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Student Spotlight: Christina Bolte

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Christina Bolte, Historical Archaeology

Initially, when I was doing my undergrad research, I was really interested in underwater archaeology. UWF was really my frontrunner, particularly because the location is great, the program was fabulous, the professors within the Anthropology and Archaeology department are renowned across the country and in some cases the world.

So I think one of my favorite things about graduate school, particularly here at UWF, is this camaraderie that starts to happen. You know, the late nights, not getting much sleep, and all of the coursework – you develop this great relationship with the other people that are going through the same things. And it's just an amazing experience, I think, for developing those kind of bonds that sort of take you through into your professional careers and things like that.

The entire program in general is really supportive of going out into your professional realms and going into conferences or meetings, and furthering your education not strictly on a local level, but also on a national and international scale.

I've been able to experience all of these things because UWF has really afforded me those opportunities that I couldn't have without that kind of interaction and support for graduate students in the program. I wouldn't trade it for anything.