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## Note from the Chair

Happy 2021 Friends of the Anthropology Department! We are pleased to announce that The Hale Herald has been reborn. It's been quite a challenging year, but in this inaugural issue of the new Hale Herald you can see the progress that our faculty and students have made in 2020 and early 2021. Despite the pandemic, and the inability to conduct fieldwork, we've been busy publishing, getting fellowships and grants, and keeping ourselves and our students intellectually challenged. Thank you to our staff, especially our new person, Renee Kuban, for taking up the gauntlet of producing a Hale Herald that is informative and meets the accessibility requirements allowing everyone to enjoy this new publication format. We hope you enjoy your reading!

Jerry Jacka







## Anna Wynfield and Paige Edmiston (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Ph.D. students Anna Wynfield and Paige Edmiston have been awarded Graduate Research Fellowships from the National Science Foundation! This award recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students who are pursuing research-based masters and doctoral degrees in fields within NSF's mission. The GRFP provides up to three years of support for the graduate education of individuals who have demonstrated their potential for significant achievements in science and engineering research. The GRFP supports over 100 subfields. For the 2020 competition, NSF received over 13,000 applications and made approximately 2,000 fellowships offers.

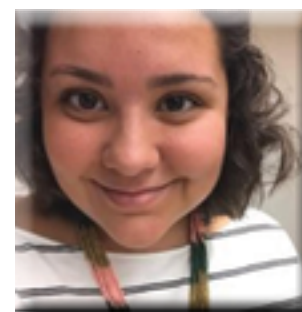


## Georgia Butcher (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Georgia has received an AES (American Ethnological Society) grant to fund preliminary fieldwork on her project, "Eye of the Reaper: The implications of drone warfare for pilots and U.S. communities," and then to travel to the next AES meeting to present on her work.

## Scarlett Engle (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Scarlett received the UGGS Graduate Research Excellence Award. These awards were chosen from a competitive set of applications.



## Bailey Duhé (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Bailey was recognized as the recipient of a Fall 2020 Graduate Part-Time Instructor Appreciation Award! The recognition is for "how you have risen to the challenges presented by teaching during the pandemic."

## Carlton Gover (PhD Archaeology in Progress)

Carlton was named the recipient of the CCPA Native American Scholarship for expenses associated with his Ph. D. research regarding Pawnee migration and settlement patterns. With this scholarship funding, he will be visiting Pawnee, Oklahoma to collect video recordings of elders and culturally knowledgeable members of the Nation. His main priority is trying to document oral traditions on past migrations and settlement locations. The funding will also provide a feast for the individuals and their families who participate in the research.



## Anna Wynfield (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Anna was awarded an American Ethnological Society (AES) 2020 small grant competition for her project titled, "Complicating Futures: Conceptualizing Pregnancy and Fertility for Cancer Patients in Ireland". The support is for preliminary fieldwork and for presenting findings at the AES spring meetings.

## Kelly Zepelin (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Kelly Zepelin Receives the Dissertation Completion Fellowship from the CU Graduate School. This fellowship is intended to provide outstanding Ph.D. candidates with financial support to assist in the process of completing their doctoral dissertations.



## Clara Hwayeon Lee (PhD Cultural Anthropology in Progress)

Clara Hwayeon Lee was awarded the Edward G. Seidensticker Japan Summer Research Grant from the Center for Asian Studies

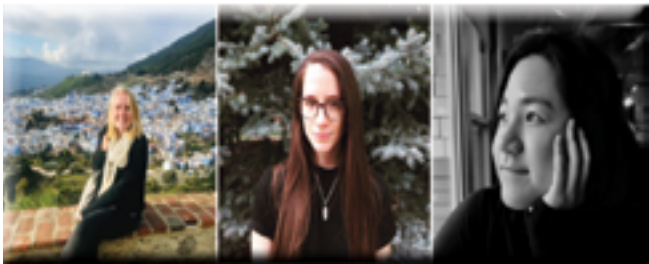


**Graduate Students Anna Wynfield, Sangjie Zhaxi, and Georgia Butcher Awarded a CARTSS Grant**

Anna Wynfield, Sangjie Zhaxi, and Georgia Butcher were all awarded a CARTSS grant.

**Graduate Students Katie Donlan, Scarlett Engle, and Clara Lee Awarded Museum Student Research Grants**

Katie Donlan, Scarlett Engle, and Clara Lee were all awarded grants from the Museum Student Research Award Program.



