



A maximum of 12.0 units of ANTH 596, Directed Reading and Research, may count toward the total number of required units for the M.A. degree. ANTH 501 does not count toward the MA degree requirements.

### MASTER'S COMMITTEE AND COMPETENCY CONTRACT

By the end of the winter quarter of the first year, students must form a valid master's committee, and file their M.A. Committee form with the Graduate Program Assistant. Committees must consist of at least three ladder faculty members, two of whom (including the chair) must be from the department. The chair of the committee must be from the archaeology subfield.

**M.A. Committee:** Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_

The M.A. committee will assist the student with determining a specific course of study for his or her contract, which should be finalized and approved by winter quarter, but not later than the end of the spring quarter of the first year.

### CAPSTONE REQUIREMENT – COMPREHENSIVE EXAM and THESIS

The comprehensive exam for the Archaeology specialization is administered in Spring quarter of the second year. Over a two week period, students write two article-length papers. Topics are chosen by the faculty for each individual student and are chosen from two of the three areas: 1) hunter-gatherer societies, 2) middle-range societies, and 3) complex societies.

Exam Scores: **High Pass**, **Pass**, or **Fail**. Students who fail the exam will have one regular quarter to take it again (for Spring exam, deadline is the end of following Fall quarter), with the maximum possible score for a re-take being **Pass**. If the deadline is not met, the student will be recommended to the Graduate Dean for academic probation. If a passing score has not been awarded by the deadline at the end of the Spring quarter a year after initial comps, the student will not be awarded the MA and will be recommended to the Graduate Dean for dismissal.

To earn the degree in the terminal MA program in Archaeology a student must also write a thesis and have it approved by his or her MA committee. This is usually done during the third year of the student's residency.

**COMPREHENSIVE EXAM DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SCORE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**

**MASTER'S THESIS ACCEPTED DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MA DEGREE REQUIREMENTS SATISFIED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Quarter/Year

**DEPT GRADUATE ADVISOR SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

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Residence Requirement (3 quarters)	
No Incomplete Grades	
Minimum Required Units (32)	
3.0 or Better GPA Overall	
B or Better in All Core Courses (200-level)	
Registered Quarter of Degree or Paid Filing Fee	
<b>M.A. Degree Awarded (quarter):</b> _____	