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Education

Ph.D. Southern Illinois University 1980
M.A. Florida State University 1976
B.A. Florida State University 1971

Research Interests: Archaeology, ethnoarchaeology, social and environmental transformations in frontier settings, long-distance exchange, Mesoamerica, American Southwest

Career Objectives: To connect living people with the ancient past, to understand the interactions of past societies with one another and their environments, to promote recognition of indigenous peoples and their heritage.

Employment History

2000- Professor of Anthropology, School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University
2004-08 Associate Director, School of Human Evolution and Social Change Arizona State University
2003-04 Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University
1997-2000 Associate Professor, Arizona State University
1995-97 Assistant Professor, Arizona State University
1989-95 Associate Professor of Anthropology, State University of New York at Buffalo
1983-89 Assistant Professor, State University of New York at Buffalo
1981-83 Assistant Professor of Anthropology (Part-time), University of New Mexico
Assistant Director, Office of Contract Archeology
1980-81 Research Assistant Professor, University of Missouri - St. Louis
Director, Archaeological Survey
1978-80 Research Fellow
Mimbres Foundation
University of New Mexico

Courses Taught

Digging up our Past (Anth. 120)	Behavioral & Social Aspects of Irrigation (591)
Evol. of Human Culture & Soc. Complexity (Anth. 191)	Archaeology of N. & W. Mexico (Anth. 537)
First Americans (Anth. 162, 291)	Ethnoarchaeology (Anth. 585, 591)
Archaeology of the New World (Anth. 331)	Mesoamerican Archaeology (Anth. 567)
Archaeology of American Southwest (Anth. 332)	Chiefdoms (Anth. 589, 549)
North American Archaeology (Anth. 333)	Lab Group in NW Mex Archaeology (Anth 591)
Archaeological Field School (Anth. 335)	Research Methods in Anthropology (Anth. 650)
Prehispanic Civ. of Middle America (Anth. 337)	Archaeological Ceramic Analysis (Anth. 733)
Archaeological Field Techniques (Anth. 366)	

Awards

- 2013 Director's Award for Teaching Innovation. School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University.
- 2013 Communicator Award of Excellence Award for Interactive Multimedia-Education (Academic) given by the International Academy of Visual Arts to the Arizona State University Virtual Field Trip Team of the Astrobiology Institute. (Designed the Virtual Field Trip to Teotihuacan, which was one of the cited achievements).

Grants

- 2015 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2016-2017, \$90,000 (principal investigator).
- 2014 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2015-2016, \$100,000 (principal investigator).
- 2013 Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Workshop: Ceramic Metatypology For Northwest Mexico, 2013-14, \$20,000 (principal investigator).
- 2013 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2014-2015, \$240,000 (principal investigator).
- 2012 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2012-2013, \$120,000 (principal investigator).
- 2011 National Science Foundation, Coupled Human and Natural Systems Program: The Complexities Of Ecological And Social Diversity, A Long-Term Perspective, \$1,425,000, 2012-2015, (co-principal Investigator
- 2011 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2012-2013, \$100,000 (principal investigator).
- 2010 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2011-2012, \$100,000 (principal investigator).
- 2009 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2010-2011, \$100,000 (principal investigator).
- 2009 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2010-2011, supplement for publication of Aztatlan Conference proceedings, \$16,524 (principal investigator).
- 2008 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2009-2010, \$100,000 (principal investigator).

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- 2007 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2008-2009, \$81,000 (principal investigator).
- 2006 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2007-2008, \$140,000 (principal investigator).
- 2005 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2006-2007, \$100,000 (principal investigator).
- 2005 Long-Term Coupled Socioecological Change in Northern Mexico and the American Southwest, 2005-2007, \$540,955 (co-principal investigator, 10%).
- 2004 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2005-2006, \$175,000 (principal investigator).
- 2004 Enabling the Study of Long-Term Human and Social Dynamics: A Cyberinfrastructure for Archaeology. National Science Foundation. (BTS0022) \$100,000. (Co-PI – with Kintigh, Keith W., John M. Anderies, Chitta R. Baral, K. Selçuk Candan, Hasan Davulcu, Michelle Hegmon, Subbarao Kambhampati, Ann Kinzig, Huan Liu, Peter H. McCartney, Ben A. Nelson, Margaret C. Nelson, Charles L. Redman, Arleyn W. Simon, Katherine A. Spielmann, and Sander van der Leeuw).
- 2003 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2003-2004, supplement \$49,987 (principal investigator)
- 2002 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, 2003-2004, \$175,000 (principal investigator).
- 2002-03 National Science Foundation, Collaborative Grant: Landscape Reconstruction in Zacatecas, Mexico, \$97,922 (principal investigator, with Christopher Fisher)
- 2001-02 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, Year 2002, \$200,000 (principal investigator).
- 2000-01 Anonymous private donor, Connections and Impacts of Northwest Mexican Cultures, Year 2001, \$200,000 plus supplement of \$20,659 (principal investigator).
- 1999-00 Anonymous private donor, Interactions and Impacts of West Mexican Cultures, \$80,000 (principal investigator).
- 1997-98 Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Research, Excavation of a Multiple Burial at Los Pilarillos, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$10,000 (principal investigator).
- 1996-97 National Endowment for the Humanities, Investigations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$10,000 (matching funds for above FAMSI grant; principal investigator).
- 1996-97 National Endowment for the Humanities, Investigations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$14,850 (matching funds for to Paula Turkon's Wenner-Gren Grant in support of her dissertation on the La Quemada Project; principal investigator).
- 1995-1996 Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Archaeological Investigations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$12,000 (principal investigator).

