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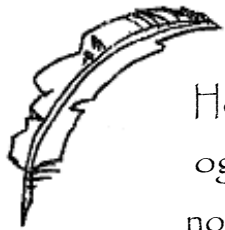
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Spring 2011

A newsletter for the CSULB Anthropology Department,
Michael Robertson, Editor

Letter from the Chairperson, Dr. Barbara LeMaster



Hello again from the CSULB Anthropology Department! In spite of difficult economic times this past year our department has continued to thrive! Our faculty and students have been active in conference participation, publications, and groundbreaking research activities (see listings in this newsletter, especially the launching of Cam-CHAP), with 48 students and 11 faculty authoring presentations (that we know about!). The department has sponsored or co-sponsored 27 talks and events on campus, demonstrating our engagement across the university. And, please note that our faculty are making news, on campus and beyond. Pick up a Press Telegram and you will find us there or tune in to educational programming on issues within anthropol-

ogy and you very well may see one of us either featured or there as an expert in the field. Next Fall, the department will be hosting a panel discussion on Anthropologists on TV! Stay tuned for more information!

Our Banquet on May 24, 2011 at the Soroptimist House is sure to be a success! We will be honoring all of our graduates. In addition, we will also be giving awards (see list of awardees below). Graduation is on Thursday, May 26, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. You are invited to meet up with your family, friends and professors in LA5-163 to celebrate. Congratulations to our graduates!

And speaking of graduating, we are calling on our esteemed alumnae to join our newly forming department Alumni Network. If you would like to participate, please send your contact information to me (lemaster@csulb.edu).

I want to thank our Editor, Michael Robertson, one of our graduate students, for his fantastic work on this newsletter. He has done a great job capturing so much of what this department has done over the last year. Please stay in touch with us, and have a wonderful summer!

THE SEARCH IS ON @ The Beach!

The Anthropology Department Begins Searching for the Next Robert C. Harman Visiting Scholar in Applied Anthropology

The Department of Anthropology at California State University, Long Beach, invites applications for the second Robert C. Harman Applied Anthropology Visiting Scholar position. The department seeks a cultural applied anthropologist with a distinguished career in Cultural Applied Anthropology.

The Robert C. Harman Visiting Scholar recruitment committee expects that the Harman Visiting Scholar will exemplify high standards of excellence in performing the following responsibilities: teach two graduate courses, one in the Scholar's area of special expertise and another to be determined. The content in these courses will include theory in applied anthropology, applied research methods, research design, proposal writing, and

**REMINDER! May 26, 2011, 1 pm
Anthropology Graduation - come
back to LA5-163 after graduation
to meet up with faculty, friends,
and family at our reception!**



career opportunities for applied graduates at the Master's Level.

The Scholar, expected here in Spring or Fall of 2012, will lead dialogues on issues in applied and practicing anthropology with faculty and give two or more workshops or lectures, based on the Scholar's experience and expertise, to broader audiences, including local practitioners, students, faculty, and staff on current directions in the applied field. The Scholar will present a lecture, open to the Long Beach community as well as the university, on why applied anthropology is important in today's world, how the CSULB applied program is contributing understanding and solutions to local issues, and how community residents might collaborate with applied anthropologists to benefit both the community, and the university. The Scholar will also, as appropriate, advise Anthropology graduate students working on applied theses or projects and will work with the department on improving the Applied MA program and recruiting high caliber graduate students.

The Anthropology Department is now accepting applications. Send to Dr. Barbara LeMaster, lemaster@csulb.edu.

“THE WORLD IS OUR COLLEGE”:

See where Anthropology has taken our faculty, students, and staff!



Anthropology Faculty Dr. Karen Quintiliani in the Press & World Wide Web @ The Beach!

May 16, 2011 Cambodian Community History and Archive Project (CamCHAP) Website and Archive Launch event at the Historical Society of Long Beach draws leadership from CSULB & CSUDH, Long Beach community members, and honored guests.



See ARCHIVE: "Academics, Historical Society join to create source that traces group's history," in the Long Beach Press Telegram for full story.

Left: Dr. Karen Quintiliani, CSULB & Dr. Susan Needham, CSUDH (Project Directors) discuss their research with the Long Beach Cambodian community and the development of CamCHAP.

