A Brief History of the Anthropology Department

The University of New Mexico was founded in 1889, more than 20 years before the territory became the forty-seventh state on January 6, 1912. Its Department of Anthropology was established by archaeologist Edgar Lee Hewett in 1928 and that summer conducted its first in-state archaeology field school. The first baccalaureate and graduate degrees were conferred in 1931-32. A Museum of Anthropology, the first public museum in Albuquerque, was founded in 1932 under the Department’s aegis. The first PhD was awarded in 1948. Notable faculty members hired in the first twenty years were Leslie Spier, Florence Hawley Ellis, Frank C. Hibben, William W. Hill, Stanley Newman, and Clyde Kluckhohn. Other prominent anthropologists who have taught in the Department are: Keilh Basso, Lewis Binford, Jane Buikstra, John (Jack) Campbell, Linda Cordell, Henry Harpending, Louise Lamphere, Alfonso Ortiz, Jeremy Sabloff, James Spuhler, and Erik Trinkaus. 300 doctorates have been earned in Anthropology at UNM, along with more than 3,000 undergraduate degrees.

Today, the Department’s 27 tenure-track faculty teach in three subfields with graduate degree programs and undergraduate concentrations in Archaeology, Ethnology, and Evolutionary Anthropology (this latter formed in 2008). The annual summer New Mexico archaeology field school continues and faculty and students conduct field research projects throughout New Mexico and the Southwest, Mexico, Central and South America, Canada, Europe, Africa, Asia, and the Pacific Basin. The Department’s Journal of Anthropological Research, begun in 1945, is edited by Distinguished Professor Lawrence G. Straus. The journal publishes problem-oriented articles of general interest in all branches of anthropology. A second journal, Human Nature, has been edited by Professor Jane Lancaster since its founding in 1989.

In 1972, the Museum of Anthropology was renamed the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology in honor of Dorothy and Gilbert Maxwell. Since 1973 it has been accredited by the American Association of Museums. The Office of Contract Archaeology, founded in 1974 is now a research division of the Museum. The Maxwell supports collections-based research and public education. Archaeological holdings including artifacts from the European and African Paleolithic, Arctic, Middle East, and Latin America, with major strength in the US Southwest. The Museum also supports a human Osteological collection, one of the largest in the country.

In 1999, the Department and the Museum received a National Endowment for the Humanities Grant to establish and endow the Alfonso Ortiz Center for Intercultural Studies, named for Professor Ortiz who died in 1997. With funding from its endowment, the New Mexico legislature and UNM, the Center now supports public anthropology and community-based research in New Mexico and elsewhere in the US and internationally.

UNM Anthropology is one of the largest programs in the country, ranking among the best in graduate education, providing diverse student opportunities for field and laboratory training, and producing new and exciting research, scholarship, and creativity. As a recent external review noted, Anthropology is a premier program at UNM, central to the University’s mission, and serving to enhance and strengthen public education in the State.
Convocation Program

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Michael Graves
Professor
Chair, Department of Anthropology

E. James Dixon
Professor
Director, Maxwell Museum

Special Guest Speaker
Louise Lamphere, Distinguished Professor Emeritus
Speech Title: "Becoming an Anthropologist"

Presentation of Awards
Professor Les Field

Professor Suzanne Oakdale
Graduate Director

Presentation of Graduates
Professor Michael Graves, Presiding

Professor Les Field
*Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science
*Honors

Professor Suzanne Oakdale
*Master of Arts and Master of Science
*Doctor of Philosophy

Affiliated Faculty

Richard C. Chapman
Director,
Office of Contract Archaeology
Associate Professor of Anthropology
University of New Mexico 1980

Patrick F. Hogan
Associate Director
Office of Contract Archaeology
Research Assistant Professor of
Anthropology Washington State
University 1987

Emeriti Faculty

Anita L. Alvarado
University of Arizona 1974

Keith H. Basso
Stanford University 1967

Richard Barrett
University of Michigan 1970

Garth L. Bawden
Harvard University 1977

Lewis R. Binford
University of Michigan 1964

Philip K. Bock
Harvard University 1962

John M. Campbell
Yale University 1962

Louise Lamphere
Harvard University 1968

Carol Nagengast
University of California, Irvine 1985

Joseph F. Powell
Texas A&M University 1995

Ann F. Ramenofsky
University of Washington 1982

Sylvia Rodriguez
Stanford University 1981

Stanley Rhine
University of Colorado 1969

Mari Lyn Salvador
University of California, Berkeley
1976

Karl H. Schwerin
University of California, Los An-
geles 1965

James M. Sebring
University of California, Berkeley
1968
Administrative Personnel

Jennifer George
Department Administrator

JoNella Vasquez
Accountant II

Erika Gerety
Coordinator, Program Advisement
(Graduate Advisor)

