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## EDUCATION

Ph.D., 2002, Anthropology, University of Georgia.

M.A., 1994, Anthropology, University of Georgia.

B.A., 1988, *cum laude* with Honors, Anthropology (Spanish minor), University of Georgia.

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Eastern United States Prehistory  
Mesoamerican Prehistory  
Cultural Resource Management  
Settlement Pattern Studies

Archaeology of Households  
Environmental Anthropology  
Ceramic Analysis  
GIS Applications for Anthropology

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2006            Assistant Professor. Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida.

2004-2006      Assistant Professor. Department of Anthropology, University of Oklahoma.

2003-2004      Visiting Assistant Professor. Department of Anthropology, University of Oklahoma.

2001-2002      Instructor. Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia.

1996-2002      Graduate Teaching Assistant. Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia.

2000            Instructor. Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia.

1998            Instructor. Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia.

## ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD EXPERIENCE

1994-2003      Senior Archaeologist. Southeastern Archeological Services, Inc., Athens, Georgia.

1999-2001      Field Director. Kolomoki: Learning About a Woodland Ceremonial Center (study funded by the National Geographic Society).

1999            Field Supervisor. Mixteca Alta Settlement Pattern Survey, Oaxaca, Mexico (study funded by the National Science Foundation).

1994            Consulting Archaeologist. Southern Research, Fort Stewart Military Reservation, Georgia.

1993-1994      Project Archaeologist. Brockington and Associates, Norcross, Georgia.

1989-1992      Archaeological field technician for various firms in the eastern United States and Europe.

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2005 National Geographic Society. *Examining Household Level Change in the Middle to Late Woodland Transition: The View from Kolomoki* (\$12,750).
- 2005 University of Oklahoma Junior Faculty Research Grant. *Archaeological Research in Spiro's Hinterland* (\$6000).
- 2005 Oklahoma Humanities Council, with matching funds from the University of Oklahoma College of Arts and Sciences and Vice President for Research. *Archaeological Research in Spiro's Hinterland* (\$3000).
- 2004 C.B. Moore Award from the Lower Mississippi Survey, Peabody Museum for "Outstanding Young Archaeologist in the field of Southeastern Archaeology."
- 2001 Joshua Laerm Award from the Georgia Museum of Natural History (\$500).
- The National Geographic Society (to Stephen A. Kowalewski, Principal Investigator). *Kolomoki: Learning About a Woodland Ceremonial Center* (\$13,000).
- 1999 Honorable Mention, Student Paper Competition, Southeastern Archaeological Conference.
- 1996 Legacy Grant, Department of Defense. *Survey, Testing and Damage Assessment of the Lewis Mound and Village Site (9BN39), Fort Stewart Military Reservation* (\$40,000).
- 1984-1988 Alumni Scholarship, University of Georgia.

## BOOKS

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

- 2003 *Kolomoki: Settlement, Ceremony, and Status in the Deep South, ca. 350 to 750 A.D.* University of Alabama Press, Tuscaloosa.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., and Robbie F. Ethridge (editors)

- 2006 *Light on the Path: The Anthropology and History of the Southeastern Indians.* University of Alabama Press, Tuscaloosa.

Kowalewski, Stephen A., Andrew K. Balkansky, Laura R. Stiver Walsh, Thomas J. Pluckhahn, John F. Chamblee, Verónica Pérez Rodríguez, Verónica Y. Heredia Espinoza, and Charlotte A. Smith

- 2006 *Origins of the Ñuu: Archaeology in the Mixteca Alta, Mexico.* University Press of Colorado, Boulder. Under contract.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., Robbie F. Ethridge, Jerald T. Milanich, and Marvin T. Smith

- 2006 Introduction. In *Light on the Path: The Anthropology and History of the Southeastern Indians*, edited by T.J. Pluckhahn and R.F. Ethridge. University of Alabama Press, Tuscaloosa, in press.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

- 2006 Plazas y mercados en la Mixteca Alta prehispanica. In *Bases de la Complejidad Social en Oaxaca: Memorias de la Cuarta Mesa Redonda de Monte Albán*, edited by Nelly M. Robles. CONACULTA INAH, México D.F., in press.

