

# John McLellan Dodge

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## Education

**Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina: Columbia**

*M.A. in Anthropology (in progress)*

*B.A. in Anthropology with a minor in Geography*

*Columbia, SC*

*May 2021*

*May 2018*

## Publications

2019      An Analysis of Ceramic Artifacts Regarding the Prehistoric Occupations of the Congaree River  
(abbreviated) *South Carolina Antiquities* 50: 77-90

## Undergraduate Thesis

“An Analysis of Ceramic Artifacts Regarding the Prehistoric Occupations along the Congaree River”

Advisor: Dr. Adam King

## Research Interests

Prehistoric and protohistoric archaeology of the American Southeast, Mississippian culture, Ceramic technology

## Work Experience

**South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology**

*Archaeological Field Technician*

*Fort Bragg, NC*

*05/18-03/19*

- Participated in Phase I and II shovel testing
- Locating, delineating, and bounding archaeological sites
- Drawing of site maps
- Proficient use of Trimble GPS to plot points relevant to the survey
- Filling out in-field paperwork on sites
- Assisting site leader in day to day tasks

**South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology**

*Archaeological Laboratory Assistant*

*Columbia, SC*

*2016-2019*

- Primary care, cataloging, and labeling of artifacts from Fort Jackson surveys
- Tabulation, sorting, and processing of artifacts recovered from Spanish Mount Indian mound
- Entered data on artifacts into the Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery
- Ground truthing of patterns identified in Swift Creek potsherds in collaboration with the “Snow Vision” project
- Ceramic analysis of artifacts recovered from the Congaree River
- Worked closely with private collectors to recover new information on privately owned assemblages
- Experience working with coworkers from differing educational backgrounds on various projects
- Primary care, cataloging, labeling, and identification of artifacts from Fort Bragg surveys
- Assisting in the identification, labeling, and cataloging of lithic artifacts from sites in North Carolina

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## **South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology** *Archaeological Field Technician*

*Fort Jackson, SC*  
*09/18-10/18*

- Participated in Phase II archaeological survey
- Assisted in the excavation of multiple 1x1 meter test units
- Assisted in the placement of shovel tests and units on a grid system
- Analysis of artifacts

## **New South Associates** *Archaeological Lab Assistant*

*Columbia, SC*  
*April 8-26, 2019*

- Assisted with assessing and cataloguing existing collections
- Assisted with the creation of a photographic record of artifacts

## **South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology** *Archaeological Field Technician*

*Camden, SC*  
*05/19-06/19*

- Assisted in the phase III excavation of the Native American mounds on Mulberry Plantation
- Excavated multiple units of various sizes throughout the site
- Managed and facilitated the care and transportation of equipment
- Worked with crew members to assist with the process of recording the units for photogrammetry
- Utilized survey instruments to record points on a grid
- Assisted with the cleaning and processing of artifacts for analysis and preservation

## **University of South Carolina Columbia** *Teaching Assistant*

*Columbia, SC*  
*08/19-present*

- Led multiple sections of undergraduate students for Anthropology 102 (Understanding Other Cultures)
- Facilitated discussion and critical thinking on readings and lecture materials
- Graded and returned assignments in timely manner

## **Community Service**

- Toys for Tots *2015*
- Barnwell Presbyterian Church soup kitchen *2010-2014*
- Operation Christmas Child *2010-2014*
- Relay For Life *2010-2014*
- Salkehatchie Summer Service *2011-2013*
- Walking deck construction at Lake Edgar Brown, Barnwell SC *2012*

## **Honors and Awards**

- Graduated with *magna cum laude* distinction *May 2018*
- Eagle Scout *2013*
- Student Representative for the ASSC *2017-2018*
- Member of Anthropology Student Association *2017-2018*
- South Carolina Palmetto Fellows Scholarship *2014-2018*

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- Dean's Scholarship *2014-2018*
- Claudia Waites Peoples Scholarship *2014-2018*
- Capstone Scholar *2014-2016*
- Barnwell Lions Club Scholarship *Fall 2014*
- Army JROTC Superior Cadet Decoration Award *Spring 2014*
- ASSC Publication of the Year Award *02/16/2019*

## **Skills**

- Experience with GIS
- Proficiency with GPS equipment in the field
- Competent with Microsoft Excel
- Ability to work effectively in teams and individually
- Familiarity with prehistoric ceramics of the Carolinas
- Familiarity with general historic artifacts of the Carolinas
- Ability to take professional photographs of artifacts
- Collections maintenance
- Experience with survey instruments
- Experience leading discussion in a classroom setting