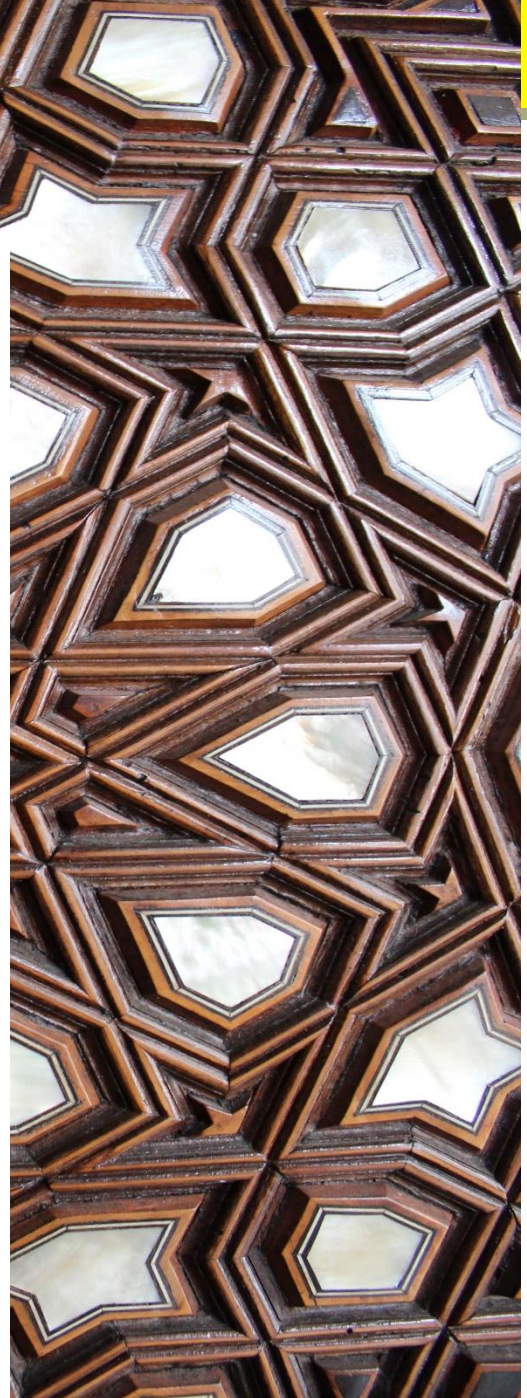




Anthropology Department

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My Bloomsburg University Journey

Julia Orzolek, BU Senior, President of BU Anthropology Club, by email, jro60930@huskies.bloomu.edu

When I first came to Bloomsburg University I bounced through quite a few majors, not really finding one that actually fit me. I had planned my entire life for one job before finding out my senior year of high school that I did not enjoy that field at all, so coming to Bloomsburg University, I was a complete blank slate, with no real ideas of what I wanted to do, just that I wanted to do something that I did not need any graduate school for.

It wasn't until the spring semester of my second year that I took my first anthropology class and, might I add, I did this very reluctantly. Less than a month into that semester I was planning my career in anthropology, I had completely fallen in love with the discipline. Going into the fall of 2019, my third year at Bloomsburg University, I began doing my research on the human-shark interaction with Dr. Warner, continuing into the fall of 2021, the current semester. It was here that I realized I could study exactly what I

wanted to study. I am able to help the environment and learn how it effects the people living in it, in ways that a professional in any other field may never get to study. If I hadn't stepped out of my comfort zone, into a field that wasn't high on my initial interest list, I never would have found work that allows me to study just about anything and gives me the opportunity to do what I enjoy most. Despite my initial goal to never attend graduate school, I am currently working on graduate school applications to attend school in the fall of 2022, for environmental anthropology. I found something that fit me so well that I completely changed my view on school, which I previously struggled with, to something I look forward to and am excited to continue. My biggest advice to any new or unsure student is to try everything. If you don't love it, at least you know that and you can move forward, never having to wonder if maybe something would have fit you better or could have made you happier.



Secretary's Corner

Jodie Budihas-Roginsky, Department of Anthropology & Department of Economics, by email, jbudihas@bloomu.edu

I joined Bloomsburg University Economics Department in February of 2019. In August of 2021, I began supporting the Anthropology Department. I can help navigate student concerns. You are welcome to visit my office located in Sutliff Hall, Suite 200 room 233, Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30PM. Please send requests by email jbudihas@bloomu.edu or telephone 570-389-5157.

Our department staffs a student worker who will act as a liaison between you and your professor. You can submit requests to email address stanthro1@bloomu.edu.

Tips: Class Selection is contained within the MyHusky Portal. Declaring Major/ Minor Forms are contained in the MyHusky Portal. If you are in need of tutoring, you can make arrangements through HuskySuccess Portal. Should you need financial assistance there is a link in HuskySuccess Portal. Throughout the year, I may contact our majors to aid in obtaining a full schedule. If your account is placed on a health hold or financial hold please notify me. I can try to enroll you into classes with the help of various people on campus. Students who serve in the military are encouraged to discuss their plans with Advisor, Robert Heckrote and keep our department informed. Bob Heckrote can be contacted via email rheckrote@bloomu.edu or 570-389-4696. In addition, we ask that you communicate information with buregistrar@bloomu.edu.

