Internet resources for anthropology

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Where to look for information on anthropology and related fields

Anthropology studies human behavior and culture from a social, historical, and biological perspective. In the United States, this field of study is usually divided into four subdisciplines—each with its own particular methods and research concerns. Each of these subdisciplines, cultural or social anthropology, archaeology, physical or biological anthropology, and anthropological linguistics—reaches out in turn to other academic fields of study, making anthropology one of the more interdisciplinary subjects.

This list of electronic resources concentrates on those resources that focus on anthropology as a discipline or profession. Another criterion we have used is that of substance. Does the resource contain discussions or information likely to be of interest to anthropologists? We discuss electronic mail discussion groups (listservs), gopher and World Wide Web (WWW) sites, and Wide Area Information Server (WAIS) databases. We also list several other sources of information available online.

Our list begins with electronic mail discussion groups, divided into five categories: general and cultural anthropology, archaeology, linguistics, physical anthropology, and museum studies. For each discussion group, we give the subscription address and a brief description of the group's focus. The next section lists gopher and WWW sites together since many relevant electronic resources exist as both. The type of resource is indicated if not evident from

its name. In addition to location and sponsor, a site's Uniform Resource Locator (URL) or unique Internet "address" is given. Most of these resources are under development and their contents are subject to change. However, most follow a similar pattern of having a small set of locally developed materials plus links to other relevant resources. Any particularly useful features of the resources are noted. WAIS databases follow. The list concludes with a description of two other online resources.

Electronic discussion groups
Anthropology
- **ANSS-L.** A discussion list for information specialists in anthropology, sociology, and related fields. *Access:* LISTSERV@UCI.EDU.
- **ANTHRO-L.** General anthropology list. It spans archaeology, social and cultural anthropology, linguistics, and physical anthropology. *Access:* LISTSERV@UBVM.CC.BUFFALO.EDU.
- **ANTHRO-LIB.** Liberation Anthropology Group. Discussion on the third- and fourth-world peoples and cultures. *Access:* LISTPROC@LISTS.COLORADO.EDU.
- **ASAONET.** The problems and issues concerning Oceania. This list is a semiofficial organ of the Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania, but it is open to everyone. *Access:* LISTSERV@UICVM.UIC.EDU.
- **CELTIC-L.** Celtic Culture List. *Access:* LISTSERV@IRLEARN.UCD.IE.
- **CPS-L.** Centre for Pacific Studies List for interdisciplinary studies of the Pacific regions. *Access:* LISTSERV@HEARN.NIC.SURFNET.NL.
- **CRFA-L.** List for the Center for Research and Fieldwork in Anthropology at the Univer-

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sity of Texas at Arlington. *Access:* LISTSERV@UTARLVM1.UTA.EDU.

- **DANCE-L.** A forum for those interested in folk and traditional dance. *Access:* LISTSERV@HEARN.NIC.SURFNET.NL.
- **E-SAE.** Society for Anthropology of Europe. *Access:* LISTSERV@UICVM.UIC.EDU.
- **ETHMUS-L.** Global ethnomusicology forum. *Access:* LISTSERV@UMDD.UMD.EDU.
- **ETHNET-L.** Irish and British Ethnographic Research. *Access:* LISTSERV@YSUB.YSU.EDU.
- **ETHNO.** Ethnomethodology/conversation analysis. *Access:* COMSERVE@VM.ECS.RPI.EDU.
- **ETHNOHIS.** Ethnohistory discussion list. *Access:* LISTSERV@HEARN.NIC.SURFNET.NL.
- **FOLKLORE.** Folklore discussion list. *Access:* LISTSERV@TAMVM1.TAMU.EDU.
- **HERB.** Medicinal and Aromatic Plants. This list covers cross-cultural and folk/herbal medicine. *Access:* LISTSERV@VM3090.EGE.EDU.TR.
- **IND-NET.** American Indian discussion list. *Access:* LISTSERV@WSUVM1.CSC.WSU.EDU.
- **LORE.** Folklore discussion group. *Access:* LISTSERV@VM1.NODAK.EDU.
- **MAPC.** Materialist Anthropology and the Production of Culture Workshop. *Access:* LISTSERV@VM.UTCC.UTORONTO.CA.
- **NativeNet.** A group of lists dealing with aboriginal issues, all located at TAMVM1.TAMU.EDU: NATIVE-L: General Information Exchange; NATCHAT: General Discussion; NAT-1492: Post-1492 issues; NAT-LANG: Aboriginal languages issues; NAT-HLTH: Aboriginal health issues. *Access:* LISTSERV@TAMVM1.TAMU.EDU.
- **NAT-EDU.** Aboriginal education issues. *Access:* LISTSERV@INDYCMS.IUPUI.EDU.
- **NEAA.** Northeast Anthropological Association List. *Access:* LISTSERV@MAPLE.LEMOYNE.EDU.
- **ORTRAD-L.** Interdisciplinary forum for discussion on oral traditions. Includes living oral traditions or texts with roots in oral tradition. *Access:* LISTSERV@MIZZOU1.MISSOURI.EDU.

