

Curriculum Vitae
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Areas of interest

Faunal analysis, Colonialism and Colonial Economies, Environment and Subsistence, Tropical Ecology, Conservation, Zooarcheology, Recovery Archaeology, Industrial Archaeology, World War II, The State

Education

2021 PhD Anthropology, University of Illinois at Chicago
2008 M.A. Anthropology, University of Illinois at Chicago
2004 B.A. Anthropology; University of Illinois at Chicago

Awards

2014 University of Illinois at Chicago, Chancellors Award for Doctoral Research (\$6000)
2010 University of Illinois at Chicago, Provost Dessi Award for Doctoral Research (\$2300)
2008 University of Illinois at Chicago Graduate Council Travel Award (\$200)
2008 University of Illinois at Chicago Graduate Collage Travel Award (\$200)

Appointments

2021 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for the Recovery and Investigation of the Missing, University of Illinois at Chicago

Teaching Experience – University of Illinois at Chicago

Instructing

2014 Concepts in Geography
2013 Ancient Civilizations of Mexico and Central America.
2011, 2010 Introduction to Anthropology

Teaching Assisting

2015, 2012, 2007 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
2012, 2010, 2008, 2007, 2006 Introduction to Anthropology
2012, 2011, 2009 Introduction to Archaeology
2008 Introduction to Geography
2008 Field Techniques in Archeology
2008 Lab Techniques in Archeology
2006, 2005 Introduction to Cultural Geography

Publications

Moholy-Nagy, Hattula, Mark Golitko, James Meierhoff, and **Caleb Kestle**.

2013. An Analysis of pXRF Obsidian Source Attribution from Tikal, Guatemala. *Latin American Antiquity*. 24(1), 2013, pp 72-97

Kestle, Caleb.

2012. Quarrying and Labor Organization at the Chan Central Group. In, *Chan, an Ancient Maya Farming Community*. Ed. Cynthia Robin. Pp 207-230 University Press of Florida, Gainesville.

Robin, Cynthia, James Meierhoff, **Caleb Kestle**, Chelsea Blackmore, Laura Kosakowsky, Anna Novotny.

2012. "Ritual in a Farming Community". In, *Chan, an Ancient Maya Farming Community*. Ed. Cynthia Robin. Pp 113-132 University Press of Florida, Gainesville.

Robin, Cynthia, Andrew Wyatt, James Meierhoff, **Caleb Kestle**.

N/D(in Review). Political Interaction: A View from the 2000 Year History of the Farming Community of Chan. In *Maya Politics of the Southern Lowlands: Integration, Interaction, Dissolution*. Eds; Damien Marken and James Fitzsimmons. Dumbarton Oaks; Washington D.C.

Field And Laboratory Experience

2021– Historic Researcher, CRIM, UIC, Chicago

2020 (Feb, March)- Scientific Recovery Expert, UIC/DPAA research Project, Philippines

2020 (November, December)- Recovery Assistant, UIC/DPAA research Project, Italy

2019 (March)- Scientific Recovery Expert, UIC/DPAA research Project, Philippines

2018 (Feb)- Staff Archaeologist, UIC contracts with DPAA, Vietnam

2017 (Feb, May, Nov)- Staff Archaeologist, UIC contracts with DPAA, Philippines

2016 (May, Dec)- Staff Archaeologist, UIC contracts with DPAA, Manila, Philippines

2014 (May-July)- Faunal Analysis Assistant, Museum Contisuyo, Moquegua Peru

2013 (June)- Graduate Field Director, Mensabak Archeological Project, Chiapas, Mexico

2012 (June)- Independent Laboratory analysis, Mensabak Archeological Project

2011 (May – July)- Field Supervisor, Mensabak Archeological Project

2010 (Oct. - present)- Laboratory Assistant, Field Museum XRF lab

2010 (July – Aug.)- Archeological Field Technician, ITARP

2010 (June)- Field Aide, Laguna Mensabok Field Survey Project.

2009 (June-Aug.)- Archeological Field Technician, ITARP

2008 (June-Aug.)- Teaching Assistant, Cerro Mejia Archeological Field-School

2008 (Feb.-April)- Laboratory Assistant, Field Museum XRF lab

2007 (Nov.-Jan.)- Laboratory assistant, Field Museum XRF lab.

2007 (May-July)- Field Supervisor, Cerro Baul Archeological Project, Moquegua, Peru

2006 (Aug.-Dec.)- Laboratory Assistant, Chan Archeological Soil Lab, Evanston, IL

2006 (April-Aug.)- Excavation Supervisor, Chan Archeological Project, Cayo, Belize

2005 (April-July)- Excavation Supervisor, Chan Archeological Project, Cayo, Belize

2004 (Sept.-March)- Laboratory Assistant, Faunal Lab, Chicago, IL

2004 (April-July)- Excavation Supervisor, Chan Archeological Project; Cayo, Belize

Presentations and Papers

Kestle, Caleb

2018. Niches on the Move: Species Entanglement and History in Proto-historic Metzabok, Chiapas, Mexico. Fifth Annual Second City Anthropology Conference, University of Illinois, Chicago

Kestle, Caleb

2013. Animal Management in the Colonial Transition: Lake Mensabak, Chiapas, Mexico. Third Annual Second City Anthropology Conference, University of Illinois, Chicago

Kestle, Caleb

2012. Materializing the Forest: Environment and Perception and the Emergence of the Colonial Maya. 1st Annual Second City Anthropology Conference, University of Illinois, Chicago

Palka, Joel., A. Fabiola Sanchez Balderas, Rebecca Deeb and **Caleb Kestle**

2012. Protohistoric Maya Households and Community at Lake Mensabak, Selva Lacandona, Chiapas. At the SAA 77th Annual Meeting, Memphis, TN

Kestle, Caleb.

