

**Application for the Cheryl L. Wase Memorial Scholarship for the Study of Archaeology**

**By submitting this application, you are affirming that all the information you are providing is correct, and you pledge to fulfill the reporting requirements if you are awarded a scholarship.**(*Please consult with a faculty member in your archaeology program to develop a strong personal statement, an appropriate course plan, and a reasonable budget*. *If you have questions about the application process, contact Dr. Michael Graves at* *mailto:mwgraves@unm.edu*)

**Applicant Information Section**

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| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| City |  | State |  | Zip/Postal Code |  |
| Phone |  | Email |  |
| Birthdate |  | Residency(check one) | New Mexico |  | Other |  |
| Gender | Woman  |  | Man |  | Other |  |

**Current students, complete the following:**

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| Class (check one) | High school senior |  | Freshman |  | Sophomore |  | Junior |  | Senior |  |
| Name of school or university |  |
| Address of school or university |  |
| Banner ID Number (student #) |  |
| Anthropology /Archaeology Major/Emphasis (ENMU) ORMajor/Minor (NMSU) ORMajor/Concentration (UNM), OR Cultural Resource Management (NMHU) |  |
| GPA (on a 4.0 scale)\* |  |
| Progress to Completing Bachelor’s or Master’s Degree  | Total Credits Needed to Graduate | How many total credits have you earned? | How many credits are you taking? |
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| Progress in Anthropology | How many credits are needed for the major? | How many credits have you earned? | How many credits are you taking? |
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| Please list any second majors or minors |  |
| Semester(s) applying for | Fall 20\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Spring 20 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Academic year \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**If you are not currently enrolled at ENMU, NMHU, NMSU, or UNM, you must provide proof of such enrollment before you will receive your award. \*High school and home-schooled students ONLY must also include a copy of their SAT or ACT scores.**

**Applicants who are not currently enrolled but who have completed BA/BS degree**

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| Name of intended school or university |  |
| Address of school or university |  |
| Program and Degree:Anthropology /Archaeology Major/Emphasis (ENMU) ORMajor/Minor (NMSU) ORMajor/Concentration (UNM), OR Cultural Resource Management (NMHU) |  |
| Graduated school or university  |  |
| Address of school or university |  |
| GPA (on a 4.0 scale)\* |  |
| Completed BA/BS Degree  | Total Credits Needed to Graduate |  |
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| Completed Anthropology Degree | How many credits are needed for the major? |  |
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| Please list any second majors or minors |  |
| Semester(s) applying for | Fall 20\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Spring 20 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Academic year \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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| **Personal Statement.** Explain why you are interested in archaeology. How will receipt of this scholarship help to advance your educational and professional goals? (one page, single-spaced).  |
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| **Proposed Budget.** Explain how funds will be expended (up to one page, single-spaced). Provide as much detail as possible on the courses you plan to take and the associated course fees. Describe how receipt of this award would help you succeed in fulfilling your professional goals. For renewal applicants provide a statement on the use of the previous year’s award and how you intend to use renewal funds. |
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| Tuition and fees (include mandatory student fees and any course and lab fees) | $0,000.00 |
| Field school tuition and fee (Please note only field schools sponsored by US Universities are eligible and at equal to or less than the field school costs at the student’s home university. Students will have to pay the difference if they choose this option)  | $0,000.00 |
| Honors or thesis research proposal | $0,000.00 |
| Textbooks | $ 000.00 |
| TOTAL  | $0,000.00 |

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| **Proposed Program of Study.** Include a brief description of your proposed program of study, including your schedule for completing: a BA or BS in Anthropology with an Emphasis in Archaeology (ENMU students), Focus on Archaeology (NMSU students) or Concentration in Archaeology (UNM students); or MA or MS in Anthropology with Focus on Archaeology and Bioarchaeology (ENMU), Cultural Resource Management (NMHU), Emphasis on Archaeology (NMSU), or Public Archaeology (UNM) (up to one page, single-spaced). For renewal applications, please describe your progress towards completion of the degree and other professional development accomplishments. |
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**Supporting Materials**

1. **For undergraduates**: Two letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with your academic or work background, such as teachers, professors or supervisors. For undergraduates requesting renewal, two letters of recommendation, one of which should be a letter from a department or program advisor describing your progress toward degree completion.

**For applicants who have completed BA/BS degre**e: two letters of recommendations, one of which should be a letter from advisor or faculty member in undergraduate degree department/school.

**For current graduate students**: transcripts covering classes completed, and a letter from thesis chair or graduate coordinator describing progress made toward completing classes and degree (and note thesis non-thesis topics).

These letters should clearly indicate your past successes and future potential. You may copy the last page of this application and give it to your recommenders.

2. Proof of NM Residency: as shown in student’s Banner Record using their student ID number, other documents indicating residency.

3..**For undergraduates:** A copy of the requirements for the undergraduate major in Anthropology and Emphasis (ENMU students), Focus (NMSU students), or Concentration in Archaeology (UNM students).

**For applicants who have completed BA/BS degree:** a copy of the requirements for the graduate major in Archaeology and Bioarchaeology (ENMU), Cultural Resource Management (NMHU), Anthropology with Archaeology emphasis (NMSU), or Public Archaeology (UNM).

