological Research Program (W. Walker, Co-Director), 1999-2001.

Origins of Southwestern pottery. Clay collection (Summer 1996)

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Director -- ISU Archaeological Field School, (Summer 1993).

Dissertation field work. Ethnoarchaeological ceramic use alteration study among the Kalinga of Northern Luzon, the Philippines (February-June 1988).

Crew chief, Arizona State Museum's Marana Mound Survey. Paul Fish, Principal Investigator (Summers 1984 and 1985).

Survey Archaeologist, State Lands Division of the Arizona State Museum. Paul Pish, supervisor (Spring 1984).

Co-Director, excavation and analysis of AZ AA:12:205, a small dry-farming site in the northern Tucson Basin. Paul Fish, Principal Investigator (Fall 1983 - Spring 1984).

Field Technician, Terra Mar International. San Xavier Reservation Survey, Mary Lou Hewitt, Principal Investigator (Summer, 1983).

Field Technician, Coronado National Forest, Tucson. Excavation of a multicomponent site within Pima Canyon of the Santa Catalina Mts. Lisa Huckell, Principal Investigator (Spring, 1983).

Field Technician, State Lands Division of the Arizona State Museum. Excavation, analysis and write-up of a small Hohokam site. John Madsen, Supervisor (February, 1983).

Field Technician, Arizona State Museum's Tucson Basin Survey. Paul Fish, Principal Investigator (1982-1983).

Field Technician, Hiawatha National Forest, Escanaba, Michigan. Survey and archival research. John Franzen, Principal Investigator (Summers 1981 and 1982).

Field Technician, Northern Michigan University. Limited testing and survey projects. Marla Buckmaster, Principal Investigator (1980).

Teaching and Academic Research:

Full Professor (2001)

Associate Professor (1996-2001)

Assistant Professor, Anthropology Program

Illinois State University (1992-1995).

Assistant Professor, Culture, Science, and Technology Program,
University of Arizona (Spring, 1992).

Research Anthropologist, Laboratory of Traditional Technology
Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona (1990-1992).

Research Assistant for the Kalinga Ethnoarchaeological Project.
William Longacre, supervisory professor (1988-1989).

Research Assistant for the Laboratory of Traditional Technology.
Michael Schiffer, supervisory professor (1984-1988).

Research Assistant for the Marana Mound Survey.
Paul Fish supervisory professor (Fall, 1984).

Teaching Assistant (introductory anthropology, archaeological field methods).
University of Arizona (1983-1984).

Books and Edited Volumes:

- 2008 People and Things. Springer Press, New York. (Coauthored with M. B. Schiffer).
- 2007 Archaeological Anthropology: Perspectives on Method and Theory, co-edited with M. Graves and M. Stark. University of Arizona Press, Tucson.
- 2006 Bear Cave Hill. iUniverse Press, Lincoln, Nebraska
- 2002 The Joyce Well Site: On the Frontier of the Casas Grandes World. University of Utah Press. Edited with E. McCluney and W. Walker.
- 1999 Ants for Breakfast: Archaeological Adventures Among the Kalinga. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.
- 1999 Pottery and People: A Dynamic Interaction. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City, edited with G. Feinman.
- 1995 Expanding Archaeology. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City; edited with W. Walker and A. Nielsen.
- 1994 Kalinga Ethnoarchaeology: Expanding Archaeological Method and Theory.

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Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington, D.C.; edited with William Longacre (senior editor).

