

Education

2012-present

PhD Candidate

Groningen Institute of Archaeology, University of Groningen, The Netherlands

- **Thesis Title:** *A Bioarchaeological Approach to Mycenaean Burial Traditions of Achaia, Greece*
- **Supervisors:** Prof. Dr. Sofia Voutsaki, Prof. Dr. Jane E. Buikstra
- **Submission date:** June 2018

2006

MA Archaeology of the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East

Institute of Archaeology, University College London, London, United Kingdom

- Thesis title: *The Changing Face of the Dead: Evidence for Mycenaean Ancestor Cults*

2005

BA Anthropology and History

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

- Graduated *cum laude*: double major in anthropology and history, minor in classics
- Study Year Abroad: Cardiff University School of History, Archaeology and Religion

Teaching**Experience**

Summer 2010, 2011

Fieldschool Supervisor

Astypalaia Bioarchaeology Fieldschool

- Taught and supervised undergraduate students in osteological identification, excavation, laboratory cataloging, and conservation of human remains

Spring and Fall 2011,
Spring 2012**Adjunct Anthropology Instructor**

West Virginia University, Morgantown

- Developed and taught undergraduate courses titled “Anthropology of Death” and “Human Osteology”

Spring 2016

Co-Instructor

Groningen Institute of Archaeology & Netherlands Institute in Athens

- Co-developed a course titled “Archaeology of Death in the Greek World”
- Lectured on site and in the classroom in Greece

Fall 2017-present

Adjunct Anthropology Instructor

West Virginia University, Morgantown

- Taught small laboratory-based undergraduate course: Human Osteology (SOCA 393)
- Taught three sections of Introduction to Anthropology (SOCA 105)

**Archaeological
Projects**

2012-2018

Bioarchaeological analysis of Mycenaean tombs at Ayios Vasilios-Chalandritsa, Portes, and Petroto in Achaia.

- 2014-present Bioarchaeological analysis of intramural graves at Mygdalia in Achaia.
 2015-present Bioarchaeological analysis of Mycenaean tholos tombs at Rhodia in Achaia
- 2017-present Bioarchaeological analysis of Roman graves in Karditsa.
 Bioarchaeological analysis of the Mycenaean chamber tombs at Trapeza in Achaia.
- 2018- present DNA analysis of skeletal material and dental calculus from Achaia, Greece (in cooperation with Greek excavators and Dr. Philipp Stockhammer and Dr. Johannes Krause at the Max Planck Institute for Science of Human History (MPI-SHH).
 Bioarchaeological analysis of intramural graves at Kopais.

Work Experience

- Spring 2006 **Student Intern**
 Museum of London Osteology Department London, UK
- Cataloging and labeling skeletal material and assisting osteologists
- 2006-2007 **Archaeology Apprentice**
 USDA Forest Service Golden Pond, KY
- Field supervisor for excavations and finds cataloging
 - Co-wrote archaeological and historic reports for the KY or TN State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
- Summer 2007 & 2008 **Field Archaeologist & Crew Supervisor**
 British School at Athens Knossos Urban Landscape Project
- Led a crew of students in the field survey and during ceramic identification
- 2007-2009 **Archaeology Field Technician**
 GAI Consultants, Pittsburgh, PA
- Excavated various prehistoric and historic sites in OH, VA, WV, MD, and PA
- 2009 **Archaeologist**
 Archaeological Consultants of the Midwest, Wheeling, WV
- Trained in lithic analysis on local Ohio valley chert types
 - Supervised field technicians during Phase III excavation of a prehistoric site
 - Conducted archival research and co-wrote SHPO reports
- Summer 2009 **Lab Researcher**
 Astypalaia, Kyllindra Cemetery Project
- Participated in lab and field excavation and identification of human remains

Grants & Awards

- 2014 **Associate Laboratory Fellow**
- Granted \$3500 towards doctoral research at the Malcolm H. Wiener Laboratory of Archaeological Science at the American School for Classical Studies at Athens. (ASCSA Student Associate Member 2013-2014)
- ARCHON Conference Subsidy**
- Granted €500 for presenting at an international conference

2015

AIA Student Travel Award

- Grant for presenting at the Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting

Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grant

- Granted \$4300 to fund C14 analysis of human remains

Visiting Scholar at Arizona State University

- Granted a visiting researcher position to conduct dissertation research and take graduate seminars.

