

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Current Positions

Since 2007 Full Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Neuchâtel
Since 2002 Director of the Swiss Archaeological Mission in Sudan

Education

1998 PhD studies, Department of Anthropology, University of Geneva, on Lithic Industries and Society in Swiss Neolithic
1993 Certificate in Lithic Technology, CNRS, Sophia Antipolis, France
1992 Certificate in Funerary Archaeology, University of Lausanne
1988-1996 Research Assistant in Archaeological Projects (Switzerland and Mali), Department of Anthropology, University of Geneva
1988 Biology and Archaeology undergraduate studies, University of Geneva

Professional and Academic Experience

2015-2021 Director of the Institute of Archaeology, University of Neuchâtel
2012 Visiting Professor, Department of Antiquity Sciences, University of Geneva
2008- Guest professor, Paris IV-La Sorbonne, Paris I-La Sorbonne, Complutense Madrid, UMR Trace-Dijon, Universität Bâle, Université de Lille
2007- Full Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Neuchâtel
2006-2007 Director of the Laténium Museum and Associate Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Neuchâtel
2000-2006 Lecturer of Prehistoric Archaeology, Institute of Prehistory and Antiquity Sciences, University of Neuchâtel
1997-2000 Scientific collaborator of the Service and Museum of Archaeology of Neuchâtel
1996-1997 Study mandates from the cantonal archaeological Services of Valais, Fribourg and Zug
1994-2002 Member of the Swiss Archaeological Mission to Kerma, Sudan
1990-1996 Assistant, Department of Anthropology, University of Geneva
1988-1990 SNF Assistant in an ethnoarchaeological project in Mali, Africa, Department of Anthropology, University of Geneva
Field Archaeology Direction of eleven archaeological excavations: Genève/Saint-Gervais (GE, 1990), Collombey-Muraz/La Barmaz (VS, 1991-1993), La Tène/ les Piécettes (NE, 2000-2004), Rochefort/Le Château (NE, 2020-), seven sites at Kerma: Eastern Cemetery, Pre-Kerma agglomeration, Busharia I, Busharia II, El-Barga, Wadi El-Arab, Kerma fortress (Sudan, 1994-)

Teaching

Actual Responsible for seven courses at the University of Neuchâtel and involved in 5 other courses
Since 2018 Field school in archaeological survey in the Valley of Travers (Neuchâtel, 3 weeks/year)
Since 2017 Creation of a new master's program in historical sciences, multidisciplinary courses and seminars in historical sciences (Archaeology, History, History of art) (2h/year)
2019 *Roads and communication routes in prehistory* (2h/sem)
2016 *Prehistoric Arts: Archaeological and Anthropological Investigations*, University of Neuchâtel (2h/sem)
2015 *The "lacustrine" phenomenon in Switzerland and neighbouring countries: wetland habitats and society from the Neolithic to the Bronze Age*, University of Neuchâtel (2h/sem)
2012 *Neolithisations: from the last hunter-gatherers to the first peasants or a story of the early history of man's impact on the environment*, University of Neuchâtel (2h/sem)
2011/2013 *Pre- and protohistory of the Nile Valley: from the first human occupations to the emergence of the kingdoms of Egypt and Nubia*, University of Geneva and Neuchâtel (2h/sem)