Carla Sarracino
Coordinator, Educational Support
(Undergraduate Advisor)

Joanne Kuestner
Administrative Assistant

Matthew Tuttle
Computer Technical Support

Ann Braswell
Coordinator of Technical Publications
Business Manager, Journal of Anthropological Research

Student Awards & Fellowships
Undergraduate Student Awards, 2010-2011

Krisztina Kosse Memorial Scholarship
The Krisztina Kosse Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually by the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology to honor the memory of Dr. Krisztina Kosse, an archaeological scholar of the European Iron Age and for many years the Curator of Collections at the museum until her death in 1995. The scholarship is a cash award of $500 given to an outstanding graduating senior concentrating in archaeology, preferably with a special interest, in or focus on, Old World complex societies.

Recipient in 2010-2011: Katherine Addington

Barbara MacCaulley Endowment Scholarship
The Barbara MacCaulley Endowment Scholarship is awarded annually by the Department of Anthropology to honor the memory of Barbara MacCaulley, who graduated from the university in 1951 and then pursued a career in the Foreign Service until her death in 1984. The scholarship is a variable cash award up to $500 given to two outstanding undergraduates with a concentration in archaeology who are full-time students entering their senior year with high motivation to pursue a career in Archaeology.

Recipients in 2010-2011: Lauren Alberti

John Campbell Undergraduate Research Scholarship
Dr. John Martin Campbell, former Chair of the Department of Anthropology, has established a research scholarship for undergraduates. The funding of $250 designated to support travel for undergraduate students who are attending and participation in professional meetings or research projects.

Recipients in 2010-2011: Christine DuBois & Pactrick Harjo

Undergraduate Indigenous Scholarship
This scholarship was established in honor of Alfonso Ortiz, former Professor of Anthropology, to support Native American and Indigenous undergraduate students majoring in Anthropology. This scholarship is awarded to two students within the academic school year.

Recipients in 2010-2011: Spring 2011 Anjetta Hawk
Fall 2011 Eudora Claw
Frieda D. Butler Award
The Frieda D. Butler Award is given annually by the department of Anthropology to honor the memory of Mrs. Butler, who established an endowment in 1975, when her grandson, Dr. Richard A. Barrett, was a member of the department faculty. In 1981 Butler’s daughter Margaret A. Barrett requested that a portion of the fund’s income be used for “a small award to a promising graduate student in anthropology.” The Butler Award of $650 is given to an outstanding master’s student who has not yet taken the doctoral specialties examination. The recipient delivers a public lecture during the Fall semester.

Recipient in 2011-2012: Theodoropoulos, Anastasia
Lecture:

Karl H. Schwerin Graduate Fellowship in Ethnology
The Karl H. Schwerin Graduate Fellowship in Ethnology is awarded annually by the Department of Anthropology. Professor Schwerin of the department faculty endowed the fellowship, which was first awarded in 1999, for an ethnology graduate student who has not yet begun dissertation research and has not received other support. The recipient of $800 is selected on the basis of scholastic ability, research potential, and financial need.

Recipient in 2011-2012: Gunderson, Lara M.

New Mexico folklore Scholar in Anthropology Award
The New Mexico Folklore Scholar in Anthropology is given annually by the Department of Anthropology to a graduate student involved in investigative research and writing in the area of New Mexico Folklore. The New Mexico Folklore Society, founded by UNM faculty members in 1931, established the New Mexico Folklore Archive Fund in 1970. In 1986 it was renamed the New Mexico Folklore Scholars Endowment in order to make annual awards for a New Mexico Folklore Scholar in Anthropology and a New Mexico Folklore Scholar in English. The recipient of the $1,000 award delivers a public lecture during the spring semester.

Recipient in 2011-2012: None; Award given alternate years
Lecture:

Jeff Long
Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
University of Michigan 1984

Martin Muller
Assistant Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
University of Southern California 2002

Sherry Nelson
Assistant Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
Harvard University 2002

Suzanne Oakdale
Associate Professor
Ethnology
University of Chicago 1996

Oshjorn M. Pearson
Associate Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
State University of New York, Stony Brook 1997

Joseph F. Powell
Associate Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
Texas A&M University 1995

Keith Prufer
Associate Professor
Archaeology
Southern Illinois University 2002

Keith Prufer
Associate Professor
Archaeology
Southern Illinois University 2002

Beverly Singer
Associate Professor, Director
Institute for American Indian Research
Ethnology
University of New Mexico 1996

Lawrence G. Straus
Distinguished Professor
Archaeology
University of Chicago 1975