Below: (from left to right) Dr. Barbara LeMaster, Chair Dept. of Anthropology, Dean Gerry Riposa, College of Liberal Arts, and Provost Donald J. Para, CSULB, receive honorable recognition from Julie Bartolotto, Director of the Historical Society of Long Beach.



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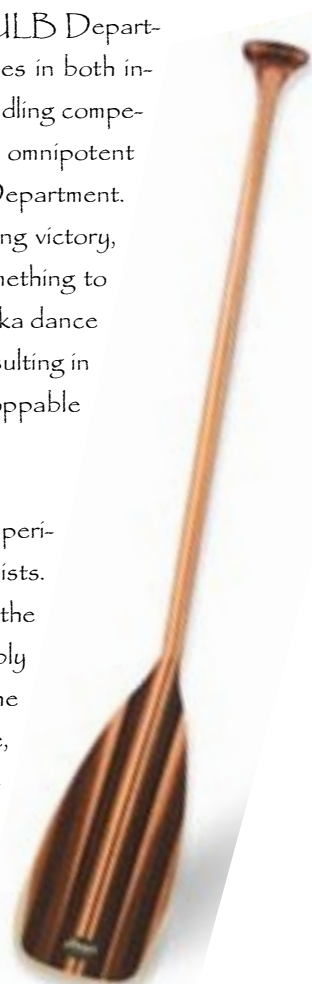


Anthropology vs. Linguistics Outrigger Paddling Showdown @ The Beach!

Battle of the Paddling Titans Ends in Awkward Stalemate.

May 1st, 2011 featured a sporting spectacle between the CSULB Departments of Anthropology and Linguistics—two long-time adversaries in both intellect and athleticism. This was the second annual Outrigger Paddling competition between the two foes, initiated by the prestigious and omnipotent steerswoman, Mrs. Libby Azevedo from the Anthropology Department. Last year the anthropologists had an overwhelming and resounding victory, so it was clear that this time around the linguists felt they had something to prove. Despite the taunting, aggression, and traditional Maori Haka dance battle, both teams performed admirably in the face of adversity, resulting in an unprecedented tie. Perhaps this is what happens when an unstoppable force meets an immovable object.

Dr. Ron Loewe defends the anthropologists, claiming that their superiority was overshadowed by the unfair advantages given to the linguists. While Dr. Wendy Klein acknowledges the impressive "brawn" of the anthropologists, she asserts that the linguists paddled honorably and intentionally let the day end in a tie—an attempt to regain the harmony that the two departments once shared. In six months time, the sacred prizes—which were divided between the opposing Department Chiefs—will be exchanged in a traditional ceremony. An emissary from each department, freshly bathed in sea water, barefoot, and wearing the respective colors of their team, will deliver the gifts. All are welcome to try and divert the ritual items from their intended recipients during this ceremony.





The April 21 Anthropology Department Student/Faculty mixer draws an unprecedented number of guests.



Distinguished speaker, Dr. Gananath Obeyesekere, Anthropology, Emeritus, Princeton University, attracts over 150 students to the Beach Auditorium on April 4, 2011.

Supplemental Instruction @ The Beach!

The Anthropology Department teams up with the Learning Assistance Center to help students succeed.

In the Fall Semester of 2010, the Anthropology Department collaborated with the Learning Assistance Center (LAC) Supplemental Instruction Program. Supplemental Instruction (SI) is an initiative designed to help reinforce course material, strategize effective study techniques, and facilitate teamwork in an educational setting. CSULB students taking classes that typically have a history of high fail/dropout rates may have the option of enrolling in one unit of SI that is specifically geared for that particular course. The SI section is run by an upper division student SI Leader, who can be no better described than as a *learning facilitator*. Neither tutor nor teacher, the role of SI Leaders echoes Albert Einstein's sentiment, "I never teach my pupils; I only attempt to provide the conditions in which they can learn."