ARTICLES

Balkansky, Andrew K., Stephen A. Kowalewski, Verónica Pérez Rodríguez, Thomas J. Pluckhahn, Charlotte A. Smith, Laura R. Stiver, Dmitri Beliaev, John F. Chamblee, Verenice Y. Heredia Espinoza, Roberto Santos Pérez

2000 Archaeological Survey in the Mixteca Alta of Oaxaca, Mexico. *Journal of Field Archaeology* 27(4):365-389.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., J. Matthew Compton, and Mary Theresa Bonhage-Freund

2006 Archaeological Correlates of Small-Scale Feasting: Evidence from the Woodland Period Site of Kolomoki in Georgia. *Journal of Field Archaeology*. Accepted for publication.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

2001 Woodland Prehistoric Period. In *The New Georgia Encyclopedia*, edited by John Inscoe. University of Georgia Press, Athens.

2001 Kolomoki Mounds Site. In *The New Georgia Encyclopedia*, edited by John Inscoe. University of Georgia Press, Athens.

2000 Fifty Years Since Sears: Deconstructing the Domestic Sphere at Kolomoki. *Southeastern Archaeology* 19(2):145-155.

1997 Beads, Pendants, and Buttons from the Tarver Sites. *Beads* 8-9:45-65.

Rethinking Early Mississippian Chronology and Cultural Contact: The View from Tarver (9JO6). *Early Georgia* 25(1):21-54.

1996 Joseph Caldwell's Summerour Mound (9FO16) and Late Woodland Platform Mounds in the Southeastern United States. *Southeastern Archaeology* 15(2):191-210.

1995 The Lewis Mound (9BN39) and the Mississippian Settlement of Fort Stewart, Georgia. *Early Georgia* 23(1):77-92.

1994 Mississippian Settlement in the Upper Oconee and Upper Broad River Valleys. *Early Georgia* 22(1):1-34.

1992 Collecting Artifacts from the Surface. *Early Georgia* 20(1):18-21.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., and Chad O. Braley

1999 Connections Across the Southern Frontier: Spanish Artifacts from Creek Contexts at the Tarver Site (9JO6). *Florida Anthropologist* 52(4):241-254.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., and David A. McKivergan

2003 A Critical Appraisal of Middle Mississippian Settlement on the Georgia Coast. *Southeastern Archeology* 21(2):149-161.

REVIEWS

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

2006 *Prehistoric Cultures of North America: The Woodland and Mississippian Traditions*. An Online exhibition of the Logan Museum of Anthropology, Beloit College. *Museum Anthropology* 29(1):67-68.

2000 *The Etowah Papers*, by Warren K. Moorehead. *Florida Anthropologist* 54(1):59-60.

PAPERS PRESENTED BEFORE LEARNED SOCIETIES

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

- 2006 The Sacred and the Secular Revisited: The Essential Tensions of Early Village Societies in the Southeastern U.S. Paper presented in the symposium "Early Village Societies in Comparative Perspective," organized by Matthew Bady and Jake Fox, for the Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Symposium selected by the Amerind Foundation for development as a book.
- 2005 Reflections on Paddle Stamped Pottery: Symmetry Analysis of Swift Creek Designs from Kolomoki (9ER1). Paper presented at the 62<sup>nd</sup> Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Columbia, South Carolina.
- Hopewellian Affiliations of Certain Sites in the Deep South. Paper presented at the "Hopewell Space/Time Continuum," a workshop organized by Mark Seeman and Robert Mainfort. Boonshoft Museum of Discovery, Dayton, Ohio.
- 2004 Patterns in the Spacing and Alignment of Mounds at Kolomoki (9ER1). Paper presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> Southeastern Archaeological Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Plazas y Mercados en la Mixteca Alta Prehispanica. Invited paper presented at the symposium "Bases de la Complejidad Social en Oaxaca: Mesa Redonda de Monte Albán IV," Oaxaca, Mexico.
- Round and Round: Kolomoki (9ER1) and the Circular Communities of the Middle Woodland Period in the American South. Invited paper presented in the symposium "Circular Communities in the Americas" at the Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Montreal.
- 2003 Swift Creek Paddle Designs from Kolomoki (9ER1). Paper Presented at the 60th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Charlotte, North Carolina.
- 2001 Charles Hudson and the Social History of the Southeastern United States. Introduction to the symposium "Charles Hudson and the Social History of the Southeastern United States", organized by Robbie F. Ethridge and Thomas J. Pluckhahn for the 58th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Chattanooga, Tennessee.
- It's Not the Size, It's How You Use It: Space Syntax Analysis of Civic-Ceremonial Architecture from Pre-hispanic Oaxaca, Mexico. Paper presented at the Meetings of the Society for American Archaeology, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 1999 Fifty Years Since Sears: Deconstructing Kolomoki. Paper presented at the 56th Southeastern Archeological Conference, Pensacola, Florida.
- 1997 Highway 61 Revisited: Archaeological Testing of the Leake Mound (9BR2) and Related Middle Woodland Components in Bartow County, Georgia. Paper presented at the 54th Southeastern Archeological Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- 1996 The Lewis Mound and Village Site (9BN39) and the Mississippian Settlement of the Georgia Coastal Zone. Paper presented at the 53rd Southeastern Archeological Conference, Birmingham, Alabama.
- 1994 Forty Years Later and Forty Meters Underwater: Joe Caldwell's Summerour Mound (9FO16). Paper presented at the 51st Southeastern Archeological Conference, Lexington, Kentucky.

