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**Place of Birth**

La Grange, Illinois.

**Education**

University of Cincinnati, 2009. Ph.D. degree in Classics:  
"Illyrian Apollonia: Toward a New *Ktisis* and  
Development History of the Colony."  
University of Cincinnati, 1993-2009. M.A. degree in  
Classics, 1996: "Deriziotis Aloni: A Small Middle  
Helladic Site in Messenia."  
University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), 1991-1993.  
History Department. Post-graduate study.  
University of Cincinnati (UC), 1982-1984. Classics  
Department. Post-graduate study.  
Denison University, 1977-1981. B.A. in History & Classics.  
Lake Forest College Term in Greece, Spring 1979.  
New York University, Salamanca, Spain, Summer 1979.

**Field Experience**

New Excavations at the Palace of Nestor, Pylos. Co-  
director, 2015-present.  
Rescue excavations at the EB II site of Romanou, in  
conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Ephoria of Prehistoric and  
Classical Antiquities. Director of US team, 2015.

Rescue excavations at the Palace of Nestor, Pylos, in conjunction with the 38th Ephoreia of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities. Director of US team, 2011-2015.

Director of Record, Blegen Excavations at the Palace of Nestor, 2003-present.

Hora Apotheke Reorganization Project, Hora, Greece. Director, 1997-present.

Bonjakët Excavations, Apollonia, Albania. Project co-director and museum director, 2004-2010.

Durrës Regional Archaeological Project. Project co-director, 2001-2003.

Mallakstra Regional Archaeological Project, Apollonia, Albania. Project co-director and Museum director, 1998-2003.

Pylos Regional Archaeological Project, Hora, Greece. Assistant director of museum, 1992-1996.

Isthmia Excavations. Museum assistant, 1993.

Nemea Valley Archaeological Project, Nemea, Greece. Museum assistant, 1984.

Agora Excavations, Athens, Greece. Excavator, 1981.

Northwestern University Field School, Kampsville, IL, 1980.

### **Fellowships and Awards**

Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London 2022-present.

Commander of the Order of the Phoenix, Republic of Greece, 2021.

Giuseppe Sciacca Foundation Prize, Vatican City, 2017.

Semple Fellowship, University of Cincinnati. 1982-1984; 1993-2000.

University Research Council Summer Fellowship.

1999.

Scholarship, Business and Professional Women's Organization  
of Oak Park, 1992.

Tracy Prize in Ancient Greek, UIC, 1993.

Scholarship, Agora Excavations, American School of  
Classical Studies in Athens, Summer, 1981.

### **Grants**

Institute for Aegean Prehistory Research Grants.

1999, 2000, 2002-2013 (Principal investigator for Hora  
Apotheke Reorganization Project).

1998, 1999 (Co-investigator for Mallakstra Regional  
Archaeological Project).

2014, 2015. Emergency excavation grant for the Palace  
of Nestor (Principal Investigator).

2015-2023. New Excavations at the Palace of Nestor.

2017-2021. Publication of Material from the Palace of  
Nestor Roof Rescue Excavation.

J.M. Kaplan Fund.

2014 Conservation at the Palace of Nestor (Principal  
Investigator).

2017. Conservation of the Bronzes from the Grave of  
the Griffin Warrior.

2018. Conservation of Finds from the Grave of the  
Griffin Warrior.

2020. Conservation of the Griffin Warrior Grave.

2021, 2022. Conservation Internship Program.

2023-2024. Conservation Internship Program.

Leventis Foundation.

2019-2023. Conservation of Material from the grave of  
the Griffin Warrior Grave.

Rust Family Foundation.

2018. Investigation of Pseudomorphs from the Grave of the Griffin Warrior.

2023-2024. Investigation of Pseudomorphs on Metal Objects from the Grave of the Griffin Warrior.

Institute for Aegean Prehistory Conference Grant.

2011: "Mycenaean Wall-Painting in Context."

