Anthropology (ANTH)

ANTH 101G Social Cultural Anthropology 3:3:0 Fall, Spring, Summer
* Prerequisite(s): ENGL 1010 with a grade of C+ or higher

Introduces students to the variability of human behavior cross-culturally and provides an understanding of the holistic approach to human behavior. Explores interrelationships, in a variety of cultural contexts, between beliefs, economic structures, sexuality, eating habits, ecology, politics, living arrangements, psychology, symbolism, and kinship. May be delivered hybrid.

ANTH 1020 (Cross-listed with: BIOL 1500) Biological Anthropology 3:3:0 Fall, Spring
* Prerequisite(s): ENGL 1010 and (ANTH 101G or BIOL 1010)

Introduces the basic scientific methods and findings of biological anthropology and provides meaningful context by relating them to the larger contexts of evolutionary biology, nonhuman primatology, psychology, archeology, and sociocultural anthropology. Describes history of the discipline and its controversies. Studies genetics, natural selection, comparative anatomy, forensics, and field paleoanthropology.

ANTH 103G World Prehistory 3:3:0 Fall, Spring

Introduces the archaeological record of human prehistory. Explores the earliest fossil remains, and follows the development of humans throughout prehistory. Examines techniques used by archaeologists to find, recover, date, and analyze prehistoric artifacts.

ANTH 180G Introduction to American Indian Studies 3:3:0 Fall, Spring

Provides an overview of modern and historical American Indian communities in the United States. Explores political and historical issues of major tribes and Indian communities by region. Provides students with information and perspectives on key social and cultural issues: spirituality, relations with the Federal government, notable individuals, art, literature, dance, media, health, education and activism.

ANTH 2030 Archeological Method and Theory 3:3:0 Spring

Explores the history, goals, theories, and methods of anthropological and archaeological research, especially as influenced by the natural sciences. Examines variations in prehistoric human behavior by analyzing the physical remains of ancient peoples throughout diverse time periods and geographical locations.

ANTH 3000 (Cross-listed with: LANG 3000) Language and Culture 3:3:0 Fall
* Prerequisite(s): ENGL 1010, ANTH 101G or any foreign language 2010 course, Sophomore status, and University Advanced Standing

Introduces cultural linguistics. Analyzes features of human languages that make possible semantic universality. Examines distinction between phonetic and phonemic units. Explores relationship between language and culture. Studies how language shapes culture and how culture shapes language. May be delivered online.

ANTH 3150 Culture Ecology and Health 3:3:0 Fall
* Prerequisite(s): (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade C+ or higher), ANTH 101G, and University Advanced Standing

Examines reciprocal roles of culture, environment, and disease in human health. Covers nutrition, stress, and traditional non-Western treatments. Explores cultures' use of their own global medicine to sustain health and welfare.

ANTH 3200 Anthropology of Food 3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): (ANTH 101G or SOC 1010) and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade of C+ or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Examines the complex relationships between food and human action. Examines the biological and ecological underpinnings of human nutrition and the evolution of world cuisine, as well as the consequences of modernization for diet, nutrition, and health. Studies the selected social, cultural, medical, political, ideological, and symbolic uses of food in both Western and non-Western societies.

ANTH 3300 Development and Rural Societies 3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade of C+ or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Examines the importance of agriculture and village life in an increasingly globalized world. Explores peasant studies and the many concerns of rural development. Discusses poverty and how it relates to economic, social, and political development. Studies ways to ameliorate poverty and the role of governmental and non-governmental organizations in the process.

ANTH 3315 Great Basin Archaeology 3:3:0
* Prerequisite(s): (ANTH 1030 or ANTH 2030) and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing

Investigates the prehistoric and ethnographic peoples of the Great Basin of North America through the study of their archaeological remains. Examines how the analysis of ancient technology, subsistence, skeletal material, rock art, settlement patterning, the environment, and archaeological theory shapes our understanding of cultures in the region. May include a field trip to an archaeological site.

ANTH 3340 Peoples and Cultures of Mexico 3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing
Explores the peoples and cultures of Mexico. Involves discussion regarding borders and immigration, indigenous cultures, rural/peasant societies, urban societies, and historical, political issues specific to Mexico. Emphasizes awareness of cultural relativity and global connectivity among the diverse peoples of Mexico.