PAPERS PRESENTED BEFORE LEARNED SOCIETIES (CONTINUED)

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

- 1992 Mississippian Period Buffer Zones in the Southeastern United States. Paper presented at the 49th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Little Rock, Arkansas.
- 1993 Mississippian Settlement in the Headwaters of the Oconee: From Woodstock to Wolfskin with Nothing In Between. Paper presented at the 50th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Braley, Chad O., and Thomas J. Pluckhahn

- 2000 Recent Advances in the Archeology of the Historic Creek Indians of Georgia. Paper Presented at the 57th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Macon, Georgia.

Compton, Matthew, and Thomas J. Pluckhahn

- 2002 Interpretation of an Unusual Faunal Assemblage from Kolomoki (9ER1). Paper Presented at the 59th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Biloxi, Mississippi.

McKivergan, David A., and Thomas J. Pluckhahn

- 1999 A Critical Appraisal of Middle Mississippian Settlement on the Georgia Coast. Paper presented at the 56<sup>th</sup> Southeastern Archeological Conference, Pensacola, Florida.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., and Chad O. Braley

- 1997 Recent Excavations at the Tarver (9JO6) and Little Tarver (9JO198) Sites, Macon, Georgia. Paper presented at the Meetings of the Society for American Archaeology, Nashville, Tennessee.
- 1996 Recent Excavations at the Tarver (9JO6) and Little Tarver (9JO198) Sites, Macon, Georgia. Paper presented at the 53rd Southeastern Archeological Conference, Birmingham, Alabama.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., and Robert Brooks

- 2006 Viewing Caddoan Culture History through GIS: An Oklahoma Perspective. Paper presented at the Caddo Conference, Nacogdoches, Texas.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., and Stephen A. Kowalewski

- 2003 Plazas and Markets in the Prehispanic Mixteca Alta. Paper presented at the Meeting of the Society of American Archaeology, Milwaukee.
- 2002 Ceramics, Chronology, Community, and Complexity at Kolomoki. Paper presented at the meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Denver, Colorado.

Pluckhahn, Thomas J., Stephen A. Kowalewski, Nina Serman, Mathew Compton, and Verónica Pérez Rodríguez.

- 2001 Community and Household at Kolomoki (9ER1). Paper presented at the 58th Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

## SELECTED TECHNICAL REPORTS AND MANUSCRIPTS

Pluckhahn, Thomas J.

