

# **Anthropology**

Anthropology seeks to make sense of the human world while engaging with others to solve complicated social and environmental problems. In so doing, we cross cultural boundaries, examine the archaeological record, investigate our primate and hominin past, and question what the future holds. Through these experiences students learn how to apply cultural anthropology, archaeology, biological anthropology, and linguistics as professionals and scholars in a collaborative environment. The study of Anthropology at the University of Northern Colorado shares the knowledge of how, when, and where human life arose, as well as an understanding of human culture in comparative perspective. The interdisciplinary emphasis exhibited in this program centers on the power of the integrated, multidisciplinary nature of anthropology to understand human cultural and biological variation in a historic, prehistoric, and global context.

# **FACULTY OVERVIEW**

The UNC Anthropology Department provides a small-school feel in a mid-sized research university. Upper division courses are small, facilitating close interactions between students and professors. We challenge students to find their voices and their interests, and we mentor them as they mature and grow.

Our faculty love teaching undergraduates and are dedicated to interactive teaching and open-minded critical thinking. We are committed to modeling excellence in teaching, to understanding the diverse and specific needs of students at UNC, and to developing teaching techniques to meet these needs. In addition, we work to excite

students about what they learn in the classroom and encourage them to apply that knowledge and understanding to their lives. Most importantly, we teach students how—not what—to think, through interactive rather than passive learning. Our collective philosophy of teaching involves instructional strategies that engage, inspire, and energize students.

# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Anthropology has two minor tracks, general anthropology and a multicultural focus.
- The small program size offers an intimate and stimulating academic environment and one-on-one advising with professors.

- Courses blend hands-on laboratories, original research in the community, and field experience for a well-rounded education.
- We offer an Archeology field school.
- We have biological anthropology, archeology, and archaeogeophysics labs that include artifact collections, highend computing systems supporting ArcGIS, SPSS and other analytic software. We are equipped to gather and analyze data for reconstructing climatic and ecological change.









#### **INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

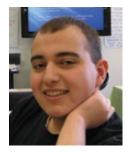
- City of Greeley Museums
- Museo de las Americas (Denver)
- · Northern Colorado AIDS Project
- Refugee Communities (in association with local agencies)
- Poudre Learning Center

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THIS PROGRAM

- Museums and Archives
- Cultural Resource Management Firms (Archaeology)
- Consulting Firms
- State, Federal or local Governmental agencies
- NGO's (Non-governmental agencies)
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Public Health
- · Preparation for Graduate School

#### **UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES**

- Summer Archaeology Field School
- Community Engagement: local research opportunities available
- · Volunteer to help with a professor's research
- Senior Seminar Capstone and Anthropology Methods courses will provide you with the necessary research and critical thinking skills to do graduate work or consulting with your degree.



"The great thing about UNC's anthropology program is its professors, a small group of top-notch scholars who through close interaction, lectures, discussions, and applied research encourage students to be both scientists and humanists — which is the essence of our field."

Ryan Lambert, UNC Anthropology Student

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