

# ANTHROPOLOGY



Class of 2021

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN



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Alyssa Baginski  
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Annelore Fleischmann  
Myah McCormick  
Jennifer Moreno  
Fatima Rizvi  
Michaela Yamine



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Albert Carter Jr  
Lindsey Dudley  
Sophie Finch  
Roy Gerbara  
Amytess Girgis  
Margaret Greer  
Andrew Kinnamon  
Annabelle Lawrence

Samantha Lee  
Myah McCormick  
Vaishali Nambiar  
Cherish Parrish  
Joseph Raney  
Kendra Sanders  
Ryan Sowulewski  
Maryam Younus

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Hannah Bradburn  
Lydia Pinkham  
Alexandra Simmons



# MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY MINOR

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Veronica Adornato  
Nico-Luis Ayala  
Dah Youn Baek  
Natalie Bullock  
Samantha Damocles  
Marissa Dreger  
Isabelle Duguid  
Kate Hartway  
Lindsay Hasson  
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Katherine Kaufman  
Katharine Keener

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Kerry Lindquist  
Monica Olszewski  
Mihir Patel  
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# MACY AFSARI

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**Other major:** BS is Biochemistry

**Hometown:** Northville, MI

**After graduation** I plan to spend a gap year working in a clinical setting and enjoying time with family before applying to medical school and potentially pursuing a career as an OB/GYN.

**Thank you** to my parents, sister, brother, and all my friends for all of their encouragement, vent sessions, and cheerleading. Thank you to my advisor, Dr. Holly Peters-Golden, for her support and advice in completing my honors thesis and for inspiring a career of medical practice with an anthropological lens.

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**KATELYN ALBRECHT**

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# MARTIN ANDERSON

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**Hometown:** Nashville, TN

**After graduation** I plan to pursue a PhD program in Latin American archaeology.

**I would like to thank** my parents, my girlfriend, and my friends for always having my back, and pushing me to do the things I love regardless of the challenge. I would like to thank Dr. Joyce Marcus for her never-ending support while I conducted my research through the pandemic. I would also like to thank Dr. Lisa Young for first inspiring me to take my love for anthropology seriously, and turn it into something real. Without any of you, I would not be where I am now. Thank you.

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**Photo from Martin Anderson – 2019 UMMAA Field School**



UMMAA Field School with Dr. Rob Beck

# GABRIELLA ARMSTRONG

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**Other programs:** Minor in History of Art and Minor in Interdisciplinary Astronomy

**Special thanks** to Dr. Michael Galaty for being my honors thesis advisor.

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**JESSICA BURY**

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**KATRINA CASTILLANO**

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**EMMA CREAMER**

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**LANE ESSEX**

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# CHARLOTTE FATER

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**Other programs:** Museum Studies Minor

**Hometown:** Elkhart, IN

**After graduation** I plan to work in Human Resources and eventually get a Master's Degree before hopefully starting a career designing exhibits for museums.

**Thanks** to the anthro department for being a wonderful home and teaching me a startling amount about teeth.

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**AUDREY GORDON**

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# TANNER GRITZMAKER

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**Other programs:** Minor in Medieval and Early Modern Studies **Hometown:** Adrian, Michigan

**Future plans:** Taking a year or two off before grad school and would like to use this time to hopefully find a relevant job or internship and gain experience in the field (or just to continue learning in whatever way possible). In the meantime, I will continue to work as a docent at UMMNH.

**I would like to thank** my parents – whose boundless support has been invaluable to me throughout these troubling and uncertain times – and my sister, Willow, who has always been willing to lend an ear, reassure me, and has just always been there for me. I would also like to thank all of my professors – their clear passion and enthusiasm for anthropology was (and always will be) inspirational and admirable to me and I can't thank them enough for introducing me to this field. Thank you all!

**Fun fact:** I'm greatly interested in music (particularly folk/traditional music of all kinds) and can play banjo and bass and a bit of mandolin and bodhran.

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# SIERA GRUPIDO

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**KAITLYN HINSON**

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# SAMARA JACKSON TOBEY

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**Other programs:** Native American Studies Minor

**Hometown:** Mashpee, Wampanoag Native American born in Boston, Massachusetts

**After Graduation** I will be attending the University of Washington's Learning Sciences and Human Development Graduate program.

