

## Curriculum Vitae

### Jessica MacLellan

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### Education

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|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| Ph.D., Anthropology                        | University of Arizona | 2019 |
| M.A., Anthropology                         | University of Arizona | 2011 |
| B.A., <i>summa cum laude</i> , Archaeology | Boston University     | 2009 |

**Dissertation:** *Households, Ritual, and the Origins of Social Complexity: Excavations at the Karinel Group, Ceibal, Guatemala.*

### External Fellowships and Grants

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| 2016-2017 | Junior Fellowship, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library & Collection                             |
| 2015      | Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Award BCS-1518794 (\$25,200), National Science Foundation |
| 2009-2013 | Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education                                    |

### Internal Honors, Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

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|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2018      | Haury Dissertation Fellowship, Anthropology (\$7500)   | University of Arizona |
| 2018      | Dozier Award, best student paper, Anthropology (\$500) | University of Arizona |
| 2009-2018 | School of Anthropology scholarships (\$8113)           | University of Arizona |
| 2017      | Science and Arts Communication Fellow, UAMA            | University of Arizona |
| 2017      | GPSC Travel Grant (\$744)                              | University of Arizona |
| 2016      | GPSC Travel Grant (\$696)                              | University of Arizona |
| 2015      | GPSC Research and Projects grant (\$2000)              | University of Arizona |
| 2015      | Mentored Research Experiences for Success (\$2000)     | University of Arizona |
| 2015      | GPSC Travel Grant (\$714)                              | University of Arizona |
| 2014      | GPSC Travel Grant (\$500)                              | University of Arizona |
| 2013      | SBSRI Dissertation Research Grant (\$1500)             | University of Arizona |
| 2013      | Fred A. Riecker Grant for research (\$200)             | University of Arizona |
| 2013      | Tinker Summer Field Research Grant (\$655)             | University of Arizona |
| 2012      | GPSC Travel Grant (\$232)                              | University of Arizona |
| 2012      | Fred A. Riecker Grant for research (\$500)             | University of Arizona |
| 2010      | GPSC Travel Grant (\$500)                              | University of Arizona |
| 2009      | Phi Beta Kappa                                         | Boston University     |
| 2009      | UROP Conference Participation Travel Grant (\$400)     | Boston University     |
| 2008      | Latin American Studies Research Grant (\$500)          | Boston University     |
| 2008      | Humanities Foundation Robert E. Yellin Award (\$1000)  | Boston University     |
| 2007-2009 | Junior Writing Fellowship                              | Boston University     |

### Field and Laboratory Experience

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| July 2010 - present | <b>Ceibal-Petexbatún Archaeological Project, Guatemala</b><br><i>Researcher; Directed field operations 2013-2015</i><br>Project directed by Takeshi Inomata and Daniela Triadan, University of Arizona |
| Jun. 2018           | <b>Hollembaek's Hill Archaeological Research Project, Alaska</b><br><i>Volunteer</i> Project directed by François Lanoë and Joshua Reuther                                                             |
| Nov. 2009           | <b>La Playa Burial Rescue Project, Sonora, Mexico</b>                                                                                                                                                  |

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| Jan. - May 2008   | <i>Volunteer</i> | Project directed by James Watson, Arizona State Museum<br><b>San Bartolo Regional Archaeological Project, Guatemala</b> |
| Feb. - April 2007 | <i>Student</i>   | Project directed by William Saturno, Boston University<br><b>Xibun Archaeological Research Project, Belize</b>          |
|                   | <i>Student</i>   | Field school directed by Patricia McNany, Boston University                                                             |

### Teaching Experience: Instructor of Record

Fall 2019. *Visiting Assistant Professor*. ANTH 0536 Mesoamerica Before Cortez. University of Pittsburgh.

Fall 2019. *Visiting Assistant Professor*. ANTH 1750 Undergraduate Seminar: Archaeology of Ritual and Religion. University of Pittsburgh.

Spring 2019. *Adjunct Instructor*. ANTH/LAS/MAS 334A Mesoamerican Civilizations: Maya. University of Arizona.

Spring 2019. *Adjunct Instructor*. ANT/ARC 101 Human Origins and Prehistory. Pima Community College.

Summer 2016. *Instructor*. ANTH/LAS/MAS 334A Mesoamerican Civilizations: Maya (Online). University of Arizona.

Summer 2015. *Instructor*. ANTH/LAS/MAS 334A Mesoamerican Civilizations: Maya (Online). University of Arizona.

Summer 2014. *Instructor*. ANTH/LAS/MAS 334A Mesoamerican Civilizations: Maya (Online). University of Arizona.