2010/2018	<i>From the village to the city: urbanization process in the Old World</i> , University of Neuchâtel (2h/sem)
2009	<i>Funeral Archaeology and Anthropology of Death</i> , University of Neuchâtel (2h/sem)
2008/2017	<i>War and Violence in Prehistoric Societies</i> , University of Neuchâtel (2h/sem)
Since 2006	<i>Introduction to prehistoric archaeology and its methods</i> (2h/sem), <i>Main courses in Prehistory</i> on a 4-year cycle (<i>Palaeolithic, Neolithic, Bronze Age, Iron Age</i>) (2h/sem), <i>Inter-universities Cross-theme course of Bachelor</i> (0,5h/sem) and <i>Master</i> (1h/sem), <i>Specialized courses in Prehistory</i> (2h/sem), <i>Theory and Interpretations in Archaeology</i> (2h/sem), <i>Seminar on Analysis and interpretation of sites and collections</i> (4h/sem), <i>Interuniversity seminar of master students</i> (2h/sem), University of Neuchâtel
2006-2016	Creation of a new master's program in archaeology common to the Universities of Neuchâtel and Fribourg, in collaboration with the Universities of Bourgogne and Franche-Comté
2002-	Field school in archaeological excavations on the site of Kerma in Nubia (Sudan, 1 month/year), University of Neuchâtel
2000-2006	Main course in Prehistory: <i>Early Human History</i> (Early and Middle Stone Age) (2h/year), <i>Upper Paleolithic habitats and decorated caves</i> (2h/year), <i>The colonization of the Alps during recent prehistory</i> (2h/year), <i>Protohistory of the Nile Valley: from the last hunter-gatherer societies to the formation of the first states</i> (2h/year), <i>Eastern Mediterranean in the Metal Ages</i> (2h/year), University of Neuchâtel
2000-2003	Field school in archaeological excavations on the lake-dwelling settlement of La Tène-Les Piécettes (NE, one month/year), University of Neuchâtel
1991-1993	Field school in archaeological excavations on the alpine site of La Barmaz (VS, one month/year), University of Geneva
1990-1996	Courses and seminars on <i>Prehistoric Typology, General Prehistory and Field Anthropology</i> (2h/year), University of Geneva

Research Interest

Archaeology of the Lake-Dwellings in northern alpine Area

Archaeology of the Nubian Pre- and Protohistory

Material Culture and Society, Funerary archaeology, Spatial archaeology, Neolithisation, Social stratification

Valorization of the Archaeological Heritage

Research Projects as Leading Investigator

2021-2024	Co-PI of the project "DIASPORA - As primeiras migrações humanas no vale do Nilo: a região de Kerma durante o MSA", Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia, Portugal, PI Nuno Bicho, University of Algarve PTDC/HAR-ARQ/0131/2020
2019-2021	PI of the project "Spatial analysis and synthesis on the Late Bronze age lake dwelling of Hauterive/Champpréveyres: an assessment of 30 years of research" funded by the University of Neuchâtel and the archaeological section of the OPAN, Neuchâtel
2018-2020	PI of the project "Prospections archéologiques dans le Val de Travers », funded by the University of Neuchâtel and the archaeological section of the OPAN, Neuchâtel
2018-2019	Co-PI of the H2020 project 731081 <i>DESIR - DARIAH ERIC Sustainability Refined</i>
2015-2019	PI of the SNF project 163021 <i>Origin and development of the Kingdom of Kerma through its main necropolis</i>
2014-2019	PI of the project "Protection and valorization of the archaeological Heritage of Kerma" funded by the Qatar-Sudan archaeological project
2014	PI of the SNF project 155027 for the organization of <i>The 13th International Conference for Nubian Studies</i>
2012-2015	Co-PI of the SNF project 140419 <i>Gestures of Transition – Lithic chaînes opératoires during the Mesolithic-Neolithic Transition in Perialpine Central Europe</i>
2011-2014	PI of the SNF project 137784 <i>Settlement and cultural traditions between Egypt and Black Africa: the case of Nubia and Kerma from the 9th to the 1st millennium B.C. (Sudan)</i>
2008-2011	PI of the SNF project 122592 <i>Socio-economic transformation and urbanization processes in Africa: the example of Kerma in Nubia (Sudan)</i>
2005-2008	PI of the SNF project 109780 <i>Origin and development of urban planning in Africa: the example of Kerma in Nubia (Sudan)</i>
2002-2005	PI of the SNF project 67754 <i>Archaeological Research on the Prehistory and History of the Kerma Region (Sudan)</i>

Supervised Phd Theses

Finished: 6 PhD (University of Neuchâtel)

Ongoing: 3 PhD (University of Neuchâtel)

