

Anthropology, Ph.D.

Tell us what a first-year student can expect in the Anthropology Graduate Program.

Students in the first year of the program complete intensive core training in their subfield, which brings them into disciplinary and departmental conversations, while providing them with knowledge and skills they will need as practicing anthropologists.

Do you have any fellowships or other opportunities specific to your program for minority students?

Our department can nominate students to the Cota Robles Fellowship upon admission to the program.

What support do first year graduate students typically receive?

Fee and tuition fellowships, Teaching Assistantships, Summer Travel Grants

When are graduate applications due for your program?

December 15th.



Who can I contact for more information?

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Anthropology Faculty

Mark Anderson Race and Ethnicity; Capitalism, Consumption and Value; Latin America; The African Diaspora; Social and Cultural Theory; Transnationalism and Diaspora

Chelsea Blackmore Mesoamerican archaeology, identity formation, complex societies, class and state formation, gender, and feminist/queer theory

Don Brenneis Performance and Power, Language and Culture, Anthropology of Law, Acoustic Culture

Melissa Caldwell Poverty and Inequality; Social Justice; International Development; Anthropology of Food; Consumption; Memory and Trauma

Nancy Chen Food and medicine, Chinese biotechnology, mental health and cross-cultural psychiatry,

traditional and alternative healing practices, Asian-American identity

Jon Daehnke Archaeology of the North American Pacific Coast, cultural heritage politics and law, contemporary Native American politics, human-environment

interaction, landscape and place, collaborative methodologies, NAGPRA implementation and compliance, public representations of heritage and memory

Shelly Errington The Arts; plastic, photographic, moving images, and performance, arts and crafts of marginal peoples

Lars Fehren-Schmitz Palaeogenetics / anthropological genetics, human evolutionary ecology, evolutionary demography, gene-culture coevolution, migration theories, population history of the Americas, archaeology of South America

Mayanthi Fernand Anthropology of Islam, politics and secularism, modernity and difference, postcolonial Britain & France, anthropology of freedom, anthropology of Western Europe, multiculturalism

Alison Galloway Skeletal changes and bone metabolism, reproductive and skeletal interactions, forensic skeletal analysis and expert witness testimony

Diane Gifford-Gonzalez Zooarchaeology, African archaeology, pastoralism, colonial New Mexico, Holocene Monterey Bay historical ecology, interpretive theory, visual anthropology, emergence of pastoralism in East Africa; foodways as cultural practices in colonial encounters

Judith Habicht Mauche The archaeology of middle-range societies, culture contact and trade, material culture and technology, ethnicity and gender

Susan Harding Rural political economy and culture; religious and political communities and discourses

Andrew Mathews Human/environment relations, anthropology of bureaucracy and financial markets, anthropology of law and illegality, political ecology, environmental history, landscape history and visual representations of nature, sociology of knowledge, science and technology studies and state building

J. Cameron Monroe Historical archaeology, complex societies, political economy, landscape, Africa and the African-Diaspora

Megan Moodie South Asian studies, feminist theory, reproductive and population politics, kinship, development, legal identities, tribal communities

Olga Nájera-Ramírez Folklore, Greater Mexican culture and history, media, and gender

Triloki Pandey Religion and politics of Pueblo Indians of the American Southwest; Tribal peoples of Himalayan Terai and Northeast India

Renya Ramirez Ho-chunk biography, Urban Native Americans, diaspora, transnationalism, Native feminisms, gender and cultural citizenship, and relationship between Native Americans and anthropology, citizenship, and anti-racist education

Lisa Rofel Urban political economy and culture, popular culture, gender and science, transnational capitalism

Danilyn Rutherford Borders and frontiers, colonialism, nationalism, ethnicity, kinship, performance, Christianity, secularism, sovereignty, publics, affect, technology, governance, theory and method in anthropology, West Papua, Indonesia, the U.S.

Anna Tsing Politics and culture in Indonesia, rainforest ecology, gender in the U.S.

Matthew Wolf-Meyer Historiography and ethnography of science and medicine in the United States; Deleuze and Guattari in the social sciences; experimentation in the sciences and arts, including experimental documentary and ethnography; theories of embodiment and society; postcolonial idioms of healing, remedy and cure; comparative studies of public health; the biology of everyday life

