

# Nicholas Altensee

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## Education: University of Central Florida

### **Burnett Honors College**

**Graduation: May 2019**

Major: Psychology • Minor: Anthropological Archaeology • Overall GPA: 3.9

Anthropology Coursework: Archaeology and the Rise of Human Culture • The Human Species • General Anthropology • Historical Archaeology • Archaeology of Caribbean Piracy • Caribbean Archaeology Practicum • Archaeological Method and Theory • Archaeology of Coastal Societies • Anthropology Independent Study • Archaeology Methods and Theory • Archaeology of Coastal Societies

### Field Experience:

#### **Caribbean Archaeology Practicum**

**May- June 2018**

Providenciales, Turks and Caicos

Supervisor: Dr. Peter Sinelli

- Learned and demonstrated knowledge of excavation methodology
- Gained a better understanding for the history of the precolonial Caribbean

### Laboratory Experience:

#### **Independent Study, University of Central Florida**

**August- December 2018**

Supervisor: Dr. Peter Sinelli

- Analyzed ceramics recovered from Palmetto Junction during the 2018 field season
- Catalogued all findings for future research purposes

### Academic Teaching Experience

#### **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**

**Fall 2016, 2017**

Team Leader, Burnett Honors College

- Led 15 university students through the Honors Symposium course, advised students on successful integration into college
- Facilitated discussions related to community and belonging
- Evaluated and graded in-class performance and discussion sessions

### Work Experience:

#### **Resident Assistant**

**Spring 2017-May 2019**

UCF Department of Housing and Residence Life

- Responsible for 50 university students per semester, mentored residents to assist their transition to college and adult life
- Served as a first responder for communities of up to 1000 residents during emergencies
- Implemented programs in order to develop and inclusive and involved community
- Enforced University protocols to maintain the safety and security of residence life

#### **Orientation Advisor**

**Summer 2016, 2017**

Honors Peer Ambassador, Burnett Honors College

- Advised students on academic planning and course selection

- Guided incoming freshman students through Honors Orientation
- Introduced students to the Burnett Honors College on their first day as UCF students

## Volunteer Experience

### **Student Accessibility Services Notetaker**

**Spring 2019**

Archaeology of Coastal Societies

- Recorded and synthesized quality class notes for students with learning disabilities

### **Curriculum Committee**

**Spring 2018**

Curriculum Development and Assessment Task Force, UCF Department of Housing and Residence Life

- Created educational curriculum covering Self-Awareness, Cultural Competence, Community Engagement, and Global Impact affecting over 11,000 residents
- Presented the committee's findings to the 2018 Housing Student Leadership Banquet
- Created lesson plans and supplemental materials for 13 strategies implemented by UCF Department of Housing and Residence Life
- Reviewed feedback data to assess the Residential Curriculum's effectiveness in retention and personal growth

### **Orange County Supervisor of Elections Office**

**Spring 2017**

• Aided in the registration of new voters at a Naturalization Ceremony

• Assisted with the loading of election ballots and materials during a municipal election

### **AVID Mentor**

**Fall 2015**

• Mentored students at McCoy Elementary School

• Organized, planned, and orchestrated lessons to help the growth of students

## Awards and Honors

### **UCF Magna Cum Laude**

**Spring 2019**

Within the top five percent of the graduating class in the College of Sciences

### **UCF President's List**

**Fall 2017 – Fall 2018**

Awarded to undergraduates receiving a 4.0 GPA in an academic semester

### **UCF Dean's List**

**Spring 2016 – Spring 2017**

Awarded to undergraduates receiving a 3.4 GPA or greater in an academic semester

### **Bright Futures Florida Academic Scholarship**

**Fall 2015 – Present**

Awarded 25,000 dollars for undergraduate study

### **UCF Burnett Honors College Study Abroad Scholarship**

**Summer 2018**

Awarded 500 dollars to fund studying abroad

### **Nominee, UCF Housing Resident Assistant of the Year**

**Spring 2018**