Three sections of SI were available to students taking ANTH 120-Introduction to Cultural Anthropology with Dr. Tom Douglas. All the students authorized to enroll in the SI sections were part of the Beach Learning Community (BLC), which is an additional program from the LAC that is specifically tailored to meet the needs of incoming freshman who are required to complete a Writing Skills course and two prebaccalaureate math courses within their first year succeed at CSULB. Dr. Douglas would conduct engaging lectures to his class of 150 students, and then the BLC freshmen would attend their section of SI with either Joanne Tucker, Melanie Peinado, or Michael Robertson. The SI Leaders would use this valuable time to do writing exercises, creative group activities, and active class discussions all related to the course material presented by Dr. Douglas. Essentially, the SI Leaders gave students an environment of engaged teamwork—something that is just unfeasible in such a large lecture course—in order to help the BLC students realize their full potential to be independent and active learners.

So, is SI effective? The final grades from Fall 2010 speak for themselves: every single student enrolled in SI passed ANTH 120 and as a group they consistently outperformed their non-BLC peers. Dr. Douglas was grateful for the support offered by SI, and is looking forward to having the program come back for Anthropology in the Fall 2011.

If you are a current upper division or graduate Anthropology student interested in becoming an SI Leader with the BLC, please contact Linda Hannisdal at the Learning Assistance Center: lhannis2@csulb.edu (562) 985-7359.

More Anthropology Faculty in the Press @ The Beach!

Dr. Carl Lipo featured in the Spring 2011 Beach Review:
 "CSULB Anthropologist Finds Pacific Island Colonization Occurred Later and Faster" - Anne Ambrose

New research by an international team of scholars shows early human colonization of Eastern Polynesia took place much faster and more recently than previously proposed.

They described their discoveries in a Feb. 1 Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences article (www.pnas.org) co-authored by Carl Lipo, associate professor of anthropology at Cal State Long Beach; team leader and paleoecologist Janet Wilmshurst of Landcare Research in Lincoln, New Zealand; Terry L. Hunt, professor of anthropology at the University of Hawaii at Manoa; and Atholl Anderson, professor of prehistory, archaeology and natural history at Australia National University's College of Asia and the Pacific in Canberra.

The study was based on an analysis of the validity of more than 1,400 radiocarbon dates from 47 islands in the region collected from their own and other researchers' published studies...

To read more, check out the BEACH Review online at: <http://cf.papubs.csulb.edu/cms/>



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ANTHROPOLOGY EVENTS @ The Beach!

The Anthropology Department, Anthropology Graduate Student Association (ASGA), and Anthropology Student Association (ASA) put on and co-sponsored a wide variety of events this past year!

- ◊ **September 24, 2010—"Sexing the Nuclear: Iranian Research Panel"**
- ◊ **October 19, 2010—Graduate Workshop**, presented by the AGSA, provided undergraduates the opportunity to learn about the process of applying for Graduate school.
- ◊ **October 28, 2010—Anthropology Department Potluck and Mixer**
- ◊ **November 5, 2010—SSPS Seminar (Part 1)**, with Dr. Abdul, presented by the ASGA.
- ◊ **November 20, 2010—Cambodian Arts and Culture Exhibition**, put on by the Historical Ethnography class at CSULB.
- ◊ **December 1, 2010—CSULB World AIDs Day Event**, co-sponsored by the Department of Anthropology.
- ◊ **December 1, 2010—"Bullied: A Student, a School, and a Case that Made History"**, film and panel discussion.
- ◊ **December 2, 2010—Amish Night!** Film screening and potluck presented by the ASGA.
- ◊ **December 10, 2010—SSPS Seminar (Part 2)**, with Dr. Abdul, presented by the ASGA.
- ◊ **March 2, 2011—"What to Do With a Degree In Anthropology?"** presented by the ASGA.
- ◊ **March 22, 2011—"Ask an Anthropologist Day"** with the ASGA and ASA.
- ◊ **March 22, 2011—"Language Practices for Constituting the Local Social Order in Peer Groups"** with Dr. Marjorie Harness Goodwin, UCLA
- ◊ **April 1, 2011—Cambodian Community History and Archive Project (CamCHAP)** open house and book signing.
- ◊ **April 4, 2011—"The Tower: The Long Night of Carl Jung's Cosmic Vision"** with Dr. Gananath Obeyesekere, Professor of Anthropology, Emeritus, Princeton University
- ◊ **April 7, 2011—"Sufi Islam and the State in Central Asia"** with Dr. John Schoeberlein, Harvard University
- ◊ **April 15, 2011—"Margaret Mead Film Festival"** presented by AGSA

