# Thomas S. Dye, Archaeologist

#### **Current Positions**

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#### **Education**

Ph.D. Anthropology, Yale University (1987)
M.Phil. Anthropology, Yale University (1983)

B.A. Anthropology, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (1980)

#### **Research Interests**

<sup>14</sup>C dating Primary interests are identification of suitable dating materials, full

specification of dated archaeological contexts, and Bayesian calibration. This work has (i) established the age of the early Bellows Dune site, O18; (ii) solved, with Tim Rieth and Steve Athens, the long-standing problem of how to determine when Polynesians discovered and settled the Hawaiian Islands; (iii) proposed a new, late chronology for expansion and intensification of the Leeward Kohala Field System; (iv) proposed a Bayesian method for dating human dispersal in Remote Oceania, the last part of the globe to be settled by humans; and (v) developed an algorithm with Caitlin Buck to transform stratigraphic information into

a Bayesian chronological model

Fish remains Primary interests are fish remains identification, statistical analysis of

collections, and interpretation of patterns across space and through time. This work has (i) developed a manual of fish remains identification with Ken Longenecker; (ii) established a size/diversity relationship for archaeological fish bone collections from leeward Hawai'i Island; (iii) developed a method to estimate fish size from the centrum diameter of vertebrae; and (iv) discovered, with Ken Longenecker, that bonefish were a major component of the traditional Hawaiian fishing

catch at Waimānalo, Oʻahu.

Statistics Primary interests are exploratory multivariate data analysis and its

application to archaeological collections. This work has (i) developed graphical software for star plots distributed with the R Project for Statistical Computing; (ii) developed a graphical summary of large collections over the space of an excavation; (iii) explored the use of directed acyclic graphs to construct and analyze Harris matrices; and

(iv) developed a set of landmarks for statistical shape analysis of fishhooks. Currently working with Jenny Kahn at Bishop Museum to characterize the sizes and shapes of more than 800 Hawaiian stone adzes.

Reproducible research Active collaborator in the development of Org-mode software, which can be used to carry out and publish reproducible research. This work has led to the publication of two reproducible research projects.

#### **Selected Publications**

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- Dye, Thomas S. and Jeffrey Pantaleo (2010). "Age of the O18 Site, Hawai'i". In: *Archaeology in Oceania* 45, pp. 113–119.
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2015 Instructor, Hawaiian and Pacific Islands Archaeology, University of

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2008 Instructor, Assemblage Analyses in Archaeology, University of Hawaii

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2004 Guest Lecturer, Bayesian Statistics for Archaeologists, University of

Arizona, Tucson

1997–2001 Associate Archaeologist, Projects Manager, International Archaeologi-

cal Research Institute, Inc., Honolulu

1997 Instructor, Historic Preservation Seminar, University of Hawai'i at

Mānoa

1991–1997 O'ahu Island Archaeologist, Department of Land and Natural Resources,

State of Hawaii

1987–1991 Associate Professor of Anthropology, Hawai'i Pacific University, Hon-

olulu

1987 Research Associate, B. P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu

1984–1985 Associate Anthropologist, B. P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu

1977–1978 Staff Contract Archaeologist, B. P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu

## **Professional Memberships**

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