### Teaching Experience: Teaching Assistant

Fall 2017. ANTH/AIS 346 Clovis to Coronado: Ancient Peoples of the Southwest. University of Arizona. Supervisor: Barbara Mills.

Fall 2014. ANTH 160A1 Patterns in Prehistory. University of Arizona. Supervisor: Daniela Triadan.

Fall 2013. ANTH 261 The Human Species. University of Arizona. Supervisor: Elizabeth Eadie.

### Undergraduate Mentoring

2019. Amadeus Toledo-Seitz, McNair Scholar, University of Arizona. Co-mentor: Robert Schon.

### Publications: Peer-Reviewed

MacLellan, Jessica  
2019. Preclassic Maya Caches in Residential Contexts: Variation and Transformation in Deposition Practices at Ceibal. *Antiquity* 93(371):1249-1265.

MacLellan, Jessica  
2019. Preclassic Maya Houses and Rituals: Excavations at the Karinel Group, Ceibal. *Latin American Antiquity* 30(2):415-421.

Aoyama, Kazuo, T. Inomata, D. Triadan, F. Pinzón, J.M. Palomo, **J. MacLellan**, and A. Sharpe  
2017. Early Maya Ritual Practices and Craft Production: Late Middle Preclassic Ritual Deposits Containing Obsidian Artifacts at Ceibal, Guatemala. *Journal of Field Archaeology* 42(5):408-422.

Triadan, Daniela, V. Castillo, T. Inomata, J.M. Palomo, M.B. Méndez, M. Cortave, **J. MacLellan**, M. Burham, and E. Ponciano  
2017. Power and Social Relations in a Middle Preclassic Community: Elite Residential Complexes at Ceibal. Ceibal issue of *Ancient Mesoamerica* 28(1):233-264.

Inomata, Takeshi, D. Triadan, **J. MacLellan**, M. Burham, K. Aoyama, J.M. Palomo, H. Yonenobu, F. Pinzón, and H. Nasu  
2017. High Precision Radiocarbon Dating of Political Collapse and Dynastic Origins at the Maya Site of Ceibal, Guatemala. *PNAS* 114(6):1293-1298.

Inomata, Takeshi, **Jessica MacLellan**, and Melissa Burham

2015. The Construction of Public and Domestic Spheres in the Preclassic Maya Lowlands. *American Anthropologist* 117(3):519-534.

Inomata, Takeshi, **J. MacLellan**, D. Triadan, J. Munson, M. Burham, K. Aoyama, H. Nasu, F. Pinzón, and H. Yonenobu

2015. The Development of Sedentary Communities in the Maya Lowlands: Co-Existing Mobile Groups and Public Ceremonies at Ceibal, Guatemala. *PNAS* 112(14):4268-4273.

### **Publications: Not Peer-Reviewed**

MacLellan, Jessica, Takeshi Inomata, and Daniela Triadan

Under review. Settling Down at Ceibal and Cuello: Variation in the Transition to Sedentism Across the Maya Lowlands. In *The Preclassic Maya: The Making of a Lowland Civilization*, edited by Francisco Estrada-Belli and Astrid Runggaldier. Routledge.

Burham, Melissa, T. Inomata, D. Triadan, and **J. MacLellan**

In press. Ritual Practice, Urbanism, and Sociopolitical Organization at Preclassic Ceibal, Guatemala. In *Monumental Landscapes: How the Maya Shaped Their World*, edited by Brett A. Houk, Barbara Arroyo, and Terry G. Powis. University Press of Florida.

MacLellan, Jessica, and Ari Caramanica

2017. Red With Envy: A Feminist Anthropology of Republican Policy. *Ms. Magazine* blog: <http://msmagazine.com/blog/2017/05/15/red-envy-feminist-anthropology-republican-policy/>

MacLellan, Jessica

2016. Trowels and Tribulations: Lessons Learned During Five Years of Fieldwork in Guatemala. "Notes from the Field" section. *Arizona Anthropologist* 27:62-68.

MacLellan, Jessica, M.A. Cordero, and E. Mejía

2016. Vida diaria y ritual al principio de la civilización maya: Investigaciones en el Grupo Karinel, Ceibal. In *XXIX Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala, 2015*, Vol. 1, edited by B. Arroyo, pp. 251-261. Ministerio de Cultura y Deportes, Instituto de Antropología e Historia, and Asociación Tikal, Guatemala City.

MacLellan, Jessica

2015. Ceibal. In *Encyclopedia of the Ancient Maya*, edited by Walter R. T. Witschey, pp. 67-68. Rowman & Littlefield.

Pinzón, Flory, **J. MacLellan**, M. Burham, T. Inomata, D. Triadan, and D. Bazy

2015. Proyecto Arqueológico Ceibal-Petexbatún, una vista general de nueve años de investigaciones. In *XXVIII Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala, 2014*, Vol. 1, edited by B. Arroyo, pp. 199-208. Ministerio de Cultura y Deportes, Instituto de Antropología e Historia, and Asociación Tikal, Guatemala City.

