Anthropology Courses (ANTH)

Courses

Introduction to physical anthropology and archaeology with emphases on evolutionary theory, variation and adaptation, primatology, paleoanthropology, animal and plant domestication, and the rise to early civilization. (Fall and Spring)

ANTH 1002 (990:011). Introduction to Cultural Anthropology — 3 hrs.
Introduction to cross-cultural perspective on human behavior. Consideration of the nature of society and culture among diverse human groups, from hunter-gatherers to industrialized city dwellers, by examination of their technologies, economic systems, family life, political structures, art, languages, and religious beliefs and practices. Emphasis on non-Western societies. (Fall and Spring)

ANTH 2018. Food and Culture — 3 hrs.
This course examines the relationship between human food and culture from a holistic and comparative perspective. Key issues related to food, nutrition, and culture will be considered. Major topics include sociocultural and ecological underpinnings of human nutrition and the evolution of the human food ways and food systems; sociocultural, symbolic, and medical uses of food; food and ethnicity; food and class; food and gender; industrial food, fast food, and traditional food; the political economy of food overconsumption and malnutrition; food and equality; and global food justice. (Variable)

ANTH 2401. Tribal Religions — 3 hrs.
Tribal Religions is designed to provide students with an introduction to the religions and spirituality of indigenous societies from around the world. Special attention is given to the relationships between religion and the environment, and between religion and the social, political and economic organizations of a society. (Same as RELS 2401) (Fall)

ANTH 2420. Primate Behavior — 3 hrs.
Examination of behavior and appearance of nonhuman primates in response to environmental and social factors. Investigation of how diet, reproduction, and social interaction among prosimians, monkeys, and apes act as a foundation for interpreting the origins of humans and their behaviors. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010). (Fall)

ANTH 2430. Bioarchaeology — 3 hrs.
This class focuses on the study of human skeletal remains from archaeological settings to aid in reconstructing the biological and cultural pasts of populations. The goals and objectives of this class are to provide the student with a basic knowledge of bioarchaeological theory, methods, and applications with an emphasis on the latest literature and research. The class will be grounded in the scientific approach. The student will leave the class with the ability to examine human skeletal remains with the intent of providing biocultural information about the identity of an individual and how it relates to the overall demographics of the population being studied. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010). (Odd Falls)

ANTH 3001 (990:177). Language and Culture — 3 hrs.
Examination of how language use shapes and expresses cultural identity. Implications of linguistic diversity for world view, gender and ethnic identity, education, and cross-cultural communication. Prerequisite(s): PSYCH 1001 (400:001) or SOC 1000 (980:001) or ANTH 1002 (990:011). (Variable)

ANTH 3080/5080 (990:120g). Immigration and Transnationalism — 3 hrs.
Comparative multi-disciplinary perspective on international migration and immigrant settlement strategies, with a focus on Western Europe and the United States. Topics cover the main theoretical and contemporary debates within the field of international migration. Prerequisite(s): SOC 1000 (980:001) or SOC 1060 (980:060) or ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. (Same as SOC 3080/5080 (980:120g)) (Variable)

ANTH 3101/5101 (990:164g). Psychological Anthropology — 3 hrs.
Psychological dimensions of sociocultural systems from a cross-cultural perspective. Analysis of universals and cultural variation in cognition, socialization, concepts of the self, emotion, and mental illness. Prerequisite(s): PSYCH 1001 (400:001) or ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. (Same as PSYCH 4607/5607 (400:164g)) (Spring)

ANTH 3102/5102 (990:168g). Culture, Disease, and Healing — 3 hrs.
Introduction to medical anthropology through examination of the interactions among culture, disease, and healing. Emphasis on non-Western medical systems. Topics include development of medical anthropology; the social fabric of health; the cultural context of health, illness, and disease. Prerequisite(s): SOC 1000 (980:001) or ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. (Variable)

This course emphasizes a comparative and anthropological approach to the study of religion, magic and witchcraft. Course content includes the study of classical theoretical frameworks that explain of religious beliefs and practices and in-depth discussions on diverse religious systems. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1002 (990:011) and junior standing; or consent of instructor. (Same as RELS 3103 (640:161)) (Spring)

ANTH 3104/5104 (990:167g). Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective — 3 hrs.
Evolutionary, biological, psychological, cognitive, social, and cultural theories of gender and gender inequality evaluated with respect to cross-cultural data. Prerequisite(s): PSYCH 1001 (400:001) or SOC 1000 (980:001) or ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. (Same as PSYCH 4608/5608 (400:167g)) (Spring)

Ethnographic survey of sociocultural systems developed by Native Americans north of Mexico. Emphasis on relationships that exist among ecological factors, subsistence techniques, social organizations, and belief systems; and the impact interactions with European and U.S. societies had on Indian lifestyles. (Same as HUM 3132 (680:132)) (Variable)

ANTH 3137 (990:137). Native Central and South America — 3 hrs.
Ethnographic focus on the sociocultural systems of the indigenous peoples of Mesoamerica, Amazon Basin, and the Andean Highlands. Emphasis on inter-relationships among environment, history, social organizations, and belief systems from a holistic and comparative perspective. (Same as HUM 3137 (680:137)) (Fall and Spring)
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Historical perspective on the development of evolutionary thought and how it changed ideas in physical anthropology, including the theoretical foundations of the "modern synthesis", the race concept, primate studies, paleoanthropology, and human ecology and adaptation. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010); junior standing. (Spring)

ANTH 3202/5202 (990:152g). Human Biological Variation — 3 hrs.
Exploration of the processes and origins of human biological variability, adaptability, and responses to a changing environment. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010); junior standing. (Spring)

