

# MEGAN ANNE CONGER

Ph.D. Candidate  
Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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- 2014+ Ph.D. Anthropology, in progress, University of Georgia  
Dissertation (in progress): *“Re-evaluating timeframes for Indigenous and European interaction in southern Ontario, AD 1550-1650”*
- 2012 B.A. Anthropology (Honors), *Summa Cum Laude*, Russian and East European Studies Certificate, University of Pittsburgh  
Honors Thesis: *“Considering Gendered Domains: Gender, Space, and Archaeological Interpretation in Central New York State”*

## Research Interests

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Northeastern Woodlands; Iroquoian Archaeology; Economic Anthropology; Colonialism; Intersocietal Interaction and Exchange; Radiocarbon; Chronology; World Systems; Household Archaeology

## Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

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- 2019 National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Award, Archaeology Program, Division of Cognitive and Behavioral Sciences, NSF# 1954093 **\$30,194**
- 2019 Norman Herz Small Grant for Student Research, Center for Archaeological Sciences and Center for Applied Isotope Studies, University of Georgia, **\$500**
- 2019 Fred Plog Memorial Fellowship, Society for American Archaeology, **\$1,000**
- 2018 Brian Daniel Gumbert Archaeological Graduate Research Award, Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia, **\$1,000**
- 2018 Dean’s Award, The Graduate School, University of Georgia, **\$2,970**
- 2018 Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant, The Graduate School, University of Georgia, **\$2,400**
- 2018 Norman Herz Small Grant for Student Research, Center for Archaeological Sciences and Center for Applied Isotope Studies, University of Georgia, **\$500**
- 2017 Norman Herz Small Grant for Student Research, Center for Archaeological Sciences and Center for Applied Isotope Studies, University of Georgia, **\$500**
- 2016 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program, Honorable Mention
- 2016 Robert E. Rhoades Pre-Dissertation Travel Award, Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia, **\$700**
- 2016 Graduate Research Award, The Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia, **\$1,000**
- 2014 Graduate School Assistantship, The Graduate School, University of Georgia, 2-year Research Assistantship
- 2012 Michael Corrado Fund for Advanced Undergraduate Fieldwork, Center for Comparative Archaeology, University of Pittsburgh, **\$3,300**
- 2012 Brackenridge Undergraduate Research Fellowship, University Honors College, University of Pittsburgh, **\$725**

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2019 Manning, Sturt, Jennifer Birch, **Megan Anne Conger**, Michael Dee, Carol Griggs, & Carla Hadden. Contact-Era Chronology Building in Iroquoia: Age Estimates for Arendarhonon Sites and Implications for Identifying Champlain's Cahiagué. *American Antiquity* 84(4):694-707. DOI:10.1017/aaq.2019.60
- 2019 **Megan Anne Conger** and Jennifer Birch. Archaeological reconnaissance through multi-method geophysical and geochemical survey at two Iroquoian village sites, southern Ontario, Canada. *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports* 26. DOI: 0.1016/j.jasrep.2019.101888
- 2018 Manning, Sturt, Jennifer Birch, **Megan Anne Conger**, Michael Dee, Carol Griggs, Carla Hadden, Alan Hogg, Christopher Bronk Ramsey, Samantha Sanft, Peter Steier, & Eva Wild. "Radiocarbon Re-Dating of Contact Era Iroquoian History in Northeastern North America". *Science Advances* 4(12). DOI: 10.1126/sciadv.aav0280

### Reports on File

- 2017 **Conger, Megan Anne** and Jennifer Birch. *Report on Geophysical and Geochemical Investigations of the Hamilton-Lougheed Site (BbHa-10)*. Report on file with the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport, Toronto.
- 2015 Watson, Adam, Samantha Fladd, **Megan Anne Conger**, Sara Morrow, Katelyn Bishop, Brittany Bankston and Lucy Gill. *Return to Roberts: Damage Assessment and Data Recovery at 29SJ2384, Roberts Great House July-August 2014*. Report on file with National Park Service, Chaco Culture National Historical Park.
- 2014 Watson, Adam, Abigail Holeman, Samantha Fladd, Katelyn Bishop, **Megan Anne Conger**, Sara Morrow *Damage Assessment and Data Recovery at 29SJ 2384, Roberts' Great House, July-August 2013*. Report on file with National Park Service, Chaco Culture National Historical Park

