MASTER OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY/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 Masters degree is the degree of choice for professionals in Anthropology, as it is the requirement for professional positions in government and private firms. By providing students with hands-on research opportunities, instilling writing and critical thinking skills, we strive to prepare graduates for successful working careers or doctoral programs.

Student Learning Outcomes

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

Content

- Analyze and criticize classic and current literature in anthropological theory, archaeology, biological anthropology, and cultural anthropology.
- Reach a professional level of competence in one sub-field (e.g. Historical Archaeology, Maritime Archaeology, or Biological or Cultural Anthropology) by completion of a series of topical courses.
- Select and prepare for a professional career in a sub-field of anthropology

Critical Thinking

- Define and identify anthropological research problems
  - Identify relevant goals and objectives
  - Select appropriate method
  - Employ appropriate analytical tools
  - Draw reasonable conclusions
- Critically analyze anthropological writings, research, and data
Communication
• Effectively communicate in writing through research papers, reports, and proposals.
  o Develop and prepare professional presentations.

Integrity/Values
• Distinguish ethical components in complex situations
• Analyze complex ethical situations and design appropriate solutions.
• Articulate responsibilities of anthropologists to society
• Practice professional ethical standards

Project Management
• Design and execute projects reasonably with given time constraints
• Develop back-up planning skills
• Demonstrate competency in supervision of workforce

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
Archaeologist
Researcher
Corporate Research
Corporate Product Development
Social Surveys
Archaeological Technician
Public Relations
Analysis Curator
Writer
Educator
Public Sector Administrator
Museum Administrator
Preservationist
Resource Developer
Forensic Scientist
Anthropologist

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