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# **University of Oregon**

Assistant Professor, Department of Classics (August 2015-Present)

### **Case Western Reserve University**

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Classics (August 2012- July 2015)

#### **Education**

## The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Ph.D. in Classical Archaeology, April 2012

Dissertation: "Actors and Agents in Ritual Behavior: The Sanctuary at Grasceta dei Cavallari as a Case-Study of the E-L-C Votive Tradition in Republican Italy"

Advisors: Dr. Nicola Terrenato (chair), Dr. Elaine Gazda, Dr. Janet Richards, Dr. Carla

Sinopoli

## The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Master of Arts in Classics, May 2002

Thesis: "Civilis/Incultus: Defining the Barbarian in Roman Mauretania"

Advisors: Dr. David Soren, Dr. Frank Romer

#### The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Bachelor of Arts in English and Anthropology, December 1992.

#### Honors, Awards and Fellowships

2019	Faculty Research Award
2017-2018	Archaeological Institute of America Endowed Lecturer
2016-2017	Andrew Heiskell Post-Doctoral Rome Prize, American Academy at Rome
2016	New Junior Faculty Research Award, University of Oregon
2014	SAGES Research Award, Case Western Reserve University
2009-2010	Rackham Humanities Research Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan
2008-2009	Rackham Humanities Research Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan
2008	Etruscan Foundation Research Fellowship
2007-2008	Rackham Humanities Research Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan
2006-2007	Classical Studies Research Grant, University of Michigan
2001	Rose Foreign Travel Fellowship, University of Arizona
2001	ASUA Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Arizona
2000	Foreign Travel Grant, University of Arizona

#### **Publications**

Dicus, K. (2019). "Using Your Head: local stylistic adaptations in foreign ritual". In B. Collins and S. Blakely (eds.) *Religious Convergence in the Ancient Mediterranean. Proceedings of the Conference "Religious Convergence in the Ancient Mediterranean,"* 23–26 June 2016, Palermo, Studies in Ancient Mediterranean Religions 2. Atlanta: Lockwood Press. 491-513.

Dicus, K. (R & R). "A Roman *mansio* in the Tolfa mountains: results of excavations at Le Mattonelle (Tolfa)". *The Journal of Fasti Online*.

Ellis, S., Dicus, K., et al. (2015). "The 2012 Field Season at I.1.1-10, Pompeii: Preliminary report on the excavations". *The Journal of Fasti Online*.

Wallrodt, J., Dicus, K., Tucker, G., Leiberman, L. (2014). "Beyond Tablet Computers as a Tool for Data Collection: Three Seasons of Processing and Curating Digital Data in a Paperless World". A. Traviglia (ed.). Across Space and Time. Selected Papers from the 41st Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology Conference (Perth, 25-28 March 2013).

Dicus, K. (2014). "Resurrecting refuse at Pompeii: The use-value of urban refuse and its implications for interpreting archaeological assemblages". *TRAC 2013: Proceedings of the Twenty Third Annual Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference*. Oxford: Oxbow. 56-69.

Ellis, S., Dicus, K., et al. (2012). "The 2011 Field Season at I.1.1-10, Pompeii: Preliminary report on the excavations". *The Journal of Fasti Online*.

Dicus, K. (2011). "The development of property I.1.1". In: S.J.R. Ellis, et al. "The 2010 Field Season at I.1.1-10, Pompeii: Preliminary report on the excavations". *The Journal of Fasti Online*.

Dicus, K. (2008). "An Etruscan bucchero chalice in the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology". *Bulletin of the University of Michigan Museums of Art and Archaeology*. **17**: 47-63.

Dicus, K. and G. Devore. (2007). "VIII.7.12" In: S.J.R. Ellis and G. Devore "Two seasons of excavations at VIII.7.1-15 and the Porta Stabia at Pompeii, 2005-2006". *Rivista di Studi Pompeiani* **18**: 123.

Dicus, K. and S. Ellis. (2007). "VIII.7.14-15" In: S.J.R. Ellis and G. Devore "Two seasons of excavations at VIII.7.1-15 and the Porta Stabia at Pompeii, 2005-2006". *Rivista di Studi Pompeiani* 18: 123-124.

#### **Book Reviews**

Dicus, K. (2018) "Pompeii's via dell'Abbondanza as never before seen". JRA 31: 748-750.

Dicus, K. (2017) "Bringing to light the chequered story of the House of Sallust in Pompeii". *JRA* 31: 610-614.

#### **Conference Papers**

March 2018. "Where the garbage flows: curating refuse in the Roman city". Paper presented at the *Classical Association of the Pacific Northwest*. Tacoma, WA.