1992 Pottery Function: A Use-Alteration Perspective. Plenum Publishing, New York.

Journal Articles and Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- n.d. Stone Boiling, Fire-Cracked Rock, and Nut Oil: Exploring the Origins of Pottery Making on Grand Island. Manuscript submitted to the *Wisconsin Archaeologist*.
- n.d., Archaeological Theory and Snake Oil Peddling: The Role of Ethnoarchaeology in Archaeology. Manuscript submitted to *Ethnoarchaeology*.
- 2007 Smudge pits and hide smoking revisited: Late Woodland/Contact Period occupation of the Lake Superior shoreline. In Archaeology and Anthropology: A Retrospective, co-edited with M. Graves and M. Stark. University of Arizona Press, Tucson (with J. Franzen and Eric Drake).
- 2007 A history of the Kalinga Ethnoarchaeology Project. In Archaeology and Anthropology: A Retrospective, co-edited with M. Graves and M. Stark. University of Arizona Press, Tucson (with M. Stark, senior author)
- 2004 *Gete Odena*: Grand Island's Post-Contact occupation at William's Landing. Mid-Continental Journal of Archaeology 29:167-190 (with T. Martin, E. C. Drake, and J. Franzen).
- 2002 Joyce Well and the Casas Grandes World. In The Joyce Well Site: On the Frontier of the Casas Grandes World, with W. Walker (senior author) and E. McCluney. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.
- 2002 Ball courts and ritual performance. In The Joyce Well Site: On the Frontier of the Casas Grandes World, with W. Walker. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.
- 2002 Joyce Well and the Casas Gandes religious interaction sphere. In The Joyce Well Site: On the Frontier of the Casas Grandes World, with W. Walker (senior author). University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.
- 2002 Use-alteration of abraded sherds: a case study from the Late Archaic. Journal of Archaeological Science, 29:1-15 with M. Beck (senior author), D. Hally and P. Yang.
- 2001 Behavioral archaeology and the study of technology. American Antiquity 66:729-

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- 737, with M.B. Schiffer (senior author), Janet Griffiths, Kacy Hollenback, and W.A. Longacre.
- 2001 Understanding artifact variability and change: A behavioral framework. In The Anthropology of Technology, edited by M.B. Schiffer, University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque (with M.B. Schiffer).
- 2000 Experimental archaeology. In Archaeological Method and Theory: An Encyclopedia, edited by L.Ellis. Garland Publishing, New York.
- 1999 Pottery and people. In Pottery and People: A Dynamic Interaction, edited by J.M. Skibo and G. Feinman. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.
- 1999 Exploring the origins of pottery on the Colorado Plateau. In Pottery and People: A Dynamic Interaction, edited by J.M. Skibo and G. Feinman. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City, with Eric Blinman.
- 1997 The explanation of artifact variability. American Antiquity 62:27-50, with M.B. Schiffer (senior author).
- 1997 Ceramic surface treatment and abrasion resistance: An experimental study. Journal of Archaeological Science 24:311-317, with M.B. Schiffer&T. Butts.
- 1996 Designing of Southwestern pottery: A technological and experimental approach. In Interpreting Southwestern Diversity, P. Fish and J.J. Reid, pp. 249-256. Arizona State University Anthropological Research Papers, No. 48; with D. Wilson, E. Blinman, and M.B. Schiffer
- 1995 Pottery function and organic residue: an appraisal. In Archaeology in Southeast Asia, edited by Yeung Chun-tong and Li Wai-ling Brenda. University Museum and Art Gallery, University of Hong Kon; with M. Deal.
- 1995 Introduction. In Expanding archaeology, edited by J.M. Skibo, A. Nielsen, and W. Walker. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City; with Walker (senior author) and Nielsen.
- 1995 The clay cooking pot: An exploration of women's technology. In Expanding archaeology, edited by J.M. Skibo, A. Nielsen, and W. Walker. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City; with M.B. Schiffer.
- 1995 Food residue and pottery function: a critical assessment. La Tinaja 8 (3):1-7; with M. Deal (senior author).