David E. Stuart
Professor of Anthropology
University of New Mexico 1972

Marta Weigle
Regents Professor
Ethnology
University of Pennsylvania 1971

Wirt H. Wills
Professor
Archaeology
University of Michigan 1985
FACULTY

Les W. Field
Professor
Ethnology
Duke University 1987

Larry P. Gorbet
Associate Professor
Ethnology/Linguistics
University of California, San Diego 1974

Michael Graves
Professor and Department Chair
Archaeology
University of Arizona 1981

Frances Hayashida
Associate Professor
Archaeology
University of Michigan 1995

Bruce B. Huckell
Senior Researcher
Maxwell Museum
Research Associate Professor
Archaeology
University of Arizona 1990

Keith L. Hunley
Assistant Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
University of Michigan 2002

Hillard S. Kaplan
Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
University of Utah 1983

Jane B. Lancaster
Professor
Evolutionary Anthropology
University of California, Berkeley 1967

Ruth E. Kennedy Award
The Ruth E. Kennedy Award is given annually by the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology and the department of Anthropology to honor the memory of Ruth E. Kennedy, wife of Edwin L. Kennedy, a major donor to the museum. Initiated in 1981, the award recognizes Mrs. Kennedy’s abiding interest in public education. The Kennedy Award of $900 is given to an outstanding doctoral candidate chosen by the department faculty. The recipient delivers a public lecture during the Spring semester.

Recipient in 2011-2012: Gantt, Sean
Lecture:

Frank J. Broilo, Harry W. and Margaret Basehart Memorial Endowment Scholarship
The Frank J. Broilo, Harry W. and Margaret Basehart Memorial Endowment Scholarship is awarded annually by the Department of Anthropology to honor the memory of Frank J. Broilo, the first director of UNM’s Office of Contract Archaeology until his death in 1979, Professor Harry W. Basehart, professor emeritus of anthropology until his death in 1988 and editor of the Department’s Journal of Anthropological Research from 1962 to 1974 and 1981 to 1982, and his wife Margaret Basehart, who died in 1992. The scholarship is an award of $850 given to deserving graduate students who are pursuing a course of study in Archaeology or Ethnology. The scholarship alternates annually between Archaeology and Ethnology graduate students, and this academic year has been awarded to three archaeologists.

Recipients in 2011-2012:
Larson, Dorothy (Best Poster presented 2011-2012)
Davenport, James (Best Paper presented 2011-2012)
**Department Graduates**

**Summer/Fall 2011**

**Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science**

- Victor Alvarez (BS)
- Garrett W. Briggs (BA)
- Rebecca S. Burke (BS)
- Yagazie F. Emezi (BA)
- Paul L. Fritsch (BS)
- Monica S. Gutierrez (BA)
- Celia M. Kessler (BS)
- Gillian S. Leonard (BS)
- Manuel E. Lopez (BA)
- Chinara J. Lucero (BA)
- Amanda C. Macewen (BA)
- Davrie N. Martin (BA)
- Alyssa L. Martinez (BA)
- Michael Ordemann (BA)
- Berlin P. Rodriguez (BS)
- Amanda J. Schluter (BS)
- Mary Nicole Stoddard (BA)
- Katherine L. Torres (BA)
- Aaron J. Vega (BA)
- Jennifer M. Veranault (BS)
- Joseph R. Vigil (BS)
- Stephanie M. Welch (BA)

**Indicates requirements met for Summer 2011**

**Department Graduates**

**Spring/Summer 2012**

**Doctor of Philosophy**

**Brandon Lee Drake (PhD) Archaeology**

**Dissertation:** "New Paleoclimate Reconstruction Techniques in Archaeology: Applications in Greece, New Mexico, and Portugal"

**Chair:** Wirt Wills

**Shirley Heying (PhD) Ethnology**

**Dissertation:** "Finding Hope: Guatemalan War Orphans' Responses to the Long-Term Consequences of Genocide"

**Chair:** Les Field

**Emira Ibrahimpasic (PhD) Ethnology**

**Dissertation:** "Women Living Islam in Post-War Bosnia and Herzegovina"

**Co-Chair:** Elissa Helms

**Patrick Staib (PhD) Ethnology**

**Dissertation:** "Coffee and the Countryside: Small Farmers and Sustainable Development in Las Segovias de Nicaragua"

**Chair:** Les Field

**Judith Van Der Elst (PhD) Archaeology**

**Indicates requirements are met for Summer 2012**
Department Graduates

Fall 2011

**Doctor of Philosophy**

Paul L. Hooper (PhD) *Evolutionary Anthropology*

Dissertation: "The Structure of energy production and redistribution among Tsimane' forager-horticulturalists"

Chair: Hillard Kaplan

Kristin R. Snopkowski (PhD) *Evolutionary Anthropology*

Dissertation: "Testing Hypotheses of the Demographic Transition in San Borja, Bolivia"

