

**Anna C. Novotny**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work  
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**PRESENT POSITION**

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work  
Texas Tech University

**EDUCATION**

- 2015 Ph.D., School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Center for  
Bioarchaeological Research, Arizona State University  
Advisor: Dr. Jane E. Buikstra
- 2006 M.A., School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Center for  
Bioarchaeological Research, Arizona State University  
Advisor: Dr. Jane E. Buikstra
- 2002 B.A. with highest honors Department of Anthropology, Kenyon College  
Advisor: Dr. Edward Schortman

**GRANTS and SCHOLARSHIPS**

- 2014-2015 Teaching Fellow, National Science Foundation GK-12, Sustainable Science for  
Sustainable Schools, Global Institute of Sustainability, Arizona State University.
- 2013 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, BCS –  
1329406. Title: *Ancient Maya Ideology and the Human Body: Materializing  
Power among Mid-Level Leaders in the Belize River Valley, Belize.*  
PI: Dr. Jane E. Buikstra, Co-PI: Anna Novotny.
- 2013-2014 Teaching Fellow, National Science Foundation GK-12 Sustainable Science for  
Sustainable Schools, Global Institute of Sustainability, Arizona State University
- 2012 Graduate Research Support Program Grant, Graduate Student and Professional  
Association, Arizona State University
- 2011 SHESC Phase II Students Special Research Grant, Arizona State University,
- 2010 Foreign Area Language Studies Graduate Fellowship, Yucatec Maya Level 2
- 2009 Dean's Advanced Scholarship, Graduate College, Arizona State University
- 2009 Foreign Area Language Studies Graduate Fellowship, Yucatec Maya Level 1
- 2009 Graduate and Professional Association Professional Development Grant, Arizona  
State University
- 2007 Graduate Student and Professional Association Professional Development Grant,  
Arizona State University
- 2007 Arizona State University Sigma Xi chapter
- 2005 Latin American and Iberian Institute Research Grant, University of New Mexico
- 2004 Lewis R. Binford Fellowship, Department of Anthropology, University of New  
Mexico

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2004            Welker Scholarship, Maya Research Program, Blue Creek, Belize  
2001            Summer Science Scholar, Kenyon College

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Peer reviewed journal articles and book chapters**

Carr, Christopher and **Anna C. Novotny**

2015            Arrangement of Human Remains and Artifacts in Scioto Hopewell Burials: Some Dramatic Rituals and Ritual Dramas. In *Transforming the Dead: Culturally Modified Bone in the Prehistoric Midwest*, edited by Eve A. Hargrave, Shirley J. Schermer, Kristin M. Hedman, and Robin M. Lillie, pp. 79-101. University of Alabama Press, Tuscaloosa.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

2014            The Bones of the Ancestors as Inalienable Possessions: A Bioarchaeological Perspective. *Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association* 23(1):54-65.

Wells, E. Christian, Karla L. Davis-Salazar, Glenn S. L. Stuart, and **Anna C. Novotny**.

2014            Analysis of the Context and Contents of an Ulúa-Style Marble Vase from the Palmarejo Valley, Honduras. *Latin American Antiquity* 25(1):1-19.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

2012            The Bioarchaeology of the Chan Site. In *Chan: An Ancient Maya Farming Community in Belize*, edited by Cynthia Robin, pp. 231-252. University of Texas Press, Austin.

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

2012            Ritual in a Farming Community. In *Chan: An Ancient Maya Farming Community in Belize*, edited by Cynthia Robin, pp. 113-132. University of Texas Press, Austin.

Kosakowsky, Laura J., **Anna C. Novotny**, Angela H. Keller, Nicholas F. Hearth, and Carmen Ting

2012            Contextualizing Ritual Behavior: Caches, Burials, and Problematical Deposits from Chan's Community Center. In *Chan: An Ancient Maya Farming Community in Belize*, edited by Cynthia Robin, pp. 289-310. University of Texas Press, Austin.

**Journal articles and book chapters**

Robin, Cynthia and **Anna C. Novotny**

2013            Embodiment, Emotion, and Youthful Death at Chan. In *Gender and Archaeology in Mesoamerica*, edited by Maria J. Rodriguez-Shadow and Susan Kellogg, pp. 69-86. Centro de Estudios de Antropología de la Mujer, Mexico City.

**Novotny, Anna C.** and Laura J. Kosakowsky

2009            Burials and Caches from the Chan Site E-Group: A Bioarchaeological Perspective on Ritual and Social Complexity at an Ancient Maya Farming Community. In *Ancient Maya Socio-Political Organization and Complexities: Papers of the 2008*

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*Belize Archaeology Symposium*, edited by Jaime Awe, John Morris, and Sherilyne Jones. Institute of Archaeology, National Institute of Culture and History, Belmopan, Belize.