**I would like to thank** my parents, aunt, uncle, and especially my Neekonahucheek for supporting me in my undergraduate journey.

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**ELOISE JANSSEN**

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# STELLA KEINER

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**Other programs:** History Minor

**Hometown:** Orlando, FL

**My favorite tradition** is walking into the Big House decked in Michigan gear with my best friends.

**I would like to thank** my family and friends who have supported me throughout my time here at Michigan.

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**WILLIAM KLEIN**

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**DYLAN KOSS**

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**MARISSA LATCHAW**

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# XINRAN LI

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**Other programs:** Environment Major: Environmental Economics and Policy Specialization, and International Studies Minor

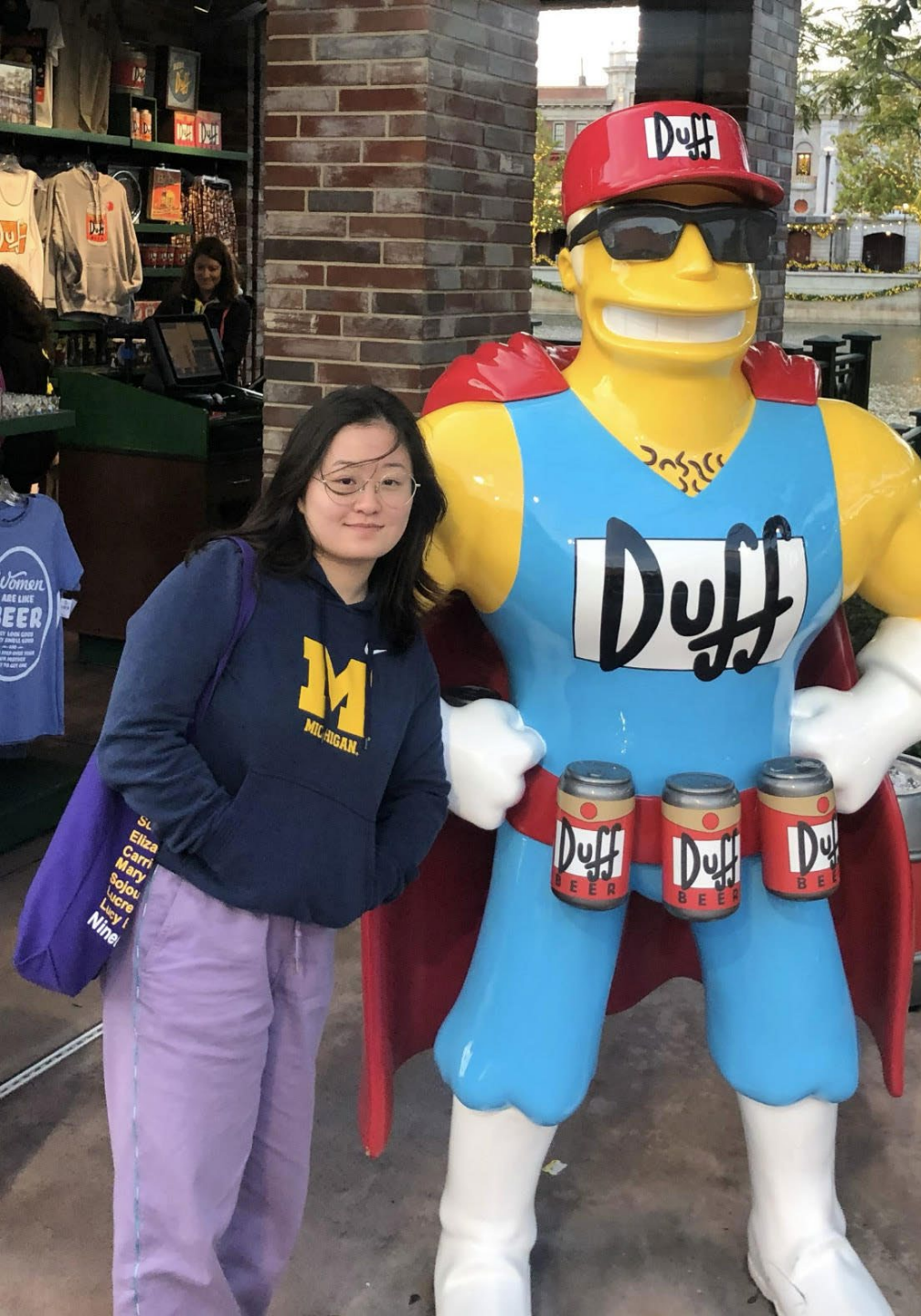
**Hometown:** Beijing, China

**After graduation:** study theological science at Harvard University

**Thanks to** my Mother and Father, the professors who taught me, and all my good friends!

**Fun fact:** during my undergraduate studies at U-Michigan, especially during the epidemic, most of my homework was written while sitting in my car in the parking lot of Gallup Park.

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# SHIHUA LU

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**Other major:** Philosophy

**Hometown:** Jingzhou, Hubei, China

**After graduation** I plan to go to Uchicago for a master program and go to a Ph.D. program in cultural anthropology after that.

**I would like to thank** my parents for allowing and supporting me to major in something might give me no future 😊

**Fun fact:** I have never, never taken any math classes during the four years!

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**NOELLE MCNAMARA**

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# LILY MONTGOMERY

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**PHILIP OGNENOVSKI**

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# NICOLE OSKA

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**Other Major:** Biopsychology, Cognition, and Neuroscience

**Hometown:** Troy, MI

**Post-Grad Plans:** Applying to medical school to attend in Fall 2022.

**I would like to thank** my parents who came to the US as immigrants and gave me the opportunity to pursue a wonderful education, and I would like to thank my amazing sister Sandra who inspired me to attend the University of Michigan and is the best role model for me. I would also like to thank all of my wonderful professors who sparked and stoked my interest in anthropology and inspired me to want to advocate for health disparities.

**Fun fact:** I am currently Co-President of the Michigan Muscle Club.

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**CHARLES PARDALES**

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**DANYA POLLACK**