- ◊ **April 21, 2011—"Non-Traditional Careers Using Anthropology: Kenya"** with Debi Spindelman, CSULB Alumna
- ◊ **April 21, 2011—Anthropology Faculty/Student/Staff Potluck and Mixer**
- ◊ **April 26, 2011—"Bilinguals and Borders: Conflicting Constructions of Bilingualism among US-Mexican Transfronterizos"** with Ana Celia Zentella, Professor Emerita, UCSD.
- ◊ **April 27, 2011—"Resisting the Honduran Dictatorship: An Eye Witness Perspective"** with Gerardo Torres, Journalist .
- ◊ **April 29, 2011—Indigo: Reach Out.** Indigo's Break Free Screening Event to end human trafficking.
- ◊ **April 30, 2011—CSULB Visual Anthropology Exhibition 2011.**
- ◊ **May 1, 2011—Anthropology vs. Linguistics Outrigger Paddling Competition**
- ◊ **May 16, 2011—CamCHAP Website Launch** at the Historical Society of Long Beach
- ◊ **May 24, 2011—Anthropology Graduation and Awards Banquet**
- ◊ **May 26, 2011—Anthropology Commencement Day!**

Upcoming Event!



Anthropologists on Television: CSULB Faculty Experiences Talking About Anthropology on T.V.! Coming to a campus near you in the Fall 2011

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS @ The Beach



Distinguished graduate student **Brandon Fryman** presents his poster in Reno at the Southwestern Anthropological Association (SWAA) Annual Meeting.

Southwestern Anthropological Association
May 5-7, 2011

- Dr. Hilarie Kelly** — (Panel Chair) Managing Health Care: Cross-Cultural Comparison
- Sonja Ulrich** — (Panelist) Rural Health Care Seeking Behavior in the Coastal Region of Chiapas, Mexico
- Adriana Vigil** — (Film) Winners and Losers: Health Discourse in Different Communities Within One City
- Karen Holmes, Moises Plascencia, & Adam Johnson** — (Film) What's Fair? Paying the Price of Pollution in the Port of Long Beach
- Lauren Brounley** — (Film) Facing Beauty: Women's Motivations for Cosmetic Facial Modifications

MORE CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS @ The Beach!

Anthropology Department had an impressive showing at both the Society for American Archaeology meetings in Sacramento and the Society for Applied Anthropology in Seattle

Society for Applied Anthropology March 29-April 2, 2011

- LeighAnna Hidalgo** - Economic and Social Inequality in Phoenix: A socio-spatial Analysis
Sharon Gelfer - Becoming an Applied Anthropologist: Diverse Training Models with a Common Goal
Lauren Brounley - Facing Beauty: Women's Motivations for Cosmetic Facial Modifications
Joanna Diaz - Art as Advocacy: Anti-Violence Messages in Dia de los Muertos Altars
Sarah Fessenden - Recycled Identities
Brandon Fryman - Small-Scale Development, Big Impact: Hope for Orphans in Southwestern Uganda
Valerie Pena - Drum Circle Perspectives: The Modern Creation of a unifying Social Group through Drum Circle Entertainment
Stacie Shewmake - Hitting the Road: Long Beach Bicyclists and Social Change
Candace Thiele - I Was Totally Out of Control: Women's Narratives of Weight Loss Surgery
Sonja Ulrich - Belly Dancing and Tourism as a Conflict in National Identity and Religious Ideology
Julia Wignall - Becoming Undocumented: Rites of Passage and Identity among AB 540 Students
Ron Loewe - Of Sacred Lands and Strip Malls: The Battle Over Puvungna

CSULB Visual Anthropology Exhibition April 30, 2011



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Visual Anthropology students present their work (above) at the 2nd City Council Art Museum + Performance Space in Long Beach. Exhibitions included: "[TRANS]PARENT" (2011) **Sharon Gelfer, James Kim, and Emily Bryson**; "Skintight" (2009) **Tin Ilakovac and Ryan Davidson**; "Mediation" (2011) **Dr. Steven Rouso-Schindler**; Long Beach Winners and Losers, **Adriana Vigil And Nicole Elkan**; Economics of Environmental Discourse: Cost and Calculations in the Port of Long Beach, **Karen Holmes, Moises Placentia, and Adam Johnson**; Urban Metamorphosis, **Robert de Leon and Sue Chong**; Predatory Financial, Legal, & Political Landscapes: A Socio-spatial Analysis, **LeighAnna Hidalgo**; Undocumented in LA: Risk, Reward and Renumeration, **Joseph Bolinger, Anthony Vasquez and Joanna Diaz**

