Great Universities Have Great Museums

---Association of Academic Museums and Galleries
A Proud History. A Bold Future.
The mission of The University of Alabama Museums is to broaden the knowledge of natural sciences and cultural heritage through collections and quality programs of research, instruction and service.
The Alabama Museum of Natural History
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- 21 Field Science Programs (UA Classes, teacher trips)
- 9 Public Summer Field Trips (canoeing, hiking, fossil collecting)
- 31 Natural History Programs (school outreach, afterschool)
- 44 Museum Tours. 13,153 Museum Visitors.
- Citizen science initiatives launched to engage public in documenting biodiversity in iNaturalist platform.
- Three week-long sessions of Museum Expedition intensive field science camp held at Old Cahawba.
Moundville Archaeological Park
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- A National Historic Landmark site of international significance. Officially designated as eligible for the U.N. World Heritage List.
- Over 30,000 visitors annually. In 2018, welcomed visitors from 46 states and 18 countries.
- Hosts the Moundville Native American Festival, a celebration of Southeastern Indian culture and heritage attracting over 12,000 people.
- The subject of significant research by UA faculty and students. Hosts the annual Department of Anthropology Archaeology Field School and has been the subject of dozens of UA theses and dissertations, published articles, and books.
Gorgas House Museum
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[Images of people interacting with museum artifacts, and museum staff examining a coat on a mannequin.]
Warner Transportation Museum
Paul R. Jones Museum
Discovering Alabama
Office of Archaeological Research
OAR Partnerships and Project Development

United States Forest Service

Partnership for all USFS lands in Alabama. To date OAR has surveyed more than 30,000 acres

Federal Highway Administration and Alabama Department of Transportation

Coordinating Native American Consultation Conference in Oklahoma for FHWA, ALDOT, and all Federally recognized tribes consulting in the region (Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of TX, Alabama-Quassarte Tribe of OK, Chickasaw Nation, Kialegee Tribal Town, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Seminole Nation of OK, Seminole Tribe of FL, Thlopthlocco Tribal Town, United Keetoowah Band of the Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana, Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, Eastern Band of The Cherokee Nation, Absentee-Shawnee Tribe, Cherokee Nation, Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma)

Alabama Power

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Relicensing of Black Warrior, Coosa, and Tallapoosa River Drainage Reservoirs

Development of Graphic User Interface for resource management of all APC lands

Tennessee Valley Authority

Reservoir Operations Compliance Project and Archaeological Site Monitoring

Alabama Historical Commission

Digitization of Section 106 Review Process

Standing Structure Survey Database
Department of Museum Research and Collections
Museum Research
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• UA Museums not only plays a major role in facilitating faculty and student research, but museum staff are actively engaged in directing externally sponsored research and are frequently published.

• UA Museums serves as a significant research arm of the University, especially in archaeology, paleontology, and biodiversity studies.

• From 2013 to 2018, UA Museums have increased research funding through contracts and grants by nearly 400% ($522k to $2 million), ranking us 11th out of 52 departments at UA in funded research in 2018.
Museum Research

• Over the last six years, a total of 24 theses and dissertations, 97 conference presentations, and 57 publications have resulted from UA Museums collections based research.

Total Annual theses, dissertations, presentations and publications resulting from museum collections-based research for the last six years.
Graduate Certificate Program in Museum Studies