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Education:

- Ph.D., Anthropology, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, 1996. Dissertation: Domestic Economics and Mortuary Practices: A Gendered View of Oneota Social Organization.
- M.S., Continuing Studies with an emphasis in Anthropology. Mankato State University, 1988. Thesis: A Comparative Study on Three Predictive Field Methods for Archaeological Excavation.
- B.A., Anthropology, Mankato State University 1986.

Appointments

- Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, Michigan State University, 2007- Present
- Curator of Archaeology, Michigan State University Museum, 2020-Present
- Assistant Curator of Great Lakes Archaeology, Michigan State University Museum, 2000-2020 (Serving in advisory capacity since chair appointment in 2009)
- Chair, Department of Anthropology, Michigan State University, 2010-2019 (2014/2015 sabbatical)
- Interim Chair, Department of Anthropology, Michigan State University, 2009-2010
- Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, Michigan State University, 2000-2007
- Director of Research, Center for American Archaeology, Kampsville, Illinois 1998-2000 and Principal Investigator-Assistant Director of Research 1994-1998.
- Research Analyst, Museum Archaeology Program of The State Historical Society of Wisconsin 1991-1994

Awards and Sponsored Research

Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative Award. "Morton Village Site Student Research" support for one student, 2018-2019.

NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant, PI on Andrew Upton's grant, "The Interaction among Migration, Outcome and Social Structure" 12/1/17-11/30/18.

Illinois Association for the Advancement of Archaeology, Permanent Fund Award, "Morton Village Foodway Pilot Project" support for lipids analysis of pottery bowls, 2015.

NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant, PI on Jeffrey Chivis' grant, "Visual and Technical Styles: An Integrative Approach to the Identification of Archaeological Social Boundaries," 9/30/11-12/20/12.

Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative Award. "Morton Village Site Student Research" support for four students, 2011-2012.

Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative Award. "Morton Village Site Student Research" support for one student, 2010-2011.

Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative Award. “Delineating Cultural Interaction at the Morton Village Archaeological Site” for support of two students 2008-2009.

Michigan State University New Faculty Intramural Research Grant, “French and Huron Relations at Mission de St. Ignace: A preliminary study of time, space, and ethnicity” 2002.

Monticello College Foundation Grant, funding awarded to support the “Women In Archeology Internship” at the Center for American Archeology: 1998, 1999, 2000.

Graduate School Fellowship, 1994-1995. The Graduate School, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

Mensa grant for dissertation research, 1993. Milwaukee chapter of Mensa.

Anthropology Fellowship, 1990. Department of Anthropology, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

David L. Andreas Scholarship, 1986-1987. Department of Anthropology, Mankato State University.

Select Publications: [* indicates peer reviewed]

*2020 Ancient History and New Beginnings: Necrogeography and migration in the North American midcontinent. [J.A. O’Gorman, J.D. Bengtson & A.R. Michael]. *World Archaeology*, DOI: [10.1080/00438243.2019.1736138](https://doi.org/10.1080/00438243.2019.1736138)

*2019 Cooking and Community: An Exploration of Oneota Group Variability through Foodways. [J.M. Painter and J.A. O’Gorman]. *Midcontinental Journal of Archaeology*, 44:3, 231-258, DOI: [10.1080/01461109.2019.1634327](https://doi.org/10.1080/01461109.2019.1634327)

*2017 War at the Door: Evolutionary Considerations of Warfare and Female Fighters. [J.D. Bengtson and J.A. O’Gorman]. Invited chapter for the edited volume *Bioarchaeology of Women and Children in Times of War: Case Studies from the Americas*, edited by D.L. Martin and C. Tegtmeier, Springer.

*2016 Women’s Participation in Prehistoric Warfare: A Central Illinois River Valley Case Study. [J.D. Bengtson and J.A. O’Gorman]. *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology*, DOI: [10.1002/oa.2532](https://doi.org/10.1002/oa.2532).

*2016 Childhood, Migration, and Mortuary Representation in the Late Prehistoric Illinois River Valley. [J. D. Bengtson and J.A. O’Gorman]. *Childhood in the Past*, 9(1):19-43.

2016 A Pilot Study to Examine Mississippian and Oneota Foodways at the Morton Village Site. *Illinois Antiquity*, 51(4):1-5.

