

Madeline Stone Snyder
Anthropology Ph.D. Student
Curriculum Vitae

Department of Anthropology
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San Antonio, TX 78249

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Environmental Anthropology
University of Texas at San Antonio
Advisor: Dr. M. Kathryn Brown

M.A. in Environmental Anthropology
University of Texas at San Antonio
Advisor: Dr. M. Kathryn Brown

B.A. in Anthropology, *summa cum laude*
University of Massachusetts Boston

in pursuit

2025

2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Maya Commoner Archaeology, Household Archaeology, Settlement Pattern Analysis, Ritual Economy, Political Economy, Social Memory, LiDAR, GIS

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professional Appointments

2025-Present Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio
Introduction to Anthropology, Fall 2025
- 65 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester

Introduction to Anthropology, Spring 2026
- 65 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester
- 75 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester

2023 Instructor of Record, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio
Introduction to Archaeology, Fall 2023
- 85 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester

Assistantship Positions

2020-2025 Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio
Introduction to Biological Anthropology, Spring 2025
- 75 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester

Introduction to Biological Anthropology, Fall 2024
- 75 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester

Death and Dying, Spring 2024
- 65 students, face-to-face modality, 16-week semester

Digital Archaeology, Spring 2023
- 20 students, face-to-face modality, 16-week semester

Great Discoveries in Archaeology, Fall 2022
- 75 students, face-to-face modality, 16-week semester

	Introduction to Archaeology, Fall 2021 - 85 students, hybrid modality, 16-week semester
	Great Discoveries in Archaeology, Spring 2021 - 65 students, online modality, 16-week semester
	Language, Thought, and Culture, Fall 2020 - 120 students, online modality, 16-week semester
2018	Course Mentor, Department of Anthropology, University of Massachusetts Boston The Rise and Fall of the Maya, Fall 2018 - 40 students, face-to-face modality, 16-week semester
2014	Supplemental Instruction Leader, Department of Mathematics, Northern Essex Community College, Massachusetts Calculus I, Summer 2014 - 50 students, face-to-face modality, 6-week semester

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Field Experience

2022-2025	Operation Director, Mopan Valley Preclassic Project Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize
2019	Junior Staff, Programme for Belize Archaeological Project Mulch'en Witz and Las Abejas, Belize
2018	Field School Student, Programme for Belize Archaeological Project Tzak Naab, Belize

Lab Experience

2022	Research Assistant, Mesoamerican Lab, University of Texas at San Antonio
2018	Volunteer Lab Technician, Fiske Center for Archaeological Research, University of Massachusetts Boston

RESEARCH GRANTS

External

Submitted	Lewis and Clark Fund for Exploration and Field Research, American Philosophical Society, \$5,000
Submitted 2020	PaleoWest Foundation Graduate Scholarship, PaleoWest Foundation, \$2,000 COVID Microgrants, The Black Trowel Collective, \$150

Internal

2025	Small Grants for Doctoral Research in Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$700
2024	Small Grants for Doctoral Research in Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$875
2024	International Education Fund, Education Abroad, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$1,000
2024	Student Membership Award, Archaeology Division, American Anthropological Association, \$129
2023	Student Membership Scholarship, Southwest Texas Archaeological Society, Archaeological Institute of America, San Antonio, TX, \$60
2023	Small Grants for Doctoral Research in Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$1,200
2022	Student Membership Scholarship, Southwest Texas Archaeological Society, Archaeological Institute of America, San Antonio, TX, \$60

2022	International Education Fund, Education Abroad, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$250
2022	Small Grants for Doctoral Research in Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$1,200
2021	Small Grants for Doctoral Research in Anthropology: Writing Program, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$750
2021	Graduate School Research Award, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$4,500

