Anthropology, M.A.

Graduate study in anthropology is open to individuals with varied undergraduate majors and training backgrounds.

Graduate students normally are admitted under the assumption that they intend to pursue the Ph.D. degree. The department also offers a terminal M.A. degree, with a focus on cultural resource management—archaeology (CRM), which provides academic preparation for a professional career in that field.

Ph.D. students who enter the program with a bachelor’s degree are typically awarded a master’s degree upon fulfilling program requirements at the end of their second year. The M.A. portion of the Ph.D. program features coursework across all four subfields of anthropology. Students also are strongly encouraged to conduct independent summer research, which is often supported by departmental and other university-based funding sources.

For additional information, view the Graduate Programs web page and the current Graduate Student Guidebook on the Department of Anthropology website.