Chair: Hillard Kaplan Co-Chair:

Spring/Summer 2011

**Doctor of Philosophy**

Spring 2012

**Doctor of Philosophy**

Michael K. Church (PhD) *Archaeology*

Dissertation: "Florentine Palaces, Costly Signaling, and Lineage survival"

Chair: James Boone

F. Scott Worman, (PhD) *Archaeology*

Dissertation: Tribes, States and Landscapes: Geoarchaeological

Department Graduates

**Spring/Summer 2012**

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

Felicia M. Alexander (BA) Neesha C. Karanth (BA)
Sara C. Allison (BA) Andrea K. Kartchner (BA)
**Kayla A. Avalos (BA) Rhonda s. Kendrick (BS)**
Katherine A. Bauer (BS) Christopher Kennedy (BA)
Noel A. Blair (BA) Valerie A. Lipinski (BS)
Keary T. Buttrill (BS) Airth R. Locke (BS)
Rebecca A. Camden (BA) Benjamin P. Ludwig (BA)
Melissa A. Campbell (BA) Adam J. Maestas (BA)
Simone G. Chouteau (BS) Valerie D. Maestas (BS)
Eudora L. Claw (BA) Alexa Mattise (BA)
George A. Custodio (BA) Joaquin G. Montoya (BS)
Stephanie Dineyazhe (BS) Jody A. Necessary (BA)
Heather Dodson-Smith (BS) Taylor A. Nelson (BA)
Daniel L. Duerre (BA) Halima A. Nguyen (BS)
Emily A. Elliott (BA) Maria T. Orona (BS)
Luke R. Fields (BS) Oceana M. Ortiz (BS)
Bailey A. Flynn (BA) Rachael J. Radulich (BS)
Santana M. Franz (BS) Shahana S. Rajan (BS)
Brittany R. Garcia (BS) Michaela C. Rode (BS)
Monica J. Gautreaux (BA) Anita N. S de Armijo (BA)
Robin R. Gibbs (BA) Michelle A. Skibyak (BA)
Samuel N. Gilbert (BA) Anastasia D. Tsiagkouris (BS)
Elizabeth Gonzalez (BA) Mehedi A. Van Hattum (BA)
Simone N. Green (BS) Jennifer L. Williams (BS)
Anjanette a. Hawk (BS) Holly A. Winscott (BA)
Jeffrey C. Hertz (BA) Kayla M. Wolf (BS)
Kristie L. Hollon (BS) Caitlen R. Hudak (BA)

**Indicates requirements met for Summer 2012**
**Department Graduates**

**Fall 2011**

**Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science with Honors**

Kamden Cornell (BA) Biological
*Honors Paper:* The Effects of Testosterone on Chimpanzee Hunting Behaviors in Kanyaware, Kibale National Park, Uganda
*Level of Honors:* Magna Cum Laude
*Mentor:* Melissa Emery-Thompson

**Spring 2012**

**Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science with Honors**

Danielle F. Boureau (BS) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Honors Paper:* Bearing Expectations: Cultural categories in and out of practice among Albuquerque midwives
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:* Suzanne Oakdale

Christine Dubois (BA) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Honors Paper:*
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:* David Stuart

Jennifer L. Fuller (BS) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Honors Paper:* Labor and Caloric Expenditure: Erecting the Infrastructure at Chaco Canyon, New Mexico
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:* David Stuart

**Charles Langley (BA) General Anthropology**
*Honors Paper:* Help Mom! Help! Survival Strategies of Middle-Class America in the 21st Century Recession
*Level of Honors:* Magna Cum Laude
*Mentor:* Les Field

**Summer/Fall 2011**

**Master of Arts and Master of Science**

Corey S. Ragsdale (MS) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Matt C. Rosett (MS) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

**Spring/Summer 2012**

**Master of Arts and Master of Science**

Quinn N. Bailey (MS) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Ilse Biel (MA) Ethnology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Jennifer F. Cabotage (MS) Evolutionary Anthropology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Laura E. DeFrank (MA) Archaeology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Maria del Pilar File-Muriel (MA) Ethnology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Maragaret A. Homko (MA) Archaeology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

**Jonathan Knighton-Wisor (MA) Public Archaeology**
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Jana L. Morehouse (MS) Archaeology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Meghan C. O’Leary (MA) Ethnology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

**Erin Sandlin (MA) Public Archaeology**
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Ellen W. Sieg (MA) Archaeology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Geneva Smith (MA) Ethnology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Kyle S. Spurgeon (MA) Public Archaeology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Elise M. Trott (MA) Ethnology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

Mark R. Williams (MA) Archaeology
*Level of Honors:*
*Mentor:*

**Indicates requirements met for Summer 2011/2012**