2016

ARCHON Conference Subsidy

- Granted €300 for travel costs for presenting at an international conference

2017

AIA Student Travel Award

- Grant for presenting at the Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting

Netherlands Institute at Athens Research Fellow

- Granted €1400 for project titled “A Bioarchaeological Approach to Mycenaean Infant Burials”

Catharine van Tussenbroek Foundation

- Granted €2500 for project titled “A Bioarchaeological Approach to Mycenaean Infant Burials”

Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grant

- Granted €1000 to fund excavation and analysis of human remains for the Mygdalia Settlement Project

2018

AIA Student Travel Award

- Grant for presenting at the Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting

Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grant

- Granted €1000 to fund excavation and analysis of human remains for the Mygdalia Settlement Project

Udine University

- Granted €5000 to fund excavation and analysis of human remains for the Trapeza Cemetery Project

Conference Presentations

2014

Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Chicago, USA

- Presented a paper in the Lightning Session titled “Mycenaean Secondary Burial”

Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting: Austin, USA

- Presented a paper: “Piles of Bones: Materiality as an Aid to Assess Meaning from Commingled Confusion”

European Association of Archaeologists Annual Meeting: Istanbul, Turkey

- Presented paper: “Bone Piles: Taphonomy and Zonation as Aids to Assess Meaning from Commingled Confusion”

2015

Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: New Orleans, USA

- Co-organized a session: “The Preservation of Organic Remains in the Aegean”
- Paper co-authored with Dr. Daniel Fallu titled: “Between a Rock and Hard Place: Preservation Issues of Human Remains in a Mycenaean Tholos”

2016

International Symposium on Archaeometry: Kalamata, Greece

- Presented poster: “The Life History of a Tomb: Radiocarbon Dating Multiple Levels in a Mycenaean tholos”

2017

Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Toronto, Canada

- Presented a paper: “Use and Reuse in a Mycenaean Tholos Tomb: Using Radiocarbon and Bioarchaeology to Reconstruct Burial Practices at Petroto, Mygdalia”

2018

Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Boston, USA

- Presented paper titled: “A Paleodemographic Approach to Burial Exclusion in Mycenaean Achaia”

17th International Aegean Conference (Aegaeum): Venice & Udine, Italy

- Co-authored paper titled: “Use and Reuse of the Past: Case Studies from Mycenaean Achaia”

- Co-authored paper titled “Community and memory in the periphery of the Mycenaean world: Incidents in the life of the Mygdalia settlement near Patras
- H Περιφέρεια Του Μυκηναϊκού Κόσμου: Πρόσφατα ευρήματα και πορίσματα της έρευνας (Periphery of the Mycenaean World): Lamia, Greece**
- Co-authored paper titled: “Ένας αιώνας ερευνών στη Μυκηναϊκή δυτική Αχαΐα. Επισκόπηση των παλαιών και νέων δεδομένων από τους θολωτούς και τους θαλαμοειδείς τάφους.
 - Co-authored paper titled “Community and Memory in the Periphery of the Mycenaean World: Incidents in the Life of the Mygdalia Settlement Near Patras”

Publications

Jones, O.A. 2013. Mycenaean Burial Traditions of Achaea: An Anthropological and Bioarchaeological Approach. *Tijdschrift voor Mediteranne Archeologie*, 49. 71.

Jones, O.A. 2014. The Study of Secondary Burial in Mycenaean Mortuary Traditions: A New Approach to the Evidence. *Tijdschrift voor Mediteranne Archeologie*, 51. 8-13.

Aktypi, K. (with contribution by **O.A. Jones**). 2014. “Finds of the Geometric Period in the Mycenaean Cemetery at Agios Vasileios, Chalandritsa, Achaea. *Annual of the British School at Athens*, 109. 129-157.

Jones, O.A. 2017. “A Bioarchaeological Approach to the Human Remains and Burial Practices” in K. Aktypi *The Mycenaean Cemetery at Agios Vasileios, Chalandritsa, in Achaea*. Archaeopress: Oxford.

Jones, O.A., J. van der Plicht, L. Papazoglou-Manioudaki, and M. Petropoulos. 2018. “Timing is Everything: Radiocarbon Dating the Multiple Levels in a Mycenaean Tholos”. *STAR: Science & Technology of Archaeological Research* 3:2. Open access: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/20548923.2018.1428408>.

Jones, O. A. 2018. “Burial Exclusion or Inclusion: The Demography of Mycenaean Mortuary Practices in Achaia, Greece”. *Journal of Greek Archaeology*: 3.

Jones, O.A. (forthcoming). “Mycenaean Secondary Burial Revisited: legacy data, taphonomy, and the process of burial in Mycenaean Achaia, Greece.” *Bioarchaeology International*.

Aktypi, K., **O.A. Jones**, and M. Gazis. (forthcoming 2019). “Use and Reuse of the Past: Case Studies from Mycenaean Achaea”

Papazoglou-Manioudaki, L. K. Paschalidis, and **O.A, Jones** (forthcoming 2019). “Community and Memory in the Periphery of the Mycenaean world: Incidents in the Life of the Mygdalia Settlement near Patras, in Achaea”

Jones, O.A. (in preparation). The Bioarchaeology of the Mycenaean World.

Professional Memberships

Archaeological Institute of America
Society for American Archaeology
Society for Aegean Prehistory

Register of Professional Archaeologists
Council for West Virginia Archaeology