

MASTER OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY/HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

Mission Statement

The Department of Anthropology seeks to provide students with a broad knowledge base in the discipline of anthropology with specializations in Archaeology (terrestrial and maritime), Cultural Anthropology, and Biological Anthropology. The Master's degree is the degree of choice for many professionals in Anthropology/Historical Archaeology, as it is the requirement for professionals in government and private firms. By providing hands-on research opportunities, instilling writing and critical thinking skills, we strive to prepare students for successful working careers or doctoral programs.

Student Learning Outcomes

UWF Historical Archaeology graduates with MA degree should be able to do the following:

Content

- Analyze and critique classic and current literature in historical archaeology and history.
- Reach a professional level of competence in historical archaeology by successfully completing a series of topical courses.
- Select and prepare for a professional career in historical archaeology

Critical Thinking

- Define and identify suitable anthropological research problems for a research project (or thesis)
- Generate relevant goals and objectives for a research project
- Select and apply appropriate methods for a research project
- Employ appropriate analytical tools for a research project
- Compose, articulate and defend reasonable conclusions based on analysis of empirical evidence and the professional literature
- Critically analyze anthropological writings, research, and data

Communication

- Effectively communicate both orally and in writing through research papers, reports, presentations and proposals.

Integrity/Values

- Distinguish ethical components in complex situations
- Analyze complex ethical situations and design appropriate solutions.
- Articulate the ethical responsibilities of anthropologists to society
- Practice professional ethical standards

Project Management

- Design and execute projects reasonably with given time constraints
- Design and employ problem solving skills
- Demonstrate competency in supervision skills

Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes

The department uses a variety of direct and indirect measures of learning for the plan. Indirect measures include satisfaction surveys of current students, graduates, alumni and faculty. Direct measures involve successful completion of core courses and requirements including completion of a thesis option or an internship option.

Job Prospects for Masters of Anthropology

Prospective Jobs

Archaeology
Cultural Resource Management (CRM)
Historic Preservation
Museum/Curation/Project Design
Tourism/Heritage

Urban and City Planning Offices
State Historic Preservation Offices
State Departments of Transportation
State Departments of Conservation
State Departments of Natural
Resources
State Parks and Recreation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Forest Service
U.S. National Park Service

Prospective Employers

Universities and Colleges
Museums
Cultural Resource Management
Companies
County and City Governments

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