

# Emily J. Brennan

Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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- 2017-Present    **PhD Student**, Anthropology, University of South Carolina  
Advisor: Sharon DeWitte
- 2013-2015      **M.A.**, Anthropology, **The George Washington University**  
**Thesis:** Cooking in Prehistory: Results from a Bone Boiling Experiment
- 2009-2013      **B.S.**, Anthropology, **University of Wisconsin-Madison**  
Minors: Archaeology; Russian, East European, & Asian Studies

## Research Experience

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- 2016    **AAPA 2016 Poster Presentation**  
Sexual dimorphism of the proximal ulna: An evaluation of metric analyses for determining sex  
Emily J. Brennan and David R. Hunt
- 2016    **Paleoanthropology Society Meetings 2016 Poster Presentation**  
Identifying diagnostic criteria of cut marks on experimentally butchered bones: A methodological comparison  
Emily J. Brennan, Eve K. Boyle, and Briana Pobinar
- 2012    **Arizona State University Field School**, Kampsville, IL  
Bioarchaeology and Human Osteology  
Identification of human skeletal fragments and practical application of methods to assess sex, biological distance, age at death of adult and juvenile individuals  
**Final project:** An Investigation of Thermally Altered Skeletal Material from Perrin's Ledge Crematory in the Illinois River Valley: Cranial Analysis

## Field Experience

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- 2017    **University of Liverpool Field School at Penycloddiau**  
Iron Age Hillfort excavation, Wales  
**Area Supervisor**

- Instructed students in stratigraphic excavation, including the proper use of trowels, mattocks, & shovels and proper recording practices (context sheets and plans)
- 2016 **University of Liverpool Field School at Penycloddiau**  
Iron Age Hillfort excavation, Wales  
**Teaching Assistant**  
Assisted students in understanding the process of stratigraphic excavation, including proper tool use and recording practices; Engaged with the public to answer questions regarding the purpose and progress of the project
- 2016 **Poulton Research Project Field School: Medieval Graveyard Excavation** Cheshire, England  
International Student  
Excavation of human skeletal remains (disarticulated skeletal elements and articulated burials) including recording, planning and photographing of remains and grave cut
- 2015 **University of Liverpool Field School at Penycloddiau**  
Iron Age Hillfort excavation, Wales  
Institute for Field Research International Student  
Stratigraphic excavation, planning and section drawing, basics of archaeological illustration and environmental sample processing
- 2014 **Archaeotek Field School: Funerary Medieval Excavation**  
Lost Churches Project, Central Transylvania  
Excavation, sketching, mapping and documentation of human skeletal material including disarticulated remains and an articulated burial

## Work Experience

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- March 2017-July 2017 **Associate Research Specialist**, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Wisconsin National Primate Research Center  
Clinical Pathology & Necropsy Technician, Pathology Unit  
Performed diagnostic testing on non-human primate blood, feces, and urine. Prepared collection materials and plans in cooperation with PIs and research staff. Assisted veterinary pathologists in performing necropsies including trimming tissues, recording data, and post procedure cleaning.
- Aug 2016 – Dec 2016 **Academic Tutor**, University of Missouri Intercollegiate Athletics  
Assist students in subject area via one-on-one instruction, assess successfulness of students' current study habits, and aid students in determining the best study habits for their particular learning style
- Courses Tutored:  
ANTHRO 1000: General Anthropology



## Web Based Writing

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- 2016 – Present    **Creator and Author, *Grave Thoughts: A Bio-Archaeology Blog***  
www.gravethoughtsblog.wordpress.com  
Bi-monthly articles written to explain relevant and current topics within anthropology, specifically biological anthropology and archaeology, suited for a wide range of readers; maintained via WordPress
- June 2017        *The Archaeology of Roanoke: The Lost Colony*  
Archaeology in the Community Blog Post  
<http://www.archaeologyincommunity.com/the-archaeology-of-roanoke-the-lost-colony/>

## Scholarships/Awards

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- 2014    **Capitol Archaeological Institute** Rogers Excavation and Survey Scholarship Recipient  
The George Washington University  
\$1000 for field school expenses

## Professional Memberships

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American Association of Physical Anthropologists  
Paleoanthropological Society