

Vanderbilt University, Department of Anthropology

Program Information	
Program Name	Vanderbilt University, Department of Anthropology
General Description / Special Programs	A generously funded doctoral program with extraordinary opportunities for field research and publication. Although students with diverse interests are welcomed, the focus of Vanderbilt's program is Latin America. Students benefit from small classes, emphasis on the student's interests in structuring a program of study, and collaboration with faculty in field projects in the Andes, Mesoamerica, Amazonia, and elsewhere in the Americas, as well as laboratory training in osteology, genetics, and GIS. Collaboration with local communities, indigenous studies, history, political economy, social movements, landscape and spatial analysis, and bio-social dynamics of inequality and social change are primary emphases.
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Program Details

Degrees Offered	Anthropology PhD, MA, BA
Tuition Information	
Highest Degree Offered	PhD
Certificate Info	
Other Degree Requirements	
AA/ AS Requirements	
BA/BS Field Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthropology
BA/ BS Requirements	30 hours of coursework in program
MA/MS Field Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthropology
MA/ MS Requirements	36 hours course work, comprehensive examination. No admissions for MA-only students. PhD candidates may earn the MA in the course of work toward the doctorate.
MA/MS Specializations	
PhD Field Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthropology
Phd Requirements	45 hours course work in program plus research hours, comprehensive exam, thesis, language exam
Research Facilities	<p><p>Spatial Analysis Research Laboratory (Geographic Information Systems and Remote Sensing); Cognitive Anthropology Laboratory; Osteology Research Lab; Isotope Analysis Lab; Genetics Research Lab. Branscombe Collection of pre-Columbian Nasca ceramics; the Arnold and Garnier Collection of osteology materials; the Wauchope Library Collection; Thurston Collection of Middle Cumberland Artifacts; and other ceramic collections. Center for Latin American Studies, Learning Sciences Institute, Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities.</p> </p>
Support Opportunities	<p><p>All graduate students receive tuition, fees, health insurance, and \$23,000 stipend, renewable for five years. Several additional awards are competitive across the University. University funds provide additional support for graduate student conference travel, summer research, and dissertation writing.</p> </p>
Library Resources	Extensive Latin America collections
Internships Available	
Internship Info	
Internship Required	
Publications	<p><p>Ancient Mesoamerica (Cambridge University Press journal), International Journal of Historical Archaeology, Vanderbilt University Publications in Anthropology, Vanderbilt Institute of Mesoamerican Archaeology Monograph Series, Exploration (online research journal).</p> </p>
Collections	
Grants Or Funding	
Misc Information	
Phd Specializations	
Certs Offered	

Statistical Information

2012-13	Percentage OF FULL-TIME GRAD STUDENTS receiving funding	100
	Number of New Grad Students	4
	PHD Degrees Granted To Males	1
	BA/BS DEGREES GRANTED TO FEMALES	0
	MA/MS Degrees Granted To Males	0
	Number of Male Undergrad Students	0
	Number of Male Grad Students	15
	Number of Female Grad Students	21
	AA/AS DEGREES GRANTED TO FEMALES	0
	PHD Degrees Granted To Females	2
	BA/BS Degrees Granted To Males	0
	MA/MS Degrees Granted To Females	0
	Number of Female Undergrad Students	0
	AA/AS Degrees Granted To Males	0

Program Contacts

Name	Phone	Email	Interest/Specialty Areas	Geographic Areas of Expertise United States	Geographic Areas of Expertise International
Beth Conklin		beth.a.conklin@vanderbilt.edu	Sociocultural anthropology, medical anthropology, indigenous peoples, anthropology of body and emotion, religion and ritual, environmental politics, climate change, food politics	Lowland South America (Amazonia)	
Edward Fischer		edward.f.fischer@vanderbilt.edu	Political economy, development, food, indigenous movements, consumer ethics, Maya studies	Guatemala, Germany	
Markus Eberl		markus.eberl@vanderbilt.edu	Archaeology, epigraphy, social organization, symbols, Maya hieroglyphic writing	Mesoamerica, Classic Maya, Aguateca Guatemala, Yucatan Mexico	
Tiffany Tung		tiffany.tung@vanderbilt.edu	Bioarchaeology, paleopathology, skeletal biology, biocultural effects of imperialism and imperial collapse, Peruvian Andes, Wari	Central highland Andes, south-central coastal Andes of Peru	
Arthur Demarest		arthur.a.demarest@vanderbilt.edu	Archaeology, comparative civilizations, anthropological and philosophical theory, ethics in anthropology and development, collapse of complex societies	Mesoamerica, South America, Near East	
Thomas Gregor		thomas.a.gregor@vanderbilt.edu	Gender, sexuality, conflict and peace studies, psychological anthropology, anthropology of art	South American Indians	
William Fowler		william.r.fowler@vanderbilt.edu	Archaeology, ethnohistory, historical archaeology, social history, political economy	Mesoamerica, Lower Central America, North America	
Tom Dillehay		Tom.D.Dillehay@vanderbilt.edu	Historical ecology, political anthropology, social identity and change, migration and adaptation	Latin America, Andes, Southern Cone	
Carwil Bjork-James		c.bjorkjames@vanderbilt.edu	Sociocultural anthropology, social movements, political ecology, indigenous peoples, spatial analysis, human rights, global justice, protest tactics	Andes, South America	
Lesley Gill		lesley.gill@vanderbilt.edu	Political violence, labor and transnationalism, US Imperialism, class and culture, political economy	Colombia, Bolivia	
Norbert Ross		norbert.o.ross@vanderbilt.edu	Environmental anthropology, folkbiology, culture models, institutions and environmental behavior, cognition and culture, inter- and intracultural differences, theories of culture and cultural change, values and decision making, folkmedicine, religion	Tzotzil and Lacandon Maya of Chiapas (Mexico), Yucatec Maya and Itza' Maya, Native Americans (US), Amish	
Steven Wernke		s.wernke@vanderbilt.edu	Andean archaeology and ethnohistory, community, imperialism, colonialism, landscape and land-use, religion, spatial analysis (GIS)	Andean region of South America	
Mareike Sattler		mareike.sattler@vanderbilt.edu	Maya languages: K'iche, Kaqchikel, Chol'ti, Yucatec Maya and Maya glyphs		
Sophie Bjork-James		sophie.bjorkjames@vanderbilt.edu	Sociocultural anthropology, gender, race, religion, conservative movements, urban anthropology	North America	
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