Reviewer

Reviewer for grants: Swiss National Science Foundation, German Science Foundation (DFG), French National Research Agency (ANR), The High Council for the Evaluation of Research and Higher Education (Hcéres, France)

External reviewer for PhD (University of Geneva, Bourgogne, Paris-IV La Sorbonne, Paris-I La Sorbonne, Toulouse, Franche-Comté, Neuchâtel, Nantes, Rennes)

Expert for Professorship appointments (Maison de l'Orient, Paris IV-Sorbonne)

Expert for Institute evaluation (Maison de l'Orient, UMIFRE-USR 33 36 (AERES))

Reviewer for ca. 10 academic journals (J Afr Archaeol, Azania, Polish Archaeology in the Mediterranean, Antiquity, J Archaeol Sc, J Anthro Archaeol, ArcheoNil, BSPF, RAE, INRAP, Annuaire Archeol Suisse)

Fellowships / Distinguished Memberships

Member of the Committee of the International Society for Nubian Studies, London

Member of the International Commission of the Later Prehistory of Northeastern Africa, Poznan, Polen

Member of the Council, then the reading Committee of the French Prehistoric Society, Paris

Member of the UMR 8167 "Orient et Méditerranées", Paris

Member of Expert Commissions (SNF Switzerland, ANR France, ANR-DFG, France-Germany)

Member of the Committee DARIAH-CH in Digital Humanities, Switzerland

Member of the Committee of the Foundation *de l'Ecole suisse d'archéologie en Grèce* (ESAG)

Member of the Committee of the Foundation La Tène

Vice-President of the Foundation KERMA for the valorisation of the Nubian archaeological heritage

Member of associations in archaeology (Archéone Neuchâtel, Archéologie Suisse, Société préhistorique française, Society for Nubian Studies, Society of Africanist Archaeologists USA)

Organization of Any Conferences

2022	Co-organizer of the Colloquium <i>Actualité de l'archéologie du haut jura transfrontalier</i> (Pontarlier)
2019	Co-organizer of the Colloquium <i>L'archéologie du bâti. Aujourd'hui et demain</i> (Center of medieval Studies, Auxerre)
2018	Organizer of the Workshop <i>DARIAH-CH. Digital humanities in Switzerland</i> (University of Neuchâtel)
2014	Organizer of the 13 th International Conference for Nubian Studies (University of Neuchâtel)
2010	Co-organizer of the Session on Prehistory of the 135e Symposium of the CTHS <i>L'homme au bord de l'eau : archéologie des zones littorales (lacs, rivières)</i> (University of Neuchâtel)
2009	Co-organizer of the International Colloquium <i>L'armement et l'image du guerrier dans les sociétés anciennes : de l'objet à la tombe</i> (Museum of Sens)
2007	Co-organizer of the Colloquium <i>Le site de la Tène : bilan des connaissances, état de la question</i> (University of Neuchâtel and Laténium)
2006	Co-organizer of the Colloquium <i>Current Issues on Projectile Tips Studies from the Beginning of the Upper Palaeolithic to the End of the Neolithic</i> , XVe Conference of the UISPP (University of Lisbonne)
2005	Co-organizer of the <i>28e Colloque interrégional sur le Néolithique</i> (University of Neuchâtel)

Outreach

Documentary film on the excavations in Kerma co-produced by RTS and Arte *Sur les Traces des Pharaons noirs* (2005)

Numerous media reports (incl. *Le Temps*, *NZZ*, *Le Monde de la Bible*, *Sciences et Vie*, *RSR-RTS*, *Swiss Info*)

Exhibition projects

2014	Curator of the exhibition « Aux origines des pharaons noirs : 10'000 ans d'archéologie en Nubie », Laténium Museum, Neuchâtel
2008	Curator of the flash-exhibition « Kerma, des villes, des pharaons noirs et un musée », Laténium Museum, Neuchâtel
2005-	Head of the museographic project in the Kerma Museum, Sudan
2005-2006	Scientific consultant for the installation of the new permanent exhibition on Nubia in the Art and History Museum of Geneva