WELCOME BACK

by Tam Do

We can’t believe we’re already a month in of our spring semester! We hope you all have enjoyed your holiday seasons and are settling in well with your classes. Whether you are on campus, attending online courses, or commuting, please know that we value your presence in this community. February is black history month and we would like to honor the triumphs and sacrifices of African Americans who have helped shape our nation and to also recognize their central role in U.S. history. We are here today to share stories of our first-gen and inform you all on upcoming events that will be happening upon us this week!
Events

Applied Anthropology (Virtual) Expo
Date: February 17th
Time: Poster Session - Open All Day
    Career Panel - (6:00 - 7:30 pm)
    Location: via Zoom

Coffee Talk with Dr. Doug Henry
"What Happens When Things Go Wrong: Applied Anthropology in time of Turmoil"
Date/Time: February 25th at 2pm
    Location: Lefty’s Lounge

UASA Calendar

Date: February 17th
Time: 2 - 3pm
Location: Lefty's Lounge

Fulbright Seminar
Date/Time: March 31st at 2pm
Location: Sycamore 119
Are you an Anthropology Major with a story or idea?
Would you like to be in a guest column?
Would you like your artwork to be featured in the newsletter?
Email ANTH-Ambassador@unt.edu with suggestions and contributions for future content!
After I graduated from high school in 2011, I never would have imagined that I’d be getting my bachelor’s degree as a first-gen. People always ask, “Tam, how do you have time to work and go to school?” And honestly? You just do it. Coming from a low-income immigrant family of 7, my parents were not able to provide the finances to continue my education for college. Meaning I worked twice as hard by waking early and sleeping late to manage work and school. 2014-15 was the hardest time for me, I had lost my dad to Lou Gehrig’s disease and ended up taking a year off from school, working a 9-5 job, and had no desire to go back. I was indecisive, vulnerable, angry and clueless because I had no direct path or someone to guide me.

During my break, I reflected that last moment with my dad, I remembered him telling me his last wish. His wish was for me to finish school – doesn’t matter what major it is as long as I was happy. His advice to me was to not give up on anything in life, believe in myself and create my own path. That instantly gave me the courage and motivation to return to higher education. It is through Anthropology that I have found and continue to grow within myself. It’s a place where I have established lifelong friendships along the way whose ambitions were the same as mine. I am truly grateful for all the amazing mentors and professors who go beyond to help students achieve their goals by sharing their knowledge and fostering our self-esteem. I never regretted my choice to get into college, because it has helped me found my passion and the best part of it all will be walking across the stage without any student loan debt. I realized I grew up in a different culture from my parents and simply appreciate my ability to be a first-generation, I can only imagine how proud my dad must feel.
UNT Anthropology is doing an Instagram event for Anthro Day, and we want YOU to participate! Submit a photo or a short video that explains why you study anthropology. Grab your friends and get creative!

Send submissions to anthropology@unt.edu and we will feature them on our social media all day on 2/17

AmericanAnthro.org/AnthroDay
#AnthroDay

PLEASE SEND YOUR PHOTOS OR VIDEOS IN BY WEDNESDAY 02-16 AT MIDNIGHT
Upcoming Event:
Applied Anthropology Expo

The Department of Anthropology at the University of North Texas presents

Applied Anthropology (virtual) EXPO

Thurs., Feb. 17th

Today’s anthropologists work in every setting imaginable. They’re making remarkable contributions to human understanding and tackling the world’s most pressing problems.

Poster Session
open all day

Explore multiple areas of applied work

Careers Panel
6-7:30 pm

Q&A with practicing anthropologists who are UNT Alumni

Raffle Prizes!!!!

https://anthropology.unt.edu/anthropology-unt/applied-anthropology-expo

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Upcoming Event:
Fulbright Seminar

Explore opportunities around the world.
Contribute to cultural exchange.
Embrace global diversity.

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FULBRIGHT U.S. STUDENT
PROGRAM PRESENTATION
for Anthropology Students

THURSDAY, MARCH 31
2 p.m. in Sycomore 119

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APPLICATIONS OPEN 3/31
October 2022 Deadline

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