

# Matson Museum of Anthropology

## Program Information

Program Name	Matson Museum of Anthropology
General Description / Special Programs	The museum is affiliated with the Department of Anthropology. The museum maintains an active program of exhibits and offers tours to the public. Limited space for studying collections and curatorial assistance are available with advanced notice. Undergraduate and graduate classes are regularly conducted in the museum. Department of Anthropology classes make extensive use of museum collections for teaching. The Department of Anthropology offers an undergraduate museum studies course. Students research, design and mount exhibits, and gain experience in collections management for independent study credit.
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## Program Details

Research Facilities	Collections: Approximately 28,000 catalogued specimens including Eastern North American archaeological items; world-wide ethnographic collections, notably Afghanistan, South American, and African items; late nineteenth century DeForest folk pottery collection, and an extensive early hominid fossil cast collection. The museum houses extensive archaeological collections from Mesoamerica for research and exhibition.
Support Opportunities	The museum offers credit during the academic year for undergraduates. The Ceramic Studies Award provides funds to students for the study of accessioned ceramics. Work-study positions are also available depending on museum operations. The Matson-Benson Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the museum by University graduate students.
Library Resources	Research library of approximately 800 volumes
Internships Available	
Internship Required	
Publications	Occasional Papers in Anthropology (monograph series; 26 published)
Certs Offered	



