

## Jessica M Cooper

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### Education

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**Master of Arts in Anthropology** **2017**  
**University of South Carolina**

- Thesis Title: *A Functional Analysis of Yadkin Bifaces in the Middle Savannah River Valley*
- Thesis Chair: Dr. Joanna Casey

**Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology** **2011**  
**George Mason University**

- Minor in Native American and Indigenous Studies
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### Research Interests

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- Woodland period in the Southeast
  - lithic analysis
  - feminist archaeology
  - public outreach archaeology
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### Professional Experience

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**Savannah River Archaeological Research Program** **April 2017-August 2019**  
**Field and Laboratory Technician**

- conduct archaeological survey
- create and maintain records of archaeological sites
- process and analyze artifacts
- conduct research on materials from the Savannah River Site

**Savannah River Archaeological Research Program** **August 2015-April 2017**  
**Graduate Research Assistant**

- transcribe historical documents
- conduct archaeological survey
- process and analyze artifacts

**Savannah River Archaeological Research Program** **June 2013-August 2015**  
**Field and Laboratory Technician**

- conduct archaeological survey
- process artifacts

<b>Savannah River Archaeological Research Program</b> <b>Volunteer Laboratory Assistant</b>	<b>April 2012-June 2013</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• washing and sorting artifacts</li> <li>• create a photo database of paleoethnobotanical samples</li> </ul>	
<b>Manassas Museum, Manassas, Virginia</b> <b>Exhibit Research Assistant for <i>From Cows to Condos</i></b>	<b>March 2009-June 2009</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assist curator with research for exhibit</li> <li>• exhibit design and implementation</li> <li>• public presentation of research methods</li> </ul>	
<b>Fairfax County Park Authority, Fairfax, Virginia</b> <b>Excavation Volunteer at the Clark's Branch mitigation project</b>	<b>May 2009-June 2009</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• block excavation</li> <li>• identify and field sort artifacts</li> </ul>	
<b>Virginia Aquarium, Virginia Beach, Virginia</b> <b>Collections Management Volunteer</b>	<b>March 2008-June 2008</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assist curator with marine mammal specimens</li> <li>• transfer paper artifact catalog to MS Access database</li> <li>• photograph artifacts</li> </ul>	

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## **Presentations**

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<b>A Functional Analysis of Yadkin Bifaces in the Middle Savannah River Valley</b>	<b>2017</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper presented at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference on South Carolina Archaeology, Columbia, South Carolina</li> </ul>	
<b>A Functional Analysis of Yadkin Bifaces in the Middle Savannah River Valley</b>	<b>2016</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper presented at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Athens, Georgia</li> </ul>	
<b>Temporal and Morphological Aspects of Triangular Bifaces</b>	<b>2014</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poster presented at the 71<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Greenville, South Carolina</li> </ul>	
<b>A Comparison of Triangular Basal Width for Temporal Significance</b>	<b>2014</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poster presented at the 40<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Archaeological Society of South Carolina, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina</li> </ul>	

## **Service to the Institution**

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**Intimate Grammars: A Dinè (Navajo) Poetry Panel** **2016**

### **Event Planner and Organizer**

- Organize and communicate with event participants
  - Plan event content
  - Consult with event grant-writer
  - Assist with publicity for event
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## **Grants and Awards**

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**South Carolina Archaeological Research Trust (Co-PI)** **2017**

**Archaeological Society of South Carolina Student Grant-in-Aid** **2017**

**Archaeological Society of South Carolina Publication of the Year Award** **2018**

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## **Professional Organizations**

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**Archaeological Society of South Carolina, Board Member-at-Large**

**Southeastern Archaeological Conference**

**Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists**

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## **Relevant Skills**

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- Trimble GPS unit
  - Total station
  - ArcMap
  - R Statistical software
  - Microsoft Office Suite
  - Adobe Suite
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## **References**

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