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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

- 2016 Ph.D. in Anthropology, School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University. Dissertation Title: *The Effects of Aztec Conquest on Provincial Commoner Households at Calixtlahuaca, Mexico.*
- 2009 M.A. in Anthropology, School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University
- 2005 B.A. in Anthropology, University of Oregon
- 2005 B.A. in Spanish, University of Oregon

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Mesoamerican archaeology (with an emphasis on Epiclassic and Postclassic Central Mexico); state formation and consolidation strategies; imperial/provincial interaction; regional-scale economies; migration; household archaeology; archaeological ceramics analysis (INAA, typological); GIS; legacy data.

AFFILIATIONS

- 2020-present Postdoctoral Research Associate. Persistence and Continuity of Cities and Neighborhoods through History: Lessons for Sustainability Project. School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University.
- 2017-19 Postdoctoral Research Associate. Documenting, disseminating, and archiving data from the Teotihuacan Mapping Project. School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University.
- 2016-17 Visiting Researcher, School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University

2016 Visiting Instructor of Anthropology, Oregon State University

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- 2020 **Huster, Angela C.** and Daniel Pierce. A Geochemical Baseline for Clays of the Toluca Valley, Mexico. *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports*. 29:102094
- 2019 **Huster, Angela C.** Looming Deficits: Textile Production Specialization in Postclassic Mesoamerica. *Latin American Antiquity*. 30(4):780-797
- 2019 Smith, Michael E., Abhishek Chatterjee, **Angela C. Huster**, Sierra Stewart, and Marion Forest. Apartment Compounds, Households, and Population in the Ancient City of Teotihuacan, Mexico. *Ancient Mesoamerica*. 30(3):399-418.
- 2019 **Huster, Angela C.**, Maguey use at Postclassic Calixtlahuaca. *Mexicon*. 41(1):20-27
- 2018 **Huster, Angela C.**, Regional-Level Exchange in Postclassic Central Mexico. *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology*. 50:40-53
- 2015 **Huster, Angela C.**, and Michael E. Smith. A New Archaeological Chronology for Aztec-Period Calixtlahuaca, Mexico. *Latin American Antiquity*. 26(1):3-25
- 2013 **Huster, Angela C.** Assessing Systematic Bias in Museum Collections: A Case Study of Spindle Whorls. *Advances In Archaeological Practice*. 1(2):77-90
- 2013 Smith, Michael E., Aleksander Borejsza, **Angela C. Huster**, Charles D. Frederick, Isabel Rodríguez López, and Cynthia Heath-Smith. Excavations of Houses and Terraces at Calixtlahuaca, an Aztec-Period City in the Toluca Valley of Central Mexico. *Journal of Field Archaeology*. 38(3):225-241
- 2009 Smith, Michael E., Juliana Novic, **Angela C. Huster**, and Peter C. Kroefges. Reconocimiento Superficial y Mapeo en Calixtlahuaca en 2006. *Expresión Antropológica*. 36:39-55

Book Chapters

- (In Press) **Huster, Angela C.** Preservando los datos del Teotihuacan Mapping Project para el largo plazo. In *La documentación en los estudios arqueológicos en Mesoamérica*. Edited by Chloé Pomedio. Estudios del Hombre Series. University of Guadalajara.
- 2015 **Huster, Angela C.**, Michael E. Smith and Juliana Novic. Artefactos Rituales de Contextos Públicos y Domésticos en Calixtlahuaca. In *Bajo el volcán. Vida y ritualidad*

en torno al Nevado de Toluca, edited by P. Luna, A. Montero and R. Junco, INAH, México.