Archaeology

- **AEGEANET.** Pre-Classical Aegean World discussion group. *Access:* MAJORDOMO@PUB.DUKE.EDU.
- **AIA-L.** Archaeological Institute of America list. Discusses a broad range of archaeological

issues and is open to all. *Access:* LISTSERV@BRYNMAWR.EDU.

- **ANCIEN-L.** History of the ancient Mediterranean. *Access:* LISTSERV@ULKYVM.LOUISVILLE.EDU.
- **ARCH-L.** A discussion forum for archaeological problems, especially those concerning research. Has files of bibliographies available. *Access:* LISTSERV@TAMVM1.TAMU.EDU.
- **ARCH-THEORY.** Discussion and exchange of information in archaeological theory, social theory, material culture, cultural identity, and perspectives from anthropology and history. To subscribe send a note to MAILBASE@MAILBASE.AC.UK with the message "Join ARCH-THEORY yourname".
- **ARTIFACT.** The exchange of views and information on the study of material culture. *Access:* LISTSERV@UMDD.UMD.EDU.
- **AZTLAN.** A discussion list on the Pre-Columbian history of the Americas. *Access:* LISTSERV@ULKYVM.LOUISVILLE.EDU.
- **C14-L.** Discussion list for researchers involved in radiocarbon and other radioisotopes used in dating, and in scientific dating issues in general. *Access:* C14-L@ARIZONA.EDU.
- **CONSERVATION DISTLIST.** A moderated forum for professionals engaged in the conservation of cultural materials. To subscribe send a note to CONSDIST-REQUEST@LINDY.STANFORD.EDU with the message "subscribe Cons DistList yourname".
- **EAAN.** A mailing list for the study of Early East Asian Archaeology and History. *Access:* LISTSERV@CCAT.SAS.UPENN.EDU.
- **HISTARCH.** A discussion list for historical archaeology (the archaeology of European expansion and recent periods). *Access:* LISTSERV@ASUVM.INRE.ASU.EDU.
- **NAGPRA-L.** Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act. A group for discussion of issues on this Act of 1990. *Access:* MAJORDOMO@WORLD.STD.COM.
- **PACARC-L.** Pacific Rim archaeology discussion. *Access:* LISTSERV@WSUVM1.CSC.WSU.EDU.
- **QUATERNARY.** Research in the Quaternary sciences, particularly in Canada. *Access:* LISTSERV@MORGAN.UCS.MUN.CA.
- **ROCK-ART.** A discussion group on rock art. *Access:* LISTSERV@ASUVM.INRE.ASU.EDU.

Linguistics

- **IROQUOIS.** Iroquois language discussion. *Access:* LISTSERV@VM.UTCC.UTORONTO.CA.

- **LINGUIST.** Linguistics and related fields. *Access:* LISTSERV@TAMVM1.TAMU.EDU.

