Subject Headings added by Anthropological Literature (30 June 2025)

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If any of the subject headings listed below are adopted by the Library of Congress, they are subsequently removed from this list. Asterisked headings indicate time periods. Both Library of Congress and *Anthropological Literature* subject headings are subject to change.

Aceramic culture
Adaptive strategies
Age at death
Age at first birth [*see* LC Maternal age]
Age at marriage [*see LC* Marriage age]
Age at menarche
Age at puberty
Age at weaning
Agency (Anthropology)
Allerod oscillation
Amateur archaeology
Anastylosis
Anatolia
Animal burial
Anthropocene [use for articles discussing the term, not the epoch]
Anthropogenic landscape
Antler implements
Archaeological conservation
Archaeological field schools
Archaeological prospection
Archaeologists' writings
Archaeology and ethnicity [*Ethnohistory as a research goal of excavation*]
Archaeology and genetics
Archaeomagnetic dating
Archaeomalacology
Archaic Homo sapiens
*Archaic period [Early, Middle, Late]
Arctic Small Tool tradition
Argaric culture
Atlatl weights
Aurochs
Austronesia
Austronesians
Autoethnography
Badegoulian industry
Ball courts
Bank and ditch enclosures
*Basketmaker II period
Behavioral archaeology
Behavioral ecology
Beringia, Eastern
Beringia, Western
Bifaces
Bioapatite
Bioarchaeology
Bioprospecting
Biostratigraphy
Birch bark
Bladelets (Tools)
Bone density
*Bronze age [Early, Middle, Late]
Brunhes-Matuyama (Paleomagnetic event)
Burgage plots
Burnt bone
Burnt clay
Burnt stones
Butchering (Archaeology)
*Byzantine period
Captive primates
Carabelli feature
Carnelian
*Ceramic period
Chaîne opératoire
Chalcedony
*Chalcolithic period [*see also* Copper age]
Chambered tombs
Chatelperronian industry
Chronometry
Cists (Burial)
*Classic period [Early, Middle, Late]
Clay artifacts
Clovis industry
Coastal geology
Cody complex
*Colonial period
Colonialism
Commemorative objects
Comparative archaeology
Conservation and restoration
Cordilleran ice sheet
Core-periphery relations
Cortisol
Craft specialization

Cranial capacity
Creolization
Cultural diversity
Cultural ecology
Cultural resource management [*see also LC* Cultural property—Protection]
Culture contact
Cutmarks on bone
Dansgaard-Oescher cycles
Dalton period
Deglaciation
Depositional processes (Archaeology)
Desert archaeology
Desert kites
Dinétah (Navajo homeland)
DNA, Ancient
*Early Stone age
*Eemian interglacial period
Egyptian antiquities
Electrical resistivity tomography
Encephalization
Enclosures
Endocasts
Engraved stones
Environmental anthropology
Epigraphy
*Epipaleolithic period
Ertebolle culture
Ethnicity in prehistory
Ethnography
Ethnopoetics
Eustatic change
Everyday life
Evolutionary archaeology [*material culture, economy, social structure of Plio-Pleistocene hominids*]
Evolutionary sociology [*human society in context of human evolution*]
Exchange networks
Facial attractiveness
Fallback foods
Federmesser industry
Feeding behavior in animals
Female figurines
Female primates
Field notes [*see also LC* Field recordings]
First Nations
Fluctuating asymmetry
Fluted points
Food processing, Prehistoric
Food sharing
Foot dominance in gait
Foraging
Foraging efficiency
*Formative period
Gallery graves
Gender (Anthropology)
Gender archaeology
Gene flow
Geochronology
Gerontocide
Glacial advance
Glass implements
Grinding stones
Group size
Hafts
Hammerstones
Hand use in art
Haplotype diversity
Harris lines
Ḫattuša (Extinct city)
Heinrich events
*Hellenistic period
Heritage management
High altitude archaeology
Historical anthropology
Historical archaeology [*see also LC* Archaeology and history]
History and myth
Hominins
Hominoids
Honor and shame
*Horizon, Early
*Horizon, Late
*Horizon, Middle
Horncores
Horse burial
House societies
Identity (Anthropological concept)
Illicit trade in…. [art, antiquities, etc]
Imaginary, The
Indigenous archaeologists
*Initial period [only for South America]
*Interglacial period
*Intermediate period, Early
*Intermediate period, Late
Interstadials
*Islamic period
Isonymy
Ivory beads
Knuckle-walking
Lake levels
Lanceolate points
Language and archaeology