**Eight Graduate Students Awarded the Beverly Sears Graduate Students Grant**

Anna Wynfield, Sangjie Zhaxi, Scarlett Engle, Nicholas Puente, Anden Drolet, Paige Edmiston, Page McClean, and Chilton Tippin received the Beverly Sears Graduate Students Grants category, a competitive award that supports research, scholarship, and the creative work of graduate students from all departments.



**Ben Joffe (PhD Anthropology 2019)**

Ben completed a succesful defense of his doctoral dissertation, *White Robes, Matted Hair: Tibetan Tantric Householders, Moral Sexuality, and the Ambiguities of Esoteric Buddhist Expertise in Exile.*



**Richard Bender (PhD Anthropology 2019)**

Richard completed a succesful defense of his doctoral dissertation, *Do protein content and protein quality influence human food intake? Testing the Protein Leverage Hypothesis.*



Degrees Awarded



**Jessica Balkin**  
**(PhD Anthropology 2020)**

Jessica completed a successful defense of her doctoral dissertation, *Human-Environment Interactions in the Lower Río Verde Valley, Oaxaca, Mexico: The Impacts of Ecological Change on Settlement Patterning (1800 BCE-CE 1522)*.

Degrees Awarded



**Melanie Matteliano**  
**(MA Anthropology 2020)**

Melanie completed a successful defense of her MA Paper, *I Understand My Place Here: Relationships of Care and Experiences of Connection within an Agricultural Community*.

**Pascale Meehan**  
**(PhD Anthropology 2020)**

Pascale completed a successful defense of her doctoral dissertation, *Collapse as Constrained Possibility: Rural Action at Early Postclassic Monte El Santo Following the Río Viejo Political Collapse*.



**Brian Crawford**  
**(MA Anthropology 2020)**

Brian completed a successful defense of his MA paper, *Integrity, Social Capital, and Contention Between Small Mining Communities and The Superfund*.



**Hannah van Eendenburg**  
**(MA Anthropology 2020)**

Hannah completed a successful defense of her MA paper, *Colorado Seed Savers: Resistance and Resilience in the Face of Global Seed Commodification*. Hannah’s research was based on 13 months of multi-sited research around Colorado on high-altitude seed savers, their exchange networks, and their resistance to the corporate control of seeds.



**Chu May Paing**  
**(MA Anthropology 2020)**

Chu May Paing, successfully defended her MA paper, *Worldmaking Media: A Review on Anthropology of Mediation and the Case of Myanmar*. The paper was written in the style of a three-act play that explores different processes of mediation as partaking in the phenomenon of worldmaking. For the case of contemporary Myanmar, Chu highlights the role of images as breaking the dichotomies of past/future, public/private, state/citizens, and community/corporate.



## Scarlett Engle (MA Anthropology 2020)

Scarlett completed a successful defense of her MA paper, *The Power of Placemaking at Mesa Verde National Park*.



## Aaron La Maskin (BA Anthropology 2020)

Aaron was named the Outstanding Undergraduate for Arts & Sciences for the class of 2020. At CU, Aaron worked with Professors. Alison Cool and Jen Shannon in the department. His research for the senior honors thesis focused on the “Here, Now and, Always” exhibit at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Though his research was primarily with the visitors, staff, and collaborators for the exhibit, he was able to reach a new level of understanding about how people work together, how they tell stories about themselves, and how they understand - and celebrate - differences in the ways that they think about the world.



## Kayleigh Cornell, Sawyer Gander, Nicole Humphrey, Klara Smith, and Shanel Wu (Anthropology Majors)

These Anthropology majors won the Buffs Create Award for their year-long project with Professor Kathryn Goldfarb's Practicing Anthropology class. They created a website to showcase a semester-long research project on ozone pollution in the Front Range. These group members practiced ethnographic research skills in interviewing scientists, lawyers, and CU professors to learn how scientific knowledge and policy interact.

Visit their website: <https://climatechange.teachingethnography.buffscreate.net/>



## Grace Bowland (BA Anthropology 2019)

Grace's senior honors thesis work, part of a large collaborative project with Jeremy Koster at University of Cincinnati, has been published (open access) in *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*.

