UNM Department of Anthropology Graduate Application

Application Procedure

Deadline

Applications are now being accepted for Fall 2024. The deadline is January 5th, 2024.

Typically, the Graduate Application Deadline for the Department of Anthropology is the first Friday in January for Fall admission of the same calendar year. Currently the department only has a Fall admissions period. We have no spring, summer, or rolling admissions periods.

Requirements

1. Complete the UNM online Graduate Application: [www.unm.edu/apply/](http://www.unm.edu/apply/). In order for the application to be considered complete, Anthropology Applicants must submit the following items through the online application:
   a. Application Fee ($60 for domestic applicants; $70 for international applicants)
   b. Letter of Intent
   c. Transcripts (from all colleges attended, see information below)
   d. Three Letters of Recommendation (you can request these electronically through the application)
   e. GRE (optional, see information below)

2. You **MUST** select an “interest” and “degree” level in the online application. Applications with “undecided” as primary interest will not be reviewed. The “interests” (also called concentration or subfield) and “degrees” in the Anthropology program include:
   a. **Archaeology** *(typically only PhD Track)*
      i. Select PhD
   b. **Ethnology**
      i. Select PhD or MA
   c. **Evolutionary Anthropology** *(typically only PhD track)*
      i. Select PhD
   d. **Public Archaeology** *(Master’s Degree only)*
      i. Select MA or MS
      ii. MA is 36 credits, MS is 42 credits which include two science courses

*We must know which interest/subfield to send the application for review. It is not necessary or recommended to select a second interest unless you have one.

3. Optional additional details. Additional information may be helpful in finding funding for applicants. Examples include; 1st generation college student, enrolled tribal member, NM high school graduate, or any other affiliations not specifically listed on the application.
Notes:

GRE

No test scores are required by any Anthropology program. However, each subfield has its own policy in regards to GRE scores:

- **Archaeology**: GRE scores are optional, but not required
- **Ethnology**: GRE scores are not accepted, but a writing sample is required
- **Evolutionary Anthropology**: Admissions is based on several factors, including letters of recommendation, personal statements, GPA, research interests, undergraduate coursework/preparation, and fit with faculty research directions. The GRE is not required for application or admittance to the program. However, students who feel that their GRE scores will be helpful in evaluating their academic record are welcome to submit them.
- **Public Archaeology**: GRE scores are optional, but not required

Official Transcripts

Send all official transcripts to the UNM Admissions Office. The department can review your unofficial transcripts on the online application to extend an offer of admission, but if you are offered admission the UNM Admissions Office cannot complete the admissions process until an official transcript is on file. It is recommended that you keep official copies from all your universities and/or colleges on hand and ready to send if necessary. You can request that each of your universities and/or colleges send official copies directly to you. Then you will have one available when asked. Official transcripts must have a seal from the school registrar and be unopened. However they can sent directly from the student.

International Students

International students will be required to submit additional materials to the International Admissions Office. Contact the International Admissions Office for detailed information and instructions. The International Admissions Office will consider the application complete once the applicant has met both the departmental requirements listed above plus the additional requirements of the International Admissions Office (TOEFL, Certification of Financial Responsibility, etc.). Applicants must adhere to both the department and the International Admissions deadlines.

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