Burham, Melissa, and **Jessica MacLellan**

2014. Thinking Outside the Plaza: Ritual Practices in Preclassic Maya Residential Groups at Ceibal, Guatemala. *Antiquity* 88(340): <https://www.antiquity.ac.uk/projgall/burham340>

MacLellan, Jessica

2014. Ancient Maya Trash is an Archaeologist's Treasure. *Day of Archaeology* online project: <http://www.dayofarchaeology.com/author/jessmac/>

MacLellan, Jessica

2014. Espacios y Rituales Domésticos del Periodo Preclásico en Ceibal. In *XXVII Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala, 2013*, Vol. 2, edited by B. Arroyo, pp. 725-732. Ministerio de Cultura y Deportes, Instituto de Antropología e Historia, and Asociación Tikal, Guatemala City.

MacLellan, Jessica, and Melissa Burham

2013. Práctica Ceremonial y Doméstica en la Periferia de Ceibal. In *XXVI Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala, 2012*, Vol. 2, edited by B. Arroyo and L. Méndez Salinas, pp. 961-976. Ministerio de Cultura y Deportes, Instituto de Antropología e Historia, and Asociación Tikal, Guatemala City.

## Organized Symposia

- 2019 Preclassic Maya Social Transformations Along the Usumacinta: Views from Ceibal and Aguada Fénix. Co-Chair: Melissa Burham. 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Albuquerque, NM.
- 2015 Household Rituals in the Ancient Americas – from Patio Groups to Pueblos. Co-Chair: Samantha Fladd. 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. San Francisco, CA.

## Invited Presentations

MacLellan, Jessica

Upcoming (2020). Domestic Rituals in Unstable Times: The Protoclassic and Early Classic at the Karinel Group, Ceibal. Paper to be presented at the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, TX.

MacLellan, Jessica

2018. Household Ritual and Social Complexity in the Preclassic Maya Lowlands. School of Anthropology Dozier Lecture. Tucson, AZ.

MacLellan, Jessica

2018. Household Ritual and the Development of Complex Societies in Formative Mesoamerica: Comparing the Maya Lowlands and Central Mexico. Paper presented at the 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Washington, DC.

MacLellan, Jessica

2017. Household Ritual and the Origins of Social Complexity in the Maya Lowlands: Recent Investigations at Ceibal, Guatemala. Lecture in the Boston University Archaeology Seminar Series, Boston, MA.

MacLellan, Jessica, and Takeshi Inomata

2016. Households, Ritual, and the Origins of Social Complexity in the Maya Lowlands: A View from the Karinel Group, Ceibal, Guatemala. Paper presented at the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Orlando, FL.

MacLellan, Jessica, Takeshi Inomata, Daniela Triadan, and Melissa Burham

2014. The Foundation of a Very Early Maya Ceremonial Center: Investigations at Ceibal, Guatemala, Since the Harvard Seibal Project. Paper presented at the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Austin, TX.

MacLellan, Jessica, Raúl Ortiz, and Flory Pinzón

2011. In Search of an Early E-Group: Excavations in Ceibal's Central Plaza. Paper presented at the 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Sacramento, CA.

## Other Presentations

MacLellan, Jessica

2019. Regional Variation in Preclassic Maya Household Ritual and Social Organization: Investigations at the Karinel Group, Ceibal. Paper presented in Preclassic Maya Social Transformations Along the Usumacinta: Views from Ceibal and Aguada Fénix, organized symposium (Chairs: M. Burham and **J. MacLellan**), 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Albuquerque, NM.

MacLellan, Jessica

2018. Preclassic Maya Caches in Residential Contexts: Variation and Transformation in Deposition Practices at Ceibal, Guatemala. First meeting of the Southwest Mesoamericanists Group. Tempe, AZ.