Packard Humanities Institute.

2001 (Co-investigator for the Durrës Regional Archaeological Project in Albania).

2005-2009 (Co-investigator for excavations at Bonjakët in Albania).

Butrint Foundation.

2004 (Co-investigator for excavations at Bonjakët in Albania).

National Geographic Society Research Grants.

1999 (Co-investigator for Mallakstra Regional Archaeological Project).

National Endowment for the Humanities

2000-2003 (Co-investigator for the Mallakstra Regional Archaeological Project).

### **Professional Organizations**

Archaeological Institute of America 1991-present.

AIA Committee for Waldbalm Field School Scholarship, 2017-2019.

AIA, President, Cincinnati Chapter, 2001-2007.

American Research Center in Sofia (ARCS).

Chair of the Board of Trustees, March 2013-2016.

Trustee 2011-2016.

American School of Classical Studies Alumnae Association, 1982-present.

### **Books**

2015. *Mycenaean Wall-Painting in Context*, National Research Foundation of Greece, De Boccard, Paris (ed. with H. Brecoulaki and J. L. Davis).
2022. *A Sanctuary in the Chora of Apollonia: Excavations at the Bonjakët Site 2004-2006*, Lockwood Press (ed. with J. L. Davis, I. Pojani, and V. Dimo).

### **Articles and Chapters**

1997. "Conspectus of Neolithic to Geometric Artifacts," in "The Pylos Regional Archaeological Project: Part I, Overview and the Archaeological Survey," J. L. Davis, S. E. Alcock, J. Bennet, Y. G. Lolos and C. W. Shelmerdine, *Hesperia* 66, pp. 391-494 (with Y. G. Lolos and C. W. Shelmerdine).
1998. "The Mallakastro Regional Archaeological Project: First Season, 1998," *Iliria* 1998, 1-2, pp. 253-273 (with M. Korkuti, J. L. Davis, L. Bejko, M. L. Galaty, and S. Muçaj).
1999. "Beyond Bunkers: Dominance, Resistance and Change in an Albanian Regional Landscape," *Journal of Mediterranean Archaeology* 12, pp. 197-214 (with M. Galaty and C. Watkinson).
2002. "Burnt Animal Sacrifice in Late Bronze Age Greece: New Evidence from the Mycenaean 'Palace Of Nestor' at Pylos," *Antiquity* 76, pp. 86-92 (with V. Isaakidou, P. Halstead, and J. L. Davis).
2003. "The Durrës Regional Archaeological Project: Archaeological Survey in the Territory of Epidamnus/Dyrrachium in Albania," *Hesperia* 72, pp. 41-

- 119 (with J. L. Davis, A. Hoti, I. Pojani, A. Wolpert, P. Acheson, and J. Hayes).
2003. "Pylos Regional Archaeological Project. Part V: Deriziotis Aloni. A Small Bronze Age Site in Messenia," *Hesperia* 72, pp. 341-404.
2004. "Bony Clues," *Dig Magazine* 6.1, pp. 24-26 (with J. L. Davis).
2004. "Deriziotis Aloni: ein kleiner bronzzeitlicher Fundort in Messenien," in *Die Ägäische Frühzeit, 2. Serie. Forschungsbericht 1975-2002, 2. Band. Die Frühbronzezeit in Griechenland*, ed. E. Alram-Stern, Verlag der Österreichischen Akademie der der Wissenschaften, Vienna, pp. 1243-1252.
2004. "The Paleolithic and Mesolithic of Albania: The Results of Survey and Excavation at the Site of Kryegjata B (Fier District)," *JMA* 17.1, pp. 3-29 (with C. Runnels, M. Korkuti, M. Galaty, M. Timpson, J. Whittaker, J. L. Davis, L. Bejko, and S. Muçaj).
2004. "Animal Sacrifice, Archives, and Feasting at the Palace of Nestor," in *The Mycenaean Feast*, ed. J. C. Wright, *Hesperia* 73, pp. 179-195 (with J. L. Davis).
2004. "Excavation of a Hellenistic Farmhouse in the Vicinity of Apollonia," in *L'Illyrie méridionale et l'Épire dans l'Antiquité. Quatrième Colloque international Grenoble, October 10-12, 2002*, ed. J.-L. Lamboley, pp. 299-305 (with M. Galaty, S. Muçaj, M. Timpson, and J. L. Davis).
2004. "Margaret Hardie Hasluck," in M. Joukowsky and B.S. Lesko, eds.,  
["http://www.brown.edu/Research/Breaking\\_Ground"](http://www.brown.edu/Research/Breaking_Ground)

