

Erin Riggs

PhD Student ♦ Department of Anthropology ♦ SUNY Binghamton ♦ (909)-855-2966 ♦ eriggs1@binghamton.edu

Education

University Of California Berkeley – Berkeley, CA
B. A. Anthropology and B.A. Geography GPA: 3.873
State University Of New York Binghamton – Binghamton, NY
M.A. Anthropology GPA: 3.95
State University Of New York Binghamton – Binghamton, NY
Ph.D. Anthropology (in progress) GPA: 3.95

Field Experience

- ♦ Attended the University of Montreal's Field School in Asprovalta, Greece (Summer, 2011)
- ♦ Attended the University of Denver's Field School at the Amache Incarceration camp in Granada, Colorado (Summer, 2012)
 - Aided with excavation, pedestrian survey, GPR data collection, community outreach, museum display design, and GIS data collection
 - Developed a senior honors thesis project and collected information about the physical legacy of one family of internees, both at the camp in Oakland, California
- ♦ Student assistant to Annelise Morris, a Graduate Student at the UC Berkeley, during the excavation of a 19th/20th century free African American site in Laurence County, IL (Summer, 2012)
- ♦ Volunteer student assistant for UC Berkeley's field method course Anthropology 134A including excavation at an Observatory site on the UC Berkeley campus (Summer, 2013)
- ♦ Excavated with SUNY Binghamton at an Alsatian immigrant homestead site in Castroville, Texas (Summer 2014)
 - Included excavating domestic features, floating soil samples from the garden and privy features, oral history collection, and archival research.
 - MA thesis focused on the role of plant life within immigrant experiences drawing evidence from this excavation and my senior thesis work.
- ♦ Instructor of ANT 220 (Archaeological Field School) at Parkland College
 - 6-week summer course, students participated in an excavation focused identifying the cultural and temporal component of a prehistoric mound cluster site at Allerton Park in Monticello, Illinois.

Work Experience

- ♦ Teaching Assistant for six undergraduate Anthropology courses offered at SUNY Binghamton spanning all four subfields of Anthropology (Fall 2013-Spring 2016)
 - Led two weekly 10-25 student discussion sections for four of these courses
- ♦ Archaeological Specialist as ISAS, the Illinois State Archaeological Survey (Fall 2016-Spring 2017)
 - Assisted with Phase I CRM survey in central Illinois (Fall 2016, full time)

Erin Riggs

- Completed assignments related to data base and records organization and management (Spring 2017, 20 hrs/week)
- ◆ Part Time Faculty of Anthropology/Archaeology at Parkland College
 - Courses taught include ANT 200 (Introduction to Archaeology), ANT 101 (Introduction to Anthropology), and ANT 220 (Archaeological Field School)
 - Received Parkland's IDEAs Grant funding to develop an ESRI online, GIS storymap project with ANT 200 students
 - Received funding from the Center for Global Studies to redevelop material for ANT 101

Publications

- ◆ 2014: "The Un-Internable; The Enduring Material Legacies of the Domoto Family", Society for Historical Archaeology Meeting
- ◆ 2015: "Curbed Boundaries: An Analysis of Home Front Material Culture within the Context of Individual vs. Municipal Investments in Contemporary Oakland, CA" coauthor; E. Riggs, A. Reagan, M. Riggs, Society of Historical Archaeology Meeting
- ◆ 2015: "Innovative Applications of Archaeological Perspectives: An Analysis of Home Front Material Culture within the Context of Individual vs. Municipal Investments in Oakland, CA" coauthor; E. Riggs, A. Reagan, M. Riggs, Society of American Archaeology Meeting
- ◆ 2016: "The Many Functions and Meanings of Flora Within the Lives of Two American Immigrant Families", Society of Historical Archaeology Meeting
- ◆ 2016: "Violence and Place: An Archaeological Consideration of the San Bernardino Shooting Memorial", Radical Archaeology Theory Symposium
- ◆ 2016: Riggs, Erin and Jat, Zahida Rehman *The 1947 Partition of India and Pakistan: Migration, Material Landscapes, and the Making of Nations*, Journal of Contemporary Archaeology Vol. 3 No. 2: 139-146
- ◆ 2017: "De-polarizing Archaeology's Views on Cultural Pride: the Case of Houses and Plants in Castroville", Society of Historical Archaeology Meeting
- ◆ 2017: "Materializing nationhood: the many roles of built landscape management policy in post-Partition India and Pakistan", Society of American Archaeology Meeting

Research Interests

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ◆ Contemporary Archaeology | ◆ Built Landscapes |
| ◆ Historical Archaeology | ◆ Oral Histories |
| ◆ Displacement and Resettlement | ◆ Materiality |
| ◆ Domestic Architecture | ◆ Nationalism/Citizenship |
| ◆ GIS | ◆ The Welfare State |

Erin Riggs

Volunteer Experience

- ◆ Undergraduate Research Apprentice, soil lab assistant for Anna Ribero, a Graduate Student of Archaeology at UC Berkeley (Spring 2009, Spring 2010, and Fall 2010)
- ◆ Undergraduate Research Apprentice, digitizing pottery profiles on Adobe Illustrator for Dr. Kim Shelton at UC Berkeley (Spring 2011 and Fall 2011)
- ◆ Undergraduate Research Assistant, 19th and 20th cent historic artifact analysis for Annelise Morris, Graduate Student of Archaeology at UC Berkeley (Spring 2012)
- ◆ Oral History Program Intern the 1947 Partition Archive (Summer 2013, full time)
 - Developed oral history collection training material and assisted with website development and Archive record organization
- ◆ Occasional work as a Volunteer Oral Historian with the 1947 Partition Archive
 - Responded to requests of Partition survivors in the San Francisco and New York City areas (Summer 2013-Spring 2015)

Academic Distinctions

- ◆ Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, Member
- ◆ Golden Key Honor Society, Member
- ◆ Senior Honors Thesis completed in May of 2013
- ◆ SUNY Binghamton tuition scholarship and TAsip (Fall 2013-Spring 2016)
- ◆ SUNY Binghamton's Provost's Doctoral Summer Fellowship (Summer 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017)
- ◆ Critical Language Scholarship, Recipient, 9 wk program in India to study Punjabi (Summer 2015 and 2016)
- ◆ Fulbright-Nehru Research Fellowship (Sep 2017-May 2018)