INSTITUTIONAL AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2025	Graduate Student Professional Development Award, The Graduate School, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$750
2024	Richard E. W. Adams Endowed Scholarship, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$1,500
2024	Graduate Student Professional Development Award, The Graduate School, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$750
2023	COLFA Experiential Learning Scholarship, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$500
2022	COLFA Experiential Learning Scholarship, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$500
2020	Anthropology Department Teaching Fellowship, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$40,000
2020	Flawn Scholarship, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$1,000

HONORS AND AWARDS

2024	Jane Findling Award, University Life Awards, The University of Texas at San Antonio
2023	Senator of the Month, Student Government Association, The University of Texas at San Antonio, October
2023	First Place (Doctorate) in the Oral Presentation category, 2023 COLFA Research Conference and Showcase, University of Texas at San Antonio, \$300
2019	Outstanding Senior in Anthropology, Graduation Certificate of Merit, University of Massachusetts Boston
2019	Recognition in the Anthropology Major, Graduation Certificate of Merit, University of Massachusetts Boston

PUBLICATIONS

2025	Brown, M. Kathryn, Horowitz, Rachel A., and Madeline Stone Snyder , Recent Investigations at the Site of Las Ruinas de Arenal. <i>Research Reports in Belizean Archaeology</i> 1:169-180.
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CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Papers Presented

2026	Madeline Stone Snyder and Carolyn Friewald, Construction of Memory: Household Ancestor Veneration at Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, April 30 th
2025	Madeline Stone Snyder , (Re)Building the Self: A Household Construction History from Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica, San Antonio, Texas, October 30 th
2025	Madeline Stone Snyder , Refining a Late Classic Household Chronology: New Insights from Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, April 26 th

2024	M. Kathryn Brown, Rachel Horowitz, Madeline Stone Snyder , Rebecca Morris, and David Burns, Recent Investigations at the Site of Las Ruinas de Arenal. Coauthor, Belizean Archaeological Symposium, Institute of Archaeology, Belize, June 28 th
2024	Madeline Stone Snyder , The Negotiation of Status: New Insights into a Late Classic Household at Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 21 st
2023	Madeline Stone Snyder , Place and Privilege: Recent Research from a Late Classic Household at Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica, San Antonio, Texas, November 18 th
2023	Madeline Stone Snyder , Ties to the Ancestors: Examining a Late Classic Maya Household at Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon, April 1 st
2023	Madeline Stone Snyder , Ties to the Ancestors: Examining a Late Classic Maya Household at Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. College of Liberal and Fine Arts 23 rd Annual Spring Research Conference, University of Texas at San Antonio, March 21 st
2022	Madeline Stone Snyder , Investigating Ancient Maya Agricultural Practices and Household Economy: A View from the Mopan River Valley, Belize. College of Liberal and Fine Arts 22 nd Annual Spring Research Conference, University of Texas at San Antonio, March 24 th

Posters Presented

2024	Madeline Stone Snyder , K.T. Hanson, and Jeni Brett, The Stories We Tell (Ourselves): Narration, Translation, and Knowledge Creation Across the Subdisciplines. Poster Presenter, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Tampa, Florida, November 21 st
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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

2026	The Joyful Journey: Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Scholar Professional Development Series, Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning
2025	Mental Health First Aid Training, National Council for Mental Wellbeing
2024	Dialogue Across Difference, Center for Dialogue and Deliberation, University of Texas at San Antonio
2024	CV Professionalization Workshop, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio
2024	Poster Presentations Professionalization Workshop, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio
2021	Roadrunner Assistantship Academy, Academic Innovation University of Texas at San Antonio
2021	“All About CVs” Professionalization Workshop, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio
2020	“Publishing in Anthropology” Professionalization Workshop, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at San Antonio

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Committee Service

2025-Present	Graduate Student Representative, Academic, Student, and Faculty Affairs Task Force, UTSA and UT Health San Antonio Integration, University of Texas at San Antonio
2024-2025	College of Liberal and Fine Arts Representative, Ph.D. Advisory Committee, University of Texas at San Antonio

2024-2025 Teaching Assistant Representative, Teaching and Learning with GenAI Faculty Guidelines Committee, Academic Innovation, University of Texas at San Antonio

