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Culture & Society

Department of Sociology & Anthropology



Sociology & Anthropology Class of 2016

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Words of Advice from some of our Graduating Seniors



"I am a person who continually grapples with profound doubt about the truth claims of Christianity. If you are in this boat as well then I have only two pieces of advice to give you. Firstly, you are not alone. There are professors who will understand your questions and accept you regardless. There are peers who will walk alongside you if you find them. Secondly, be brave and search for answers to your questions. You weren't taught in this department to take the easy way out, to settle for comforting half-truths. Inquire boldly."

Congratulations on your progress so far and good luck with your remaining weeks at Wheaton College.

-Maurice Bokanga, *Sociology*

Get to know your classmates! If you haven't discovered already, you will find out in Capstone that your fellow Anthropology classmates are the coolest people on campus. I wish I had invested in my Anthropology peers a long time ago.

(Don't take Ethno Theory and Methods 2nd semester senior year.)

-Sarah Hunt, *Anthropology*

1. Find out what specific question or problem you are passionate about. Return to this whenever you are burned out or feeling lost.
2. Engage ideas with both charitable and critical thinking. Having one without the other is not enough.
3. Never be satisfied with your initial impression. Suspend judgment, and seek to understand.

-Mark Lee, *Sociology*

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I would encourage others to never stop exploring different classes, activities, or opportunities in general! Don't get stuck in your major – take some fun classes.
-Jasmine Stein, *Sociology*

Talk to your professors. You will miss them when you leave. And they like talking to us (students) because we're awesome and we all have different ways of looking at things...so they have a lot to learn too.
-Lauren Palmer, *Anthropology*

While Sociology is a deeply fascinating subject, a trap many Sociology majors sometimes fall into is that of cynicism. Studying society means studying every part of it, even the tragic and infuriating ones. I personally found it easy to see the negative rather than the positive when studying certain issues of inequality or justice. It is very easy to think there is no hope in trends changing or people escaping from suffering. Something I considered to combat this is that humans today are living in the best period of history. Rate of violence, disease, and poverty are at an all-time low and the quality of life of the majority of populations has been raised substantially, even over the last 50 years. While there are still numerous problems to fix in our society, we are already so much further on numerous issues than the generations before us. Of any generation to give up hope, we should be the last.

-John Papatheofanis, *Sociology*

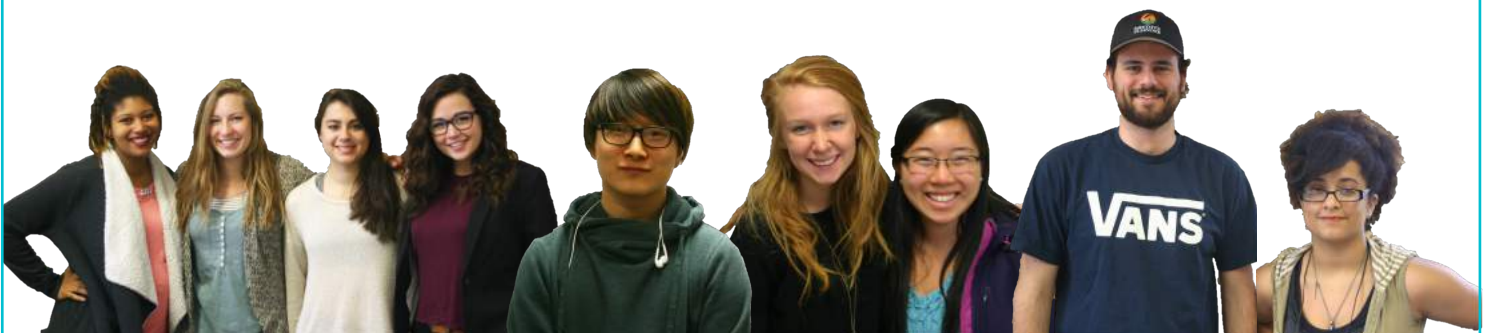
Freshmen: Keep learning! The tip of the ice in Sociology and Anthropology is amazing—but there's so much more. Those late-night Fischer lobby debates are still fun, right?

Sophomores: Find a topic or area you're interested in and really dig into it on your free time...it really will pay off for that Capstone class senior year.

Juniors: It's okay to be jaded, just don't allow cynicism to own you.

Seniors: Cheers, we've made it this far, and we (thanks to our professors) are probably the only majors who don't think we know it all.

-Natalie Drevets, *Sociology*



AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS**ACCA Student Symposium**

Maurice Bokanga

Analytical Cognitive Sociology: An innovative approach to studying social scientific knowledge systems

Mark Lee

Education as a Family Affair: The social construction of student engagement in an alternative high school

Kalei Hosaka

*The Politics of Palliative Care in Resource-Limited Settings: The question of “worth” in a resource-limited North India***Alpha Kappa Delta**

Kathryn Simpson

Madison Touloukian

Fahs Student Paper Award Winners**SOCIOLOGY**

Maurice Bokanga, First Place

Analytical Cognitive Sociology: An innovative approach to student social scientific knowledge systems

Bethany Thomas, Second Place

*Pittsburgh Steelers: Representations of working class identity***ANTHROPOLOGY**

Sarah Han, First Place

Sameness and Difference: Asserting cultural identity through multicultural experience and assimilation

Kalei Hosaka, Second Place

The Politics of Palliative Care in Resource-Limited Settings: The question of “worth” in a resource-limited North India

Annaliese Peterson, Third Place

*The Grand Inga Dam***Lambda Alpha**

Madeleine Brewster

Sarah Carlson

Kelli Manning

Joselyn Broadway

Alexa Dava

Nicole McNevin

Laurel Bornman

Hannah Grove

Zackary Smiley

Abigail Bowman

Hannah Gross

Jonathan Thornton

Hannah Cagle

Andy Kirk

Patricia Wooldridge

New Majors**SOCIOLOGY**

Emma Camillone

Ariana Holmes

ANTHROPOLOGY

Michael Contreras

Alex Wille

Promotions

Dr. Brian Miller – Tenure

Dr. Amy Reynolds – Assistant to Associate Professor

Scholastic Honor Society

Lilianna Quiroa-Crowell

Kalei Hosaka

Senior Scholarship Award

Alejandra Guzman

BIRTHDAYS

<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
Laurel Bornman	Maurice Bokanga	Anna Clark	Allison Bassett	Emma Camillone
Courtney Bunn	Madeleine Brewster	Cyle Cucinotta	Hannah Garringer	Hannah Eriksen
Chippy Hui	Elena Fischer	Meredith Gibson	Ariana Holmes	Emily Evans
Elizabeth Hancock	Alejandra Guzman	Hannah Gross	John Papatheofanis	Christina Festen
John Park	Jenna Herskind	Catherine Hall	Abigail Prince	Chris Kil
Nicole McNevin	Madeline Lanois	Elisabeth Stringer	Zachary Smiley	Kie Takazawa
Jasmine Stein	Matthew Lindia		David Yoon	Magdalena Valdivia
	Titus Payne			Grace Yao
	Christian Simpson			