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**AREAS OF RESEARCH:**

Anthropological Archaeology  
Bronze & Iron Ages of the Caucasus  
Landscape, Remote Sensing & GIS  
Material Culture & Elemental Analysis (pXRF)

Contemporary Social & Political Theory  
Archaeological Theory & Historiography  
Aesthetics & Representation  
Heritage and Community Development

**CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

*Distinguished Professor of Arts and Sciences in Anthropology*, Cornell University (2021-present).  
*Scientific Member*, Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies, Florence, 2017-present.  
*Senior Fellow*, Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York University, 2010-present.

**PRIOR ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

Cornell University

2015-2021 Goldwin Smith Professor of Anthropology.  
2011-2015 Professor, Department of Anthropology.

University of Chicago

2011 Professor, Department of Anthropology.  
2005-2011 Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology.  
2000-2005 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

1997-1999 Assistant Professor, Anthropology and Near Eastern Studies.

University of Arizona

1997 Lecturer, Department of Anthropology.

**EDUCATION:**

Ph. D. 1996: *University of Arizona*, Department of Anthropology.  
M.A. 1993: *University of Arizona*, Department of Anthropology.  
M.Phil. 1991: *University of Cambridge*, Social and Political Science Faculty.  
B.A. 1990: *Brown University*, Anthropology (honors) & Political Science, Magna cum laude.

**FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS:**

2010-2011 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow.  
2010-2011 Fellow, Cornell University Society for the Humanities.  
2006-2007 Fellow, Howard Foundation.  
2006-2007 Fulbright Scholarship (declined).  
2003-2004 Fellow, Franke Institute for the Humanities, University of Chicago.  
2003 National Endowment for the Humanities/American Councils for International Education Collaborative Research Fellow.

- 1997-1999 Fellow, Michigan Society of Fellows, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.  
 1992-1995 Emil W. Haury Fellowship, Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona.  
 1991 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowships (Honorable Mention).  
 1990 Phi Beta Kappa.  
 1990 Award for Excellence in Anthropology, Brown University.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

### Work In Progress:

- n.d. *Civilization Machines: Value and the Apparatus of Recognition*. In preparation.  
 n.d. *The Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies II: Excavations in the Bronze Age Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia* (with R. Badalyan). In preparation.  
 n.d. The Project ArAGATS Kasakh Valley Archaeological Survey: Preliminary Report of the 2014–2017 Seasons (with I. Lindsay, A. F. Greene, M. Marshall, R. Badalyan, A. Cromartie, K. Azatyan, L. Aghikyan, L. Khatchadourian, A. Mkhtaryan). In preparation.  
 in review Unseeing the Past: Archaeology and the Legacy of the Armenian Genocide. *Current Anthropology*.

### Books:

- 2015 *The Political Machine: Assembling Authority in the Bronze Age South Caucasus*. Princeton University Press, Princeton.  
 2009 *The Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies I: The Foundations of Research and Regional Survey in the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia* (with R. Badalyan and P. Avetisyan). Oriental Institute Press, Chicago.  
 2003 *The Political Landscape: Constellations of Authority in Early Complex Polities*. The University of California Press, Berkeley.

### Edited Volumes

- 2016 *Fitful Histories and Unruly Publics: Rethinking Community and Temporality in Eurasian Archaeology* (co-edited with L. Khatchadourian, K. Weber, E. Hite). Edited volume under review by Brill Academic Publishers.  
 2012 *The Archaeology of Power and Politics in Eurasia: Regimes and Revolutions*. Co-edited with Charles Hartley and G. Bike Yazicioğlu. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.  
 2007 *Social Orders and Social Landscapes: Proceedings of the 2005 University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology*. Co-edited with L. Popova and C. Hartley. Cambridge Scholars Press, Newcastle.  
 2006 *Beyond the Steppe and the Sown: Proceedings of the 2002 University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology*. Co-edited with D. Peterson and L. Popova. Colloquia Pontica Series. Brill, Leiden.  
 2003 *Archaeology in the Borderlands: Investigations in Caucasia and Beyond*. Co-edited with K. Rubinson. The Cotsen Institute of Archaeology Publications at UCLA, Los Angeles.

### Scholarly Articles and Contributions: (\* indicates a peer-reviewed publication)

- \*in press *Civilization Machines: Value and Recognition on the Armenian Highland from the Bronze Age to Today*. *Scottish Archaeological Journal*.  
 \*2020 The Vegetation, Climate, and Fire History of a Mountain Steppe: A Holocene reconstruction from the South Caucasus, Shenkani, Armenia (with A. Cromartie, C. Blanchet, C. Barhoumi, E. Messenger, O. Peyron, V. Ollivier, P. Sabatier, D. Etienne, S.

- Nahapetyan, A. Karakhanyan, L. Khatchadourian, R. Badalyan, B. Perello, I. Lindsay, S. Joannin). *Quaternary Science Reviews* 246
- \*2020 Bronze Age Metaphysics. In *Constructing Kurgans: Burial Mounds and Funerary Customs in the Caucasus, Northwestern Iran, and Eastern Anatolia in the Bronze and Iron Age*, edited by N. Laneri, G. Palumbi, and S. M. Celka, pp. 1-20. Studies on the Ancient Near East and the Mediterranean, Florence.
  - \*2020 Project ArAGATS 1998-2018: Twenty Years of Investigations into the Bronze and Iron Ages of Armenia (with R. Badalyan, A. F. Greene, A. Harutyunyan, L. Khatchadourian, I. Lindsay, and M. Marshall). *Aramazd* X (1-2): 61-81.
  - 2019 Dalrymple Lecture Series 2019-20: The Civilization Machine: A User Guide. *Scottish Archaeological Journal* 41: 134-135.
  - \*2018 A New Chronological Model for the Bronze and Iron Age Caucasus (with S. Manning, L. Khatchadourian, R. Badalyan, I. Lindsay, A. Greene, and M. Marshall). *Antiquity* 92(366): 1530-1551.
  - \*2017 The Kurgans of Gegharot: A preliminary report on the results of the 2013-14 excavations of Project ArAGATS (with R. Badalyan). *Aramazd* IX: 11-28.
  - \*2016 A Preliminary Report on the 2008, 2010, and 2011 Investigations of Project ArAGATS on the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia (with R. Badalyan, I. Lindsay, L. Khatchadourian, A. Harutyunyan, A. Greene, M. Marshall, B. Monahan, and R. Hovsepyan). *Archäologische Mitteilungen aus Iran und Turan* 46: 149-222.
  - 2015 Objects in Crisis: Curation, Repair, and the Historicity of Things in the South Caucasus (1500-300 BC) (with L. Khatchadourian). In *Counternarratives and Macrohistories: New Perspectives on the Archaeology of Complex Societies*, edited by G. Emberling, pp. 231-258. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
  - \*2015 Wood resource management based on charcoals from the Bronze Age site of Gegharot (central Armenia) (with F. Jude, D. Marguerie, R. Badalyan, and A. Delwaide). *Quaternary International*.
  - \*2014 Divination and Sovereignty: The Late Bronze Age Shrines at Gegharot, Armenia (with J. Leon). *American Journal of Archaeology* 118: 549-563.
  - \*2014 Geophysical Survey at Late Bronze Age Fortresses: Comparing Methods in Diverse Geological Contexts of Northwestern Armenia (with I. Lindsay, J. Leon, and C. Wiktorowicz). *Antiquity* 88: 578-595.
  - 2012 'Yerevan, My Ancient Erebuni': Archaeological Repertoires, Public Assemblages, and the Manufacture of a (Post-)Soviet Nation. In *Regimes and Revolutions: Power, Violence, and Labor in Eurasia Between the Ancient and the Modern*, edited by C. Hartley, G. B. Yazıcıoğlu, and A. T. Smith. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
  - 2012 Regimes and Revolutions: Situating Politics and Power in Eurasia (with C. Hartley and G. B. Yazıcıoğlu). In *Regimes and Revolutions: Power, Violence, and Labor in Eurasia Between the Ancient and the Modern*, edited by C. Hartley, G. B. Yazıcıoğlu, and A. T. Smith. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
  - 2012 The Caucasus and the Near East. In *Blackwell Companion to the Archaeology of the Near East*, edited by Daniel Potts, pp. 668-686. Blackwell, Oxford.
  - 2012 The Prehistory of an Urartian Landscape. In: *Biainili-Urartu* edited by S. Kroll, P. Zimansky, U. Hellwag, C. Gruber, M. Roaf, pp. 39-52. Peeters, Leuven.

