

## Megan Binkley

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### EDUCATION

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- 2021-present **PhD Student (Anthropology Department – Archaeology Section)**  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Advisor: Dr. Sarah Clayton  
Co-advisor: Dr. J. Mark Kenoyer
- 2021-present **Nahuatl Summer Intensive Language and Culture Program**  
University of Utah Center for Latin American Studies  
Modern Huasteca and Classical Nahuatl
- 2021 **B.A. with Honors**, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Anthropology & Environmental Studies Majors, Archaeology Certificate  
Honors Thesis Title: Late Mesolithic Foodways in Arctic and Subarctic Zones:  
An Ethnoarchaeological Approach.

### RESEARCH INTERESTS & SKILLS

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#### *Research Interests*

**Themes:** Mesoamerican archaeology and ethnoarchaeology · paleoethnobotany · community archaeology & public science · chemical residue analysis · early urbanism · corporate kinship and crafting traditions · GIS, archaeological cartography, diachronic analysis · decolonizing textual sources.

**Regions:** Basin of Mexico, Yucatan Peninsula, Southwestern United States.

#### *Skills*

**Languages:** Modern Huasteca Nahuatl; Classical Nahuatl; Spanish; English (native speaker).

**Software:** ArcGIS Pro, 10.7.1; Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop; Microsoft Office Suite.

### ARCHAEOLOGY & GIS FIELD EXPERIENCE

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- 2020-21 **Co-Principal Investigator** – “An Interdisciplinary Approach to Identifying Cochineal Residue in Archaeological Ceramics: Reconstructing Colorant Production in pre-Hispanic Mesoamerica.” (Dr. Sarah Clayton, Co-PI).
- 2021 **GIS Project Intern for Community-Based Work** – *University of Wisconsin-Madison UniverCity Alliance Project*. In partnership with the Ho-Chunk Nation.
- 2021 **Cartographer** – *Environmental Studies Service Learning with Indigenous Nations Capstone*. In partnership with the Ho-Chunk Nation, the UniverCity Year Alliance, and the Village of Waunakee.
- 2019-20 **Principal Investigator** – “Late Mesolithic Foodways in Arctic and Subarctic Zones: An Ethnoarchaeological Approach.” Grimstad, Norway & Napp, Norway.
- 2019 **Field School Student** – Lobar Bioarchaeological Project Field School. Lobar, Croatia.

**LAB & MUSEUM EXPERIENCE**

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- 2020-21 **Collections & Research Assistant** (paid position) – University of Wisconsin-Madison Anthropology Department, North American Archaeology Collection.
- 2020 **Outreach & Community Education Intern** – University of Wisconsin-Madison Anthropology Department, Global Ethnographic Collection.
- 2019 **Collections & Research Intern** – University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Anthropology North American Archaeological Collection.

**RESEARCH SUPPORT & FELLOWSHIPS**

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*External*

- 2021 Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship. **\$7,500.**

*Internal*

- 2021-22 Graduate School University Fellowship. **\$22,909.**
- 2021 Bromley Research Conference Grant. **\$350.**
- 2020-21 Robert F. and Jean E. Holtz Center Undergraduate Research Opportunity. **\$1,500.**
- 2020 University of Wisconsin – Madison Study Abroad Scholars Award. **\$1,500.**
- 2019 University of Wisconsin – Madison L&S Honors Program Summer Research Grant. **\$3,000.**
- 2013 Knox College Founders' Fellowship. **\$10,000.**
- 2013 Knox College Writer's Scholarship. **\$5,000.**

**SELECT AWARDS & HONORS**

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- 2021 Herfurth-Kubly Award for Comprehensive Undergraduate Excellence (nominee). *University of Wisconsin-Madison.*
- 2020 Anthropologist of the Month – Recognition & Research Feature. *University of Wisconsin-Madison Anthropology Department.*
- 2020 Herfurth-Kubly Award for Comprehensive Undergraduate Excellence (nominee). *University of Wisconsin-Madison.*
- 2020 Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society. Invitation by nomination and induction.