Physical Anthropology

- **CBR-L.** Craniofacial Biology Research list. Focuses on the growth and development of the human head. *Access:* MAJORDOMO@PO. CWRU.EDU.
- **COLORCAT.** Color Categorization list. Explores how the color continuum is partitioned into categories by various human processes. *Access:* LISTSERV@BROWNVM.BROWN.EDU.
- **HUMEVO-L.** Human Evolutionary Research discussion. *Access:* LISTSERV@PSUORVM.CC.PDX.EDU.
- **LPN-L.** Laboratory Primate Newsletter. *Access:* LISTSERV@BROWNVM.BROWN.EDU.
- **PAN-L.** Physical anthropology discussion. *Access:* LISTSERV@PSUORVM.CC.PDX.EDU.
- **PRIMATOLOGY.** Study of human and nonhuman primates. To subscribe send a note to MAILBASE@MAILBASE.AC.UK with the message "Join PRIMATOLOGY yourname".

Museum Studies

- **MUSEUM-L.** General interest list for museum professionals and others interested in museum-related issues. *Access:* LISTSERV@UNMVMA.UNM.EDU.

Gopher and World Wide Web (WWW) sites

- **Academe This Week.** (Gopher; URL: gopher://chronicle.merit.edu): text of the *Chronicle of Higher Education,* including job listings.
- **African Studies.** (WWW; University of Pennsylvania; URL: http://www.african.upenn.edu/African_Studies/AS.html.)
- **ANTHAP.** Applied Anthropology Computer Network. (Gopher; Oakland University, sponsors: Society for Applied Anthropology and National Association of Practicing Anthropologists; URL: gopher://gopher.acs.oakland.edu.)
- **Anthro-Gopher.** (University of Western Australia Division of Arts and Architecture; URL: gopher://uniwa.uwa.edu.au / Other Gophers / UWA Gophers / Division of Art and Architecture / Anthropology and Archaeology.)
- **Anthropology and Archaeology Corner.** (Gopher and WWW; The Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology and the Radcliffe Science Library, Oxford University; URL: gopher://rsl.ox.ac.uk or http://www.rsl.ox.ac.uk/isca/index.html.)
- **Anthropology and Culture.** (Gopher and WWW; Rice University; URL: gopher://riceinfo.rice.edu or http://riceinfo.rice.edu.)
- **Anthropology Resources at the University of Kent.** (WWW; Centre for Social Anthropology and Computing; URL: http://lucy.ukc.ac.uk/index.html.)
- **Archaeological Fieldwork WWW Server.** (Cornell University; URL: http://durendal.cit.cornell.edu/testpit.html.)
- **ArchNet.** Archaeological Data at UConn. (Gopher and WWW; Univ. of Connecticut; URL: gopher://spirit.lib.uconn.edu / Academic Subjects and Services / Anthropology or http://spirit.lib.uconn.edu/archnet/archnet.html): archaeology and history of the Northeastern U.S.
- **Bishop Museum, Honolulu.** (Gopher; URL: gopher://bishop.bishop.hawaii.org/.)
- **Classics and Mediterranean Archaeology.** (Gopher; Department of Classical Studies, University of Michigan; URL: gopher://rome.classics.lsa.umich.edu.)
- **Conservation Online (CoOL).** (Gopher and WWW; Preservation Department, Stanford University; URL: gopher://palimpsest.stanford.edu or http://palimpsest.stanford.edu): also available as a WAIS server.
- **Coombsquest/CoombsWeb.** (Gopher and WWW; Coombs Computing Unit, Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University; URL: gopher://coombs.anu.edu.au or http://coombs.anu.edu.au/CoombsHome.html): also available as a WAIS server.
- **Ecolab Gopher.** (Sustainable Human Ecosystems Laboratory, Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia; URL: gopher://julian.dac.uga.edu): includes the Southeastern Archaeology Gopher which has a telnet link to the National Archaeological Database.
- **Flora Mesoamericana.** (Gopher and WWW; Missouri Botanical Garden, Universidad Autonoma Nacional de Mexico, and the Natural History Museum, London; URL: gopher://gopher2.nhm.ac.uk / botany / Flora Mesoamericana or http://straylight.tamu.edu/MoBot/FM/fm_introduction.html): vascular plants in Central America and southern Mexico.
- **Grant Directory.** (Gopher; University of Idaho; URL: gopher://gopher.uidaho.edu / Science, Research and Grant Information.)
- **Institute of Egyptian Art and Archaeology.** (WWW; University of Memphis Department of Art; URL: http://www.memst.edu/egypt/main.html.)