- \*2011 Archaeologies of Sovereignty. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 40: 415-432.
- 2011 Figuring the Political: The Stuff of Sovereignty in a Post-Evolutionary Archaeology. In *The Archaeology of Politics: The Materiality of Political Practice and Action in the Past*, edited by Peter G. Johansen and Andrew M. Bauer, pp. 354-362. Cambridge Scholars Press, Newcastle.
- \*2010 Project ArAGATS: 10 Years of Investigations into Bronze and Iron Age Sites in the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia (with R. Badalyan and L. Khatchadourian). *TÜBA-AR: The Turkish Academy of Sciences Journal of Archaeology* 13: 263-276.
- \*2010 Those Obscure Objects of Desire. *Archaeological Dialogues* 17(2): 172-176.
- \*2010 Magnetic Survey in the Investigation of Sociopolitical Change at a Late Bronze Age Fortress Settlement in Northwestern Armenia (with I. Lindsay and R. Badalyan). *Archaeological Prospection* 17:15-27.
- 2010 Raboty Armyano-Amerikanskoj Ekspeditsii (Proekt ArAGATS) na pamyatnikakh Tsakhaovitskoj Ravniny—Raskopki Poseleniya Gekharot v 2008 g. (with R. Badalyan). Report submitted to *Hin Hayastani Mshakuyte* 15.
- 2010 Raskopi Poseleniya Aragatsi Berd: Rezultati Rabot 2006, 2008 gg. (with R. Badalyan and A. Greene). Report submitted to *Hin Hayastani Mshakuyte* 15.
- \*2008 Village, Fortress, and Town in Bronze and Iron Age Southern Caucasia: A Preliminary Report on the 2003-2006 Investigations of Project ArAGATS on the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia (with R. Badalyan, I. Lindsay, L. Khatchadourian, and P. Avetisyan). *Archäologische Mitteilungen aus Iran und Turan* 40:45-105.
- \*2008 Poselenie Gekharot: Osnovnye Rezul'taty Raskopok 2005-2006gg. (with R. Badalyan). *Hin Hayastani Mshakuyte* 14: 45-68.
- 2007 The Politics of Loss: Comments on a Powerful Death. In *Performing Death: Social Analyses of Funerary Traditions in the Ancient Near East and Mediterranean* edited by N. Laneri, pp. 163-166. Oriental Institute Press, Chicago.
- \*2006 A History of Archaeological Practices in the Republic of Armenia (with I. Lindsay). *Journal of Field Archaeology* 31(2):165-184.
- \*2006 Undisciplined Theory. *Archaeological Dialogues* 13(2): 158-163.
- 2006 Representational Aesthetics and Political Subjectivity: The Spectacular in Urartian Images of Performance. In *Spectacle, Performance, and Power in Premodern Complex Society*, edited by T. Inomata and L. Coben, pp. 103-134. Altamira Press, Walnut Creek, CA.
- 2006 Introduction (with D. Peterson and L. Popova). In *Beyond the Steppe and the Sown: Proceedings of the 2002 University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology*, edited by D. Peterson, L. Popova and A. T. Smith. Colloquia Pontica Series. Brill, Leiden.
- 2006 Before Argishti: The Roots of Complex Societies in Caucasia, Notes from the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia. In *Beyond the Steppe and the Sown: Proceedings of the 2002 University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology*, edited by D. Peterson, L. Popova and A. T. Smith. Colloquia Pontica Series. Brill, Leiden.
- \*2005 Prometheus Unbound: Southern Caucasia in Prehistory. *Journal of World Prehistory* 19(4): 229-279.
- 2005 Southern Caucasia During the Late Bronze Age: An Interim Report on the Regional Investigations of Project ArAGATS in Western Armenia (with Ruben Badalyan and Pavel

- Avetisyan). In *Anatolian Iron Ages V: Proceedings of the 2001 Anatolian Iron Ages Conference, Van*, edited by A. Çilingiroğlu. British Institute of Archaeology, Ankara.
- \*2005 Svyatilishche Pozdnego Bronzovogo Veka Gekharota (with R. Badalyan and P. Avetisyan). *Kul'tura Drevnej Armenii* 13: 109-115.
- \*2004 The End of the Essential Archaeological Subject. *Archaeological Dialogues* 11(1): 1-20.
- \*2004 We, They, and I: Politics After the End of the Essential Archaeological Subject. *Archaeological Dialogues* 11(1): 27-35.
- 2004 Urartu and the Southern Caucasian Political Tradition (with T. Thompson). In *A View from the Highlands: Trans-Caucasus, Eastern Anatolia and Northwestern Iran. Studies in Honor of C. A. Burney*, edited by A. Sagona. Peeters, Leuven.
- \*2004 Early Complex Societies in Southern Caucasia: A Preliminary Report on the 2002 Archaeological Investigations by Project ArAGATS in the Tsakahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia (with R. Badalyan, P. Avetisyan, and M. Zardaryan). *American Journal of Archaeology* 108(1): 1-41.
- 2004 Iron Age Caucasia. In *Encyclopedia of the Barbarian World*, edited by P. Bogucki and P. J. Crabtree. Charles Scribner's Sons, Farmington Hills.
- 2003 The Emergence of Socio-Political Complexity in Southern Caucasia (with R. Badalyan and P. Avetisyan). In *Archaeology in the Borderlands: Investigations in Caucasia and Beyond*, edited by A. T. Smith and K. S. Rubinson. Cotsen Institute Publications, Los Angeles.
- 2003 Introduction: Archaeology in the Borderlands (with Karen S. Rubinson). In *Archaeology in the Borderlands: Investigations in Caucasia and Beyond*, edited by A. T. Smith and K. S. Rubinson. Cotsen Institute Publications, Los Angeles.
- 2002 Endangered Specificities: A Discussion with Marshall Sahlins. *Journal of Social Archaeology* 2(3): 283-297.
- \*2001 The Limitations of Doxa: Agency and Subjectivity from an Archaeological Point of View. *Journal of Social Archaeology* 1(2): 155-171.
- \*2000 Preliminary Report on the 1998 Archaeological Investigations of Project ArAGATS in the Tsakahovit Plain, Armenia (with R. Badalyan and P. Avetisyan). *Studi Micenei ed Anatolici* 42(1): 19-59.
- \*2000 Rendering the Political Aesthetic: Political Legitimacy in Urartian Representations of the Built Environment. *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology* 19: 131-163.
- \*1999 The Making of an Urartian Landscape in the Ararat Plain: A Study of State Architectonics. *American Journal of Archaeology* 103(1): 43-69. [Reprinted in Farsi 2001 in *Archaeon* 1/2, translated by B. Adjerloo.]
- \*1998 Late Bronze/Early Iron Age Fortresses of the Ararat and Shirak Plains, Armenia: Typological Considerations. *Ancient Civilizations from Scythia to Siberia* 5(2): 73-97.
- \*1996 New Plans of Early Iron Age and Urartian Fortresses in Armenia: A Preliminary Report of the Ancient Landscapes Project (with K. Kafadian). *Iran XXXIV*: 23-37.
- 1996 Local Knowledge and World Systems: The Development of Urartian Complexity. In *Proceedings of the 26th Annual Chacmool Conference*, edited by D. A. Meyer, P. C. Dawson, and D. T. Hanna. Archaeological Association of the University of Calgary, Calgary.

- \*1995 The Production of Space and the House of Xidi Sukur (with N. David). *Current Anthropology* 36(3): 441-471.
- 1995 Appendix A: Analysis of Materials from Horom, Armenia, Summer 1994, in: The 1994 Excavations of the Daghestan-American Archaeological Expedition to Velikent in Southern Daghestan, Russia: 1994. *Iran XXXIII*: 146.
- 1994 Mayan Royal Ritual: Architectonics as a Key to Political Organization. *Arizona Anthropologist* 11: 89-126.
- \*1994 Fictions of Emergence: Foucault/Genealogy/Nietzsche. *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*. 24(1): 41-54.

