

Addendum

Reflections from the Center for the Advancement of Food security and Healthy Communities

The Center for the Advancement of Food Security and Healthy Communities (CAFSHC) has a mission to transform the conversation about hunger and food insecurity, and food sovereignty, using research and education to facilitate social equity that results in healthier communities in Tampa Bay and beyond.

Over the past years, CAFSHC has partnered with community organizations, such as Feeding Tampa Bay and Tampa Family Health Centers to assist in evaluating their programs to provide recommendations for improvement. Below are reflections from two of the graduate students involved in current projects on their experience working with the center.

“My name is Deven Gray, a fourth-year doctoral student in the department and this is my second year working as a student under Dr. David Himmelgreen and Dr. Nancy Romero-Daza on multiple programs concerning the Center for the Advancement of Food Security and Healthy Communities. Specifically, I wanted to talk about my perspective as a student working on CAFSHC’s “Food Rx” program in partnership with Evara Health and Feeding Tampa Bay, which seeks to provide food assistance holistically, ranging from food vouchers to home delivery efforts. I was brought into “Year One” of the project in the Fall of 2021, where I was part of a team of other anthropology students, I performed surveys and interviews intended to help us evaluate the effectiveness and efficacy of this innovative program. We just recently presented our findings to partners a few weeks ago. The CAFSHC team and our partners saw a lot of merit in the program, so much so that we extended it into 2022. As a result, we are actively working with partners to perform additional data collection and are continuing to evaluate the evolution of this program. COVID-19 created additional challenges for individuals already facing low levels of food security, so I am excited to be a part of a multidisciplinary team seeking to address growing disparities in the built and social environment. Additionally, come closer to finishing my time at USF, I am glad for this opportunity to expand my skill set and hopefully build lasting connections as I look towards the future as an applied anthropologist.”

“My name is Kris-An Hinds, a third-year Ph.D. Candidate in the department. I have worked with CAFSHC since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021 on major evaluation for Feeding America, Feeding Tampa Bay, Feeding Southwest Florida, and Tampa Family Health Centers – Osborne Facility. Through all of these projects, I’ve been able to develop my skills as an applied anthropologist and gain meaningful professional experience in conducting program evaluations to improve food security for local communities. Currently, I am working on the CAFSHC project to evaluate the Tampa Family Health Centers’ Urban Community Garden FoodRx Planning Project. As the evaluator for this project, I have had the opportunity to partner with TFHC to determine how the development of a community garden will impact their patients and the surrounding residents of their facility in East Tampa. Community gardens and the ability to access affordable fruits and vegetable is linked to a decrease in individuals with comorbidities such as diabetes, hypertension, and

obesity. The next step for this project is to begin data collection in May 2022 via surveys and interviews with patients and area residents. The results of this will be used as the foundation for the implementation and site design of the TFHC's community garden."

To learn more about the Center for the Advancement of Food Security and Healthy Communities' projects and results, please visit: <https://www.usf.edu/arts-sciences/centers/cafshc/>.

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AnthroScope

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Anthropologists in the News

Nancy White and graduate students engage in public outreach, Wellness monitoring



PHOTO CAPTION: Ph.D. student Chris Hunt doing archaeological monitoring during construction of the new USF Wellness Center (just west of the Yuengling Center/Sun Dome).

In January 2022, Nancy White and grad students Chris Hunt and Crystal Wright were invited to two Florida panhandle towns, Wewahitchka and Port St. Joe, to speak on the prehistoric and historic archaeology represented by new public archaeology exhibits there, including one on the lost antebellum town of old St. Joseph. Record crowds turned out for these programs.

The crew then began the archaeological monitoring of two new construction projects on campus, the wellness center (west side of the Yuengling Center) and the indoor football practice facility (on the current outdoor practice field).

In February, White led a group of students to staff a USF booth at the annual Silver River Knap-In, a big public archaeology program at the state park in Ocala that draws students, professionals, and experts in prehistoric and Native American crafts and technology. The three-day festival is organized by USF archaeology alumnus Scott Mitchell.

White is also directing our contribution to the [SnowVision/World Engraved project](#) run by Karen Smith at the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources. This research aims at digital representation of stamped complicated designs on pottery from the Woodland period, dating roughly between A.D. 100-900. We are one of five archaeology labs across the Southeast participating in this research.