[Frontiers in Veterinary Science Website](#)



## Maddie Carlson (BA Anthropology 2020)

Maddie Carlson wrote a great honors thesis last year titled: #FREETOBE CUTE: An Introspective Look on Primate Representation and how New Media can Protect Primates from the Illegal Pet Trade. Professor Bert Covert encouraged her to edit it from 80 pages to 4 which she did and it is now posted as an action letter on the American Society of Primatologists website!

[American Society of Primatologists Website](#)

## Sabrina Bradford (MA Anthropology 2020)



## Daniel Naumenko (MA Anthropology 2020)

Daniel is primarily interested in the evolution of aging and lifespan, human growth, and great ape nutrition and stress. His research focuses on the positive and negative consequences of early-life environments on physiological processes and stress profiles. His thesis research examined how nutrient balancing, environmental fluctuations in fruit availability, and air quality influenced orangutan immune responses and stress levels.



## Arthur Joyce Awarded NSF Grant

A global team of researchers led by our very own Professor Art Joyce has received a \$1.5 million NSF grant to study the classic-period collapse in Mesoamerica.

*Scholars Aim to Unlock Mystery of the Mesoamerican Collapse*

Cay Leytham-Powell

Colorado Arts and Sciences Magazine

Why did the Mesoamerican classic period, an era of great social and cultural development for millions of people in central America and Mexico, abruptly end?

Archaeologists have debated the answer to that question for decades: Was it human impact on the environment, political upheaval or maybe climate change? A new grant from the National Science Foundation, however, hopes to shed some light on this perpetual question and provide greater clarity in understanding the causes of the collapse.

This new \$1.5 million grant awarded to a team led by Arthur Joyce, a professor of anthropology at the University of Colorado Boulder, aims to bring together scholars from across disciplines, including archaeology, geology and paleoecology, to examine the issue from a transdisciplinary lens, both excavating ancient human sites and collecting climatic data.

And, the researchers hope, their findings will not only shed light on this period of history but provide insight into today's struggles with climate change and human impact on the environment.

"You have some regions of Mesoamerica where you seem to have a role for climate change in the collapse, and in other areas where it's less clear. ... The evidence is complex and in some cases contradictory," said Joyce.

"For the most part, the research that has been done is still on the level of the collapse correlating with some degree of climate change or in some places some degree of human impact on the environment, but there really haven't been these kinds of integrated, transdisciplinary projects. That's really where this project fits in."

*\*Excerpt taken from [Colorado Arts and Sciences Magazine](#).*



## Terry McCabe Elected a Fellow by the AAAS

The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) has awarded the distinction of Fellow to our very own Professor J. Terrence McCabe for distinguished contributions to anthropology, particularly for understanding how people adapt to arid rangelands of East Africa, and how they cope with changing socio-economic conditions.

*Anthropologist J. Terrence McCabe and Physicist Konrad Lehnert  
Recognized for Advancing Science or Its Applications*

Colorado Arts and Sciences Magazine

McCabe, who also directs the Environment and Society Program at the university's [Institute of Behavioral Science](#), was recognized for "distinguished contributions to anthropology, particularly for understanding how people adapt to arid rangelands of East Africa, and how they cope with changing socioeconomic conditions."

McCabe joined the CU Boulder faculty in 1989 and is the author of two books on the Turkana people of Africa: *South Turkana Nomadism: Coping with an Unpredictably Varying Environment* and *Cattle Bring Us to Our Enemies: Turkana Ecology, History, and Raiding in a Disequilibrium System*.

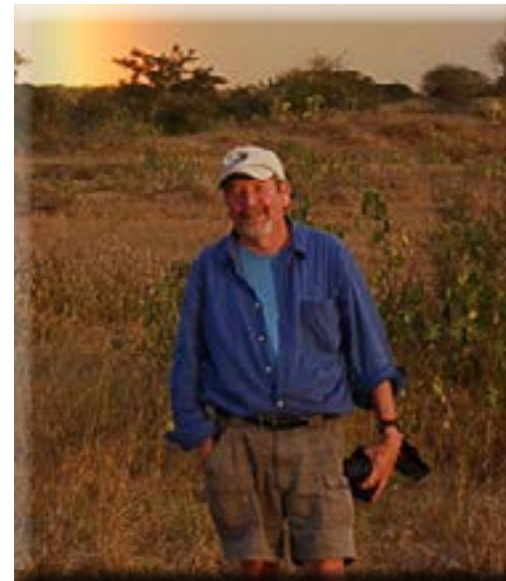
*Cattle Bring Us to Our Enemies* won the 2005 Julian Steward Award from the Anthropology and Environment Society for the best book in ecological and environmental anthropology.