#### Reviews and Review Articles:

- 2019 Still Waiting for the Barbarians. Review of James C. Scott Against the Grain. *Cambridge Archaeological Journal*.
- 2018 Review of S. C. Smith Landscape and Politics in the Ancient Andes. *Antiquity* 92 (361): 256-258.
- 2012 Review of R. Badalyan and P. Avetisyan Bronze and Early Iron Age Archaeological Sites in Armenia I: Mt. Aragats and its Surrounding Region. *Ancient West and East* 11: 306-308.
- 2009 Review Article: Early Eurasia: Pattern and Process among Pastoralists. Review of M. Frachetti Pastoralist Landscapes and E. E. Kuzmina The Prehistory of the Silk Road. *Antiquity* 83: 1179-1182.
- 2008 Review Article: Under Liberty. Review of M. Leone The Archaeology of Liberty in an American Capital. *Cambridge Archaeological Journal* 18(1): 13-15.
- 2004 Review of K. Boyle et al. Ancient Interactions: East and West in Eurasia. *Journal of Field Archaeology* 29: 496-498.
- 2004 Review of R. H. Hewson Armenia: A Historical Atlas. *Ancient East and West* 3(1): 186-188.
- 2001 Review Article: On Landscapes in the Ancient Near East. Review of Landscapes: Territories, Frontiers and Horizons in the Ancient Near East, edited by L. Milano et al. *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*. 44(3): 363-371.
- 1999 Review of P. Zimansky Ancient Ararat: A Handbook of Urartian Studies. *American Journal of Archaeology* 103(2): 386-387
- 1996 Review of A. Kalantar Armenia: From the Stone Age to the Middle Ages. *American Journal of Archaeology* 100(3): 638-639.
- 1996 Review of I. Zeitlin Nietzsche: A Re-examination and G. McCarthy Dialectics and Decadence: Echoes of Antiquity in Marx and Nietzsche. *Philosophy of the Social Sciences* 26(1): 137-144.

#### Popular Media Contributions:

- 2020 [The US can help prevent the destruction of cultural heritage in Nagorno-Karabakh. Here's how.](#) Medium, December 2020.
- 2019 [Walls Don't work](#). Online interview with *America's Democrats Podcast* #415.
- 2016 For five millennia, politicians have proposed walls like Trump's. They don't work. Op-Ed, *Washington Post* (July 31).

- 2016 Bronze Age Fortune Tellers: Divination at Gegharot, Armenia. *DIG into History* (popular archaeology magazine for children age 9-14). April 2016.
- 2015 [Responding to Islamic State's Destruction of Artifacts](#). Op-Ed, *Wall Street Journal: Washington Wire Think Tank* (March 6).
- 2015 [RadioCIAMS podcast](#) panel with Matthew Johnson.
- 2014 [RadioCIAMS podcast](#) panel with Shannon Dawdy.
- 2013 Panel interview on the VoiceAmerica radio program *Indiana Jones: Myth, Reality, and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Archaeology* on funding for archaeology.
- 2013 Spotlight on the Faculty: Adam Smith. *Anthropos* 2012-13: 6-7.
- 2007 L'Arménie à l'âge du Bronze et à l'âge du Fer (with R. Badalyan). *Revue Les Dossiers d'Archéologie* 321:38-41.
- 1999 The Crucible of Complexity (with R. Badalyan and P. Avetisyan). *Discovering Archaeology*. 1(2): 48-55.

#### Social Media/Web Outlets:

- [Assemblages Blog](#): An online forum for short writings on issues related to heritage, politics, materiality, and Eurasian archaeology.
- [Project ArAGATS](#): The blog and general website for my collaborative archaeological field research program in Armenia.
- [Project ArAGATS Data Portal](#): A publicly accessible data management system for all ArAGATS results.
- [The Aragats Foundation](#): Blog and website devoted to the activities of a non-profit foundation that I co-direct, which seeks to promote Armenia's cultural heritage as a cornerstone for local development and future prosperity.
- [Landscapes and Objects Lab](#): Website dedicated to the LOLab at Cornell.
- [Eurasian Archaeology Conferences](#): Website devoted to Cornell's Eurasian Archaeology Conference Series.

#### In the Media:

- December 2020: "Trustees Vote to Remove Goldwin Smith, Who Held Racist, Sexist Beliefs, From Honorary Professor Titles". *Cornell Daily Sun*.
- February 2014: "Ancient Shrines Used for Predicting the Future Discovered". Article on [LiveScience](#) discussing Gegharot shrines. Picked up by [YahooNews](#), [DiscoveryNews](#), [FoxNews](#), [NBC News](#), [Daily Mail](#).
- June 10, 2014: "Bronze Age offers lessons for Ukraine" *Cornell Chronicle*.
- May 5, 2014: "Mellon courses are curating interest in museum practice" *Cornell Chronicle*.
- April 28, 2014: "Class examines Cornell past and future" *Cornell Chronicle*.
- May 29, 2013: "Museum launches cross-disciplinary initiative" *Cornell Chronicle*.
- November 13, 2013: Why Archaeology Matters: A Crisis in Federal Funding of Archaeological Research". *Indiana Jones: Myth, Reality, and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Archaeology*. VoiceAmerica Radio. <http://www.voiceamerica.com/episode/74104/why-archaeology-matters-a-crisis-in-federal-funding-of-archaeological-research>.
- October 30, 2012: "Eurasian Archaeology Conference looked to the future via the remote past" *Cornell Chronicle*.
- Summer 2012: "New lab is hub of activity on two levels in McGraw Hall" *Ezra Magazine*.

June 30, 2006: “Tragedy on the Araxes” *Archaeology Magazine*.

#### RESEARCH GRANTS:

- 2021 Armenian General Benevolent Union Grant: “Satellite-Based Monitoring of Heritage Sites in Nagorno-Karabakh” (with L. Khatchadourian and I. Lindsay).
- 2021 Ford Foundation Sub-Award: “Satellite-Based Monitoring of Heritage Sites in Nagorno-Karabakh” (with L. Khatchadourian and I. Lindsay). Award pending.
- 2019-21 CIVIC Research Fellows Program in Humanities and Public Life “Unsettled Monuments, Unsettling Heritage” (with B. Anderson, D. Ghosh, L. Khatchadourian, & A. Mergold).
- 2016-19 National Science Foundation Archaeology Program Grant “Collaborative Research: Fortifications and Long-Term Political Process in the Bronze and Iron Age South Caucasus” (with L. Khatchadourian and I. Lindsay).
- 2014 Cornell Institute for the Social Sciences “Resilience and Ruination in Mountain Communities: Comparative Regional Settlement Dynamics in the South Caucasus from the Bronze Age to Today” (with L. Khatchadourian).
- 2014 Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fund “New Technologies for Ancient Remains: The Project ArAGATS Data Management and Access Application” (with L. Khatchadourian).
- 2013-14 Einaudi Seed Grant “Resilience and Ruination in Mountain Communities: Comparative Regional Settlement Dynamics in the South Caucasus from the Bronze Age to Today” (with L. Khatchadourian).
- 2010-12 National Science Foundation Archaeology Program Grant “The Fortress and the Grassroots: Archaeological Investigations of Early Complex Societies on the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia” (with L. Khatchadourian and I. Lindsay).
- 2008 University of Chicago, Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Special Faculty Research Grant in support of archaeological research at Tsaghkahovit and Gegharot Fortresses, Republic of Armenia.
- 2005-07 National Science Foundation Archaeology Program Grant “Institutional Practices in Early Complex Societies: Excavations at the Late Bronze Age Fortress of Gegharot, Armenia.”
- 2005-07 University of Chicago Board of Governors for Argonne National Laboratory Seed Grant “The Making of Ancient Eurasia: Objects Within and Between the Social Worlds of the Caucasus, the Steppe, and China.”
- 2006 Dolores Zohrab Liebman Fund Publication Grant to support the publication of *The Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies, Vol. 1: Systematic Survey in the Tsaghkahovit Plain*.
- 2005 Dolores Zohrab Liebman Fund Independent Research Grant in support of the analytical needs of Project ArAGATS.
- 2005 National Geographic Society Committee for Research and Exploration Grant “The Origins of Socio-Political Complexity in Southern Caucasia.”
- 2004 University of Chicago, Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Special Faculty Research Grant for research in Yerevan, Armenia in preparation for Project ArAGATS volume I.
- 2003 Wenner-Gren International Collaborative Research Grant, “Political Institutions and Social Complexity in Late Bronze Age Caucasia.”