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# MOLLY ROSE POWERS

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**Other Programs:** Minors in Latin and Museum Studies

**Hometown:** Ann Arbor, MI

**After Graduation:** I will be getting my Master of Science degree in Curriculum and Instruction with a Secondary Education Teaching Certificate.

**I would like to thank** my parents, my sister Rachel, my brother Jackson, and all the amazing people at the Martha Cook Building and my siblings in Zeta Omega Eta for their endless love and support. I would especially like to thank Rachel and my friends/honorary sisters Hibah C, Ryan S, and Aisling C for always being there for me and being the best people in the world.

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# RACHAEL PRICE

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**Other Major:** International Studies

**Hometown:** Gross Pointe Farms, MI

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**ISABELLA RAMOS**

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# ALANA REINERT

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**Other Major:** Drama

**Hometown:** Northville, MI

**After Graduation Plans:** Attending grad school for Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences at Columbia University.

**Thank you** to my parents and sister for supporting me in my transfer to the Anthropology Department. I'd like to thank Gabby Starcevic for helping to sustain my love for anthropology and incorporate our schoolwork into all aspects of life. Thank you to Samantha, Macy, Shihua, Nathan, Alyson, and Casper for editing my work and inspiring me with theirs. Finally, I'd like to thank Matthew Hull, Michael McGovern, and Erik Mueggler for guiding me through my honors thesis and always encouraging my writing.

**Fun Facts:** I used to dance and choreograph musicals. I'm a vegetarian.

**Favorite Memories in the department:**

- Sitting in my linguistic anthropology class next to my best friend and eating breakfast during lecture. Breakfast included: cutie oranges, candy (provided by me), cereal, bagels, and goldfish.
- The relationships I developed with many of my GSI's, including Martese and Celia.
- The off-topic but somehow relevant conversation I had in each of my anthropology classes.

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**BRIAN ROBSON**

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**MOISES SANDOVAL TAPIA**

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# DUEY SMITH

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**Other Major:** Cognitive Science

**Hometown:** Reed City, MI

**After Graduation:** I plan to pursue a master's degree through UMSI in UX Design

**I sincerely wish to thank** my parents. They did not have the opportunity to go to college but helped me in doing so. As such, I am now the first in my family to graduate with a bachelor's degree, which just so happens to be from the Greatest University in the World. There have been countless others in my life who helped me get to this point and I wish I could show them my gratitude, but there is no way for me to truly express in words how grateful I am. Go Blue!

