

# Olivia Anne Jones

## Curriculum Vitae

Department of Sociology & Anthropology  
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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D.            Groningen Institute of Archaeology, University of Groningen, Groningen, 2019  
Dissertation: *The Process of Death: A Bioarchaeological Approach to Mycenaean Burial Traditions of Achaia, Greece*  
Committee: Sofia Voutsaki (chair), Jane E. Buikstra (co-chair), John Bennet, Chris Knüsel, Iphiyenia Tournavitou
- M.A.            Institute of Archaeology, University College London, London, 2006
- B.A.            Department of Anthropology, West Virginia University, Morgantown, 2005

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2020 – present            Director, WVU Archaeological Training and Research Laboratory
- 2019 – present            Lead Curator & NAGPRA Director, Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex, Moundsville

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2023            Skourtanioti, E., **O.A. Jones**, et.al. Ancient DNA Reveals Admixture History and Endogamy in the Prehistoric Aegean. *Nature Ecology & Evolution* 7: 290–303. Open-access: <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41559-022-01952-3>
- 2018            Mycenaean Secondary Burial Revisited: Legacy Data, Taphonomy, and the Process of Burial in Mycenaean Achaia, Greece. *Bioarchaeology International* 2/4: 217-239.
- 2018            Burial Exclusion or Inclusion: The Demography of Mycenaean Mortuary Practices in Achaia, Greece. *Journal of Greek Archaeology* 3: 75-93.
- 2018            **Jones, O.A.**, J. van der Plicht, L. Papazoglou-Manioudaki, and M. Petropoulos. Timing is Everything: Radiocarbon Dating the Multiple Levels in a Mycenaean Tholos. *STAR: Science & Technology of Archaeological Research* 3/2: 456-465. Open access: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/20548923.2018.1428408>.

- 2014 The Study of Secondary Burial in Mycenaean Mortuary Traditions: A New Approach to the Evidence. *Tijdschrift voor Mediteranne Archeologie*, 51: 8-13.
- 2013 Mycenaean Burial Traditions of Achaea: An Anthropological and Bioarchaeological Approach. *Tijdschrift voor Mediteranne Archeologie*, 49: 71.

### Book Chapters

- 2017 A Bioarchaeological Approach to the Human Remains and Burial Practices in K. Aktypi *The Mycenaean Cemetery at Agios Vasileios, Chalandritsa, in Achaea*, 186-206. Archaeopress: Oxford.

### Conference Proceedings

- 2021 Aktypi, K., M. Gazis, and **O.A. Jones**. One Century of Research in Mycenaean Western Achaea: A Review of Old and New Evidence from Mortuary Contexts in *Periphery of the Mycenaean World: Recent Discoveries and Research Results* edited by Efi Karantzali, 489-502. Ministry of Culture and Sports: Athens.
- 2019 Papazoglou-Manioudaki, L. K. Paschalidis, and **O.A. Jones**. Community and Memory in the Periphery of the Mycenaean World: Incidents in the Life of the Mygdalia Settlement near Patras, in Achaea in *Mneme: Past and Memory in the Aegean Bronze Age* edited by E. Borgna, I. Caloi, F. Carincia and R. Laffineur. *Aegeum* 43, 199-208. Peeters: Leuven.
- 2019 Aktypi, K., **O.A. Jones**, and M. Gazis. "Use and Reuse of the Past: Case Studies from Mycenaean Achaea" *Mneme: Past and Memory in the Aegean Bronze Age* edited by E. Borgna, I. Caloi, F. Carincia and R. Laffineur. *Aegeum* 43, 319-328. Peeters: Leuven.

### In Submission

Allhouse, A., J. Fries-Knoblach, J. Maran, **O.A. Jones**, E. Prevedorou, N. Polychronakou-Sgouritsa, P.W. Stockhammer, C. Warinner. Distinctive Diets: Bronze Age Aegean Food Habits Revealed by a Meta-Analysis of Stable Isotope Evidence. *Journal of Archaeological Science*.

Prascik, B. and **O.A. Jones**. Legacies in Archaeology: An Analysis of Oak Mounds in Harrison County, West Virginia. *West Virginia Archeologist*.