### Conference Papers (\* = In an invited/organized session; ^ = Session organizer)

- 2019 **Megan Anne Conger**. *Comparing the use of Glass Bead Chronologies and Radiocarbon Chronologies in dating contact-era sites in southern Ontario, Canada*. Paper presented at the Radiocarbon & Archaeology 9<sup>th</sup> International Symposium, Athens, Georgia.
- 2019 Sturt Manning, Jennifer Birch, Samantha Sanft and **Megan Anne Conger**. *Dating Iroquoia: Methodological strategies for building archaeological chronologies in the contact-era Northeastern Woodlands*. Paper presented at the Radiocarbon & Archaeology 9<sup>th</sup> International Symposium, Athens, Georgia.
- 2019\*<sup>^</sup> **Megan Anne Conger**. *Telling localized Indigenous histories of trade through AMS dating and Bayesian modeling in southern Ontario, Canada*. Paper presented at the 84<sup>th</sup> Society for American Archaeology Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- 2018 Jennifer Birch, Sturt Manning, Samantha Sanft and **Megan Anne Conger**. *High-Precision Radiocarbon Chronology of Iroquoian Occupations in New York and Ontario: Preliminary Results and Implications*. Paper presented at the 2018 New York State Archaeological Association Conference, Syracuse, New York.
- 2016 **Megan Anne Conger**. *Geophysical Prospection and Soil Chemistry at Hamilton-Lougheed (BbHa-10), A Seventeenth-Century Tionontate (Petun) Village*. Paper presented at the 2016 Ontario Archaeological Society Symposium, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada
- 2016 **Megan Anne Conger**. *Transformations in Native and European Exchange Networks in Northern Iroquoia*. Paper presented at 81<sup>st</sup> Society for American Archaeology Conference. Orlando, Florida
- 2015 **Megan Anne Conger** and Adam Watson. *Ornaments, Pigments, and Household Production: Spatial Patterning and Residue Analysis of Ground Stone Artifacts from Pueblo Bonito, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico (A.D. 800-1200)*. Paper presented at 80th Society for American Archaeology Conference. San Francisco, California

- 2014\* **Megan Anne Conger** and Adam Watson. *Species Diversity, Standardization, and the Spatial Organization of Production at Pueblo Bonito: A Case Study from Chaco Canyon*. Paper presented at 79th Society for American Archaeology Conference, Austin, Texas
- 2014 Adam Watson, Adam Lemoine, Matthew Gleason, Steven Kordell, Torbjorn Bergstrom, Christopher Brown, and **Megan Anne Conger**. *Using Multi-Scale Curvature Representations to Study Anisotropy on Measured Surface Topographies*. Paper presented at 4th International Conference on Surface Metrology. Berlin, Germany
- 2013 **Megan Anne Conger** and Kathleen M.S. Allen. *Considering Gendered Domains: Gender, Space, and Archaeological Interpretation in Central New York State*. Paper presented at 97th New York State Archaeological Association Conference. Watertown, New York

### **Conference Posters**

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- 2018 **Megan Anne Conger** and Jennifer Birch. *Inferring Iroquoian Architectural Variability from Magnetic Gradiometry*. Poster presented at the 83<sup>rd</sup> Society for American Archaeology Conference, Washington, DC.
- 2016 Kimberly Swisher, Turner Hunt, Nathan Hale, Judge Jones, **Megan Anne Conger**, Jennifer Birch and Stefan Brannan. *Changes in Activities During the Middle Occupational Phase at Singer-Moye, ca. AD 1300-1400*. Poster presented at 73<sup>rd</sup> Southeastern Archaeological Conference. Athens, Georgia
- 2015 Adam Watson, Samantha Fladd, Katelyn Bishop, Sara Morrow, **Megan Anne Conger**, Brittany Bankston, Lucy Gill, Abigail Holeman. *In the Footsteps of Frank H. H. Roberts: Continued Explorations at Roberts Great House, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico*. Poster presented at 80th Society for American Archaeology Conference. San Francisco, California
- 2014 Adam Watson, Abigail Holeman, Katelyn Bishop, Samantha Fladd, , Rechanda Lee, Sara Morrow, and **Megan Anne Conger**. *New Explorations at Roberts' Great House, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico*. Poster presented at 79th Society for American Archaeology Conference. Austin, Texas