McCabe said the recognition "means a lot to me." He noted that he's taken a "somewhat unusual path" for a cultural anthropologist.

"Throughout my career I have participated in interdisciplinary teams of anthropologists, ecologists, geographers and other scientists. Most of this work has focused on how people in the rangelands of East Africa have adapted and coped with rapid and often unpredictable climatic, environmental, social and political change," McCabe said, adding:

"I have learned a lot from my colleagues, and even more from the African people who have let me into their lives and have given generously of their time and incredible knowledge of the ecosystems in which they live."

*\*Excerpt taken from [Colorado Arts and Sciences Magazine](#)*





## Scott Ortman Named Inaugural Director of the Center for Collaborative Synthesis in Archaeology (CCSA)

The University of Colorado Boulder and the SRI Foundation will jointly establish a Center for Collaborative Synthesis in Archaeology (CCSA) to advance “scientific understandings of the human past and solutions to contemporary social challenges.”

*New Research Center Will Collaborate with International Coalition to Advance Synthesis in Archaeology*  
Research and Innovation Office

The new center will work with the SRI Foundation’s Coalition for Archaeological Synthesis (CfAS), an international coalition of organizational partners and individual associates, to expand knowledge of the past to shape a more secure and just future.

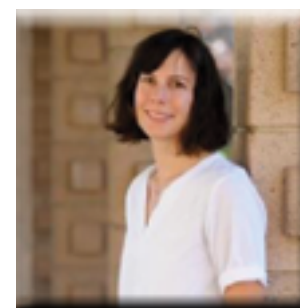
According to CfAS co-Presidents Jeff Altschul and Keith Kintigh, the center “marks a milestone in moving archaeology beyond answering the who, what, when and where of the past to addressing the how and why of social dynamics in ways that are relevant to the present. Our common goal is nothing short of meeting the daunting societal challenges we face with solutions informed by the past that benefit people from all walks of life, everywhere on the planet.”

CCSA will be housed in CU Boulder’s Institute of Behavioral Science (IBS), an interdisciplinary research institute with a research and training mission dedicated to advancing knowledge and pursuing solutions to societal challenges.

“From its beginning more than sixty years ago, IBS has stood at the forefront of interdisciplinary efforts to bring basic research to bear on the real social problems of the contemporary world,” said IBS Director Myron Gutmann. “CCSA is the latest in a long line of outstanding initiatives in that direction. I applaud the new ideas it brings and look forward to working with CfAS to ensure its success.”

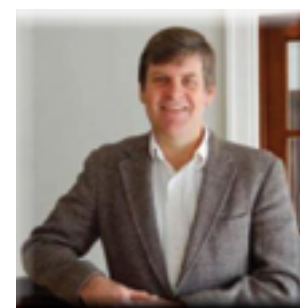
Both CfAS and CCSA were conceptualized at a workshop at the School for Advanced Research in February 2017. CfAS, which currently has 47 Partners and more than 300 Associates spread across the globe, was established in late 2017. To date, CfAS has sponsored collaborative synthetic projects on fire management and the interactions of human food webs and biodiversity, as well as a design workshop on human migration. CfAS continues to support collaborative research emerging from the migration workshop and has also begun an initiative on social inequality. In addition to administering CfAS projects and initiatives, CCSA will provide leadership and logistical support for collaborative archaeological research. To learn more about CfAS, its current initiatives, and how you can participate in the Coalition, visit [www.archsynth.org](http://www.archsynth.org).

*\*Excerpt taken from [The Research and Innovation Office](#).*



## Alison Cool Receives the CU Marinus Smith Award

In April 2020, Alison Cool received the Marinus Smith Award. The faculty and staff receiving this award (selected by their students) embody the true meaning of Be Boulder as they inspire, educate, and motivate our community through innovation and passion. The award winners leave a long lasting impact on our community.



## Steve Leigh Elected President of the AAPA

Steve Leigh has been elected President of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists with his term starting April 1st. The AAPA is the world’s leading professional organization for physical anthropologists.



## Scott Ortman Awarded A Weatherhead Fellowship & Tenure

Scott Ortman was awarded a Weatherhead Fellowship from the School for American Research. This is a residential fellowship that will allow Scott to take a year long sabbatical and work on his book project. In Spring 2020, Dr Ortman was granted tenure and promotion to Associate Professor by the Regents of the University of Colorado.