### In Preparation

**Jones, O.A.** and Audrey Caiola. A Case Study of Craniosynostosis from Mycenaean Greece.

### FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2023 Eberly College Equipment Grant (under review)
- 2023 PI: NAGPRA Consultation and Documentation Grant (P23AP01781, \$99,975)
- 2022 West Virginia University, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Conference Travel Grant (\$500)
- 2019/18/17 Archaeological Institute of America Travel Award (\$250, \$250, \$250)

2018	Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grant (€1000)
2018	Udine University Research Fund (€5000)
2017	Netherlands Institute at Athens Research Fellow (€1400)
2017	Catharine van Tussenbroek Foundation (€2500)
2017	Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grant (€1000)
2014	Malcolm H. Wiener Laboratory for Archaeological Science, Associate Laboratory Fellow (\$3500)
2014	ARCHON Conference Subsidy (€500)
2015	Netherlands Institute at Athens Travel Award (€500)
2015	Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grant (\$4300 for C14 analysis)
2016	ARCHON Conference Subsidy (€300)
2012 - 2016	Faculty of Arts, University of Groningen, Salaried doctoral research position (€175,000)

## INVITED TALKS

2024	TBD, Anthropology Department Lecture Series, Mississippi State University, February 26 <sup>th</sup> .
2022	“Missing or Presumed Dead: A Bioarchaeological Approach to Mycenaean Infant Burial Practices”, Anthropology Department Lecture Series, Mississippi State University, April 29 <sup>th</sup> .
2020	California University of Pennsylvania, Anthropology Lab Lecture Series, February 20 <sup>th</sup> .

## CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

### Panels Organized

upcoming	Paleopathological Case Studies from the Mycenaean World, w/Kaitlyn Stiles and Danny. D. Dillon, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, January 2-5.
2020	Advances in Mycenaean Bioarchaeology, w/ Ioanna Moutafi and Kaitlyn Stiles, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., January 2-5.
2015	Preservation of Organic Remains in the Aegean, w/ Flint Dibble and Dan Fallu, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 8-11.

### Papers

upcoming	Raising Appalachia: Promoting and Fostering Academic Spaces for Undergraduate Students to Engage with Archaeology at West Virginia University, w/ Megan Leight, Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, New Orleans, LA, April 18-21.
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- 2020 Bioarchaeological Research of Mycenaean Mortuary Practices: Current State and Ways Forward, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Washington D.C., January 2-5.
- 2019 Mycenaean Secondary Burial Revisited, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: San Diego, USA, January 3-6.
- 2018 A Paleodemographic Approach to Burial Exclusion in Mycenaean Achaia, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Boston, January 4-7.
- 2018 Use and Reuse of the Past: Case Studies from Mycenaean Achaia, w/ Konstantina Aktypi and Michalis Gazis, 17th International Aegean Conference (Aegaeum): Venice & Udine, Italy, April 17-21.
- 2018 Community and memory in the periphery of the Mycenaean world: Incidents in the life of the Mygdalia settlement near Patras, w/Lena Papazogou-Manioudaki and Konstantinos Paschalidis, 17th International Aegean Conference (Aegaeum): Venice & Udine, Italy, April 17-21.
- 2018 Η Περιφέρεια Του Μυκηναϊκού Κοσμου: Πρόσφατα ευρήματα και πορίσματα της έρευνας, w/ w/Lena Papazogou-Manioudaki and Konstantinos Paschalidis, The Periphery of the Mycenaean World Conference, Lamia, Greece, May 18-21.
- 2018 Ένας αιώνας έρευνών στη Μυκηναϊκή δυτική Αχαΐα. Επισκόπηση των παλαιών και νέων δεδομένων από τους θολωτούς και τους θαλαμοειδείς τάφους, w/ Konstantina Aktypi and Michalis Gazis, The Periphery of the Mycenaean World Conference, Lamia, Greece, May 18-21.
- 2017 Use and Reuse in a Mycenaean Tholos Tomb: Using Radiocarbon and Bioarchaeology to Reconstruct Burial Practices at Petroto, Mygdalia, w/ J. van der Plicht, L. Papazoglou-Manioudaki, and M. Petropoulos Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Toronto, Canada, January 5-8.
- 2015 Between a Rock and Hard Place: Preservation Issues of Human Remains in a Mycenaean Tholos, w/ Dan Fallu, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: New Orleans, LA, January 8-11.
- 2014 Mycenaean Secondary Burial, Lightning Session, Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL, January 2-5.
- 2014 Piles of Bones: Materiality as an Aid to Assess Meaning from Commingled Confusion, Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Austin, April 23-27.
- 2014 Bone Piles: Taphonomy and Zonation as Aids to Assess Meaning from Commingled Confusion, European Association of Archaeologists Annual Meeting: Istanbul, Turkey, September 10-14.

### Posters

- 2023 'Fresh' From the Field: Utilizing Legacy Collections for Undergraduate Research and Training, w/Bethanny Prascik and Bryan Hill, Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Portland, OR, March 29-April 2.

2016 The Life History of a Tomb: Radiocarbon Dating Multiple Levels in a Mycenaean Tholos, International Symposium on Archaeometry: Kalamata, Greece, May 15-21.