Presentations and Public Talks

- 2024 **Madeline Stone Snyder**, Metanarratives as Methodology in Archaeological Fieldwork. Anthropology Lunch Talk, University of Texas at San Antonio, March 27th
- 2024 Student Panelist, UT System Conference: Innovating Teaching & Learning in the Era of Generative AI, University of Texas at San Antonio, March 8th
- 2023 **Madeline Stone Snyder**, Negotiating Space and Status: Household Archaeology at Las Ruinas de Arenal, Belize. Three Minute Thesis, Graduate School, University of Texas at San Antonio, October 18th
- 2022 Student Presenter, Bold Moments Showcase, University of Texas at San Antonio, October 20th
- 2021 **Madeline Stone Snyder**, Investigating Ancient Maya Agricultural Practices and Household Economy: A View from the Mopan River Valley, Belize. Anthropology Lunch Talk, University of Texas at San Antonio, November 24th

Other

- 2025 Organizer and Moderator, Anthropology Graduate Student Association Research Symposium, Anthropology Department, University of Texas at San Antonio, November 6th
- 2025 Volunteer, South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica Organization Committee, 13th Annual South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica, University of Texas at San Antonio, October 30th – November 1st
- 2024 Judge, Experiential Learning Fair, Honors College, University of Texas at San Antonio, November 13th
- 2024 Organizer and Moderator, Graduate Student Panel, Student Government Association, University of Texas at San Antonio, March 21st
- 2022 Judge, Experiential Learning Fair, Honors College, University of Texas at San Antonio, April 11th – 18th
- 2021 Invited Gallery Guide, The UTSA Fall Signature Event featuring the “Nature, Power, and Maya Royals” exhibit, San Antonio Museum of Art, November 10th
- 2021 Panel Moderator, Graduate Research Symposium, Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honors Society (Gamma of Texas), University of Texas at San Antonio, November 3rd

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 2021-Present Executive Committee, Anthropology Graduate Student Association, University of Texas at San Antonio
- 2024-2025 Speaker of the Senate, 49th Student Government Association, University of Texas at San Antonio
- 2023-2025 Graduate Senator, Student Government Association, University of Texas at San Antonio
- 2023-2024 Vice Chair, Academic Affairs Committee, 48th Student Government Association, University of Texas at San Antonio
- 2018-2019 Vice President, Anthropology Club, University of Massachusetts Boston

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- 2025 Consulting Scientist, First Lego League Competition, Skype a Scientist, October-December
- 2025 Volunteer, International Archaeology Day, Southwest Texas Archaeological Society, Archaeological Institute of America, San Antonio, Texas, October 18th

2025	Volunteer, Archaeology Day, Mopan Valley Preclassic Project/Mopan Valley Archaeology Project, San Jose Succotz, Belize, July 20 th
2025	Presenter, Archaeology on Tap, San Antonio, Texas, February 20 th
2024	Volunteer, Archaeology Day, Mopan Valley Preclassic Project/Mopan Valley Archaeology Project, San Jose Succotz, Belize, July 21 st
2023	Volunteer, International Archaeology Day, Southwest Texas Archaeological Society, Archaeological Institute of America, San Antonio, Texas, October 21 st

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2022-Present	Student Member, Society for American Archaeology
2022-Present	Graduate Student Member, Archaeological Institute of America
2019-Present	Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honor Society
2024-2025	Student Member, American Anthropological Association

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Advanced Biological Anthropology
 Andean Archaeology and Ethnography
 Anthro in the Anthropocene
 Archaeological Research Techniques
 Archaeology of Household and Residence
 Ecological Anthropology
 Footsteps of the Early Maya Explorers
 Geographical Information Systems
 History, Method, and Theory in Archaeology
 Lab Methods in Anthropology
 Landscapes and Settlement
 Maya Civilizations
 Professional Skills Development in Anthropology
 Spatial Techniques in Anthropology
 Theory in Cultural Anthropology