Technical Reports

- 2020 Michael E. Smith, M. Oralia Cabrera Cortés, Ian G. Robertson y **Angela C. Huster**. *El Teotihuacan Mapping Project: Informe de Trabajo*. Report for the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México.
- 2019 Smith, Michael E., M. Oralia Cabrera Cortés, Ian G. Robertson, and **Angela C. Huster**. *El Laboratorio de Teotihuacan de la Arizona State University*. Report for the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México.
- 2019 **Huster, Angela C.** and Kea M. Warren. Avances del Análisis de Cerámica de la Temporada de 2018. In *Proyecto de Ecología Histórica del Norte de la Cuenca de México: Informe de la Temporada de Campo 2018*. Edited by C. Morehart. Report for the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México.
- 2018 **Huster, Angela C.** Apuntes Sobre la Cerámica del PACV. In *Proyecto Arqueológico Chicoloapan Viejo: Informe Técnico: 2016-2017*. Report for the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México.
- 2018 **Huster, Angela C.** Análisis de Cerámica: Datos y Resultados Preliminares, and Guía Básica para la Clasificación de Cerámica y Definiciones de Tipos (two chapters). In *Proyecto de Ecología Histórica del Norte de la Cuenca de México: Informe de la Temporada de Campo 2017*. Report for the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México.
- 2017 **Huster, Angela C.** Análisis de Cerámica, and Miscelánea de Cerámica (two chapters). In *Proyecto de Ecología Histórica del Norte de la Cuenca de México: Informe de la Temporada de Campo 2016*. Report submitted to the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México.
- 2015 **Huster, Angela C.** 8 internal survey reports. Hassayampa Field Office, Phoenix, Arizona, Bureau of Land Management.
- 2011 **Huster, Angela C.** 4 single-author chapters and 2 co-authored chapters on excavation operations. In *Proyecto: Calixtlahuaca: Organización de un Centro Urbano Posclásico: Informe Técnico Parcial, Temporada de 2007*. Edited by M.E. Smith. Report submitted to the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Mexico.
- 2005 **Huster, Angela C.** 6 Cultural Resource Inventory Reports. Baker Resource Area, Baker, Oregon, Bureau of Land Management. Filed at the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office.

- 2004 **Huster, Angela C.** East Clover Creek Cultural Resource Inventory. Baker Resource Area, Baker, Oregon, Bureau of Land Management. Filed at the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office.

Other Publications

In press **Huster, Angela C.** Review of *Migrations in Late Mesoamerica*, edited by Christopher S. Beekman. Latin American Antiquity.

- 2018 **Huster, Angela C.**, Oralia Cabrera-Cortés, Marion Forest, Francis P. McManamon, Ian G. Robertson, and Michael E. Smith. Documenting, Disseminating, and Archiving Data from the Teotihuacan Mapping Project. *Antiquity (Project Gallery)* 92(363). Online publication: <https://doi.org/10.15184/aqy.2018.102>

- 2007 Smith, Michael E., Juliana Novic, Peter C. Kroefges, and **Angela Huster**. A New Map of the Aztec-Period City of Calixtlahuaca in Central Mexico. *Antiquity (Project Gallery)* 81(311). Online publication: <http://antiquity.ac.uk/projgall/smith311/>

Submitted Publications

- (2018) Smith, Michael E., **Angela C. Huster**, and Juliana Novic. “La ciudad antigua de Calixtlahuaca: Una investigación arqueológica”. In *Memoria del Ciclo de Conferencias de Arqueología y Etnohistoria de Mesoamérica*. El Colegio Mexiquense, Toluca, Mexico.

Publications in Preparation

Huster, Angela C. Ethnography, Ethnohistory and Archaeological Ceramic Production Step Indices. Article in preparation for the *Journal of Archaeological Method and Theory*.

Huster, Angela C. and Michael E. Smith. 2 chapters on ceramic analysis. In *Proyecto: Calixtlahuaca: Organización de un Centro Urbano Posclásico: Informe Final*. Edited by M.E. Smith. Report for the Consejo de Arqueología, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Mexico.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

External Grants:

- 2020 Society for American Archaeology, H. and T. King Grant for Precolumbian Archaeology, “Aztec Migration and Economy at Tlacotepec, Central Mexico”, \$14,000
- 2017 Rust Family Foundation, Archaeology Grant, “Toluca Valley Geochemical Variation Project”, \$2,000
- 2012 National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, “Effects of Aztec Conquest on Provincial Commoner Households at Calixtlahuaca, Mexico”, \$20,000

Internal Grants:

- 2016 ASU Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Grant, \$830
- 2015 ASU Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Grant, \$610
- 2012 School of Human Evolution and Social Change Travel Grant, \$200
- 2012 School of Human Evolution and Social Change Graduate Research Grant, \$1,000
- 2010 ASU Chapter Sigma Xi Grant in Aid of Research, \$400

Scholarships:

- 2014 School of Human Evolution and Social Change Summer Writing Fellowship. Arizona State University
- 2011-13 Dean's Advanced Scholarship. Arizona State University
- 2006-09 Dean's Scholarship. Arizona State University

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 Migration and Local Cultural Change at Aztec Calixtlahuaca. Anthropology Department Speaker Series, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR
- 2015 Trade and Empire at Calixtlahuaca: The Broader Picture from Specialized Analyses. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
- 2011 Evidencia arqueológica de la conquista azteca de Calixtlahuaca. Coloquio de Investigación Año 2011. Seminario de Historia Mexicana e Historia del Estado de México. El Colegio Mexiquense, Toluca, Mexico

