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Marine mammals are dietary staples in arctic populations, but these foods sometimes contain the toxic metal mercury. Because mercury can enter the environment naturally, preindustrial marine mammal consumers may have been exposed to mercury. This dissertation examined the potential for using archaeological bone to reconstruct mercury exposure in ancient populations.
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Thesis: Molecular Identification and Analysis of Treponematosis (Syphilis, Bejel, Yaws, or Pinta) in Ancient Mummified Remains from Northern Chile and Southern Peru
This research assessed the presence of treponematosis, a bacterial spirochete, in DNA of skeletal and mummified human remains from northern Chile dating from 5000 BC to AD 1100. Potential treponemal DNA was recovered from bone in one individual dated to the first to second century BC from the Azapa Valley.
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This study examines methods to improve an urban food system’s social equity and environmental sustainability. Three studies of conventional and nascent local food system initiatives were undertaken in order to improve methods of food system assessment and to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of local food system development.
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Thesis: Nuniwarmiut Land Use, Settlement History and Socio-Territorial Organization, 1880 – 1960
This study focuses on socio-territorial organization among the Nuniwarmiut, the most isolated of all Central Yup’ik Eskimo populations. It argues that local groups organized around winter villages were the only socio-territorial units, and that such groups ranged in number from seven to 30 during the period 1880 – 1960.
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This dissertation is a contemporary ethnography of an Athabascan village that explores life in “the vill” from a youth perspective. Youth in the villages today must adapt strategies for surviving their feelings. Outcomes from the study include a model for an indigenous emotional economy and patterns of decision making among Athabascan youth.
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The dominant western industrial social paradigm (WISP) acts to reduce environmental concern and, consequently, environmental behaviors. Values in other paradigms result in human behaviors which are congruent with the physical environment. The WISP may reduce resilience by impairing our perception of change and our willingness to adapt.
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