ANTH 3350 Andean Prehistory 3:3:0
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and (ANTH 103G or instructor approval) and University Advanced Standing

Offers an updated synthesis of the development, key achievements, material, organizational and ideological features of pre-Hispanic cultures of the Andean region of western South America. Span around 12,000 years of pre-Hispanic cultural developments, from the earliest hunters-gatherers to the Spanish conquest of the Inca Empire. Focuses on the modern nation of Peru with an emphasis on the Paijan, Cupisnique, Chavin, Paracas, Nasca, Gallinazo Moche, Recuay, Tiwanaku, Wari, Cajamarca, Sicán, Chimú, and Inka.

ANTH 3360 Contemporary Issues in American Culture 3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing

Examines key aspects of contemporary American culture. Studies timely topics involving current debates and controversies. Includes any or all of the following: American values and popular culture, ethnicity, gender, childhood, food, reproduction, technology, crime, and globalization. Highlights aspects of American culture not explored in other Behavioral Science curriculum.
ANTH 3370 History and Ethnography of Andean Societies
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade C+ or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Looks at the social and cultural processes that characterize the societies that descend from the Inca Empire—Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru—as they have developed since the Spanish invasion. Discusses contemporary political, economic, and social problems in these countries in the context of global society.

ANTH 3400 Myth Magic and Religion
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing

Explores the many aspects of religion, including its history, diversity, and how it relates to social science studies. Examines terms such as myth, magic, religion, ritual and shamanism, among others, and how these terms are used to discuss religious and spiritual practices around the world.

ANTH 3420 Andean Religion
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade C+ or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Poses the question of what religiosity was prior to the Spanish conquest in the countries that were part of the Inca Empire—Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru. Asks how one can determine religiously given the fakeness of the conquest and the extirpation of idolatries that followed it. Explores the nature of Catholicism that was recreated on these Andean bases. Discusses the contemporary religious issues of Andean societies, such as secularity, and how Andean categories differ foundational in nature from those on which academic ideas of religion are constructed.

ANTH 3450 Shamanism and Indigenous Religion
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020) and University Advanced Standing

Studies the religious systems of indigenous peoples, particularly those which have been called shamanic. Focuses on the classical study of shamanism and the literature on indigenous shamanism. Locates the study of shamanism within a social context that includes social relational and political economic contexts of the groups within which shamanism is found. Poses questions of how shamanism is different from the expanding world religions and compares and contrasts shamanism with non-shamanic indigenous religions. Looks at the current marketing of shamanism in New Age contexts.

ANTH 3460 Anthropology of Mormonism
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing; ANTH 3400 recommended

Examines the anthropological and sociological work on Mormonism, both the Church and Mormon society and culture. Studies Mormonism in a comparative framework, and will explore the question of the adequacy of the conceptual apparatus of a social science of religion for comprehending Mormonism.

ANTH 3480 Anthropology of Christianity
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade of C+ or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Develops the key issues that have arisen in the literature that explores Christianity from an anthropological perspective. Asks what is distinctive about Christianity as a form of religion. Explores the problems of studying Christianity when most of our basic social science concepts have Christian origins.

ANTH 3500 Discourse Semiotics and Representation
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing

Develops classical theoretical positions on representation, meaning, discourse, poetics, and performance of culture and their implications for scientific epistemology and methodology. Surveys recent work by anthropologists in a range of settings responding to questions raised by these concerns.

ANTH 3700 (Cross-listed with: PSY 3700) Psychological Anthropology
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): PSY 1010 and ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a grade C+ or higher) and University Advanced Standing; PSY 3400 strongly recommended

Explores interrelationships of individual personality to elements of Western and non-Western sociocultural systems. Examines relations of sociocultural contexts to self, motives, values, personal adjustment, stress and pathology using case histories and ethnography. Studies the idea of self and personality, normality and deviance, and mental health and mental illness across social and cultural boundaries.

ANTH 3720 Applied Anthropology
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020) and University Advanced Standing

Surveys the ethics and methods used by applied anthropologists. Surveys a range of areas where applied work is performed, including development anthropology, anthropology and health, industrial anthropology, anthropology and marketing, etc. Also explores the political, social, and theoretical implications of applied work.