- 2003 American Councils for International Education (ACTR/ACCELS)/National Endowment for the Humanities Collaborative Research Grant “The Archaeology of Socio-Political Complexity in Southern Caucasia: Collaborative Investigations on the Tsakahovit Plain, Armenia.”
- 2002 National Geographic Society Committee for Research and Exploration Grant “Political Institutions in Late Bronze Age Transcaucasian States: Archaeological Excavations at Tsakahovit and Gegharot Fortresses, Republic of Armenia.”
- 2002 University of Chicago, Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Special Faculty Research Grant for radiocarbon dating of materials from the Bronze Age Caucasus.
- 2002 University of Chicago, Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Special Faculty Research Grant in support of paleozoological analysis of materials from Tsakahovit and Gegharot Fortresses, Republic of Armenia.
- 2002 University of Chicago, Social Sciences Division Research Grants, Provost’s Special Allocation “Development and Field Testing of the University of Chicago Archaeological Database System.”
- 2000 National Science Foundation Archaeology Program Grant “The Constitution of Authority in Archaic Transcaucasian States, ca. 1500-780 B.C.: Archaeological Investigations on the Tsakahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia.”
- 2000 Wenner-Gren International Collaborative Research Grant (Renewal). “The Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian States, Phase I: Archaeological Survey.”
- 2000 University of Chicago, Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Special Faculty Research Grant in support of digital video data collection attendant to archaeological survey on the Tsakahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia.
- 1998 Wenner-Gren International Collaborative Research Grant “The Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian States, Phase I: Archaeological Survey.”
- 1998 Research Grant, Institute of Archaeology, Republic of Armenia. “Mapping of Late Bronze/Early Iron Age Fortresses, Tsakahovit Region.”
- 1995 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant “Spatial Organization and State Expansion in Southern Transcaucasia, 1300-600 B.C.”
- 1995 Wenner-Gren Dissertation Grant “Representations of Landscapes in Urartian Art.”
- 1995 Research Grant, Institute of Archaeology, Republic of Armenia “Digital Mapping of Urartian and Early Iron Age Sites of the Ararat and Shirak Plains.”
- 1994 Educational Fund for Archaeology Grant, University of Arizona, Department of Anthropology. Archaeological and museum research in Yerevan and Horom, Armenia.
- 1993 Educational Fund for Archaeology Grant, University of Arizona, Department of Anthropology. Museum research at the Hermitage, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- 1993 Educational Fund for Archaeology Grant, University of Arizona, Department of Anthropology. Archaeological research at Horom, Armenia.
- 1992 Educational Fund for Archaeology Grant, University of Arizona, Department of Anthropology. Archaeological research at Horom, Armenia.

**PROGRAM BUILDING GRANTS AND AWARDS:**

- 2016-17 Engaged Cornell Development Grant “Gateways to International Learning: An Anthropology Curriculum for Teaching Intercultural Engagement” in support of Engaged Learning in the Anthropology Curriculum.
- 2016-17 College of Arts and Sciences Teaching Innovation Grant “Gateways to International Learning: An Anthropology Curriculum for Teaching Intercultural Engagement” in support of Engaged Learning in the Anthropology Curriculum.
- 2016-17 Internationalizing the Cornell Curriculum Grant “Gateways to International Learning: An Anthropology Curriculum for Teaching Intercultural Engagement” in support of Engaged Learning in the Anthropology Curriculum.
- 2015-17 Engaged Cornell Development Grant “Teaching Global Engagement” in support of initiatives to promote engaged learning in Department of Anthropology courses.
- 2013 Cornell Institute of European Studies Innovation Grant (with L. Khatchadourian) in support of the Caucasus Panorama Speakers Series.
- 2011-12 Brett de Bary Interdisciplinary Mellon Writing Group Award (co-organized with Elizabeth Anker, Department of English). Cornell University Humanities Council.
- 2008 Norman Wait Harris Fund in partial support of the third University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.
- 2008 University of Chicago Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Conference fund in partial support of the first University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.
- 2005 Norman Wait Harris Fund in partial support of the second University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.
- 2005 University of Chicago Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Conference fund in partial support of the second University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.
- 2002 University of Chicago Provost’s Program for Academic Technology Innovation, “From Field to Classroom: New Technologies and Anthropological Instruction” (with A. Apter and N. Kouchoukos).
- 2000 University of Chicago Department of Anthropology Lichtstern Conference fund in partial support of the first University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.

#### **DISTINGUISHED LECTURES AND KEYNOTE ADDRESSES**

- 2019 *The Civilization Machine: A User Guide*. The 2019/2020 Dalrymple Lectures in Archaeology (University of Glasgow). A series of four lectures entitled: “Some Assembly Required: Origin Myths and the Making of a Public”, “Operation: Bronze Age Metaphysics”, “Maintenance: The Useful Barbarian in the Age of Empire”, “Troubleshooting: Archaeology and the Legacy of Genocide”.
- 2018 Bronze Age Metaphysics: Burial and Being in the South Caucasus. Keynote lecture. Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies International Conference: “Constructing Kurgans: Burial Mounds and Funerary Customs in the Caucasus, Northwestern Iran, and Eastern Anatolia During the Bronze and Iron Age”, Florence.
- 2018 The Peoples in the Hills: Kurgans, Cromlechs, and the Architecture of Afterlives in the Bronze Age Caucasus. Keynote lecture. British Association for Near Eastern Archaeology meeting, Durham.

- 2015 The Political Machine: Sense, Sensibility, and Sentiment in the Bronze Age Caucasus. Stanford Archaeology Center Distinguished Lecture.
- 2014 Barbarians, Backwaters, and the Civilization Machine: Integration and Interruption Across Asia's Early Bronze Age Landscapes. Keynote speech, Asian Dynamics Initiative's Annual Conference, University of Copenhagen.
- 2013 *The Sovereign Assemblage: Sense, Sensibility and Sentiment in Early Complex Polities.* The 2013 Rostovtzeff Lectures (Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, NYU). A series of four lectures entitled: "The Sovereignty of Assemblages," "The Civilization Machine in the Early Bronze Age," "The War Machine in the Middle Bronze Age," and "The Political Machine in the Late Bronze Age".
- 2007 Prometheus Unbound: Geographies of Transgression and Archaeologies of Authority in the South Caucasus. Stigler endowed lecture, Department of Anthropology, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

#### CONFERENCE PAPERS AND INVITED LECTURES:

- 2021 Project ArAGATS: Two Decades of Archaeological Research in Central Armenia. Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies, Bulletin Lecture Series.
- 2020 Archaeology's Genocide Problem: Violence, Heritage, and the Techniques of Forgetting on the Armenian Highlands. Yale University Archaeology Lecture Series.
- 2019 Obsidian Networks and Emergent Frontiers in the Early and Late Bronze Ages: A View from Project ArAGATS. The Archaeology of Armenia in Regional Context, Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Yerevan.
- 2019 ArAGATS 1998-2018: 20 Years of Investigations into Bronze and Iron Age Sites on the Tsaghkahovit Plain (with R. Badalyan, L. Khatchadourian, I. Lindsay, A. Harutyunyan, A.F. Greene, B. Monahan, R. Hovsepyan, M. Marshall, L. Ter-Minasyan). The Archaeology of Armenia in Regional Context, Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Yerevan.
- 2019 The Stone Bridge: Obsidian Circulation and the Friction of Persistent Frontiers. 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Albuquerque.
- 2019 Archaeology's Genocide Problem: Violence, Heritage, and the Techniques of Forgetting on the Armenian Highlands. Vanderbilt University Anthropology Speaker Series.
- 2019 Bronze Age Metaphysics: Burial and Being in the South Caucasus. Tulane University Anthropology Department lecture.
- 2017 Trajectory and Refusal: Societies Against the State in the Bronze Age Caucasus. Annual Meeting of the American Society for Oriental Research, Boston.
- 2017 Persistent Place, Non-Persistent Practice: Mortuary Matter(s) at Early Bronze Age Gegharot (with Gabrielle Borenstein). The 5<sup>th</sup> Eurasian Archaeology Conference, Cornell University.
- 2017 Long Live the New Flesh: Machine Failure and the Ruins of Modernity. Plenary Speaker. Theoretical Archaeology Group Annual Meeting, Toronto.
- 2016 Archaeology's Genocide Problem: Violence, Heritage, and the Techniques of Forgetting on the Armenian Highlands. New York State Archaeological Association (Finger Lakes Chapter) lecture.
- 2015 Archaeology's Genocide Problem: Violence, Heritage, and the Techniques of Forgetting on the Armenian Highlands. Stanford University Archaeology Center Lunch Club.