March 2017. "Wells as memory theater: a case study from Pompeii". *Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference*. Durham, England.

June 2016. "Using your head: Local stylistic adaptations in foreign ritual". *Religious Convergence in the Ancient Mediterranean*. Palermo, Sicily.

May 2016. "Pompeii and new strategies for documenting the Roman world". Paper presented at the *Conference on Cultural Heritage Media*. Eugene, OR.

March 2016. "(Waste) water Management in Pompeian Residences". Paper Presented at the *Classical Association of the Pacific Northwest*. Olympia, WA.

January 2015. "Pompeian Votives and Ritual Behavior". Paper presented at the Archaeological Institute of America Conference. New Orleans, LA.

April 2014. "Waste not waste: Reusing refuse in the ancient city of Pompeii". Research ShowCASE. Case Western Reserve University.

November 2014. "Results from the Pompeii Archaeological Research Project: Porta Stabia: Uncovering a New Pottery Workshop". Paper presented at the Ohio Classical Conference. Case Western Reserve University.

November 2013. "The management of waste in the ancient city of Pompeii." Paper presented at the *FAST Lecture Series*. Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, University of Michigan.

April 2013. Panel Chair: "The formation processes of in-fills in urban archaeological settings". Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference, Kings College, London.

April 2013. "Contrasting formation processes in Pompeian urban fills". Paper presented at the Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference, Kings College, London.

March 2013. "Beyond Tablet Computers as a Tool for Data Collection: Three Seasons of Processing and Curating Digital Data in a Paperless World". Paper presented at the 41st Computer Applications in Archaeology and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology Conference. Perth, Australia. (with Wallrodt, J., Tucker, G., and Leiberman, L.)

March 2012. "Reading construction *collegia* activities in Pompeian quarry fills." Paper presented at the Collaborative Archaeology Workshop, Ann Arbor, MI.

March 2011. The E-L-C votive tradition in a political, religious and material context". Paper presented at the *3 Fields Lecture Series*. University of Michigan.

February 2011. "The E-L-C votive phenomenon at the sanctuary at Grasceta dei Cavallari: style and agency in ritual behavior". Paper presented at the *FAST Lecture Series*. Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, University of Michigan.

October 2010. "Style and agency in 'etrusco-laziale-campano' votive assemblages". Paper presented at the Collaborative Archaeology Workshop, Ann Arbor, MI.

## **Departmental and Professional Service**

UO Department of Classics Merit Review Committee (2019)

Selection Committee: American School of Classical Studies at Athens NEH Fellowship (2019)

Selection Committee: CAORC Multi-Country Research Fellowship (2018)

UO Department of Classics Merit Review Committee (2018)

Teaching Observation: Faten Arfaoui (Arabic Studies); Cristina Calhoon (Classics)

Peer Reviewer for the American Journal of Archaeology

President, Eugene Chapter, Archaeological Institute of America. (2015-Present)

Faculty Advisor, Eta Sigma Phi, Classics Honorary Society (2012-2015).

Faculty Advisor, Alpha Phi Omega Student Service Fraternity (2012-2015). Case Western Reserve University.

Guest Speaker/Advisor, Mythology in the Greek World--7<sup>th</sup> Grade Lesson Unit (Fall 2013 and 2014). Citizens Leadership Academy. Cleveland, OH.

#### **Invited Lectures**

2019: Keynote Speaker: Reed Latin Forum. "When humans become artifacts: inventing and displaying body casts at Pompeii." (Nov. 2019).

2017/2018 National Lecture Program of the Archaeological Institute of America

Oct 2017: "Waste not waste: managing garbage in the ancient Roman city". University of Winnipeg.

Feb 2018: "Pompeii and the life history of a city". Willamette University.

March 2018: Edward J. Bader Endowed Lecture: "Pompeii and the life history of a city". UNC-Greensborough.

March 2018: Graham Endowed Lecture: "Pompeii and the life history of a city". NYU-Buffalo.

"The Pompeii Archeological Research Project: Porta Stabia. A Diachronic View of the Ancient City". (November 2015) Portland Archaeological Institute of America.

"Rome: Experiencing the Ancient City". (March 17-April 21, 2015) Case Western Reserve University Lauren and Alvin Seigel Lifelong Learning Program "Senior Scholars".

"Recognizing and Reading Formation Processes of Urban Infills". (February 2015). University of Missouri.

"Tracking Pompeii's Trash: Waste Management in the Ancient World". (November 2014). Oberlin College.

"Pompeii before 79 AD: The results of excavations conducted by the Pompeii Archaeological Research Project: Porta Stabia". (September 2014). Institute for the Science of Origins. Cleveland, OH.