- 1994 New perspectives on experimental archaeology: Surface treatments and thermal response of cooking pots. American Antiquity 59:197-217; with M.B. Schiffer (senior author), T. Boelke, and M. Neupert.
- 1994 Production and use technologies in Kalinga pottery. In Kalinga Ethnoarchaeology, edited by W.A. Longacre and J.M. Skibo. Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington, D.C.; with M. Aronson (senior author), and M. Stark.
- 1994 Introduction. In Kalinga Ethnoarchaeology, edited by W.A. Longacre and J.M. Skibo. Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington, D.C.; with W. Longacre (senior author).
- 1994 The Kalinga cooking pot: An ethnoarchaeological and experimental evaluation of performance characteristics. In Kalinga Ethnoarchaeology, edited by W.A. Longacre and J.M. Skibo. Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington, D.C.
- 1992 The archaeology of an agave roasting location. In "The Marana community in the Hohokam world," edited by S.K. Fish, P.R. Fish, and J.H. Madsen, pp. 88-96. University of Arizona Anthropological Papers No. 56; with M. Van Buren (senior author) and A.P. Sullivan.
- 1992 Theory and experiment in the study of technological change. In Technological perspectives on behavioral change, University of Arizona Press, Tucson; reprinted article; with M.B. Schiffer (senior author).
- 1992 Ethnoarchaeology, experimental archaeology and inference building in ceramic research. Archaeologia Polona 30:27-38.
- 1992 Sherds as tools: The role of vessel fragments in prehistoric succulent plant processing. North American Archaeologist 12:243-255; with A.P. Sullivan (senior author) and M. Van Buren.
- 1991 Ethnoarchaeology at the top of the world: New ceramic studies among the Kalinga of Luzon. Expedition 33:4-15; with W.A. Longacre (senior author) and M. Stark.
- 1991 Use technologies: An ethnoarchaeological study of Kalinga pottery. In Materials Research Society Symposium Proceedings, Vol 185, pp. 415-426. Materials Research Society, Pittsburgh; with M. Aronson (senior author) and M. Stark
- 1989 Ceramic style analysis in archaeology and Ethnoarchaeology: Bridging the

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- analytical gap. Journal of Anthropological Archaeology 8:388-409; with M.B. Schiffer and N. Kowalski.
- 1989 Organic-tempered pottery: An experimental study. American Antiquity 54:122-146; with M.B. Schiffer and K.C. Reid.
- 1989 A Provisional theory of ceramic abrasion. American Anthropologist 91:102-116; with M.B. Schiffer (senior author).
- 1988 Use of a falling-weight tester for assessing ceramic impact strength. American Antiquity 53:829-839; with J. Mabry (senior author), M.B. Schiffer, and K. Kvamme.
- 1988 Large site reconnaissance in the Lower Santa Cruz Basin. In "Recent Research on Tucson Basin prehistory: Proceedings of the Second Tucson Basin Conference," edited by W.H. Doelle, and P.R. Fish, pp. 241-251. Institute for American Research, Anthropological Papers No. 10.
- 1988 Effects of firing temperature on the fate of naturally occurring organic matter in clays. Journal of Archaeological Science 15:403-414; with J.S. Johnson (senior author), J. Clark, S. Miller, V.D. Robins, and M.B. Schiffer.
- 1987 Effects of temper on ceramic abrasion resistance: A preliminary investigation. Archaeomaterials 1:119-134; with I. Vaz Pinto (senior author), M.B. Schiffer, and S. Smith.
- 1987 Theory and experiment in the study of technological change. Current Anthropology 28:595-622; with M.B. Schiffer (senior author).
- 1987 Experimental replication of fluvial abrasion and the interpretation of surface remains on Southwestern bajadas. North American Archaeologist 8:125-141.
- 1987 The effects of water of processes of ceramic abrasion. Journal of Archaeological Science 14:83-96; with M.B. Schiffer.