2005. "The Hinterlands of Apollonia," *Iliria* 1-2 (2003-2004), pp. 305-322 (with M. Korkuti, L. Bejko, M. L. Galaty, S. Muçaj, and J. L. Davis.)
2006. "Bonjakët Excavations, Apollonia: 2004-2005," in *Current Developments and Future Directions in Albanian Archaeology: Festschrift on the Occasion of the 70th Birthday of Professor Muzafer Korkuti*, ed. L. Bejko and R. Hodges, Tirana, pp. 89-98, (with I. Pojani, V. Dimo, J. L. Davis, K. Lynch, T. Gerke, and E. Gorogianni).
2006. "The Earliest History of Apollonia: Heroic Reflections from Beyond the Acropolis," in *Current Developments and Future Directions in Albanian Archaeology: Festschrift on the Occasion of the 70th Birthday of Professor Muzafer Korkuti*, ed. L. Bejko and R. Hodges, Tirana, pp. 56-64 (with J. L. Davis).
2006. "Sourcing Volcanic Millstones from Greco-Roman Sites in Albania," *Journal of Field Archaeology* 31, pp. 137-146 (with T. L. Gerke, J. L. Davis, J. B. Maynard, and C. Dietsch).
2008. "The Hinterlands of Apollonia," in *L'Atlas d'Apollonia*, ed. J.-L. Lamboley and B. Vrekaj (Collection de l'École Française de Rome 391), Paris, pp. 13-23 (with M. Korkuti, L. Bejko, M. L. Galaty, S. Muçaj, and J. L. Davis).
2008. "An Archer from the Palace of Nestor in Pylos: A New Wall-Painting Fragment in the Chora Museum," *Hesperia* 77, pp. 363-397 (with H. Brecolouki, C. Zaitoun, and J. L. Davis).
2009. "Vrojtimi Intensiv Sipërfaqësor," in *Praktikat Arkeologjike në Terren*, ed. V. Hysa and N. Molla, Tirana, pp. 13-42 (with J. L. Davis and J. Wallrodt).

2009. "The Snake That Bites: The Albanian Experience of Collective Trauma as Reflected in an Evolving Landscape," in *The Trauma Controversy*, ed. K. B. Golden and B. G. Bergo, Albany, pp. 171-187 (with M. L. Galaty and C. Watkinson).
2009. "Differential Health Among the Mycenaeans of Messenia: Status, Sex, and Dental Health at Pylos," in *New Directions in the Skeletal Biology of Greece*, OWLS 1 (ASCSA), pp. 155-174 (with L. Schepartz, S. Miller-Antonio, and J. A. Murphy).
2010. "Early Helladic and Middle Helladic Pylos: The Petropoulos Trench and Stratified Remains on the Englianos Ridge," in *Mesohelladika: The Greek Mainland in the Middle Bronze Age (Bulletin de Correspondance Hellénique Supplement 52)*, ed. A. Philippa-Touchais, G. Touchais, S. Voutsaki, and J. Wright, Athens, pp. 135-141 (with J. L. Davis).
2010. "Early Prehistoric Landscape and Landuse in the Fier Region of Albania," *Journal of Mediterranean Archaeology* 22, pp. 151-182 (with C. Runnels, M. Korkuti, M. L. Galaty, M. E. Timpson, J. L. Davis, L. Bejko, and S. Muçaj).
2010. "Archaic Apollonia: New Light from the Bonjakët Site," in *L'Illyrie méridionale et l'Épire dans l'Antiquité: actes du V<sup>e</sup> colloque international sur l'Illyrie et l'Épire dans l'antiquité (Grenoble 10-12 octobre 2008)*, ed. J.-L. Lamboley, Paris, pp. 209-214 (J. L. Davis, I. Pojani, V. Dimo, K. M. Lynch, and T. Gerke).
2011. "The Cyclades and Pylos: An Early Bronze Age Stone Pyxis from Ali Chodza," in *Our Cups are Full: Pottery and Society in the Aegean Bronze Age*, ed. W. Gauss, M.



