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curriculum vitae

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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2019-present Voss Postdoctoral Research Associate in Environment and Society
Brown University, Providence, RI

EDUCATION

2019 PhD Anthropology, Northwestern University
Dissertation: *Sustainability and the Domestication of Inequality: Archaeology of Long-Term Human-Environment Interactions in Hegranes, North Iceland*

2015 MA Anthropology, Northwestern University

2011 MA Historical Archaeology, University of Massachusetts Boston

2007-2009 Historic Preservation and Archaeology, Northern Virginia Community College

2005 MS Space Studies, University of North Dakota

2003 BS Aerospace Engineering (with Honors), University of Maryland, College Park

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

External support

2021-2022 National Science Foundation: *EAGER: Archaeological Investigation of Site Form and Function during the Settlement Period* (PLR #2038102; \$197,832)

2018-2019 Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship

2016-2017 Fulbright/National Science Foundation Arctic Research Award

2016-2017 Leifur Eiríksson Foundation Scholarship

2015-2016 National Science Foundation DDIG (PLR #1523025)

2015 Viking Society for Northern Research Support Grant

2004-2005 NASA Graduate Student Researchers Program Fellowship

1999-2003 Maryland Distinguished Scholar Award

Internal support

2012-2019 Graduate Fellowship, Northwestern University

2018 Graduate Student Conference Travel Award, The Buffett Institute, NU

2018 Interdisciplinary Conference Travel Grant, The Graduate School, NU

2015 Medieval Studies Cluster Grant, Northwestern University

2013, 14 & 15 LeCron Foster/Friends of Anthropology at NU Summer Research Grants

2014 Graduate Research Grant, The Graduate School, NU

2013 & 2014 Conference Travel Grants, The Graduate School, NU

2011 Barbara E. Leudtke Book Award for Historical Archaeology, UMass Boston

2011 Dr. Robert W. Spayne Research Grant, UMB Graduate Student Association

2010 Professional Development Grant, UMB GSA

1999-2003 University of Maryland Banneker-Key Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

- in rev. **Catlin, K.** Small Domestic Sites in the Medieval Settlement of Iceland. *Medieval Archaeology*. Manuscript in review.
- 2018 **Catlin, K** and D Bolender. Were the Vikings Really Green? Environmental Degradation and Social Inequality in Iceland's *Second Nature* Landscape. *Archaeological Papers of the AAA* 29(1): 120-133. *Uneven Terrain: Archaeologies of Political Ecology*, J Millhauser, C Morehart, and S Juarez, eds.
- 2016 **Catlin, K.** Archaeology for the Anthropocene: Scale, Soil, and the Settlement of Iceland. *Anthropocene* 15:13-21.
- 2016 **Catlin, K.** Re-Examining Medieval Settlement in the Dartmoor Landscape. *Medieval Settlement Research* 31:36-45.
- 2007 **Catlin, K** and C McLaughlin. Earth-Moon Triangular Libration Point Spacecraft Formations. *Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets* 44(3): 660-670.

Book Chapters

- in rev. **Catlin, K** and D Bolender. Beyond the Farmstead: The Role of Dispersed Dwellings in the Settlement of Iceland. In *Expanding Horizons*. D Mooney, H Roberts, L Guðmundsdóttir, and M Ramstad, eds. Bergen: UBAS. Manuscript in review.
- 2016 Barker, D, **K Catlin**, M Johnson, T Sly, and K Strutt. Chapter 4: Bodiam as a Landscape of Work: Topographical and Geophysical Survey. In *Lived Experience in the Later Middle Ages: Studies of Bodiam and Other Elite Landscapes in South-Eastern England*. M Johnson, ed. Pp. 51-74. Oxford: Oxbow.
- 2016 **Catlin, K.** Appendix 2: Summary of Archaeological Finds from Bodiam Castle. In *Lived Experience in the Later Middle Ages: Studies of Bodiam and Other Elite Landscapes in South-Eastern England*, M Johnson, ed. Pp. 206-211. Oxford: Oxbow.
- 2016 **Catlin, K**, P Copeland, M Johnson, and R Scaife. Chapter 5: The Environment of Bodiam: Geomorphology, Vegetation, and Human Impacts. In *Lived Experience in the Later Middle Ages: Studies of Bodiam and Other Elite Landscapes in South-Eastern England*, M Johnson, ed. Pp. 75-94. Oxford: Oxbow.