Grad student Kerri Knigge Klein is doing the 3-D scanning of hundreds of ceramic sherds to submit to the machine learning system that will identify patterns occurring across wide geographic areas.

Challenging Anti-Black Racism in Civil and Environmental Engineering Curriculum



Photo caption: students from Dr. Wells' spring 2022 environmental justice seminar on a 'toxic tour' of East Tampa

Christian Wells is working with colleagues in environmental engineering (Maya Trotz [PI], Katherine Alfredo) and the college of education (Ruthmae Sears, Deidre Cobb-Roberts) to develop and implement a suite of integrated, interdisciplinary, community-engaged, anti-racism training opportunities for civil and environmental engineering undergraduates at USF to build capacity for addressing environmental justice challenges. Their \$1.5 million proposal to the National Science Foundation's IUSE ("Improving Undergraduate STEM Education") program for Engaged Student Learning was recently recommended for funding. It is anticipated the project will begin in August.

University of South Florida researchers discover 45 unmarked cemeteries throughout Tampa Bay

This brief summary was taken from the University of South Florida Newsroom, February 16, 2022 article ([University of South Florida researchers discover 45 unmarked cemeteries throughout Tampa Bay | USF News](#))

USF forensic anthropologists presented their findings of a two-year study commissioned by the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners to identify the locations of unmarked cemeteries on county property.

Erin Kimmerle, executive director of the Florida Institute of Forensic Anthropology & Applied Science at USF, told the Hillsborough County Board her team found 45 unmarked cemeteries and burial grounds, two of which are located on Hillsborough County property: the Lewis Family Cemetery in Lithia and the 1916 Platt Map Cemetery near Carney Memorial in Valrico.

The remainder of the sites are either owned by the Hillsborough County School Board, City of Tampa, Aviation Authority or are on private property or on property with ownership that hasn't been reported. For many of those cemeteries, only the general vicinity is known. The cemeteries that are documented have significant border issues, meaning their boundaries may be under neighboring properties.

Robert Tykot presents papers

In Spring of 2022, Robert Tykot presented two papers at the annual meetings of the Archaeological Institute of America (online), and one at the Society for American Archaeology (in Chicago). He will be attending and presenting at the 43rd International Symposium on Archaeometry, in Lisbon, Portugal, May 16-20. His presentation "Neolithic Obsidian Trade and Distribution to Northern Italy and Southern France" will be his 600th conference presentation.

Faculty Awards and Honors

Antoinette Jackson and incoming PhD student garner Inclusive Excellence Awards

The USF Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion recently named the 2022 winners of the Inclusive Excellence Awards. A faculty award winner was our department chair Antoinette Jackson. A staff winner was our incoming PhD student DeWayne Anderson (assistant program director for the Office of Multicultural Affairs in St. Pete).

From the USF Newsroom: [Celebrating diversity, equity and inclusion across One USF | USF News](#)

Lorena Madrigal and cohort selected for award

In April of this year, the Humanities Institute Faculty Advisory Board selected Lorena Madrigal's cohort for the 2022-23 Faculty Fellowship Program. the 2022-2023 Cohort. The group consists of Adriana Novoa (Department of History), Christina Richards (Biology), and Lorena Madrigal. They will work on developing a course on evolutionary theory.

Madrigal, two other faculty, selected for Fellowship

A group of three faculty members, of which I am part was awarded the 2022-23 Faculty Fellowship Program. The group consists of Dr. Novoa (History), Dr. Richards (Biology) and me. We will working on developing a course on evolutionary theory.

Super Students and Amazing Alumni!

Glenda Vaillant Cruz wins Fulbright Award, Thaddeus Broward Ryan Scholarship



M.A. student Glenda Vaillant Cruz has been awarded a Fulbright U.S. Student Program Research Grant for academic year 2022-23. She will work at the Institute of Migration Studies at the University of Granada, Spain, under the supervision of anthropologist Dr. Antonia Olmos Alcaraz with a project on the school experiences of Latin American and Caribbean migrant children in Spanish schools. Vaillant Cruz will enter the USF Department of Anthropology's Ph.D. program when she returns. Vaillant Cruz was also awarded the USF College of Arts and Sciences Thaddeus Broward Ryan Scholarship at the Student Success Celebration ceremony held in April.

