Are you considering applying to graduate school?

The Department of Anthropology at the University of Minnesota is a well-ranked anthropology graduate program offering training in archaeology, biological, and sociocultural anthropology. We develop first-rate anthropologists to accept positions in higher education, museums, business, and applied fields. Our faculty’s areas of interest include:

**Sociocultural Anthropology:** colonial and post-colonial studies; race and popular culture; consumption and work; medical anthropology and cultural histories of healing; linguistic anthropology; anthropologies of capitalism, finance, economy, political economy, the state, globalization, and modernity; nationalism and identities; dialogics of culture; politics of history and memory; embodiment; science and technology; gender and sexuality; and time and culture; anthropology beyond the human; art and visual culture; experimental writing; and philosophical anthropology. Regional specializations: Europe, North America, the Pacific, the Middle East, and South Asia.

**Archaeology:** paleolithic archaeology, historical archaeology of culture contact, colonialism, indigeneity, race and ethnicity in North America; cultural transmission and material culture theory; European/Iron Age studies; faunal, lithic, residue, taphonomy, and ceramic analyses. Regional specializations: Africa, Eastern and Western Europe, West Asia, and North America.

**Biological Anthropology:** Evolution of behavior in humans and other primates; primate growth and development; evolution of communication; geometric morphometrics; skeletal evolution in humans and other primates; hominoid origins; spread of humans out of Africa; paleoecology; and wildlife health and conservation. Regional specializations: Africa and Eurasia

Our program is interdisciplinary, requiring a minor or supporting field of study in departments as diverse as Cultural Studies and Comparative Literature, Geology, Statistics, History, and Gender, Women’s, and Sexuality Studies. Visit our website to learn more about our program and be sure to check out our Facebook page. Our graduate handbook outlines in detail the three Ph.D. programs by year. We also encourage you to reach out to any of our faculty who you may be interested in studying with, or any current graduate students who are doing work that may resonate with your own research interests.
We are located in Minneapolis, which—despite what you may have heard about our winters—is frequently ranked as one of the best cities to live in the United States. The city's cosmopolitan character is further reflected in the University’s and Department’s commitments to diversity as a source of strength and intellectual vitality. Please see our department’s diversity statement attached.

Instructions for applying to our program can be found here (you will see that our deadline for application is December 1st.) Please email our Director of Graduate Studies, Professor Stuart McLean, at mclea070@umn.edu if you have any further questions about our program.

Good luck in your graduate school application process!

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We discover what it means to be human in our past, present, and future by examining the evolution and contemporary comparative study of human biology, culture, and materials throughout time and in every part of the world.