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Research interests/project:

Areas of Research: Archaeology of Louisiana, the Lower Mississippi Valley, and north-central Gulf Coast, including historical archaeology and indigenous, precolonial archaeology of the Late Woodland and Mississippi periods (400-1700 CE).

Research Topics: Colonialism, diaspora, and identity; materiality, landscape, and memory; social inequality and power relations; public archaeology and cultural resource management.

Current Research Projects: Archaeological Investigations in Kisatchie National Forest; Archaeology of Land Loss in Coastal Louisiana; Cultural Resource Management for the USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service; Historical Archaeology of Acadian Settlement in South-Central Louisiana.

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ANTHROPOLOGY

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

The Anthropology program at UL Lafayette is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge and cross-cultural understanding through comparative studies of humankind.

We focus on archaeological, ethnographic, forensic, and sociolinguistic education, with an emphasis on the cultural diversity, heritage, and materiality of peoples in past and present-day Louisiana, the Lower Mississippi Valley, and Gulf South, including Cajuns, Creoles, African Americans, and Native Americans.

Anthropologists understand what it means to be human through 4 sub-fields: Archaeological, Biological, Cultural, & Linguistic Anthropology.

Degree Program and Concentrations

UL Lafayette offers a B.A. in Anthropology with courses from all four sub-fields. Three concentrations are offered that allow students to focus on a sub-field or specialization:

- Archaeology
- Forensic Anthropology
- Culture and Communication

Courses

Anthropology majors take four required courses in each of the subfields, plus a capstone course: Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 201); Biological Anthropology (ANTH 202); Archaeology (ANTH 303); Linguistic Anthropology (ANTH 390); Anthropological Theory (ANTH 470).

Six additional anthropology courses should be selected in consultation with an advisor for the B.A. in Anthropology. A Concentration in Archaeology, Culture & Communication, or Forensic Anthropology can be earned by completing the three required courses in the concentration and three approved courses selected in consultation with an advisor.

Careers

Anthropology majors have a wide range of career opportunities, including archaeology, collections management, cultural resource consulting, forensic anthropology, heritage industries, historic sites, museums, and public relations.

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The Archaeology concentration in the Anthropology program at UL Lafayette is dedicated to the advancement of archaeological knowledge and practice, with a focus on Louisiana, the Lower Mississippi Valley, and north-central Gulf Coast. Students gain applied research experience, knowledge, and training for graduate studies, cultural resource management archaeology, and related careers.



LOUISIANA PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY LAB

The Louisiana Public Archaeology Lab at UL Lafayette conducts applied research, public education, and community outreach involving the archaeological and cultural resources of Louisiana.



Students, faculty and staff are involved in public archaeology and cultural resource management through collaboration and partnerships with federal and state agencies, non-profit foundations, local governments, communities, and businesses.



The Louisiana Public Archaeology Lab is dedicated to the advancement of archaeology, archaeological conservation, and stewardship in Louisiana.

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ANTHROPOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE

Anthropology is the holistic, comparative study of humans, from evolutionary origins to cultural diversity in the modern world. Anthropologists advance our understanding of the human condition in the past and present-day, both biologically and culturally. The four sub-fields of archaeological, biological, cultural, and linguistic anthropology involve interdisciplinary and applied specializations, such as cultural resource management, forensic anthropology, and medical anthropology.

UL Lafayette offers a **B.A. in Anthropology**, with the option of **Three Concentrations**: *Archaeology, Culture & Communication, or Forensic Anthropology*. All Anthropology majors must complete four required courses in each of the sub-fields, plus a capstone theory course (15 credits):

Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 201); Biological Anthropology (ANTH 202); Archaeology (ANTH 303);
Linguistic Anthropology (ANTH 390); Anthropological Theory (ANTH 470)

Six additional anthropology courses (18 credits) should be selected in consultation with an advisor for the B.A. in Anthropology.

A **Concentration** in *Archaeology, Culture & Communication, or Forensic Anthropology* can be earned by completing the three required courses (9 credits) and three approved courses (9 credits) selected with an advisor from the following respective lists:

ARCHAEOLOGY

Required Courses (9 credits):

- World Archaeology (ANTH 203)
- Cultural Resource Management (ANTH 480)
- Archaeology Field School (ANTH 490)

Select 3 Courses (9 credits):

- Human Ecology (ANTH 310)
- North American Prehistory (ANTH 385)
- Bioarchaeology (ANTH 435)
- Louisiana Archaeology (ANTH 440)
- Seminar (ANTH 493; archaeology)
- Special Projects (ANTH 497/498; archaeology)
- Archaeological Records (ANTH 499)

CULTURE & COMMUNICATION

Required Courses (9 credits):

- Cultural Diversity (ANTH 240)
- Research in Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 491)
- Language and Power (ANTH 495G)

Select 3 Courses (9 credits):

- Anthropology of Religion (ANTH 305)
- Current Issues (ANTH 320; cultural or linguistic)
- North American Indians (ANTH 386)
- Indigenous Cultures (ANTH 420)
- Indians of Louisiana (ANTH 450)
- Gender Across Cultures (ANTH 454G)
- Medical Anthropology (ANTH 460)
- Cajun and Creole Heritage (ANTH 465)
- Seminar (ANTH 493; cultural or linguistic)
- Special Projects (ANTH 497/498; cultural or linguistic)

FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY

Required Courses (9 credits):

- Intro to Forensic Anthropology (ANTH 330)
- Forensic Anthropology (ANTH 430)
- Bioarchaeology (ANTH 435)

Select 3 Courses (9 credits):

- Human Ecology (ANTH 310)
- Current Issues (ANTH 320; biological)
- Human Evolution (ANTH 350)
- Medical Anthropology (ANTH 460)
- Archaeology Field School (ANTH 490)
- Seminar (ANTH 493; biological)
- Special Projects (ANTH 497/498; biological)
- Archaeological Records (ANTH 499)

For more information on the B.A. and Concentrations in Anthropology at UL Lafayette, email anthropology@louisiana.edu or go online to: <https://sociology.louisiana.edu/academic-programs/anthropology>