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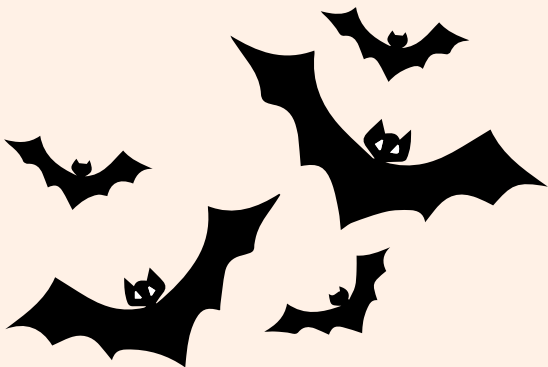
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WELCOME STUDENTS

Happy fall everyone! I hope you all are having a great semester so far! As we enter the Halloween season and mid-way point of the semester, the Anthropology Department is excited to share its first newsletter of the academic year. Inside you'll find a mix of informative and fun works that we hope will both help you to get to know our department as well as put you in the Halloween spirit.

Thanks, Your UCC,
Carter Wilburn
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PROFESSOR PROFILE

DR. CHELSEA HUNTER

Hello! I am the newest faculty member in the Department of Anthropology. My pronouns are she/her. I started here in January as an Assistant Professor and have been enjoying getting to know folks. I am looking forward to meeting more people as I continue getting more integrated into departmental happenings.

Here is a bit of background information so you can get to know me as well! I am always happy to chat with students about their interests and desires. I love mentoring. Let me know if you ever want to talk about career preparedness, how to get the most out of your education, your topical interests, applying to graduate school, or really anything else you would like!



Dr. Hunter in former Vice President Kamala Harris' office where she swears in new members of Congress.

I completed my PhD in Anthropology from The Ohio State University in May 2024. All three of my degrees (Bachelors, Masters, and PhD) are in Anthropology, though my Master's degree is technically in Applied Anthropology from San Diego State University. I attended an applied anthropology program for my bachelor's as well at Portland State University in Oregon. I was born and raised on the Southern Oregon Coast, which has led to an intense appreciation and passion for the ocean and all things sea critter.

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DR. CHELSEA HUNTER

While I have been engaged in diverse research opportunities through participation on interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research teams, my Master's and Dissertation research were focused on the co-management of marine resources in French territories in the South Pacific. I am interested in how diverse groups of people — including Pacific Islanders, government representatives, and non-profit partners — collaborate to manage or conserve the marine environment, especially under neo-colonial arrangements given the territories' statuses as being part of France.



Feel free to shoot me an email and set up a time to chat anytime! You can reach me at Chelsea.Hunter@unt.edu.

I also have experience working on disaster resilience and recovery through a longitudinal project tracking 400 households in Nepali communities following the 2015 earthquakes there. And I have worked quite a bit on the demographic cycles of herds and households in pastoral communities in West Africa, using agent-based modeling, a computational method. I am a passionate nerd about research design and combining mixed qualitative and quantitative methods!

In 2024 I worked as a Knauss Marine Policy Fellow – an opportunity for graduate students hosted through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Sea Grant program. This placed me in the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change and Manufacturing. I learned a lot about fisheries and marine conservation legislation and policy through this experience, sparking new interests and research directions.

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Arkadina's Mystic Corner

● What does this month bring you? ●



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What is this about?

Hello, my name is Arkadina and I work at the front desk at the Anthropology department. This section of the newsletter will be on some fun information about the pagan community and a monthly horoscope! I hope you enjoy it and please let me know in person or by email if you have any questions or recommendations on what you would like to see here!

Samhain

Samhain (saa-win) is a Celtic festival on October 31st-November 1st that celebrates the thinning of the veil and the end of harvest season. Many cultures have a similar holiday including Dia de los Muertos, Halloween, All Souls' Day, Calan Gaeaf, and Dziady!

Astrology

The first half of the month may be rough for some people as Mercury transitions from Libra to Scorpio. Just make sure to take a deep breath and reflect before letting things get to you (hopefully I'll take my own advice too!). The Full Moon is in Aries on October 6th, so make sure to get some moon water that day!



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

RYAN LORBER



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Ryan attended UNT from 2018 to 2022 as an undergraduate anthropology major and has now come back to work in the Career Center here on campus. Previously, Ryan worked with AmeriCorps, Dallas ISD, and Uplift, focusing on youth support.

He stated that his last year in the department really influenced the kind of work he wanted to do. Specifically, he notes that doing three separate research projects on youth housing insecurity in North Texas shaped his professional aspirations. He also noted that taking Dr. Nelson's *Inequality, Social Justice and the City* course and Dr. Doug Henry's class *Anthropology in Public Health* helped him pursue his chosen career path. Since returning to his alma mater, he has noticed multiple changes to the department, from its location from Chilton Hall to Sycamore Hall, to the lively energy that the students bring. Currently, as anthropology's designated Career Coach, Ryan hopes to build relationships with undergrad anthropologists because he believes "career development and professional development is not like a check box" and instead is a skill you are always developing.

A group of us undergraduate student leaders sat down with Ryan Lorber, a UNT Anthropology alumnus, to talk about his past in the department and how anthropology has shaped his career.

By: Carter Wilburn, Chloe Shipman, & Yesmina Sackey



Questions, Comments, Concerns?

Hello! My name is Riley, and I am the Student/
Faculty Liaison for our department this year! Part
of my job is making sure any questions or concerns
from our students are heard and addressed.

If you have questions, comments, or concerns regarding
our department, please fill out the form linked through
the QR Code below. This form can be filled out
anonymously, but if you would
like to receive any follow-up information, please leave
your name and email. This is also an opportunity to get
your comments or concerns addressed at our faculty
meetings!



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