**In Press**

Milner, George, Jane E. Buikstra, and **Anna C. Novotny**  
A Stepwise Transition to Agriculture in the American Midcontinent. In *Handbook of the Archaeology of Diet*, edited by M. A. Katzenberg and J. Lee-Thorpe. Oxford University Press.

**In Progress**

Carr, Christopher, with contributions by **Anna C. Novotny**  
In Progress *Scioto Hopewell Ritual Drama and Personhood*. Springer, New York.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

In Progress Defining community in the Upper Belize River Valley during the Late Classic: A Micro-regional Bioarchaeological Approach. To be submitted to the Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Society, June 1, 2015. (Peer reviewed).

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2015	Physical Anthropology, Texas Tech University
2011	Medical Anthropology: Culture and Health, Arizona State University (Online)
2010	Human Osteology, Arizona State University
2009	Principles of Archaeology, Arizona State University

**Field School Instruction**

2011-2013	Staff instructor (Bioarchaeology), Belize Valley Archaeological Reconnaissance Project, San Ignacio, Belize Project Director: Dr. Jaime J. Awe, Galen University, San Ignacio, Belize.
2006	Staff instructor (Archaeological Methods, Bioarchaeology), Proyecto Comunidad Arqueologico Palmarejo Field School, Cofradia, Honduras Project Directors: Dr. E. Christian Wells and Dr. Karla Davis-Salazar, University of South Florida (Summer)
2004	Staff instructor (Archaeological Methods), Kenyon College Honduras Program, Santa Barbara, Honduras (Spring) Project Directors: Dr. Patricia Urban and Dr. Edward Schortman, Kenyon College

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**ACADEMIC AWARDS**

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|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2014 | Graduate Excellence Award, Arizona State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences                  |
| 2002 | Nominated to Sigma Xi, Honorary Scientific Research Society<br>Kenyon College, Department of Anthropology |
| 2002 | Highest Honors in Anthropology<br>Kenyon College, Department of Anthropology                              |
| 2002 | Distinction on comprehensive exercise in Anthropology<br>Kenyon College, Department of Anthropology       |

**RESEARCH AND FIELD EXPERIENCE**

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| 2015      | <b>Principal Bioarchaeologist.</b> Aventura Archaeological Project. Project Directors: Dr. Cynthia Robin and Dr. Laura Kosakowsky.                                                                                                                                 |
| 2011-2013 | <b>Principal Bioarchaeologist.</b> Belize Valley Archaeological Reconnaissance Project. Project Director: Dr. Jaime Awe (5 months)                                                                                                                                 |
| 2011-2013 | <b>Doctoral Research, Phase II.</b> Field Museum of Chicago, Peabody Museum of Anthropology and Ethnology at Harvard University, University of Mississippi, and Belize Institute of Archaeology. Project Director: Anna C. Novotny and Jane E. Buikstra (5 months) |
| 2007-2009 | <b>Principal Bioarchaeologist, Doctoral Research, Phase I.</b> Chan Archaeological Project, San Ignacio, Belize. Project Director: Dr. Cynthia Robin (5 months)                                                                                                    |
| 2009      | <b>Research Assistant.</b> Age and Dynasty in Ancient Maya Society. Project Directors: Dr. Jane E. Buikstra, Dr. Vera Tiesler-Blos, and Dr. Andrea Cucina (4 months)                                                                                               |
| 2008-2009 | <b>Osteologist II.</b> Archaeological Consulting Services, Tempe, Arizona. Project Director: Dr. Melanie Ryan (7 months)                                                                                                                                           |
| 2006      | <b>Field Technician.</b> Gila River Indian Community, Cultural Resource Management Division, Sacaton, Arizona. Project Director: Dr. J. Andrew Darling (2 months)                                                                                                  |
| 2006      | <b>Principal Bioarchaeologist.</b> Teotihuacan Social Identity Project, ENAH, Mexico City, Mexico. Project Director: Dr. Sarah Clayton-Oster (6 weeks)                                                                                                             |
| 2005      | <b>Principal Bioarchaeologist.</b> Holmul Archaeological Project, Department of Peten, Guatemala Project Director: Dr. Francisco Estrada-Belli (2 months)                                                                                                          |
| 2003-2004 | <b>Assistant Field Bioarchaeologist.</b> Cancuen Archaeological Project, Department of Peten, Guatemala. Project Director: Dr. Arthur A. Demarest and Dr. Tomas Barrientos (9 months)                                                                              |
| 2003      | <b>Archaeological Laboratory Intern.</b> Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Colorado. Project Director: Dr. Scott Ortman (3 months)                                                                                                                                |
| 2003      | <b>Welker Scholar.</b> Maya Research Program, Blue Creek, Orange Walk District, Belize. Project Director: Dr. John C. Lohse (1 month)                                                                                                                              |
| 2003      | <b>Field Technician.</b> SWCA Environmental Consultants, Broomfield, CO. Project Director: Tom Ferguson (3 months)                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2002      | <b>Trench Supervisor and Field Photographer.</b> Mandra Excavations, Antiparos, Greece. Project Directors: Dr. Bryan Burns and Yannis Kourayos (6 weeks)                                                                                                           |
| 2001      | <b>Summer Science Scholar.</b> Cacaupala Valley Archaeological Project, Santa                                                                                                                                                                                      |



