

Lauren McMillan

Assistant Professor at University of Mary Washington

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Lauren McMillan is the University of Mary Washington's resident historical archaeologist and an expert on middle-Atlantic American history.

Biography

Lauren McMillan joined the department of Historic Preservation full time in 2017 as the resident Historical Archaeologist. Since 2015, she has been directing UMW's archaeological and historical investigations at Sherwood Forest Plantation in Stafford County, exploring nearly 200 years of occupation on the property. She was recently awarded a grant from the Council of Virginia Archaeologists to support student research on the African American history at Sherwood Forest Plantation. She has also conducted research and published on the archaeology and history of the 17th-century Potomac River Valley and on the archaeology of clay tobacco pipes. Dr. McMillan was recently awarded a grant from the Virginia Department of Historic Resources to analyze the Nomini Plantation archaeological collections- a 17th-century site that was excavated in the 1970s but was never processed. She has included, and continues to include, undergraduates in both the Sherwood Forest and Nomini Plantation research projects, resulting in several UMW student conference presentations.

Areas of Expertise

African Disapora Archaeology, Archaeology, Anthropology, Historical Archaeology

Affiliations

Register of Professional Archaeologists: Member, Council of Virginia Archaeologists: Member, Archeological Society of Virginia: Member, Middle Atlantic Archaeological Conference: Member, Virginia Historical Society: Member, Society for Historical Archaeology: Member, Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology: Member, Southeastern Archaeological Conference: Lifetime Member, Lambda Alpha, University of Tennessee, Knoxville: Member, Lambda Alpha, East Carolina University: Member, Society for Clay Pipe Research: Member

Education

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Ph.D. Anthropology

East Carolina University

M.A. Anthropology

University of Mary Washington

B.A. Historic Preservation

Accomplishments

Threatened Sites Grant

Awarded by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, 2017. Project Title: "Analysis of the Nomini Plantation (44WM0012) Archaeological Collection." Funds to support one UMW student and one contract laboratory aide focused on collections based research. \$4,999.23.

Short-term Visiting Fellowship

Awarded by the Jamestown Rediscovery-Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, 2016.

The University of Tennessee Humanities Center Dissertation Fellowship

Awarded for the academic year 2014-2015. Tuition, fees, and a \$16,000 stipend.

Kneberg-Lewis Dissertation Scholarship

Awarded by the Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 2014; \$1,500.

The Newton W. and Wilma C. Thomas Graduate Fellowship

Awarded by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Tuition, fees, and \$16,500 annual stipend, 2010-2014.

Archaeological Research Scholarship

Awarded by the Virginia Chapter of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, 2013; \$1,000.

National Science Foundation Grant #1110793

Awarded in 2013 for Neutron Activation Analysis of white clay tobacco pipes by the University of Missouri's Archaeometry Laboratory; \$2,520.

Patricia Black Research Fund

Awarded by the Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 2012; \$1,000.

Student Paper Competition First Place

The 72nd annual meeting of the Archeological Society of Virginia, Wytheville, Virginia, 2012.

Student Paper Competition Runner-up

The 67th annual meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Lexington, Kentucky, 2010.

Pipe Sergeant and Celtic Arts Merit Scholarship

Awarded by the University of Mary Washington, Eagle Pipe Band, 2004-2008; \$2,000 annually.

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