"Tracing the occupational history of Pompeii's domestic quarters". (January 2013). Cleveland Museum of Art.

#### **Television**

Presenter: "Gangs of Pompeii". Smithsonian Channel (Nov 25 2019)

Presenter: "Secrets of the Dead: Pompei". National Geographic Channel (Nov 24 2019)

Presenter: "The Next Pompeii". PBS (Feb 2019)

Presenter: "The VR Detectives". BBC (Feb 2018)

Presenter: "Pompeii: Countdown to Disaster". BBC (May 2018).

Presenter: "Headless Gladiators of York". Smithsonian Channel (May 2017).

Presenter: "Secrets of the Dead: Nero's Sunken City". PBS (April 2017).

Presenter: "Pompeii: The Dead Speak". Smithsonian Channel (August 2016).

#### **Archaeological Field Experience**

**Tolfa, Italy:** Fontanaccia, Gruppo Archeologico Romano

Excavation Supervisor, 2018, 2019

Oversaw the excavation of a Roman imperial villa.

Pompeii, Italy: Pompeii Urban Waste Project

**Director:** 2014-ongoing

Examining the archaeological evidence of ancient urban waste management through the study of extra-mural trash dumps at Pompeii and the large volumes of waste imported into the city to be used as infill during construction projects. Currently applying for an excavation permit to work on the

**Pompeii, Italy:** Pompeii Archaeological Research Project: Porta Stabia, University of Cincinnati

**Excavation Supervisor**, 2006-ongoing

Oversaw the excavation of two trenches per season in a domestic *insula*. Taught

methodologies of stratigraphic excavation to teams of 7-10 people. Maintained the photographic and planning records as well as the stratigraphic unit and finds processing forms. Wrote final trench reports at the completion of each season. Co-authored published season reports. Co-authoring Volume I of the final excavation report.

**Tolfa, Italy:** *Le Mattonelle*, Gruppo Archeologico Romano **Excavation Supervisor**, 2016, 2017, 2018

Oversaw the excavation of a purported villa site, excavating a bath complex and brick/tile kiln.

Tolfa, Italy: Pian della Conserva, Gruppo Archeologico Romano

Excavator, 2009, 2010 Field Seasons

Assisted in the excavations of the Etruscan necropolis and oversaw the excavation and planning of a Roman ceramics kiln.

La Farnesiana, Italy: Villa Rustica, Gruppo Archeologico Romano

Excavator, 2008 Field Season

Assisted in the excavation and planning of a 1<sup>st</sup> century BC to 3<sup>rd</sup> century AD Roman *villa rustica*.

Chianciano Terme, Italy: *Mezzomiglio Project*, University of Arizona Excavation Supervisor, 2000-2002, 2004 Field Seasons

Oversaw the excavation of Late Republican to Middle Empire sacred healing spring. Supervised teams of 6-7 excavators. Taught excavation methodology. Maintained stratigraphic unit and finds processing forms. Wrote final trench reports at the end of each season.

# **Teaching Experience**

**Assistant Professor** 

#### **University of Oregon**

CLAS 188: Class. Arch. Winter 2018, Winter 2019, Fall 2019 CLAS 407/507: Pompeii Fall 2017

LAT 301: Caesar Fall 2017, Fall 2019

CLAS 404: Arch of Italy Spring 2016 Latin 411: Latin Epistolary Spring 2016

CLAS 101: Myth Winter 2016, Spring 2018

Latin 307: Vergil

HUM 354: The City

Winter 2016

Fall 2015, Spring 2018

# **Case Western Reserve University**

Latin 101 Latin 102

CLSC 193: Medit. World CLSC 232: Roman Civ. CLSC 304: Hist. Rome CLSC 335: Iron Age Italy

CLSC 311: Rome

FSSO 163: Soc. of Waste

Visiting Assistant Professor

Fall 2012, 2013, 2014 Spring 2013, 2014 Fall 2012, 2013, 2014 Spring 2012, 2013

Spring 2013 Fall 2013 Spring 2014 Fall 2014

# **University of Michigan**

ArtHist 351: Michelangelo ClCiv 101: Greek World ClCiv 231: Greek Myth

Latin 101 Latin 102

Roman Art/Archaeology

Graduate Instructor

Spring 2012 Fall 2011, 2012 Spring 2011 Fall 2005, 2006 Fall 2007

Spring 2006, 2007

## **University of Arizona**

Intensive Latin Latin 101 Latin 102

**Classical Traditions** 

Graduate Instructor Summer 2000, 2001 Fall 2000, 2001 Spring 2000, 2001

Fall 1999