Anthropology - B.A.  

The Department of Anthropology offers opportunities to learn about the diverse people of today’s world, as well as about their biological and cultural origins. This area of study deals with ecology, society, biology, culture, and language, among other aspects of human life. In addition, anthropologists study history and evolution in both a cultural and biological framework.

Anthropology provides an excellent foundation for careers in a variety of professions and occupations, including community health, public health policy, medicine and health services, planning and community development, international relations and development, private business, government, law, journalism, museum work, and university teaching and research.

Students can major or minor in anthropology. The major is structured to provide the student with a broad overview of the major subdisciplines: cultural anthropology, physical anthropology and archaeology. It also allows sufficient flexibility for a student to concentrate on a specific area of interest.

120 hours (minimum)

Any student earning a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree must complete a minimum of 39 hours at the 300+ level. These hours are generally completed by the major requirements. However, keep this hour requirement in mind as you choose your course work for the requirements in the major. See the complete description of College requirements for a Bachelor of Arts degree in the Arts and Sciences section of the 2022-2023 Undergraduate Bulletin.

UK Core Requirements

See the UK Core section of the 2022-2023 Undergraduate Bulletin for the complete UK Core requirements. The courses listed below are (a) recommended by the college, or (b) required courses that also fulfill UK Core areas. Students should work closely with their advisor to complete the UK Core requirements.

I. Intellectual Inquiry in Arts and Creativity

Choose one course from approved list..................................................3

II. Intellectual Inquiry in the Humanities

Choose one course from approved list..................................................3

III. Intellectual Inquiry in the Social Sciences

One of the following:
ANT 101 What Makes Us Human? Intro to Anthropology
ANT 102 Archaeology: Mysteries and Controversies
ANT 103 Sports, Culture, and Society
ANT 335 Religion in Everyday Life
ANT 339 Human Rights in Global Perspective
or
One course from approved list...........................................................3

IV. Intellectual Inquiry in the Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences

ANT 230 Introduction to Biological Anthropology
or
One course from approved list...........................................................3

V. Composition and Communication I

CIS/WRD 110 Composition and Communication I.............................3

VI. Composition and Communication II

CIS/WRD 111 Composition and Communication II.............................3

VII. Quantitative Foundations

Choose one course from approved list..................................................3

VIII. Statistical Inferential Reasoning

ANT 360 Statistics in Anthropology
or
One course from approved list...........................................................3

IX. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA

One of the following:
ANT 221 Native People of North America
ANT 330 North American Cultures
or
One course from approved list...........................................................3

X. Global Dynamics

One of the following:
ANT 160 Global Cultural Diversity
ANT 222 Middle East Cultures
ANT 225 Culture, Environment and Global Issues
ANT 241 Origins of Old World Civilization
ANT 242 Origins of New World Civilization
ANT 311 Anthropology of Globalization
ANT 321 Introduction to Japanese Culture, Meiji (1868) to Present
ANT 329 Cultures and Societies of Eurasia and Eastern Europe: Socialism and Post-Socialist Change
or
One course from approved list...........................................................3

UK Core hours: ........................................................................30

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (GCCR)

ANT 582 Senior Integrative Seminar...................................................3

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement hours (GCCR)........................................................................3

College Requirements

I. Foreign Language (placement exam recommended) ..........................0-14

II. Disciplinary Requirements

a. Natural Science (partially completed by Premajor Requirements) ......3
b. Social Science (completed by Premajor Requirements).................3
c. Humanities......................................................................................6

III. Laboratory or Field Work (can be completed by Major Requirement)

IV. Race and Ethnicity Requirement....................................................0-3

V. Electives.........................................................................................6

College Requirement hours: ............................................................15-32

Major Requirements

ANT 220 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology.................................3
ANT 230 Introduction to Biological Anthropology..............................3
ANT 240 Introduction to Archaeology................................................3
ANT 582 Senior Integrative Seminar..................................................3

Anthropology Electives

21 hours. No more than 3 hours at the 100 level; at least 15 hours at the 300+ level. The student chooses electives according to specific interests within anthropology and in consultation with advisors..............................................................21

Subtotal: Major Requirements: ......................................................33

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From Outside the Major Department
Choose 6 hours outside Anthropology at the 300+ level. 200+ level courses used to satisfy College Requirements can also be counted here .................................................. 6

Subtotal: Major requirements: .......................................................... 39

Electives
Choose electives to lead to the minimum total of 120 hours required for graduation... 4

Total Minimum hours
Required for Degree ................................................................. 120

*Course used towards completion of a UK Core Requirement.