## Kaifa Roland Awarded Graduate School’s Outstanding Faculty Mentor

In May 2020, Kaifa was awarded the Graduate School’s Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award. This award showcases her many contributions in mentoring graduate students and supporting the graduate education mission.





**Kate Goldfarb  
Creates Video for  
#NationalScholarStrike  
Protest**

Scholar Strike is an action inspired by the NBA, WNBA, Colin Kaepernick and other athletes, to underscore the urgent importance of addressing racism and injustice in the United States. Conceived via a tweet by Anthea Butler, this is designed to call awareness to the racial climate in America, and the rash of police shootings and racialized violence.

[Watch](#) Professor Goldfarb's Video "Underlying Conditions: 'Race,' Racism, and Health."



**Sarah Kurnick Featured on  
TEDxMileHigh: RISE**

Did the aliens build the Egyptian pyramids? Did survivors from the lost continent of Atlantis invent hieroglyphic writing? No. But massively popular television shows, books, and movies perpetuate these claims. In this surprising talk, archaeologist Sarah Kurnick explains why pseudoarchaeology is dangerous & how we should think about the past instead.

[Watch](#) Professor Kurnick's TEDxMileHigh: RISE Talk about Aliens & Archaeology: Why Do We Get History Wrong on Purpose?

**Scott Ortman Featured  
on the Santa Fe Institute's  
Podcast**

Professor Ortman was recently a guest on the Santa Fe Institute's official podcast where he discusses his work on settlement scaling theory and fostering synthesis in archaeology to advance science and benefit society.

[Listen](#) to Professor Ortman's Podcast on Archaeological Synthesis and Settlement Scaling Theory.



**Jen Shannon Co-hosts  
SAPIENS Podcasts**

The SAPIENS podcast is an editorially independent series supported by the Wenner-Gren Foundation in partnership with the University of Chicago Press and produced by House of Pod.

SAPIENS podcast hosts Jen Shannon, Esteban Gómez, and Chip Colwell speak with anthropologists from around the globe to help us uncover what makes us human. [Listen and subscribe](#) now to learn more.

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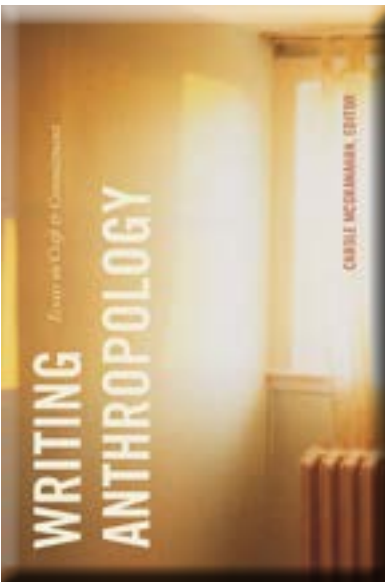
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Will’s Article was also featured in [The New York Times](#)!



## Fernando Villanea

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## Erin Hughes (MA 2016)

Erin started in June 2020 as a Scientific Specialist with the Illinois State Archaeological Survey Prairie Research Institute, UI with Tim Pauketat. Ms. Hughes was previously employed with the Archaeology Laboratory at Augustana University in South Dakota. She starts her new position with UI in mid June.



## Jamie Forde (PhD 2015)

Jamie has accepted a Lecturer position, equivalent to a tenure-track Assistant Professor, in Art History at Edinburgh University, Scotland.



## Marnie Thomson (PhD 2016)

Marnie has accepted a tenure-track Assistant Professor position at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado.

## Andie Ang (PhD 2017)

Andie received the American Society of Primatologist Conservationist Award in 2019. Check out this [video](#) of Andie talking about her conservation work in Singapore and Malaysia



## Allison Formanack (PhD 2018)

Allison's articles published in 2 Anthropology journals.

2020. Formanack, Allison. [Property without Prosperity: Subjective Valuation, Financial Citizenship, and Negotiating Moral Personhood among Manufactured Homeowners](#). PoLAR: Political and Legal Anthropology Review.

2020. Formanack, Allison. [Response: Ethnographies of Urban Absence](#). City & Society Forum.



## Brenda Todd (PhD 2012)

Brenda has been selected Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument Superintendent.