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Sessions Organized

- 2017 Local Responses to Regional Integration in Postclassic Mesoamerica. 82nd Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, BC (Co-organized with Nezahualcoyotl Xiuhtecutili)
- 2015 Comparative Approaches to Postclassic Mesoamerican Ceramics. 80th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, CA (Co-organized with Anna Cohen)
- 2013 Empire, Economy, and Urban Society at Aztec Period Calixtlahuaca, Mexico. 78th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. Honolulu, HI (Co-organized with Juliana Novic)

Papers Presented

2019 Social Diversity at Epiclassic Chicoloapan Viejo. 2nd Annual Southwest Mesoamerican Conference, Flagstaff, AZ (co-authored with Sarah Clayton)

2019 Chronology and Style of Chicoloapan Ceramics in a Regional Perspective. Early Urbanism, Land Use, and Community Life: Archaeological and Paleoenvironmental Research at Chicoloapan, Mexico Workshop. University of Paris-Nanterre, France

2019 The Burial Artifacts of Epiclassic Los Mogotes, Basin of Mexico. 84th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, Albuquerque, NM (Poster)

2018 Looming Deficits: Macroregional Patterns of Textile Production in Postclassic Mesoamerica. Southwest Mesoamerican Meeting, Tempe AZ

2018 Preservando los datos del Teotihuacan Mapping Project para el largo plazo. II Congreso Internacional e Interdisciplinario de Patrimonio Cultural "El patrimonio documental como fundamento de la memoria y de la cultura" Universidad de Guadalajara: Centro Universitario Tonalá, Mexico

2018 Being Matlatzinca: Ethnicity and Household Activity at Aztec Calixtlahuaca. 83rd Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, Washington DC

2017 Characterization of Local and Aztec Rule at Calixtlahuaca. 82nd Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, BC

2017 Negotiating the Absence of States: Social and Economic Reorganization in Epiclassic-Early Postclassic Central Mexico. Current Research In Mesoamerican Archaeology: Contributions for Central, West, and Northern Mexico Workshop. Tempe, AZ

2016 By Themselves They Celebrated His Feast Day: Regional Variation in Postclassic Central Mexican Domestic Ritual. 81st Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, Orlando, FL (Poster)

2015 Patterns of Postclassic Ceramic Exchange in the Toluca Valley and Surrounding Areas of Central Mexico. 80th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology, San Francisco, CA (Poster)

2014 Material and Social Capital at Postclassic Calixtlahuaca, Mexico. 79th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. Austin, TX (Poster)

2013 Of Comales, Cotton, and Aztec Orangeware: the Effects of Aztec Conquest at Calixtlahuaca. 78th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. Honolulu, HI.

2011 Longterm Stability?: Chronology and Demographics at Calixtlahuaca, Mexico. 76th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. Sacramento, CA.

2010. Changes in Cloth Production at Calixtlahuaca as a Result of Aztec Conquest. 75th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. St Louis, MO.

2009. Raspadores, Malacates y el Uso Económico de Maguey en Calixtlahuaca. Mesa de Trabajo: Los artefactos de Calixtlahuaca y las interpretaciones sociales. El Colegio Mexiquense, Toluca, Mexico.

2009. Ceramic Seriation at Calixtlahuaca, Central Mexico. 74th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. Atlanta, GA.

2008. Scraping and Spinning: Maguey Fiber Production at Calixtlahuaca, Mexico. 73rd Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeology. Vancouver, Canada.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2017-present Documenting, Disseminating, and Archiving Data from the Teotihuacan Mapping Project. Postdoctoral Research Associate. PIs Dr. Michael Smith and Dr. Francis Pierce-McManamon.

Description: Cataloging and completing the results of the Teotihuacan Mapping Project, in order to publicly archive both raw data and results in support of further research on the urban nature of the city. The project includes analysis of remaining artifacts, scanning of paper records and photographs, database creation and organization, basic spatial analyses, and report writing. My project role spans all of the aforementioned activities, as well as training and supervising students to do the same, in Arizona and San Juan Teotihuacan.

2017-present Toluca Valley Geochemical Variation Project. PI Angela Huster.

Description: Collection and INAA of geological clay samples and archaeological ceramics to characterize the geochemical variation of the Toluca Valley region. This project supports my own and other researchers' work on regional ceramic production and exchange in the region during several time periods.

2016-present Northern Basin of Mexico Human Ecology Project. Field Lab Director and Lead Ceramics Analyst. PI Dr. Christopher Morehart.

