GOALS & ASSESSMENT PLAN
Archaeology Program (Masters)
Cornell University

PROGRAM GOALS FOR STUDENTS

Demonstrate commitment to advancing archaeological scholarship
- Show understanding of the history and current methods and theories in archaeology
- Keep abreast of current advances in one's field and related areas
- Show commitment to professional development through engagement in professional societies and other modes of knowledge exchange
- Show commitment to sustaining a productive learning environment, through teaching, collaboration, mentoring, and/or other means

Learn advanced research skills
- Master and apply current research methodologies, technical skills, theories, and/or languages
- Perform critical analysis of one's own and others' findings
- Communicate research appropriately

Demonstrate professional skills
- Adhere to ethical standards of archaeological work
- Apply suitable methods and theories
- Write and speak effectively in a style (or styles) appropriate to the field
- Prepare professional CV

Make a contribution to the field of archaeology
- Identify and pursue a suitable project
- Develop the project using suitable resources
- Complete and write up the project

ASSESSMENT METHODS & INDICATORS

Successfully complete courses as approved by advisor(s) (semester review, transcript)
Conference/workshop/seminar participation (semester review, CV)
Attendance at program events (semester review, observation)
Membership in AIA/SAA/SHA and/or other relevant organizations (semester review, CV)

TA evaluations/observation (semester TA evaluations, observation)
Receptivity to critical mentoring (semester review, observation)

Completion of research papers in coursework
Completion of thesis (assessment by faculty using rubric)

CV review, self-assessment report, semester review

Semester review
Semester review
Completed defense of thesis
Track former students & adjust program offerings accordingly