*2014 A Preliminary Analysis of Oneota and Mississippian Serving Vessels at the Morton Village Site. [J. Lieto, J.A. O’Gorman], *North American Archaeologist*, 35(3) 243-255.

2010 Morton Village. [M. D. Conner and J.A. O’Gorman] *The Living Museum*, 72(1):8-13.

*2010 Exploring the Longhouse and Community in Tribal Society. *American Antiquity* 75(3):571-597.

*2007 The Myth of Moccasin Bluff – Rethinking the Potawatomi Pattern. *Ethnohistory* 54(3):373-406.

- *2007 Rehabilitating Old Archaeology Collections with GIS. *Collections: A Journal for Museum and Archives Professionals* 3(1):75-101.
- *2006 Before Removal: An Archaeological Perspective on the Southern Lake Michigan Basin [J. A. O’Gorman and W. A. Lovis]. In *The Potawatomi Removal*, Special Issue Guest Edited by Mark Schurr. *Midcontinental Journal of Archaeology* 31(1):21-56.
- *2005 Assessing Oneota Diet and Health: A Community and Lifeway Perspective. [R. M. Tubbs and J. A. O’Gorman] *Midcontinental Journal of Archaeology* 30:119-163.
- *2003 The "Agricultural Village" Myth and Recent Research at Moccasin Bluff. *The Michigan Archaeologist* Vol. 49 (1-2):91-100.
- 2001 Life, Death, and the Longhouse: A Gendered View of Oneota Social Organization. In, *Engendering Archaeological Mortuary Analysis*. Edited by Bettina Arnold and Nancy Weiker, pp. 23-49. AltaMira.
- *1998 Oneota in the Lower Illinois River Valley [J. A. O’Gorman and K.B. Farnsworth]. *The Wisconsin Archeologist*, 79(2):62-92. Co-authored with K.B. Farnsworth.
- *1995 *The Tremaine Complex, La Crosse County, Wisconsin. Volume III. The Tremaine Site (47 Lc-95) and Complex Synthesis*, Archaeology Research Series, Number 3, Museum Archaeology Program, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison.
- *1994 *The Tremaine Complex, La Crosse County, Wisconsin. Volume II: The Filler Site (47 Lc-149)*. Archaeology Research Series, Number 2, Museum Archaeology Program, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison.
- *1993 *The Tremaine Complex, La Crosse County, Wisconsin. Volume I: The OT Site (47 Lc-262)*. Archaeology Research Series, Number 1, Museum Archaeology Program, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison.

Recent Selected Papers and Posters Presented (* indicates graduate student, **undergraduate):

Migration, Ritual, and the Dead. Paper presented in the symposium Celebrating Lynne Goldstein’s Contributions to Archaeology of the Past, Present, and Future, co-organized by Jodie O’Gorman and Sissel Schroeder. Society for American Archaeology, Washington D.C., 2018.

Oneota Vulnerability and Resiliency. [Jodie O’Gorman and Jennifer Bengtson] Paper presented in The Midwestern Legacies of Lynne Goldstein: A Symposium in Her Honor, co-organized by Sissel Schroeder and Jodie O’Gorman. Annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. Indianapolis, 2017.

Foodway Variability in the Oneota Tradition: A Pilot Study of Cooking Pots. [Jeffrey Painter* and Jodie O’Gorman] Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, 2017.

Life during Wartime: Children, Violence, and Security at Morton Village. [Jennifer Bengtson, Jodie O’Gorman and Amy Michael] Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, 2017.

Power and Purpose: The Role of Animals in Ritual Context at a Mid-Continental Site in the Fourteenth

Century. [Autumn Beyer*, Terrance Martin and Jodie O’Gorman] Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, 2017.

An Update on Recent Morton Village Research. Organized and Co-Chaired Poster Symposium at 60th Annual Midwest Archaeological Conference, Iowa City. October 2016.

Variability in Ritual at the Intersection of Oneota and Mississippian Worlds. [Jodie O’Gorman and Michael Conner] Lead author on this poster and contributor to two others in the session. 60th Annual Midwest Archaeological Conference, Iowa City. October 2016.