- 1994-95 National Science Foundation. Prehispanic Pottery Production in the Chalchihuites and La Quemada Regions of Zacatecas, Mexico, \$4,774 (principal investigator, dissertation research for Nicola M. Strazicich).
- 1994-95 National Science Foundation. Research Experience for Undergraduates Supplement for Archaeological Investigations at La Quemada, \$4,946 (principal investigator).
- 1993-96 National Endowment for the Humanities. Investigations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$45,000 with offer of additional matching funds of \$59,000 (principal investigator).
- 1992-93 National Science Foundation. Organization of Chalchihuites Mining, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$11,988 (principal investigator, dissertation research for Vincent W. Schiavitti).
- 1992-94 National Science Foundation. Archaeological Investigations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$191,656 (principal investigator).
- 1991-92 National Science Foundation. Preliminary Analysis of Ceramics from the Armillas Collection, \$3,975 (principal investigator).
- 1988-90 National Science Foundation. Prehistoric Political Economy in Mesoamerica's Northern Periphery, \$72,977 (principal investigator).
- 1988 SUNY Faculty Research & Development Fund. Test Excavations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$2,498 (principal investigator).
- 1987-88 NYS/UUP Professional Development and Quality of Working Life Committee. Mapping at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, \$750 (principal investigator).
- 1986 National Institutes of Health Biomedical Research Support Grant, Archaeological Reconnaissance in the American Southwest, \$8,903 (principal investigator).
- 1984-85 New York State/United University Professions, Professional Development and Quality of Working Life Committee. Analysis of Burial and Cache Pottery from Prehistoric Chiapa de Corzo, Chiapas, Mexico, \$830 (principal investigator).

Contracts

- 1983-90 New York State Museum. Highway Archaeology Program, \$666,269 (principal investigator).
- 1983-90 Various municipalities and corporations. Small archaeological surveys and excavations, \$507,402 (principal investigator).
- 1982-83 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Albuquerque District. Completion of Mitigation Study Plan for Site 48, Santa Rosa Lake, New Mexico, \$99,518 (principal investigator).
- 1980-84 Various municipalities and corporations. Small archaeological surveys, \$114,432 (principal investigator).

Publications

1. Books and Monographs

- 1986 Ben A. Nelson and Steven A. LeBlanc. *Short-Term Sedentism in the American Southwest: The Mimbres Valley Salado*. University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.
- 1985 Ben A. Nelson (editor). *Decoding Prehistoric Ceramics*. Southern Illinois University Press, Carbondale.
- 1983 Walter K. Wait and Ben A. Nelson (editors). *The Star Lake Archaeological Project: Anthropology of a Headwaters Area of Chaco Wash, New Mexico*. Southern Illinois University Press, Carbondale.