I earned a Bachelor's Degree from Cedar Crest College in Political Science/ Pre-Law, Lehigh Valley, PA. Previously worked as an Office Administrator, Bookkeeper, Purchasing Agent, and Human Resources Generalist engaging in aspects regarding employee payroll, workers compensation, unemployment compensation, medical benefits, and OSHA. In my spare time, I have been known to support husband's oral surgery profession. I dedicate time to supporting breed standard for poodles.



A member of the Lehigh Valley Poodle Association and certified dog therapy handler through the Alliance Therapy Dogs. Campaigned my first show dog in AKC events with the help of Professional Handler Paul and Crystal Clas. Accomplished titles in confirmation: Champion/ Grand Champion and AKC Therapy Title. "Pompey" was featured on Entertainment Tonight live coverage from Westminster Dog Show New York February 12, 2019.

Participates with Sir Wellington Valentino and GCH CH Glow Sir Pierre Frenchy Pompey in BU "stress less with pets' program". In addition, her dogs participate in "Pets Together" a covid-19 support group for nursing homes cross the United States. As a team she and her dogs support, nursing home patients at Manor Care in Allentown, PA. My dogs support those residents who have dementia, those who have physical disabilities and those who are trachea patients paralyzed from the neck down.

50 students attend *Careers in Anthropology* panel at BU CASSH CON September 30

On September 30, 2021, 50 current BU students attended the panel, *Careers in Anthropology*. The panel was organized by Dr. Dauria and hosted by Dr. Dauria and Dr. Quintyn and featured three BU anthropology graduates. These anthropology professionals talked about their education, training, and career path since BU graduation. Students in attendance asked questions and all engaged in a lively conversation to conclude the panel. The three graduates from the BU Anthropology Department that spoke at the panel were Dominick (Nick) Caputo, Chelsey Tennis, and Adrienne Mael. Their biographical information is below.

Dominick (Nick) Caputo (BA Anthropology BU) is an Operations Manager for Vermont State Parks, where he supervises operations at 17 parks in the northeastern part of the state. Nick is also the Vice-Chair of the Vermont State Rehabilitation Council, a Certified Public Manager and a graduate of the National Association of State Park Directors Leadership School. In his free time, Nick enjoys making full use of the natural beauty of Vermont. He is an avid SCUBA diver, hiker and traveler. He holds a BA in Anthropology from Bloomsburg University. He has worked for Vermont State Parks since 1999. Email address is nick.caputo@vermont.gov.

Chelsey Tennis – (BA Anthropology BU) After graduating from Bloomsburg in 2017, Chelsey served two years for AmeriCorps VISTA in different education-focused roles. In these roles, they learned more about their passion for education and community building. In August of 2020, they went back to school at Marquette University's Student Affairs in Higher Education graduate program and have been working in the LGBTQ+ Resource Center there. Email address is Chelseytennis523@gmail.com.

Adrienne Mael, (BA Anthropology BU, MA) Adrienne Mael is the current President/CEO of the United Way of Columbia and Montour Counties. She has held this position since March of 2015. Previously she was the Downtown Manager for Bloomsburg, PA for almost two years. Ms. Mael has her an undergraduate Degree in Anthropology from Bloomsburg and graduated in 2008, and then after some significant travel she went back to school and got a Master's Degree in Applied Anthropology. Email address is ceo@cmcuw.org.

Summer 2021 Archaeological Fieldwork Report

Dr. Damien Marken



Emily Haney and Dr. Damien Marken in the lab examining restored ceramic vessels from a royal tomb at El Perú-Waka', Guatemala.

In Summer 2021, Anthropology professor Dr. Damien Marken and several BU students were able to return to Guatemala to continue archaeological investigation of the ancient Maya city of El Perú-Waka' (ca. 200 BC-AD 1000). These investigations were carried out as part of the Waka' Archaeological Project (PAW) under a permit issued by the Guatemalan government. During PAW's 18th field season, from May 17-June 20, Marken, Zachary Cooper (Class of 2015) surveyed a 15 km² sector of the city's hinterland as part of an ongoing effort to document and verify the distribution of

pre-Hispanic settlement in the region as identified by a recent 90 km² LiDAR survey. Former BU student Andrew Miller (Class of 2020) also participated in PAW's 2021 field season, assisting archaeologists Griselda Pérez and Juan Carlos Pérez in documenting excavated architecture of the city's ancient royal palace.

Following the field season, current student Miles Plunkett and alum Emily Haney (Class of 2018) analyzed ceramic materials from the El Perú-Waka' at PAW's lab house in Guatemala City. The materials analyzed included several complete vessels from a royal burial discovered by PAW archaeologists in 2017.

Marken will be returning to Guatemala to continue field and lab investigations in Summer 2022. Interested students can send inquiries to dmarken@bloomu.edu.



Emily Haney, Miles Plunkett and Andrew Miller in the Guatemala City lab reconstructing broken ceramic vessels from El Perú-Waka', Guatemala.