**Applicants who are current graduate student**s: a copy of the requirements for the graduate major in Archaeology and Bioarchaeology (ENMU), Cultural Resource Management (NMHU), Anthropology with Archaeology emphasis (NMSU), or Public Archaeology (UNM) at your university and a signed statement from the Anthropology or departmental or program advisor indicating that you are making normal progress through the program (see form below).

4. **For undergraduates and applicants who have completed BA/BS degree**: A copy of your transcripts showing the courses you have completed, degrees completed, and your current/final GPA.

**For graduate student applicants:** include copies of both your undergraduate transcripts and any graduate coursework you have completed. If you are a high school student or home schooled, you must also include a copy of your SAT/ACT scores.

**Deadline for Submission**

The complete application and the letters of recommendation must be received by 11:59 p.m. MST on January 31, 2025. Late applications will not be accepted. Please compile all documents (except the letters of recommendation, which should be emailed by the recommenders) into one .pdf (or Word) document, and attach the single file in an email to: wase@saa.org. You will receive an email confirmation your application has been submitted. If you do not receive an email confirmation, please contact Amy Rutledge at amy\_rutledge@saa.org.

**Scholarship Notes and Considerations**

You do not need to be formally accepted into the program or university at the time of application. However, scholarships will not be paid until the SAA is satisfied that the awardee has been formally accepted into an appropriate New Mexico university (ENMU, NMHU, NMSU, UNM). The SAA will arrange to pay tuition and costs for books directly to the institution.

Applicants are critically evaluated to verify their eligibility under the rules of the bequest, and to understand their interest in archaeology and their proposed program of study. Scoring is based on the completeness of the application, the coherence and clarity of the personal statements, a reasonable and justified budget, compelling letters of recommendation about the applicant’s past successes and future potential, and evidence of satisfactory progress toward the degree or promise of such progress for applicants who are not yet majors.

Please note that if you receive financial aid your eligibility for various other sources of aid may be affected upon receipt of the Wase Scholarship. You are encouraged to consult with your university’s financial aid office before applying.

**Reporting Requirements**

If awarded a scholarship, you are required to report on your experiences. Photographs are encouraged and alternative report formats are welcome, such as DVDs, websites, or exhibits that relate your experiences. The SAA reserves the right to use these reports to promote the scholarships program.

The report is due by May 15 at the end of the academic year for which the scholarship was awarded.

**Final Check List**

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|  | Completed information section (including sections on student status, residency and gender) |
|  | Completed personal statement |
|  | Completed proposed budget |
|  | Completed proposed study program |
|  | Compile the documents above in a single .pdf or Word document and email to: wase@saa.org. |
|  | Letter of recommendation #1 (Ask your recommenders to email their letters to: wase@saa.org) |
|  | Letter of recommendation #2 |
|  | Signature from Anthropology Advisor indicating progress for students already pursuing their degrees or for renewals (below) |
|  | Copy of current transcript with GPA (and copy of SAT/ACT scores for high school/home schooled applicants) |
|  | The deadline for receipt of all application materials, including letters, is 11:59 p.m. EST on January 31, 2025 |

*I certify the following: (a) I am not and have not ever been the subject of a discrimination or harassment lawsuit or related administrative complaint that resulted in an adverse finding; and (b) I do not have and have not had a current or pending disciplinary action such as suspension or termination of registration, resulting from a Register of Professional Archaeologists’ grievance investigation.*

*(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

Dear Anthropology Advisor:

This student is applying for the Society for American Archaeology Cheryl L. Wase Memorial Scholarship for the Study of Archaeology. This scholarship is for women who are NM residents and majoring in Anthropology with an Emphasis (ENMU), Focus (NMSU) or Concentration (UNM) in Archaeology, or Cultural Resource Management (NMHU). The scholarship is renewable if the student continues to maintain eligibility and maintains a GPA of 3.0 or above. As part of the application process, the student MUST obtain a signature from the undergraduate or graduate advisor in an eligible department (ENMU, NMHU, NMSU, UNM). Please check and sign below.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (student name) is pursuing a BA/BS in Anthropology with an Emphasis (ENMU), Focus (NMSU), or Concentration (UNM) in Archaeology or a MA/MS in Anthropology (ENMU, NMSU), Public Archaeology (UNM) or Cultural Resource Management (NMHU) (circle one).

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ She is making satisfactory progress through our undergraduate or graduate program of study for Anthropology with an Emphasis/Focus/Concentration in archaeology or Cultural Resource Management

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ She is NOT making satisfactory progress through our undergraduate or graduate program of study for Anthropology with a Emphasis/Focus/Concentration in archaeology or Cultural Resource Management.

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Signature of undergraduate/graduate advisor Printed name Date

Dear Recommender:

This student \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is being considered for the Cheryl L. Wase Memorial Scholarship for the Study of Archaeology, which is administered and awarded by the Society for American Archaeology. The scholarship covers tuition/course fees and books for women who are residents of New Mexico and enrolled in a program of study in anthropology/archaeology, public archaeology, or cultural resource management at a New Mexico institution leading to the BA, BS, MA, MS degrees. To aid in evaluating applicants, the SAA requests two letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with the academic or work background of the applicant. In writing your letter, please include information on how long and in what capacity you have known the applicant, her past performance in school or work, and your assessment of her potential for success in completing the Bachelor’s or Master’s degree. Please send your completed letter on letterhead and with your signature/position to: wase@saa.org. Thank you for your assistance!