SAN FRANCISCO - The National Park Service has selected Dr. Brenda Todd as the superintendent of Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument. Todd is currently the Superintendent at Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site in North Dakota and will transition to her new role on May 24.

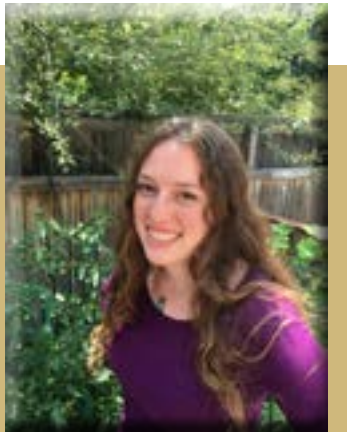
"Brenda has a deep background in public service, with an emphasis in cultural resources and recreation. She has a history of developing strong relationships with park service communities, including tribes, academic institutions and visitors," said National Park Service Regional Director Stan Austin. "Brenda inspires team members to achieve a larger vision and become leaders."

In her current role, she manages all aspects of park operations, including overseeing the implementation of a new Archeological Resources Management Plan, an award-winning interpretive program and a robust natural resource program. She also filled leadership roles at Fort Union Trading Post National Historic Site and Theodore Roosevelt National Park, both in North Dakota.

## Melanie Matteliano (MA 2020)

Melanie accepted a position with First Peoples Worldwide.

First Peoples Worldwide addresses the unique social and environmental impacts of development in Indigenous communities, while preparing current and future leaders to meet the pressing social responsibility challenges facing today's businesses. First Peoples is developing a business incubator to champion Native food sovereignty. Through the incubator, Native food suppliers and entrepreneurs will have access to tailored technical assistance to pivot their business plans, to create risk analysis scenarios, to plan strategically for integrating their product into the market, and to create plans for long-term resilience and success in the post-COVID food market. The long-term goal of this project is to harness this moment of economic repair to build new structures that amplify and support sustainable Native food systems for generations.



## Colleen Scanlan Lyons (PhD 2010) Cydney Justman (BA Anthropology 2010)

Two CU Boulder anthropology alums facilitate rapid COVID relief in Brazil by coordinating an effort to deliver breathing devices.

In January, The Washington Post reported a scene of growing desperation in Manaus, capital of the remote Brazilian state of Amazonas, where hospitals were being overwhelmed by COVID-19 patients and a critical shortage of oxygen supplies for patients.

"There is a collapse in the health care system in Manaus. The line for hospital beds is growing by a lot," Brazilian Health Minister Eduardo Pazuello said.

"We are in a deplorable situation," one woman said in a video posted to Instagram. "Whoever has oxygen availability, bring it here to the polyclinic. Many people are dying."

Just weeks later, in a remarkable feat of connection and collaboration, two University of Colorado Boulder anthropology graduates helped coordinate an effort to deliver 400 concentrators—breathing devices that are simpler, less invasive than ventilators and can be used by more than one person—to Manaus in a matter of days.

Excerpt taken for A&S Magazine. Read the entire article [here](#).







## Congratulations to the Class of 2021!

As we continue to face unique challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our virtual ceremonies will allow us to celebrate the Class of 2021 together while keeping our Buff community safe.

## Anthropology Department Virtual Commencement

You are invited to attend our Anthropology Spring 2021 virtual ceremonies:

Graduate live stream broadcast on May 6 at 2:00 p.m.  
Undergraduate to be broadcast on May 6 at 4:00 p.m.

[View the Anthropology Department Commencement Website Page.](#)

## CU Boulder Virtual Commencement

CU Boulder will hold a live-streamed commencement ceremony at noon (MDT) on May 6 to recognize the many accomplishments of our graduates. In addition, as part of Grad Appreciation Days, students are invited to attend several in-person opportunities leading up to the virtual commencement events this spring.

- April 19–29: Take photos at one or all three inflatable photo frames around campus and share selfie moments using the #ForeverBuffs hashtag. No registration required. Grads will find inflatable photo frames at these iconic campus locations:
- April 20–22: Get your regalia! Graduates can purchase caps and gowns, pick up various cords and stoles, sign the class of 2021 Forever Buffs banner (only available April 20–21) and even decorate their cap in a COVID-safe environment in the CU Book Store.
- April 22–23, 26–27: Collect your diploma cover, cross the stage at Folsom Field and smile for a professionally taken photograph. A live stream feed will be available, allowing your family and friends to watch as you cross the stage. Register for your slot.