2. Journal Articles and Book Chapters (asterisk indicates peer review)

- 2015 *Nelson BA & Martin DL (2015) Symbolic bones and interethnic violence in a frontier zone, northwest Mexico, ca. 500–900 C.E. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 112(30):9196-9201.
- 2015 *Ben A. Nelson. Desplazamiento ritual en el Occidente de Mexico: del pasado al presente. *Arqueologia Mexicana* 22(131): 54-59.
- 2014* Ben A. Nelson, Paul R. Fish and Suzanne K. Fish. Mesoamerican Connections. Chapter prepared for the *Oxford Handbook of the Archaeology of the US Southwest*, edited by Barbara J. Mills and Severin Fowles. Submitted. 2014* Ben A. Nelson, Adrian S.Z. Chase, and Michelle Hegmon. Comparative Landscapes: Transformative Relocation in the American Southwest and Mesoamerica. In *The Resilience and Vulnerability of Ancient Landscapes: Transforming Maya Archaeology through IHOPE*, edited by Arlen F. Chase and Vernon L. Scarborough. *Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association* 24(1):171-182.
- 2014* Jacob Freeman, John M. Anderies, Andrea Torvinen, and Ben A. Nelson. Crop Specialization, Exchange and Resilience in an Uncertain Environment. *Human Ecology*, 42(2):297-310.
- 2013* M. C. Nelson, M. Hegmon, K. W. Kintigh, A. P. Kinzig, B. A. Nelson, J. M. Anderies, D. A. Abbott, K. A. Spielmann, S. E. Ingram, M. A. Peeples, S. Kulow, C. A. Strawbacker, and C. Meegan. 2013. "时期的脆弱性恢复力: 美西南部墨西哥北部考古研究的例," in *考古永开展研究*. Edited by 邱斯嘉 and 臧振, pp. 93-117. 台北: 中央研究院人文社会科学研究中心考古研究中心. (Translated version of next article on this list.)
- 2012* M.C. Nelson, M. Hegmon, K.W. Kintigh, A.P. Kinzig, B.A. Nelson, J.M. Anderies, D.A. Abbott, K.A. Spielmann, S.E. Ingram, M.A. Peeples, S. Kulow, C.A. Strawhacker, C. Meegan, Long-term Vulnerability and Resilience: Three Examples from Archaeological Study in the Southwestern US and Northern Mexico. In *Living with the Dangers of Sudden Environmental Change*, edited by J. Cooper and P. Sheets, pp. 193-217. University Press of Colorado, Boulder.
- 2010* Michelle Elliott, Christopher T. Fisher, Ben A. Nelson, Roberto S. Molina Garza, Shawn K. Collins and Deborah M. Pearsall, Climate, agriculture, and cycles of human occupation over the last 4,000 years in southern Zacatecas, Mexico. *Quaternary Research* 74:26-35.
- 2010* Andrew S. Somerville, Ben A. Nelson and Kelly J. Knudson. Isotopic investigation of pre-Hispanic macaw breeding in Northwest Mexico. *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology* 29:125-135.
- 2010 B. A. Nelson. Archaeology and Conflict: Questions for Scientific Organizations. *Forum Archaeologiae* 55/VI/2010.
- 2010 Ben A. Nelson. The Connected World of the Mimbres. In *Mimbres Lives and Landscapes*, edited by M. C. Nelson

- and M. Hegmon, pp. 9-15. School for Advanced Research Press, Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- 2009* Ben A. Nelson. La Quemada: Centro Religioso Prehispánico y Ciudad Real de Zacatecas, Centro Minero Colonia. *Journal of Cultural Symbiosis* 3(103-114).
- 2009* Elliott, M., B. A. Nelson and C. S. Fisher. Vinculando la historia de asentamiento con la evolución socio-ecológica del paisaje en Mesoamérica septentrional: una perspectiva desde el sur de Zacatecas. *Espaciotiempo: Revista Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades* 3:107-122.
- 2008* Anderies, J. M., B. A. Nelson and A. P. Kinzig. Analyzing the Impact of Agave Cultivation on Famine Risk in Arid Prehispanic Northern Mexico. *Human Ecology* 36(3):409-422.
- 2007* Wells, E. Christian and Ben A. Nelson . Ritual Pilgrimage and Material Transfers in Prehispanic Northwest Mexico. In *Mesoamerican Ritual Economy*, edited by E. C. Wells and K. L. Davis-Salazar, pp. 137-165. University of Colorado Press, Boulder.
- 2007* Pérez, Ventura R., Ben A. Nelson, and Debra L. Martin, Veneration or Violence? A Study of Variations in Human Bone Modification at La Quemada. In *Social Violence in the Prehispanic American Southwest*, edited by D. Arizona Press, Tucson, pp. 229-245.
- 2007* Nelson, Ben. A. The Crafting of Places: Mesoamerican Monumentality in Cerros de Trincheras and Other Hilltop Sites. In *Enduring Borderlands Traditions: Trincheras Sites in Time, Space, and Society*, edited by S. K. Fish, P. R. Fish and M. E. Villalpando. University of Arizona Press, Tucson, pp. 230-245.
- 2006* Nelson, Ben A. Mesoamerican Objects and Symbols in Chaco Canyon Contexts. In *The Archaeology of Chaco Canyon: An 11th Century Pueblo Regional Center*, edited by S. H. Lekson, pp. 339-371. School of American Research Press, Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- 2005* Nelson, Ben A. and Destiny Crider. Posibles Pasajes Migratorios en el Norte de México y el Suroeste de los Estados Unidos Durante el Epiclásico y el Postclásico. In *Reacomodos Demográficos del Clásico al Posclásico en el Centro de México*, edited by L. Manzanilla, pp. 75-102. Instituto de Investigaciones, Universidad Nacional de México, Mexico City.
- 2004 Martin, Debra L., Ben A. Nelson and Ventura R. Perez. Patrones de Modificación en Huesos Humanos de La Quemada, Zacatecas: Hallazgos Preliminares. In *Perspectiva Tafonómica: Evidencias de Alteraciones en Restos Oseos del México Prehispánico*, edited by C. M. Pijoán Aguadé and L. C. Xabier, pp. 155-172. Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Mexico City.
- 2004* Ben A. Nelson. Elite Residences in West Mexico. In *Ancient Palaces of the New World: Form, Function, and Meaning*, edited by J. Pillsbury and S. T. Evans, pp. 60-81, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, Washington, D.C.
- 2004* Ben A. Nelson. Current and Future Directions in the Archaeology of Northwest Mexico. *Surveying the Archaeology of Northwest Mexico*. G. E. Newell and E. Gallaga. Salt Lake City, University of Utah Press: 289-296.
- 2004 E. Christian Wells and Ben A. Nelson. La Cerámica y la Concha del Período Clásico en el Valle del Malpaso, Zacatecas. In *Bienes Estragéticos del Antiguo Occidente de México: Producción e Intercambio*. E. Williams. Zamora, Michoacán, Mexico, Colegio de Michoacán: 283-309.

