Many hands, one goal

Our affiliated research centers enhance and expand the influence and output of our academic unit through collaboration at the community level, the international level and across scientific lines.

Our centers:
Center for Archaeology and Society
Center for Bioarchaeological Research
Center for Digital Antiquity
Center for Global Health
Teotihuacan Research Laboratory

We also share faculty and staff with:
Center for Evolution and Medicine
Center for Social Dynamics and Complexity
Institute of Human Origins

Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve
Nestled in the historic Hedgpeth Hills on the edge of Phoenix, the school manages this 47-acre nature preserve featuring more than 1,500 prehistoric petroglyphs.

Innovation Gallery
Housed on the ASU Tempe campus, our gallery is a public space to enjoy free, informative exhibits and programs related to our research and community.

Philanthropy fuels possibilities

When you support the School of Human Evolution and Social Change, you fuel student research opportunities that address real-world problems, bringing the past to the present. Your support enables students to apply what they learn in the classroom within local communities and better prepares them to engage the global world. Your contributions help preserve irreplaceable cultural artifacts for future generations that fosters a sense of wonder about the human condition in the past and present.

#1 NSF HERD ranking for anthropology
2 million objects in our collections
46 countries where we work

Our school is a unique, interdisciplinary collaboration of scholars that work in the deep past as well as with contemporary communities, combining knowledge about past human societies with insights from ethnography and social surveys to help forge a better future for all of humanity.”

– Christopher Stojanowski
Professor and Director of the School of Human Evolution and Social Change

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Social Sciences

Arizona State University

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Discover the global human experience

At Arizona State University’s School of Human Evolution and Social Change, we investigate what makes us human and use new knowledge to foster a healthier, sustainable world. Using tools from anthropology, global health, environmental social science and applied mathematics, our work integrates the natural and social sciences to answer questions about the human story and inspire our students to become informed, socially responsible members of their communities.

Leading global impact and innovative solutions

Our faculty conduct research that makes an impact both locally and among diverse global communities, covering a range of topics related to human health with an eye toward improving our livelihoods and engendering a shared sense of experience through time and in different parts of the world.

Providing public health services

Associate Professor Megan Jehn leads the school’s COVID-19 community mitigation efforts. Jehn and volunteers are dedicating countless hours to building DIY air filters for schools and communities in need.

Improving mental health awareness

Anthropologists within the school dedicate their research to studying human behavior and how to help improve mental health. Associate Professor Sarah Mathew and former postdoctoral researcher Matthew Zefferman conducted research to understand how PTSD affects warriors or soldiers from different cultures.

Innovative work with the Tsimane of Amazonian Bolivia

The Tsimane Health and Life History Project team, co-directed by Associate Professor Benjamin Trumble, sprung into action when COVID-19 started spreading in Bolivia. They developed a comprehensive response plan to guide the Tsimane, an indigenous group, through the crisis.

Building a foundation for innovation and impact

Our school is a place where diverse perspectives bring the human story into sharper focus. We work to preserve, create and continually transfer knowledge and opportunities to those who want to change our world for the better.

| 31 | graduate degrees (2019-2020) |
| 254 | undergraduate degrees (2019-2020) |
| 7,592 | students enrolled in our courses (2021) |
| 57 | faculty members |
| 20.5 | million dollars in research grant proposals (2021) |

“I think the opportunity that ASU brings to connect across disciplines — the New American model — is very interesting. You have a social scientist with a political scientist and an engineer working to understand issues of energy or issues of food, and I think that was something very eye-opening for me.”

Anaïs Delilah Roque
PhD in environmental social science