• **International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS).** (Gopher and WWW; ICOMOS Canada; URL: gopher://hpb.hwc.ca 7000 or http://hpb.hwc.ca:7002/welcome.html): includes World Heritage Committee materials.

• **Kelsey Museum of Archaeology.** (WWW; University of Michigan; URL: http://classics.lsa.mich.edu/Kelsey/Outreach.html.)

• **Library of Congress Marvel.** (Gopher; telnet access: telnet://marvel.loc.gov (login marvel); URL: gopher://marvel.loc.gov): includes records from the *Handbook of Latin American Studies.*

• **Mayan Epigraphic Database Project.** (Gopher; University of Virginia; URL: gopher://jefferson.village.virginia.edu / Publications / Research / Mayan Epigraphic Database.)

• **Museo Archeologico Nazionale di Cagliari/Archaeological Museum of Cagliari, Italy.** (WWW; URL: http://www.crs4.it/HTML/RUGGIERO/MUSEO/mus_ind.html): Sardinia and Italy.

• **Natural History Collections Gopher.** (Peabody Museum of Natural History, Yale Univ.; URL: gopher://gopher.peabody.yale.edu): catalog records for the museum's collections, including some archaeological materials.

• **Society for American Archaeology (SAA) Bulletin.** (Gopher; University of California at Santa Barbara; URL: gopher://alishaw.ucsb.edu): text of the *SAA Bulletin.*

• **Southampton University Department of Archaeology.** (WWW; http://avebury.arch.soton.ac.uk/): houses *Online Archaeology,* an electronic journal.

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.** (Gopher and WWW; URL: gopher://gopher.os.dhhs.gov or http://www.os.dhhs.gov.)

• **U.S. Geological Survey.** (Gopher and WWW; URL: gopher://info.er.usgs.gov or http://info.er.usgs.gov.)

• **U.S. National Archives and Records Administration: CLIO.** (Gopher and WWW; URL: gopher://gopher.nara.gov or http://www.nara.gov/.)

• **U.S. National Institutes of Health.** (Gopher; URL: gopher://gopher.nih.gov.)

• **U.S National Science Foundation Science and Technology Information System.** (Gopher; URL: gopher://stis.nsf.gov): includes a database of projects awarded grants by NSF.

• **UT-LANIC.** (Gopher and WWW; Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin; URL: gopher://lanic.utexas.edu; http://lanic.utexas.edu): connections to Latin American online resources.

• **Wings.** (Gopher; Department of Anthropology, State University of New York at Buffalo; URL: gopher://wings.buffalo.edu /Academic and Departmental Information / Academic Departments / Anthropology Dept.): houses the electronic journal *World Anthropology,* and WEDA, the *World E-mail Directory of Anthropologists.*

• **Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center.** (Gopher; University of Wisconsin-Madison; URL: gopher://gopher.primate.wisc.edu.)

• **World Health Organization.** (Gopher and WWW; United Nations; URL: gopher://gopher.who.ch or http://www.who.ch.)

• **World-Wide Web Virtual Library: Anthropology.** (University of Southern California; URL: http://www.usc.edu/dept/v-lib-anthropology.html): includes material from the Ethnographics Laboratory (E-Lab), Center for Visual Anthropology.

WAIS databases

• **Conservation Online** (CoOL) (Preservation Department, Stanford University): full-text database of conservation information. (See also Conservation Online (CoOL) gopher or WWW server above.)

• **Coombspapers Social Sciences Research Data Bank** (Coombs Computing Unit, Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University) is a collection of databases on religion, Pacific and Asian studies, archaeology, demography, human genetics, and cultural anthropology, and indexes to several anthropology journals. (See also the Coombsquest gopher or the CoombsWeb WWW site above.)

