Graduate Programs

Upon graduating from Appalachian, many of our students decide to pursue an advanced education in anthropology. Across the country, graduate programs like the ones listed below have offered our graduates excellent opportunities to be further immersed in anthropology and other related fields.

- University of Georgia, Geology
- · University of Florida, Anthropology
- University College Cork, Archaeological Excavations Program
- University of California at Berkeley, Anthropology
- University College London, GIS and Spatial Analysis in Archaeology
- University of York, Archaeological Information
 Systems

Careers in Anthropology

The Archaeology curriculum prepares our students for a wide range of careers in human service fields or for further anthropological research opportunities. Below is a list of jobs that our students have landed after graduation.

- Staff Archaeologist- Statistical Research, Inc.
- GIS and Mapping Consultant- USAID, World Food Program of the United Nations
- Cultural Resource Specialist- U of Alabama
- Archaeologist- USFS of New Mexico
- Cultural Resources Management- Fort Bragg
- Conservator- Queen Anne's Revenge
 Shipwreck
- Archaeologist, North Carolina Department of Transportation

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ASU Anthropology Department



Welcome

As one of the fastest-growing departments at Appalachian, the Department of Anthropology is committed to a comparative and holistic approach to the study of the human experience. The anthropological perspective provides a broad understanding of the origins as well as the meaning of physical and cultural diversity in the world - past, present, and future.



About the Concentration

This concentration immerses students in the content, methods, theory, and practice of archaeology, offering specialized courses that engage undergraduate students in archaeological research and prepare them for graduate programs in archaeology and employment in Cultural Resource Management and Museum Studies. Earning a concentration in Archaeology at Appalachian allows students to engage in hands-on learning opportunities, act as teaching and research assistants, and to become familiar with state-of-the-art lab equipment and resources.

Program Requirements

- Completion of General Education requirements
- Fulfillment of at least 45 credit hours within the discipline
- Completion of required major courses
- Completion of at least one statistics course
- Completion of at least one geology course
- Completion of at least 6 hours in regional archaeology courses
- Fulfillment of a minimum of 6 credit hours of archaeology laboratory courses
- Fulfillment of Senior Capstone in selected area of interest
- 2.0 GPA minimum required for graduation

Our Students

Appalachian State's concentration in Archaeology engages students in research opportunities that can help to prepare them for either occupational roles or graduate research and education. Joshua Goodwin, Class of 2014, went on to pursue his MA at the University of Florida, studying material remains of pre-Columbian peoples of southeastern North America, particularly in the "Big Bend" area of the Gulf Coast. Goodwin began his research at the Laboratory of Southeastern Archaeology, which studies coastal sites threatened by sea level rise. Regarding his undergraduate experience, Goodwin says his professors prepared

him for the technical aspects of his research, and "opened my mind to the possibilities that archaeology affords in the greater goals of understanding what it means to be human."



Sample Courses

- ANT 2330 Neandertals
- ANT 2235 North American Archaeology
- ANT 3200 Zooarchaeology
- ANT 3260 Microscopy in Archaeology
- ANT 3270 Archaeology of the Native South
- ANT 4400 Paleolithic Archaeology
- ANT 4440 Experimental Archaeology
- ANT 4460 Landscape Archaeology

Faculty

- Dr. Cheryl P. Claassen Shell, sociology of archaeology, gender, Archaic, symbolism, caves, Eastern US, Mexico
- **Dr. Cameron D. Gokee** Village communities, historical landscapes, material culture and technology, West Africa, Southwestern US
- **Dr. Larry R. Kimball** Lithic technology, microwear analysis, quantitative methods, Russia, Appalachia
- **Dr. Thomas R. Whyte** Experimental archaeology, zooarchaeology, Eastern United States and Southern Appalachia
- Dr. Alice P. Wright Landscapes, GIS, archaeological geophysics, heritage management, the built environment and monumentality, Southeastern US

Resources

- Whyte Archaeology Lab
- "The Cave" Archaeology Curation
- Laboratories of Archaeological Science
- Anthropological Archaeology Lab
- Zoological Comparative Collection