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- 2002 Nicola Strazicich and Ben A. Nelson, "Cultural Boundaries in Prehispanic Zacatecas and Durango," In *Boundaries and Territories*. Edited by Elisa Villalpando, pp. 165-172. Anthropology Papers 54. Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University, Tempe, in press.
- 2002 Ben A. Nelson. La Quemada: A Monument on the Mesoamerican Frontier. *Archaeology Southwest* 16:1-3. Center for Desert Archaeology, Tucson, Ariz.
- 2002 Nelson, Ben A. and E. Christian Wells (editors). *Archaeology Southwest*, Vol. 16. Issue devoted to La Quemada. Center for Desert Archaeology, Tucson, Ariz.
- 2002 E. Christian Wells and Ben A. Nelson. Chemical, Technological, and Social Aspects of Pottery Manufacture in the La Quemada Region of Northwest Mexico. In *Archaeological Chemistry: Materials, Methods, and Meaning*, edited by K. A. Jakes, pp. 185-198. American Chemical Society, Washington, D.C.
- 2001 Ben A. Nelson. Northwestern Mexico. In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Mesoamerican Cultures: The Civilizations of Mexico and Central America*, edited by D. Carrasco, A. Aveni, E.H. Boone, J.K. Chance, L. Manzanilla, and W.B. Taylor, pp. 385-388. Oxford University Press. New York:.
- 2001 Ben A. Nelson. Northern Mesoamerican Frontier. In *The Archaeology of Ancient Mexico and Central America: An Encyclopedia*, edited by Susan T. Evans & David L. Webster, pp. 528-535. Garland, New York.
- 2000* Ben A. Nelson. Aggregation, Warfare, and the Spread of the Mesoamerican Tradition. In *The Archaeology of Regional Interaction: Religion, Warfare, and Exchange Across the American Southwest and Beyond*, edited by Michelle Hegmon, University of Colorado Press, pp. 317-337.
- 1998 Ben A. Nelson. The Mimbres Branch. In *Archaeology of Prehistoric North America: An Encyclopedia*, edited by Guy Gibbon, p. 530-533. Garland, New York, in press.
- 1997* Ben A. Nelson. Chronology and Stratigraphy at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico. *Journal of Field Archaeology* 24(1):85-109.
- 1996* Ben A. Nelson and Roger Anyon. Fallow Valleys: Asynchronous Occupations in the Mimbres Region. *Kiva* 62(3):275-294.
- 1996 Ben A. Nelson. La Quemada. In *Encyclopedia of Latin American History*, edited by Barbara A. Tenenbaum, Vol. 3, p. 364. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1996.
- 1995* Ben A. Nelson. Complexity, Hierarchy, and Scale in Chaco Canyon, New Mexico, and La Quemada, Zacatecas. *American Antiquity* 60(4):597-618.
- 1994a Ben A. Nelson. Introduction: Approaches to Analyzing Prehistoric Community Dynamics. In *The Ancient Southwestern Community: Models and Methods for the Study of Prehistoric Social Organization*, edited by W. H. Wills and Robert D. Leonard, pp. 3-8. University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.
- 1994b* Ben A. Nelson, Debra L. Martin, Alan C. Swedlund, Paul R. Fish, and George J. Armelagos. Studies in Disruption: Demography and Health in the Prehistoric Southwest. In *Understanding Complexity in the Prehistoric Southwest*, edited by George J. Gumerman and Murray Gell-Mann, pp. 59-112. Proceedings Volume XIV, Santa Fe Institute Studies in the Sciences of Complexity. Addison-Wesley, Reading, Mass.