Language and cognition
Laser scanning in archaeology
*Last Glacial Maximum
*Late Stone age [only for Africa]
*Later Stone age [only for Africa]
Leaf points
Leaping in primates
Leather artifacts
Levallois technology (Archaeology)
Levant
Life history theory
Limb bones
Linear enamel hypoplasia
Lithic industry
Lithic reduction sequence
Lithic technology
*Little Ice Age
Loom weights
*Lower to Middle Paleolithic transition
Luminol
Maghreb
Mahalanobis distance
Male primates
Manuports
Maritime archaeology
Maya 'collapse'
Maya highlands
Maya lowlands
Mediterranean diet
Megafauna
Mesoamerica
*Mesolithic-Neolithic transition
Mesopotamia
Metapodials
Micoquian industry
Microevolution
Microfauna
Microfossils
Microliths
Microwear (Archaeology)
*Middle Stone age [*only for Africa*]
*Middle to Upper Paleolithic transition
*Migration period
Migration routes
Minimum number of individuals [MNI: *for human remains and zooarchaeology*]
*MIS (Marine isotope stage) #
Mobiliary art
Moche culture
Mode of production
Modernity (Anthropology)
Modernization
Molecular anthropology
Moon in art
Morphometrics
Mountain archaeology
Movius line
Mudbrick
Mummification
Museums and war
Narrative and memory
*Neolithic (PPNA) period
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Neuroarchaeology
North America, Eastern
*OIS (Oxygen isotope stage) #
Oldowan industry
Open-air sites
Oppida
Optimal foraging theory (Anthropology)
Organic materials (Archaeology)
Osteology
Osteometry
Ovens, Prehistoric
Paddles
Painted pebbles
Pair bond
Paleo-Americans
Paleodemography
Paleoeconomy
*Paleolithic period, Middle
*Paleolithic period, Upper
*Paleolithic-Neolithic transition [*only East Asia*]
Paleoneurology
Paleoprimatology
Palmyra (Extinct city)
Palynomorphs (*use Microfossils*)
Parental investment
Passage graves
Paternal age
Paternal investment
Patrilocal residence
Pelage
Peopling of… [the Americas, Australia, etc.]
Perforated stones
Pit burials
Place (Anthropology)
Plastered skulls
Platyrrhines
Pleiotropy
Political economy
Pollen cores
Porotic hyperostosis

*Postclassic period
*Postcolonial period
Post-depositional processes (Archaeology)
*Postglacial period
Post-processual archaeology
Postsocialism
Potsherds
*Preceramic period
*Preclassic period
*Pre-Columbian period
*Precontact period
*Predynastic period [*for Egypt*]
Prehistory
*Prepottery Neolithic period
Prestige goods
Primate ecology
Primate population genetics
Public anthropology
Public archaeology
Pyramid schemes
Québecois
Radiocarbon dates
Rancholabrean fauna
Reburial
Reflexivity (Social sciences)
Religion and anthropology
Reservoir effect
Residues (Archaeology)
Resistance (Social sciences)
Rock art
Rock carvings [*see also* Petroglyphs]
Rock-cut tombs
Rockshelters
Roman archaeology [*excavation and analysis of Roman antiquities*]
*Roman period
Sacred objects [*see also* Religious articles]
Samples (Archaeology)
Scavengers (Archaeology)
Scent-marking
Seal impressions
Season of death
Secondary sex characteristics
Sedentism
Sediment accumulation rate
Sediment cores
Sensory archaeology
Sensory ethnography
Sexual dimorphism (Hominids) [Human beings, Primates*, etc*]
Shell middens
Site formation processes
Sites (Archaeology)
Skeletal markers
Social anthropology [*see also* Ethnology]
Social space
Sociocultural anthropology [*see also* Ethnology]
Socioeconomics
Space utilization
Speciation
Stable isotopes in paleodiet
Starch grains
Stone beads
Storage pits
Stratigraphy (Archaeology)
Strepsirrhines
Structures, Prehistoric
Style (Anthropology)
Subalternity (Anthropology)
Submerged sites (Archaeology)
Subsistence strategy
Sun in art
Surface finds
Swiderian industry
Tanged points
Temper (Pottery)
Termination rituals
Timber grave culture
Toothmarks
Trade goods
Traditional knowledge [*see also* Ethnoscience]
Traditional technology
Traditional values
Transculturalism
Typology (Archaeology)
Umm an-Nar culture
Undocumented immigrants (UF Illegal aliens)
*Ur III period
*Viking age
Villafranchian fauna
Warfare, Ancient or Prehistoric
Wari culture
Water management
*Weichselian glaciation
*Wisconsin glaciation
Women's empowerment
Wooden artifacts
World-systems theory
*Younger Dryas
Zooarchaeology
Zoopharmacognosy

sub-headings
Isotopes [*under* elements]

Provenance [*under* rocks, clay, wood, glass, obsidian, antiquities]
Use wear traces [*under* Stone implements, Bone implements, Pottery]

[*under* disciplines]:
--Fieldwork
--Bibliography
--History
--Methodology
--Philosophy

[*under* Pottery]:
--Stamped decoration
--Incised decoration
--Impressed decoration

Multi-topical headings
Art |x History
Archaeology |x Digital techniques
Bible |x Antiquities
Body temperature |x Regulation
Cardiovascular system |x Diseases
Cities and towns |x Growth
Cultural property |x Protection / |x Repatriation / |x Destruction and pillage
European Union |z Great Britain [used for Brexit]
HIV infections |x Prevention
Human beings |x Attitude and movement
Human beings |x Migrations
Human remains (Archaeology) |x Repatriation
Infants |x Weaning
Mayan languages |x Writing
Museum objects |x Digitization
Nahuatl language |x Writing
Nomads |x Sedentarization
Museums |x Collection management
Pottery |x Marks
Raw materials [Prehistoric] |x Procurement
Seeds |x Dispersal
Sites (Archaeology) |x Destruction and pillage
Stone implements |x Refitting
Teeth |x Abrasion
Teeth |x Morphology