- Lindblom, R. A. Smith, and J. Wright, Oxford (with J. L. Davis).
2012. "Terracotta Figurines and the History of Cult at the Bonjakët Hamlet near Illyrian Apollonia," *BCH* 134, pp. 29-32 (with J. L. Davis).
2013. "The Medieval Deposit from the Northeast Gateway at the Palace of Nestor," *Hesperia* 81, pp. 673-731 (with J. L. Davis).
2014. "Re-Excavating" the Palace of Nestor: The Hora Apotheke Reorganization Project," in *KE-RA-ME-JA: Studies presented to Cynthia Shelmerdine*, ed. D. Nakassis and J. Gulizio, Philadelphia, pp. 239-250 (with J. L. Davis).
2015. "Of Ships – Sealing Wax – and Kings: A Pylia Fleet, the Theran 'Ship Fresco,' and Power in the Mycenaean World", in *Cycladic Seminar 2013: Sites of Major Significance and Iconography in the Prehistoric Cyclades*, M. Marthari, ed. Athens: The Archaeological Society in Athens, pp. 109-129 (with H. Brecoulaki and J. L. Davis).
2015. "An Unprecedented Naval Scene from Pylos, First Consideration," in *Mycenaean Wall Paintings in Context*, pp. 260-290 (with H. Brecoulaki, J. L. Davis, and E. Egan).
2015. "Crete, Messenia, and the Date of Tholos IV at Pylos," in *The Great Islands: Studies of Crete and Cyprus Presented to Gerald Cadogan*, E. Hatzaki, S. Andreou, and C. Macdonald, eds, pp. 175-178.
2016. "Realising Consilience: How Better Communication between Archaeologists, Historians and Natural Scientists Can Transform the Study "of Past Climate Change in the Mediterranean," *Quaternary Science*

- Reviews* 136, pp. 5-22 (with Adam Izdebski, Karin Holmgren, Erika Weiberg, Ulf Büntgen, Assunta Florenzano, Alexandra Gogou, Suzanne A.G. Leroy, Jürg Luterbacher, Belen Martrat, Alessia Masi, Anna Maria Mercuri, Paolo Montagna, Laura Sadori, Adam Schneider, Marie-Alexandrine Sicre, Maria Triantaphyllou, Elena Xoplaki).
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2016. Mycenaean Hierarchy and Gender Roles: Diet and Health Inequalities in Late Bronze Age Pylos, Greece in *Bones of Complexity*, H. Klaus, A. Harvey, and M.N. Cohen, eds., pp. 141-172 (with J. L. Davis, L. Schepartz, J. L. Davis, A. Papanastasiou, Sari Miller-Antonio, J.M. Murphy, and E. Malapani).
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2017. "The Combat Agate from the Grave of the Griffin Warrior at Pylos," *Hesperia* 86, pp. 583-605 (with J. L. Davis).
2017. "Late Bronze Age Climate Change and the Destruction of the Mycenaean Palace of Pylos," *PLOS ONE*, Dec. 27, 2017  
<http://journals.plos.org/plosone/article/file?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0189447&type=printable>

