

ANTHRO DIGEST

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ANTHROPOLOGY FALL GATHERING!

By Bailey Wilson, 2023 Departmental Mentor

If you're an anthropology major or minor or curious about the department, check out the Department Mentors Fall Gathering! In honor of the festive season, we're getting the department together to host a battle of wits (or rather, random fact retention) with a game of trivia! Come out on Thursday, November 9th at 6:00pm in Lutz 232 to join in on the competition, watch the vitriol, or even just enjoy the provided snacks. Even better, attend to pick the brains of current students and professors about the major pathway and emerging opportunities in the department. There will be prizes for first place in trivia, so start cultivating your team, inviting your friends, and brushing up on your reservoir of anthropological tidbits! Fill out this [interest form](#) if you're interested in attending.

CONTACT US!

Feel free to contact to us at anthment@louisville.edu and follow us on Instagram [@uoflanthment](https://www.instagram.com/uoflanthment).

HAVE AN IDEA?

Use the form [Events and Office Hours](#) to share your ideas and schedule virtual or in-person office hours.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AIA Talk: Louisville's Confederate Monument

November 2 @ 6:00 PM EST

Dr. M. Jay Stottman will be giving a presentation at the Center for Archaeology and Cultural Heritage about a cornerstone box recovered from a demolished Louisville Confederate Monument. Read more [here](#).

UofL Community Composting Volunteer Day

Sundays through December @ 12:00 PM EST

Celebrate "Compost Church" with the Urban and Public Affairs department at 240 E. Bloom Street. Attendees are encouraged to dress in preparation to get dirty and take home some compost of their own! Necessary tools will be provided.

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November 29 @ 4:00 PM EST

The Hispanic/Latinx & Indigenous Initiative will be hosting an event in the multipurpose room of the Cultural & Equity Center. A selection of traditional Latin American food and stitching lessons will be available.

KEEP UP TO DATE

If you are interested in staying up to date on "going's on" of the Anthropology Department, contact the Department Mentors to be added to the Anthropology Events MS Teams.

MENTORS LINKTREE



FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: DR. JONATHAN HAWS

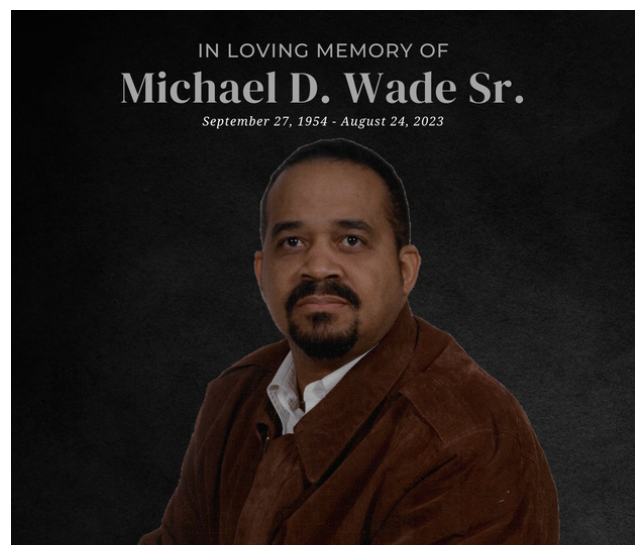
I started doing archaeology because I was interested in how our early human ancestors made their way in a world that was drastically different than today. I was fascinated by a world of mammoths and mastodons, woolly rhinos and giant ground sloths, saber-tooth cats and cave lions, cave bears and hyenas, plus all the rest of the animals that went extinct at the end of the last Ice Age.



I was equally fascinated by the methods that paleoanthropologists, archaeologists, geologists, and paleoecologists reconstructed this ancient world and how we got along in it. This obsession has led me to spend my adult life excavating a cave in Portugal that has so far revealed a 75,000-year history of human occupation and adaptation to climate and environmental change. My research interests focus on prehistoric human land-use and decision-making as part of a socio-natural process. I use a multi-scale approach to understand how past humans, especially Neanderthals and Upper Paleolithic modern humans in Europe, adapted to abrupt climate and environmental change. Since 2005, I've directed a collaborative international team with opportunities for student participation and independent research projects. I teach courses on zooarchaeology, human-animal relations, climate change and human societies, and archaeological research methods. I currently serve as the department Chair.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: MICHAEL WADE

Dedicated student and Louisville native [Mike Wade](#) passed away at the beginning of this semester, leaving behind a legacy of determination, friendship, and the ceaseless pursuit of knowledge. Mike was well-known and respected throughout UofL, but most recently so in the Department of Anthropology. Passionate and outspoken, Mike will be dearly missed as a student and a peer. His family requests any charitable donations be redirected towards [St. Jude Children's Research Hospital](#).



GET INVOLVED IN THE DEPARTMENT

- [Join the ASA!](#)
 - UofL's Anthropology Student Association is a free to join club for majors and minors to help plan and run events and get involved in community service.
- [Join Lambda Alpha!](#)
 - UofL's chapter of the Lambda Alpha national honors society works closely with the department and ASA. View details at the above link.