- 1994c *Ben A. Nelson, Timothy A. Kohler, and Keith W. Kintigh. Demographic Alternatives: Consequences for Current Models of Southwestern Prehistory. In *Understanding Complexity in the Prehistoric Southwest*, edited by George J. Gumerman and Murray Gell-Mann, pp. 113-146. Proceedings Volume XIV, Santa Fe Institute Studies in the Sciences of Complexity. Addison-Wesley, Reading, Mass.
- 1994d* McGuire, Randall H., E. Charles Adams, Ben A. Nelson, and Katherine A. Spielmann. Drawing the Southwest to Scale: Perspectives on Macrorregional Relations. In *Themes in Southwest Prehistory*, edited by George J. Gumerman, pp. 239-265. School of American Research Press, Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- 1993* Ben A. Nelson. Outposts of Mesoamerican Empire and Architectural Patterning at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico. In *Culture and Contact: Essays in Honor of Charles C. DiPeso*, edited by Anne I. Wooseley and John C. Ravesloot, pp. 173-190. University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.
- 1992* Ben A. Nelson, J. Andrew Darling, and David A. Kice. Mortuary Ritual and the Social Order at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico. *Latin American Antiquity* 3(4):298-315.
- 1992 Ben A. Nelson. El Maguey y el Nopal en la Economía de Subsistencia de La Quemada, Zacatecas. In *Origen y Desarrollo de la Civilización en el Occidente de México*, edited by Brigitte Boehm de Lameiras and Phil C. Weigand, pp. 359-382. Centro de Estudios Antropológicos, Colegio de Michoacán, Zamora, Mexico.
- 1991* Ben A. Nelson. Ceramic Frequency and Use-Life: A Highland Mayan Case in Cross-Cultural Perspective. In *Ceramic Ethnoarchaeology*, edited by William A. Longacre, pp. 162-181. University of Arizona Press, Tucson.
- 1990 Ben A. Nelson. Observaciones acerca de la Presencia Tolteca en La Quemada, Zacatecas. In *Mesoamérica y Norte de México Siglos IX-XII*. Vol. 2, edited by Federica Sodi Miranda, pp. 521-540. Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Mexico City.
- 1985a Ben A. Nelson. Introduction. In *Decoding Prehistoric Ceramics*, edited by Ben A. Nelson, pp. 1-3. Southern Illinois Press, Carbondale.
- 1985b Ben A. Nelson. Reconstructing Ceramic Vessels and Their Systemic Contexts. In *Decoding Prehistoric Ceramics*, edited by Ben A. Nelson, pp. 310-330. Southern Illinois University Press, Carbondale.
- 1984 Ben A. Nelson and Patricia A. McAnany. The Mogollon Culture Area as a Frame of Reference for Predictive Modeling. In *Recent Research in Mogollon Archaeology*, edited by Steadman Upham, Fred Plog, David G. Batcho, and Barbara E. Kauffman, pp. 28-44. Occasional Papers No. 10, The University Museum, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces.
- 1983 Ben A. Nelson and Linda S. Cordell. Dynamics of the Anasazi Adaptation. In *Anasazi and Navajo Land Use in the McKinley Mine Area near Gallup, New Mexico*, edited by Christina G. Allen and Ben A. Nelson, Vol. 1, Part 2, pp. 857-893. Office of Contract Archeology, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.
- 1981* Ben A. Nelson. Ethnoarchaeology and Paleodemography: A Test of Turner and Lofgren's Hypothesis. *Journal of Anthropological Research* 37(2):107-129.
- 1979 Ben A. Nelson, Steven A. LeBlanc, and Margaret C. Ruge. LA 12109: A Classic Mimbres Outlier. In *Limited Activity and Occupation Sites*, edited by Albert E. Ward, pp. 191-206. Center for Anthropological Studies, Albuquerque.

1976* Steven A. LeBlanc and Ben A. Nelson. Salado in Southwestern New Mexico. *The Kiva* 42(1):71-80.

4. Reviews and Comments

- 2009 Ben A. Nelson. Book Review of *La Gran Chichimeca: El Lugar de las Rocas Secas*, by Beatriz Braniff, Linda S. Cordell, María de la Luz Guetérrez, María Elisa Villalpando, and Marie Areti-Hers, *Becoming Aztlan: Mesoamerican Influence in the Greater Southwest, AD 1200-1500*, by Carroll L. Riley, and *Signs of the Casas Grandes Shamans*, ed by Christine S. Van Pool and Todd L. Van Pool. *Kiva* 74(4):465-469.
- 2005 Ben A. Nelson. Relatoria del Simposio: Mito y Ritual en la Periferia Septentrional de Mesoamérica. *Diario de Campo* 75:77-81.
- 2000 Ben A. Nelson. Salado at the End of the Twentieth Century. In *Salado*, edited by Jeffery S. Dean, pp. 321-326. Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press.
- 2000 Ben A. Nelson. Review of *Archaic States*, edited by Gary M. Feinman and Joyce Marcus. School of American Research Press, Santa Fe. *American Antiquity* 65(1):197-198.
- 1994 Ben A. Nelson. Review of "The American Southwest and Mesoamerica: Systems of Prehistoric Exchange," edited by Jonathon E. Ericson and Timothy G. Baugh. *Latin American Antiquity*, in press.
- 1990 Ben A. Nelson. Comments: Southwestern Sedentism Reconsidered. In *Perspectives on Southwestern Prehistory*, edited by Paul E. Minnis and Charles L. Redman, pp. 157-163. Westview Press, Boulder, Colorado.
- 1987 Ben A. Nelson. Comment on Michael B. Schiffer & James M. Skibo's "Theory and Experiment in the Study of Technological Change." *Current Anthropology* 28(5):612-613.
- 1986 Ben A. Nelson. Review of "Regional Analysis of Prehistoric Ceramic Variation: Contemporary Studies of The Cibola Whitewares," edited by Alan P. Sullivan and Jeffrey L. Hantman. *The Kiva* 51(2):138-139.
- 1984 Ben A. Nelson. Disputable Progress (Comment on "The Archaeology of Red Herrings," by Fred Plog, and "The OSMPMOA is Coming!" by Thomas F. King). *American Archaeology* 4(2):105-106.
- 1982 Ben A. Nelson. Review of "Mariana Mesa: Seven Prehistoric Settlements in West-Central New Mexico," by Charles R. McGimsey III. *American Antiquity* 42(1):237-238.