ANTH 3750 Bioarchaeology
3:3:0
* Prerequisite(s): [(ANTH 1020 or BIOL 1500) and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade C+ grade) or Instructor approval] and University Advanced Standing

Focuses on the biological and contextual study of human remains recovered from archaeological sites. Presents an updated synthesis of bio-archaeological science dealing with the study of the human skeleton to reconstruct patterns of biological stress, infectious disease, lifestyle and physical activity, diet, violent death, and genetic relationships in the past. Temporal coverage principally falls on the last 10,000 years of history, and the spatial scope is global. Involves the dynamic nature of skeletal tissues and the influences of environment and culture on human variation. Acquired skills will be of value to any students interested in skeletal studies including archaeology, bioarchaeology, paleopathology, forensic science, vertebrate biology, biomedical sciences, and behavioral science.

ANTH 3830 Biology and Culture
3:3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): [(ANTH 101G or ANTH 1020) and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing

Explores the interactions of nature and nurture as a complex whole, rather than as mutually exclusive possibilities or separate streams of influence. Includes a significant research project.
ANTH 3850
Ethnographic Methods
3:3:0 Fall
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a C+ grade or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Teaches qualitative research design and execution using ethnographic techniques. Includes the development and practice of person-centered interviewing, observational techniques, field research, focus groups, and case studies. Analyzes past and present ethnographic literature, and the writing and presentation of research results. Includes conducting and professionally presenting an original research project. Develops skills in problem-solving, thinking analytically, interacting with people different from oneself, reading critically and writing effectively.

ANTH 4120
History of Anthropological Thought
3:3:0 Fall
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum C+ grade) and University Advanced Standing

Surveys anthropological thought, theory and its philosophical roots from the nineteenth to the twentieth centuries. Focuses on the concepts and theoretical paradigms deployed in different social and intellectual conjunctures, as well as on the major debates that have formed the field and separated it from other social science disciplines.

ANTH 4130
Contemporary Theory and Debates
3:3:0 Spring
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a C+ grade or higher) and University Advanced Standing

Explores social theory and other disciplines. Surveys current debate through exploration of the conceptual apparatuses that are deployed and the issues that motivate current research. Prepares the student to knowingly engage contemporary anthropological literature's.

ANTH 475R
Current Topics in Anthropology
1 to 3:1 to 3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): ANTH 101G and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) and University Advanced Standing

Presents selected topics in Anthropology and will vary each semester. Requires a project demonstrating competency in the specific topic. May be repeated for a maximum of 15 credits toward graduation.

ANTH 482R
Archaeological Field Methods Practicum
1 to 9:0 to 45
* Prerequisite(s): [ANTH 2030 and (ENGL 2010 or ENGL 2020 with a minimum grade of C+) or instructor approval] and University Advanced Standing

Introduces students to archaeological field technique and a critical approach to the methods by which archaeology is conducted. Provides involvement in all phases of field excavation, lab processing, curation and preservation of archaeological remains, and data analysis. Provides students with hands-on training in archaeological, historical, bio-archaeological, and environmental research. Explores how to conduct archaeological survey, large-scale site excavation, date cultural materials, excavate mortuary sites and human burials, and document patterns of social complexity, subsistence, and material culture. Students must be prepared for strenuous outdoor work, including hiking, digging, carrying heavy loads, and processing field collections in laboratory settings. Evenings are dedicated to seminar-style discussion and laboratory work. Involves periodic field trips to nearby archaeological and historic sites. May be repeated for a maximum of 27 credits. May be graded Credit/No Credit.

ANTH 490R
Independent Studies
1 to 3:1 to 3:0 On Sufficient Demand
* Prerequisite(s): For Behavioral Science Bachelor Degree students only; Instructor approval and University Advanced Standing

For qualified students who wish to undertake a well-defined project or directed study related to an area of special interest. Requires individual initiative and responsibility. Includes limited formal instruction and faculty supervision. Projects may include writing a publishable paper, passing a competency exam, producing an annotated bibliography, an oral presentation, or other options as approved by instructor. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credits.