**PUBLICATIONS**

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*Community-based publications.*

- 2021 **Binkley, M.** "Navigating the Pandemic as an Honors Student and Peer Advisor." *University of Wisconsin-Madison Letters & Science Honors Program 'Honors Challenge' Annual Newsletter to Alumni, Friends & Supporters.*
- 2021 **Binkley, M.** (Map). "Hooçak in Teejóp: Ho-Chunk History, Language & Culture in Waunakee and Westport." *Gibbs Land Use & Environment Lab Website.*
- 2020-21 Paulsen, I.; **Binkley, M.**; Houtman, L.; Prahl, A. "AnthroCircle Chronicles." *University of Wisconsin-Madison Anthropology Circle (AnthroCircle) biweekly newsletter.*
- 2020 **Binkley, M.** "Late Mesolithic Foodways in Arctic and Subarctic Zones: An Ethnoarchaeological Approach." *2020 Honors Theses Bound Volume, University*

*of Wisconsin-Madison Letters & Science Honors Program, Washburn Observatory Library.*

## **CONFERENCE & SYMPOSIA ACTIVITY**

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### *Research Presentations*

2021 **Binkley, M.**; Conaway, J. "Mapping Hoocąk in Teejóp: Honoring Indigenous Place Names Through Cartography." *Wisconsin Land Information Association 2021 Annual Conference*. Virtual.

### *Research Posters*

2022 **Binkley, M.**; Clayton, Sarah C.; Barrett-Wilt, Greg. Creating a Brilliant Red: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Reconstructing Colorant Production in pre-Hispanic Mexico. *Society for American Archaeology 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference*. Chicago, IL.

2021 **Binkley, M.** Late Mesolithic Foodways in Arctic and Subarctic Zones: An Ethnoarchaeological Approach. *Society for American Archaeology 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference*. Virtual.

### *Speaking Events & Interviews (\*invited speaker/interviewee)*

2021\* "The Ho-Chunk Nation and the Village of Waunakee partner through UniverCity Year to address diversity and inclusion." *The Nelson Commons digital magazine*. July edition.

2020\* "Ask Me Anything: Live Virtual (WebEx) Event." *Madison, WI, USA*. Panel for incoming undergraduate honors students.

### *Symposia, Panels & Workshops Organized*

2021 "Ho-Chunk Lived Experiences". *Waunakee, WI*. Co-organizer.

2020 "Graduate School – Question & Answer Session with Graduate Students and Professors". *Madison, WI*. Lead organizer.

2020 "Natural & Botanical Dyeing Workshop for Students". *Madison, WI*. Lead organizer.

## **TEACHING, ADVISING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE**

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2021-22 **Graduate Mentor** – University of Wisconsin-Madison AnthroCircle Undergraduate Mentor Match Program.

2020 **Undergraduate Teaching Fellow** – The Wisconsin Experience Seminar (fall semester). University of Wisconsin-Madison Center for First Year Experiences (CFYE).

2020 **Honors Student Peer Advisor** – University of Wisconsin-Madison Letters & Science Honors Program Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration (SOAR).

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & DEVELOPMENT**

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2021 **Program Assistant** – Society for American Archaeology 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting (with Dr. Sissel Schroeder).

**DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

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- 2020-21 Co-founder – University of Wisconsin-Madison AnthroCircle Mentor Match Program.
- 2020-21 Treasurer – University of Wisconsin-Madison AnthroCircle Student Organization.
- 2019-20 President – University of Wisconsin-Madison AnthroCircle Student Organization.
- 2019 Co-organizer – University of Wisconsin-Madison AnthroCircle Behind-the-Scenes Tour of the Chicago Field Museum North American Collections.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH & LECTURES**

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- 2021 “Honoring Indigenous Place Names, Language, and History Through Archaeological Story Mapping.” *University of Utah Brown Bag Lecture Series*. July 13<sup>th</sup>.
- 2020 Co-organizer & volunteer – Paleoanthropology Booth at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Discovery Center Science Saturdays Outreach for Kids K-12.

**PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS**

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- 2020-present Society for Historical Archaeology
- 2020-present Advisory Council on Underwater Archaeology
- 2019-present Society for American Archaeology
- 2018-21 UW Madison Anthropology Circle (AnthroCircle) Student Organization