2010. Environment and Land use in Mensabak. 34th Annual Midwest Conference on Mesoamerican Archaeology and Ethnohistory, Iowa City, IA

Moholy-Nagy, Hattula., James Meierhoff, Mark Golitko, **Caleb Kestle**.

2010. Sourcing of Obsidian from Tikal, Guatemala, using portable-XRF. 34th Annual Midwest Conference on Mesoamerican Archaeology and Ethnohistory, Iowa City, IA

Kestle, Caleb

2008. Limestone Quarrying and Household Organization at Chan, Belize. At the SAA 73rd Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada.

Meierhoff, James, **Caleb Kestle**, Yasmine Baktash, Alex Miller and Cynthia Robin.

2008. A 2000 Year History of Ritual in a Farming Community. At the SAA 73rd Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada.

Kestle, Caleb and James Meierhoff.

2006. Chan Rocks: Investigations of two different Lithic industries in a Maya site. 29th annual Midwest Conference on Mesoamerican Archaeology and Ethnohistory, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.

Robin, Cynthia, **Caleb Kestle**, and James Meierhoff

2005. Ancestor Shrines in an Ancient Maya Farming Village: Chan's E-Group from the Pre-Classic to the Collapse. 28th Annual Midwest Conference on Mesoamerican Archaeology and Ethnohistory, Bloomington, IN.

Official Site Reports

Kestle, Caleb

2021. *Search and Recovery Report CS21-0134, a Ground Loss Site (KH-00207) Associated with REFNO 1998, Koh Tang District, Koh Tang Province, Kingdom of Cambodia, 5 through 18 April 2021.* Report to the Defense POW MIA Accounting Agency.

Kestle, Caleb

2021. *Search and Recovery Report CS21-0130, a Ground Loss Site (KH-00219) Associated with REFNO 1998, Koh Tang District, Koh Tang Province, Kingdom of Cambodia, 5 through 25 April 2021.* Report to the Defense POW MIA Accounting Agency.

Kestle, Caleb

2020. *Interim Search and Recovery Report CS20-0084, an Aircraft Crash Site (PH-00182) Associated with WII-13313-M, Barangay Capintalan, Carranglan District, Nueva Ecija Province, Republic of the Philippines, 15 February Through 14 March 2020.* Report to the Defense POW MIA Accounting Agency.

Kestle, Caleb

2019. *Interim Site Investigation Report for CS20-0084, an Aircraft Crash Site (PH-00182) Associated with MACR 13313, Barangay Capintalan, Carranglan District, Nueva Ecija Province, Republic of the Philippines.* Report to the Defense POW MIA Accounting Agency

Junker, Laura Lee and **Caleb Kestle**

2017. *Final Report for RP-00160, a P-40 Aircraft Crash Site Associated with Incident WWII-202-A at the Cogan Tarak Ridge, Mariveles, Bataan, Republic of the Philippines, May 21th 2016 to June 18th 2016, November 12th 2016 to November 30th 2016, and November 29th 2017 to December 8th 2017.* Report to the Defense POW MIA Accounting Agency.

Junker, Laura Lee and **Caleb Kestle**

2017. *Final Recovery Report for CIL 2017-140, P-51 Aircraft Crash Site RP-00179 Associated with Incident 1171-J, Payawan, Ifugao Province, Island of Luzon, Republic of the Philippines. Excavated Over Three Missions: 18 March 2017 to 24 March 2017, 19 May 2017 to 29 May 2017, and 3 July 2017 to 11 July 2017.* Report to the Defense POW MIA Accounting Agency.

Kestle, Caleb

2011. *Excavations in Los Oloras, Mensabak.* Mensabak Project Report 2011. Edited by Caleb Kestle, Rebecca Deeb and Joel Palka

Kestle, Caleb

2008. *Unit 18, Depositional History and Abandonment Processes*. ACME 2008 Report. Edited by Donna Nash and Monica Alba.

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2007. *Unit 41, Depositional History and Abandonment Processes*. Cerro Baul 2007 Report. Edited by Ryan Williams, Donna Nash and Monica Alba.

Kestle, Caleb

2006. *Operation 24, Posthole testing around operation 25 quarry*. Chan Project 2006 Report. Edited by Cynthia Robin.

Kestle, Caleb

2006. *Operation 25, Quarried rock face and associated architecture*. Chan Project 2006 Report. Edited by Cynthia Robin.

Kestle, Caleb

2005. *Operation 13, Str. 7 at C-001*. Chan Project 2005 Report. Edited by Cynthia Robin.

Robin, Cynthia, **Caleb Kestle**, Michael Latsch, and Jim Meierhoff

2004. *Operation 3, Posthole testing around C-001*. Chan Project 2004 Report. Edited by Cynthia Robin.

Meierhoff, James, **Caleb Kestle**, and Ethan Kalosky

2004. *Operation 6, Str. 5-center at C-001*. Chan Project 2004 Report. Edited by Cynthia Robin.

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2004. *Operation 6, Str. 5-north at C-001*. Chan Project 2004 Report. Edited by Cynthia Robin.

Academic Societies

Society of American Archeologists (Member)

Services to Department

2014 Second City Anthropology Conference committee volunteer

2007 Graduate Student Council (Alternate Department Representative)

Languages

Spanish: (Intermediate)

Lacandon Maya: (Novice)

