Anthropology

AN 121L Biological Anthropology Lab 1 cr
The lab section of this course is designed to provide a more in-depth understanding of biological anthropology through a variety of exercises and hands-on learning opportunities. Topics covered parallel those in lecture (AN 121) and include evolutionary theory, living primates, primate origins, human evolution, and modern human variation.
Co-requisite: AN 121

AN 100 Intro to Cultural Anthropology 3 cr
Introduces culture as a set of integrated behaviors and meanings learned in a social environment. Explores the diversity of human cultural practices in terms of kinship, gender, religion, subsistence, and politics. Language is emphasized as the means by which culture is transmitted from one generation to the next.

AN 101 Intro Archaeology-Bio Anthro 3 cr
The place of people in nature; the origin, development, and differentiation of people as biological organisms; archaeological evidence of early human cultures; basic concepts and principles for understanding human cultures. Introduces students to the topics of evolution, genetics, and primates and integrates cultural aspects associated with early human development. The fundamental orientation and methods of archaeology are introduced and an overview of world prehistory presented.

AN 121 Biological Anthropology 3 cr
This course covers the topics of human evolution and modern human variation, focusing on humanity’s biological roots and modern appearance. To understand our present physical and social condition, we must understand our evolutionary past. This course discusses our place within the mammalian evolutionary lineage, evolutionary theory, population genetics, primate behavior, human evolution, and modern human variation.
Co-requisite: AN 121L

AN 190 Special Topics - 3 cr
Different topics of anthropological importance will be studied as announced. This course may be taken twice for credit when content varies, but not for more than six credits.

AN 200 Language and Culture 3 cr
Brief introduction to descriptive and structural linguistics, language universals, classification and processes of change in language, language and thought, social cultural factors as expressed in language, origin of language, child language and non-verbal communication.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 250 Forensic Anthropology 3 cr
This course will introduce students to the field of forensic anthropology. Specifically, it will survey the basic methods employed by forensic anthropologists to recover and analyze human skeletal remains, including the construction of a biological profile and the analysis of skeletal trauma.

AN 290 Special Topics - 1 TO 3 cr
Different topics of anthropological importance will be studied as announced. This course may be taken twice for credit when content varies, but not for more than 6 credits. Prerequisites: AN 100 or AN 101 or permission of instructor. Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 300 Thinking Anthropoligically 1 cr
This one-credit hour course is designed to expose anthropology majors to important applied concepts in our field, with a particular emphasis on scientific literacy and professional development. Through short lectures, guided activities, facilitated discussions, and student presentations, this course will help our majors identify and engage in practical skills to enhance their success as students as well as in their chosen post-graduation career paths. Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of C and AN 101 Minimum Grade of C and AN 121 Minimum Grade of C and AN 121L Minimum Grade of C.

AN 305 Arch Method and Theory 3 cr
The theoretical basis of archaeology, and the various methods used to discover and interpret the human past from material evidence. Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 313 New World Archaeology 3 cr
The evolution of Native American cultures, from the first arrival of humans across the Bering Straits land bridge to the European settlement of the New World. Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 335 Field Work in Archaeology 4 cr
Archaeological field and laboratory techniques include excavation, site survey, artifact processing and analysis. Fee. Pre-requisite: AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 340 Native American Cultures-W 3 cr
An ethnographic and ethnohistorical survey of native cultures of North America, including historical and modern groups, with an emphasis on Indians of the Southeast. Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 342 Applied Anthropology 3 cr
Issues surrounding theory and method of applied anthropology. Presentation and analysis of case studies concerning problems in areas such as development, both domestic and in foreign settings, community health, homelessness, drug and alcohol abuse, and others. Prerequisites: AN 100 or permission of instructor. Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D.
AN 347 Latin Amer Cultures-Societies 3 cr
A survey of Latin American society and culture from the pre-
contract period to the present. Pre-Columbian antecedents,
colonial use of land and labor, patterns of race, class and
ethnicity, and problems of development are examined.
Prerequisite: AN 100 or permission of instructor.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 355 Gender and Anthropology 3 cr
This course provides an introduction to anthropological
themes and debates in gender theory, including an
ethnographic survey of women and men in a variety of
cultures. Prerequisites: AN 100 or permission of instructor.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 357 Political Anthropology 3 cr
Authority, power, and conflict are examined cross-culturally
and in evolutionary perspective. Particular emphasis is
placed on the origins of stratification and the state.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 358 Economic Anthropology 3 cr
An evolutionary survey of production and exchange in
diverse societies. Considers the applicability of western
economic theory to nonmarket economies, as well as their
transformation by global capitalism.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 365 Human Osteology 3 cr
This hands-on course focuses on the identification of
the bones of the human skeleton and its application
to specialties within biological anthropology, including
bioarchaeology and forensic anthropology. Topics to be
covered include human skeletal and dental anatomy,
skeletal growth and development, skeletal pathology and
anomalies, and the biological profile.
Pre-requisite: AN 210 Minimum Grade of B or AN 250
Minimum Grade of B.