Journal Editor -- Journal of Archaeological Method and Theory (co-editor, C. Cameron)

2001 Volume 8–present

Series Editor -- Foundations of Archaeological Inquiry, University of Utah Press:

2008 Ancient Human Migrations, edited by Peregrine, Peiros, and Feldman.

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- 2008 Invisible Citizens: Captives and their Consequences, edited by C. Cameron
- 2008 Archaeological Concepts for the Study of the Cultural Past, edited by A. Sullivan
- 2007 Craft Production in Complex Societies, edited by I. Shimada
- 2006 Living with Pottery: Ethnoarchaeology among the Gamo of Southwest Ethiopia,
by John Arthur.
- 2004 Archaeological Perspectives on Political Economies, edited by G. Feinman and L.
Nicholas.
- 2004 Archaeology Beyond Dialogue, by Ian Hodder
- 2003 Essential Tensions in Archaeological Method and Theory, edited by T. L.
VanPool and C. S. Vanpool
- 2003 The Archaeology of Settlement Abandonment in Middle America, edited by T.
Inomata and R. Webb
- 2003 Style, Function, Transmission: Evolutionary Archaeology Perspectives, edited by
M. J. O'Brien and R. L. Lyman
- 2003 Complex Systems and Archaeology: Empirical and Theoretical Applications,
edited by R.A. Bentley and H.D.G. Maschner.
- 2002 The Archaeology of Race, edited by C.E. Orser
- 2000 Social Theory in Archaeology, edited by M.B. Schiffer
- 1999 Material Meanings: Critical Approaches to the Interpretation of Material
Culture, edited by E. Chilton.
- 1999 Pottery and People: A Dynamic Interaction, edited by J.M. Skibo and G.
Feinman.
- 1998 Pottery ethnoarchaeology in the Central Maya Highlands, by Michael Deal.
- 1997 Measuring Time, Space, and Material: Unit Issues in Archaeology, edited by
A.F. Ramenofsky and A. Steffen.
- 1996 Benchmarks in Evolutionary Archaeology. Edited by M. O'Brien.

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- 1995 Behavioral Archaeology: First Principles, by M.B. Schiffer.
- 1995 Expanding Archaeology. Edited by J.M. Skibo, W. Walker, and Axel Nielsen, University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.

Book Reviews:

- 1999 Review of Material Cultures: Why Some Things Matter, edited by D. Miller. Journal of Anthropological Research.
- 1997 Review of The Aim of Laboratory Analyses of Ceramics in Archaeology, edited by Lindahl and Stilborg. American Antiquity 62(1).
- 1997 Review of Learning from Things, edited by W.D. Kingery. Radiocarbon 38(3).
- 1997 Review of Ceramic Production in the American Southwest, edited by B.J. Mills and P.L. Crown. American Anthropologist 99(2).
- 1996 Review of Evolutionary archaeology, edited by P. Teltser. Royal Anthropological Institute
- 1993 Review of Domestic ceramic production and spatial organization, Approaches to archaeological ceramics, and The ceramic legacy of Anno O. Shepard. Journal of Field Archaeology 20:117-120.
- 1991 Review of "Coasts, Plains and Deserts: Essays in Honor of Reynold J. Ruppe," edited by Sylvia W. Gaines. The Kiva 56:179-181.

Professional Societies:

Society for American Archaeology

American Anthropological Association

Wisconsin Archaeological Society

Midwestern Archaeological Conference

Michigan Archaeological Society

Honorary Societies:

Sigma Xi

Other Professional Activities:

- 2009 Secretary and Contributing Editor of the Archaeological Division of the American Anthropological Association.
- 2005 Senior Fulbright Scholar, Porto Alegre, Brazil.
- 2004 Co-Organizer of a retirement party and scholarship fund raiser for William A. Longacre, at the University of Arizona.
- 1999-2001 AAA Archaeology Division Nominations Committee
- 1995 Organizer, Pottery and People Conference, Illinois State University.
- 1994-1995 Chair, Excellence in Ceramic Research Awards Committee. Society for American Archaeology
- 1991 Local Events Chair, Southwestern Anthropological Association 62nd Annual Meeting, April, 1991.