USF selected for All-ABOARD program; Kris-An Hinds instrumental

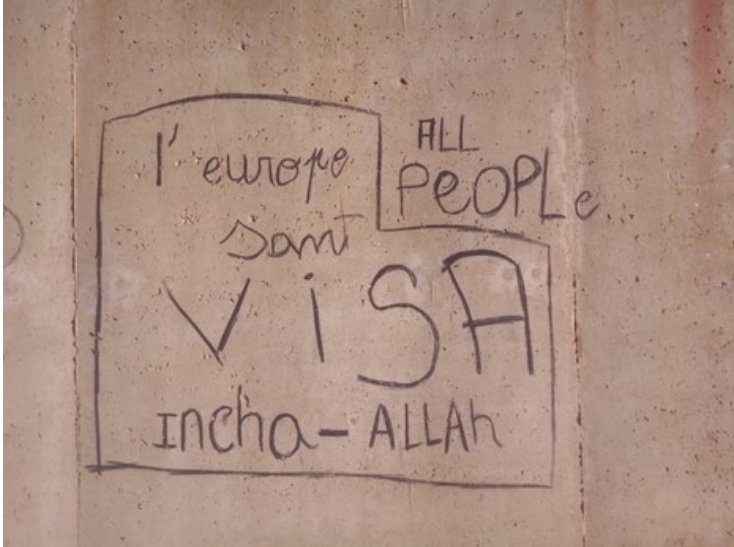
USF has just been selected as one of four participants in the All-ABOARD program, which stands for "Alliance-Building Offshore to Achieve Resilience and Diversity," funded by NSF and hosted by Columbia University. The program seeks to enhance JEDI (Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion) efforts at participating institutions by bring together multi-generational groups in Tennessee for a 7-day intensive workshop in March 2022. Kris-An Hinds, a graduate candidate in the Department of Anthropology, was instrumental in preparing our team to be selected. Ms. Hinds will serve as a core team member for the creation of the resulting strategic plan. The USF team is also comprised of participants from the Colleges of Education, Marine Science, Engineering, and Arts and Sciences. For more information about the USF All-ABOARD team, please visit: <https://www.usf.edu/marine-science/news/2021/usf-team-selected-to-join-new-nsf-diversity-program.aspx>

Ethan Putnam graduates under Robert Tykot's tutelage

Ethan Putman, MA in spring 2022, wrote on "Segregation and the Establishment of African-American Cemeteries in Bay County, Florida"

New Faculty Grants

Deubel and Castañeda win new NSF grant



Dr. Tara Deubel and Dr.

Heide have been awarded a new grant by the National Science Foundation (Cultural Anthropology Program) for the project “Migrant Communities: Effects of Demographic Characteristics on Placemaking under Uncertain Timelines.” This three-year project focuses on transit migration in Morocco and examines questions including: How are durable communities made when populations are mobile and experience uncertain settlement timelines? How do these processes differ according to gender, ethnicity, age, and documentation status? How well are mobile communities integrated into surrounding populations under varying individual and contextual circumstances?

Rates of migration are increasing, with increasing numbers of women and other historically under-represented groups increasingly joining migrant journeys. This project tackles these important questions to understand, using theory and methods from cultural anthropology, how migrants with very different personal circumstances and in different societal contexts make communities and integrate with surrounding populations. The project uses theories of intersecting characteristics to investigate hypotheses surrounding the experiences of waiting and settlement among diverse migrants in different settings.

Using ethnographic methods involving participant observation, interviews, and photovoice, hypotheses address 1) how the demographic characteristics of migrants affect community incorporation experiences; 2) differences in how men and women establish social support systems and access services; and 3) how experiences related to racial identity affect migrant integration in different contexts. The focus on differences in men’s and women’s social networks offers a complementary, migrant-centered approach allowing for a more nuanced understanding of variation in forms of home, kinship, and social life under precarious circumstances.

Notable Reads

Tykot authors two articles

An article coauthored with PhD student Aurelien Tafani was published in the journal *Data in Brief* (Stable Isotope Data of Neolithic and Chalcolithic Populations in Bulgaria and Romania, 6600 to 4000 BC), and one coauthored with Dr. Davide Tanasi (USF History Dept.) in the journal *Anthropologica and Praehistorica* (on radiocarbon dating and chronology in Bronze Age Sicily).

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