AN 370 Human Origins and Evolution 3 cr
This lecture, discussion, and lab-based seminar will
examine the fossil, genetic, and archaeological evidence
for human evolution - from the origins of primates to
anatomically modern humans - with particular attention
given to our hominid ancestors. Students will learn about the
nature and timing of these developments, current theoretical
models used to explain such changes, and the implications
of these evolutionary trends for understanding modern
human adaptations. Important fossil sites and associated
material culture will also be used to provide insight into
hominid biocultural behavior. Students must take AN 121/
L (formerly AN 210/L) as a prerequisite for this course, or
receive permission of the instructor.
Pre-requisite: AN 210 Minimum Grade of C and AN 210L
Minimum Grade of C or AN 121 Minimum Grade of C and
AN 121L Minimum Grade of C.

AN 390 Special Topics 1 TO 3 cr
Different topics of anthropological importance will be studied
as announced. This course may be taken twice for credit
when content varies, but not for more than 6 credits.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101
Minimum Grade of D.

AN 394 Directed Studies - 1 TO 3 cr
Supervised readings or projects. No more than a total of six
hours may be taken for credit. Requires prior approval of
instructor.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101
Minimum Grade of D.

AN 435 Museum Methods in Archaeology 3 cr
Archaeology as practiced in museums, including the
registration and curation of archaeological collections;
artifact conservation; public interpretation of the past; and
exhibit design, composition, construction, and evaluation.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101
Minimum Grade of D.

AN 440 Adv Archaeological Field Meth 4 cr
This course involves participant instruction in archaeological
field and laboratory techniques, including advanced
cleanup, excavation, and survey methods, soils analysis, site
mapping with electronic instruments, sampling strategy, and site
interpretation. Requires permission of instructor.

AN 442 Cultural Resource Management 3 cr
This course examines the interaction between
archaeologists, architectural historians, historic
preservationists, state and federal governments, and
the public with regard to cultural resources. The focus of
the course is identification, evaluation, and mitigation of
cultural resources. Related topics discussed include public
perceptions of the past, ethics, and being a professional in
historical preservation.

AN 454 Anthropological Theory - W 3 cr
An advanced historical survey of anthropological ideas, with
primary emphasis on contemporary theoretical orientations
and debates. Examines anthropology's often contested
status as a science or humanity.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 470 Bioarchaeology - W 3 cr
This class introduces students to the field of bioarchaeology,
the study of human remains in archaeological contexts.
Through lectures, readings, activities, and discussions,
students will examine how skeletal remains are used to
reconstruct life in the past, including patterns of subsistence,
diet, disease, demography, biological relatedness, and
physical activity.
Pre-requisite: AN 250 Minimum Grade of B or AN 365
Minimum Grade of B.
AN 490  Special Topics  3 cr
Different topics of anthropological importance will be studied as announced. This 3 hour course may be repeated for credit as long as the content varies up to a maximum of 6 credit hours. Requires junior or senior standing; or permission of instructor.
Pre-requisite: (AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D).

AN 492  Senior Seminar -  3 cr
Course specifically designed for majors in their senior year. Some topical aspect of the discipline will be analyzed.
Pre-requisite: AN 100 Minimum Grade of D or AN 101 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 496  Anthropology Internship  3 TO 6 cr
Provides an opportunity to combine academic principles with practical experiences in an agency dealing with human relationships, cultural resources, or primate research. Specifics of the assignment result from mutual agreement among student, course director and agency. Course may be repeated for a maximum of six hours of credit. Requires advanced standing in Anthropology major and permission of course instructor. Fee.

AN 498  Senior Thesis  3 cr
With the guidance and advice of a faculty mentor, student will identify and carry out an in-depth, year-long, field research project in anthropology. The Senior Thesis will be judged and graded by a committee of three faculty, chaired by the faculty mentor. This course will be repeated to continue the thesis during a second semester. This is a 3 hour course that is expected to be repeated once for a total of six hours. Must be an Anthropology major; senior status; permission of a faculty mentor through an AN 394 Directed Studies course taken during the junior year.
Pre-requisite: AN 394 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 499  Honors Senior Thesis - H  3 cr
With the guidance and advice of a faculty mentor, honors students will identify and carry out an in-depth, year-long field research project in anthropology. The Honors Senior Thesis will be judged and graded by a committee of three faculty, chaired by the faculty mentor. This is a 3 hour course that can be repeated once for a total of six hours. Must be an Anthropology major; senior status; permission of a faculty mentor; grade point average of 3.5; and completion of a thesis prospectus prepared in consultation with the faculty mentor through an AN 394 Directed Studies course taken during the junior year.
Pre-requisite: AN 394 Minimum Grade of D.

AN 535  Museum Methods in Archaeology  3 cr
Archaeology as practiced in museums, including the registration and curation of archaeological collections; artifact conservation; public interpretation of the past; and exhibit design, composition, construction, and evaluation.

AN 542  Adv. Cultural Resource Mgmt.  3 cr
This course examines the interaction between archaeologists, architectural historians, historic preservationists, state and federal governments, and the public with regard to cultural resources. The focus of the course is identification, evaluation, and mitigation of cultural resources. Related topics discussed include public perceptions of the past, ethics, and being a professional in historical preservation.

AN 594  Directed Studies -  1 TO 3 cr
Field or library projects through which special interests of the student may be pursued on a tutorial basis with a graduate faculty member. Arrangements must be made prior to registration. Permission of the Department Chair is required.