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**ROBERT SNELL**

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**ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR**



**PAUL TABISZ**

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# MADELINE TOPOR

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**Other Majors:** Classical Archaeology and Polish

**Hometown:** Macomb, MI

**After Graduation** I will be applying to graduate programs in archaeology.

**I would like to thank** the Department of Anthropology along with the professors and graduate students that I've worked with for all the opportunities they've given me to learn about archaeology, especially my honors thesis advisor Dr. Galaty. I'm grateful for the many experiences I've had participating in fieldwork and research through the department. I also want to thank my family and friends for their support over the years.

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**PETER WAGNER**

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**JING YI ZHANG**

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**ALYSSA BAGINSKI**

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**SHANNON BEST**

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# ANNELORE FLEISCHMANN

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**Other major:** MCDB

**Hometown:** Chelsea, MI

**Plans after graduation:**

Planning to take a gap year before going on to graduate school.

**I really would like to thank** all the people who have inspired and supported me to get to this point, without them I would not be in the position I am today. For that I will always be grateful.

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# MYAH MCCORMICK

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**Hometown:** Allen Park, Michigan

**Future plans:** I plan on applying to graduate school for a master's degree in Global Health Epidemiology.

**I would like to thank** my parents and fiancé, Brandon, for being so continually supportive. I would also like to thank my younger siblings for being constant motivation for me to be someone worth looking up to.

I suffer from multiple chronic illnesses and I was told that I wouldn't be able to graduate high school on time, let alone attend college. Now here I am, four years, a first-generation student, graduating from my dream school and applying to grad school!



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# JENNIFER MORENO

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**Other Major:** Biology, Health, and Society

**Hometown:** Los Angeles, CA

**After graduation** I plan to attend graduate school and then apply to a PA program.

**I want to thank** the department for helping me figure out my majors and helping me continue my goals. Thanks Melinda and Thomas!

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# FATIMA RIZVI

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**Other Programs:** Gender and Health Minor

**Hometown:** Dearborn, MI

**Thank you** to my parents, friends, and professors for allowing me such a complete, fulfilling, and thrilling college experience. The people I have met and the priceless education I have received will stay with me forever.

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**MICHAELA YAMINE**

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# ANTHROPOLOGY HONORS

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## HONORS STUDENTS IN ANTHROPOLOGICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

**Martin Anderson** “Earth Offerings of the Classic Lowland Maya: An Intersite Analysis at Piedras Negras and Tikal”

**Gabriella Armstrong** “Shell Tempering and Temper Variability at Lyon’s Bluff: A Quantitative Petrographic Analysis”

**Danya Pollack** “Womanhood, Identity, and Industry: What the Chinese Government Collection tells us about gender ritual and ethnic traditions around foot-binding before and after a 19<sup>th</sup> century proto-industrial revolution”

**Madeline Topor:** “Phosphate Analysis and Evidence for Industry at Iklaina: Implications for Mycenaean Economies and State Formation



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## HONORS STUDENTS IN SOCIOCULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

**Macy Afsari** “The Nuance of Vaccine Decision-Making: Examining the In-Between”

**Shihua Lu** “Being a Symbol: the Manifestation of Kung Fu in the U.S.”

**Alana Reinert** “Division as a Means for Unity in the American Political Climate”



# **ANTHROPOLOGY HONORS AWARDS**

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## **HONORS PRESENTATION AWARD**

This year we have decided to award two Honors  
Presentation Award Winners:

**Macy Afsari and Gabriella Armstrong**

**Congratulations!**



## **ANTHROPOLOGY HONORS AWARDS**

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### **Excellence in Honors Research & Academic Achievement Award**

This year the award goes to:

**Madeline Topor**

Honorable mention:

**Shihua Lu**

**Congratulations!**



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## DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY SERVICE AWARD

**Kaitlyn Hinson** *For your service to the department as the leader of the Anthropology Club.*

**Madeline Topor** *For your service to the department as the Editor-in-Chief of the University of Michigan Undergraduate Journal of Anthropology.*

*Our sincere thanks to you both for all of your hard work and dedication.*



*Congratulations!*

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