5. Significant Technical Manuscripts

- 2002 Ben A. Nelson., Paula Turkon, John K. Millhauser, E. Christian Wells, Denise To, and Vincent W. Schiavitti *Informe Técnico Parcial del Proyecto La Quemada-Valle del Malpaso, Temporada 1997-98*. Universidad Estatal de Arizona.
- 1998 Ben A. Nelson, John Millhauser, and Denise To. *Burial Excavations in Plaza 1 of Los Pilarillos, Zacatecas, Mexico, 1997 Season*. Report to the Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Studies. Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University, Tempe
- 1997 Ben A. Nelson, Paula Turkon, Loni Kantor, and Vincent Schiavitti. *Informe Parcial del Proyecto Valle del Malpaso-La Quemada, Temporada 1995*. Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University, Tempe.

- 1995 Ben A. Nelson, Loni Kantor, Ian Robertson, Vincent W. Schiavitti, Nicola Strazicich and Paula Turkon. *Informe Parcial del Proyecto Valle del Malpaso-La Quemada , Temporada 1993*. Department of Anthropology, State University of New York, Buffalo.
- 1993 Ben A. Nelson, Paula W. Weintraub, and Vincent W. Schiavitti. *Informe Parcial del Proyecto Valle de Malpaso-La Quemada, Temporada 1992*. Buffalo: Department of Anthropology, State University of New York at Buffalo (79 pp.).
- 1992 Ben A. Nelson and Vincent W. Schiavitti. *Trabajos conducidos por la State University of New York at Buffalo dentro del Proyecto La Quemada 1989-90*. Buffalo: Department of Anthropology, State University of New York at Buffalo (89 pp.).
- 1989 Ben A. Nelson. *Preliminary Report of SUNY-Buffalo Investigations at La Quemada, Zacatecas, 1987 and 1988 Seasons*. Buffalo: Department of Anthropology, State University of New York at Buffalo (44 pp.).
- 1983 Christina G. Allen and Ben A. Nelson, editors. In *Anasazi and Navajo Land Use in the McKinley Mine Area near Gallup, New Mexico*, Vol. 1, Part 2. Office of Contract Archeology, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque (662 pp.).
- 1982 Patricia A. McAnany and Ben A. Nelson. *Cultural Resources Overview for the New Mexico Synfuels Project*. Office of Contract Archaeology, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque (122 pp.).
- 1974 Ben A. Nelson, David Swindell III, and J. Mark Williams. *Analysis of the Ocmulgee Bottoms Materials at the Southeast Archeological Center. 1974*. Florida State University. Submitted to Southeast Archeological Center, National Park Service, Tallahassee, Florida. Contract No. 500041296.
- 1974 Ben A Nelson ., A. Wayne Prokopetz, and David Swindell. *Analysis of Mound D and Macon Earthlodge (1-Bi-3) Materials at the Southeast Archeological Center. 1974*. Florida State University. Submitted to the Southeast Archeological Center, National Park Service, Tallahassee, Florida. Contract No. 500041078.

Scholarly Talks (last 5 years)

- 2015 Butcher, Cheyenne , Andrew S. Somerville, Ben A. Nelson and Margaret J. Schoeninger
Environmental Reconstruction at La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico through Stable Isotope Analysis of Leporid Bones, Paper presented at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, Calif., April 15-19, 2015.
- 2015 Schwartz, Christopher W., Hannah Zanotto, Ben A. Nelson and David R. Abbott
Intersite Difference in Distant Interactions, Hohokam Canal System 2, Phoenix Basin, Arizona, Paper presented at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, Calif., April 15-19, 2015.
- 2015 Torvinen, Andrea, Ben A. Nelson and Stephanie Kulow
Refinement of the La Quemada Chronology and its Implications for Inter-Polity Interaction along the Northern Frontier of Mesoamerica, Paper presented at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, Calif., April 15-19, 2015.