Other resources

• **Applied Anthropology Documentation Project** (AADP) is a collection of materials at the University of Kentucky relating to applied anthropology projects that are either unpublished or of limited distribution. Bibliographic records are included in the university library's OPAC. To create a set of all records from this project, search the OPAC for "K=applied anthropology documentation". The resulting set may then be searched using more specific keywords. (For more information see the Society for Applied Anthropology's bulletin, *Practicing Anthropology.*)

and developed the collection into one of the largest research libraries in North America. During his tenure, the library's collection grew from 30,000 volumes to 1.3 million. Soon after joining UCSB he supervised the construction, layout, and design of the new library, making use of the user-friendly open-stack concept not widely accepted in the 1950s. A graduate of the University of British Columbia, Davidson earned a master's and doctorate in history from the University of California, Berkeley. He began his career at the Huntington Library in San Marino, California, then served for six years as library director at the University of Redlands. Davidson retired from UCSB in 1977. The library was officially named the Donald C. Davidson Library in 1993.

Pauline Tina Lesnik, former head of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries' Acquisitions Services Department (1987–1993), was killed in a car accident in December at the age of 46. During her tenure at the Smithsonian, Lesnik served as acting librarian of its STRI Branch in Panama for six months before being airlifted out at the time of the coup. She began her career as librarian for South Asia in the Oriental Division of the New York Public Library. Later she served as head of resources at the Law Library, and head of gifts and exchange at Columbia University. A graduate of Douglass College of Rutgers University, Lesnik received her MLS and a master's in South Asian languages and civilization from the University of Chicago. She was a member of ALA and ACRL, serving on committees of the Asian and African Section.

A. Chapman Parsons, former executive director of the Ohio Library Association/Ohio Library Trustee Association (OLA/OLTA), died December 1, 1994. Parson earned his bachelor's in education from West Virginia University and his MLS from Western Reserve University. He began his career as county librarian at the Martins Ferry Public Library, then served at the Gallia County District Library, Rio Grande College Library, and the Alliance Public Library. He joined OLA/OLTA in 1964 and retired from there in 1987. An active member of ALA, Parsons was also a member of the Ohio Historical Society and the Press Club of Columbus.

Alfred G. Trump, director of libraries at South Dakota State University (SDSU) from 1948 to 1977, died in November at the age of 87. Trump received his bachelor's degree in 1929 from the University of Chicago, then earned a bachelor's and master's in library science from the University of Michigan in 1933 and 1938. Before joining SDSU, he served as librarian at the Michigan State Law Library and at Virginia Junior College in Minnesota. A past-president of the South Dakota Library Association, Trump also served on the ALA Council, and was active in the MPLA, which honored him in 1974 with its Distinguished Service Award.

Rose L. Vormelker, former librarian of the Cleveland *Plain Dealer* and the Cleveland *News,* died in November at the age of 99. Vormelker received her library science certificate from Western Reserve University in 1919. She started as a reference librarian for the Detroit Public Library, then in 1923 was hired to work in the Science and Technology Department at the Cleveland Public Library, where she also spent many years as director of the Business Information Bureau. In 1941 the Special Libraries Association summoned Vormelker to New York to edit lists of research materials useful to the defense program. The lists became the first volume of *Special Library Resources*. In 1942, when the Roosevelt Administration wanted to set up war and defense information centers in 4,000 libraries, Vormelker was drafted for the job. After retiring in 1962, she was appointed assistant professor of library science at Kent State University and was inducted into the Special Libraries Association's Hall of Fame. She was inducted into the Ohio Library Hall of Fame in 1974 and the Graphic Arts Hall of Distinction in 1982. ■

• **National Archaeological Database** (NADB), administered by the National Park Service and housed at the University of Arkansas, has two parts. NADB-Reports contains citations to reports of cultural resource management and other research in the United States. The second part provides information on the Native Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA). NADB may be reached by telnet: telnet nadbcast.uark.edu (login nadb) or from such gophers as Anthropology and Culture (Rice University) and the Southeastern Archaeology Gopher (Ecolab Gopher, University of Georgia). ■