- 2014 The Political Machine: Sense, Sensibility, and Sentiment in the Bronze Age Caucasus. Archaeology Program Seminar Series, Harvard University.
- 2014 The Cornell Institute of Archaeology and Material Studies: Formation, Concepts, Challenges. Archaeology Group, University of Michigan.
- 2013 Project ArAGATS: 15 Years of Archaeological Research in Central Armenia. Department of Near Eastern Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2012 Devotion and Divination: The Temple Fortress at Gegharot and Rituality in the Ancient Caucasus and Near East (with Jeffrey Leon). The 4<sup>th</sup> Eurasian Archaeology Conference, Cornell University.
- 2012 The Caucasus and the Near East. Cornell University Department of Near East Studies Colloquium.
- 2012 Devotion and Divination: The Temple Fortress at Gegharot and Rituality in the Ancient Caucasus and Near East (with Jeffrey Leon). 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Memphis.
- 2011 The Political Machine: Sense, Sensibility, and Sentiment in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus. Anthropology Department Colloquium, University of Toronto.
- 2010 Counternarratives of Collapse: Violence, Disorder, and Restoration in the South Caucasus, 1200-200 B.C. (with L. Khatchadourian). 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, New Orleans.
- 2010 The Political Machine: Sense, Sensibility, and Sentiment in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus. Anthropology Department Colloquium, Cornell University.
- 2010 The Political Machine: Sense, Sensibility, and Sentiment in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus. Anthropology Department Colloquium, University of Chicago.
- 2010 ‘Yerevan, My Ancient Erebuni’: Archaeological Repertoires, Public Assemblages, and the Manufacture of a (Post-)Soviet Nation. Anthropologies of the Caucasus Conference. Harriman Institute, Columbia University.
- 2009 The Political Machine: Sense, Sensibility, and Sentiment in the Late Bronze Age South Caucasus. Joukowsky Institute for Archaeology and the Ancient World, Brown University.
- 2008 ‘Yerevan, My Ancient Erebuni’: Archaeological Repertoires, Public Assemblages, and the Manufacture of a (Post-)Soviet Nation. Chicago Center for Contemporary Theory Conference Commemorating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *Imagined Communities*.
- 2008 A Conspiracy of Objects: Archaeological Repertoires, (Post)Socialist Publics, and the Making of Modern Yerevantsi. Stanford University Archaeology Center.
- 2008 Archaeological Rhetorics, Public Assemblages, and the Making of Yerevantsi. 3<sup>rd</sup> University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.
- 2008 Prometheus Unbound: Geographies of Transgression and Archaeologies of Authority in the South Caucasus. University of Illinois, Chicago Anthropology Department.
- 2008 Object Orders and Public Culture: Archaeological Rhetorics and the Production of Yerevantsi. Max Plank Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany.
- 2007 Prometheus Unbound: Geographies of Transgression and Archaeologies of Authority in the South Caucasus. Department of Anthropology, Harvard University.

- 2007 The Making of Ancient Eurasia: Nondestructive Characterization of Ancient Metalworking and Ceramic Technology by Synchrotron XRD and XRF. (with A. Greene, C. Hartley, D. Peterson, L. Khatchadourian, D. Cookson, J. Almer, M. Young, S. Mini, E. Fiedman, and C. Segre). 2007 Advanced Photon Source Users Meeting, Argonne National Laboratory.
- 2006 The Making of Ancient Eurasia: Preliminary Notes on Incorporating Archaeometry and Anthropology in the Integrated Study of Ceramic and Metal Technologies. Poster (with C. M. Deemer, W. A. Ellingson, A. Greene, C. Hartley, D. Peterson, L. Khatchadourian) 36<sup>th</sup> Annual International Symposium on Archaeometry.
- 2006 Fortifications and the Naissance of Political Dynamism in Southern Caucasia (2<sup>nd</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Millennia B.C.) (with I. Lindsay and A. Greene). 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology.
- 2006 New Light on the Achaemenid Era in the South Caucasus: Recent Investigations of Project ArAGATS (with L. Khatchadourian). 107<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America.
- 2006 Prometheus Unbound: Geographies of Transgression and Archaeologies of Authority in the South Caucasus. Boas Seminar in the Department of Anthropology at Columbia University.
- 2005 Early Social Complexity in the South Caucasus: Recent Investigations of Project ArAGATS in the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia. 2<sup>nd</sup> University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology, Chicago.
- 2004 The Gift of Semiramis? Complex Societies in the Armenian Highlands as viewed from one Trench at Gegharot Fortress. University of Wisconsin conference "Armenia: Custom, Culture, and Identity," Milwaukee.
- 2004 The Poverty of Statism: Conceptual Locations for an Archaeology of Political Life. 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Montreal, Canada.
- 2003 The Ceramics of the Middle to Late Bronze Transition in Southern Caucasia (with P. Avetisyan and R. Badalyan). Paper presented at the international workshop on Bronze Age Ceramics in Caucasia and its Neighbors, New York.
- 2003 Landscape and Constellation: Method Beyond Scale. 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago
- 2003 Caucasia and Complexity: New Traditions of Centralization and Inequality (with P. Avetisyan and R. Badalyan). 2003 European Archaeological Association Annual Meeting, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- 2003 Ancient Aragats: New Archaeological Investigations into the Roots of Complex Societies in Armenia. Lecture Series in Armenian Studies, University of Chicago.
- 2003 The Southern Caucasian Political Tradition: Authority and Polity in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Millennium BC. Columbia University Seminar on the Ancient Near East.
- 2002 Drevneishe Gosudartsva Kavkaza: Pozdneii Bronzovyi Vek Tsakhkaovitskii Dolini, Armeniya (Ancient Politics of the Caucasus: The Late Bronze Age of the Tsakahovit Plain, Republic of Armenia) (with R. Badalyan). Conference on Archaeology in the Caucasus, Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia.
- 2002 Before Argishti: The Roots of Complex Societies in Caucasia, Notes from the Tsakahovit Plain, Armenia. The 1<sup>st</sup> University of Chicago Conference on Eurasian Archaeology.

- 2002 Urartian Spectacle: Authority, Subjectivity, and Aesthetic Politics. Workshop on Spectacle, Performance, and Power in Premodern Complex Society. 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology Meetings, Denver.
- 2001 The Rise of Complex Societies in the Southern Caucasus. Department of Anthropology lecture series, University of Illinois, Chicago.
- 2001 The Gift of Semiramis? Rethinking Complexity in the Southern Caucasus. Department of Anthropology Colloquium, University of Arizona.
- 2001 New Technologies and Archaic States. University of Chicago Social Sciences Division Select Trustees.
- 2001 Southern Transcaucasia During the Late Bronze and Early Iron Ages: A Report on Regional Investigations in Western Armenia. 5<sup>th</sup> Anatolian Iron Ages Conference, Van, Turkey.
- 2001 Recent Investigations in Southern Caucasasia: The Rise of Complex Societies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Millennium B.C. (with P. Avetisyan and R. Badalyan). University of Chicago Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop.
- 2000 The Rise of Early Complex Societies in Southern Caucasasia: Results of Recent Investigations. University of Wisconsin, Madison Archaeology Colloquium.
- 2000 Adam, Eve, and Other Turbulent Characters: Studying the Rise of Early Complex Societies in Southern Transcaucasia. Northwestern University Anthropology Colloquium.
- 2000 An Agenda for Archaeology (with M. Smith). 65th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Philadelphia.
- 2000 Representation. 65th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Philadelphia.
- 1999 The Practical Dimensions of Agency. 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago.
- 1999 Early Complex Societies in Transcaucasia: A Report on Recent Research. University of Michigan, Museum of Anthropology.
- 1998 World Without System: Culture, Politics, and Economy in Early Iron Age Transcaucasia. 97<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia.
- 1998 Aesthetic Legitimacy: Blessing and Conquest in Urartian Representations of the Built Environment. University of Chicago, Department of Anthropology Colloquium series.
- 1996 The Making of Political Authority: Landscapes and Ancient States. 96th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco.
- 1997 Iron Age Architecture of Southern Transcaucasia: State Formation and Landscape. 60th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Minneapolis.
- 1995 Archaeological Excavations at Horom, Armenia (with K. Codella). Institute of Archaeology, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- 1994 Coercion and Consent in the Rise of the Urartian State (with P. Kohl). 94th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Atlanta.
- 1995 The Power of Space: The House of Xidi Sukur (with N. David). Society of Africanist Archaeologists 12th Biennial Meeting, Bloomington.