MacLellan, Jessica, and Daniela Triadan

2017. Child Burials and Figurines at a Terminal Classic Maya Household, Ceibal, Guatemala. Paper presented at the 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

MacLellan, Jessica

2016. Households, Ritual, and the Origins of Social Complexity: Excavations at the Karinel Group, Ceibal, Guatemala. Dumbarton Oaks Fellows Research Report, Washington, DC.
- MacLellan, Jessica, and Melissa Burham  
2016. Setting the Stage for Kingship: Domestic and Public Rituals at Preclassic Ceibal. Paper presented at the Maya Meetings. University of Texas at Austin.
- MacLellan, Jessica, Marta Alejandra Cordero, and Evelyn Mejía  
2015. Vida diaria y ritual al principio de la civilización maya: Investigaciones en el Grupo Karinel, Ceibal. (Daily life and ritual at the beginning of Maya civilization: Investigations at the Karinel Group, Ceibal). Paper presented at the XXIX Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala. Guatemala City.
- MacLellan, Jessica  
2015. Preclassic Maya Households and Ritual at the Karinel Group, Ceibal, Guatemala. Paper presented in Household Rituals in the Ancient Americas – from Patio Groups to Pueblos, organized symposium (Chairs: **J. MacLellan** and S. Fladd), 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. San Francisco, CA.
- MacLellan, Jessica  
2013. Espacios y Rituales Domésticos del Periodo Preclásico en Ceibal (Preclassic Domestic Spaces and Rituals at Ceibal). Paper presented at the XXVI Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala. Guatemala City.
- MacLellan, Jessica  
2013. Early Households and Domestic Rituals at Ceibal. Paper presented at the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Honolulu, HI.
- MacLellan, Jessica  
2013. Early Households and Domestic Rituals at Ceibal, Guatemala. Paper presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Tinker Symposium on Graduate Research in Latin America. Tucson, AZ.
- MacLellan, Jessica, and Melissa Burham  
2012. Práctica Ceremonial y Doméstica en la Periferia de Ceibal (Ceremonial and Household Practice on the Periphery of Ceibal). Paper presented at the XXVI Simposio de Investigaciones Arqueológicas en Guatemala. Guatemala City.
- MacLellan, Jessica, and William A. Saturno  
2009. Change and Continuity in the Preclassic Architecture of the Las Pinturas Group, San Bartolo, Petén, Guatemala. Poster presented at the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Atlanta, GA.

### Professional Reports

2015. Excavaciones en el Grupo Karinel (Plataforma 47-Base): Operación CB211. In *Informe del Proyecto Arqueológico Ceibal-Petexbatún, La Temporada 2015*. F. Pinzón, ed. Report submitted to the Instituto de Antropología e Historia, Guatemala City.
2014. Excavaciones en el Grupo Karinel (Plataforma 47-Base): Operación CB211. In *Informe del Proyecto Arqueológico Ceibal-Petexbatún, La Temporada 2014*. F. Pinzón, ed. Report submitted to the Instituto de Antropología e Historia, Guatemala City.
2013. Excavaciones en el Grupo Residencial de la Plataforma 47-Base: Operación CB211. In *Informe del Proyecto Arqueológico Ceibal-Petexbatún, La Temporada 2013*. J.M. Palomo, ed. Report submitted to Instituto de Antropología e Historia, Guatemala City.
2012. Excavaciones en el Grupo Residencial de la Plataforma 47-Base: Operación CB211. In *Informe del Proyecto Arqueológico Ceibal-Petexbatún, La Temporada 2012*. V. Castillo and T. Inomata, eds. Report submitted to Instituto de Antropología e Historia, Guatemala City.
2011. “Excavaciones detrás de la Corte Este: Operación 201D” and “Excavación en un grupo al norte de la Plaza Central: Operación 206A.” In *Informe del Proyecto Arqueológico Ceibal-Petexbatún, La Temporada 2011*. V. Castillo and T. Inomata, eds. Report submitted to Instituto de Antropología e Historia, Guatemala City.

2008. Red-Lipped Jars at Wits Cah Ak'al. In *Salt and Pottery Production at Wits Cah Ak'al & Further Excavations of Group A at Hershey: 2007 Field Season of the Xibun Archaeological Research Project*. P. McAnany and S. Murata, eds. Report submitted to Institute of Archaeology, Belmopan, Belize.

### **Related Employment**

Aug. 2017-May 2018    Research Assistant, University of Arizona  
 May 2007-May 2009    Outreach and Education Assistant, Archaeological Institute of America  
 Sept. 2007-May 2009    Writing Tutor, CAS Writing Center, Boston University

### **Volunteer Service**

2017-present    Fundraising Committee Member, Society for American Archaeology  
 2016-2019    Editorial Assistant, open access journal *Arqueología Iberoamericana*  
 2017    Family Day Presenter, University of Arizona Museum of Art  
 2016    Archaeology Education Clearinghouse, National Council for the Social Studies Conference, Washington, DC  
 2010-2017    GPSC Travel Grant Judge, University of Arizona  
 2015-2016    Organizer, Las Pozas Archaeological Education Project, Guatemala  
 2014    Guest Lecturer on Maya Archaeology, BASIS Tucson North charter school

### **Professional Memberships**

Society for American Archaeology (SAA)  
 American Anthropological Association (AAA)

### **Language Skills**

Proficient in Spanish