- 2014 Ben A. Nelson. Southwestern US-Mesoamerican Connections: What We Know and Don't Know. Public lecture presented at the ,” 21st Annual Symposium of the Precolumbian Society of Washington, D.C., Sept. 20, 2014.
- 2013 Ben A. Nelson, Connectivity and Resilience in the Ancient Americas, 400-1400 CE,” Stockholm Resilience Center, Stockholm University, May 27, 2013.
- 2013 Ben A. Nelson, Connecting the American Southwest and Mesoamerica: A Ritual Economy. Archaeology Café, Archaeology Southwest, Tucson, May 7, 2013.
- 2012 Power, Distance, and Mesoamerican-US Southwestern Interaction. Department of Anthropology, University of California San Diego.
- 2010 Copper, Chocolate, and Cloisonné at Chaco Canyon, New Mexico_Foreign Relations and Local Politics. Public lecture presented to Phoenix Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society, Pueblo Grande Museum, Phoenix, Arizona December 9, 2010.
- 2009 Un ciclo prehispánico de complejidad social: intercambio, medio ambiente y conflicto en La Quemada, Zacatecas, 500-900 DC, Museo Regional Nayarit, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, January 29, 2009.
- 2009 La Quemada, Centro Religioso Prehispánico, y Ciudad Real de Zacatecas, Centro Minero Colonial. In *Exploring the Roots of Mexican Culture: Ancient Civilizations, Traditional Arts, and World Cultural Heritage*, Aichi Prefectural University, Nagoya, Japan, and Mexican Embassy, Tokyo, Japan, July 10-11, 2009.

Presentations at Professional Meetings (last 5 years)

- 2014 Ben A. Nelson, Nora Rodríguez Zariñán, Nicola Strazicich, and Andrea Torvinen, “Cerámica pseudo-cloisonné en La Quemada: identidad, intercambio y práctica ritual.” Paper presented at the symposium entitled "La Cerámica con Decoración al Cloisonné: Cronología, Distribución y Variabilidad Técnica y Estilística," sponsored by the Coordinación Nacional de Arqueología, INAH. El Teúl de González Ortega, Zacatecas, July 17-19, 2014.
- 2014 Andrea Torvinen, Ben A. Nelson, Chloé Pomédio and Nora Rodriguez Zariñán—Developing regional chronologies using ceramic metatypologies: An example from Northwest Mexico, 79th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, Texas, April 21-23, 2014.
- 2014 Ben A. Nelson “Introduction.” Wenner-Gren Foundation-sponsored Workshop, Ceramic Metatypology for Northwest Mexico, Austin Texas, April 21-23, and Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara, Guadalajara, México, June 5, 2014.
- 2014 Ben A. Nelson "Aplicaciones arqueológicas de la dendrocronología, un futuro prometedor." Presentation at the National Science Foundation-sponsored "Taller de Dendrocronología," Escuela de Antropología, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas, and at the Laboratorios de Arqueología, Facultad de Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades, Universidad de San Luis Potosí. (For archaeology students at the two universities.) Zacatecas, México, and San Luis Potosí, Mexico, June 2 and 3, 2014.

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- 2013 Nelson, Ben A. Discussant for the symposium entitled, "Turquoise and Blue-Green Stones in the Southwest US, Northern Mexico, and Mesoamerica: Where Mined, What Produced and Who Consumed?" at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 3-7, 2013.
- 2013 Nelson, Ben A. Discussant for the symposium entitled, Differentiated Practices in High Places Across the US-Mexico Borderlands, at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 3-7, 2013
- 2013 Nelson, Ben A., Hierarchy of a Collective Sort: Wirárika Models of Governance for Prehispanic La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico. Paper presented in the Session, Archaeological Interactions: Studies in Colonialism and Culture Contact. University of British Columbia Departments of Anthropology and Classical, Near-Eastern and Religious Studies. Vancouver, British Columbia, March 16, 2013.
- 2012 Nelson, Ben A. Perspectivas ganadas a través de unas investigaciones colaborativas en La Quemada, Paper presented at the conference entitled, "Primer Encuentro de Investigadores de Arqueología e Historia del Centro Norte y Occidente de México: Balances y Perspectivas Contemporáneas," held at Museo Arqueológico de La Quemada, Zacatecas, Mexico, June 1-2, 2012.
- 2012 Nelson, Ben A. Quince Siglos de Movimiento Ritual. Paper presented at the seminar entitled, "Ritualidad y Creación Artística en la Cosmogonía Waxarika: el Caso Wirikuta. Museo Nacional de Culturas Populares, Mexico City, February 14-15, 2012.
- 2011 Nelson, Ben A., Adrian Z. Chase, and Michelle Hegmon, Comparative Landscapes: Resilience, Rigidity, and Path Dependence In the American Southwest and Mesoamerica. Paper presented at the symposium, "The Resilience and vulnerability of Ancient Landscapes: Transforming Maya Archaeology Through IHOPE." Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Montreal, Quebec, November 18-22, 2011.
- 2011 Discussant for session entitled, "Landscape, Urbanism, and Society: Recent Research in Postclassic Western Mexico at the 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Sacramento, Calif., March 30-April 3, 2011
- 2011 Cleland, Robin, and Ben A. Nelson. Resource Depletion and Food Supply at La Quemada: A Zooarchaeological Approach. Poster presented at the 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Sacramento, Calif., March 30-April 3, 2011.
- 2010 Nelson, B. A. Archaeology and conflict: questions for scientific organizations. Paper presented at the Intercongress, "Archaeology and Conflict," sponsored by the World Archaeological Congress and the Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield with support from the Culture Sector of UNESCO, April 6-10, 2010, Vienna, Austria.
- 2010 Nelson, Ben A., Johannes Neurath and Loni Kantor-Wallace. Monumentality as a Social Product. Paper presented at the symposium, "Landscapes and Landmarks as Social Agents," 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, St. Louis, Missouri, USA, April 14-18, 2010.