- 1994 Communicative Spaces. 59th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Anaheim.
- 1993 Local Knowledge and World Systems: The Development of Urartian Complexity. Chaemool Conference, Calgary.
- 1992 Archaeology's Contribution to Critical Theory. University of Arizona Conference on Critical Theory, Tucson.

**OTHER PARTICIPATION AT CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS:**

- 2019 Opening remarks and closing reflections, “The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on the Archaeology of Armenia in Context”. Yerevan, July 9-11, 2019.
- 2019 Scientific Counsel Member, “The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on the Archaeology of Armenia in Context”. Yerevan, July 9-11, 2019.
- 2018 Discussant for the Session Households in Spatial Context. “Better to Dwell in Your Own Small House”: Households of Ptolemaic and Roman Egypt in Context. Cornell University.
- 2018 “Portable X-ray Fluorescence Applications in Archaeology”. Cornell Institute for Archaeology and Material Studies Workshop.
- 2017 Faculty Co-Organizer, The Fifth Eurasian Archaeology Conference: Gods on the Grasslands, Myths in the Mountains (with L. Khatchadourian). Cornell University, October 26-28, 2017.
- 2017 Moderator, American Research Institute of the South Caucasus workshop on “Collaboration in Archaeological Research.”
- 2015 Discussant for the Session Archaeological Approaches to Subjectification 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco.
- 2015 Discussant for the Session Connecting Highlands and Lowlands—Towards a Holistic Approach to Upland and Lowland Symbiosis 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco.
- 2012 Faculty Co-Organizer, The Fourth Eurasian Archaeology Conference: Fitful Histories and Unruly Publics. Cornell University, October 11-13, 2012.
- 2012 Discussant for the Session Political Strategies in Pre-Columbian Mesoamerica, 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Memphis TN.
- 2010 Co-Organizer (with L. Khatchadourian and G. Emberling), Counternarratives of State, Civilization, and History: Papers in Honor of Norman Yoffee. 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, New Orleans.
- 2010 Discussant for the session Moving Bodies, Being Subjects: Ethnographic, Archaeological, and Historical Approaches to Mobility. 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, New Orleans.
- 2008 Faculty Organizer, The Third Eurasian Archaeology Conference: Regimes and Revolutions. University of Chicago, May 1-3, 2008.
- 2008 Discussant for the session Hegemonic Discourse, Selective Foci, or Fuzzy Data: Political Anthropology and the Archaeology of Political Production in the Past, 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2008 Discussant for the session Negotiating Landscapes: New Light from Eastern Europe and Eurasia at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, Chicago.

- 2006 Discussant for the forum Does Archaeological Theory Exist?, 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2005 Faculty Organizer, The Second Eurasian Archaeology Conference: Social Landscapes and Social Orders. University of Chicago, April 15-16, 2005.
- 2004 Discussant for the symposium Material and Symbolic Manifestations of Elite Status Groups, 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Montreal, Canada.
- 2003 Co-Organizer (with D. Peterson and L. Popova), The Complications of Complexity: The Roots of Social Complexity in the Eurasian Steppes and the Caucasus in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Millennium BC. Session organized for the 2003 European Archaeological Association Meetings, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- 2003 Moderator, Identity and Conflict: Caucasia in Our Time. Symposium sponsored by the University of Chicago Center for East European, Russian and Eurasian Studies.
- 2002 Faculty Organizer, The First Eurasian Archaeology Conference: Beyond the Steppe and the Sown. University of Chicago, May 3-4, 2002.
- 2000 Co-organizer, Relational Concepts in Archaeology: An Agenda for Theory session at the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Philadelphia (with Monica Smith)
- 1998 Organizer, Prehistoric Caucasia: Questioning Center and Periphery session at the 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia.
- 1996 Co-organizer, The Politics of Landscape symposium at the 96th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco (with Ruth Van Dyke).

#### RESEARCH PROJECTS:

- 2020- Co-Director (with L. Khatchadourian and I. Lindsay) Caucasus Heritage Watch. Research focused on safeguarding threatened heritage sites in the Nagorno-Karabakh region.
- 2020- Project Collaborator (with G. Aching and L. Khatchadourian) St. James AME Zion Church/Underground Railroad Project.
- 2015-18 Co-Director (with R. Badalyan, L. Khatchadourian, and I. Lindsay) Joint Armenian-American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS). Excavations at the Bronze and Iron Age fortresses of Gegharot and Aparani Berd, Republic of Armenia.
- 2013-14 Co-Director (with R. Badalyan and L. Khatchadourian) Joint Armenian-American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS). Excavations at the Bronze and Iron Age fortresses of Gegharot and Tsaghkahovit, Republic of Armenia.
- 2010-11 Co-Director (with R. Badalyan, L. Khatchadourian, and I. Lindsay), Joint Armenian-American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS). Excavations at the Bronze and Iron Age fortresses of Gegharot and Tsaghkahovit, Republic of Armenia
- 2002, 03, 05, 06, 08 Co-Director (with R. Badalyan), Joint Armenian-American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS). Excavations at the Bronze and Iron Age fortresses of Gegharot and Tsaghkahovit, Republic of Armenia.



- 1998, 2000, 2004 Co-Director (with R. Badalyan), Joint Armenian-American Project for the Archaeology and Geography of Ancient Transcaucasian Societies (ArAGATS). Systematic archaeological survey and test excavations in the Tsaghkahovit plain, Republic of Armenia.
- 1995 Project Director, Iron Age Landscape of Armenia. Mapping, Survey, and Excavations of Early Iron Age and Urartian sites in the Ararat and Shirak plains.
- 1995 Project Director, Artistic Representations of Urartian Landscapes. A study of Urartian images of fortresses and landscapes (collections research).
- 1994 Site Supervisor, Archaeological Excavations at Velikent, Daghestan, Russia. Excavation of an Early Bronze Age Site on the Caspian coast.
- 1994 Project Supervisor, Horom Materials Research Project, Armenia. Supervised Analysis of Early and Middle Bronze Age, Early Iron Age, and Urartian materials excavated at Horom.
- 1993 Site Supervisor, Archaeological Excavations at Horom, Armenia. Excavation of Urartian, Early Iron Age, Middle and Early Bronze Age site in western Armenia.
- 1992 Site Supervisor, Archaeological Excavations at Horom, Armenia. Excavation of Urartian, Early Iron Age, Middle and Early Bronze Age site in western Armenia.
- 1991 Staff Member, Homo'lovi Research Project, Arizona. Excavation of pueblo site.
- 1990 Staff Member, Underwater Archaeological Project, Fort Jefferson Nat. Mon., Florida. Exploration and mapping of 19th century shipwreck sites in the Gulf of Mexico.
- 1989 Project Director, Archaeological Investigations at Fort Adams and Fort Wetherill, Rhode Island. Investigation of 19th century American seacoast fortifications.
- 1989 Crew Member, Public Archaeology Laboratory Inc., Rhode Island. Excavation of historic and prehistoric sites in New England.
- 1988 Student, Archaeological Excavations at Lambert Farm, Rhode Island. Excavation of prehistoric shell midden site.
- 1987 Student, Excavations at Kwigiumpainakamiut, Alaska. Excavation of proto-historic village.

#### **LABORATORY RESEARCH:**

- 2012-present Co-Director, Landscapes and Objects Laboratory, Cornell University (with L. Khatchadourian). A Cornell facility for integrating GIS/landscape analyses with new techniques of compositional analysis, including the use of portable XRF technologies in archaeological research.
- 2005-2009 Faculty supervisor, *The Making of Ancient Eurasia: Objects within and between the social worlds of the Caucasus, the Steppe and China*. Collaborative investigations with Argonne National Laboratory. Experimental projects using digital radiography, synchrotron (XRF & SAXS-WAXS), and SEM instrumentation to provide multi-modal analyses of ceramic and metal assemblages.

#### **TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES:**

- 2016 ArAGATS 2.0: Updated and launched the ArAGATS data portal working with GORGES, Inc. Consolidated survey and excavation data into a postgresSQL back end with a Ruby on Rails html front end.
- 2011 ArAGATS survey database: an online query-able regional gazetteer.

- 2005 ArAGATS excavation database. A MySQL based web application for archaeological data entry, analysis, and sharing.
- 2000 University of Chicago Archaeological Database System (UCADS), version 1.0. A PocketPC based archaeological data collection system.