ANTH 3302 (990:142). Archaeology of the New World — 3 hrs.
Prehistory of North American Indians and major prehistoric cultures in Central and South America, including the Aztec, Maya, and Inca, traced from earliest arrival of peoples in the New World to time of European contact. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010); junior standing or consent of instructor. (Variable)

ANTH 3303 (990:143). Archaeology of the Old World — 3 hrs.
Prehistory of Africa, Asia, Europe, and Australia from dawn of humanity to civilizations of Egypt, Indus Valley, Mesopotamia, and China. Emphasis also on prehistory of simple hunter-gatherer cultures in the Old World. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010); junior standing or consent of instructor. (Variable)

ANTH 3420 (990:155). Forensic Anthropology — 3 hrs.
Introduction to methods used in the recovery of unidentified human remains, their use in establishing identity, the post-mortem interval, pathological defects and traumatic insults and reconstructing the events surrounding death. Knowledge of the human skeletal anatomy preferred. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010). (Fall)

ANTH 3431/5431 (990:171g). Interpreting the Archaeological Record — 3 hrs.
Anthropological approaches to archaeology, including history of research; formulation of archaeological record; research design, data collection, artifact analysis, classification, interpretation, dating, and inference. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010); ANTH 1002 (990:011); 3 hours of 100/300/400-level archaeology or consent of instructor; junior standing. (Odd Falls)

ANTH 3440/5440 (990:125g). Introduction to Museum Studies — 3 hrs.
Exploration of history, public mission, working environment, and ethical issues of museums. Discussion of practical skills and theoretical issues of museum studies, exposing students to broad range of museum types and career opportunities. Prerequisite(s): junior standing. (Same as HIST 4020/5020 (960:125g)) (Variable)

Exploration of similarities and diversity in crime, law, and social control in a cross-cultural and global perspective. Examination of case studies from traditional and contemporary; emphasis on theoretical approaches from anthropology, sociology, and criminology. Prerequisite(s): SOC 1000 (980:001) or ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. (Variable)

ANTH 3450 (990:172). Archaeological Fieldwork — 3-8 hrs.
Introduction to field research techniques (survey, excavation, and mapping), laboratory processing, and hypothesis testing. Conducted in the field. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1001 (990:010); consent of instructor. (Summer)

ANTH 3470 (990:102). Conflict Resolution — 3 hrs.
Survey of social science theory and research in conflict resolution with emphasis on development of less destructive modes of problem solving in social formations. Prerequisite(s): SW 1001 or PSYCH 1001 (400:001) or SOC 1000 (980:001) or SOC 1060 (980:060) or consent of instructor; junior standing. (Fall and Spring)

ANTH 3501 (990:145). Research Experience in Anthropology — 1-3 hrs.
Research participation and/or independent supervised research in anthropology. May be repeated for maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisite(s): 15 hours in anthropology; consent of instructor and department head. (Fall, Spring, Summer)

Work experience in applied anthropology. Requires prior consultation with instructor. Offered on credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite(s): 12 hours in anthropology; consent of instructor and department head. (Fall, Spring, Summer)

ANTH 3503/5503 (990:189g). Readings in Anthropology — 1-3 hrs.
May be repeated only with consent of department. Prerequisite(s): 9 hours in anthropology; junior standing; consent of instructor and department head. (Variable)

ANTH 4001/5001 (990:176g). Anthropological Theory — 3 hrs.
Major theoretical developments in anthropology, including both historical and contemporary schools and trends. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. (Spring)

ANTH 4010/5010. Climate Change, Human Migration and Conflict — 3 hrs.
There is growing consensus among professionals in the intelligence and security fields that climate change has very real impacts on demographic displacement, vulnerability of growing masses of people to severe disasters (both natural and human-made) and that there are serious near- and long-term implications for national and global security. This course examines current and emerging forms of threats to nations and human communities that result, at least in part, from climate change. Recommended ANTH 1002 (990:011) be taken prior to this course. Prerequisite(s): junior standing. (Fall or Spring)

ANTH 4015/5015 (990:178g). Qualitative Research — 3 hrs.
Development and application of the qualitative descriptive and analytic methods used in social science research. Prerequisite(s): SOC 1000 (980:001) or SOC 1060 (980:060) or ANTH 1002 (990:011); junior standing. [Same as SOC 4015/5015 (980:178g)] (Variable)

ANTH 4016/5016 (990:180g). Seminar in Anthropology — 3 hrs.
Selected problems within one subfield of anthropology (cultural, physical, archaeological, or anthropological linguistics). Topic listed in Schedule of Classes. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): vary with topic; junior standing. (Variable)

ANTH 4198 (990:198). Independent Study — 1-3 hrs.
May be repeated with department head approval. Prerequisite(s): written consent of instructor and department head. (Variable)

ANTH 4485. Anthropology Internship — 1-3 hrs.
Experiential learning through internship placement in an anthropology-related agency or position. Requires prior consultation with instructor. Intended for anthropology majors. May be repeated
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for maximum of three hours. A maximum of three credit hours of ANTH 4485 or 4585 may count toward the anthropology major.
Prerequisite(s): 12 hours in anthropology (ANTH xxxx); major GPA of 2.80 or higher; junior standing; consent of instructor and department head. (Fall, Spring, Summer)

ANTH 4585. Practical Field Experience — 1-3 hrs.
Designed for students currently working in an anthropology-related agency or position. Provides an opportunity for students to apply academic material to their current jobs in anthropology or a related field. Intended for anthropology majors. May be repeated for maximum three hours. A maximum of three credit hours of ANTH 4485 or 4585 may count toward the anthropology major.
Prerequisite(s): 12 hours in anthropology (ANTH xxxx); major GPA of 2.80 or higher; junior standing; consent of instructor and department head. (Fall, Spring, Summer)