- 2002 *Kolomoki: Settlement, Ceremony, and Status in the Deep South, ca. 350 to 750 A.D.* Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia.
- 1998 *Kolomoki Revisited: The 1998 Field Season.* LAMAR Institute Report No. 46, Watkinsville, Georgia.
- 1998 *Highway 61 Revisited: Archeological Evaluation of Eight Sites in Bartow County, Georgia.* Southeastern Archeological Services, Inc., Athens, Georgia. Prepared for the Georgia Department of Transportation, Atlanta.
- 1997 *An Archeological Survey of the Shoulderbone Tract, Hancock County, Georgia.* Occasional Papers in Cultural Resource Management No. 10, Georgia Department of Transportation, Atlanta.
- 1996 *Archeological Survey, Testing, and Damage Assessment of the Lewis Mound and Village Site (9BN39); Fort Stewart Military Reservation, Bryan County, Georgia.* LAMAR Institute Report No. 39, Watkinsville, Georgia.
- 1996 *Archaeological Investigations at the Tarver (9JO6) and Little Tarver (9JO198) Sites, Macon, Georgia.* Southeastern Archeological Services, Inc., Athens, Georgia. Prepared for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region IV, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1994 *The Evolution of Settlement and Land Use in Jackson and Madison Counties, Georgia.* 1994. M.A. Thesis, Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia.

Primary author on more than 100 technical reports summarizing archaeological survey, testing, and excavation projects in Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina between 1992 and 2002.

## PUBLIC LECTURES AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2006 *Recent Archaeological Research in Spiro's Hinterlands.* Paper presented at the February meeting of the Central Oklahoma Chapter of the Oklahoma Anthropological Society.
- 2005 *Recent Archaeological Research in Spiro's Hinterlands.* Paper presented at the November meeting of the Ark-Homa Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society and Oklahoma Anthropological Society.
- 2002 *Recent Archaeological Investigations at Kolomoki.* Paper presented at the Spring meeting of the Society for Georgia Archaeology, Fort Gaines, Georgia.
- A Brief History of the Kolomoki Mounds.* Presentation for the Rotary Club of Albany, Georgia.
- 2001 *Public archaeology days.* Kolomoki Mounds State Historic Park, Blakely, Georgia.
- Artifact Identification,* Kolomoki Fall Festival, Kolomoki Mounds State Historic Park, Blakely, Georgia.
- 1999 *A Brief History of the Kolomoki Mounds.* Presentation for the Rotary Club of Blakely, Georgia.
- 1998 *Archaeology of the Tarver Sites.* Paper presented to the Northwest Georgia Chapter of the Society for Georgia Archaeology, Cartersville, Georgia.

PUBLIC LECTURES AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

- 1998 Kolomoki Revisited: the 1998 Field Season. Paper presented at the Fall meeting of the Society for Georgia Archaeology, Valdosta, Georgia.
- 1997 Archaeology of the Tarver Sites. Paper presented to the Greater Atlanta Chapter of the Society for Georgia Archaeology, Atlanta.
- 1996 *The Lewis Mound and Village Site and the Archaeology of Fort Stewart Military Reservation*. Popular report prepared by the LAMAR Institute for the United States Department of Defense Legacy Resource Management Program.

COURSES TAUGHT

- 2005 Archaeological Theory (graduate core seminar), University of Oklahoma
- 2005 GIS for Anthropological Research (graduate seminar)
- 2005-2006 Anthropology Capstone, University of Oklahoma
- 2004 Archaeology of the Southeastern United States, University of Oklahoma
- 2004 Household Archaeology (graduate seminar), University of Oklahoma
- 2003-2006 Great Discoveries in Archaeology, University of Oklahoma
- 2003-2004 Introduction to Archaeology, University of Oklahoma
- 2001-2002 Introduction to Anthropology, Honors Curriculum, University of Georgia
- 1998-2001 Field Methods in Archaeology, University of Georgia
- 1998-2001 Laboratory Methods in Archaeology, University of Georgia
- 1998-2000 Georgia Museum of Natural History Internship in Archaeology, University of Georgia

COURSES PREPARED TO TEACH

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| Public Archaeology/Cultural Resource Management | Ceramic Analysis                  |
| Mesoamerican Prehistory                         | History of Anthropological Theory |
| Environmental Anthropology                      | Economic Anthropology             |

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Anthropology Association, 2002-present
- Society for American Archaeology, 1992-present
- Southeastern Archaeological Conference, 1992-present
- Society for Georgia Archaeology, 1994-present
- Georgia Council of Professional Archaeologists, 1995-present
- Register of Professional Archaeologist, 2002-present

SPECIALIZED SKILLS

- Extensive experience in the supervision of large projects.
- Proficient in Spanish.
- Proficient with various software for GIS applications, including ArcGIS, Atlas-GIS, and Surfer.
- Experienced in the use of a total station and associated mapping software.

REFERENCES

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