## TEACHING:

### Cornell University

#### *Undergraduate Courses:*

Freshman Writing Seminar: Politics, Order, and Culture;  
 Global Heritage (2017 with L. Khatchadourian, 2020 with S. Papazian);  
 Humanity (with J. Boyarin);  
 The Rise and Fall of “Civilization”.

#### *Upper Level Undergraduate and Graduate Courses:*

From Excavation to Exhibit (with E. Avril);  
 Political Anthropology;  
 Research Methods in Archaeology;  
 The Political Lives of Things;  
 The History of Archaeological Thought.

#### *Graduate Courses:*

Archaeological Research Design;  
 Material Theory I: Landscape and Place;  
 Material Theory II: Assemblages and Objects;  
 The Craft of Archaeology (coordinator).

#### *Advanced Reading Courses & Independent Studies:*

Materiality;  
 The Archaeology of Eurasia.

### University of Chicago

#### *Undergraduate Courses:*

Classic Readings in Archaeological Theory;  
 The Practice of Anthropology: Great Excavations;  
 Intensive Study of a Culture: The Caucasus;  
 Modern Readings in Archaeological Theory;  
 Politics and Governance in Ancient Societies;  
 Power, Identity, and Resistance (Undergraduate Social Science Core).

#### *Upper Level Undergraduate and Graduate Courses:*

Eurasian Complex Societies;  
 Material Cultures;  
 The Rise and Fall of Early Complex Societies.

#### *Graduate Courses:*

Archaeological Approaches to Political Life;  
 Archaeology of Eurasia: The Caucasus and Central Steppe;  
 Current Directions in Archaeological Theory: Epistemology and Disenchantment;  
 Landscapes: Theory and Interpretation;  
 Political Anthropology (with John Comaroff);  
 Remaking Eurasia;  
 The Archaeology of the Caucasus;  
 Theory and Method in Archaeology (graduate core seminar);  
 Vision, Image, and Aesthetics (with N. Kouchoukos).

#### *Advanced Reading Courses & Independent Studies:*

Advanced Readings in Eurasian Archaeology;  
Archaeology of Value;  
Central Asian Prehistory;  
City Politics/City Planning;  
Landscape, Architecture and Urbanism;  
Medieval Armenia;  
Politics and Aesthetics in Archaeology;  
Russian Sources on Caucasian Archaeology;  
Soviet and Turkish Modernization Programs;  
Subjectivity.

University of Michigan

*Graduate Courses:*

Society, Culture, and the Individual in Archaeological Theory;  
The Archaeology of Landscape.

University of Arizona

*Undergraduate Courses:*

The Evolution of the Earliest States;  
Introduction to Biological Anthropology and Archaeology.

Supervised Reading Courses (U=Undergraduate; G=Graduate)

2017 The Bronze and Iron Age Caucasus  
2016 The Bronze Age Caucasus  
2012 Materiality  
2010 Bronze and Iron Age Eurasia  
2008 Medieval Armenia  
2007 Landscape Theory  
2006 Russian Sources on Caucasian Archaeology  
2006 Landscapes  
2005 Anthropology of Landscape  
2005 Subjectivity  
2005 Archaeology of Eurasia  
2004 Archaeology of Early Complex Societies in China  
2003 Politics and Aesthetics in Archaeology  
2003 Central Asian Prehistory  
2003 Soviet and Turkish Modernization and Landscape  
2003 Landscapes and Urban Environs  
2002 Archaeology of Value  
2002 Palaeobotany and the Eurasian Steppe  
2001 Complex Societies in Caucasia  
2001 Ethnicity in Roman Egypt  
2001 City Politics/City Planning  
2001 Landscape and Archaeology

**STUDENT SUPERVISION**

*Ph.D. in progress*

Cornell University

Borenstein, Gabrielle (Anthropology, post-field, Chair);  
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Leddy, Laura (Anthropology, post-field);

Luria, Jaimie (Anthropology, pre-field)  
Mohamed, Amir (Anthropology, post-field);  
Passerini, Annapaola (Anthropology, field, Chair);  
Symons, Alex (Anthropology, pre-field, Co-Chair)  
Weber, Kathryn (Anthropology, post-field, Chair).

University of Chicago

Hite, Emma (Anthropology, post-field).

*Ph.D. completed*

Bauer, Andrew (U. Chicago Anthropology 2010);  
Bocarejo, Diana (U. Chicago Anthropology 2008);  
Boke, Charis (Cornell Anthropology, 2018);  
Chazin, Hannah (U. Chicago Anthropology 2016, co-Chair);  
Douglas, Aimee (Cornell Anthropology, 2017);  
Fagan, Elizabeth (U. Chicago Anthropology 2015, co-Chair);  
Franklin, Kathryn (U. Chicago Anthropology 2014, Chair);  
Gerard-Little, Peregrine (Cornell Anthropology, 2017);  
Giraldo, Santiago (U. Chicago Anthropology 2010);  
Gorczyk, John (Cornell Anthropology 2020);  
Hensellek, Betty (Cornell Art History 2020);  
Graff, Sarah (U. Chicago Anthropology 2006);  
Greene, Alan (U. Chicago Anthropology 2013, Chair);  
Guengerich, Anna (U. Chicago Anthropology 2014);  
Hara, Kristyn (U. Chicago Anthropology, 2017);  
Hartnett, Alexandra (U. Chicago Anthropology 2010);  
Jarriel, Katherine (Cornell Classics, 2017);  
Johansen, Peter (U. Chicago Anthropology 2008);  
Kearns, Catherine (Cornell Classics 2015);  
Kohn, Alison (U. Chicago Anthropology 2010);  
Kosiba, Steven (U. Chicago Anthropology 2010);  
Lelievre, Michelle (U. Chicago Anthropology 2012);  
Leon, Jeffrey (Cornell Classics, 2016);  
Lin, Hu (U. Chicago Anthropology 2009, Chair);  
Lindsay, Ian (UC Santa Barbara Anthropology, 2006);  
Luley, Benjamin (U. Chicago Anthropology 2011);  
Magana, Maria Rocio (U. Chicago Anthropology 2008);  
Mahoney, Daniel (U. Chicago NELC 2013);  
Marshall, Maureen (U. Chicago Anthropology 2014, Chair);  
Macmillen, James (Cornell City & Regional Planning 2018);  
Monahan, Eilis (Cornell Near East Studies, 2019);  
Pacifico, David (U. Chicago Anthropology 2014);  
Peterson, David (U. Chicago Anthropology 2006);  
Popova, Laura (U. Chicago Anthropology 2006);  
Quijada, Justine Buck (U. Chicago Anthropology 2009);  
Rivera, Gustavo (U. Chicago Anthropology 2011);  
Rosenzweig, Melissa (U. Chicago Anthropology 2013);  
Routon, Erin (Cornell Anthropology 2020);  
Salas, Monica (Cornell Anthropology 2015);  
Straughn, Ian (U. Chicago Anthropology 2005);  
Sughandi, Namita (U. Chicago Anthropology 2008).

*External PhD Examiner*

Negus Cleary, Michelle (U. Melbourne 2014)

*MA in Progress*

None currently.

*MA completed*

Adcock, Sarah (U. Chicago 2012);  
Bews, Elizabeth (Cornell CIAMS 2018);  
Bocchierian, Salpi (Cornell CIAMS 2020);  
Cameron, Asa (Cornell CIAMS 2015);  
Cole, Chelsea (Cornell, CIAMS 2017);  
Fowler, Jeffrey (U. Chicago 2003);  
Hardy, Elizabeth (Cornell Anthropology 2016);  
Hill, Devon (U. Chicago 2005);  
Holbrook, Gary (U. Chicago 2000);  
Kayanan, Carla Maria (U. Chicago 2006);  
Lowry, Bryce (U. Chicago 2008);  
Marko, Alex (Cornell CIAMS 2014);  
Proctor, Elizabeth (Cornell CIAMS 2019);  
Raczek, Theresa (U. Chicago 2001);  
Selover, Stephanie (U. Chicago 2008);  
Thompson, Tiffany (U. Chicago 2002).

