# McKenna Douglass

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#### **EDUCATION**

MA University of South Florida, Applied Anthropology

Expected May 2021

Track in Archaeological and Forensic Sciences

**BA** Wichita State University, Anthropology

May 2019

Graduated Magna Cum Laude Minored in History and Religion

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

# The Black Trowel Collective Microgrants Recipient

2020

Support for archaeology students from working-class backgrounds and historically looted communities who are both regularly excluded by traditional scholarship and academic programs.

# David and Sally Jackman Endowment for Anthropology Scholar

2014-2019

Worked as an undergraduate research assistant for faculty members concentrating in archaeology, zoo-archaeology, biological anthropology, and cultural anthropology.

#### **Mortar Board National Honors Society Member**

2018-2019

Served as the Vice President of the Fairmount chapter of a nationally distinguished senior honor society.

# **McNair Scholars Program Research Fellowship**

2017-2019

Engaged in original undergraduate research projects, funded by a stipend, and later presented the projects at a symposium, regional conference, and was selected to be published in the McNair Research Journal.

# Henry and Gerry A Pronko Scholarship

2017-2019

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

#### **EOF HALA Scholarship**

2018-2019

Scholarship awarded for past community service and demonstration of leadership through current and future community service.

# Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean's Honor Roll

2014-2019

Demonstration of the level of highest scholarship through Grade Point Average maintenance.

## Clark and Rowena Ahlberg Scholarship

2018

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

# **Johnson Memorial Crew Scholarship**

2018

Scholarship awarded as a fourth-year varsity member of the Wichita State University Rowing team, while demonstrating leadership, dedication, athletic and academic excellence.

#### **Student of the Year Nominee**

2017-2018

Nominated as a student who has proven exemplary leadership, involvement, and service to both the Wichita State University and Wichita communities.

#### **American Collegiate Rowing Association All American**

2015-2018

Selected by the ACRA Board of Directors based on 2,000-meter testing scores, performance within team, career racing results, individual performances and coach recommendation.

# **American Collegiate Rowing Association All-Academic Distinction**

2016-2018

Maintenance of at least a cumulative GPA of 3.5-3.84 throughout sophomore, junior, and senior years.

# American Collegiate Rowing Association All-Region Representative

2016-2018

Selected by the ACRA Board of Directors based on 2,000-meter testing scores, performance within team, career racing results, individual performances and coach recommendation to represent Plains Region and Wichita State University within the American Collegiate Rowing Association.

# **Varsity Crew Team Scholarship**

2015-2018

Scholarship awarded as a varsity member of the Wichita State University Rowing team, while demonstrating leadership, dedication, athletic and academic excellence.

#### Bob and Darlene Anderson Lifeguard Endowed Scholarship

2016-2017

Scholarship awarded within the Aquatics Department of Wichita State University Campus Recreation, as a lifeguard who showed leadership, dedication, and academic excellence.

#### **Poor Charitable Foundation Scholarship**

2017

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

# Philip and Gloria Farha Scholarship

2016

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

# Student Government Association Study Abroad Scholarship

2016

Scholarship awarded by Student Government Association to participate in Study Abroad program.

# **Leon Trammell Scholarship**

2016

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

# **Leader of the Year in Aquatics**

2015-2016

Distinction awarded within the Aquatics Department of Wichita State University Campus Recreation, as a lifeguard who showed leadership, dedication, and academic excellence.

# John L D Frazier Scholarship

2015

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

Hicks Scholarship 2015

Scholarship awarded as a member of Student Support Services, while demonstrating Academic Excellence, Program Participation, and Financial Need.

# **Emerging Leader of the Year in Aquatics**

2014-2015

Distinction awarded within the Aquatics Department of Wichita State University Campus Recreation, as a lifeguard who showed leadership, dedication, and academic excellence.

#### **Academic Commendation**

2014-2015

Demonstration of the level of high scholarship through Grade Point Average maintenance of at least 3.5.

#### RESEARCH AND APPLIED EXPERIENCE

# Manatee Mineral Spring Excavation, Bradenton, FL Volunteer Field Archaeologist

2019

- Collected geological and archaeological feature data in natural stratigraphy of site in test pits
- Recorded, drew, and surveyed features and artifact finds

# **Cultural Anthropology Journal Publications**, Wichita, KS

2017-2019

**Research Assistant.** Advisor: Jens Kreinath

- Located and analyzed relevant scholarly literature to contribute to Dr. Kreinath's various research articles.
- Edited and Proofread Dr. Kreinath's articles during early drafts and final drafts, prior to international journal publications.