### **Teaching**

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- 2019 *Teaching Assistant*, ANTH 3900 Professional Development
- 2019 *Teaching Assistant*, ANTH1102E Introduction to Anthropology (Online Course), University of Georgia
- 2019 *Teaching Assistant*, ANTH 4230 Archaeological Theory, University of Georgia
- 2016-2018 *Teaching Assistant*, ANTH 1102 Introduction to Anthropology, University of Georgia
- 2018 *Teaching Assistant*, ANTH 3410E Contemporary Native America (Online Course), University of Georgia
- 2017 *Teaching Assistant*, ANTH 3210 The Archaeology of Warfare, University of Georgia
- 2016 *Teaching Assistant*, Singer-Moye Archaeological Settlement History (SMASH) Field School, University of Georgia
- 2010-2011 *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant*, Introduction to the Arts & Sciences, University of Pittsburgh

### **Archaeological Fieldwork and Lab Experience**

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- 2019+ *Lab Technician*, AMS Prep Lab, Center for Applied Isotope Studies, University of Georgia
- 2017+ *Research Assistant*, "Dating Iroquoia" Project (NSF#1727802), University of Georgia/Cornell University
- 2017-2019 *Continuing Curation Technician*, Laboratory of Archaeology, University of Georgia
- 2016 *Lab Director*, Singer-Moye Archaeological Settlement History (SMASH) Field School, University of Georgia
- 2016 *Crew Chief*, Geophysical Testing at Hamilton-Lougheed Site, University of Georgia

2014-2015	<i>Research Assistant</i> , Spang Site Lab Analysis, University of Georgia
2014-2015	<i>Field Technician</i> , White Springs Archaeological Project, Cornell University
2014	<i>Crew Chief</i> , Roberts Great House Project, Chaco Culture National Historical Park, University of Virginia/National Park Service
2014	<i>Research Intern</i> , Cultural Resources Office, American Museum of Natural History
2013-2014	<i>Research Intern</i> , Division of Anthropology, American Museum of Natural History
2013	<i>Field Technician</i> , Roberts Great House Project, Chaco Culture National Historical Park, University of Virginia/National Park Service
2012	<i>Lab and Field Technician</i> , Targan Nuur Archaeological Project, University of Pittsburgh/National Museum of Mongolia
2011-2012	<i>Lab Technician</i> , Undergraduate Honors Thesis, University of Pittsburgh
2010	<i>Student</i> , Kincaid Mounds Field School, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

### **Service to Discipline**

2019	<i>Volunteer Coordinator</i> , Gender, the Body, and Fieldwork Across Disciplines 1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Symposium, Athens, GA
2018-2019	<i>Volunteer Coordinator</i> , Radiocarbon & Archaeology 9 <sup>th</sup> International Symposium, Athens, GA
2018	<i>Member</i> , Public Outreach Committee, Ontario Archaeological Society
2014+	<i>Mentor</i> , Undergraduate Mentoring Program, University of Georgia
2013-2014	<i>Mentor</i> , Science Research Mentoring Program, American Museum of Natural History

### **Public Outreach**

2019	<b>STEMZone</b> , Midden excavation and artifact identification activity booth during a home football game, Athens, GA
2019	<b>World Anthropology Day</b> , Fieldwork photo contest, Athens, GA
2018	<b>Laboratory of Archaeology Open House</b> , Faunal and botanical artifact identification activity during an open house at new laboratory facilities, Athens, GA.
2018	<b>World Anthropology Day</b> , Anthropology selfie photo booth activity, Athens, GA
2017+	<b>Dating Iroquoia Blog</b> , <a href="https://datingiroquoia.wordpress.com">https://datingiroquoia.wordpress.com</a> , Periodic updates about project progress and methods, 232 all-time visitors from 16 countries as of 11/14/2019
2017+	<b>Dating Iroquoia Instagram page</b> , @DatingIroquoia, periodic updates and jokes about project progress and methods, 274 followers as of 11/14/2019

### **Professional Affiliations**

2016+	Ontario Archaeological Society
2014+	Society for American Archaeology

### **Relevant Skills**

-Archaeological Excavation	-AMS radiocarbon sample preparation and pretreatment
-Pedestrian Survey	-NextGen Desktop 3D Scanner
-Site Condition Assessment	-Trimble GPS
-Crew Leadership	-Bartington Magnetic Susceptibility System
-Project Management	-Bartington Magnetic Field Gradiometer
-Curation & Collections Management	-Soil Phosphate Analysis
-Advanced lab analysis (Faunal and Historic trade goods)	-ArcGIS
-Basic lab analysis (other archaeological materials)	-Adobe Illustrator
	-OxCal