

## **Elizabeth A. Wakefield**

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### **EDUCATION**

2019            PhD, Anthropology, University of South Carolina

**Dissertation**    *Assessing the Accuracy, Validity, and Application of a New Method for Sex Determination Using Compositions, Concentrations, and Isotopic Variations of Iron (Fe) and Copper (Cu) in Human Bone*

2015            MA, Anthropology, University of South Carolina

**Thesis**            *Assessing Differential Resistance to Yellow Fever among African Slaves and White Euro-Americans during Charleston's Epidemics: 1854-1871*

2007            BA, Maritime Studies, University of West Florida

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Epidemiology of the African Diaspora
- Health disparities among historic populations of the American South
- Evolution of public health strategies in the American South
- Stable isotope analysis of trace elements in human bone
- Human osteology, variation, growth, and development

### **CURATORIAL/EXHIBITION WORK**

January 2017    Guest Curator, "Black Medicine/White Bodies: An Investigation of Charleston's Yellow Fever Epidemics 1854-1871" exhibit, McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina

2013            Graduate Assistant, "Step Right Up: Sideshows in American Culture" exhibit, McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina

### **PUBLICATIONS**

In Prep            *Black Medicine/White Bodies: An Investigation of Charleston's Yellow Fever Epidemics 1854-1871*. Exhibit Catalog. McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- 2017-2018 Recipient of the University of South Carolina SPARC Grant  
2015-2016 University of South Carolina Institute for African American Research Fellow

## **OTHER AWARDS**

- 2006-2007 Dean's List, University of West Florida

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 2014 Wakefield, E. *Yellow Fever and Other Consequences of the African Diaspora*. Paper presented at the First Annual African Diaspora Conference, CUNY, Staten Island, NY
- 2014 Wakefield, E. *Yellow Fever: Black Medicine, White Bodies*. Paper presented at the Southeastern Museum Conference Spotlight on Student Research Exhibit Presentation, Knoxville Tennessee.
- 2014 Wakefield, E. *Assessing Differential Resistance to Yellow Fever among African Slaves and Euro-Americans during Charleston's Epidemics: 1854-1871*. Paper Presented at the 113<sup>th</sup> Annual American Anthropological Association Conference, Washington, D.C.

## **CAMPUS TALKS**

- 2017 Wakefield, E. "Black Medicine/White Bodies: An Investigation of Charleston's Yellow Fever Epidemics 1854-1871". Institute for African American Research Fellowship Seminar. McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina. 12 Jan. 2017. Lecture.

## **TEACHING**

### **Graduate Assistant**

University of South Carolina, McKissick Museum

Summer 2016 Curator of Exhibitions

2012-2014 Chief Folklife Curator

### **Teaching Assistant**

University of South Carolina, Department of Anthropology

Spring 2017 ANTH 362 The Forensics of Sherlock Holmes

Spring 2015-Fall 2016 ANTH 161 Human Origins: An Introduction to Biological

Anthropology Fall 2015 ANTH 102 Understanding Other Cultures

Spring 2014 ANTH 388 Cultures, Pregnancy, and Childbirth

**SERVICE**

- 2013-2014 University of South Carolina, AGORAE Treasurer
- 2005-2007 University of West Florida, President--Catholic Campus Ministries

**FIELDWORK**

- Summer 2016 Dissertation field research. Robert J. Terry Skeletal Collection, Physical Anthropology Division of the American Museum of Natural History at the Museum Support Center of the Smithsonian Institute-Suitland, Washington.
- Summer 2013 Thesis field research. Waring Historical Library, Charleston Historical Society-Charleston, South Carolina.
- Summer 2007 Combined Terrestrial and Underwater Archaeology Field School. University of West Florida, Pensacola.  
Terrestrial Excavation Site- Downtown Pensacola Waterfront  
Maritime Excavation Sites- Emmanuel Point II Shipwreck, Pensacola Bay  
Seminole Steamer Wreck, Perdido River

**CERTIFICATIONS**

- 2015-2018 CITI certified for human research
- 2007 Scientific Diver Certification, University of West Florida
- 2006 NAUI Basic Underwater SCUBA certification-Panama City, Florida

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL SKILLS**

**Proficient in the following:**

- PastPerfect Museum Software, v. 5.0
- Final Cut Pro Editing Software
- Adobe Photoshop
- SAS Statistical Software, v. 9.4
- Microsoft Office Suite, v. 2016

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

- Student member American Anthropology Association
- Student member American Association of Physical Anthropologists
- Student member Paleopathology Association