Society for American Archaeology March 30-April 3, 2011

- Carl Lipo, Hector Neff and Jacob Kovalchik**—The Promise and Practicalities of Rehydroxylation Dating for Prehistoric Ceramic
Anne Breister and Carl Lipo—Technological Changes in Brownware from Owens and Death Valleys
Judy Bernal, Gregory Holk, Carl Lipo and Hector Neff—An Experimental Study of Mineralogical Changes and Hydrogen Isotope Fractionation in Ceramic Pyrotechnology
Carla Pereira—Transmission Patterns among Late Prehistoric Potters of Mississippi River Valley Ceramic
Paul Burger—Landscape Models for Early Human Occupation in Offshore Contexts of Southern California
Scott Bigney, Janine Gasco and Hector Neff—Characterization of Obsidian from Five Late Postclassic sites in the Soconusco Region of Chiapas, Mexico
Scott Van Keuren, Mark Agostini and Hector Neff—Ceramic Pigments and Communities of Practice in Fourteenth-century Arizona
Federico Paredes, Margarita Cossich and Hector Neff—Drinking Chilate By The Tomb? A Public Funeral Covered With Ilopango (Tbj) Ash In Western El Salvador
Hector Neff and Barbara Voorhies—Elemental analysis of the Tlacuachero floors
Dean Arnold, Bruce Bohor, Hector Neff, Gary Feinman and Ryan Williams—Indigenous Knowledge and the Sources of Palygorskite used in Maya Blue
Fumie Iizuka, Hector Neff and Richard Cooke—Deducing Human Mobility by Studying the Circulation of Panama's Earliest Pottery (Monagrillo) (ca. 4,800-3,200 B.P.)
Alex Morrison, Chris Lee, Carl Lipo and Terry Hunt—[Multi-stage Remote Sensing Applications for Mapping Archaeological Features and Landscape Characteristics: A Case Study from Rapa Nui, Chile]
Sachiko Sakai—Applications of Optically Stimulated Luminescence (OSL) Dating in the Study of Change in Clay Source of Olivine-tempered Ceramics in the Arizona Strip and Adjacent Areas in the American Southwest

Anne Pitts - American Parents And Latina Nannies: Circuits Of Cash, And Notions Of Motherhood And U.S. Citizenship In Southern California

Scott Wilson - Visualizing Circulations And Circulating Visualizations & "To Organize Is To Destroy": Disrupting Visual Narratives Of Development In State-Sponsored Chinese Video Postcards

Julia Wignall - Mirrored Meaning: Pilgrimage Tourism Through A Viewer-Navigated Approach To Ethnography

Steven Rouso-Schindler - "Mediation": Visual Ruminations On The Circulation Of 'Green' Culture

Jayne Howell - The Circulation Of Information: Gossip, Gender And Ethnographic Narrative, & "They Talk About Us When We Go In The Street": Limits On Women's Schooling, Employment And Extradomestic Roles In Rural Oaxaca

Wendy Klein - (Re-)Constructing "Heritage": Language Socialization In Contexts Of Cultural And Linguistic Rupture, & Learning Gurbani: Language Socialization And Sikh Heritage At A Southern California Gurdwara

Barbara LeMaster - Deaf Constructions Of Language Heritage

Alexandra Jaffe - Heritage Language Learning And Citizenship: Socialization In A Bilingual Corsican Classroom