Selected Technical Reports

- 2018 **Catlin, K**, J Steinberg, and D Bolender. Fornbýli Landscape and Archaeological Survey on Hegranes (FLASH) Interim Report 2017. BSK-2018-196, SCASS-2018-15.
- 2018 **Catlin, K** and D Bolender. "Eyðijarðar ... með öllum Víðidal:" Assessing settlement and abandonment sequences in marginal environments. Final report on coring reconnaissance of Víðidalur in Skagafjörður, 2014. BSK-2018-194, SCASS-2018-17.
- 2011 Bolender, D, J Steinberg, B Damiata, J Schoenfelder, and **K Catlin**. Preliminary Report: Evaluating the Potential of Archaeogeophysical Surveying on Viking Age and Medieval Sites in Greenland, 2-16 August, 2010. Fiske Center Study #51.
- 2011 Steinberg, J, B Damiata, J Schoenfelder, **K Catlin**, and C Campbell. Results of Archaeogeophysical Surveying at the Great Friends Meeting House in Newport, Rhode Island. Fiske Center Study #46.
- 2010 Steinberg, J, C Beranek, J Schoenfelder, and **K Catlin**. Loring-Greenough House North Yard Archaeogeophysics, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts. Fiske Center Study #40.

- 2009 Steinberg, J, R Shepard, E Button, **K Catlin**, D Bolender, B Damiata, K Hale, J Curtis, K Johnson, J Schoenfelder, A Schriener, and M Sigurgeirson. Reports of the Skagafjörður Archaeological Settlement Survey 2009. Fiske Center, UMass Boston.
- 2009 Trigg, H, D Bolender, **K Catlin**, J Curtis, S Jacobucci, and J Steinberg. Report of the Skagafjörður Archaeological Settlement Survey 2009: Using Pollen to Assess Local Environmental Variation during the Viking Age in Skagafjörður, Iceland. Fiske Center, UMass Boston.

INVITED TALKS

- 2017 "Fornbýli Landscape and Archaeological Survey on Hegranes (FLASH) and ArcGIS Online." Fornleifastofnun Íslands Lunch Talk, Reykjavík, 9 Mar.
- 2017 "An Archaeology of Marginality and Environmental Change on Hegranes, North Iceland." Series: Nýjar rannsóknir í íslenskri fornleifafraeði (New research in Icelandic archaeology). National Museum of Iceland, Reykjavík, 8 Feb.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Organized Symposia

- 2020 Medieval to Modern Transitions and Historical Archaeology, with D Bolender, SHA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- 2018 The Political Ecology of Enclosure in Global Perspective, with J Pouchet, 117th AAA Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA.
- 2018 Transforming Marginality: Exploring Moments of Rapid Social and Ecological Change, with G Cesario, 83rd SAA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 2014 Producing an Anthropology of 'Sustainability' Across Subfields, with M Wilhoit, 113th AAA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Papers Presented

