

Student Essay on Archeology and Anthropology

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Essay

Archeology depends so greatly on anthropology and vice versa that without one, the other field would collapse. The two fields of study work side by side in harmony. They focus on finding out where we as humans came from, and the attributes of our culture. Without both of them we would have no clue how people lived before us, or where the human species originated. The fields synchronize themselves to work alongside one another and operate efficiently through cooperation. One field cannot be described fully without mention of the other and the work they complete cooperatively.

The fields of archeology and anthropology are closely related, and they do depend on each other to be efficient, but there are also important differences. An archeologist will spend most of his time out in the field physically recovering the artifacts and human remains. He will execute the excavations and do the digging on site. He will then send his findings to his close friend, the anthropologist. The anthropologist spends most of his time in a lab running tests on the specimen recovered by the archeologist. He will find the date of an object, and fit it into its place in history. He also finds where the artifact would fit into a culture. As you can see, the fields of archeology and anthropology are closely related and also hold a few very important differences.