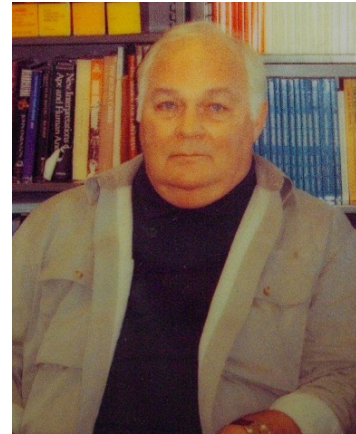
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Note from Alumni **Rachel Emerine** (2007 MA Anthropology Linguistic emphasis)- "As a graduate with an anthropology MA, I have faced the tough challenge of finding a job that uses anthropology. After much search, I began working for LBUSD as a one-on-one aide for a four-year-old boy who has autism. Although I am not directly using anthropology, over the last year it has been interesting working in the pre-k classroom observing language and culture development of the children. Anthropology has helped me adapt more quickly to meet the children's needs. As many anthropologists will tell you, anthropology is more a way of looking at life, than a job. However, this summer I will be going to Rwanda to do research on leadership and community resilience through a Rwanda-based NGO called Procom Rwanda. I look forward to using my anthropology training to conduct qualitative research that will help Procom Rwanda be more effective in their community-based projects. Although it is a volunteer position, it will allow for some great experience using my anthropology training in a new field of study and possibly open doors to future research projects."

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The Department of Anthropology Mourns the Loss of Two Distinguished Professors Emeriti



Dr. Larry Mai Larry Mai passed away peacefully at his home in Long Beach on Saturday, February 12, 2011, after battling the effects of a severe stroke nearly three years ago. He graduated from McLane High School in 1961, and was preceded in death by his parents, Dorothy Ann (D.A.) Mai and Leon Mai. He earned his PhD from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1979, and most recently was a Professor of Anthropology at California State University, Long Beach and senior author of the Cambridge Dictionary of Human Biology and Evolution. Dr. Mai is survived by his wife, Janine Bernor Mai of Long Beach; son, Eric Mai and his wife Nicole; his daughter, Cynthia; his sister, Judy Mai- Kroger; his brother, David Mai; uncle, Stewart P. Smith; and three grandchildren.

Published in the Fresno Bee on March 20, 2011



Dr. Pamela Ann Bunte passed away on May 8, 2011. A linguistic anthropologist, Pam taught for over 20 years at CSU Long Beach, where she brought dedication and passion to her teaching, research, and work with her graduate students. During a career cut short by illness, Pam worked not only with Native American tribes in Arizona and Montana, but also with Long Beach's local Cambodian community. As someone who loved languages, Pam studied French literature as an undergraduate at Immaculata College and as a graduate student at Indiana University. While at Indiana University she switched from a doctoral program in French to one in anthropology (PhD 1979). She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Franklin, who was also her most frequent research collaborator. Together, along with their children, they spent most summers doing fieldwork in Northern Arizona, research that culminated in the writing of two books and many articles. Pam is survived by all four of her siblings, a daughter, two stepdaughters, and ten grandchildren. A memorial service will be held May 28, 2-5 p.m. at the Anatol Center at CSU Long Beach.

Published in the Long Beach Press-Telegram on May 22, 2011

Congratulations to all the Anthropology Graduates 2011!

Anthropology Department Undergraduate Student Awards for 2010-11 Commencement

Distinguished Undergraduate Students: Joanne Tucker, Anya Marcum

The Harold Key Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Linguistic Anthropology: Sumer Abdel-Khaliq

Gretha Kershaw Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Socio-Cultural Anthropology: Jessica Solis

The Eleanor Bates Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Human Evolutionary Biology: Anya Marcum

The Douglas Osborne Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Archaeology: Megan Black

Outstanding Non-Traditional Undergraduate Student: Kim Willey

The Dorothy Libby Award for Outstanding Service by an Undergraduate Student: Joanne Tucker

Award for Academic Excellence in Anthropology (3.7 GPA or above): Sumer Abdel-Khaliq, Laura Andrade, Megan Black, Joanne Tucker, Kim Willey, Sue Chong, Anya Marcum, Marcie Dorethy

Anthropology Department Graduate Student Awards for 2010-11 Commencement

Anthropology Best Thesis: Sarah Fessenden

The Robert Harman Award for Outstanding Student in Applied Anthropology: Alex Montances, Sarah Cote

Award for the Outstanding Graduate Student in Cultural Anthropology: Bethany Bahati Meadows

Award for Distinguished Graduate Students in Anthropology: Brandon Fryman, Sarah Fessenden

Award for Overall Achievement in Anthropology: Brandon Fryman

Award for Academic Excellence in Anthropology (3.9 GPA or above): Sarah Cote, Sarah Fessenden, Donia Lee, Alex Montances, Nicole Quinn, Maral Sahebame