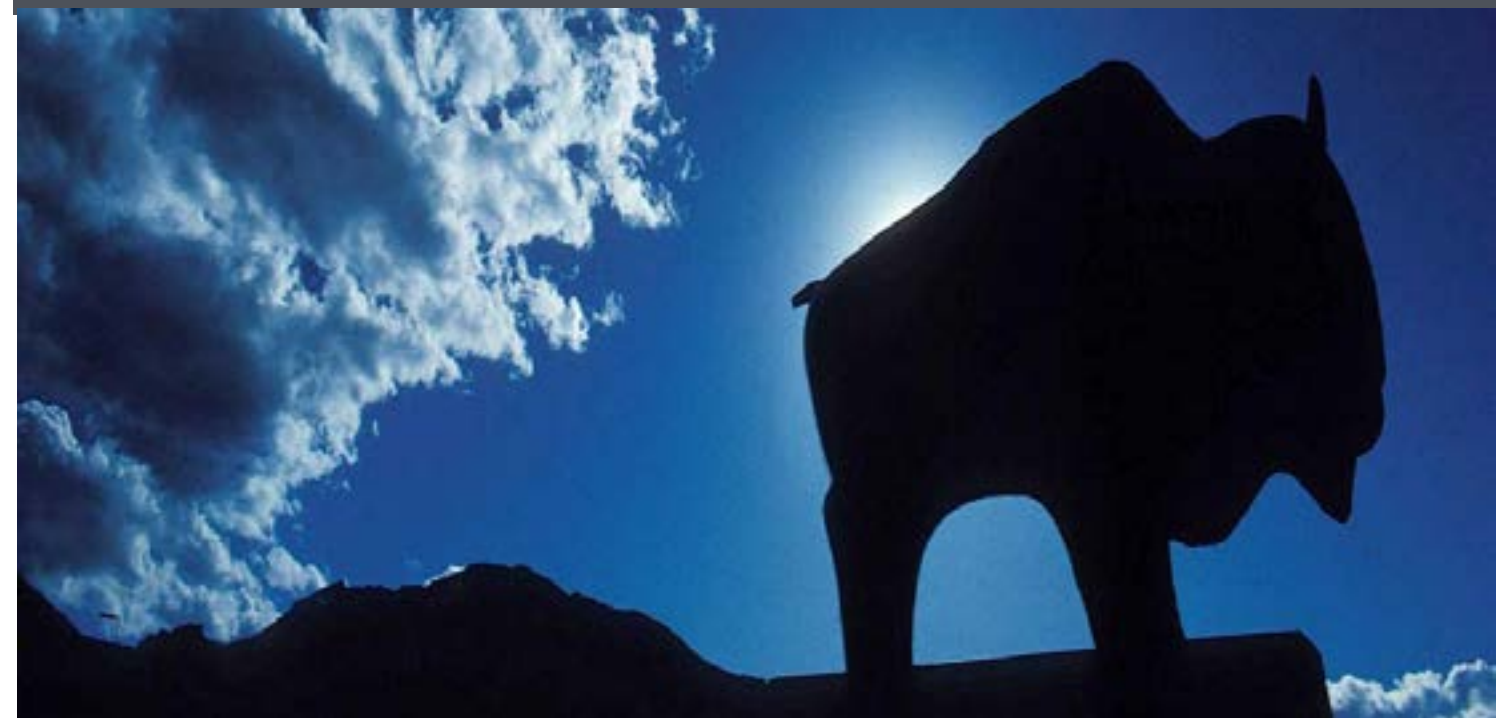
Find more about all commencement-related activities and resources at the [Commencement 2021 Website](#).

## Support

The Anthropology Department is greatly appreciative of our alumni and friends for their financial support over the years. Your contribution will go toward supporting scholarships and awards to many of our worthy graduate students and the department as a whole. Contributions of any size make a significant difference in the lives of our students and faculty to conduct research around the world on a variety of exciting topics.

Your gift to the Anthropology Department can take many different shapes. The information below highlights many of the different funding opportunities our department has to meet your desired funding goals and the impacts you want to make. The CU Foundation can also assist you with your needs, be they for targeted or unrestricted programs.

If you would like to support the academic endeavors of the Department of Anthropology, please see the giving section of our website: <https://www.colorado.edu/anthropology/donate>



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