## **DEPARTMENTAL TALKS**

2023 Field schools & Funding, WVU Anthropology Club Workshop, WVU, Morgantown  
2022 Field schools & Funding, WVU Anthropology Club Workshop, WVU, Morgantown  
2019 Bioarchaeological Excavation in Greece, WVU Anthropology Club Meeting, WVU, Morgantown  
2017 Kampsville Bioarchaeology Field School, Kampsville, IL  
2015 Mycenaean Bioarchaeology, Department Lecture Series, Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ  
2014 Anthropological Approaches to Mycenaean Burial, Afternoon Tea Talk, American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Athens, Greece  
2013 University of Leiden, Lecture Series, Department of Archaeology, Leiden, The Netherlands

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **West Virginia University, Sole Instructor**

Human Osteology (fall 2017, spring 2019, spring 2020, spring 2021, spring 2022, fall 2023)  
Introduction to Anthropology (fall 2018)  
Anthropology of Death (spring 2011, fall 2011)  
Archaeological Field school (summer 2022)  
Archaeology of Greece and Rome (fall 2019)  
History of Ancient Times (spring 2020)  
Independent Study (spring 2023, fall 2023, spring 2024)  
Teaching Practicum (spring 2019, spring 2020, spring 2021, spring 2022, fall 2023)

### **Groningen Institute of Archaeology & the Netherlands Institute in Athens, Groningen & Athens, Teaching Assistant**

Death in the Greek World, on-site and lecture-based course (spring 2016)

### **University College London, Teaching Assistant**

Astypalaia Bioarchaeology Field School (summer 2010, summer 2011)

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2023 – present West Virginia NAGPRA Collections Inspection and Consultation

- 2018 – present Bioarchaeological analysis of the Mycenaean chamber tombs at Trapeza in Achaia, Excavation director: Elisabetta Borgna
- 2018 – present Bioarchaeological analysis of graves at Kopais, Greece, Excavation director: Michael Lane.
- 2018 – present aDNA analysis of skeletal material and dental calculus from Achaia, Greece, Max Planck Institute for Science of Human History, Collaborators: Philipp Stockhammer, Johannes Krause
- 2017 – present Bioarchaeological analysis of Roman graves in Karditsa, Greece, Collaborator Eleni Panagiotopoulou
- 2015 – present Bioarchaeological analysis of Mycenaean tholos tombs at Rhodia in Achaia, Greece, Collaborators: Konstantina Aktypi, Michalis Gazis
- 2014 – present Bioarchaeological analysis of intramural graves at Mygdalia in Achaia, Greece, Excavation director: Lena Papazoglou-Manioudaki

## **STUDENT-SUPPORTED RESEARCH**

- 2023 – present “The Excavation History and New Data from Oak Mound (46HS2), Harrison County, WV”, Independent study project with senior anthropology student Bethanny Prascik
- 2023 – present “A Paleopathological Case Study of Craniosynostosis from Mycenaean Greece”, Faculty Mentor to Audrey Caiola, WVU Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program
- 2021 – 2024 “Collective bodies and individual experiences: the case of Chamber Tomb Four at Nikoleika Aigio, Achaea, Greece” M.A. thesis committee, Daniel D. Dillon, Mississippi State University
- 2020 – present “Differential Health of Monongahela and Late Woodland Populations in West Virginia”, M.A. thesis committee, Amanda Goush, George Mason University
- 2023 “Birds of Blennerhassett: Human-Avian Interaction as Cultural and Environmental Evidence”, Independent study project with senior anthropology student Ty Linthicum (currently M.A. student at IUP)
- 2022 “Oral History and Excavation Archive of Oak Mound, Harrison County”, Faculty Mentor to sophomore anthropology student Bethanny Prascik, WVU Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (\$4000)
- 2021 – 2022 “Bioarchaeological Analysis of a Historic Infant Grave from the Brosius Site (46MN2), Morgan County, WV”, Faculty Mentor to senior anthropology student Wesley Nelson (currently M.A. student at IUP), WVU Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program
- 2020 “Babies and Bloodsuckers: How Were They Buried? Comparison of Deviant Burials Across Sociocultural Contexts”, Undergraduate Capstone supervisor

to senior anthropology student Tessa Shaffer (completed MSc at University of Edinburgh)

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Peer Review**

Article reviewer, Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports (2021 – present)

Article reviewer, International Journal of Osteoarchaeology (2020 – present)

### **Community Outreach**

Forensic recovery, Monongalia County Sheriff's Office (2023)

Forensic case work, Marshall County Sheriff's Office (2019)

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Register of Professional Archaeologists, 2009-present (RPA # 13568)

Council for West Virginia Archaeology, 2009-present (President, 2020-present)

Society for Aegean Prehistory, 2013-present

Archaeological Institute of America, 2013-present

Society for American Archaeology, 2014-present

West Virginia Archaeological Society, 2020-present (Lifetime Member)

## **LANGUAGES**

German: Beginner speaking

Modern Greek: Beginner speaking; research reading