War at the Door: Sociobiology, Warfare, and Female Fighters. Paper presented to the 2016 Graduate Student Research Symposium, MSU Department of Anthropology. January 2016.

Breaking Bread and Building Bridges: A Foodways Perspective on Negotiating Pre-Columbian Conflict in the Midwest. Invited presentation for CAP CAFÉ! (MSU Campus Archaeology Program’s public lecture series). January 28, 2016.

Negotiating Migration and Violence in the pre-Columbian Midcontinent: A View from the Village. Poster Symposium Organizer and Contributor on multiple posters. Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco. April, 2015.

Breaking Bread and Building Bridges: Using Foodways to Explore Social Change in Prehistory. Invited lecture, Illinois State Museum, Springfield. February 2015

Ethnicity and Childhood at Morton Village [Jennifer Bengtson and Jodie O’Gorman]. Paper presented at the 79th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Austin. April, 2014.

Piecing Together Ritual at the Intersection of Oneota and Mississippian Worlds [Jodie O’Gorman and Michael Conner], paper presented at the 2013 Midwest Archaeological Conference. Columbus, Ohio.

Spatial Distribution of Cultural Components and House Types at Morton Village [Michael Conner and Jodie O’Gorman], paper presented at the 2012 Midwest Archaeological Conference. East Lansing, Michigan.

The Broad-Rimmed Bowl: A Preliminary Analysis of an Oneota and Mississippian Form at the Morton Site [Josh Lieto** and Jodie O’Gorman], paper presented at the 2012 Midwest Archaeological Conference. East Lansing, Michigan.

Social Interactions among Women in the Past: A Central Illinois River Valley Case Study [Jodie O’Gorman, Jennifer Bengtson, and Ryan Tubbs], paper presented at the 2012 Midwest Archaeological Conference. East Lansing, Michigan.

The Archaeology of Childhood [Jennifer Bengtson, Jodie O’Gorman, Whitney Broughton**, and Amanda Linebaugh**, poster presented at the 2012 Midwest Archaeological Conference. East Lansing, Michigan.

An Unusual Pit Feature at the Morton Village Site [Michael Conner and Jodie O’Gorman], poster presented at the 2012 Midwest Archaeological Conference. East Lansing, Michigan.

Impacts of Social Interaction among Women in the Past: A Central Illinois River Valley Case Study [Jodie O’Gorman, Jennifer Bengtson, and Ryan Tubbs], paper presented in the invited symposium, Women in the Past: Biocultural Signatures of Contributions to and Sacrifices for Society, at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Memphis. April 2012.

A Statistical Approach to Mississippian and Oneota Ceramics at Morton Village [Andrew Upton* and Jodie O’Gorman], paper presented at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Memphis. April 2012.

Current Research Focus

Research and writing on the Morton Village Project that focuses on social interactions of Upper Mississippian and contemporary communities. After a decade of field research designed to illuminate the social context for post-migration violence in the Central Illinois Valley, I am mentoring several graduate students writing dissertations related to the project and conducting my own lab-based research and writing, often working with the project co-PI, Dr. Michael Conner. I also regularly collaborate on feminist-centered related research with Dr. Jennifer Bengtson (Southeastern Missouri University). Morton Village Site excavations in collaboration with Dickson Mounds Museum of the Illinois State Museum took place 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016 (field school), 2010, 2013, 2015, 2017 (graduate student field training).

Research Interests:

- Prehistory of Eastern North America with specialization in Midwest/Great Lakes region
- Late prehistoric/historic communities and interaction
- Archaeology of gender
- Foodways
- Museums
- Public Archaeology

Recent Service in Archaeology:

- President, Midwest Archaeological Conference 10/2016-10/2018
- NAGPRA Consultation, Assisted the City of St. Ignace, Michigan 1/2016-present
- Reviewer, NSF Research Grant Proposal, 2016, 2017, 2020
- Review Panel Member, National Endowment for the Humanities Review Panel 1/2016-3/2016
- President-Elect Midwest Archaeological Conference 10/2015-10/2016
- Executive Officer, Midwest Archaeological Conference 10/2014 – 10/2015
- Secretary, Midwest Archaeological Conference, 10/2011 to 10/2014
- Secretary-Elect, Midwest Archaeological Conference, 10/2010 to 10/2011