Description: Investigation of the long-term interplay between human and environmental systems across multiple periods of state and non-state social organization in a single region. Current ongoing excavations and lab work at the site of Los Mogotes, in the northern Basin of Mexico. My specific research with this project address the reorganization of political and economic systems during the Epiclassic and Early Postclassic periods, based on the analysis of ceramics.

2016-present Chicoloapan Viejo Archaeological Project. Lead Ceramic Analyst. PI Dr. Sarah Clayton.

Description: Investigation of how local communities in the Basin of Mexico adapted to the collapse of the Teotihuacan state, through excavations of households and plaza areas at the site of Chicoloapan Viejo, in the southern Basin of Mexico. My work with this project is oriented toward providing a comparative case study for Los Mogotes through the analysis of household ceramics at a contemporaneous site where political changes are better understood.

2011-2016 Effects of Aztec Conquest on Provincial Commoner Households at Calixtlahuaca, Mexico. PI Angela Huster.

Description: Investigation of the interplay between local rulership interests, Aztec imperial interests, and commoner reactions to both at the Aztec site of Calixtlahuaca. Includes typological, attribute, and technical (INAA, petrography) analyses of ceramics, as well as basic analyses of other material types.

2006-2016 Calixtlahuaca Archaeological Project, Mexico. Survey and Excavation Crew Supervisor, Lab Director. PI Dr. Michael Smith.

Description: Investigation of the urban organization an Aztec city, and the consequences of Aztec imperial expansion on provincial areas. Included intensive site survey, excavation, lab analysis, and technical analyses.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Oregon State University, Adjunct Instructor

Fall 2016 Time Travelers: Introduction to Archaeology

Arizona State University, Instructor

Spring 2014 Archaeology of the Southwest (online)

Spring 2012 Prehispanic Civilizations of Middle America

Arizona State University, Teaching Assistant

Fall 2006-Spring 2016

Understanding Human Diversity: Introduction to Anthropology

Buried Civilizations of the Americas: Introduction to New World Archaeology (x3)

Buried Cities and Lost Tribes: Introduction to Old World Archaeology

Bones, Stones and Human Evolution: Introduction to Physical Anthropology (x2) (Lab instructor)

Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology (online)

Introduction to Global Health

Prehispanic Civilizations of Middle America

Archaeology of the Southwest (online)

Archaeology of North America

Human Impacts on Ancient Environments

Peopling of the World

Death and Dying in Cross Cultural Perspective

Course Design

Honors Thesis Writing and Professionalism in Anthropology and Global Health (2-semester senior capstone course sequence)

Public and Guest Lectures

- 2018 A Commoner's Eye View of the Aztec Empire. Public lecture for the series Cities and Empire in Ancient Mesoamerica. Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve, Phoenix, AZ
- 2018 Ancient Teotihuacan. Guest lecture for LAS 205: Deep Roots: Latin America. Arizona State University, West Campus.

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- Oct.-Dec. 2015 Archaeologist, GS-11. BLM, Agua Fria National Monument/Hassayampa Field Office (Phoenix). Amanda James, Supervisor.
- 2008-2009 Student Career Experience Program (SCEP) Archaeologist, GS-5. BLM, Prineville District. John Zancanella, Supervisor.
- 2005 Archaeological Technician, GS-5. Bureau of Land Management, Baker Resource Area. Mary Oman, Supervisor.

OTHER TRAINING

- Oct. 2019 XRF in Archaeology: Overview of Fundamental Concepts and Case Studies. Online Workshop, Society for American Archaeology
- Feb. 2019 Addressing Orphaned Collections: A Practical Approach. Online Workshop, Society for American Archaeology
- Dec. 2014 An Introduction to the Section 106 Process. Online Workshop, Society for American Archaeology

SERVICE

- 2017-present Peer reviewer for *Ancient Mesoamerica*, *Journal of Archaeological Research*, and *Anales de Antropología*
- 2017-present Skype-a-Scientist volunteer speaker (5x/year)
- 2014-16 Guest panelist, Undergraduate Anthropology Association meetings, Arizona State University (Applying to graduate school (x2), Conferences and Professional Posters (x2))
- 2014–16 Reader, Graduate Reader Program, Arizona State University
- 2012-14 Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Supervisor, Arizona State University
- 2012 Grant Reviewer for ASU Graduate and Professional Student Organization
- 2009-11 Secretary, School of Human Evolution and Social Change Association of All Graduate Students, ASU

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2007-present, Society for American Archaeology
2019-present, Coalition for Archaeological Synthesis

LANGUAGES

Fluent in spoken and written English
Fluent in spoken and written Spanish