*BA Major and Thesis Advisees (\*=in progress):*

Amit, Yotam (U. Chicago 2006);  
Berquist, Stephen (U. Chicago 2008);  
Corbitt, Shannon (U. Chicago 2003);  
Dawson, Emily (U. Chicago 2008);  
Paul Diegert (U. Chicago 2009);  
Dragonetti, Jessica (U. Chicago 2009);  
Feery, Elizabeth (U. Chicago 2001);  
Gilbert, Maurine (U. Chicago 2005);  
Jackson, Brittany (U. Chicago 2009);  
Malik, Anjum (Cornell 2016);  
Nichols, Briana (U. Chicago 2006);  
Price, Max (U. Chicago 2009);  
Proctor, Kati (U. Chicago 2008);  
Schmalfuss, Olivia (Cornell 2020)  
Simpson, Sarah (Cornell 2012);  
Tomson, Annika (Cornell 2019);  
Tooch, Harper (Cornell 2021);  
Williams, Ariane (U. Chicago 2008).

**PUBLIC OUTREACH**

- 2015     Exploring Archaeology! Mini-course on archaeology for ages 5-10 (with L. Khatchadourian). Elizabeth Anne Clune Montessori School of Ithaca.
- 2014     Barbarians, Backwaters, and the Conflict in Crimea, or How Archaeology Can Save Civilization. Featured faculty speaker at Cornell University Reunion 2014.

- 2013 Things Past, Things Present: Cornell Archaeology Leads the Way to the Past and the Future. Lecture to the Cornell Arts and Sciences Advisory Council (with S. Manning).
- 2009 Prometheus Unbound: Early Complex Societies in the South Caucasus. Lecture presented to the Chicago Archaeological Society.
- 2007 Prometheus Unbound: Early Complex Societies in the South Caucasus. Lecture presented to the South Suburban Archaeological Society.
- 2006 Archaeologies of Authority in the Bronze Age South Caucasus. Lecture delivered to the Milwaukee Society of the Archaeological Institute of America.
- 2006 Prometheus Unbound: Geographies of Transgression and Archaeologies of Authority in the South Caucasus. The Frederick R. and Margaret B. Matson Lecture in Near Eastern Archaeology and World Archaeological Technology. Delivered to the Pittsburgh and University Park, PA Societies of the Archaeological Institute of America.
- 2006 Representational Aesthetics and Political Subjectivity: The Spectacular in Urartian Images of Performance. The Ludlow Hopkins Baldwin Memorial Lecture. Delivered to the Baltimore Society of the Archaeological Institute of America.
- 2005 From Nomads to Empire: Traditions and Transitions on the Armenian Highland (with L. Khatchadourian). Community lecture presented for Project Discovery!, Fairlawn NJ.
- 2004-05 Complex Societies in the Armenian Highlands as viewed from one Trench at Gegharot Fortress. Community lecture presented for Project Discovery! in Chicago (11/04), Boston (1/05), Detroit (4/05), Los Angeles (9/05).
- 2004 Archaeology in the Shadow of Mt. Aragats. Community lecture presented for Project Discovery! in Bloomfield Hills, MI.
- 1997 Imperial Archipelago: The Making of an Urartian Landscape on the Ararat Plain. Invited lecture for the Archaeological Institute of America, Ann Arbor Society.

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE, CONSULTING, AND ADVISORY POSITIONS:

- 2020-present Convener, [Archaeology Centers Coalition](#)
- 2020-present Advisory Board Member, [SAPIENS](#)
- 2018-present Editorial Board Member, *Araxes*.
- 2017-present Editorial Board Member, *Archaeological, Ethnographic, and Folkloric Studies from the Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Yerevan*.
- 2014-present Co-Director, [The Aragats Foundation](#). Non-profit foundation dedicated to promoting Armenia's cultural heritage as a cornerstone for local development and prosperity.
- 2007-present Editorial Board Member, *Aramazd: The Armenian Journal of Near Eastern Studies*.
- 2017-2019 National Science Foundation Senior Archaeology panel.
- 2017 SSRC IDRF Workshop Faculty Coordinator.
- 2016 External Reviewer, Department of Anthropology, Harvard University.
- 2012-2016 Editorial Board Member, *Oxford Research Reviews*.
- 2015 Desk Reviewer, International Council on Monuments and Sites World Heritage List.
- 2012-2015 Mellon Foundation-IFA Committee on Future Directions in Archaeology. National panel convened to document best practices in graduate training. Final Report published February 2015.
- 2013 External Reviewer, Department of Anthropology, Columbia University.

2011-2014	Representative to the Council on American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) from the American Research Institute of the South Caucasus (ARISC).
2011-present	Cornell University Representative to American Research Institute of the South Caucasus (ARISC) Board of Directors.
2009-2012	Reviewer, Social Science Research Council IDRF Program.
2007-2010	Treasurer, The American Research Institute of the South Caucasus (ARISC), a non-profit developing overseas research center.
2007-2010	Wenner-Gren Foundation Grant Review Committee.
2005-2011	University of Chicago Representative to American Research Institute of the South Caucasus (ARISC) Board of Directors.
2005	Founding Co-Director, American Research Institute of the South Caucasus (ARISC).
2004-2008	Advisory Board Member and Grant Review Committee Chair, Project Discovery! a non-profit organization supporting the archaeological heritage of the Republic of Armenia.
2001-2002	Program Committee, Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting.

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association;  
 Archaeological Institute of America;  
 Sigma Xi;  
 Society for American Archaeology.

### LANGUAGE SKILLS

Russian (speaking and reading); Armenian (beginner); French (reading)

### UNIVERSITY SERVICE

#### Cornell University

##### *Leadership*

2020-present Director, CIAMS  
 2018-19 Director of Graduate Studies, CIAMS  
 2014-17 Chair, Department of Anthropology.  
 2012-16 Director of Graduate Studies, CIAMS.

##### *Other service*

2016-2022 University Committee on Financial Policies  
 2019-2022 Cornell University Press Faculty Board  
 2015-2017 Provost's Public and Global Activities Working Group  
 2016-17 Provost's Task Force on the Humanities and Arts (CIVIC)  
 2016-17 Humanities Chairs' Curriculum Working Group  
 2014-2017 University Courses Advisory Board  
 2013-2016 Cornell Humanities Council (Council Chair 2015-16)  
 2014 Ad Hoc Tenure Review Committee (Architecture Art and Planning)  
 2014 Dean's faculty SSRC group  
 2012 NEH Summer Stipend Internal Competition  
 2012 Cornell University New Student Programs Coffeehouse event entitled  
 "Archaeology: Why Things Matter" (with Lori Khatchadourian).  
 2012 Ad Hoc Tenure Review Committee (Arts and Sciences)

2011-12 ACLS New Faculty Fellows Committee  
2011 Trustee Council Annual Meeting Gala speaker

University of Chicago

Arete Initiative Advisory Committee (2008-2009)  
Ad-Hoc Committee on Research Computing Infrastructure (2009)  
Board of Computing Services and Activities (2002-2005)  
College Council (2000-2003)  
Committee on Computation in the Social Sciences (2000-2001)  
Council of the University Senate (2005-2006)  
Faculty Advisory Committee to Social Science Computing (2003-2011)  
Faculty Co-Organizer, Interdisciplinary Archaeology Workshop (2002-03, 05-06, 07-09)  
Social Science Division Saller Dissertation Prize committee (2006)  
Search Committee for the Social Science Collegiate Division Master (2005-06)

**OTHER DEPARTMENTAL AND FIELD SERVICE**

Cornell University, Anthropology

2020-21 Graduate Affairs Committee  
2020 Undergraduate Affairs Committee  
2018-19 Public Affairs Committee  
2014 Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow Committee  
2012-13 Anthropology Curriculum Committee  
2012 Coordinator, Full Professor Promotion Case  
2012 Member, Ad Hoc Tenure Committee  
2011 Mellon Diversity Postdoctoral Fellowship Committee

Cornell University, Archaeology

2020- Graduate Advisory Committee  
2018-2019 Graduate Advisory Committee  
2012-2015 Graduate Advisory Committee

University of Chicago, Anthropology

Admissions Committee (2001)  
Appointments Committee (2002-03, 2007-08, 2009-10)  
Colloquium Organizer (2001)  
Computer Committee (2000-2005)  
Department Web Page Coordinator (2000-2002)  
Graduate Affairs Committee (2000-02, 2004-05, 2009-10)  
Galler Prize sub-committee (chair) (2002)  
Lichtstern Committee (2008-09)  
Student Faculty Liaison Committee (chair 2008-09)  
Undergraduate Affairs (2002-03, 2009-10)

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