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- Barbara, Honduras. Project Directors: Dr. Patricia Urban and Dr. Edward Schortman (2 months)
- 2000 **Operation Supervisor.** Cacaupala Valley Archaeological Project, Santa Barbara, Honduras. Project Directors: Dr. Patricia Urban and Dr. Edward Schortman (4 months)

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

**Novotny, Anna C.**

- 2016 Cahal Pech Mortuary Practices in Regional Perspective. Paper to be presented at the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Orlando, Florida, April 2016.

Hoggarth, Julie, Carolyn Freiwald, **Anna C. Novotny**, and Jaime J. Awe

- 2014 Postclassic Settlement and Population Movement at Baking Pot and in the Belize River Valley. Presented at the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, Texas, April 2014.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

- 2014 Defining Community in the Upper Belize River Valley during the Late Classic period: A Micro-regional Bioarchaeological Approach. Presented at the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, Texas, April 2014.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

- 2013 Creating History through Ancestor Veneration. Presented at the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Honolulu, Hawaii. April 2013.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

- 2012 The Creation of Ancestral Bundles: A Bioarchaeological Approach to Ancient Maya Ritual Materiality. Presented at the 111<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA. November 2012.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

- 2011 The Stacking Principle and Ancestral Transformation: Bodies and Life Essences in an Ancient Maya Farming Community. Presented at the 76<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Sacramento, CA. March 2011.

Carr, Christopher and **Anna C. Novotny**

- 2009 The Complexity of Relational Personhood Expressed in Ritual Dramas of Ohio Hopewell Peoples. Presented at the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Atlanta, GA. April 2009.

**Novotny, Anna C.** and Laura J. Kosakowsky

- 2008 Burials and Caches from the Chan Site E-Group: A Bioarchaeological Perspective on Ritual and Social Complexity at an Ancient Maya Farming Community. Presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Belize Archaeology Symposium. Belize City, Belize. July 2008.

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**Novotny, Anna C.**

2015            Materiality of Ancestors: A Bioarchaeological Analysis of Mortuary Practices in the Belize River Valley, Belize. To be presented at the South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica, San Antonio, Texas, November 2015.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

2015            Bioarchaeological Analyses of an Ancestral Context from Structure B-1 Cahal Pech, Belize. Presented at the 80<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Society of American Archaeology, San Francisco, CA. April 18, 2015.

**Carr, Christopher and Anna C. Novotny**

2008            Ritual Dramas in Ohio Hopewell Earthworks. Presented at the Midwestern Archaeological Conference, Milwaukee, WI. October 2008.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

2008            Life and Death in an Ancient Maya Agrarian Community: A Bioarchaeological Perspective. Presented at the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, B.C., Canada, March 2008.

**Novotny, Anna C. and Sarah C. Clayton**

2007            The Teotihuacan Social Identity Project: Biodistance. Presented at the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, TX. April 2007.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

2006            A Preliminary Bioarchaeological Analysis of Terminal Preclassic Human Skeletal Remains from Holmul, Peten, Guatemala. Presented at the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Juan, Puerto Rico. April 2006.

**Novotny, Anna C. and Carrie Anne Berryman**

2002            The Bioarchaeology of El Coyote. Presented at the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Denver, CO. April 2002.

**Novotny, Anna C.**

2002            Analysis of Human Skeletal Remains from the Cacaupala River Valley, Northwestern Honduras. Presented at the Kenyon College Summer Science Scholar Poster Session, Gambier, OH. October 2002.

**LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

2012-2014      Grant Reviewer, Graduate and Professional Student Association, Arizona State University.

2009-2008      Association of Anthropology Graduate Students (AAGS) Bioarchaeology sub-discipline representative.

AAGS Officer of External Affairs

2007            AAGS Special Projects Officer

2006-2007      Graduate Mentor, Arizona State University, School of Human Evolution and Social Change.

**LANGUAGES SPOKEN (ABILITY LEVEL)**

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- Spanish (Con conversationally fluent, reading and writing competent)
- French (Reading competent)
- Yucatec Maya (Elementary)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

2015	The Register of Professional Archaeologists (pending)
2010 – Present	American Anthropological Association
2006 – Present	Sigma Xi, Honorary Scientific Society
2004 – Present	Society for American Archaeology

**PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

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Arizona State University  
School of Human Evolution and Social Change  
Center for Bioarchaeological Research  
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