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2018. "The Gold Necklace from the Grave of the Griffin Warrior at Pylos," *Hesperia* 87, pp. 611-632 (with J. L. Davis).
2019. "Messenia", in *A Companion to the Archaeology of Early Greece and the Mediterranean*, I. S. Lemos and A. Kotsonas, eds., London, pp. 671-692 (with J. L. Davis).
2019. "Late Bronze Age Tombs at the Palace of Nestor, Pylos," In *Death in Late Bronze Age Greece: Variations on a Theme*, ed. J. M. A. Murphy, Oxford University Press, pp. 26-45 (with J. M. Murphy, J. L. Davis, and L. Schepartz).
2020. "An Early Mycenaean Wanax at Pylos? On Genii and Sun-Disks from the Grave of the Griffin Warrior, in *Current Approaches and New Perspectives in Aegean Iconography* (Aegis 18), F. Blakolmer, ed., Louvain, pp. 293-300 (with J. L. Davis).
2020. "Two New Linear B Tablets and an Enigmatic Find from Bronze Age Pylos (Palace of Nestor)," *Kadmos: Zeitschrift fuer vor- und fruehgriechische Epigraphik*, 58, pp. 111-123  
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- Ζυμή, Ε. Γιαννούλη, Α. Βασιλική Καραπαναγιώτου, Α. Κουμούση, Kalamata, pp. 207-215 (with E. Malapani, S. Vitale, C. McNamee, H. Öztürk, and A. Michopoulou)
2021. "Archaeological Investigations and Research Associated with Construction of the New Roof at the Palace of Nestor," in *(Social) Place and Space in Early Mycenaean Greece*, B. Eder and M. Savadil, eds., Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften, pp. 175-184 (with A. Vassilik-Karapanagiotou, D. Kosmopoulos, and J. L. Davis).
2021. "A New Late Helladic IIB Pottery Deposit from the Ano Englianos Ridge at Pylos in Western Messenia," in *(Social) Place and Space in Early Mycenaean Greece*, B. Eder and M. Savadil, eds., Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften, pp. 193-214 (with S. Vitale and L. Malapani).
2021. From Archive to GIS: Recovering Spatial Information for Tholos IV at the Palace of Nestor at Pylos, *Internet Archaeology* 56: <https://doi.org/10.11141/ia.56.5> (with Michael Loy and J. L. Davis).
2022. "The Grave of the Griffin Warrior at Pylos: Construction, Burial, and Aftermath," *Hesperia* 91, pp. 211-250 (with J. L. Davis, C. McNamee, S. Vitale, and P. Karkanas).
2022. "The Destructions of the Palace of Nestor at Pylos and Its LH IIIA Predecessor as a Methodological Case Study," in *Synchronizing the Destructions of the Mycenaean Palaces*, R. Jung and E. Kardamaki, eds., pp. 121-148 (with S. Vitale and J. L. Davis).

2022. *A Greek State in Formation: The Origins of Civilization in Mycenaean Pylos*. Oakland: University of California (Ch. 7, with J. Davis).
2022. "Pylos," *The Oxford Classical Dictionary*, digital ed. Oxford University Press (with Jack L. Davis). doi: [10.1093/acrefore/9780199381135.013.ORE\_CLA-08866.R1].
2022. A Genetic Probe into the Ancient and Medieval History of Southern Europe and West Asia. With Iosif Lazaridis, et al. *Science* 377 (6609), pp. 940-951.
2022. The Genetic History of the Southern Arc: A Bridge between West Asia and Europe. With Iosif Lazaridis, et al. *Science*, 377 (6609), [DOI: 10.1126/science.abm4247](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.abm4247)
2022. Ancient DNA from Mesopotamia Suggests Distinct Pre-Pottery and Pottery Neolithic Migrations into Anatolia, With Iosif Lazaridis, et al. *Science*, 377 (6609), pp. 982-987.
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Messenia. Studies presented in Honor of John F.  
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