- 2010 Nelson, Ben A. Discussant for session entitled, "Recent Investigations on the Archaeology of Northwest Mexico," 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, St. Louis, Missouri, USA, April 14-18, 2010.
- 2010 Nelson, Ben A., Stephen H. Lekson, Ivan Šprajc and Kenneth E. Sassaman. Shaping Space: Built Space, Landscape, and Cosmology in Four Regions. Paper presented at the workshop, "Cosmology & Society in the Ancient Amerindian World," Santa Fe Institute, Santa Fe New Mexico, USA, Sept. 10, 2010.
- 2009 Nelson, Ben A. Poder y distancia: hacia modelos de las relaciones prehispánicas entre el noroeste de México y el suroeste de los EE.UU., Centro Regional Sonora del Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, March 2, 2009.
- 2009 Kantor, L. and B. A. Nelson. Archaeological Potential of a Huichol Landscape. In *74th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology*, Atlanta, Georgia, April 22-26, 2009.
- 2009 Somerville, A. S., B. A. Nelson and K. J. Knudson. Pre-Hispanic Aviculture at Paquime: Carbon and Oxygen Isotope Analysis of Macaw Bone Carbonate. In *74th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology*, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2009 Elliott, M., B. A. Nelson, C. T. Fisher, R. S. Molina Garza, S. K. Collins and D. Pearsall. Long-term human occupation and landscape change in the Malpaso Valley, Zacatecas, Mexico. Poster presented at the *30me. Rencontre Internationales d'Archéologie e d'Histoire d'Antibes*, Antibes, France, October, 22-24, 2009.
- 2008 Michelle Elliott., Ben A. Nelson and Christopher S. Fisher. Human Occupation and Desertification in the Malpaso Valley, Zacatecas, Mexico. Paper presented at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, B.C., March 26-30, 2008.
- 2009 Nelson, B. A. Introducción a unos estudios en La Quemada: El papel del los modelos formales. In *Arqueología del Valle de Malpaso*, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas, Unidad de Académica de Antropología.
- 2008 Ben A. Nelson. Reseña de Avances en el Taller Aztatlán. Paper presented at the Primer Seminario-Taller

Professional Memberships

American Anthropological Association
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Professional Service

Member, Editorial Board, *Americae: la Revista Europea de la Arqueología Americanista* (European Journal of Americanist Archaeology), 2013-present
Member, Executive Board, Latin American Art Alliance of Phoenix Art Museum, 2013-2014
President, Archaeology Division, American Anthropological Association, 2009-2011
President-Elect, Archaeology Division, American Anthropological Association, 2008-2009
Member, Editorial Committee for book publication on West Mexican archaeology, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Université de Paris, Nanterre, 2003.
Member, Editorial Advisory Committee, *Latin American Antiquity*, 1997-2007
Member, Archaeology Panel, National Science Foundation, 1995-97
Member, Advisory Panel for Radiocarbon Dating Laboratory, Desert Research Institute, 1996-98

Member, Advisory Committee for Development of Exhibit "The Road to Aztlan," Los Angeles County Museum of Art, 1996-98

Chair, Task Force on Meetings Development, Society for American Archaeology, 1994-97

Book Review Editor, *American Anthropologist*, 1994-96

Member, Program Committee, Society for American Archaeology, 1994-95

Peer Reviewer, Roosevelt Community Development Project (Desert Archaeology, Inc.), 1991-94

Peer Reviewer, Roosevelt Platform Mound Project (Arizona State University), 1992-94

Member, Standards Committee, New York Archaeological Council, 1985-87

Member, Planning Board, New York State Office of Historic Preservation, 1984-85