Biological Anthropology Laboratory- Maple Grove Project, Wichita, KS

2016-2017

**Research Assistant.** Advisor: Peer Moore-Jansen

• Transcribed data from Maple Grove Cemetery Records into database

Archaeological and Zooarchaeology Laboratory, Wichita, KS

2015-2016

**Research Assistant.** Advisor: David Hughes.

• Manually catalogued and organized animal bones, ceramics, and any other artifacts from various Kansas and Oklahoma archaeological sites.

# Ek Balam Ecotourism CRM Project. Yucatan, Mexico.

2015

# Field Work Anthropological Assistant, Advisor: Sarah Taylor

- Performed ethnographic study of ecotourism, cultural heritage, conservation, and resource management in rural Yucatan, Mexico.
- Interviewed local farmers about ancient techniques and knowledge used that required local plants, trees, and shrubbery.
- Engaged with local community members about heritage conservation techniques to preserve and pass on knowledge to future generations.
- Created signs about the local flora as part of the ecotourism and cultural heritage conservation.

**Xaltocan Archaeological Project**, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS 2014-2015 **Research Assistant.** Advisor: Lisa Overholtzer

• Transcribed and Translated Old World Spanish Colonial Documents into English

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Journal Publications

Douglass, McKenna, and Jens Kreinath (2019) "Is God a Woman?: Veneration of Ancient Near Eastern Goddesses," McNair Scholars Program Journal of Research Reports, vol. 23 (2018-2019): 19-29.

Douglass, McKenna, and Jens Kreinath (2018) "Why We Cannot Have Nice Things: The Ideology Behind the Destruction of Cultural Heritage Sites by the Islamic State," McNair Scholars Program Journal of Research Reports, vol. 22 (2017-2018): 1-22.

# **Conference Papers**

Douglass, M. "Why We Cannot Have Nice Things: The Ideology Behind the Destruction of Cultural Heritage Sites by the Islamic State," Proceedings of McNair Heartland Research Conference, Sept. 21-23, 2018.

#### Presentations and Invited Lectures

**Research Presentation**, "Is God a Woman?: Veneration of Ancient Near Eastern Deities," McNair Summer Symposium, July 26, 2019.

**Research Presentation**, "Is God a Woman?: Veneration of Ancient Near Eastern Deities," Diverse Women's Summit, March 7, 2019.

**Research Presentation**, "Why We Cannot Have Nice Things: The Ideology Behind the Destruction of Cultural Heritage Sites by the Islamic State," McNair Summer Symposium, July 27, 2018.

Research Presentation and Lecture, "Why We Cannot Have Nice Things: The Ideology Behind the Destruction of Cultural Heritage Sites by the Islamic State," The Bible and the Ancient Near East Class, September 11, 2018.

**Research Presentation**, "Why We Cannot Have Nice Things: The Ideology Behind the Destruction of Cultural Heritage Sites by the Islamic State," McNair Heartland Research Conference, September 21-23, 2018.

#### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

## **US Rowing Level II Coaching Certification Clinic**

Devon Boathouse, Oklahoma City, OK, January 26-27, 2019.

#### **Lead Conference**

Wichita State University, Wichita, KS, June 10, 2018.

Networking opportunities and expansion of leadership skills and abilities through workshops.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

# **Stewards Rowing Foundation**

Volunteer Regatta Official, Tampa, FL, September 2019

# Wichita Rowing Association

Learn to Row Volunteer Instructor, Wichita, KS, May 2018-Current Volunteer Juniors (High School Level) Assistant Coach, June 2018-Current

#### **River Float ICT**

Water Support and Rescue Volunteer, Wichita, KS, July 20, 2019

## **Austin Rowing Club**

Volunteer Regatta Official, Austin, TX, April 2019

#### Ironman Waco

Water Support and Race Operations Volunteer, Waco, TX, October 28, 2018

#### LANGUAGES

English: Native Language

Spanish: Advanced Speaker, Advanced Reading and Writing

Italian: Intermediate Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing

**Latin**: Intermediate Reading and Writing

Mayan: Novice Speaker, Novice Reading