- 2021 "Long-term Impact of Settlement Location on Economic Status: A Geospatial Analysis in Skagafjörður, Iceland." SHA 54th Annual Meeting, Virtual Conference, 6-9 Jan.
- 2020 "Political Ecology Materialized in a Medieval Icelandic Landscape." SAA 85th Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, 22-26 Apr. (conference canceled, resubmitted for 2021)
- 2020 "A Revolving Frontier: Change and Continuity in Marginal Icelandic Settlement, ca. 900-1900 CE." SHA 53rd Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 8-11 Jan.
- 2019 Panel Discussant: Expanding Social Archaeology in the North and North Atlantic. SAA 84th Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM, 10-14 Apr.
- 2018 "Sustainable for Whom? Dispossession, Degradation, and Inequality in Medieval and Later Iceland." AAA 117th Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA, 14-18 Nov.
- 2018 "Infrastructure Re-use and Persistence of Place in the Icelandic Agricultural Landscape." International Medieval Congress, Leeds, UK, 2-5 Jul.
- 2018 "Beneath the Ruins: Early, Short-Term Habitation near Farm Peripheries on Hegranes, Skagafjörður." Expanding Horizons, Modalen, Norway, 1-4 Jun.
- 2018 "Transforming Marginality in Medieval Iceland: Landscape Reorganization on Hegranes, Skagafjörður." SAA 83rd Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 11-15 Apr.

- 2017 with G Zoëga. "Icelandic Pasts and Global Futures: Community and the Construction of a Political Archaeology." AAA 116th Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 29 Nov-3 Dec.
- 2017 "Marginal Households of Medieval Iceland." The Háskóli Íslands Student Conference on the Medieval North, University of Iceland, 7-8 Apr.
- 2016 "Built Places: Infrastructure in the Icelandic Landscape, 870-1900 CE." Theoretical Archaeology Group 2016, University of Southampton, UK, 19-21 Dec.
- 2016 "The Farm and the Soil: Digging the Infrastructure of Everyday Life in Medieval Iceland." 6th Annual Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Lexington, KY, 26-27 Feb.
- 2015 "Archaeology and the Anthropocene: Soil and Scale in the Settlement of Iceland." Association of American Geographers, Chicago, IL, 21-25 Apr.
- 2014 "An Anthropology of Medieval Settlement on the Dartmoor Landscape." Medieval Settlement and Landscape: New Work and New Themes Leicester, 13 Dec.
- 2014 with R Lash. "Necessary Landscapes: Examining Sustainability in Two Marginal Environments in the North Atlantic." AAA 113th Meeting, Washington DC, 4 Dec.
- 2014 "Medieval Archaeology as Anthropology: New Paradigm in Medieval English Settlement Research." 49th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI, 8 May.
- 2014 "Transhumance to Farmstead: Landscape and the Medieval Resettlement of Dartmoor." 47th SHA Annual Meeting, Quebec City, Canada, 12 Jan.
- 2013 with D J Bolender. "Second Nature: Icelandic Landscapes of Social Inequality." 112th AAA Meetings, Chicago, IL, 22 Nov.
- 2012 "A Stratified Landscape: Soil Cores and the Origins of Wealth in Viking Age Iceland." Poster. 77th SAA Meetings, Memphis, TN, 18-22 April.
- 2011 with J M Steinberg, B N Damiata, J W Schoenfelder, and W Gillis. "Shallow Geophysics of Cemetery Landscapes." Cemetery Preservation Workshop, National Park Service, Lowell, MA, 18 Nov.
- 2010 "Getting to the Core of Skagafjörður." 75th SAA Meetings, St. Louis, MO, 18 Apr.

CAMPUS LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 "Erosion, Landscape Change, and Society in 9th-19th Century Iceland: A Very Brief History." IBES Tea Time Talk, Brown University, 7 Feb.
- 2019 "Erosion, Infrastructure, and Sustainability in Medieval Iceland." Joukowsky Institute Brown Bag Series in Archaeology, Brown University, 10 Oct.
- 2018 "Environment and Inequality in Medieval Iceland." New Directions in Anthropology: Northwestern Graduate Student Colloquium, 16 Feb.
- 2017 "Travels in Iceland and Results of Fieldwork, 2016-2017." NU Archaeology Brown Bag Series, 6 Nov.
- 2015 "Fornbýli Landscape and Archaeological Survey on Hegranes: First Season Results and Looking Forward." NU Archaeology Brown Bag Series, 2 May.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses

- 2014-2018 Human Origins (Introduction to Biological Anthropology), Teaching Assistant
- 2013-2015 Unearthing History (Introduction to Archaeology), Teaching Assistant
- 2012 Introduction to GIS for Archaeologists Mini-Course, Teaching Assistant

Pedagogical Development

- 2020 Sheridan Teaching Seminar, Fall Semester, Brown University
2020 Anchor Course Design Institute, Summer Session, The Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning at Brown University
2020 Inclusive Pedagogies 2.0 Workshop, The Sheridan Center at Brown
2017 Engaging Undergraduates in Productive Discussions. Workshop at The Searle Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning, Northwestern University

FIELD AND LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

- 2015-present **Lead Researcher.** Fornbýli Landscape and Archaeological Survey on Hegranes. Skagafjörður, Iceland.
2009-present **Researcher.** Skagafjörður Church and Settlement Survey. Skagafjörður, Iceland.
2012-2016 **Remote Sensing Assistant, Teaching Assistant, and Research Assistant.** Elite Landscapes in Southeastern England. Kent and Sussex, UK.
2012 **Remote Sensing Assistant.** Dominica, West Indies.
2009-2011 **Graduate Research Assistant.** Fiske Center for Archaeological Research, UMB.
2009-2011 **Field Technician, Remote Sensing Assistant, and Laboratory Technician.** Fiske Center for Archaeological Research, UMB. Durant-Kenrick House, Newton MA; Great Friends Meeting House, Newport RI; Faneuil Hall, Boston MA; Monroe Tavern, Lexington MA; Loring-Greenough House, Jamaica Plain MA; Waite-Kirby-Potter House, Westport MA.
2010 **Remote Sensing Assistant.** Vatnahverfi, Greenland.
2010 **Field School.** Whitehall Museum House, Middletown, RI.
2007-2009 **Field Technician and Public Interpreter.** Loudoun Archaeological Foundation.
2003-2005 **Graduate Research Assistant.** Department of Space Studies, UND.
1999-2003 **Undergraduate Research Assistant.** Space Systems Laboratory, UMD.

SELECTED SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, AND OUTREACH

- 2020-present Scholars at Brown for Climate Action (Member)
2020-present Brown Postdoc Council (Subcommittee member)
2020 Peer Reviewer for *Expanding Horizons*
2020 Peer Reviewer for Czech Science Foundation
2020 Peer Reviewer for *Landscape Research*
2019-present Environmental Humanities at Brown (Member)
2019-present TrowelBlazers at Brown (Member)
2015-2019 Medieval Studies Cluster, Northwestern University (Member)
2018-2019 Anthropology Graduate Student Writing Group, NU (Organizer)
2018 Peer Reviewer for *Chronika*
2017 Archaeology Open House, Sauðárkrúkur, Iceland (Organizer)
2017 Kattholt Cat Shelter, Reykjavík, Iceland (Volunteer)
2016 NSF Arctic Horizons Workshop (Participant)
2016 [NSF Field Notes Interview](#)
2014-2016 Graduate Leadership Advocacy Council, NU (Member)
2014-2016 Anthropology Graduate Student Association, NU (Officer)

2014-2016 Anthropology Department Green Team, NU (Leader)
2015 Science Fair Judge, Goudy Middle School, Chicago, IL (Volunteer)
2015 Svartarkot Culture-Nature, Iceland (Participant)
2009-2014 Volunteer, SAA, AAAS, and SHA Annual Conferences

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

2011-2012 **GIS Supervisor**, Massachusetts Historical Commission.
2005-2009 **Mission Planner/Orbit Analyst**, Boeing/Iridium, Leesburg, VA.

LANGUAGES

English (native language)
Icelandic (basic)
French (intermediate)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (not all current)

American Anthropological Association
Society for American Archaeology
Society for Historical Archaeology
Association of American Geographers
Amer. Assoc. for the Advancement of Science
Medieval Academy of America
Medieval Settlements Research Group
Viking Society for Northern Research
Society for Economic Anthropology

REFERENCES

Upon request.